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WAR DIARY

D.A.D.G.S. Office
(Div Ord. Hq. - 3-DIV)

NOVEMBER 1942

Volume X.
(2 sheets)

War Diary for
28 Hy AB Wkshops
(1-30 Nov. 42)

attached as

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WAR DIARY

Instructions regarding War Diaries and Intelligence Summaries are contained in P.S. Reg. Part II, and the Staff Manual respectively. Title pages will be prepared in manuscript.

Claudelands

Place: Claudelands

Date: Nov 2 - 14 Nov 1942

Hour: 1100 - 1800

Various units advised re stores still at Papakura.

Brigades and Arty H.Q. instructed to tell units to return all Vickers guns for replacement by Ordnance.

First section of staff went on furlough.


Overall and caps (old F.S. Caps) authorised for mechanics' use.

Return of D.A.D.O.S. (Major Myers) on furlough.

Trial by Court-martial of two Base Ordnance personnel, 409627 Ptes A.J. Fowlie, and 481,888 Pte. G.L. Gilmour on charge of desertion.

Special wooden stationery cabinets and stands made for D.A.D.O.S. Office by Messrs Barton & Ross, Hamilton.

Return of Sjt G.M. Williams from hospital treatment & sick leave.

Cooking equipment - War Equipment Table scale -- deficiencies Forwarded to Chief Ordnance Officer, with request that they be made up prior to units' embarkation. Lt. Col Bown O.C.O. advised by phone that all possible equipment would be placed on train leaving Trentham on 18th Nov.

69172 Pte. Thomas N.C. (DADOS storeman) marched out to Base Reception Depot for transfer to Base Ordnance Depot, Trentham.

Request made through Admin. Instructions for additional Ordnance personnel for L.A.D.S, 290035 Pte Henderson E.J. transferred from Div. H.Q., details to Div. Ord. H.Q. as a batman. Units instructed by signal and by Admin. Instruction No 118 to return all bicycles to nearest Ordnance Depot and that they would obtain new bicycles Mk. IV after their arrival overseas.

D.A.D.O.S. to Wellington in connection with units' deficiencies of equipment.

Request made to Army H.Q. for an establishment of tailors for new location of 3-Div.


Sjt Williams and Pte Greening J.J. left Claudelands for New Caledonia.

Old records etc. despatched to Army H.Q., Wellington.

D.A.D.O.S. returned from Wellington 7 a.m.

Sjt Smith B.C.W. transferred (& attached) to Arty H.Q., Tiraum.

Units proceeding to New Caledonia instructed re return of blankets & battledress clothing etc to Ord.
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#### INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY

**Place:** Hamilton

**Date:** 25 Nov.

**Hour:**

Several members of staff tested and passed for light trade vehicle (and car) motor-driving licenses.

465549 Cpl. Woodhams B.E. marched in from Trentham ex B.O.D. and territorial forces, as clerk.

**Date:** 26 Nov.

1100 hrs. D.A.D.O.S. (Major Myers) Pte T.H. Martin (driver) and Pte F.J. Waterson (batman) to Wellington by car via Waiouru R.C.O. en route for embarkation.

**Date:** 27 Nov.

1700 hrs. Cpl. S.T. Atkins (No. 155716) marched out on transfer to Base Ordnance Depot, Trentham.

**Date:** 28 Nov.

0900 hrs. Unit kitbags and cases (office) loaded on train for shipment overseas.

**Date:** 29 Nov.

Scheduled departure of majority of staff cancelled.

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D.A.D.O.S.
Ordinance Workshop Section
attached to
28 Heavy A.A. Regt 3-Div.

WAR DIARY

from
1 Nov 42
to
30 Nov 42.

2 sheets, No appendices.

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<td>JUDEPOLD</td>
<td>Nov 1</td>
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<td>Small part of W/shop War Establishment starting to arrive. Also packing up at the same time. Proc. W.E. Parker posted A.W.L. as from 2359 Hrs. 21 Oct. 42.</td>
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<td>Medical Inspection. Packing the little gear we have received. Issued Battle equipment to men. All packing completed. Small lot of equipment still arriving.</td>
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<td>1100</td>
<td>Embarkation completed in T 49 in Wellington at 1700 Hrs. 1 Officer, 3 Sgt's, 1 Cpl, 35 O.Re.</td>
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<td>AT SEA</td>
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<td>Departed from Wellington. Men quartered below decks in forward hold. Boat drill. Some of troops seasick. Air raid drill practised. Two meals per day for troops.</td>
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<td>AUCKLAND</td>
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<td>Arrived at Auckland. Men settling down.</td>
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<td>AT SEA</td>
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<td>Departed from Auckland. Additional look outs posted to combat submarine menace. Troops sleeping very cramped quarters below water line. All troops above decks by 0500 Hrs. on account of possibility of submarine attacks.</td>
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<td>NOUMEA</td>
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<td>Arrived Noumea. Anchored in harbour. Some units disembarked. W/shops retained on board to act as an unloading party. None of W/shop gear on T 49. Unloading boat in shifts to barges.</td>
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Intelligence Summary.

Summary of Events and Information.

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- Pay Parade. T 49 leaves harbour and docks next to another ship at wharf. First leave parade of 3 hours in Noumea.
- Left Dumba 0900 Hrs. for Cua Tom Camp Site. Arrived 1130 Hrs. Temporary camp established. 20 W/Ships personnel left at Dumba to drive Regiment vehicles to permanent camp on arrival. 1 Sgt., 2 L/Ops, 17 Ptes. Troops at Cua Tom fatigued owing to dirty travelling and lack of water.
- Permanent camp established at 1930 Hrs. on west side of main road approx 1½ miles north of aerodrome and opposite R.H.Q. permanent camp.
- Heavy rain during night. Establishment of camp. Lack of personnel and equipment handicapped progress very considerably.
- Establishment of camp continues. Galvanite used in digging pits etc. Lack of tools. Small number on loan from R.H.Q.
- Establishment of Camp. Men at Dumba working shifts unloading T 50. Unit vehicles used in transportation of Division equipment to transit camp.
- Sunday Routine. Camp personnel taken for wash to river 3 miles away.

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