

Saturday 30 Dec. 1944. All patrols and outposts returned during the morning with nothing further to report. Regiment commenced moving at 1230 to new camp area SE of TUNGA. Road conditions were very bad. 1st Squadron and Headquarters Troop closed in bivouac area 2000. Balance of the regiment had been working all day on moving base camp from the JARO Area.

Sunday 31 Dec. 1944. Entire day was spent in erection of camp and of balance of supplies and personnel from the JARO area. Weather has been excellent which has been a great help in the movement of the regiment. It is believed that the regiment will spend 12-14 days at this location.

Monday 1 Jan. 1945. A meeting of Squadron and Troop Commanders was held at 1130 on administrative matters, about completion of the camp, malaria control, and plans for the future. Regiment continued establishment of camp, thorough policing of areas, and arranging for re-equipping and movement in the near future. Troops continued work of improvement of their respective areas.

Tuesday 2 Jan. 1945. A complete property check was held all day. Requisitions are being prepared for all major item shortages. Troops continued improvement of areas.

Wednesday 3 Jan. 1945. Regimental Commander attended meeting of staff officers at 1st Cav. Div. Troops continue improvement of areas and work on vehicles. Movie at 1900.

Thursday 4 Jan. 1945. Plans and reconnaissance was made for construction of small arms and mortar ranges. Firing is to commence this coming Monday. Troops continue work on areas and construction work on living quarters.

Friday 5, Jan. 1945. Construction of small arms and mortar ranges were begun. Natives were used to help clear fields of fire, etc. Troops are making preparations for inspection tomorrow morning. The inspection will include personnel, equipment, arms, areas, installations, vehicles. Movie at 1900.

Saturday 6 Jan. 1945. Inspection of all troops at 0900-1130. CG, CO, and staff made the inspection. Results--excellent. Notes were made for minor deficiencies which are to be cleared up for an inspection 10 Jan. by CG, 1st Cav. Div. Afternoon rest period for troops. Work continued on ranges. Troops will begin firing Monday. Training program for the forth-coming week was published.

Sunday 7, Jan. 1945. Construction of ranges completed. Reconnaissance was made by Sq CO's, S-3's and Regimental S-3 for another MG Range. Ordnance Inspection for Headquarters Troop. Completed by 1200. Protestant Services at 1100 and 1800.

Monday 8, Jan. 1945. 81 MM Mortar platoons of Troops D, H, and Weapons Troop fired on mortar range NE of JARO. 2nd Squadron Troops fired on Small arms range all day. Flame thrower demonstration was held at 1300 at regimental area. Lectures on Personal Hygiene and Venereal Disease control and Intelligence was held during the morning for 1st Squadron (less mortar platoon Troop D).

Tuesday 9, Jan. 1945. Received FO 22 from 1st Cavalry Division concerning Embarkation Orders for future move. This FO was distributed to Sq, Tr, and Det commanders. 60 mm. mortar firing on mortar range for all mortar sections of 1st Sq. 2nd Squadron troops completed firing on small arms range. Intelligence Lecture and talk on personal hygiene and venereal disease control for Prov. Sq.

Wednesday 10 Jan. 1945. March Table to FO 22 from 1st Cavalry Div. was received this date. Officer and NCO School was held during the afternoon by Lt. Col. Hooper, RCT Ex. Off., on message writing. Weapons Troop fired on small arms range during the afternoon. Morning was spent in preparation for inspection. Gen. Fudge was unable to make the inspection and present the awards to the men who merited them in combat. Gen. Cunningham made the presentations. The inspection was called off, however, each troop commander made his own personal inspection, and the results were very satisfactory.

Wednesday, 10 Jan 1945 cont. S-3 personnel began the making of machine gun targets for the troops, who will commence firing tomorrow. Protestant Services at 1800 in Regimental Chapel.

Thursday 11 January 1945. March Table to FO 22 from 1st Cavalry Div. was distributed this date to all troops, squadron and Med. Det. CO. Regiment is in process of reassigning vehicles, and 44 jeeps and 23 jeep trailers are being turned in. Troops D and H commenced HMG firing. 60 mm. mortar firing by 1st Squadron on mortar range NE of JARO. 1st Squadron commenced firing on small arms range.

Friday, 12 Jan. 1945. 1st Squadron completed small arms firing. 1st Squadron and 2nd squadron (12 men per troop) had range practice with hand grenades and adapter and rifle grenades. 2nd Squadron personnel attended lectures on intelligence and personal hygiene and venereal disease control. Regimental Commander held meeting for staff, Squadron troop and Detachment commanders concerning movement and loading plans.

Saturday 13 Jan. 1945. Headquarters and Service troops fired on small arms range. Headquarters and Weapons troops had rifle grenade practice. Troops commenced mobile loading of equipment and troop property to the beach. Regimental CO and S-3 were called to RCT Hdq. where they received a change in time of departure. LST's will be loaded on the 17th and APA on 20th.

Sunday 14 Jan. 1945. Troops continued mobile loading of supplies and equipment. Co S-3 conference at RCT. Arrangements made for CO and TQM officers to confer with Navy.

Monday 15 Jan. 1945. Orders were received that APA would be loaded today. Mobile loading was speeded up. CO and TQM officers left at 0500I for beach to have conference with Navy about loading plan. S-3 to RCT for last minute instructions at 0930I. 1st Squadron Hdqs and Weapons troop personnel loaded on trucks at 2300I to move to beach at DUTAG where they will board ship the next day.

Tuesday 16 January 1945. Truck conveyors carrying personnel reached beach at 0315I. Jeeps and balance of supplies and equipment for APA reached same area at 0630I. Troops boarded the USS MONROVIA (APA 31) at 1430I. Details from the troops aboard ship were used for loading of equipment, supplies and rations from small craft to the APA. Work continued throughout the night.

Wednesday 17 Jan. 1945. Loading was continued by all troops aboard ship. Details were sent to the beach and other ships of the forming convoy to help with loading. Vesper services held at 1715I on fantail.

Thursday, 18 Jan. 1945. Abandon ship drill held at 0900I and again at 1330I were satisfactory. Rations for the ship were boarded late in the afternoon. One EM of Weapons Troop and one EM of Troop B were accidentally wounded when the Weapons Trooper was cleaning his BAR and it went off, seriously wounding himself and slightly wounding the other EM. Latter wound was caused by ricochette. Weapons trooper was hospitalized and will probably be evacuated from the ship. B Trooper was given first aid and released. Inspection of the ship at 1000I proved satisfactory. Vesper services on fantail at 1715I.

Friday 19 Jan. 1945. Abandon ship drill at 0845I. Teams were organized for departure and two drills were held at 0930I and 1330I. First drill was not satisfactory, however, second drill was greatly improved. Inspection of ship at 1000 by CO staff and Naval officers satisfactory. Ice cream is now available to the troops. Troops will be divided into two groups, each group receiving their ice cream on alternate days. General Quarters sounded twice during the night, but no enemy aircraft appeared. Vesper services at 1715I on Fantail.

Saturday, 20 Jan. 1945. Word was received that the balance of regiment had been loaded on LST's. No drills or inspection of ship due to bad weather. One General Quarters sounded during the night. Vesper services at 1715 on fantail. Weapon Trooper who was wounded Thursday was evacuated from ship in the afternoon.

Sunday, 21, Jan. 1945. Abandon ship drill at 0845I. Inspection of ship at 1000I. Debarkation Drill at 1330I. Protestant Service 0900I.

Monday, 22 Jan. 1945 Ship moved 15 miles South along the coast of LEYTE TO AKOYB. Debarkation drill at 0845I satisfactory. Officers received brief orientation on LUZON at 1430I from General Cunningham. General Quarters sounded once during the night.

Tuesday, 23 Jan. 1945. Abandon ship drill at 0845I and Debarkation drill at 0845I satisfactory. No inspection of ship due to bad weather. All troops received orientation on LUZON and possible future actions by the regiment at 1430I by the Troop Commanders. General Quarters sounded twice during the night.

Wednesday, 24 Jan. 1945 Our convoy of 15 ships (transport and cargo vessels) escorted by 7 DD, left AKOYB for LITG/MEN GULF on western coast of LUZON. Convoy is to reach its destination by 0700I 27 January. Inspection of ship at 1000I satisfactory. Troops received lecture on patrolling and patrol reports at 1330I. Vesper services at 1745I, but was interrupted by General Quarters at 1810I. General Quarters sounded two more times during the night.

Thursday, 25 Jan. 1945 General Quarters at 0545I. All clear at 0620I. No enemy planes appeared. Two debarkation drills at 0815I and 0830I. Inspection of ship at 1000I satisfactory. Troops received weapons instructions at 1330I. General Quarters at 1030I and 1910I. During the last GC an enemy plane attacked our convoy, hitting an LFD, knocking out one of the ships engines. The ship was forced to drop out and return to place of departure. During the late afternoon our convoy passed another going in the opposite direction.

Friday, 26 January, 1945 Debarkation drill at 0845I and 1330I. Inspection of ship at 1000I. During the afternoon the troops began preparations for debarkation tomorrow morning. Barracks bags were brought up on deck and placed at No. 5 hatch for speedy unloading. General Quarters sounded twice during the night. No enemy aircraft appeared.

Saturday, 27 Jan. 1945 Troops commenced debarkation at 0800I. All vehicles were unloaded from APA by 1700. S-4 dump was set up at the beach near landing point (S/V FABIAN) and supplies and equipment were forwarded to bivouac area near CATABLAN (328230). LST's commenced unloading late in the afternoon and continued throughout the night. By 2200I Headquarters Troop Medical Detachment, and 1st Squadron personnel had closed to bivouac area.

Sunday, 28 January, 1945 Balance of the regiment moved into area during the day. Reconnaissance was made by CO and S-3 for new advanced CP area near GUIMRO, some 30 miles distant. Having located the area, CO and S-3 returned and regiment commenced loading of equipment to move forward at 1800I. Late in the afternoon orders were received that the highway was not open to our traffic at this time. Exact time of departure is not known at present.

Monday, 29 Jan. 1945. Due to uncertainty of time of departure to the advanced area, all troop kitchens were unloaded and set-up for the day. At 1200I word was received to have convoys formed and ready to hit the road at 1600I. All barracks bags and personal equipment was to be taken. Some delay caused a hold-up, and the convoy did not commence movement until 1930I. By 2300I Regimental HQ, Headquarters Troop, Medical Detachment, Troops A and B, and elements of Troops C and D had closed to new area near GUIMRA. (Exact location 530956).

Tuesday, 30 Jan. 1945 60 Men of Troop B established security along Highway # 3 from bivouac area to railroad crossing to facilitate movement of 1st Cav. Div. over highway without interruption. By 1830I 2nd Squadron, Weapons and Service Troops, and balance of Troops C and D closed in bivouac area. General Cunningham made an informal inspection of troop areas. At 1900I CO and S-3 went to Division HQ to attend meeting about future plans for the regiment. Upon their return the CO called a meeting of all officers at 2100I, passing on information he had received at Div.

Wednesday, 31 Jan. 1945 Troops continued improvement of camp site, all units having closed on preceding day. The 112th Cav. Regt. is released from attachment to 1st Cav. Div. and placed in Sixth Army reserve. At 0200I Troop A left for White Beaches work detail at 1st Cav. Div. Ammunition Dump. Patrols: 3 patrols consisting of one officer and 9 FM, 2 jeeps and SCR 300 radio, each left CP at 2030I over the following routes: Troop E moved by motor to NAGMISAHAN to BABICAT, dismounted moved to TALOGTOG and returned to BABICAT and moved by motor from there to NAGMISAHAN. A dismounted patrol was sent with native guides along route NAGMISAHAN, SAN CARLOS, COMACILIAN, SANGCAGULIS and returned to NAGMISAHAN. Troop F left highway at junction S of NAGMISAHAN and moved by motor with Filipino guide along route BAMBUNAN #1, BANGCAY, BAMBANAPA #2, RIGAL, BUTU D, CARANTON to SAN ANTONIO.

Troop H contacted guerilla officer at NAGMISAHAN and was given a guide and moved by motor along route BAMBANAN, BANGCAY, CABARETON to highway.

Thursday, 1 Feb. 1945 Troop A returned from beach reporting that Ammo. officer had no knowledge of their coming and did not have trucks available for loading at that time. 12 trucks were loaned to 1st Cav. Div. last night to assist in advancing troops forward. Orders were received at 1000I to furnish one troop and vehicles at beach to move one U/F from White Beach to 1st Cav. Div. Ammo. dump at GUIMBA. As trucks did not return from assisting in personnel haul only one truck was available. Troop F was designated for this work detail at the beach and moved out at 1230I in one Cav. truck and 2 PW trucks. Other artillery and Cav. trucks to be sent to the beach as they return or come off dead line. Headquarters Troop replacement fired familiarization course on rifle range. 1st Squadron held practice loading of reinforced motorized Squadron during the morning. The three patrols sent out at 2030I yesterday returned at 0600I reporting as follows: Troop E no information of enemy. Villages of SAN CARLOS and SAN GABRIEL are uninhabited. Dry weather tracks shown on map do not exist or are small trails not adaptable to vehicles. Troop F- Last enemy seen in RECAL on 3 July 44. No roads exist in area covered. BARRIO BANGCAY is known as SANTA CRUZ to civilians. Patrol of 1st. Bn, 1st Inf. contacted 1,000 yards W of BANGCAY. Troop H- no information of enemy. 5 man CP of 1st Inf. contacted at 525055. Roads shown on map are non-existent. Today's patrols: Troop B one officer, 7 EM, 2 jeeps and SCR 300 radio. Route 530956, PURA, SAN AUGUSTIN, P/ CARASO, SAN MANUEL, 492937, SAN MAURICIO, 506960, SAN RAFAEL (510945) and return. TD 010800I; R 011530I. These patrols had the following to report: Name changes: PACARASO to LAMORITO. SAN MANUEL to SAN GUEL. SAN MAURICIO to SAN ORKI. Native report that 50 Japs with packs and a few rifles were seen on 312200I January at river junction at 302989. Village not shown on map at 506960 called SAN JORGE. Dry weather tracks on map are only cart trails. Radio transmission and reception very difficult.

Friday, 2 Feb. 1945 At 0900 all trucks that had been loaned out to Div. for personnel haul had returned except one was believed to be with Troop G, 8th Cav. Plans are being made to start training. Training memo was published. Reconnaissance made for range. Survey made of vehicles to mount Reconnaissance platoon of Headquarters Troop. Patrols: Patrol of one officer, 7 EM, Troop B, dismounted. Route 530956, CASHINGSONG, 535000, CAMING, AYOS LIMBOY, CASHINGSONG, CP. TD 020800I; R 021700I. Part 1 of one officer, 7 EM Troop E, mounted w/SCR 300. Route 530956, SAN ANTONIO, PACAC, BALOG, BALBALINO No. 1, BALBALINO No. 2, SAN PEDRO, LENNEC, CP. Patrolled dismounted 1,000 yards E, N, and S on E bank of BALAY RIVER opposite BALBALINO No. 2. TD 020800I; R 021645I. Patrol of one officer, 7 EM, Troop A, mounted with SCR 300. Route 530956, NAGMISAHAN, BAMBANAN, SANTA CRUZ (BANGCAY), RIZAL, BAYLHAS, return. Patrols found guerrillas to be very active in their areas. Dry weather roads shown on map of patrol area are only cart trails but passable in jeeps. Barrio BALBALINO no. 2 does not show on map and is located on BALAY RIVER at 554014.

Saturday, 3 Feb. 1945 Vehicles were issued to Headquarters Troop to remount Reconnaissance Platoon. Regimental CO called meeting of all troop commanders with reference to unsatisfactory camp condition and military courtesy. Patrols: One officer, 7 EM, Troop H, mounted. Route CP, BUIM, MATARRNO, 585957, F/IGAL, SANTA LUCIA, CAVITE, GUIMBA, CP. TD 0800; R 1700. One officer, 7 EM, Troop C, mounted. Route CP, GUIMBA, CALINAT, F/IGAL, GUIMBA, CP. TD 0800; R 1620. Capt. Stallings, 1st Sq Hq, with 8 EM and 8 guerillas departed 0730 for CATARLAN to investigate report of 400 Japs 8 miles W of our rear echelon. Their patrol found CO E, 6th Rangers in the area. To avoid hampering Ranger operations, the patrol withdrew from the area, picking up one PW at BARRACA west of VILLASIS. Two Japs with one 7.7 mm rifle, 10 rounds of 7.7 ammo and one knee mortar killed at 541136 on 3 Feb. Five Japs with 5 rifles and ammo and 50 grenades killed in northeastern part of MONCADO. New village at 615007 called TADOC. Both road bridges crossing BENITAN RIVER to GUIMBA found to be impassable to vehicles but the river is less than one foot deep and can be forded.

Sunday, 4 Feb. 1945 Troop B was dispatched to MONCADO to investigate report of 1,000 Japs in the SAPANG area. TD 0915 and returned 1330, stating the report to be completely unfounded. Troop F returned to camp from beach where they were working as a loading detail for 1st Cav. Div. Patrols: One officer, 5 EM, 2 guerillas, Troop E, motorized. Route CP, PURA, BALBALOTO, P/NGAR, VICTORIA, ESTIPONA, SALFUNGAN GERONA, PANICUL, RAMOS, SINGAT, PURA, RAMOS, TOLEDO (962427) 95430, RAMOS, PURA, CP. TD 0800; R 1745. One Nco, 7 men, Hq Troop, motorized. Route CP, SARIT, PAITAN, TUROD, 461107, CP. TD 0930; R 1530. One officer, 3 EM, 1 guerilla, Troop E motorized. Route CP GUIMBA, SAN REQUE, CONCEPCION, CALIBUGAN, VICTORIA, MANCALAGO, T/ BINGILAG, D/ LERAYAN, 585855, CP. TD 1100, R 1805. One NCO, 7 men, Troop C, motorized. Route CP, GUIMBA, CONSUELO, C/ LONG, BUOL, F/IGAL, SAN ANDREAS (564021) CAVITE GUIMBA, CP. TD 1815; R 1600. One officer, 7 EM, Wpns Troop, motorized.

Route GUIMPA, CONSUELO, SANGAT, SANTA CRUZ, SANTA RITA, SANTO NINO, LICAB, BANTOG, BALANGORING, CASANOVA, CP. TD 0800; R 1600. Civilians of PAITAN AND TURD are evacuating toward KABLIV. Barrios not shown on map et; (1) 574021 called SAN ANDREAS, (2) 426962 called TOLEDO, (3). 394936 called SAN ROMANO.

Monday, 5 Feb, 1945 Gen Krueger, Gen. Cunningham and staff inspected camp area today. The General was well-pleased with condition of camp. Blackout restriction was lifted today. Weapons Troop fired on MG range. Meeting called by Regimental CO about disorderly conduct reported by Civil Affairs of soldiers in GUIMPA. Patrols One NCO and 4 men, Troop C, motorized, Route CP, CONSUELO, SANGAT, SANTO ROSARIO, SAPINGANYAN, SANTA RITA, CASANOVA, SANTA CRUZ, CONCEPCION, SAN ROQUE, CP. TD 0800; R 1545. One officer, 4 EM, Troop A, motorized. Route CP, SAN ANTONIO, ALEMANIA, MAMPICUAN, SAN FRANCISCO, SAN JULIAN, PANIQUE, RAMOS, PANCE, RAMOS, CP. TD 0815, R 1700. One NCO and 4 Men, Troop B, motorized. Route CP, SAN MANUEL, BUENOVISTA, BANTOG, MALITIQUE, SAN AUGUSTIN, VICTORIA, CALINUNGAN, PINAGPANDAYAN, GUIMBA, CP. TD 0800, R 06150. One NCO and 4 men Troop E motorized. Route CP, ROSALES, CARALANGAN, CALINUTAN, NAGTSHAHAN, BANGCAY, SAN ANTONIO, CP. TD 0800; R 1600. One NCO, 4 men, Troop E motorized. Route CP, PURA, MAUNGIS, PLASTADO, FLACISCATO, CARBONEL, SINGAT, PURA, CP. TD 0730; R 1600. One NCO, 4 men, Troop D motorized. Route CP, GUIMPA, CUSUNGSUNG, CAVITE, BAYBAS, AYOS LUMBOY, CP. TD 1730; R 1600. Investigation of civilian report at 0845 that there was a party of 5 Japs at CALINUTAN (SOUTH of ROSALES) found nothing in the area. All other patrols reported negative and civilians in all areas seen to agree that there have been no enemy in the area for the last 2 weeks.

Tuesday, 6 Feb, 1945 2nd Squadron fired on MG range. Inspection of all troops at 1600. Inspection consisted of arms, personnel, areas and quarters. Patrols: One officer, 4 EM, motorized. Route CP, GUIMPA, QUEZON, LICAB, BLOREALTAG, SANTO DOMINGO, BALOC, CULONG, CP. TD 0800; R 1600. One officer, 4 EM, motorized. Route CP, GUIMPA, MACALALIT, SIPUL, CALIBUNGAN, KONGLAGO, PINAGPANDAYAN, MANAKSAO, GUIMPA, CP. TD 0820; R 061700. One NCO, 3 men, motorized. Route CP, GUIMBA, CULONG, PUNOL, FAIGAL, SANTA LUCIA, GUIMBA, CP. TD 0800; R 1530. One NCO, 4 men, motorized. Route CP, KABLIV, CHATO, MAMPICUAN, SAN JULIAN, PANIQUE, RAMOS, PURA, CP. TD 0800; R 1700. One officer, 3 EM, motorized. Route CP, BUENOVISTA, PANTUG, MALITIQUE, SAN AUGUSTIN, VICTORIA, BALALOTO, ESTIFONA, PURA, GERONA, PANIQUE, RAMOS, PURA, CP. TD 0800; R 1530. Patrol of one NCO, 4 men, motorized, Route CP, SABIT, MALINING, TURD-PAITAN, MALINING, CP. TD 0800; R 1645. No enemy contacts were made by our patrols.

Wednesday, 7 Feb, 1945 2nd Squadron completed firing on range. Patrols: One officer, one rifle platoon, SCR 694, one LMG squad with one LMG, one guerrilla officer and guerrilla squad moved to SAN JUAN (574154) area to investigate report that small groups of Japs were using that route in their movement Eastward. The patrol has a combat mission and is to thoroughly cover the surrounding area remaining there until 080930I unless the situation calls for further action. SCR 694 is being used for communication. Patrol departed 070830I and reported arrival at SAN JUAN. TD 070830I; ETR 080930I. One NCO, 3 men, motorized. Route CP, SAN RAFAEL, JUDOT, BUENOVISTA, BANTOG, SAN NICHOLAS, VICTORIA, BALALOTO, ESTIFONA, MALITIQUE, SINGAT, CP. TD 070800I; R 071642. One NCO, 3 men, motorized. Route CP, GUIMBA, CALINAT, FAIGAL, SAN SARGING, 577058, CAVITE, GUIMBA, CP. TD 070800I. R 071530I. One officer, 3 EM, motorized, Route CP, GUIMBA, CONCEPCION, CALIBUNGAN, MANOLAGO, VICTORIA, TALACALAC, LICAB, SAN LUIS, LICAB, SANTO NINO, CP. TD 070800I; R 071630I. One NCO, 7 men, motorized. Route CP, GUIMBA, CASANOVA, SANTO NINO, SANTA RITA, LORONG, SANTO ROSARIO, BALOC, SAN FASCUAL, SANTO NINO, CASANOVA, CP. TD 070800I. R 071600I. Results: No enemy contact. Men who have evacuated SAN JUAN area have returned since our patrols have started operation near there. The women and children are remaining in the KABLIV area.

Thursday, 8 Feb., 1945 HQ. Troop fired on MG range. Orders were received for regiment to move and set up CP's and bridge guards from CARANATUAN to NOVALICHES. Troop E moved to CARANATUAN, Troop F to SAN MIGUEL, followed by Troop H and 2nd Sq. HQ. to GAVAN. Patrols: Patrol of one rifle platoon reinforced with one LMG and guerrilla squad is located in SAN JUAN area. R 081000I. One NCO, 3 men, motorized. Route CP, GUIMBA, CASANOVA, LICAB, and return. TD 080730; R 081000I. One NCO, 4 men, motorized. Route CP, GUIMBA, CAVITE, BAYBAS, CAMING, AYOS LUMBOY, GUIMBA, CP. TD 080800I; R 081600I. One NCO, 3 men, motorized. Route CP, JUDOT, SAN MAURICIO, SAN AUGUSTIN, BUENOVISTA, PURA, BLETE, LIMLO, PLASTADO, FLACISCATO, CARBONEL, SINGAT, CP. TD 080800I; R 091600I. One NCO, 4 men, motorized. Route CP, SAN ANTONIO, ALEMANIA, MAYANTOC, MAMPICUAN, SAN JULIAN, PANIQUE, PANCE, RAMOS, MEDICO, SAN FRANCISCO, CP. TD 080835I; R 081640I. Patrol of one NCO, 3 men, motorized. Route CP, GUIMBA, CASANOVA, LICAB, VICTORIA, CALIBUNGAN, SAN ROQUE. CP TD 080810I; R 081715I.

Friday, 9 Feb, 1945 Balance of regiment had moved from GUIMBA area to the following locations: HQ. Troop, Service Troop, Weapons Troop, Regt'l HQ- SAN PEDRO: Troop A- NOVALICHES; Troop B- SANTA MARIA; Troop C - HOT CORNER. Troop D was split up and utilized as reinforcements for other 1st SQ. Troops, 148th FA BN. less Battery F located at SANTA MARIA. Btry B is with Troop E at CABANATUAN. The entire day was spent with Troops setting up camp and establishing defensive positions. Patrols: One officer, 7 EM, motorized. Route C. NAGHISAHAN, BANGCAY, SANTA CRUZ, EUTED, and return. TD 090800I; R 091700I. One NCO, 3 men, motorized. Route C, GUIMBA, FAIGAL, SANAN SARGING, TALINGTUG-BALI, BLOV, CAVITE, GUIMBA, C. TD 090810I; R 091630I. One officer, 3 EM, motorized. Route CP, GUIMBA, CASANOVA, SANTO NINO, LICAP, and return. TD 090900I; R 091130I. One NCO, 3 men, motorized. Route C, FACAYAO, TARTIDO, SUPOL, TURA, VICTORIA, CALIRANGAN, SIBUL, GUIMBA, CP. TD 090800I; R 091535I. One NCO, 3 men, motorized. Route C, KARLIN, CUYANO, TIGLISAN, SAN MANUEL, MONCADO, GERONA, CP. TD 090800I; R 091601I. Results: No enemy contact.

Saturday, 10 Feb. 1945 Arrangements are being made to supply guerrillas with ammo and the first allowance was drawn by them this date. Location of troops: (1) 1st Sq Hq- SANTA MARIA. (2) Troop A (less 2 plat) reinforced with one section 81 mm mortar and one section HMG- NOVALICHES. (3) One plat Troop A- one mile S of SAN JOSE. (4) One plat Troop A reinforced with one HMG section and one 60 mm mortar squad -845016. (5) Troop B (less 2 plats) reinforced with one section HMG-SANTA MARIA. (6) One plat Troop B-SAN PEDRO. (7) One plat Troop B - MUZON. (8) Troop C reinforced with one HMG platoon and one 81 mm mortar section - 907892 (9) Troop D (less Pts) - SANTA MARIA. (10) 2nd Sq Hq - GATAN. (11) Troop E reinforced with one section AT and Btry "B", 148th FA- CABANATUAN (12) Troop F - SAN MIGUEL. (13) Troop H GAPAN. (14) Hq, Serv, Wpns Troops, Regt'l Hq--SAN PEDRO. Weapons Troop sector: Patrol of one NCO and 3 men, motorized. Route CP, BINTOG, SANTOL, FANDI, SILING, MATANBA, and return, TD 101605I; ETR 111000I.

Sunday, 11 Feb, 1945 S-2 made air reconnaissance of ANGAT area in late afternoon. Patrols: Patrol of one NCO and 3 men, motorized. Route CP, BINTOG, SANTOL, FANDI, SILING, MATANBA, and return which departed 101605I returned at 111000I. One section Reconnaissance Platoon. Route CP to ANGAT. TD 111350I; ETR 111830I. One platoon Weapons Troop to MALINIG. TD 110920 to intercept 100 Japs reported by guerrillas to be moving EAST from that point. ETR 111830I. Results: The Weapons Troop combat patrol with 81 mm mortars, in conjunction with Reconnaissance Platoon, 12th Cavalry advanced NORTH from KATAKTE and were supported by our patrol. The engagement lasted all day with the enemy withdrawing to the EAST. 50 enemy were killed, 16 rifles and one IMG were captured. Guerrilla reconnaissance will be continued during the night. Our troops had no losses. Guerrillas had one officer and one EM KIA and 3 PW WIA. One civilian was killed. Troop A outpost at 845016 was attacked by enemy at 110530I. The assault platoon and guerrillas, 1st Sq Hq, reinforced the Troop A outpost during the morning. The Jap road block was eliminated and driven from the immediate area. 15 enemy were killed. We had 2 EM WIA. Troop C at 907892 was attacked during the night 10-11 February. The attack was repulsed. Our losses were one EM KIA. No further details available at this time. Late report- 12 Japs killed.

Monday, 12 February 1945 Troop E less one platoon (which remained at CABANATUAN) and Btry B 148 FA moved from CABANATUAN to SAN PEDRO where they will remain in Regt'l reserve. Troops reached SAN PEDRO where they will remain in Regt. reserve. Troops reached SAN PEDRO at 2300I. CO made an all day reconnaissance to 1st Sq Hq at SANTA MARIA, to Troop B and FA Btry at MUZON, to Troop A platoon between Troops B and C, to Troop C at HOT CORNER, to Troop A at NOVALICHES. Troop C at HOT CORNER was attacked at 0100 by undetermined number of Japs with knee mortars. Attack was repulsed with 3 Japs killed and the balance withdrew from the area. Our losses were one EM KIA, 2 EM WIA. Reconnaissance Platoon patrol in ANGAT area of 2 EM with guerrillas to patrol ANGAT-FULONG SANTALOK. TD 1200; ETR 131500. This patrol was fired on by 3 MGs and mortar 500 yards SOUTH of ANGAT from enemy position to the WEST at 1000I. Reconnaissance was made with guerrillas of the enemy position which was determined to extend from 847052 to 854032. Estimated strength of enemy is 150. 61 mm mortars, supporting the Recon Platoon, went into position at southern edge of ANGAT and fired 3 rounds; the enemy returned fire with one round of mortar which landed in our mortar positions, wounding one EM. Our mortars moved to a new position in ANGAT and fired a 25 round concentration. After this concentration at 1700, approximately 30 rounds of enemy artillery fire hit in ANGAT. One civilian was killed and 4 wounded. The Recon Platoon and mortar section withdrew to MARUNGKO. Patrol of 8 men, Hq Troop, motorized. Route CP, SAN RALFEL, MARONQUILLO (830108). TD 1100I; R 1400I. Patrol 3 men Wpns Troop, dismounted. Route CP, MATAMIG, KATAKTE, NINGAN. TD 1930I; R 1700I. Encountered estimated 25 Japs at 778078. The patrol, with guerrillas successfully attacked the enemy at 1300I., killing 7 and capturing 20 packs, 6 rifles, one carbine, one HMG, one pistol, and 2 Knee mortars. Our patrol and guerrillas had no losses. One Filipino civilian was killed in the area by Japs

during the early morning. Patrol of 8 men, Troop A CP (845014), dismounted. Route N to 842025. TD 0800I; R 1330I. Encountered small enemy group at 1200I. No losses. Patrol of 8 men, Troop A CP dismounted to 873013. TD 0800I; R 1330I. Encountered estimated 30 Japs with LMG and mortar. Three enemy killed. Our losses none. Patrol 8 men, Troop A, dismounted. Route NOVALICHES to 7th Cav. at NOVALICHES DAM. TD 0800I; R 1430I. No contact with the enemy. Patrol 1 officer, 8 men, Troop B, dismounted. Route CP to 739108. TD 1130I; R 1400I. No contact. Patrol of one squad, Troop B, motorized. Route SANTA MARIA, EUNDI, SILING MATANDA (813034). TD 0800I; R 1300I. No contact. Patrol of 8 men, 2nd Sq Assault party, 26 guerrillas. Route GAPAN, FARAYA (880567) to PIEZ (942556) Encountered estimated Co. of Japs dug in and in caves at 968532. Three Japs were killed; we had no losses. Patrol will set up ambush tonight to ambush Japs coming into PIEZ for food. One section AT departed CP at 1430I and arrived 1st Sq Hq at 1630I for attachment.

Tuesday, 13 Feb, 1945 Troop E, less one Platoon (remaining at CABANITUAN), arrived CP at 122330I and went into bivouac. Btry "B", 148th FA, from CABANITUAN, arrived at CP 0400I and bivouaced in Service Troop area. Two Japs infiltrated into Troop C's perimeter at HOT CORNER at 130130I. Two Japs were killed. Our losses were one EM KIA and one officer and one EM WIA. The Rcn Platoon continued operations in the ANGAT area. The platoon bivouaced for the night 12 Feb at MARUNGKO and with guerrillas to reconnoiter FULONG SAMALOK and another two-man patrol with guerrillas had departed to reconnoiter SIBUL. At 122000I an unknown number of enemy entered ANGAT and commenced burning the town. Immediately prior to the Jap entry, civilians started evacuation toward MARUNGKO. Guerrilla reconnaissance during the night in the ANGAT area could not get any definite information of the number of Japs involved in the raid. The Rcn Platoon was not attacked during the night. At 130800I the 81 mm mortar Platoon, Wpns Troop was attached to Rcn. Platoon. Conferences were held with guerrilla leaders at TABOK and plans made for an attack by the Rcn Platoon and approximately 250 guerrillas. The guerrillas deployed on Line of Departure generally along grid line 83 with Rcn Platoon dismounted and 81 mm mortar Platoon on the left flank at SABANG. The attack commenced at 131100I and the ridge WEST and SOUTHWEST of ANGAT was secured without opposition. On the previous day Rcn Platoon had received considerable fire from this ridge. A dismounted Rcn patrol of 2 EM received fire ANGAT and withdrew. The entire force moved on ANGAT and secured the town at 1410I with light opposition. Three Japs were killed, the remainder escaped to the SOUTHEAST, and 3 rifles captured. No identification or documents were found. Three old Filipino women were found bayoneted to death. One old Filipino woman was found with bayonet wounds. A motorized patrol was sent to contact Troop A at 845014, but could not pass through ANGAT because of debris blocking the road. A patrol reconnoitered to the outskirts of NORZAGARAY but withdrew when friendly artillery fire was placed in that area. Patrol reconnoitered LAONG. Outposts were established along EAST bank of ANGAT RIVER from SANTA LUCIA to the southern outskirts of ANGAT. A patrol of 15 EM from Rcn Platoon with 15 guerrillas departed from ANGAT to reconnoiter area at 875060 where a wounded American soldier had been left. Rcn Platoon and 81 mm mortar Platoon were ordered to withdraw at 131800I to Regimental CP, leaving guerrilla outposts in the ANGAT area. Guerrillas report that there were Pro-Jap Filipinos accompanying the Japs who burned ANGAT. Troop A patrol killed one Jap at SILING MATANDA (810030) morning of 13 Feb. Guerrillas working with our forces killed one Jap in that area. Troop Hq of Troop A and one section 81mm mortars from troop D moved from NOVALICHES to 845014, thus establishing Troop A (less two platoons) with one LMG section and one 81 mm mortar section attached at that location. One platoon, Troop B (Lt. Gillmore) departed CP 130830I with mission of security for Btry "B", 148th FA at 805069. ETR 131800I. At 131640I a flight of US planes, identified as SED (A-24), believed to be US Navy or Marine, dropped nine 100-pound bombs, one 500-pound bomb, and numerous anti-personnel (approximately 20 pounds) bombs at 732118. This area was also strafed. Three unexploded anti-personnel bombs are in the area. Three civilians were wounded. Two 100-pound bombs and several anti-personnel (approximately 20 pounds) bombs were dropped at SAN ROQUE. One civilian was killed and three civilians were wounded. In the above attacks no damage was done to military installations or personnel. The six civilian casualties were treated at the Regimental Aid Station.

Wednesday, Feb 14, 1945 1st Squadron, 114th Cavalry, HOT CORNER received sporadic artillery fire during the period 131900I to 140430. During the period a party of approximately 75 Japs attacked the perimeter from the North. It was believed that the Japs attacking the perimeter were the same group who had been sighted earlier in the period. The Japs made several determined attacks against our perimeter. Defensive artillery fires were placed around the perimeter and the Japs dispersed. Patrols working around the area found 25 dead Japs. At dawn three platoons patrolled the area North and South of the SANTA MARIA-HOT CORNER ROAD with nil contacts. Patrols operating from HOT CORNER were unable to locate any Japs within a radius of 3 miles. Our casualties during the period were 3 men slightly wounded

and one $\frac{1}{4}$ ton LxL and one $\frac{1}{4}$ ton trailer destroyed by a direct hit. Artillery fire was placed on all probable Jap artillery locations within range during the period. Troop A, less detachment, was relieved in the NOVALICHES area by a platoon of 8th Cavalry and joined the platoon of Troop A on SANTA MARIA-NOZAGARAY ROAD vicinity of 850018. A small advanced OP from A Troop sighted 80 Japs at 1400 moving NW from BATONG-ULING (867032). Troop E operating SOUTH along the N-E ridge West of ANGAT, killed 17 Japs in their advance at 141300. At approximately 141500 an estimated 34 Japs with packs and arms moving NW South of ANGAT at 857042 were placed under artillery fire with excellent results. Patrols did not reach the area prior to dark, therefore enemy casualties were not determined. B Battery moved in to position TABOK (807069) and fired on reported enemy position in the area generally East of NOZAGARAY and gave close support to Troop E operating on the ridge West of ANGAT (see attached overlay for area fired on by artillery). This Battery returned to BOITOL prior to dark. 2nd Squadron, 112th Cavalry, in delayed reports from vicinity of PIAS (928558) reported killing 6 Japs vicinity 9 355355. Reports indicate that the enemy is entrenched further East than originally supposed and makes frequent small party sorties into villages in the lowlands approximately 6 miles East of Highway # 5. Our reconnaissance continues in the area. Patrols from the 6th Reconnaissance Troop were contacted by our patrols operating in the vicinity of PIAS. The 6th Reconnaissance patrols reported to our patrols that they had no enemy contact in the area. Local patrols and security detachments along the Line of Communication made no contact during the period. 148th PA Bn, less B Battery, displaced 1000 yards to the West at 140730 and fired interdiction fire on Jap avenues of approach to HOT CORNER. The batteries will continue to displace after firing to avoid Jap counter-battery fire.

Thursday, 15 Feb, 1945 C Troop at HOT CORNER started receiving artillery early in the period at 142 0001. This artillery fire was the prelude to an attack which was carried out by an estimated 300 Japs, previously reported 500, during the night of 14-15 Feb. At 21001 one 37 mm AT gun, one heavy .30 MG and one light MG within our perimeter were destroyed by enemy artillery fire. The enemy then attempted to approach our perimeter with a number of small groups but was foiled in his attempt by our automatic weapons fire with supporting mortars and artillery. This type of action occurred every few hours until after day-light the Japs placed a concentration of about 50 rounds on our perimeter and withdrew under cover of the artillery. One of our liaison planes at 0715 located one of the enemy guns by flash and placed counter battery fire effectively silencing the gun. Our patrols covering the area outside the HOT CORNER perimeter counted 46 dead Japs. During the action observers report that the Japs fired between 200 and 300 rounds into our perimeter. Our casualties during the action were 1 KIA and 7 WIA. Patrols operating from HOT CORNER at 0900 spotted 25 Japs at 902913. Artillery fire was placed on the Japs but results could not be determined due to terrain. At 151815 a group of approximately 150 Japs were located on a trail at 925938. This area had been previously registered upon and very effective fire was placed causing 50 Jap casualties determined by subsequent flight over area. Following this concentration a bridge, 925938, which the Japs had constructed during the day, was destroyed by precision fire and a truck hauling bridging material was destroyed. Patrols along the SANTA MARIA-HOT CORNER ROAD made no enemy contact. A reconnaissance patrol operating EAST from Troop A, 850019, sighted 15 Japs in well prepared positions at 908023. Artillery was placed on the area and our patrol moved thru the area with no contact. Patrols operating North of Troop A positions sighted several groups of Japs totaling 75 in the general vicinity of 851036. Artillery and mortar fire was placed in the area. No report as to the effectiveness of the fire had been received at the close of the period. Reconnaissance patrols reported that these Japs appeared to be scavenging for food. A small patrol operating SOUTH-EAST TO TIGBY 866993 sighted two Japs at extreme range. Contact was lost. One four man patrol sighted a 10 man enemy patrol at 700020 at 1514001 but lost contact. Patrols operating along the line-of-communications North of BALIWAG reported an estimated Jap company near PIAS 942556 but patrols operating East from SAN MIGUEL, GAPAN and CARAMATUAN had no enemy contact. All local security patrols reported nil contact. Repeated Jap assault on HOT CORNER were repulsed during the period with Jap losses totalling 96 KIA with one truck and one gun destroyed. Our losses were 1 KIA, 7 WIA, one AT Gun, one HMG and 1 LMG destroyed. Charlie Troop was replaced by Baker Troop at HOT CORNER. Patrols operating in the ANGAT-NOZAGARAY area made several sightings of Japs but no unit is engaged at the close of the period. The 3rd Port furg Hosp arrived in the area and was sent to 1st Squadron at SANTA MARIA.

Friday, 16 Feb, 1945 During the night of 15-16 Feb a few rounds of scattered enemy artillery fell in the area 1500 yards North of HOT CORNER, but no contact with the enemy was made in the vicinity during the night. A reconnaissance patrol operating North from HOT CORNER received light rifle fire at a point about 1500 yards North of KAY BANBAN (930915). The patrol attempted to outflank the position by going West. In the vicinity of 910910 the patrol entered a valley and could see scattered Japs on the ridge to the North at 1300. The patrol withdrew to the South

with intentions of attempting to bypass the Japs North of KAY BANBAN, but due to the late hour they returned to the CP where plans have been formed for a reconnaissance patrol 17 Feb, to the East and then North. Other reconnaissance patrols operating south to SUPANGALAT RIVER made no enemy contact. Other patrols operating vicinity SAN JOSE (867918) made no contact. At 161000 enemy artillery fell on HOT CORNER, causing heavy casualties to B troop. 2 KIA, 13 WIA and 12 guerrillas WIA. No ground contact was made with the enemy during the artillery fire. A Troop combat patrols operating vicinity 854033 made scattered contacts with three groups of approximately 35 each during the day. Heavy artillery fire was placed with good results in support of our patrols. Enemy casualties from rifle and artillery fire total 42 KIA and it was reported that further investigation in the area will probably raise the total number of Japs destroyed. During this artillery fire a Jap mortar received a direct hit and was destroyed. Plans have been laid to clear the above area of Japs. Our casualties during the action was 1 WIA. A reconnaissance patrol operating ELIT along the ANGAT RIVER with a mission of entering NORZAGARAY encountered enemy rifle fire from the BATTIO. The patrol leader was wounded and the patrol withdrew, having accomplished its mission. An overnight (15-16) Reconnaissance patrol to RAYABAS (927090) made no contact during the patrol. Natives reported that 16 Japs armed with four rifles left three days ago for KIMATI (939081). Our patrol followed the trail for 500 yards, making no contact. All local security patrols in the BILBUAG area made no enemy contact. Guerrillas brought in a PW taken at PANDI (772985). The PW was a Jilipino Jap who was taken into the Jap Army through the selective service act. 148 PA Bn continued counterbattery missions giving close support to Troop B at HOT CORNER and Troop A at 846037. Battery B captured a wounded Jap vicinity 868079. A reported enemy gun vicinity 911044 was fired upon and a reported gun at 914003 will be taken under fire 17 Feb. A reported AA gun vicinity 946985 is beyond our range at the present time. Patrols operating East of Highway # 5 from CABANALAN to SAN MIGUEL had no contacts. The air strike vicinity of Road Junction 923974 was very effective. Several trucks were destroyed and personnel damage inflicted upon the enemy. 42 Japs were killed by effective artillery fire and combat patrols operating North along the ridge 3000 yards East of NORZAGARAY. Two PW's were taken by our patrols and guerrillas. One heavy artillery concentration was received at HOT CORNER 1600, causing heavy casualties to our personnel. Engineer supplies were obtained during the period which will be employed to fortify HOT CORNER. A P-38 pilot who was shot down while making a strike along METROPOLITAN ROAD parachuted into the area NE of NORZAGARAY. Guerrillas and Cavalry patrols were sent out and the pilot was rescued by a guerrilla patrol about 1500. The pilot reported seeing scattered groups of Japs as he made his way to our patrols.

Saturday, 17 Feb, 1945 Sporadic enemy artillery fire fell early this morning in vicinity of HOT CORNER and just before dawn a few Japs attempted to infiltrate our perimeter, six Japs were killed with one Jap identified as being from the 71st Regt 23rd Div. Our casualties were reported as 3 WIA. Shortly after dawn trucks moving from SANTA MARIA were fired upon by Japs entrenched on the hill North of the SANTA MARIA-NORZAGARAY ROAD vicinity 1420N (858907). Combat patrols moved into the area and were confronted by an estimated 50 Japs. Our patrols killed 21 Japs and definitely wounded four. The patrols reached HOT CORNER without further incidents, and as they returned along the road, four or five of the bodies had been removed. Patrols made a more complete search of the area without contact. The road blocks the Japs have attempted to place on the road West of HOT CORNER have been promptly dispersed by aggressive patrol action. A small reconnaissance patrol spotted eight Japs near the SUPANGALAT RIVER. The patrol killed two Japs before contact was lost. Able Troop launched a determined attack against the Japs on the ridge vicinity (847037) 2500 yards West of ANGAT. Heavy fighting reported by our troops who estimated the force they were confronted by as being about 300 Japs. The attack was given close support by B Battery with excellent results. 120 dead Japs were located as our troops pushed into the area against determined enemy resistance which was supported by mortars and artillery. During the artillery preparation a hut in the enemy held area received a direct hit and the resulting explosions in the building with heavy smoke indicates that the building was an ammunition storage area. Throughout the action our artillery liaison planes gave excellent support to our ground troops and in conjunction with the forward observer were responsible for a major portion of enemy casualties. At 15451 our forward elements had established a line of outposts along the North-South ridge from TIGATOG (843974) south to 853022 which is the commanding ground on the West side of the ANGAT-NORZAGARAY area had not returned at the close of the period. At first light our perimeter guards at SANTA MARIA spotted two Japs who were trespassing in our bivouac area, both Japs were killed in a combined operation involving the 112th Cav, 148th FA Bn and 3rd Port Surg Hosp. During the morning reports were received from civilians that Japs were operating along the road 1500 yards South of SAN VICENTE (855910). Security patrols operating South of our field Artillery made no contact during the morning. At 171400I guerrillas reported that they were engaged by 200 Japs at ELIT LOFA (788876). A reconnaissance detachment of the 40th TD Bn was sent to investigate and at the close

of the period an incomplete report indicated that they were in contact with an estimated 100 Japs and had suffered several men wounded and a half-track damaged. Our field artillery continued to fire concentrations in support of HOT CORNER and counter battery missions on reported Jap gun position. No contact was made by patrols operating East of SAN MIGUEL and GAPAN. Elements of the Reconnaissance Company, 640th TD Bn and one Platoon Company D 44th Tank Bn and Troop C, 8th Cav closed on 1st Squadron as a RCT reserve at 171530L.

Sunday, 18 Feb, 1945 The period was unusually quiet. Patrols operating in the ANGAT and HOT CORNER areas reported no enemy contact. In the PIENIA area 15 Japs were found dead. Other activities included the establishment of OP's in the SAN JOSE area and sporadic firing by plane. A delayed report from an officer patrol in the PIAS area on the 17th located a group of estimated 300 Japs in the vicinity of (93.3-51.0) along the banks of the SUMACBAO RIVER. Company K of the 63rd Inf Regt, with a detachment of our 2nd Sq. made plans for an attack on the position early 19 Feb.

Monday, 19 Feb, 1945 At 0530I a Jap raiding party of approximately 50 men attempted to overrun and destroy our artillery positions W of MUZON. The well-organized group was unsuccessful in penetrating our perimeter and was forced to withdraw due to our MG and rifle fire. Ten Japs were killed during the engagement. HOT CORNER was quiet during the period. The composite raiding party composed of Co K, 163rd Inf and elements of our 2nd Sq attempted to surprise the Japs reported in the vicinity of (96.3-51.0). A group of 75 Japs were contacted and dispersed by mortar and small arms fire into the area of exceptionally tall grass. Patrols moving into the area lost contact with the enemy and were able to locate only 2 dead Japs. It was determined later that the enemy had withdrawn into a series of natural caves which could not be approached without exposing the attacking force to heavy fire from automatic weapons located in the mouths of the caves. At 1800I the 112th RCT passed to control of the 6th Inf Div as per Operations Memorandum No. 21, Hq, XIV Corps, 18 Feb, 1945. The mission of the RCT remained unchanged.

Tuesday, 20 Feb, 1945 The Command Posts of the RCT and the 112th Cav Regt moved into the vicinity of SANTA MARIA. The 1st Sq continued its present mission of patrolling within its sector of responsibility without enemy contact during the day. A few rounds of enemy artillery were received at HOT CORNER at about 1100I without damage. The 2nd Sq continued its line of communication guard from CABANATUAN to BALIWAG.

Wednesday, 21, Feb, 1945 Patrols were dispatched from the 1st and 2nd Sqs to reconnoiter the areas E of the METROPOLITAN ROAD and W of the ANGAT RIVER for the purpose of determining the enemy's strength and line of resistance. One enemy battery located in the vicinity of (94.3-99.4) was neutralized by artillery fire from the 148th FA Bn. During the early morning 30 to 35 rounds of enemy artillery fell in the FA perimeter between SAN VICENTE and MUZON, wounding one man. No material damage resulted. Jap field artillery has been peculiar in that targets are enclosed in a bracket and a few rounds of fire for effect falls in the immediate vicinity of the target and ceases. Repeatedly when targets could have been destroyed by a heavy concentration, the fire has lifted for no apparent reason.

Thursday 22 February 1945: Lt. Barry to vicinity Ipo went out again from Hot Corner on mission of reconnoitering Ipo area. A report received that enemy has established road block along Catmon River between Santa Maria and Troop A. Troop A dispatched a patrol to investigate from that direction; also a patrol from Ren Platoon from Regtl OP. The report was exaggerated and 2 Japs in that area had already been killed by guerrillas. This delayed movement of Btry B to forward positions, but the btry moved out and fired during the day from positions in rear of Troop A.

General Cunningham went to 2d Sq Hq to confer with Hukbalahap and Usaffe guerrilla leaders to reconcile their differences and stop active warfare between the two groups. CO, 2d Sq, already had been active in this matter.

A survey was commenced in 2d Sq sector in an effort to reduce bridge guard in compliance with orders to an absolute minimum except for those bridges that could not be by-passed or repaired by 5 hours work.

During the day approximately 10 rounds of enemy artillery fire landed in vicinity Binabang and one round in vicinity of Troop E OPs.

2d Sq received one Jap PW from the Hukbalahaps. He was reported to have been captured at 221300I W of Santa Rosa (750660). This prisoner was identified as a civilian employee of the Jap Army.

In the Troop E sector: The platoon which had been guarding the Cabanatuan Bridge was relieved by 16 men Troop H and reached Troop E at Marungko at 1000I. This enables the troop to have a reserve to support the OPs on the ridge opposite Angat. The Sgt Haney patrol which had been on reconnaissance to the East reports an enemy of 9-12 Japs in vicinity of 865073 at 1130I. Haney patrol avoided them, moved 2000 yards N and continued on mission. Two civilians at Bayabis report approximately 30 enemy in vicinity Bayabis. Patrol started to investigate but was fired on by Jap artillery and was forced to withdraw. The artillery fire followed the patrol throughout their withdrawal as it had on the 19th. Apparently the enemy has an excellent OP on the commanding ground with view on the entire area N of Angat River and S of Bayabas. The patrol believe that guns are located vicinity 920040 or at 920020. There were no casualties and patrol returned to Marungko.

Civilians reported to Troop E that Norzagaray and Matiktik are clear of the enemy.

Patrol in the Troop E OP area and to the rear thereof reported negative. A Patrol under Sgt. Powers of Troop E departed at 212000I with mission of locating during the night the enemy gun positions which had fired on Haney patrol. This patrol returned 220900I but was unable to accomplish mission. However, 15 Japs, vicinity 010067 at 212400I were encountered. Patrol also saw 10 enemy at 907073 at 220045I. Guerrillas reported a patrol of enemy was in vicinity 911057. Patrol returned at 220500I.

Local patrol in the 1st Sq and OP sectors reported negative except that guerrillas reported to Troop C OP that 20 Japs at 884954 were moving S during the morning.

2d Bn, 1st Inf bivouaced vicinity of San Vicente. This Bn combed the area extending 2000 yards N and S of the road between San Vicente and Hot Corner and established positions in the Hot Corner area where they remained in 6th Div reserve. One Co relieved Troop B with attachments at Hot Corner.

New mission for 1st Sq is as follows: to establish line of OPs between Hot Corner and San Jose in order to stop the apparent flow of enemy groups through this area. A detached OP to be placed along Santa Maria River N of San Jose. Sq OP to advanced position in vicinity of Muzon. Also orders were received to hold the Muzon road junction.

These orders were accomplished by Troop B and C each placing 6 squad positions along the line Hot Corner-San Jose; Troop B on the right, Troop C on the left. This allowed each troop one platoon at the CP on which the OPs could withdraw and establish defensive positions in the event of concentrated attack.

The Inf Bn made their advance to Hot Corner without contact. Rcn platoon again reconnoitered the area between Muzon-Santa Maria road and the Muzon-Marilao road. The civilians at Duhat reported 3 Japs in the area. Patrol searched out the area and located the 3 Japs at 787884 and in conjunction with guerrillas, killed them at 221030I. These Japs were armed but had no identification. We had no casualties.

2d Sq patrols in the Sibul Springs-Catampacan Hills area reported negative. Motorized patrols operating on the road between guards. OP at Papaya continued reconnaissance to the East.

Friday 23 February 1945: 2d Sq continued bridge survey with engineer officer with view of reducing bridge guards. Agreement with Hukbalahap and Usaffe guerrillas was completed with CO, 2d Sq acting as arbitrator. Signed copy of agreement was received at this Hq.

Rcn platoon reconnoitered the area Muzon-Santa Maria road and the Muzon-Marilao road with negative results. During the morning artillery fires were placed along the Santa Maria River W of the Metropolitan Road. These fires were followed up by patrols of 1st Sq which reported negative. Artillery fires also were placed along Metropolitan Road E of Bigte.

Information was received that a heavy air strike by B-24s would be placed on the Metropolitan Road between Ipo and a point 1000 yards W of Bigte. Strike to commence 250900I and last for 2 or 3 days. Our patrols are to stay clear for 1000 yards of the target area.

Troop E dispatched 2 reconnaissance patrols to reconnoiter in their sector. Troop E reports guerrillas have established an OP base at Bagaong and are scouring out in that area. One of the Troop E patrols was fired on by a group of guerrillas. Our artillery from advanced positions in rear of Troop A fired at targets of opportunity during the day. Artillery was fired at a vehicle between Angat and Baton Uling which was later identified as a Graves Registration Weapons carrier. As the btry withdrew from forward positions, a heavy concentration of Jap artillery was received in their former position. Troop A observation believe this artillery fire came from vicinity San Mateo.

2 rounds of Jap artillery fell 300 yards SE Muzon at 1600I. 2d Sq reports that guerrillas found estimated 37 Japs E of Cabanatuan; also poorly armed groups W of Santa Rosa. Patrols will investigate.

At the 1800I conference information was received that the 6th Div would take over reconnaissance of the Area S and E of the Metropolitan Road from Hot Corner to Ipo with the view of attacking Ipo through that area. The 112th to intensify reconnaissance N of Angat in the Troop A and E sector and W of the Hot Corner-Norzagaray road with the view of attacking on the N of the 6th Div with objective Bigte and area N of San Mateo.

Present reconnaissance patrols that are out are well covering daily reconnaissance line which was defined as general vertical grid line 93. Troop E has actively patrolled their sector.

Troop A has a patrol out with mission of reconnoitering San Mateo and area to the N and Troop C patrol to area N of Bigte and W of the Norzagaray-Bigte road. Another patrol will be sent tomorrow in the latter sector and another patrol will be sent out to replace the Gausnell patrol when it returns tomorrow. Also Troop A will reconnoiter Norzagaray and Matiktik tomorrow.

Troop E will make another reconnaissance using 3 small combat patrols in the sector N of the Angat River excluding Matiktik; S of grid line 10 and W of vertical grid line 93. These patrols will provide good patrol coverage of assigned areas. 1st Sq will intensify reconnaissance along the Santa Maria River. Patrol instructions, additional rations for patrols, and 3 SCR 300s were delivered by S-3 to CO, Troop E at 232000I. Lt. Barry patrol which departed 210915I moved to 995979 then returned to Hot Corner at 211930I. Reported seeing approximately 100 mounted Japs at 975893. Patrol again moved out 221000I and moved to objective at 995979 arriving there at 1800I. Observation OP established 22 Feb saw a total of 7 small patrols of Japs throughout the objective area and had observed 1000 yards of the Metropolitan Road about 2 Kms W of Ipo. No foot traffic was observed; however, 27 loaded trucks were seen to move E. No other enemy installations or troops were observed and the patrol returned to Hot Corner at 231315I. Terrain over which patrol operated was generally open, cut with numerous ravines, which could make traffic difficult without considering engineer work. This area has a network of trails, some of which showed signs of recent horse traffic.

Saturday 24 February 1945: Troop E dispatched 3 patrols of 10 men each to comb area N of Angat River S of grid line 10 West of grid line 95. At the close of the day these patrols generally along grid line 93 without having made contact. Troop E reported that Jap artillery fire landed vicinity Banaban at 0820I.

Survey of bridge guards in 2d Sq sector resulted in releasing 16 men Troop H and 48 men Troop F from bridge guard duties. Regimental CO made inspection of Troop B and C positions vicinity San Jose.

Troop A reconnaissance patrol reported Norzagaray clear. This patrol did not reconnoiter Matiktik.

Patrol lead by Sgt Gausnell from Troop A failed to go along the proper route to objective and instead moved in vicinity of Bigte where a Jap OP was encountered on the W side of the road. MG fire was received from E side of the road in vicinity road junction. Patrol returned and Sgt. Lang was sent out with the same mission of reconnoitering San Mateo and NE of that point.

All patrols in the 1st Sq sector have so far failed in patrolling E of the Norzagaray-Bigte Road.

2d Sq patrols investigating Japs reported at Santa Rosa reported negative. 2d Sq continues to patrol the territory held by the Huks primarily for the purpose of keeping peace between the Huks and the Usaffe guerrillas. Peace treaty was completed; however, there is still considerable friction between the 2 groups and hostilities may break out again at any time.

Sunday 25 February 1945: Ren platoon of 10 men under Lt Horton departed CP 0700I to reconnoiter N side of Angat River to Pulo-Sicaw. Primary mission of discovering river crossing and also for presence of the enemy along the route covered. 1st Sq sent 3 additional patrols into the San Mateo area. So far, successful reconnaissance of this area has not been made. RCT sent one officer with one EM from Troop A CP on this same mission.

Troop A OP established at 873002 observed enemy artillery fire from 912017 at 1115I. 4 rounds were shot in the direction of Lauange where it was later learned that Sgt Lang was operating with a patrol. He, no doubt, was their target. The Troop A road block patrol operating N of Bigte Road attacked Jap OP at 909987, killing at least 2 and driving the rest away. Three Troop E patrols reported at 1500I, that there sector clear except for Jap OP of 20-30 men at 923043. Our patrol did not attack the OP. Several rounds of artillery fire landed in the Troop E sector during the day.

Patrol from Troop A to Norzagaray reported negative.
Snöoper scbpa school for 8 EM was held at RCT Hq at 1300I by Lt. Chubbock.
Heavy air strike made on Metropolitan Road area between 1130-1230I.
Troop E reports seeing a fire in Norzagaray at 0200I.
Rcn platoon patrol at 1220I was located at 880-060.
During the day, report was received that Japs were in Pulong Sampoloc and Binabag. This report was found to be erroneous.

Monday 26 February 1945: Troop A patrol under Sgt Gausnell went to Jap OP vicinity Bigte at 902989, killed 2 Japs and drove the rest away.
Last night three patrols were dispatched from 1st Sq sector to reconnoiter the San Mateo area.
All other 1st Sq patrols returned reporting being unable to cross highway to the E.
Troop E patrol found Norzagaray and Matiktik unoccupied.
Troop E combat patrol to contact enemy located on preceding day at 928045. Small patrols reconnoitered the area and found Japs at 921045. In the encounter two Japs were killed.
Patrol withdrew without having sufficient supporting fire and being unable to attack the enemy in his high positions.
Troop E reconnaissance patrol under Sgt Campbell to reconnoiter area N of San Mateo had good results. Patrol moved to Sibul, thence across river at 913041. Patrol then proceeded to 914028 and observed 10 Japs in vicinity 923030. At this latter point it is believed the Japs had a bivouac area.
During the night troops in forward positions reported hearing and seeing explosions in the Metropolitan Road area, where a heavy bombing strike was made yesterday and today.
Patrol under Lt Horton which had mission of reconnoitering river line to Sicaw and return this day by 1200I was stopped by the enemy in the positions where they had already been previously encountered by Troop E. This patrol reported a good river crossing at 911043.
OP of 2 squads Troop F established OP approximately 6 kms S of Sibul Springs at 890289. This OP will reconnoiter to the E for any moved of Japs. The Sq Hq OP at Papaya continued patrolling to the E to keep contact with the Pro-Jap and Japs in the cave area above Minalungoa.
2d Sq turned in photos, dog tags and other papers from civilians near Saban which were supposed to have come from Americans who were prisoners of the Japs.
At 1800I elements of Troop B were in contact with a small enemy party in vicinity 870885. Mortar fire was used and a total of 18 Jap dead were counted. Apparently these Japs were evacuating from the Manila area. Only identification was a Navy chevron which indicated that this group was apparently Navy personnel.

Tuesday 27 February 1945: Troop E combat patrol with mission of attacking at 920043 departed at 1350I, and returned approximately 1900I without accomplishing mission. Troop E reconnaissance patrol to Sicaw departed 0700I. This patrol is to observe trail running from Metropolitan Road to crossing of Angat River at Sicaw to determine whether there is any movement along this trail.
P&D platoon found one road crater mine at 884013. This mine consisted of approximately 100 pounds of dynamite buried 5 feet underground with a fuze on top of the ground for lighting. 148th FA registered in front of 1st Sq's new line of outguards.
Sgt Jefferson and Sgt Sullivan's patrols travelled 1000 yards E of Norzagaray-Bigte road approximately 1500 yards N of Bigte and reconnoitered that area. Nothing was found.
Message was received from 2d Sq that 50 Japs were seen milling rice at 950530. 2d Sq was instructed to attack as soon as possible. A platoon of Troop F, now in regimental reserve, will be released tomorrow morning to 2d Sq at Gapan.

Wednesday 28 February 1945: Combat patrol departed from 2d Sq to attack Jap party observed at 950530.

Troop E combat patrol departed 1200I with objective enemy at 920040.

Guerrillas reported that there is a large concentration of Japs at Wilson and Maria Mines.

Guerrillas report Japs moving through Duhat-Prensa area at night. This report was investigated by a night patrol and the Ren platoon will investigate tomorrow.

Troop E reconnaissance patrol to Sicaw returned and reported Sicaw is actually located at 957017. No Japs were encountered in Sicaw or Baraja. Patrol reported a heavy air strike was in progress to their E and S of Angat River which is probably the trail not running N-S of the Metropolitan Road.

P&D reported a dummy mine vicinity Baton Uling. While working on the road, P&D received long range rifle fire, but no casualties were inflicted on our troops.

Patrols in the Troops B and C sectors 1000 yards forward of OPL reported negative. One patrol Troop F moved NE to high ground at 925986 and from that point was able to observe road E of Bigte. Reported no activity, but in the Bigte area saw four unoccupied gun positions, 2 of which were not yet completed. Also in that area patrol found some well-camouflaged unoccupied caves. Patrol from Troop A under Sgt Eshman left night of 27 Feb to patrol San Mateo area. Near San Mateo he was challenged by an enemy OP and while maneuvering to the right was challenged by another. Moving still further to the right he was challenged by one additional OP and received one grenade. Being unable to find suitable concealment to remain in observation during the day, he was forced to return to the CP at 280900I. This information verifies previous information that enemy OPL runs N from Bigte-San Mateo to Angat River.

Thursday 1 March 1945: At 0645I Troop B No. 2 OP was attacked by estimated 10 enemy with LMG and knee mortar. OP withdrew from its position. Troop B patrol attacked and drove the enemy out of the area and re-established the OP. One LMG was captured and one M-1 rifle was lost. Our losses were one KIA--enemy losses were 3 KIA. Artillery fire was placed and a patrol pursued the enemy.

At 1400I 4 rounds of Jap artillery hit in Troop B OP and 2 rounds in Troop C CP. No damage was inflicted.

Ren platoon during the day covered triangle between Muzon-Santa Maria-Marilao and found no traces of the enemy. OP will be established in Duhat area to observe tonight.

148th FA delivered fires in San Mateo area on targets designed by Sgts Gausnoll and Ashman spotted from cub plane. No patrols in Troop A sector because considerable artillery fire has been laid in that area on targets where Troop A has previously spotted activity.

Troop F combat patrol returned 1200I reported that mission successfully completed. Effective mortar fire was delivered and observed striking personnel. Numerous shacks were destroyed. The patrol leader estimated that a Bn is located in that area. We had no losses. 2d Sq has been instructed to continue aggressive reconnaissance in that area.

Further details of F Troop combat patrol: This patrol withdrew firing all mortar and MG ammo. Patrol reports that they undoubtedly scored a large number of casualties because of the observed effectiveness of the fire and the amount of screaming and hollering by the enemy. As the patrol withdrew there was an enemy detachment on both flanks and no ammo was available. The Troop F platoon was instructed to remain in the 2d Sq sector.

Troop E combat patrol to 920040 reported negative. During the preceding afternoon an air strike and strafing was made in this area which apparently drove the enemy detachment away. Few shacks were found by no enemy dead or defensive installations could be located. This air strike is a mystery as no one in this Hq had asked or received any information that the air strike would be made N of the Angat River; however, it served well as a support for this patrol. Sgt Martinez and 4 men, Hq Troop and 2 guerrillas departed on mission to reconnoiter Bayabas and Laris.

Friday 2 March 1945: OP last night in the Duhat area to investigate civilian reports that there was a night movement of Japs through that area reported 2 unarmed Japs passed through. OP did not engage these Japs because they believed, according to civilian reports, that a larger party may be following the first two and therefore they wanted to ambush the large party. When the large party did not appear a search was made for the two Japs but they could not be found. This OP will again be sent out tonight.

An enemy estimated at 25 attacked No. 1 OP Troop C causing the OP to withdraw to join other OP at Hugan Hill. Using mortar and artillery support, Troop C drove the enemy out, killing 11. We had no casualties. The OP positions was re-occupied.

During the day artillery fire was received in Banagbag, killing one civilian. Civilians have reoccupied Angat, Laoz, and surrounding area.

Martinez patrol to Bayabas and Laris returned 1200I and reported negative.

1st Sq patrols worked short distances beyond Bigte-Norzagaray road and returned with nothing in particular to report.

Troop E dispatched two patrols--one to 920040 to remain in observation at this point where previously a Jap OP had existed and the other to reconnoiter to point where cross road of Angat River vicinity 975034. The 1st patrol reported observing 7 Japs at 916045 during the morning. These Japs moved to the E. The latter patrol reached 955037 and found the trail running NE and SE in this area. This trail has been heavily used with traffic going in both directions. Mines are planted on this trail but were not disturbed by this patrol. Patrol was sighted by 15 Japs and withdrew to 949038. The enemy party attempted to pursue and surround out patrol.

At 2030 Wpns Troop OP of 14 men with guerrillas at Duhat observed estimated 15 Japs. The Japs were using flashlights intermittently to find their way. One man in the OP fired prematurely while the enemy was 100 yards away. Then the entire OP fired and the Japs returned fire. The Japs withdrew to the SW. It is not know if any casualties were inflicted. Our patrol remained out over-night. We had no losses.

Saturday 3 March 1945: During the night Troop C reported that 2 Japs infiltrated to their CP area. One Jap armed only with bayonet and grenade was killed. The other escaped. Patrols from 2d Sq investigated locations reported by 6th Div from aerial photograph interpretations as being enemy installations in the Sibul Springs area were found to be erroneous interpretations with the exception that tank revetments do exist.

Troop E patrol with mission of observing on the N side of the Angat River to Baraja and beyond reported observing 7 armed enemy with packs at 916045. Troop E reported fires in Norzagaray and that Jap patrol was in Santa Lucia during the night. Recon patrols to Bukol and Sibul departed.

1st Sq dispatched a patrol from Troop A under Lt Wilson to move N of the Angat River to vicinity Baraja, cross to the S side and return E, reconnoitering in rear of the enemy OPL which heretofore has not been successfully penetrated.

Daylight patrols in the Troop A sector to the E made contact and were turned back by enemy OPs. One Troop B patrol crossed the road N of Bigte and reconnoitered as far as the small stream 1000 yards E of the road and returned with negative report.

Ren platoon patrols: Patrol under Lt. Horton departed for Wilson and Maria mines; Sgt Fine departed for Victory Mountain. Wpns Troop mortar platoon established 2 OPs in the Duhat area to ambush enemy reported by civilians and guerrillas moving through that area at night. At 2030I 2 Japs were killed by the OP. An engineer unit bivouaced 1000 yards to the S opened up on our OP with .50 cal. MG, but no casualties resulted. These Japs were identified as naval personnel.

Sunday 4 March 1945: No. 8 OP, Troop E, located at 845025 was attacked last night by estimated 20 enemy. The Japs fired on the OP with rifles and threw number of grenades. The OP returned fire. One old Filipino man, living in a nearby house, was bayoneted to death by the Japs prior to their attack on the OP. The Japs called out to our troop that they were "guerrillas." One person, believed to be a Filipino civilian wearing white clothing, was with the enemy patrol. The Japs withdrew to the NE and there were apparently no casualties. We had no casualties.

The 6th ren reported that at 1240I they observed 27 armed Japs with packs NE of San Jose. Patrol from Troop C investigated and could find nothing. This "27 enemy" are believed to be a platoon of Troop C who was returning through that area at that time, having been relieved on OP duty. During the morning 1st Sq Hq discovered estimated 15 armed Japs S of Bulak. A patrol under Sgt Sullivan pursued these Japs to vicinity Muzon but were unable to make contact. Guerrillas and civilians who had sighted this Jap patrol reported that the Japs were moving to the SW and that a bound Filipino civilian was with the patrol. The 1st Sq patrol, having lost contact, returned to the CP. Motorized patrol from Hq Troop with 81 mm squad attached, departed 1400I to reconnoiter for this enemy group along the Presna Road. This patrol returned at 1830I and reported that they could not find any trace of the Japs.

Lt. Horton patrol to Wilson and Maria Mines returned 1500. This patrol was able to drive to 880801. Patrol reported that the shacks at Wilson Mines had been burned and that there were 5 large shacks at Maria Mines. There was no evidence of any recent activity of any kind in that area.

Sgt. Fine patrol with mission of going to Victory Mountain drove in jeeps to 880208. Patrol contact guerrilla OP at Aklo. Stayed overnight at 892200 and reached Victory Mountain. There was no evidence of any recent activity, and according to guerrillas no Japs had ever been in this area. Victory Mountain is covered with jungle and rain forest.

Lt Wilson patrol which left Troop A 0300 to move N of Angat River then cross river vicinity Baraja and reconnoiter rear of Jap OPL saw 7 Japs at 031200I at Sangat and 9 Japs at Baraja at 031630. Following this sighting, numerous small parties of Japs endeavored to surround patrol, causing it to withdraw.

At 1830I approximately 80 rounds of enemy artillery fire fell at Baton Uling. Troop A reported a few rounds of artillery passed over their bivouac.

Patrol from 1st Sq moved up Metropolitan Road 2000 yards beyond Bigte and reported no contact with the enemy except seeing on Jap at Bigte. Patrol reported seeing numerous vacated positions.

Monday 5 March 1945: At 0845I 6 rounds of enemy artillery fell vicinity of 1st Sq CP. 6th Div advised that there would be no air strike during the day.

A guerrilla report was received by 1st Sq that 12 armed Japs were in vicinity 815980. This report is being investigated. Troop B OP at 888996, at 0220I, was attacked by Japs. At least 3 Jap rifles and one LMG fired at the OP. Our casualties were 2 WIA;

At 1100I the Chaplain reported that a party of Japs were on the road between Santa Maria and 1st Sq Hq vicinity verticelo grid line 84 and that guerrillas were engaged with them. A patrol from 1st Sq reported that guerrillas had killed 2 Japs in that area.

Patrol departed from Troop A under Sgt Macko at 1330I with mission of traveling along N side of Angat River to vicinity of Sicav, thence S to reconnoiter main enemy positions and return W on the S side of the river.

Patrol under Lt. Harwell departed 1130I with mission of reconnoitering along the Metropolitan Road to Ipo.

Civilians reported to Troop E that a Jap patrol had been to Bayabas.

Telephone wires on both sides of the Muzon OP were cut during the night. A small party of Japs infiltrated in this area. Our patrol fired on them and one dead was found the next day. We had no casualties.

Regiment received 7 new and one used jeep and one 1-1/2 ton truck for Hq Troop.

Additional jeeps distributed as follows: 2 to Rcn platoon, 1 to AT platoon (replacing one lost in combat) and one to each rifle troop except Troop G.

Enemy artillery caused fires at Marungko and Hinagbag.

Cub was furnished to 2d Sq for reconnaissance of the Minalungao area.

2d Sq dispatched a patrol of 12 men with mortars to approximately 6 kms W of Gapan.

Lt Campbell's patrol captured one Jap at 660473.

2d Sq patrol sighted 4 Japs at 1300I at 655565 wearing woman's clothing. Patrol followed the Japs in an effort to locate others but failed and lost track of those 4.

Troop F patrol to Minalungao of one officers and 10 EM to 965505 area returned. No new information of this area, but all previous information was confirmed and although the number cannot be accurately estimated, it is believed that there are more than 100 enemy in that area. Although no OPs were observed, small 2-man patrols were seen working in the area.

Tuesday 6 March 1945: 2d Sq captured 2 Japs and killed one at 648455 at 1415I.

Troop C patrol under Sgt Jolly observed 20 Japs carrying ammo, believed to be artillery ammo, from his observation point at 910967. Japs were going NE along the road approximately 700 yards away from him and turned to the W and disappeared in the woods. Six other Japs appeared to be guarding this ammo supply column.

2d Sq patrol reported that Huks killed 6 Japs at 061100 on N bank of Pampanga River 3 kms E of San Antonio. 12 Japs were reported to be in this area. Guerrillas reported to Troop E that 2 gun positions at Santal Hill (940017) and at 949016.

Troop E reported large fires at 855014 at 2050I.

A patrol from Troop A under Lt Wilson and a patrol from Troop B under Lt Gillmore departed at dusk with FO attached with mission of reconnoitering in their respective troop sectors to the sectors of the FA range. The FA will fire mark direction fire for those patrols at their maximum range every half hour. Mission is to reconnoiter main enemy line and positions. Size of the patrols were 15 men each.

Wednesday 7 March 1945: Ren platoon patrol under Sgt Lewis with 5 men and 2 guerrillas departed on mission of reconnoitering from San Ildefonso to Akle to 951165. Ren platoon patrol under Sgt Martinez departed on route Pulang Sampolck-Bayabas-Mt. Cruz. Both patrols are prepared to stay out 4 days and have missions of determining if there is any sizeable Jap movement to the N along the upper Angat River. Request made for air strike in the Minalungao area. Believe air strike will take place on 9-10 March. Planes will have cub to guide bombers and cub will drop 81 mm smoke shells to mark targets.

Troop C OP captured one prisoner in little shack at Pungan. This Jap identified as being from the 7th Inf, 8th Div. Principle information gained from him was that there is approximately 300 sick Japs in a cave vicinity Bigte, only a small portion of which are in fighting condition. Also that a MG co is in that area. This Jap was carrying surrender leaflet and had been building fires daily in this shack for several days in hopes of attracting attention of our patrols so that he could surrender.

Troop E patrol under Lt Twyman returned bringing in one Pro-Jap Filipino captured by guerrillas near Binaqba. This patrol had departed 4 March on mission of reconnoitering to Babatuan. Patrol reached 985040 at 050400I and from that point observed Babatuan. Four Japs carrying rifles and sacks were sighted. The terrain in that area is steep and rocky. At noon 5 March patrol moved NW and observed 2 Japs on trail which runs N-S through Baraja. Also in this area chopping sounds were heard. Patrol returned without further incident to Binaqba. The Pro-Jap Filipino stated that he had been working for the Japs in the Ipo area and that he had killed 3 guerrillas and one Filipino woman. He had been sent out by a Jap officer to reconnoiter our defenses at Angat and Norzagaray and returned within 3 days, but stated that he did not intend to return because he had been worked too hard and harshly treated by the Japs. Prisoner was 16 years old.

Sgt Macko patrol which departed 051400I returned 2000I. This patrol had mission of traveling on N side of Angat River thence cross and return on W side of river. Patrol observed 5 Japs with packs moving S at 939068 at 061430I. A large number of Japs closed in and started pursuing this patrol, causing it to withdraw to Sibul. Japs used 90 mm mortar fire on our patrol.

Lt Wilson patrol returned and reported crossing road moving on azimuth of 100° and reached 932011. Patrol did not make any enemy contacts with the exception of seeing 6 people run out of a house. Blinking lights were seen between 2300I and 0100I to the SE. Artillery fire was placed by the patrol at 1900I on a target believed to be vehicles because of light reflection believed to be from windshields. Patrol reported that their radio was jammed between 2300I and 0100I by a continuous single tone. Patrol also reported that use of FA periodic firing to mark objective was successful.

Lt Gillmore reached a steep impassable cliff running N-S approximately 1000 yds E of Norzagaray-Bigte road and about 1000 yds N of Metropolitan Road. At this point voices and movement and lights were observed along the edge and top of the cliff. Considerable artillery fire was placed in this area. Patrol withdrew and returned.

Lt Harwell Patrol returned at 1130I. This patrol had mission of reconnoitering E along Metropolitan Road to Ipo. Patrol moved to 910942 and crossed road thence moved E and N. Patrol saw 3 Jap patrols and 2 OPs vicinity grid line 95. Japs fired signal shot, closed in and started pursuing our patrol. Patrol went back across road to Bigte. At dusk 6 March several small groups came into Bigte apparently looking for food but were gone before morning. On night of 5 March at vicinity 910042, saw 8 Japs going N then another group of 6 going N prior to dark. After dark several other groups moved to the N. Patrol also heard what sounded like horse or caribou carriages going to the N.

Troop E patrol to Sangat contacted small party of enemy at 921052. One Jap was seen taking aim on our patrol. This Jap believed killed. Others were heard moving and talking in that area. During the day considerable artillery fire was placed on the high ground E of San Mateo and along S bank of the Angat River.

Thursday 8 March 1945: At 0300I Lt Litzel Troop A patrol departed to move along N side of Angat River to Sicaw, then S of river along Sicaw-Metropolitan Road Trail. This patrol is to determine Jap positions in that area. Prisoner reports that "big guns" are located along that trail.

Troop E patrol under Lt. Armstrong departed on mission to reconnoiter to Kabuyao.

Troop A patrol operating in front of our lines during the night under Sgt Gausnell killed 2 Japs and wounded 2 who escaped at 900005 in a shack along the Norzagaray-Bigte Road. At 1015I Troop E reported that guerrillas were engaged with Japs in rear of No. 7 and 8 OPs. Later reports showed that this engagement was in the Troop A sector.

Troop A reported that at 0730I in vicinity 858017 civilians reported 3 Japs were in that area. Patrol was dispatched to engage and pursue to vicinity Norzagaray where the enemy contact was lost. At this time patrol was fired on by approximately 15 rounds of enemy 75 mm artillery. Fire was very accurate causing the patrol to withdraw. There were no casualties. It is believed that one Jap was killed but body could not be found.

Lt Armstrong patrol returned at 1430I because Lt Armstrong had accidentally shot himself. Patrol reached Sibul before returning. This patrol under another leader departed on same mission at 1600.

At 1245I patrol of Troop C including Language officer, PW, (who was to point out enemy positions), and FO observer party were in vicinity 905960 where 20-25 well concealed Japs opened fire. Our patrol returned fire killing 3 and wounding one Jap. Patrol withdrew without losses and placed artillery fire on the area. Following this the patrol with 2 additional squads Troop C moved into the area again but could find only one Jap body. The Japs had withdrawn. Based on PW directions the artillery placed fire in area supposed to be Regtl and Bn CP. A document taken from the body of Jap killed in this section was an operations order from the 3d Bn, H FA Regt. This order stated that the enemy planned to make an attack and directed each Bn to send a reconnaissance patrol out on 6 March and report on 9 March concerning our direction of attack, guerrilla situation and to reconnoiter the area from Apungan to Katmon to Pulong Buhangin then NE to Angat then following the line along Angat-Hot Corner road to Apungan. The patrol contacted by Troop A and patrol contacted by Troop C may well be these reconnaissance patrols engaged on this mission.

No word was received from Ren Platoon patrols to Mt Cruz and 951165.

Lt. Williams Troop C made aerial reconnaissance of Metropolitan Road during the day and departed with patrol to reconnoiter from Bigte E along Metropolitan Road at 1630I.

Plans were made for a patrol each from Troops A and B to operate during the night on the W side of the Norzagaray-Bigte Road.

Troop E reconnaissance patrol to Pulo and NE received reports from civilians as follows: mine located vicinity 864125; Japs moving in small groups from Ipo through Ellemasso (914092) to Balate (914102). These reports are not considered reliable but patrol will investigate tomorrow.

2d Sq reported capturing another PW at Pamacan (637635) at 071700I.

Troop E reported at 2100I seeing white signal lights azimuth 99° from OP No. 7.

Friday 9 March 1945: Troop A night patrol in returning killed one Jap vicinity highway. This patrol had heard there was a party of Japs in the area; therefore Troop A sent one platoon to clean up the area. Platoon reached Lauang at 1130I and was fired on by Jap lmg. Artillery fire was placed and the platoon moved in but the Japs had withdrawn. Numerous fox holes were found in Lauang. Immediately outside of Lauang 2 Jap riflemen were killed. The whole area was searched but no other Japs could be found. On the S river bank at Lauang a place which appeared to be an artillery position was found. Immediately prior to the withdrawal at the close of the day the patrol was fired on by a LMG from a knoll 400 yards E of Lauang. Artillery fire was placed on this position. Troop E patrol to Kabuyao returned and reported that they went to Sibul where they observed Kabuyao during the night. During this time they saw 10-15 Japs were burning shacks at 979058. Also saw a light which flicked on several times during the night. Patrol observed for two hours this morning and saw the same number of Japs in that general area. Enemy were unarmed when observed; apparently an OP. Prisoner captured by 2d Sq arrived this Hq. Troop B patrol observed 8-10 Japs moving SE along the road at 908908. Troop E patrol reconnoitered to NE of Marungko to check civilian reports that Japs were in that area. No contact could be made. Information was received that Troop G would return to regimental control at 121200I.

Saturday 10 March 1945: Sgt Lewis patrol to upper Angat River returned and reported observing river trail for 24 hours, that there was no Jap activity or signs of any recent activity. Civilians reported that only Japs in that area recently was a column of 200 moving S toward Ipo several weeks ago. Sgt Martinez patrol to Mt. Cruz returned and reported contacting estimated 20 Japs vicinity 951065 and that this Jap OP and terrain prevented them from going through to accomplish their mission. Lt Litzel, Troop A, patrol returned from mission of going up Sicaw Road from Angat River to Metropolitan Road. This patrol traveled S of the road and reached vicinity 961043 at 091100I. Numerous Jap OPs were observed in this area. Patrol was fired on by Jap LMG, forcing withdrawal. Our patrol killed one Jap. A portion of the Sicaw Road was under supervision for a short time but nothing was seen. During the day 148th FA advanced 2 batteries to vicinity Troop A and placed heavy concentrations on suspected areas to the E. No counter-battery fire was received. Overlays showing defensive fire plans was received and distributed to the Troops. Lt Williams Troop C on patrol to reconnoiter Metropolitan Road to Ipo killed 3 Japs 9 March at 921952. Patrol reconnoitered along S side of Metropolitan Road to vicinity 950980 at a road junction. Numerous Jap OPs and patrols were sighted but this patrol, however, the enemy did not seem alert in this area. One Jap was killed by the patrol on their return trip. Arrangements were made for installing Col. Chilco as governor of Nueva Ecija province at Cabanatuan. 2d Sq is to furnish guard of honor for the inauguration at 11 March. 16 soldiers will be stationed there until 15 April to prevent Huk disturbances. Information was received that road between San Miguel and Gapan will be out between 1800-0600 on nights of 10-11 March for repairs. Troop E patrol with mission of reconnoitering N side of Angat River between Pulo and Baraja ran into ambush at 929037. 3 Japs were seen and it is believed that the Jap party was about 20 in number. Our patrol was forced to withdraw as they were in open terrain and without cover. Artillery officer and one EM were wounded. One carbine and one Norzagaray 1/50,000 sheet were lost.

Troop E patrol to Kimate returned with negative report. 2d Sq reported killing 2 Jap officers and one Jap EM at 1900I at 677496.

Arrangements were made for relieving Troop E at Marungko by Troop G. Troop E to bivouac at 785936 E of Santa Maria in regimental reserve when relieved.

2d Sq reported that 6 Japs were contacted by Grimstead patrol between Pias and Minalungao.

Sunday 11 March 1945: Troop A night patrol returned 0930I. Patrolled 1500 yards E of road with negative results. Patrol returned to road and sighted 3 Japs. One Jap was killed but the others escaped.

Troop B night patrol returned 0830. No contact with enemy was made, but observed scattered positions. Saw truck lights on Metropolitan Road.

Troop E combat patrol departed 0700I with mission of eliminating Jap OP in the Sangat Area. This patrol returned via Norzagaray at 1430I. Troop Commander personally commanded the patrol which killed 5 Japs thus eliminating the OP. We had 2 WIA. The Japs were armed, well-clothed, well-camouflaged, and had a supply of rice. The Japs were taken completely by surprise. Patrol moved from Norzagaray to Marungko in one ambulance and one weapons carrier. Immediately after patrol left Norzagaray approximately 50 rounds of enemy artillery fell in that area. 2d Sq reported that inauguration went off without incident. Maj. Gen. Dunkell was present and very complimentary of 2d Sq troops' participation.

Weapons Troop reported that one Filipino civilian was killed while tampering with an unexploded bomb in the Baliuag area.

The Ponton bridge at Bustos was removed during the day.

Troop B local patrol of 2 EM and 10 guerrillas discovered estimated 10 Japs at 894895. The Japs were skillfully camouflaged. Patrol attacked, killing one Jap. Two guerrillas were wounded. A strong combat patrol was sent by Troop B to eliminate this party. This patrol killed 2 additional Japs and could not find any more in the area.

Monday 12 March 1945: Troop A night patrols to Lauang and Norzagaray area returned finding nothing.

Troop A patrol to Norzagaray area encountered approximately 25 partially armed, poorly clothed enemy. Troop CO organized a patrol and pursued. In the running fight 5 Japs were killed. No identification was found. The enemy were lost in the Lauang area. Patrol returned at 1605I finding one civilian whom the Japs killed as they fled.

5 rounds of enemy artillery landed in Angat at 1745I.

Troop G relieved Troop E at Marungko at 1400I. Troop E moved to new bivouac at 785947 where it will remain in regimental reserve and patrol in the rear areas.

Troop A OP No. 1 received approximately 8 rounds of enemy artillery fire at 1935I, but no casualties were inflicted. Lt Horton and recon platoon patrol departed to reconnoiter to Mt Cruz and observe upper Angat River for enemy movement. This patrol is expected to be out 4 days.

Tuesday 13 March 1945: Troop A night patrol to San Mateo area reached high cliffs and returned without contact.

Troop B night patrol moved to the high cliffs N of Bigte, reconnoitered along the cliff to the N and heard movement and voices along the top of the cliff; also one gasoline motor in operation which sounded like a concrete mixer. This patrol returned without contact.

OP in the Troop A sector spotted approximately 15 pack horses being led by Japs. Artillery fire was placed on this target and a patrol investigated afterwards, but could find no dead animals in the area.

A P-51 crash-landed in vicinity Marungko. Pilot was slightly injured but the plane was demolished.
Information received that an air strike by 9 or more SBDs would be made on 14 March in the Mina Lungao area.
Troop C patrol to Bigti departed at 0730 and returned at 1630I. The patrol was able to reach 920975 but could not move into Bigti because of short rounds from artillery fire which was firing to the E dropping in Bigti. No contact.
Troop B and C local security patrols report negative.
Troop E patrol to Bayabas and Sangat reported negative.
Orders for 6th Rangers to continue reconnaissance in the Metropolitan Road area.

Wednesday 14 March 1945: Troop E dispatched 20 man patrol under Lt Dowd to reconnoiter Baraja area and eliminate any small Jap patrols or OPs. Prior to patrol's moving out, artillery will shell W bank of Angat River in the area to be covered.
Air strike in Minalungao area postponed until 16 March.
Troop C patrol to Bayabas returned with negative report. All other Troop C local patrols report negative.
Troop E patrols in the area rear of 1st Sq reported negative and that some barrios visited by patrol had never seen any other Americans.
XIV water point at Bocaue was removed and Serv Troop is engaged in setting up water point at that location.
Troop A night patrol went to San Mateo and returned. 2 Japs were observed.
The Ranger patrols in regimental sector returned - negative.
2d Sq reported killing one Jap vicinity 750591.
At 1900I a patrol of 30 men under Capt Williams, Troop E departed to reconnoiter road from Norzagaray to Bigti, covering 150 yards on each side of the road and eliminate any small parties of Japs encountered.

Thursday 15 March 1945: Troop E patrol covering road from Norzagaray to Bigti returned via Troop B OP at 0800I. Patrol killed 3 Japs vicinity 915988 and 2 other Japs at Bigti. These were the only Japs encountered. Our patrol had no casualties. Documents were secured.
At 0700I Troop G OP No. 3 killed one Jap. Jap was armed but did not carry a pack. No identification was secured.
Troop A night patrol with scout dog returned at 0300I. This patrol travelled 1500 yds E of the road from 895000. At this point an OP of 8 Japs was sighted. Patrol by-passed these Japs and moved to the E. The dog alerted the patrol numerous times.
Plans are being made for attacks on the Minalungao area by one platoon 2d Sq and approximately 150 guerrillas following air strike at 16430I March.
At 1000I Troop A No. 4 OP sighted small number of Japs in front of their position. Lt Litzel and patrol investigated; observed one Jap who escaped. Civilians reported that 7 Japs which must have been the patrol sighted by the OP had fired at him and moved in direction of Norzagaray. Litzel patrol pursued but could not find them.
Troop C sent out a combat patrol to investigate 30 Japs reported to be in caves NE of Santa Cristo. Patrol investigated Santa Cristo, was fired on by estimated Jap platoon with HMG, LMG, and mortar. Japs were on reverse slope of a ridge. Artillery was placed, causing Japs to come forward toward patrol and take cover in ravine. Artillery fire shifted to ravine and was reported to be effective. Patrol remained in area overnight and attack the following morning.
Troop A patrol under Sgt Gausnell found Jap telephone wire in vicinity Lauang which ran toward the wooded cliff E of San Mateo. 300 yards of this wire was ripped up and destroyed.

There were no casualties.

Troop G reported above artillery fire as being 120° azimuth from OP No. 1.

Lt Horton Ren platoon patrol returned from Mt Cruz reporting that there was no apparent movement of Japanese along the upper Angat River in that area.

Patrol route was via Wilson Mines. Mountain natives insisted on guiding and carrying for the patrol. One native took 3 packs and one took 2. This patrol observed 2 Japs crossing river from E to W on a caribou. No other Japs were sighted.

Friday 16 March 1945: Troop A night patrol returned at 0730I; reported crossing road at 885010. Patrol moved E to 902010, then NE to 910017. The scout dog accompanying the patrol "alerted" the patrol numerous times but no contact was made. Patrol observed lights to the S.

Troop B night patrol returned 0700I. In vicinity of 915995 ground flares and movement were sighted. Artillery was placed on this area and the lights were extinguished and shouting was heard. Patrol also heard 3 trucks on Metropolitan Road.

Troop C reported Jap artillery located azimuth 70° from Apungan Hill. This azimuth was determined by sound.

Troop C patrol to drive out enemy in the ravine W of the road who had moved there to escape artillery fire found that the enemy had withdrawn during the night. This patrol continued to the E of the road and found 2 of the 4 caves previously reported. These caves were large enough to house a 2½ ton truck. They were unoccupied but there was evidence of recent Jap occupation. 2 other caves were observed nearby but patrol did not investigate.

During the day Troop C OP observed dust clouds along Norzagaray Bigti Road in grid square 89-00. Other OPs did not report that finding.

Troop B local patrol in vicinity right flank OP observed at 922967 carrying sacks 8 Japs and moving N.

Troop G patrol departed for Kimate to remain overnight in that area.

Troop G ren patrol to Sicaw and the road running S from Angat River to Metropolitan Road in that area departed. Patrol expected to be gone 3 days.

9 SBDs dropped one 500 lb bomb and 2 250 lb bombs each 1430 in the Minalungao area. The guerrilla detachment and Troop F platoon moved in following the air strike. At 2115I 2d Sq reported that the attacking force had occupied the Minalungao area and most of the caves, the Japs apparently having withdrawn to the N and E. There was no enemy opposition.

Saturday 17 March 1945: Troop G patrol of 30 men under Lt McCracken patrolled the Norzagaray-Bigtí Road covering approximately 150 yds frontage on either side of the road. The patrol returned 0700I without having made contact with the enemy. MG fire was heard in vicinity Bigti; however the direction of the target was not known. Patrol encountered a road block consisting of a wrecked truck and truck parts on the road 1000 yards N of Bigti. Patrol also reported observing light to their East.

Troop B night patrol encountered 4 small Jap parties vicinity 918983 about 162200I. This patrol returned 0700I without further incident.

Troop A patrol during the night endeavored to go up wooded ridge N and E of San Mateo but were stopped by Japs. They pursued our patrol. Japs burned 2 houses in Matiktik. Patrol reports several small parties S of Pulo.

Troop G patrol with mission of going to Salacot Mine area returned and reported strong Jap OP at 925045. This patrol will go out again tomorrow.

Troop G patrol to Kimate returned with negative report.

Troop G established liaison OP radio with guerrilla CP located at Mt Kulo. (892077)

In an investigation in the Minalungao area, found no Japs. During investigation of the caves, booby traps of an undetermined character exploded, killing one guerrilla and wounding five others. The booby trap, when set off, caused a series of explosions at close intervals in adjacent caves. Further work will be done to clear these caves the following day with the assistance of the P&D Platoon. It is believed that the Japs evacuated just prior to the bombing attack having been notified by pro-Jap Filipinos of the impending attack.

Sunday 18 March 1945: A flight of B-24s dropped bombs at 0830I in the area from 814970 to 820974. A second flight of B-24s dropped bombs at 905995. Subsequent bombs landed on Metropolitan Road area. One Filipino civilian was killed and 10 others were wounded and there was some property damage. Lt Colo Troop G patrol with mission of going to Salacot Mines area. This patrol was increased in strength to 10 men. Troop B night patrol left from left flank sector reached Norzagaray Road and remained in observation til dark. One Jap was seen running toward Bigti along the road. Patrol moved 2000 yards E of Norzagaray-Bigti road and returned without enemy contact.

Troop C ambush on road at 910950 heard an undetermined number of Japs 500-700 yards N of the road at 2200I. Truck was heard travelling S from Bigti and when it reached the point where enemy was last heard, it turned around on the road and went back to Bigti. Plans are to move the ambush further N on the road tomorrow night. Cub made arial reconnaissance for 2d Sq in the Minalungao area.

Monday 19 March 1945: Troop A night patrol under Lt Williams departed 181900I, moved to road vicinity 905005. From this point, a five man patrol went to 915015 N of San Mateo. This small patrol endeavored to climb the cliff but the going was too rough in the darkness and was unable to do so. Small patrol then moved to 910010 where they observed lights in vicinity 915020. The small patrol returned to the main body at 0700I. The main body of patrol in observation on the road saw nothing.

Troop B night patrol made no contact. The patrol crossed road at 916985 traveling NE to 928997. Patrol then circled to the E via 932987 traveling in an open valley and returned. Patrol observed lights E of Bigti.

Troop C ambush road block at 909945 saw no traffic of any kind during the night.

Troop B day patrol departed 0700I traveled E to 905990. At 1200I patrol saw 8 Japs with packs at 925990 moving S toward Bigti.

At 1530 Troop A personnel with FO party located at 895004 was attacked by 18 Japs. Patrol fired on Japs then withdrew. This locality is one of artillery concentration points. Therefore artillery fire was readily placed on the Japs. They were seen to scatter moving mostly to the E.

Guerrilla patrols operating during the day reported contact with large party of Japs at Bayabus and Sibul area where they will remain overnight.

At 1845I Troop B patrol observed 50 Japs on road at 895004. The Japs were traveling N toward Norzagaray. Artillery fire was placed with unobserved results.

Rcn platoon departed at 0730I on 8-day mission in the upper Angat River area. Plat will move to Mt Cruz where patrol base will be established. Plat is expected to reach Mt Cruz afternoon of 21 March. Small patrols will then be dispatched as follows: one to patrol North on both sides of Angat River to Sapa Mayapa and to check trails leading E and W from Angat River in area covered. Patrols 2 and 3 to reconnoiter S along Angat River on E and W bank in the direction of Ipo.

Patrol 4 to reconnoiter to Salacot Mines. The Ren platoon is not expected to complete mission and return until 26 March. The Wpns Troop Mortar plat departed with Ren Plat to carry rations to a point beyond Wilson Mines. From this point native hill people (Dumugats) will be recruited to carry. Ren Plat carried SCR 300 radio will be used to make contact with cub daily commencing 21 March.

2d Sq reported that the guerrillas detachments in the Minalungao area had withdrawn without authority from their positions. Troop F platoon dispatched to OP this area. Assault Plat and P&D worked during the day clearing out the caves. All caves investigated so far have been found booby trapped, therefore progress on this works is very slow. Guerrillas were re-established in OP at Minalungao. Efforts will be made to issue more ration to them because lack of rations is reason for withdrawal.

Tuesday 20 March 1945: At 0728I Troop G reported that Jap artillery landed in Angat. Direction of fire by sound 120° from OP #7.

Troop A reported artillery fires as follows during the night: between 2400I and 0200I, 50 rounds fell in Matiktik; 20 rounds of 105mm fired from Baraja fell in Norzagaray; 10 rounds of 70mm; considerable small arms fire was heard between 0200I and 0600I from Matiktik which came from large guerrilla detachment N and E of Matiktik.

Troop B night patrol observed 50 Japs going N on Norzagaray Road at 1845I. After this encounter patrol remained concealed for 2 hours, crossed the road going E to the cliffs. Patrol could not find opening in the cliffs and returned without making contact.

Troop C road block ambush located at 910950 had no contact. Guerrillas engaged in the area N of Angat received considerable artillery fire during the day.

Sibul area received 12 round of artillery fire at 1700I.

Troop G dispatched a patrol to Kimate.

Lt Cole returned from mission of reconnoitering Sicaw and reported seeing total of 25 Japs in the one hour period spent in observation on N side of river across from Sicaw Mines.

Jap combat patrol forced withdrawal of our patrol. On return trip reconnoitered Sangat area but made no contact.

2d Sq continued work on caves at Minalungao and killed 2 Japs.

A filipino man and woman who had been captive of the Makapili and Japs in the Minalungao area where contacted at Pias.

These civilians stated that prior to the bombing Japs had withdrawn to vicinity Sabini (170738) and that at the time of bombing only 10 Japs and one pro-Jap Filipino were in Minalungao.

These withdrew immediately after the bombing. They also reported that at Sabini there are, under command of Capt Kanaka 250 well-armed Japs and approximately 400 Makapilis.

The Japs were reported to have 200 rounds of rifle ammo each and approximately 8 MGs. A patrol will be dispatched to investigate Sabini.

Troop A night reconnaissance patrol crossed Norzagaray-Bigti Road at 895004 where it found several partially concealed caves and saw 3 Japs. They were by-passed and the patrol moved NE to 925020 where they observed 3 more Japs. Patrol returned without contact.

Troop B night patrol left OP at 892983 and moved NE to 893000 where they drew long range rifle fire. After dark patrol moved SE to the cliff area where it remained in observation until 0200I.

Between midnight and 0200I Jap work parties were heard in the area and trucks were heard three different times on the E side of limestone ridge.

Troop C ambush patrol at 910950 saw no vehicles during the night; however one was heard moving S on Norzagaray-Bigti Road and was believed to have turned E on the Metropolitan Road.

Wednesday 21 March 1945: Troop G patrol to Kimate mo a large number of guerrillas between Bagang and Bayabas and could not move ahead of them to continue mission because the guerrillas were making preparations for an attack on Bayabas. 1st Sq OP saw 7 Japs in civilian car at 950980 at 1915I. Automobilo was moving W stopped at these coordinates and then moved on. Other vehicular activity as previously been reported in this locality. Approximately 50 rounds of enemy artillery from vicinity Baraja fell in Norzagaray-Matiktik area between 1930I and 2000I. 2d Sq continued clearing of caves in the Minalungao area. Two jeep patrols were dispatched at 0800I to reconnoiter to vicinity Laur (044855) and Sabini (170738) in effort to verify report of 250 Japs and 400 Makapilis in that area. S-2 made an attempt to make contact with Horton patrol by Cub plane but was unsuccessful.

Thursday 22 March 1945: Night patrols from Troops A and B patrolled laterally along Norzagaray-Bitti Road. No contact were made. Lights and fires were observed to the E as on the previous nights. Troop C road block at 910950 had no contact. During the day Troop A patrol reconnoitered vicinity Lauang. At 1330I one civilian was killed and one old man captured by Jap patrol vicinity Troop A OP. Troop B day patrol fired on by 4 Japs vicinity 910990. Our patrol returned fire and the Japs fled. No contact was made with Ren platoon at Mt Cruz. P&D squad which had been working in Minalungao area returned reporting having cleared caves in that area by use of smoke demolitions and incendiary charges. At 1800I 2 jeeps carrying personnel of 112th Eng who are reported to have recon mission to Ipo Dam had unwittingly driven up road toward Hot Corner vicinity Santo Cristo where they were ambushed. At the present time all members of party of 8 men are accounted for except 3. Leading jeep apparently struck a mine and was overturned. This vehicle was towed out by a patrol of Troop C under Lt Williams who had gone to this area to investigate and rescue the Eng party. Patrol reconnoitered area thoroughly and called out to the Eng party but no answer was made and no one could be found. A few rounds of sniper fire was received by the patrol but no casualties were inflicted. It is believed that the 3 remaining members of the party will work their way to our lines. 2d Sq reported large number of Makapilis are surrendering at San Leonardo (773589). 106 have already surrendered and a small party of six surrendered at Papaya. Patrol to Sabini area (170738) returned and found no trace of information of the large body of Japs reported to be in that area. Another patrol will be sent to this locality. Troop G has liaison party with guerrilla detachment at Bayabas and Mt Kulo and will send a party to detachment at Laog tomorrow. Movement of rear echelon equipment from vicinity Urdaneta to a warehouse in Bocaue will commence during the night. At 1915I 1st Sq CP OP observed a truck going E on Metropolitan Road and also observed 12 Japs vicinity 950980. This is the point where previous activity has been noted. 155 fire will be placed on this target tomorrow.

Friday 23 March 1945: Troop G reports that at Mt Kulo (hill 400) 4 Japs tried to penetrate their position during the night but were driven off. Wpns Troop received report from guerrilla Sgt that Jap 75 mm piece located at 917039. 1st Sq was ordered to establish road block in road vicinity of N of Santa Maria River and to patrol daily the west side of road to Hot Corner.

Warning signs will be prepared and will be placed vicinity Troops A and G to prevent strangers from driving beyond our front lines.

Troop A night patrol departed from road at 895004 and went E to 914013. At this point 3 Japs were encountered but patrol could not contact them. Patrol then moved NE to San Mateo to 923022 where they remained in observation. At this point noises could be heard in the locality but could not be definitely located. Returned via 913017 at 0730I.

Troop B patrol upon reaching OP position saw small group of Japs at 1930I. Artillery fire placed on this groups and patrol moved in afterwards but found no casualties and made no contact with japs. Moved to 903002, crossed road and went to the cliffs 700 yards E in vicinity of 912002. Patrol saw lights to their SE but made no contacts. Also patrol did not hear any sounds of construction work which have previously been heard in this area.

Troop C No. 3 OP at 902940 reported that 2 of their hand grenade booby traps were exploded during the night. One other showed signs of having been tampered with. There was no evidence of casualties from the booby trap explosions. Troop C ambush road block at 910950 reported negative.

One of the leaders of the Makapilis previously captured in the San Leonardo area reported that his men had killed 7 japs in vicinity 955620. Patrol was sent to investigate this report and the 7 bodies were found there. Identifications showed the 7th Tank Regt of the 2d Armored Div. One additional Makapili surrendered in the Minalungao area. This makes a total of 114 Makapilis surrendered and 92 rifles turned in. Troop B killed on jap at 908996 at 1600I but no documents of identification was found.

Saturday 24 March 1945: Jap PW captured at Cubayao (657447) reported he was a member of Naval Marines at Angeles Field and that his unit original 500 in number had broken up into small groups and were in vicinity of Mt. Arayat (555400). Prisoner also said that the remaining members of his unit would be willing to surrender because many were dying of starvation. A three-day patrol consisting of Sq assault team was dispatched to investigate this report.

Troop A night patrol moved E to the cliff area and patrolled NW to Angat River at 893024 and returned to CP via Lauang. No enemy was seen or heard during the night.

Troop A day patrol found unoccupied well-organized and dug-in positions at 925015. 5 well-used trails were found in this area, showing recent use but no enemy seen.

Troop B night patrol moved E to the cliffs N of Bigti without contact. Troop B day patrol moved to the ridge N of Bigti and W of the Norzagaray-Bigti Road and approximately 1000 yards E saw numerous small parties of Japs moving N and S. Few were armed and most of them were carrying heavy packs. About 1600I the OP saw 19 japs, 5 of which were armed and the rest carrying packs of rice in this same area and artillery fire was placed on them. 5 Japs were killed and numerous bars of rice were destroyed. No identification was taken. At 2140I Troop B CP spotted 10-12 japs who wandered to within 50 yards of CP. CP opened fire and drove off the Japs to the E. No casualties were found and we had no casualties. Recon platoon under Lt Horton which departed 19 March to establish OP at Mt Cruz returned at 1630I. Because native mountain people (Dumagats) could not be located, to carry rations, only 4 days rations were taken to Mt Cruz. Patrols were dispatched from Mt Cruz to cover the trail over which they had travelled and N and S along the West side of the Angat River. The River could not be crossed due to swift current and deep water. 4 japs were seen on E bank of river. Patrol leader reports being unable to make contact with cub place because radio was out of commission and that maps of this area are very inaccurate. The terrain is extremely rugged and best routes of travel is along stream beds.

Sunday 25 March 1945: Troop A patrol under Lt. Gausnell moved E to 906019 where they found jap communications wire and after cutting it prepared an ambush there. At 242345I they saw 9 japs and fired on them. Japs were driven away with no casualties found. OP was discovered at 891019 and the patrol attacked at 250930I killing 3 and wounding 2 japs, then forced to withdraw because of heavy knee mortar fire. The strength of this enemy OP was believed to be 15-20 men. No casualties to our patrol.

Troop B patrol to 918007 where they observed 2 japs on a ridge 100 yards E of this position. Attempted to contact them but was unsuccessful. No further contacts made. Another patrol from Troop B moved to vicinity 400 yards N of Bigti finding a schoolhouse occupied by undetermined number of japs. This patrol observed until morning and returned.

Troop C patrol under Lt Brush moved to 908951 via Apungan Hill and then patrolled laterally along Metropolitan Road to vicinity of Bigti. Search of 8 houses along the road disclosed no japs. One vehicle was heard vicinity Bigti at 242030I. CO, S-3 made reconnaissance to Baras contacting 43d Div. 2d Sq reports negative on all patrols.

5 rounds enemy artillery fell in vicinity San Jose at 1825I. All guerrilla forces E of Angat withdrew. Present arrangements are for guerrillas in that area to be disarmed with the exception of 100 additional men to be added to troop G.

Monday 26 March 1945: At 0400I 3 Japs approached the Troop B OP. One jap was killed. Patrol with war dog commenced pursuit of the other 2. The dog located one jap hiding who was killed by the patrol. The jap bayoneted the dog before he was shot.

Troop E night patrol under Lt. McCracken moved to 909012 overlooking San Mateo. Patrol stayed in observation a short time and saw nothing then investigated the shacks at San Mateo. Patrol then went N to 914016, saw several trails which they reconnoitered. From this area they observed to the E and in the distance saw small lights. Patrol stayed on the move continually all night but did not make contact with the japs.

Troop A had a guerrilla patrol on high ground vicinity Lauang. This patrol received from 2 MGs and mortars fire and retired. Lt Litzei took out a patrol to investigate.

Troop B night patrol under Lt Harwell with 8 men and 3 guerrillas went to schoolhouse at 915975 thence to 917980 without contact. Main body of patrol remained in this area while Lt Harwell with 3 men went to 924985. Small patrol made no contact and returned to main body and entire patrol moved to school house where they remained until daylight. No contact. Troop C patrol observed jap artillery vicinity Bigti. They saw smoke of gun and a total of 15 japs and 3 filipinos carrying arms. Patrol returned and placed artillery fire on this target.

2d Sq advised that guerrilla detachment at Minalungao being reduced to 30 men. Troop F platoon will remain in that area. 3 Markapili surrendered at Minalungao.

Troop G patrol under Lt Dowd returned. Patrol went out at 0730I and returned (1600I). Encountered a total of 20 japs vicinity Makabanban. On approaching this area filipino civilian told patrol that a person wearing a cap similar to theirs was in a shack and he would show them where he was. Patrol moved in that area and found that japs were apparently waiting for them. The Filipino civilian upon making contact with the jap ran off in general direction of jap lines. Our patrol retired. Troop G received a civilian report that 13 japs were in vicinity Pulong Sampolak. Patrol investigated but did not make contact.

Tuesday 27 March 1945: Ren platoon departed at 0800I to establish bas at Baras and patrol E toward Siniloan in conjunction with 43 Ren Troop. This patrol consisted of 29 men Ren platoon, one aid man, 4 radio operators, 6 P&D men carrying 2 days "B" rations and 3 days K rations. Ren

Platoon reported at 1745I that 43d Rcn Troop Motorized patrol with one-half squad of our platoon reconnoitered to 232498 without contact. Troop A patrol under Lt Gausnell reconnoitered trails E of Lauang. A TNT booby trap was established along the trail but failed to go off when 3 japs entered the trap. These japs were killed by rifle fire. No identification taken. 20 additional japs were seen to move through this area but were not fired on.

Troop C patrol moved to vicinity of Bigti, observed small groups of japs moving N and S in that area. A total of about 35 japs were seen.

Troop B patrol to San Mateo area moved E across road and tried to work through rocky cliffs but found them impassable. Patrol moved S encountering a 7-strand barbed wire fence around defensive positions which were vacated. 600 yards to their E observed one jap who disappeared from view. On return trip patrol passed through an area which had received artillery fire in the past, as there were papers, equipment, and a jap pistol strewn in the area. This patrol made no contact. Returned 1805. During the day Troop B roving OP observed considerable activity at the schoolhouse 400 yards N of Bigti.

Troop G patrol under Lt Dowd with mission of reconnoitering E to Angat River went to Pulong Sanpolak and returned without contact.

Two platoon Troop E under Capt Williams moved from Troop A OP line at 0500I to attack hills vicinity Lauang. The first 2 hills were taken without opposition. On the third hill at 891021 one jap was sighted. Artillery fire was placed and the 2 platoon moved out. 1st Platoon under Lt McCracken on the right, 2d platoon under Capt Williams on the left. McCracken platoon encountered jap MG in emplaced positions which was knocked out. A party of japs endeavoring to come in on the rear of the McCracken platoon were engaged by both Troop E platoon and detachment of Troop A which was in positions with HMGs on the objective previously taken. A total of 20 Japs were killed in this action. Our losses were none. 2d platoon on N slope of hill was preceded by considerable distance by Capt Williams and 1 EM. They were fired on and the EM was wounded. Capt Williams was seen to quickly pull this soldier into a depression and then throw 2 grenades. The enemy, located a short distance in front of them (approximately 15 yards) throw back 2 grenades which were seen to explode in the depression where Capt Williams was located. Pvt Hamner, Troop E, who had observed this action, started forward to assist but was killed by jap MG. A jap officer was seen to look into the depression and then turn to walk away. He was killed by the platoon. The 2d platoon withdrew to join the 1st platoon. On the return trip Troop E received approximately 50 rounds of artillery fire from unknown location. Slightly wounding one EM. Japs killed--21. We had one KIA, 2 MIA, and 1 WIA in this action.

Wednesday 28 March 1945: Troop C night patrol consisting of 8 men and one guerrilla went NE toward Bigti and took observation post on ridge at 914970. Jap voices were heard in the area. Two caribou carts were moving N along the road toward Bigti at 2200I. Also metallic sounds were heard such as someone walking on a tin roof. Patrol remained in observation all night. Troop A night patrol vicinity Lauang made no contact. Troop B night patrol covered the road area in their sector but made no contact.

At 1100I Troop C observed 2 mountain gun positions vicinity Kaybanban and placed heavy artillery concentrations on this target.

Troop B day patrol of 8 men with FO party moved E to 906103 on the hill. Jap voices were heard on the crest and artillery fire was placed. Found a barbed wire fence in the area, also documents lying on the ground which were sent in.

Troop G patrol to Makabayan and Saragat returned without contact. Patrol saw jap cigarette butts in the area. Troop G patrol to Bayabas returned--no contact. Saw bodies of 3 civilian girls vicinity Pulong Sanpolak.

San platoon dispatched 2 5-man patrols--under Lt Horton with mission of going to 299470;

Troop G patrol to Makabanban and Sanzat returned without contact. Patrol saw jap cigarette butts in the area. Troop G patrol to Bayabas returned--no contact. Saw bodies of 3 civilian girls vicinity Pulong Sampolak.

Ren Platoon dispatch 2 5-man patrols--under Lt Horton with mission of going to 299470; Sgt Martinez patrol to 346445. Both patrols have guerrilla guides.

Jap artillery concentration of 39 rounds fell in Marungko between 1510I and 1600I. Several civilians were wounded; no casualties on Troop G. Civilians evacuated the town. At 1900I 3 more rounds fell W of Troop G, wounding and killing several civilians. No damage to our troops.

Troop A reported seeing the flash of the 2 artillery pieces firing at Troop G. Located by Troop A to be at 960044.

1st Sq reported 30 unidentified people on ridge S of Bitti.

Patrol sent to investigate and found people to be japs moving N. No contact made.

Troop B night patrol moved to ridge W of road opposite schoolhouse 400 yards N of Bitti. 20 japs were seen moving down the road at 1900. These, no doubt, were the same ones seen by 1st Sq OP. After receiving some sort of signal, japs deployed moving to the right and left flank of the patrol. Patrol withdrew to another ridge in rear of their positions and fired on the enemy killing one officer and one man. Patrol then withdrew to CP at 1930I.

Thursday 29 March 1945: At 0200I patrol of 15 japs entered Marungko and approached Troop G CP from the W. This patrol was fired on and one jap Sgt killed. Jap patrol hurriedly withdrew to the S, covered by HMG swaying the area firing from vicinity of schoolhouse. We had one EM slightly wounded.

Troop A night patrol made no contact vicinity Lauang.

Troop C night patrol went to cliffs 600 yards S of Bitti and heard truck engines racing as if making a steep haul in the area behind the rocky cliffs.

Capt Boland made aerial reconnaissance of area in which the 2 gun flashes were seen the previous afternoon, which had been firing on Troop A. These guns were definitely located at 003032. Fox holes and camouflage net were seen in the area. A small trail leading toward Ipo was seen. An air strike will be requested on the target as it is at maximum range of 155. 15 rounds were fired at the target but it was not effective because of distance.

Troop B patrol consisting of 7 men encountered japs 150 yards E of road. Two of our wounded men escaped from the patrol and reported that other members were still pinned down by the japs who had at least 2 LMGs and numerous rifles. At the time of their escape they believed 3 of the patrol had been killed. A patrol under Lt Gillmore went out to rescue these men but could not approach any closer than 150 yards to the area because of MG fire. The cub plane fired artillery concentrations on this area. Plane reported seeing one dead jap and 3 Americans who apparently were dead and the plane buzzed overhead several times but no movement was made. Lt Gillmore patrol withdrew and will make a further effort tomorrow to rescue the men and evacuate the bodies.

Troop A guerrillas patrol with one EM located bodies of 2 Americans in the area where Troop E had action on 27 March. These are believed to be the bodies of Capt Williams and Pvt Marriott. The patrol reported that artillery had been very effective in that area and that numerous dead japs were seen, some of which were partially caved-in fox holes.

At 1900I civilians reported that japs were in Marinquillo. Civilians evacuated San Rafael area. Patrol from Wpns Troop to San Rafael found that the civilians report was erroneous. An OP of 15 men was established at Marinquillo and an OP of 10 men at Bonga Mayor. During the night 81 mm mortar platoon left Regimental CP to Bustos to remain there and furnish additional strength in that area.

Friday 30 March 1945: Troop A night patrol worked along Norzagaray-Bigti Road. The sound of muffled explosions were heard to the SE which was probably blowing of defensive positions. Trucks were also heard in that area; however no lights were seen.

Troop C night patrol went to ridge 600 yards S of Bigti. This patrol also heard the sound of explosions which were to their N. At 0420I patrol heard 2 caribou carts moving N toward Bigti. Their origin was unknown; however, guerrilla Lt with Troop C states that there is a large cave SE of Bigti. This activity may be to and from that cave. At dawn the patrol saw 3 small fires 200 yards W of Bigti and 2 larger fires in Bigti and another fire SE of Bigti in the cliffs. Also at dawn 12 japs and one Filipino were seen moving N along road toward Bigti.

Troop C will establish OP during the day along the Santa Maria River at 871940.

Troop E dispatched one platoon to guard 2 batteries of 155 mm guns vicinity San Vicente.

Recon platoon patrol of 5 EM, one officers, 2 guerrillas moved from 203498 to reconnoiter road to 209470, and reached this point at 281830I. Returned 291700I. The following information was obtained: temporary bridge at 209470 may be crossed by trucks; bridge at 268488 is in good condition and will carry heavy traffic; at 255488 there is an abandoned jap bivouac area with 5 large tunnels and numerous defensive positions along the road and hills; the bridge at 241499 will carry trucks--by-pass has been constructed there but has been damaged by bombs and it is estimated that 2 hours work with a bulldozer would be necessary to repair it; numerous abandoned positions were found near curves in the road and it is believed that these have not been occupied for more than 2 weeks. The road throughout this area is in very good condition.

30 rounds of enemy artillery fell in vicinity Norzagaray at 1120I.

Troop C forward OP 800 yards E of Bigti saw truck on the Metropolitan Road at 1200I and 105 fire was placed on it but the truck moved out of range.

Troop F patrol from OP at Sibul Springs contacted 12 Japs and one woman at 1200I at 952279. Patrol fired on the enemy with unobserved results. Enemy were well-armed, wearing khaki uniforms. An additional patrol is being dispatched to this area. At 2305I Troop G security post observed undetermined number of japs on E bank of the Angat River. Our post placed mortar and rifle fire on the enemy with unobserved results.

Saturday, 31 March 1945: Troop A night patrol moved to vicinity Lauang recovered the bodies of Capt. Williams and Pfc Harriott but were forced to leave the bodies because of enemy artillery fire in that area.

Troop B night patrol to vicinity of previous troop B action received fire from one MG and after remaining in observation during the night returned. No Jap bodies were found. Three Japs attempted to follow the patrol from 9000000 and one Jap was killed.

Troop C night patrol moved to vicinity of Bigti and observed throughout the night numerous small parties of Japs in and near Bigti.

Sibul Barings patrol reports that four of the party of 12 encountered on 30 March were civilian (prisoners) of the Japs. These civilians escaped during the fire fight and the prisoners said that the Jap forces consisted of one Capt., 4 EM and 4 Jap women armed with one German SMG, 2 rifles, and 2 pistols. These civilians thought the Japs were an advanced party for a larger force. Further investigation will be made tomorrow.

Air strike was made by four P-51s in the area 2000 yards N of Ipo on suspected gun positions. Our observers believed the impact area to be in the right location. However the results were observed.

Lt Horton was instructed to return to this CP on 1 April.

6 rounds of enemy artillery fell within 75 yards of 1st Sq CP at 888 000 at 1639 with no damage.

1st Sq Hq CP reported 15 armed Japs on bridge where Bigti-hot corner road crosses the Santa Maria River at 1130I. 30 rounds of artillery were placed on the bridge with unobserved results.

18 rounds of enemy artillery was received by our patrol vicinity of 900001 at 1700I with no casualties.

Sunday, 1 April 1945: Troop A night patrol returned from San Mateo area without contact. They reported muffled blasts and construction work in the cliff area N of Bigti.

Troop B night patrol moved to the ridge overlooking the school house at 300900I saw 4 armed Japs; also spotted 10 Japs at 915978 moving SE toward Bigti. This patrol then moved further to a ridge overlooking Bigti where they saw 5 more Japs moving E and disappear vicinity of the stone cliffs.

Troop C night patrol moved to vicinity of Bigti and during the night saw various small parties of Japs moving from Bigti to the E. No artillery fire was placed on these Japs because the Target was believed to be too small.

At 0700I 12 Japs were spotted at 905958 and fire from Troop C OP was placed on the, killing three. The remainder of the japs withdrew to the E and our patrol pursued but no further contact was made.

Troop G overnight patrol to SANGAT returned. Patrol saw approximately six Japs at MAKABANBAN. These were by-passed and the patrol moved on to SANGAT where they saw 4-5 Japs. Patrol remained in observation for approximately one hour and then withdrew to their bivouac, returning through this same area on the following day with no contact.

2d Sq. LAUK patrol returned at 1730I and reported no enemy contacts. Guerrillas reported that they had killed 2 Japs at 095785 but no other information was available.

Lt. Horton and 1st platoon returned to LAGUN DE BAY area at 1600. A guerrilla OP originally planned to be established in the BAYABAS area was held up and additional day because of lack of arms.

Monday Apr. 2--Troop A night patrol moved to SAN MATEO area in vicinity of trail along which runs the Jap communication wire where they saw 5 Japs moving SE. Patrol remained in observation for approximately one hour and then moved 100 yards E of the trail where they found a Jap OP consisting of 8 men. Patrol remained in observation until 020430I and back-tracked along the trail to the communication wire. This wire was cut and the patrol saw one Jap coming down the trail and an ambush was placed there. The enemy approached no further and noises lead the patrol to believe that an ambush was being prepared on the trail. Patrol returned without further contact, and reported that at 0600I they saw lights and heard explosions in vicinity BIGTI.

Troop B night patrol saw 2 Japs at 908983 and 011830I and from this same vicinity heard MG fire 200 yards to their SE. Patrol then moved to the ridge overlooking the schoolhouse 400 yards N of BIGTI and observed numerous flashlights on the road near the schoolhouse. Four single signal shots were heard throughout the night.

Troop C OP at ABUGAN HILL reported 2-3 Japs attempted to infiltrate the OP. Although no fire was placed on them, the Japs withdrew to the E and a patrol was dispatched to contact them with negative results.

One patrol Troop B moved to ridge overlooking BIGTI and at 1450I saw 3 Japs carrying water 300 yards N of the schoolhouse. At 1745I this patrol reported 3 more Japs in vicinity of the schoolhouse. These Japs disappeared into the brush nearby.

Troop G patrol from MEHURCFO to S. M. OLK and BAGONG returned with no contact. They reported that civilians were moving into the towns in this area.

Lt. Horton patrolled laterally to vicinity S of SANTA MARIA-MUZON ROAD as far as FIENSA reported no information of the enemy. Patrol was sent out to investigate the area through which two 6-man Jap patrols infiltrated into "C" Btry, 148th FA.

Troop E, less detachments, moved to their old Troop C bivouac area N of MUZON for the night.

Lt. Appledorn, 7EM, 4 guerrillas departed Troop C CP at 1200I to reconnoiter the area between METIOLITAN ROAD and the SANTA MARIA RIVER to grid line 95. Patrol to be gone three days.

Tuesday Apr. 3--At 0100I Troop B left squad OP was attacked by approximately 10 Japs using phosphorus grenades and causing the OP to withdraw to the S with no casualties. The Japs burned the nipa shack used as CP and the patrol was forced to abandon personal equipment and a 300 radio. Patrol returned at 0630I and found the C. area clear of the enemy. Most of the equipment and the radio was recovered.

Troop A night patrol left 022400I, crossed the road at 893005 and moved to trail junction at 902006 and remained in observation until 030300I then moved N 1000 yards on the trail. Patrol returned at 030700I and saw no activity. Rifle fire and a large fire were

heard and seen in the Troop B sector.

Troop C night patrol to observe BIGTI was attacked by undetermined number of Japs at 022030I, and the patrol withdrew leaving one guerrilla in the area. This guerrilla reports that there were 15 Japs in the party and that they remained at the sight of the OI and withdrew to the E and that they remained at the sight of the OI and withdrew to the E in the early morning. This guerrilla also heard truck moving down NOIZAGALAY-BIGTI ROAD; thru at BIGTI and moved toward ITO at 022400I.

At 1030I civilians reported 6 Japs 600 yards SE of Troop A right flank OP. Four were armed and in uniform and the others in civilian clothes. Japs had killed one civilian. Lt. Gausnell patrol to investigate found four Japs, killed two and wounding one who they captured.

Troop E moved from NUZON area back to original bivouac near SANTA MARIA at 1000I.

Lt. Meeks of Troop G with patrol to SICAW MINES reached point 1000 yards N of BAHJA where they saw 6-man Jap patrol. Patrol moved further S to by-pass these and ran into additional enemy. Patrol bivouaced for the night and returned via SANGAT and SIBUL without further contact.

Troop G patrol to JULONG SAMOLAC-BAYABAS contacted guerrilla OP at BAY/BAS returned via BUKOL with negative report.

Guerrilla OP on HILL 400 refused to stay in the area and the OP originally scheduled for the area W of LAOG was moved there today. Additional guerrillas will be secured for the LAOG area.

Troop B OI W of the NORZAGALAY-BIGTI ROAD in vicinity of schoolhouse saw small groups of armed Japs in the schoolhouse area throughout the afternoon.

Bivouac area was selected 500 yards north of CATMON LIVEI crossing on the SANTA MARIA-NOIZAGALAY ROAD for 2d Squadron, less Detachments.

Troop F patrol moved from SIBUL SPRINGS OI investigated report of 4 Jap men and 4 Jap women in vicinity of CALUMTANG (962282) but not contact was made.

2d Sq Hq and Troop H, less one MG platoon, moved at 2000I to 808975 and closed at 2300I. Troop F OI moved to GAPAN with one MG platoon Troop H as reserve. Troop F relieved Troop H bridge guards.

Troop G dispatched 2 patrols: one to move to BAYABAS SE through LAHIN S to SICAW. This patrol to be gone three days. The other patrol was to reconnoiter the high ground from SIBUL to BAHJA. Patrol to be gone three days.

Wednesday Apr. 4--Troop A night patrol to LAUNG reconnoitered area with negative results.

Troop A right flank OP saw 2 Japs and fired on them, but the Japs disappeared to the E. The area was searched in the early morning but no traces of the enemy could be found.

Troop B patrol to BIGTI reported seeing 2-3 flashlights at 922975 and heard single signal shots throughout the night.

Troop C OI at AUGAN heard a truck at 032400I. This truck seemed to be moving toward HOT COINER and stopped several times, moving only short distances between stops.

Troop B patrol saw undetermined number of Japs 400 yards E of the school house at 935978 at 1015I. The enemy fired several rounds of knee mortar at our OI which withdrew to the EL without casualties.

Troops B and C were relieved by elements of the 169th Infantry at 1200I. These troops remained overnight in their bivouac areas before moving to an assembly area in the rear.

Four Jap men and 3 Jap women were reported in vicinity of CAIUMIT (890325) and a 10-man patrol was dispatched by Troop F to locate the enemy.

Lt. Appledorn patrol returned at 1130I. This patrol crossed BIGTI-HOT CORNER ROAD at 903919 and moved into 913922 where they observed 9 Japs at 926924. The patrol then withdrew and bivouaced for the night of 02 April at 915925. Throughout the night movement of small parties of the enemy were heard at 912925. Sounds believed to have been Japs pounding rice were also heard. Patrol left bivouac area 030630I and moved NE to 955931. From this point a 6-man patrol was sent to 953972 where they observed 5 Japs leading caribou traveling S along small trail to the E. These were followed by 25 well-armed uniformed Japs at 1330I. Five minutes sighted 8 enemy moving toward them from the E and 9 men moving toward them from the SE. The patrol then withdrew and joined the main body at 947972 and at this point saw one Jap officer and 2 EM 200 yards to their W and 5 more Japs were seen 400 yards NW of this point. Patrol then moved to the SW where they saw 10 Japs at 945953. Patrol continued to the SW and bivouaced for the night at 927937, returning to the Troop C CP the next morning at 1130I without further contact.

Thursday Apr. 5--Troop A night patrol under Sgt. Bethel moved from 899000 and crossed road at 2400I to reconnoiter LAUNG area. Patrol searched houses in the area and then moved 200 yards to the E then moved to the S and at 0500I at 898015 patrol heard Jap catching a chicken and then saw 4 Japs enter a house and light a lantern. Patrol observed for 30 minutes and opened fire at 0430I and received fire from 3-4 rifles in return. Further to the S another body of Japs opened up with rifles and from vicinity of the old Troop B left flank they heard a Jap MG. Because the Japs held commanding ground patrol was not able to move in.

A daylight patrol in the LAUNG-NOHZAGALLY area made no contact.

Troop E patrol to BALASING (849969) to investigate rumor of 20 armed Japs in that area failed to make contact. A civilian there told the patrol that 2 Japs had entered the barrio after dark on 4 Apr and had killed one dog and disappeared.

Troop A OP at 1400I saw 17 Japs moving to the N at 868014. Artillery and small arms fire was placed on them with unobserved results. The enemy dispersed and moved to the E.

Weapons Troop moved to 833000 and closed at 1000I. 1st Sq Hq, Troop B, C, and D moved to assembly area at 839995 and closed at 1030I. Regt'l Hq and Hq Troop departed bivouac area at BOLOKAN at 1330I and closed to 83500I at 1500I.

Troop F patrol to CAIUMIT (960350) to investigate report of the enemy in that area found signs that an unestimated number of Japs had been in the area within the last day or two, and that they had apparently moved toward MT. MABANTOT approximately 5 miles to the E. Patrol made no contact.

Troop G overnight patrol under Lt. Cole returned 1700I. The patrol moved out on morning 4 Apr to HILL 400 then proceeded E to LAJIN (944065) and then SE to 950057 then moved W to SIBUL and back to MAKABANBAN. Patrol then moved to the W and contacted Jap combat patrol at 892012. This patrol estimated to be 15 men and our patrol received knee mortar and small arms fire. Patrol then moved N 400 yards from there to MAG without further contact.

Troop F motorized 10-man patrol was dispatched to vicinity BONGO (370460) to investigate civilian report of 50 Japs in that area.

One of the large Jap ammo dumps at SAN LEONARDO exploded at 0930I, killing one woman, 5 children, and there are still 5 children missing.

Friday Apr. 6--As per orders of 112th RCT, 1st Squadron commenced movement to assembly area at 887007 at 1400I and closed at 1700I in preparation for a coordinated attack with 169th Inf on the enemy in the BIGTI-SAN MATEO area. 1st Squadron, with 2d Squadron less Troops F, G and one platoon Troop E, is to move from line of departure following air strike on the objective area which is the high ground extending from 920030 to 925005, and in any case not later than 0815I. 1st Squadron is to seize and hold this ground and establish contact with 169th Inf on the right.

One reinforced platoon Troop G is to move from HILL 400 at 0730I and the high ground at 918004 and to protect our left flank.

Troop A was relieved at 1200I by one reinforced platoon Troop E.

Troop A overnight patrol moved to SAN MATEO area and observed throughout the night making no contacts. This patrol returned at 0700I.

Troop G will re-establish O.s for counter-reconnaissance screen at 842072, 843055, 842030.

2d Squadron less Troops F, G, and one platoon Troop E moved to assembly area vicinity TIGBI (863990) and closed at 1900I.

One platoon of tanks closed in this assembly area at 2200I. These tanks are to support 1st Squadron by direct fire.

Troop F dispatched a patrol to CAIUM.IT to contact enemy reported in that area.

Saturday Apr. 7--1st Squadron moved from line of departure vicinity 87012 at 0800I following air strike on the objective with Troops A and B abreast (B on the right and A on the left) with Troop C in reserve. They received sporadic artillery fire in their advance toward the objective area. Troop A reached base of objective at 1230I and reorganized preparatory to launching an attack on the objective after an artillery preparation and at 1430I they had seized the objective area and were receiving only a small amount of rifle fire from the enemy. Three Japs were killed. One identification shows 5th Co, 358th Inf Bn. Our casualties were 3 guerrillas WIA.

At 1230I Troop B was S and approximately 300 yards to the rear of Troop A. By 1300I Troop B was able to move into objective area on the Troop A right flank.

Reinforced platoon of Troop G moved at 0740I towards objective area in vicinity 918040. By 1800I this platoon had reached 905045 without contact but at this time they were received what they believed to be 60 mm mortar fire. No casualties were inflicted.

Contact patrol from Troop E were sent to CO C, 169th Inf and 148th FA and made no contact with the enemy in the rear areas.

Tank platoon engaged targets in the objective area and received several rounds of enemy artillery from their position. Tanks were withdrawn to TIGBI under cover of darkness.

Our Op at BAYABAS was attacked by undetermined number of Japs at 2300I. This attack was repulsed and no casualties were suffered.

One pro-Jap surrendered to Troop F at SIBUL SPRINGS during the afternoon. This prisoner stated 4 Japs and 2 women, armed, were moving toward COHONA (995399) and a 10-man patrol was dispatched to contact the enemy. 11 pro-Japs with rifles surrendered to MINAIUNGAO OP during the afternoon and this Op had a fire fight at 945512 without casualties and reported approximately 40 Japs in that area. 5 Armed Japs were seen near the Op at 1200I. This Op has been increased to 25 men and 30 guerrillas.

By 1800I Troops A and B had consolidated their positions in preparation for a counter-attack during the night.

Sunday, 8 April--Early in the morning the enemy attacked Troops A & B positions with MG's, mortar and direct fire from 75mm gun. This attack was repulsed with 15 enemy killed. Our artillery fire was placed in front of the positions and the casualties due to this fire are undetermined. Local patrol was sent to the N & S after the enemy attack. These patrols received distant and scattered small arms fire. Troops A & B continued to organize their position and during the afternoon and at 1700I they received enemy artillery fire for approximately one hour, following which some small arms fire was received. Casualties due to this artillery fire are not yet determined. Troop G platoon which had not reached it's objective, bivouaced for the night at 902054 and moved early in the morning reaching its objective at 0815I. Platoon had no contact and a daily patrol from the OP at HILL 400 to contact Troop G platoon was set up. Troop G platoon dispatched a patrol to contact Troop A and this patrol was unable to make contact. At 1100I ration train enroute to Troops A & B received artillery fire at road junction near NORZAGARAY and were unable to move rations forward in the daylight hours. Contact patrols from 2d Sq were to contact Co C, 169th Inf, 148th FA, and Troop G OP and reported negative information. At 1600I 1st Sq placed mortar fire on Jap OP at 906997, killing one jap. Investigation found no identification but one binocular case was left behind. At 2230 Jap patrol of 10 men was reported by a civilian to be approximately 2 kilometers SW of the CP on the road between Regt'l CP and SANTA MARIA. Communication line had been cut in that area and approximately a 100-ft section had been carried away. Patrol from AT was sent to investigate this report. A total of 51 pro-japs surrendered to Troop F at MINALUNGAO and were turned over to the CIC. All other reports in the Troop F sector were negative.

Monday, 9 April--At 0730I Troop A reported many japs around their positions and in a fire fight that followed 7 Japs were killed and one pro-Jap wounded. This man, with one additional Pro-Jap, surrendered to Trp A. At 1100I litter train from Troops A & B was ambushed by Japs who had placed a trail block between our positions and the 1st Sq CP. At this same time Troops A & B received heavy small arms fire from their front. One reinforced platoon under Capt. Fyke was dispatched to destroy the trail block at 919014. At 1400I enemy artillery was falling in Troops A & B sector and shortly thereafter approximately 200 Japs were seen approaching their positions. At the same time an undetermined number of Japs worked their way around the southern flank to cut the supply line which had been temporarily opened by the Fyke platoon. At 1700I 1st Sq CO was ordered to withdraw Troops A & B to high ground vicinity of 1st Sq CP. This withdrawal was commenced at 1800I and the withdrawing column was ambushed by estimated 50 Japs vicinity 918013. Troops A & B closed in 1st Sq Area at 2325I. Our casualties for the day were 6 KIA, 30 WIA, 8 MIA, 2 guerrillas KIA, 9 guerrillas WIA, and one civilian carrier WIA. Enemy casualties were 51 KIA. Troop G platoon was attacked by estimated 10-15 japs at 0700I and the japs withdrew after a short fire fight. Our casualties were one WIA and it is believed that one enemy was wounded. At 1100I a report was received that 200 Japs were moving N at 925036 toward Troop G platoon. Artillery fire was placed on this target, causing the Japs to scatter and results were not observed. Troop G OP also report 50 unidentified personnel, believed to be Japs, moving NE toward BUKOL and a patrol from Troop G OP at BAYABAS was dispatched to make contact. Troop G platoon contact patrol to Troop A was unable to cross river between their positions and Troop A & B, and moved W crossing river at PULO, where they contacted 4 Japs, killing 2 and possibly a third. Patrol was unable to investigate further due to enemy artillery fire falling in the area and withdrew to their CP. The AT platoon patrol to investigate report on 10 Japs between CP and SANTA MARIA made no contact. B&D platoon working in the vicinity 845996 received word from a civilian that Japs were in the area, and the platoon under Lt. Meeks investigated and contacted undetermined number of Japs, killing 5. At the same time a patrol from AT platoon was dispatched and they contacted the same party of Japs, killing 3 and it is believed that 3 escaped. This party of Japs was part of 2 demolition patrols consisting of 16 men from the 8th FA Regt who were sent to this location to destroy our batteries in the TIGBI area. Troop F patrol to RIO CHICO returned with negative information. 26 additional pro-Japs surrendered to the MINALUNGAO OP during the afternoon.

Tuesday, 10 April--At 0700I organization of new 1st Sq defense line began. Troop A is to occupy the left flank, Troop B the Central sector, and Troop C the right flank. A few rounds of enemy artillery were received during the day but most of it fell over our positions and no casualties resulted. At 0940I Troop G platoon at 848018 was relieved by 3 squads AT platoon and the Troop E at 864010 was relieved by 1st Sq assault platoon. E Troop joined 2d Sq at the forward CP. Extensive patrolling was carried out throughout the entire rear area with negative results. 2d Sq established listening posts at 874937, 847994, and wire communication was established with all these posts. Troop G platoon at 922038 dispatched one patrol SE along ANGAT RIVER and another to vicinity SANGAT. Returned with negative information. BAYBAS OP dispatched a patrol of 2 soldiers and 6 guerrillas to investigate an undetermined number of enemy at LARIS. Troop G platoon observed 27 Japs approximately one kilometer EAST of their position and artillery fire was placed on this target with unobserved results. Patrol to LARIS reported no contact.

Wednesday, 11 April--At 0200I an undetermined number of Japs attacked Troop C sector. Three Japs were killed and we had no casualties. 1st Sq continued to organize positions and sporadic artillery fire was received throughout the day but no casualties resulted. One gun, believed to be 75mm, was firing point blank at Troop C position and the location of this gun has not yet been determined. 1st Squadron ration train was also fired on by Jap flat trajectory weapon on their trip out and return. 10-20 rounds were received on both occasions. This gun believed to be located at 925007 Or 940014. Guerrilla patrol to SILING MATANDA, SILING BATA, PUTINGLUPA, MASAWANG SAPA, picked up one pro-Jap who was turned over to CIC. All local patrols report negative. F Trp. patrols reported negative. Nine additional pro-Japs surrendered to MINALUNGAO OP. Patrol to SABANT ESTATE to investigate report of Japs in that area has not yet returned. 2 rounds of enemy artillery fell IN ANGAT and 2 rounds in BINAGBAG at 1955I. At 2200I 2nd Sq rear CP reported 2 Japs in their area. These Japs were fired on and withdrew into a draw about 600 yards to the N, and about 2 hours later the enemy reappeared and were again fired upon. A patrol was dispatched to try to contact them, but were unsuccessful.

Thursday, 12 April--Organization of 1st Sq positions was continued and extensive patrolling to the E, N, S and rear areas was conducted. These patrols returned without contact. During the morning ration train to 1st Sq positions received approximately 30 rounds of enemy artillery without casualties. Troop G dispatched patrol from BAYABAS OP to PINGATULAYAN and LARIS. No contact. Overnight patrol from Lt. Meeks platoon returned from BARAJA area without contact. He reported numerous trails in this area which showed signs of recent use. Officer patrol from Troop E crossed road at 890001 and proceeded E to approximately 920005 at which point they received several rounds of artillery and some small arms fire. Small arms fire was coming from high ridge to his front (925005). 1st Sq sent patrol from LAUang to Pulo. After working out PULO area, patrol moved S along river to 908028 where they found a well-used trail. Saw two japs moving W along the trail, after a period of observation they returned to Troop A CP. Troop C patrol to 921017 returned at 1540I and reported finding two dead Japs and recovered some of the equipment lost in the withdrawal on 9 April. Troop B patrol was sent to vicinity of where Troop B patrol was ambushed 10 days ago. Here they found three bodies, but were not able to close in to identify the bodies, as Jap activity on surrounding high ground was increasing. Ration train returned from 1st Sq at 1800I and was not fired on by artillery. Artillery Cub plane was overhead during the return trip. At 1900I Lt. Meeks reported artillery landing near them. As he was reporting, one shell landed in his CP cutting communications. Because of heavy Jap concentration, he withdrew his OP to a position E of LAOG. He had no casualties. One of the bridge guards at GAFAN fell from the bridge and he was killed. Civilian reported to Troop F that there were 100 Japs 4 Kilometers N of SIBUL. 2 patrols of 3 men each were dispatched to investigate the report. All local patrols in rear areas reported negative. Upon orders from BALDY FORCE, the 112th Cavalry mission has been changed to deep reconnaissance patrolling in the area N of the METROPOLITAN ROAD.

Friday, 13 April 1945: At 0045 a small Jap patrol was fired on by Troop B OP. One Jap killed; we had no casualties.

Ration train from 1st Squadron moved out at 0800I with cub plane overhead, and again the artillery did not fire on them.

Reconnaissance Platoon patrol contacted 2nd Squadron OP at 0600I and then proceeded to 0800I5 where they remained in position most of the day in an attempt to pick up sound of Jap artillery. Patrol returned at 1700I reporting no contact with the enemy.

Headquarters Troop Patrol to 08500I reported that they heard gun which was firing on 1st Squadron ration train and estimated it to be vicinity of 9230I1. Patrol returned at 1515I without contact.

All contact patrols returned without incident. All Troop G platoon patrols had no contact with the enemy. Troop G OP patrols reported no enemy contacts. Local patrols in Regimental CP and rear areas reported no contacts.

2nd Squadron established OP at 905005 on 12 April; a contact patrol to 169th Inf OP at 908005 was sent from new OP position: returned without incident.

In conjunction with guerrillas, Troop F captured one Jap who was forwarded to Baldy Force Hqs. All Troop F patrols reported negative information. Sibul Springs OP was moved back to the barrio proper as much of the activity in the area has been reported at this point.

Tanks were released from control of 112th Cavalry at 1330I.

Lt. McCracken patrol to 950005 returned at 1515I, reporting no enemy contacts throughout his patrol. He did not reach his objective. The terrain was sparsely wooded, and the patrol had to crawl a great portion of the way. Upon his return, several of the patrol members had to be evacuated because of heat exhaustion.

Patrol which departed 121430I returned at 1830I. The patrol's objective was the high ground overlooking Sicaw Mines. Patrol moved to 090054 where they observed Meeks Platoon position being shelled, and upon seeing Meeks' pull out, spent the night at the above location. The next morning patrol moved to 919061 and on to Sangat where they searched some vacated houses. While moving East to 948048 they received considerable small arms fire. The number of Japs firing on them could not be determined, but the fire was intense. Patrol moved to the high ground vicinity 930050 and observed undetermined number of Japs to their front. Due to lateness in the day, patrol returned without reaching objective. On return trip, patrol observed a trail at 926052 which appeared to have been used the night before.

Saturday, 14 April 1945: Troop C patrol to 923014 observed body of American killed on 09 April but was unable to recover it because of enemy fire from a high wooded ridge to their front.

Troop E patrol was sent to 053988 to investigate what might have been natives signaling to the enemy on the high ground vicinity San Mateo. After questioning the natives, they said they were burning chestnuts. Upon a search, two natives were brought in who had considerable Jap and American clothing and equipment, and were turned over to CIC for questioning.

Patrols from Headquarters Troop to work out the draws in immediate vicinity of Regimental CP and surrounding barrios reported no contact.

At 142200I OP at Hill 400 was attacked by undetermined number of Japs attack was repulsed, and one guerrilla was WIA.

All contact patrols reported negative information of the enemy.

Troop F bridge guards at Santa Rosa, with a Jap patrol, capturing 3 and probably wounding another. We had no casualties in this action. All other patrols in the Troop F sector had no contact.

Troop G OP at 874062 sent a patrol to Matiktik where they searched vacated houses, but found nothing. Patrol then moved East along the river to Meeks' Platoon position and searched out that area but found no Japs. Patrol proceeded to Sangat and Malabanbar, and Midway between the two barrios they observed numerous footprints which indicated that approximately 15-20 Japs had used the trail recently. Returned to Troop G OP East of Loag at 1530I.

Overnight patrol to Laris from Bayabas OP returned and reported no activity in the area of Laris.

All local patrols had no contact with the enemy.

Sunday, 15 April 1945: At 0315, a patrol from reconnaissance Platoon left Troop C OP with mission of reaching 931009 and observing any Jap activity in that area and give a detailed report of trails and Jap installations. Patrol to return morning of 16 April.

At 0500I OP at Hill 400 observed Japs with a machine gun on the high ground 500 yards to their front. OP opened fire and the Japs withdrew.

Headquarters Troop motorized patrols contacted Jap demolition squad of 7 men at 847997. Our patrol killed all 7; we had no casualties. Patrol continued on mission and had no further contact.

At 0800I a C trooper proceeded to a water hole NW of Troop C OP, where he found a Jap filling a canteen. Both parties exchanged fire and the C Trooper received a leg wound. Soldier believed he wounded the Jap. Patrols were sent out to contact the Jap, but they returned and reported negative.

Very little artillery fell in the sector during the day.

All local patrols and contact patrols reported no contact with the enemy.

Troop F reported that Huks killed one Jap at Licab (540800). All Troop F patrols had no contact with the enemy.

At 2200I 2nd Squadron OP at 868012 and Troop G OP at 844055 reported a flare in vicinity Matiktik. Azimuths were called in, position was plotted and 148th FA shell the area.

Monday, 16 April 1945: Reconnaissance Platoon patrol returned at 0730I. During the course of their patrol, they continually ran in to barbed wire entanglements and prepared positions, which were well-outposted. Though the patrol observed several Japs and heard large parties in nearby areas, they were never detected. Patrol leader reported that the trails in the area covered were in good condition, and that he believed there was an estimated platoon of Japs outposting the trails and the approaches to the East.

Troop B patrol to vicinity 915993 located the bodies of 5 B Troopers killed approximately 3 weeks ago. Due to the badly decomposed condition of the bodies and the size of the patrol they could not bring in the bodies. A patrol with graves Registration personnel will be sent out tomorrow to recover the bodies.

No artillery fell in the sector during the day.

At 1700I 1st Squadron CO arranged to have artillery placed on possible Jap artillery positions. It is believed one field piece was destroyed and at least two Japs killed, as one was seen being dragged out and another lay by the wrecked gun.

2nd Squadron CO making reconnaissance in vicinity 848017 with possibility of moving regimental reserve to this point in case of enemy attack from Norzagaray area.

All contact patrols and local patrols reported negative information of the enemy.

Troop F reported that Huks killed one Jap in vicinity Santo Cristo (643504). Papers taken off the dead Japs being forwarded to RCT.

No enemy artillery fell in the 112th sector during the day.

Tuesday, 17 April 1945: At 1100I Troop C patrol working in vicinity 904002 killed one Jap. Several others escaped and were last seen moving South.

Approximately 50 rounds of enemy artillery fell in the 112th sector during the day. Troop C patrol moved to vicinity (921007) from which they could observe the coconut grove and a house on the ridge approximately 600 yards to their front. They spotted two Japs in the grove and heard considerable movement in that area. Patrol received one round enemy artillery which fell 25 yards from them but was a dud. Patrol returned at 1700I.

At 2300I an undetermined number of Japs approached Troop B position. These were fired on by Troop B MGs, small arms and 60 mm Mortars. Results of the engagement were undetermined. Patrols being sent out tomorrow to investigate.

At 1930I troop C OP at 902003 and Troop E OP at 905995 reported hearing vehicles moving North on the Norzagaray-Bigtì Road. Almost simultaneously the 169th Inf North flank OP reported considerable vehicular activity in Bigtì. All troops were alerted and instructed to be prepared for AT defense. Artillery fire was placed on all suspected areas. No further movement was heard for the rest of the night after 2030I.

Troop G OP at 844055 reported two rounds of what they believed to be 75 mm landed in Angat at 2100I. Patrol will be dispatched in the morning to investigate the town of Angat.

A listening Post in vicinity of Norzagaray was established with radio communication to Troop G OP to report any Jap activity in or around Norzagaray. Listening post will be established each night.

All local patrols and contact patrols between OPs reported no contact with the enemy. Questioning of civilians in surrounding barrios reported that they had no Japs in their locality.

Overnight patrol from Troop G OP at Dayabas to Laris reported no enemy contact.

Wednesday, 18 April 1945: Troop B patrol moved due East from their position and reached a point approximately 500 yards short of the ridge at 920013. At this point patrol was fired on by small arms fire. Patrol leader stated the fire was intense and quite concentrated.

Troop C patrol to 922005 observed 5 Japs moving towards them down a fairly well-used trail. They ambushed the Japs, killing 2 and probably wounding the remaining 3. Due to considerable Jap activity in the high ground to their front, patrol was unable to investigate. Another patrol will be sent to this area tomorrow to investigate.

Troop G patrol to Matiktik then to Makabanban found no enemy in that area. Patrol moved to 899054 where they observed 2 Japs in a shack. Japs spotted our patrol first and ran to the NE. Patrol pursued but was unable to make further contact with them. Patrol returned at 1700I.

Investigation of Angat revealed no information of the enemy in that town.

No artillery fell in the sector during the day. Our artillery engaged possible Jap gun positions to our front.

All contact patrols and local patrols working out draws in the rear areas reported no enemy contact.

Troop F patrols report no contact with the enemy.

Thursday, 19 April 1945: Troop E furnished an additional OP between their OP at 905995 and the N flank OP of 169 Inf to fill in the large gap between our lines.

All troops conducted extensive patrolling to their immediate front and in the rear areas and all patrols reported no contact with the enemy. All contact patrols between CFs reported no enemy contact.

1st Squadron employed artillery on several possible Jap gun positions in the San Mateo area. The will go in reserve at 810938. They are to leave Gapan 201000I.

Patrol to Laris by way of Makabarban reached 928064 where they spotted about 20 Japs moving down a trail towards them. The Japs observed our patrol and dispersed, and began closing on our patrol from both flanks. Patrol withdrew to 920059 where they spent the night of the 17th. On the morning of 18 the patrol moved back to the same point and observed some enemy activity in that area. Patrol leaders stated that the A-20s, who were on a bombing mission at Sicaw, received considerable small arms fire as they flew over Laris to reach their target. Patrol moved to Bayabas OP and spent the night of the 18th and returned to their CP during the morning of the 19th.

No artillery fell in the sector during the day.

Troop F dispatched a patrol to the area midway between Gapan and Cabanatuan along the highway. Patrol is to remain out overnight.

Artillery was employed on possible gun positions and apparent enemy troop concentrations throughout the day.

Friday, 20 April 1945: All troops sent out local patrols in the rear areas, beating out the brush to insure that no Japs were hiding out in the draws. All contact patrols and listening posts reported no activity what-so-ever and no enemy contacts.

Troop F closed in their new bivouac area at 810938 at 1530I.

Approximately 40 rounds of enemy artillery fell in vicinity of Troop E OP No. 3, but we suffered no casualties. Our artillery engaged possible enemy gun positions during the day. Throughout the day there were a series of air strikes against the enemy in the Sicaw area and in vicinity of Troop A's old objective.

Troop G sent a patrol to vicinity of Laris at 1400I with mission to reconnoiter the Laris area for any Jap activity. Patrol will not return until 22 April.

Another patrol from Troop G was sent out at 1400I with mission of reaching the high ground overlooking the Sicaw Mine area. This patrol will not return until afternoon of 22 April.

Saturday, 21 April 1945: No artillery fell in the sector during the day. All local patrols and contact patrols between OPs reported no enemy contact.

Troop H platoon, which was stationed with Troop F at Gapan, returned to this Headquarters at 1300I. Troop H had a patrol out when Troop F was ordered in. This patrol had been out for two nights, investigating the barrios between Cabanatuan and Gapan. During the course of their patrolling, they captured one Jap and killed one Jap. Another PW was taken by the Huks to San Antonio. Capt. Stallings, 2nd Squadron, who remained at Gapan until Troop H patrol returned, went to San Antonio to pick up the Jap PW. The civilians in that

area told the patrol that 150 Japs, under a Capt Tanaka, were in the foothills about 20 kilometers East of Santa Rosa. Patrols will be sent to the Cabanatuan-Gapan area daily to investigate the barrios and the report of the 150 Japs.

At 1700I 1st Squadron reported an explosion in a cave at approximately 924006 and counted 25 Japs running out of the cave. Artillery fire was immediately placed on the Japs and the results are believed good.

At 2100I Troop C OP at 902003 and Troop E OP No 3 reported hearing vehicles moving along the Metropolitan Road. Vehicles were believed to be moving West toward Bigti.

Sunday, 22 April 1945: At 0330I a Jap patrol worked in close to Troop A position and fired several shots attempting to draw fire. Our OP did not open fire until one of the Japs lit a cigarette. Upon investigation at 0730I, no bodies were found, but it is believed that one of the Japs was wounded.

A Patrol will be sent out from 1st Squadron at 1900I to investigate our air strike during the afternoon on the San Mateo area. Patrol will remain out overnight and return by early morning of 23 April.

No artillery fell in the 112th sector during the day.

Troop G patrol from OP E of Laog to Matiktik, Sangat, Makabanban had no contact with the enemy; however, approximately 3000 yards W of Makabanban the patrol searched a shack and found Jap equipment consisting of a helmet and clothing which was bloodstained. Patrol leader believes the equipment had been used the night before.

Capt. Stallings brought the prisoner from San Antonio to Baldy Force Headquarters.

All local patrols and contact patrols returned without incident.

Civilians in the Cabanatuan-Gapan area report that the Japs have become more active in that area since our troops left. Daily motorized patrols are being sent to investigate the reports and search out the area thoroughly.

Three day patrol to high ground overlooking Sicaw returned at 1300I. Patrol leader took one man with him and proceeded to the high ground. The balance of the patrol was sent back to Bayabas where they would wait for the two-man patrol's return. Enroute, the small patrol observed approximately 15 Japs. During their stay on the high ground the patrol leader heard 3 trucks being loaded or unloaded in the Sicaw Mine area. He was forced to return to the Bayabas OP due to an enemy patrol moving toward them, apparently looking for them. Patrol leader states that there were numerous fires and considerable smoke in the Mine area from our air strikes.

Three day patrol to reconnoiter the area surrounding Laris returned at 1300I. Patrol observed approximately 40 Japs during the course of patrolling. Patrol leader stated that considerable small arms fire was directed at our aircraft as they were enroute to their Sicaw target.

Reconnaissance paltoon patrol left Regimental CP during the morning to the Cabanatuan-Gapan area. Patrol to be gone three days.

Monday, 23 April 1945: Troop G OP at Bayabas has been increased to 12 men and 20 guerrillas.

All local patrols and contact patrols returned without incident.

No enemy artillery fell in the 112th sector during the day. All troops conducted intensive patrolling in their immediate vicinity and in front of their positions.

The patrols to the Cabanatuan-Gapan area will not return until 25 April.

Tuesday, 24 April 1945: Troop C overnight patrol to 924007 reported hearing considerable movement in that area. They moved to the banana grove in this area and heard very little Jap activity. Patrol leader states that our air strikes have been very effective. Another patrol will be sent to this same area tonight.

No enemy artillery fell in the 112th sector during the day.

Troop B patrol to Troop A old objective recovered two HMG receivers, one HMG cradle, one HMG tripod, two LMG receivers, one LMG tripod, one 60 mm mortar (less sight), six carbines, two pistols, one SMG, and 11 packs which were left on night withdrawal on 9 April. In addition, three American bodies were recovered, but identification has not been made. Patrol did not encounter any Japs on their mission.

At 232100I Troop E OP No. 3 reported Jap patrol of approximately six men crossing the road S of their position and moving W. The OP watched the patrol, and were last seen moving SW. All local and contact patrols were sent out and they returned with negative information.

The patrols reconnoitering the Cabanatuan area are still out.

Wednesday, 25 April 1945: Patrolling locally and into the enemy areas was without contact during the day; however, one Jap straggler was captured near Gapan by 112th Cav. The 148th FA Bn fired 17 missions in the IPO area, results were undetermined. Enemy concentration areas and supply dumps were bombed and strafed by P-51s and A-20s during the day and only slight AA fire was received by the planes.

Thursday, 26 April 1945: A concentration of 25 rounds of enemy artillery fell in the vicinity of troop A with no damages to our installations or troops. The enemy gun which was clearly visible at (93.2-01.0) was destroyed by our artillery fire. All patrols during the day made no contacts. Air support continued in the IPO sector.

Friday, 27 April 1945: During the period approximately 25 rounds of enemy artillery fell in the sector; however, no casualties resulted. One Jap field piece was located at (92.5-00.7) and destroyed the gun. All local and contact patrols during the day reported no enemy contacts. Air support continued in the IPO area. One A-20, which had been holed during its flight, made a successful belly landing at Nichols Field without casualties to its crew.

Saturday, 28 April 1945: Aggressive patrolling was continued during the day by the 112th Cav; however, no contacts were made. P-51 sorties were flown against enemy installations and supply areas throughout the period and strafing was directed at buildings near the Dam, which were reported to be the Hqs of Generals Kawashima and Yokayama. One platoon of Troop F was dispatched to guard important bridges on the MSR from Cabanatuan to San Miguel.

Sunday, 29 April 1945: A small patrol from Troop C was attacked by 25 Japs at (90.8-00.7). A 45 minuted fire fight ensued during which time the Nips used LMGs and mortars; eventually the enemy group withdrew to the E. Our casualties were nil, enemy casualties were undetermined. Other local and penetrating patrols made no enemy contacts during the day. Three Jap stragglers were captured near Gapan: no information of tactical value was obtained from the PWs.

Monday, 30 April 1945: During the period approximately 25 rounds of enemy artillery fell in the 112th Cav sector; however, no damages were incurred. A night ambush was established at (90.5-03.5) and (91.0-01.5), but no contact was made. However, an 8 man patrol (Jap) was observed at the perimeter of Troop B. One Nip was killed, but

the remainder escaped to the E. A thorough search of the area revealed no further evidence of the enemy group. Other patrols made no contacts. Air support continued throughout the day. 38th Port Surg Hosp was relieved of attachment to the 112th RCT.

Tuesday, 01 May 1945: Troop A night patrol to Fulo set up trail block on well-used trail in vicinity of Fulo, but had no contact with the enemy. Patrol returned 0730I.

112th Cavalry commenced movement to the Antipolo sector 1100I, 2nd Squadron being the first to be relieved by elements of the 43rd Division. The 112th Cavalry is to relieve elements of the 43rd division in the Antipolo area. An advanced detachment was sent to vicinity of Antipolo for purpose of coordinating move. A 193 radio was sent to that location and has contact with this Hqs. and RCT Hq.

One platoon of 43rd Reconnaissance Troop relieved the Troop G OPs E of Loag, Hill 400 and Bayabas OP.

All local and contact patrols reported negative.

169th Infantry relieved 1st Squadron, first elements arriving at 2200I. By 020030I, relief was completed.

Wednesday, 02 May 1945: 2nd Squadron cleared the Santa Maria area by 0130I. Headquarters and Weapons Troop cleared by 0200I. First elements of 1st Squadron cleared the area 0500I; last elements cleared at 0600I. During the night of 02 May service Troop and Troop A (in RCT reserve) closed in new area in Antipolo. 112th cav completed relief of elements of 43rd Division by 1300I.

The entire period was spent in setting up new bivouac area and plans were being made to commence patrolling 03 May.

1st Squadron set up in vicinity of Tanay and 2nd Squadron bivouaced in the Mt Quitago, Mt Balidbiran and Masungit Rock area. Regimental Hqs, Hq Troop and Wpns Troop are located midway between Teresa and Maybancal along the road. Weapons Troop took bridge guards from Teresa to Tanay.

Thursday, 03 May 1945: 2nd Squadron commenced patrolling to their front and flanks in the rear areas. Troop F sent patrol NE along trail from their position at BM 25. Troop F also sent patrol S from BM 25 to search out high ground. Patrols returned at 1700I without incident.

Troops E and G conducted intensive patrolling in their sector, and sent contact patrols to contact elements of 43rd Division to our North and between OPs, returned without contact with the enemy.

All 1st Squadron patrols in their sector of responsibility returned and reported no enemy contacts. Troop C patrol toward the barrio of Sampolak did not reach its objective because of artillery observer stopping frequently to register artillery.

Hq Troop sent patrols to BMs 7, 11, and 27. Patrols had no contact but made extensive motor reconnaissance of the area and reports that the three BMs can be reached by vehicle. Motorized patrol along shores of Laguna De Bay to Maybancal, Cardona, Binangonan (contacted Eng Boat Pool), Taytay, Antipolo and return made no enemy contacts. Weapons troop relieved elements of 43rd Division on bridge guards between Teresa and Pasig River ponton bridge, inclusive.

Orders were received to move the rear exelox equipment from the warehouse at Bocaue to Antipolo. AT platoon was sent back to move the equipment forward. Movement is expected to be completed 05 May.

Friday, 04 May 1945: At 0800I Troop G patrol killed one lone armed Jap in the draw approximately 300 yards North of their position. Documents were forwarded to RCT. At 1000I troop G platoon on BM 21 reported seeing approximately 15 Japs on Hill 1200. This hill was evacuated when the 43rd Division was relieved. After receiving

clearance from 152 Inf, 15 rounds of mortar fire were placed on 1200 and the Japs were seen to scatter and move away from the mortar fire.

Troop F patrol to vicinity of San Andres reported seeing fresh tracks of estimated 5 Japs who had moved along the trail since the rain of the night 02 May. Troop F sent another patrol to the same area during the morning, and after moving 2000 yards up the trail, they contacted 20 Japs. One Jap was killed in the action. Patrol will remain in this area overnight.

All other 2nd Squadron patrols reported no enemy contact.

All 1st Squadron patrols made no enemy contact.

Troop motorized patrols to BMs 7, 20, and 27 and along the shores of Laguna De Bay reported negative.

Movement of rear echelon equipment from Bocaue continued.

Saturday, 05 May 1945: Troop F recon patrol which encountered 15 Japs yesterday was replaced by a combat patrol which is to continue mission to Sandalan. Search for the above-mentioned Japs was made, but no trace could be found.

Troop G patrol from BM 21 killed one of two Japs fishing in a stream 100 yards E of (156693). The other escaped. Considerable movement was heard in nearby brush and artillery was placed on the suspected area. Investigating patrol could find nothing of the Japs.

All other 2nd Squadron patrols made no enemy contacts.

Recon Platoon patrol to BM 7 and BM D-27 made no contact; however the patrol found 25 cases of Jap .30 caliber MG ammo in a cave near BM 7. The ammo was removed.

Weapons troop established OP of 7 men at BM 7, and also established security post at water point in Antipolo.

One platoon of medium tanks from Company A, 754th Tank Bn were attached to the 1st Squadron.

Movement of rear echelon from Bocaue was completed today, and 1st Platoon detail returned to Hq Troop.

Sunday, 06 May 1945: Troop F combat patrol, at 1300, encountered approximately 25 Japs 1,000 yards SW of San Andres, in the fire fight that followed, 4 Japs were killed. Artillery was placed but fell 200 yards short due to extreme range. One guerrilla was WIA.

All other patrols in the 2nd Squadron sector reported no contact with the enemy.

Troop B patrol which departed 050800I, returned 061030 and reported that the barrio of Ibabao is actually located at (242586). None of the trails in the area covered are suitable for vehicular traffic. Civilians in the area reported Japs and Pro-Jap Filipinos in the area SouthWest of Sampalok.

Troop C dispatched a patrol to a point where an 8th Cavalry truck was ambushed at 0200I to search the area thoroughly for Japs. Patrol returned reporting no signs of the Japs throughout the area. It is reported that 3 men of the 8th Cavalry were wounded.

Recon Platoon patrol to BM 7 found one Jap 70-mm battalion gun, which was evacuated. No contacts were made.

Monday, 07 May 1945: Platoon from Troop B departed early morning for Sampalok to establish patrol base and patrol the surrounding area in all directions. One squad from this platoon will cover the area from Sampalok to Santa Maria.

All 1st Squadron patrols reported negative enemy information.

Troop F combat patrol encountered approximately 40 Japs 2000 yards NE of BM 25. Japs were well-dug in and had at least 2 FMGs. 4 Japs were killed, and we had 2 WIA. Late reports estimated the Japs to be 100 in number. Artillery fire was placed on the Japs, and was accurate, but did not neutralize the enemy fire. The patrol remained in contact with the Japs during the day.

All other 2nd Squadron patrols had no contacts with the enemy.

Recon Platoon investigated Civilian report of 1,000 Japs in the Augono area, but found the report to be completely unfounded.

Weapons Troop patrols to BMs 7 and 27 reported negative information

Tuesday, 08 May 1945: Another Jap body was found in vicinity of where Troop F had fire fight with a small party of Japs on 04 May.

In the Troop F combat patrol sector near San Andres, an air strike was made at 1115I by 4 B-51s which dropped six 250-pound bombs each and 2 P-38s which dropped two 1,000-pound bombs each. Two more strikes were made at 1500I and 1700I. No enemy contact was made by the patrol during the day.

Troop G local patrol sighted one Jap 1500 yards S of BM 21. This Jap was pursued, but he escaped.

All other 2nd Squadron patrols made no contact with the enemy during the day.

Troop B combat patrol in the Sampalok area was attacked at daylight and the attack was repulsed. One Jap was killed, and it is believed that 3 others were wounded. Approximately 12 enemy attacked their bivouac area, and withdrew to the E. No other contact was made during the day. Small patrols were sent out to the NNE, NE. and SE and made no contact, but reported the trails showed signs of considerable recent traffic.

All other patrols in the 1st Squadron sector reported no contact with the enemy.

Hq and Weapons Troops patrols reported negative.

Troops are continuing improvement of bivouac areas in preparation for rainy season. Plans are being made for movement of Regimental CP to vicinity of Morong. CO and S-3 and CO, Hq Troop made a reconnaissance of the proposed area.

Wednesday, 09 May 1945: At 1330I, relief platoon from Troop B, enroute to Sampalok encountered 3 Japs 1500 yards SW of Sampalok. One was definitely wounded and the other two were pursued, but they could not be found. A small patrol from this platoon enroute to Santa Maria observed approximately 15 Japs on two different occasions. Patrol did not reach Santa Maria but came out on highway in vicinity (260488) At 1700I a party of estimated Japs with MGs was sighted 500 yards S of Sampalok. 45 rounds of artillery were fired at this target. Patrols covered the area thoroughly but found no trace of the Japs.

Other patrols operating in the 1st Squadron sector made no contact with the enemy.

Troop F combat patrol operating in the San Andres area occupied a rocky hill at (210693) 2000 yards NE of BM 25 at 1100I without opposition. The air strikes of the day before were accurate and drove the Japs from their positions. One dead Jap was found and three cases of Jap LMG was secured. At 1800I this patrol observed several small fires in the valley to the E. Patrol moved in the area and covered the area with heavy rifle and MG fire. No return fire was received. Patrol then moved to vicinity (205684) where they remained overnight.

All other 2nd Squadron patrols made no contact with the enemy.

Weapons Troop and Hq Troop patrols reported negative.

Troop E patrol to Mt Susungdelaga returned and reported negative, but patrol was unable to reach objective because of steep terrain along the southern slopes of the mountain. Effort will be made to climb the mountain from the western slope.

Troops continued improvement on bivouac area in preparation for the rainy season.

Thursday, 10 May 1945: At 1200I Troop E combat patrol again occupied position at (210693) without opposition. One Jap was observed, and believed to be wounded but escaped. At 1300I an additional Troop F platoon had moved 600 yards NE of (210693). During the night the platoon at (210693) small fires were observed in vicinity of San Andres.

All other 2nd Squadron patrols reported no enemy contacts.

Troop B local patrol captured one lone Jap armed with two hand grenades at (189560) at 1630I. Jap was identified as being from the Iima Force. Combat patrol in the Sampalok area had no contact with the enemy during the day.

All other 1st Squadron patrols reported negative.

Reconnaissance Platoon boat patrol to Talim Island in Laguna De Bay will remain out over night and return tomorrow.

Friday, 11 May 1945: Troop B combat patrol from Sampalok to Santa Maria killed 4 Japs of a party of 8 Japs at (24.7-56.8). Identifications were secured. Patrol made contact with 2nd Squadron, 8th Cavalry at Santa Maria.

All other 1st Squadron patrols reported negative.

Troop G patrol killed one lone, armed Jap at (16.0-68.8) 1600I. Other patrols reported negative.

Wpns Troop patrol found Jap 75 MM AA gun and a quantity of ammo in vicinity BM 20. Gun is apparently in good condition, but believed to be booby trap. Ordnance personnel will investigate.

All other patrols in the sector reported negative.

Saturday, 12 May 1945: All Troop A patrols reported no enemy contacts

Troop B combat patrol enroute from Sampalok to Santa Maria returned 1300I. No further contact was made after the action which took place at 1700I yesterday. Another Troop B combat patrol, enroute to Sampalok, was sent out in the early morning. Patrol is to establish radio relay station at Sampalok and is prepared to be out 3 to 4 days.

All other 1st Squadron patrols reported negative.

Civilians killed one Jap at (21.3-54.6) in a shack. Patrol investigated and found documents which were forwarded to RCT. Civilians said that one Jap escaped in this encounter.

All Troop E patrols reported negative. Troop E patrol enroute from BM 25 to Laiban will be out 3 to 4 days.

None of Troop F patrols made contact during the day. Another Troop F platoon is enroute from rocky hill at (21.0-69.3) to the San Inez-Infanta Route in vicinity (24.0-27.0). Latter patrol did not report since early afternoon.

All other 2nd Squadron patrols operating in their sector reported negative.

Sunday, 13 May 1945: Troop A patrol (motorized) did not reach Jala-jala because bridge at (20.5-49.3) was out and the two by-passes at this point were flooded. Patrol from bridge OP at Hillilla moved 4,000 yards NW where they found tracks of approximately 4 Japs. Patrol found 14 small lean-tos which they burned. No other trace of

the enemy could be found.

Troop B combat patrol enroute to Lenatin River at (32.5-65.5) established radio relay station at (22.7-58.2) on night of 13 May and reported continuing on mission.

All other 1st Squadron patrols reported negative.

All Troop E patrols reported no enemy contacts.

Troop F combat patrol to San Andres and Lenatin River returned this date. During course of their route, patrol killed three Japs at (22.6-70.5) 1300I. A party of 8 Japs were seen during the morning but were out of range of our patrol. The observed one trail at (23.5-72.1) but was not wide enough for vehicular traffic.

Troop G patrol to Mt Tanauan and pantay reported negative. Troop G patrol to Mt. Susungdelaga returned this date and reported finding a well used trail at (18.3-70.7) which runs from NW up the mountain. Trail was very muddy and had been recently used, with tracks running in both directions.

All other patrols in the Regimental sector reported no enemy contacts.

Monday, 14 May 1945: All Troop B patrol enroute to Lenatin River encountered 10 Japs in bivouac at (25.0-60.2) 1500I. Two Japs were killed, and the others escaped. At 1700I this patrol killed one and wounded one Jap at (26.6-61.0). Radio relay station was moved from (22.7-58.2) to (22.8-58.3). At 1745I two Japs were encountered by the relay station. The two Japs were wounded but escaped.

Troop E combat patrol observed two Japs going NW at (23.2-66.7), but did not make contact because of range. At (25.0-67.2) patrol found excellent defensive positions which at one time had been occupied by approximately 250 men. At (24.8-67.2) the patrol ambushed party of 10 Japs killing 8, including one officer. The other two were definitely wounded, but escaped. Japs were well equipped with extra clothing and food. Documents were secured. Japs also had two US Cal. 45 automatic pistols.

Troop F patrols made no enemy contacts during the day.

All Troop G patrols reported negative.

Reconnaissance Platoon patrol was dispatched to search the high ground West of Maybancal and Morong for 8 Japs reported by civilians in that area. Patrol returned 1430I without having made contact.

Tuesday, 15 May 1945: All Troop A patrols reported negative.

Troop B combat patrol to Lenatin River returned 1630I. No additional information was obtained except that the terrain in the Sampalok River Valley is extremely rough with perpendicular sides and high water which prevented river bed being used as a trail. All other Troop B patrols reported negative.

Troop E patrol to Laiban returned 1400I. Patrol found excellent defensive positions which would accommodate approximately 250 men 7500 yards north of Sampalok. On return trip patrol ambushed a party of 10 Japs, 8 of which were killed. The other 2 were wounded but they escaped. Documents were secured and forwarded to 112th RCT. Japs had 2 US Cal. 45 automatic pistols. All other troop E patrols made no enemy contacts.

Troop F OP at (23.2-67.5) killed 2 Japs who were in poor physical condition. Troop F patrol to San Andres and Lenatin River killed 4 Japs near Sandalan at 1300I. Patrol will continue on mission. All other Troop F patrols made no enemy contacts.

Troop G patrols operating in the rear reported no enemy contacts.

Wednesday, 16 May 1945: One platoon, CO A, 745 Tank Bn was released from 1st Sq and moved to Antipolo at 1200I.

Troop A patrol to area where 8th Cav had received MG fire previously did not reach objective. Patrol met Troops B and C, 8th Cav, and at 1200I troop A, 112th Cav was engaged with unknown number of enemy. at least 40 Japs by were seen the patrol. Troop A withdrew and contacted Troop B, 8th Cav again. Shortly after, Japs again attacked our Troops. We lost one BAR, one SCR 300 and had 2 EM KIA. Troop A patrol enroute to Hapsi at 1330I passed through area where Troop A was attacked. Patrol found no signs of the enemy. Another patrol will be sent out to investigate this area. All other Troop A patrols had no enemy contacts.

Troop B patrol enroute to Lenatin River is continuing on mission. No contacts have been made. Other Troop B patrols reported negative.

Troop E patrols returned to CP without incident.

Troop F patrol to San Andres returned at 1300I. Patrol observed 15 Japs on their return trip, but no contact was made. Patrol returned without further incident. Other Troop F patrols made no contacts.

At 2230I 2 groups of Japs of 6-7 men each attacked Troop G perimeter. Attack lasted 45 minutes and several rounds of knee mortar fired at our troops. Our troops returned fire and drove the enemy off. We had one EM KIA, one EM KIA and 4 PA EM KIA. Jap casualties are unknown, but considerable groaning was heard and one Jap rifle was found.

2nd Squadron Hq patrol captured one Jap at 1400I. One other Jap escaped and was pursued.

Wpns Troop patrol killed 3 Japs and captured one in vicinity BM 7 during the afternoon.

Thursday, 17 May 1945: One section (5 LVTs) Co B, 672 Am Tract Bn closed in bivouac vicinity 2nd Sq rear at 1930I.

All Troop A patrols made no enemy contacts during the day.

Troop B patrol to Lenatin River returned 1730I. At 0700I patrol contacted small party of Japs. Patrol moved on and again contacted a small party of Japs. Fire fight ensued on both occasions, but we received no casualties. Japs casualties unknown. One PA EM was bitten by a snake and patrol had to return to return to base. Troop B local patrols reported negative.

Troop E patrol to Laihan returned 1900I. During the course of the patrol, 5 Japs were killed. Patrol sighted a party of persons considerable distance from them and, believing them to be Japs, opened fire. Upon investigation it was discovered that the party was Filipino civilians who had been in the hills for more than a month, after having been driven from their homes in the San Andres area. Two civilians were killed. Patrol returned without further incident. All other Troop E patrols made no contacts.

All Troop F patrols returned to CP without incident. The Troop F patrol to Sandalan and Lenatin River did not report during the day.

Troop G local patrols and patrols in the rear areas made no contact.

At 0300I one Jap approached Troop H CP but was driven off. At 0730 one nude Jap was killed by Troop H in vicinity of their bivouac. This may have been the same Jap who escaped earlier in the morning.

Hq and Wpns Troops patrols investigating civilian reports of Japs had nothing to report.

Friday, 18 May 1945: Troop A patrol in the 1st Sq sector reported negative. Troop A patrol from OP No. 1 to Sampalok, thence retrun via Bukal will remain out overnight.

Troop B combat patrol enroute to Lenatin river. Patrol encountered estimated 20 Japs at 1745I. We had no casualties. No contact was made by other Troop B patrols.

1st Sq Hq patrol investigating civilian report of 4 Japs 6000 yards E of Tanay made no contact.

Troop E patrol captured one Pro-Jap Filipino 2000 yards NNE of Baras. Prisoner had been paid 800 pesos by Japs at Bosoboso to determine number of US Troops in Antipolo. Prisoner was turned over to CIC for further investigation. Civilians stated that two Filipinos had been kidnapped by a party of 11 Japs. Patrol investigated, but made no contact.

Troop F, Troop G, and 2nd Sq Hq patrols returned to CP without making enemy contact.

Reconnaissance Platoon investigating civilian report of Japs 2500 yards of Lagundi found one dead Filipino civilian who was reported killed by Japs on 17 May. A Jap LMG, in good condition, was found near the body. Patrol searched surrounding area, but made no contact.

Saturday, 19 May 1945: Troop A patrols made no contacts with the enemy during the day.

At 1010I Troop B patrol enroute to Lenatin River observed 20 Japs approximately 1500 yards SSE of Sampalok. Artillery was placed on this target with unobserved results. Other Troop B patrols made no enemy contacts.

Troop E patrol to Laiban is continuing on mission. Troop E local patrols reported negative.

Troop F OP observed 5 Japs 2000 Yards to their SE. Mortar fire was placed on this target and patrol investigated but found no bodies or made contact with the enemy.

2nd Sq Hq and Troop G patrols reported negative.

Wpns Troop killed 3 Japs 1100I 4000 yards N of Baras. Japs were armed only with hand grenades. Documents were secured and forwarded.

Sunday, 20 May 1945: Troop A patrol to Sampalok returned without making enemy contact. Other Troop A patrols had nothing to report.

Troop B patrol to Lenatin River returned without reaching objective. Patrol reported seeing numerous small parties of Japs in the area S of Sampalok and approximately 8000 yards E of Tanay. Other Troop B patrols made no contacts.

Troop E patrol to Laiban observed 8 Japs approximately 2500 yards S of San Andres. Mortar fire was placed on this target with unobserved results. 1000 yards to the E of this point, 3 Japs were killed, one of which was carrying a saber. While attempting to search the bodies considerable fire was received from the E. Patrol moved N and again contacted a small party of Japs. We had no casualties. During the night several small fires were observed to the E. Troop E local security patrols reported negative.

Troop F sent patrol to San Andres and Lenatin river. Patrol did not report during the day. Other Troop F patrols had nothing to report.

At 2200I 5 Japs approached Troop G perimeter. Japs were driven off and did not return fire. Casualties unknown. Troop G patrols in rear of 2nd Sq positions reported negative.

Wpns Troop patrol NNW of Regt '1 CP 3000 yards made no contact, but found several caves which apparently have been recently used by Japs. A small quantity of rice was found. Other Wpns Troop patrols reported negative.

Monday, 21 May 1945: Troop C moved from Antipolo to relieve Troop B. Troop B moved from 1st Sq CP to Antipolo, reverting to RCT reserve.

Troop A at 1230I encountered 3 Japs vicinity 1st Sq CP. One was killed, the other 2 escaped. Documents were found and forwarded.

Other Troop A patrols reported negative.

Troop C patrol to BM 24 reported negative.

1st Sq apprehended 31 Pro-Jap Filipinos in Pililla which were turned over to CIC for investigation.

Troop E patrol to Laiban returned. No further contact was made by the patrol after afternoon 20 May. Other Troop E patrols had nothing to report.

Troop F patrol to San Andres is continuing on mission and will remain out overnight. Other Troop F patrols had nothing to report.

At 1000I Troop G patrol encountered 4 Japs, one of which was killed. The others escaped. This party may be the same group that approached Troop G perimeter night of 20-21 May. Troop G patrols in rear of 2nd Sq positions reported negative.

During the morning, one lone Jap surrendered to one of our patrols working in the Antipolo area.

Tuesday, 22 May 1945: Troop E and Troop F exchanged positions during the day.

Troop A local patrols on 22 May reported negative.

Troop C, less detachments, enroute to Sampalok, killed 2 Japs at 1145I. We had one PA EM seriously wounded. Troop C patrol to BM 24 reported negative.

Troop E patrol enroute to Laiban will remain out overnight. No other patrols were sent out during the day except short distance security patrols, which reported negative.

Troop F combat patrol to San Andres and Lenatin River will remain out over night. Patrols is expected to return tomorrow.

Troop G patrols in Payna River Valley and to Pantay and surrounding area reported negative. 3 Japs carrying white flags surrendered to Troop G at 1400I.

Wpns Troop acting on civilian report, killed 7 Japs vicinity Teresa.. Documents were taken, and stated that these Japs were on a mission to reconnoiter Morong, captured or destroyed any supplies, and to reconnoiter US security posts. Hq Troop killed one Jap in Teresa at 2200I. Civilians stated that one other Jap was in the area, but upon investigation could not be found.

Wednesday, 23 May 1945: Troop A patrol investigating civilian report of 30 Japs one km N of Baras found report to be unfounded. Troop A patrols in the 1st Sq area reported negative.

Troop C patrol enroute to Lenatin River encountered unknown number of Japs, 500 yards NE of Sampalok at 1200I. Artillery concentration was placed on this target and patrol proceeded on mission. At 1730 I a small patrol working out the area N and NW of Sampalok encountered small party of Japs and killed 2. Documents were secured and forwarded. At 1915I an estimated 200 Japs approached Troop C position from SE. Heavy artillery concentration and mortar fire was placed on this target. Japs did not assault our positions. Troop C spent an uneventful night.

Troop D found 3 Japs cooking food near Troop E trail block at 1800I. These escaped. A few minutes later a Troop C patrol operating in same area contacted the same party and killed one Jap.

Troop E patrol to Laiban is continuing on mission. Other Troop E patrols had nothing to report.

Troop F patrol to San Andres and Lenatin River returned 1200I. This patrol observed a total of 116 Japs moving along Lenatin River trail to the SE and 4 to the NW, during a 6-hour period of observation. Patrol killed 2 Japs on return trip. Troop F patrol from Mt Quitago to Sampalok arrived at 1st Sq CP at 1630I. Patrol did not cover its designated route; however, it will return to Mt Quitago on 25 May via Sampalok. Other Troop F patrols had nothing to report.

Troop G patrols to Mt Balidbiran, Payna River valley and vicinity Pantay reported negative.

2nd Sq assault platoon killed 2 Japs at 0030I. A 3rd Jap was wounded but escaped. One other Jap was killed at 2nd Sq CP at 0100I. Cocumments were secured and forwarded.

Regt'l CO, S-2-3, Sq Troop, and Det COs attended gas school at RCT Hq which was conducted by CWS instructors from XI Corps. School lasted all morning. Other Gas Officers and NCOs will attend the same school on 24 May.

Regiment received 4 officer replacements this date.

Thursday, 24 May 1945: Troop A patrol to Mata and Napsi returned. Patrol did not go into Nata because 8th Cav was firing artillery into that area. Other Troop A patrols reported negative.

One lone Jap was killed at Troop C position at 1230I. Troop C patrol investigating area vicinity Sampalok found no signs of the enemy.

Troop D bridge guards in Pililla reported that a hand grenade was thrown near them at 2100I. Investigation was made but persons who threw the grenade could not be found.

At 1400I Troop E OP sighted estimated 150 Japs on Hill 2000. The OP opened fire with mortar and MG at lone range. The Japs dispersed and apparently withdrew to the S. Patrols will be sent out to keep in contact with this party. Troop E patrol to Laiban is expected to return tomorrow.

Two or three Japs approached 2nd Sq OP at Mt Balidbiran at 2030I but were driven off. 2 or 3 Japs at 2400I set off trip flare near 2nd Sq CP but these Japs escaped.

Hq and Wpns Troop patrols in area around Regimental CP reported negative.

Friday, 26 May 1945: Troop A moved to vicinity Sampalok to relieve troop C which returned to 1st Sq area. No contacts were made by either Troop during the relief. An air strike was made at 1430I on area 3000 yards NE of Sampalok. A patrol will investigate this area tomorrow.

At 1045I Troop C patrol killed one Jap of a party of 8 4000 yards NE of 1st Sq CP. Other Troop C patrols returned with making contact with the enemy.

Troop E encountered 7 Japs vicinity BM 25 at 1330I. One Jap was killed and one was captured. The prisoner died of wounds before he could be interrogated. Another Troop E patrol killed one lone Jap 2000 yards NE of Masungit Rock. Troop E CP on Hill 1200 killed 4 Japs in the same area where 11 Japs were killed on 24 May with long range MG fire. These Japs were carrying large packs containing rice and corn. 2 Japs rifles were found. Troop E patrol to San Andres and Lenatin River will continue on mission.

Troop F patrol departed 0800I enroute to Laiban. All Troop F patrols reported negative.

Troop F patrol to Laiban returned without reaching objective. Patrol encountered estimated 40 Japs in position on Hill 2000 and was fired on by rifles and at least one MG. We had no casualties.

Troop G patrols to Mt Susungdelaga returned and reported approximately 20 Japs moving E from area where Air strike was made in 38th Division sector on 26 May. Patrol was unable to orient themselves.

Reconnaissance platoon patrol from Jalajala Pt to mouth of Santa Mabia River reported Negative. Civilians were questioned enroute, but they reported that no Japs have been seen in the area for a long time.

Civilian turned in a document to Wpns Troop bridgeguards at Teresa which was an excellent sketch of assault platoon positions on MT Balidbiran.

Monday, 28 May 1945: At 1239I Troop A killed 2 Japs of a party of 8 armed Japs who apparently were foraging for food. The others escaped. Troop A patrol encountered party of 7 Japs at 1530I 1500 yards NE of Sampalok. 4 Japs were killed and 3 Jap rifles in good condition were found. Troop A patrol enroute to Lenatin River captured one Jap 6000 yards NE of Sampalok. This patrol also encountered 475 civilians who had been in Jap held territory and decided to surrender to US forces. A small patrol escorting these civilians was ambushed by a small party of Japs with one LMG 1000 yards NE of Sampalok. One Jap was killed.

Troop C and 1st Sq Hq patrols made no contacts.

Troop E patrols reported negative.

Troop F patrol enroute to Santa Ines reported by pigeon at 1115I. Patrol observed 20 Japs during a six-hour period of observation on 27 May. Other Troop F patrols returned with negative report.

Wpns Troop killed 3 Japs one km E of Baras. Japs were without food but in good physical condition, had US cigarettes and clothing and weapons were in good condition.

Tuesday, 29 May 1945: One platoon Troop B moved from Antipolo to 1st Sq position at 1430I. 2nd Sq made slight change in CP location.

Troop A patrol at 0900I investigating area 1000 yards NE of Sampalok recovered SCR 300 and found one LMG where patrol had been ambushed on 28 May. Troop A combat patrol to Lenatin River returned. Enroute patrol killed 11 Japs. Patrol encountered large numbers of pro-Jap Filipinos who desired to surrender, and more than 600 had turned in to 1st Sq CP. On return trip patrol killed 2 more Japs in vicinity of Sampalok. Other Troop A patrols reported negative.

At 1000I Troop C patrol killed 3 Japs 3500 yards E of 1st Sq CP. Documents were secured and forwarded. Troop E patrol to Tanawan, Mata, and Santa Maria will remain out overnight.

Other 1st Sq patrols had nothing to report.

At 1000I Troop E observed 20 Japs and 2 other small parties on Hill 2000. Air strike was made on this target by 23 P-38s at 1535I but did not drive the Japs from the position. Patrol investigating this area following air strike killed 2 Japs.

At 1945I 2 Japs carrying white flags surrendered to Troop F. Troop F patrol to Sant Ines reported at 1930I by carrier pigeon from a point where he could observe Santa Ines and Lenatin River. Several abandoned Jap bivouac areas were observed enroute and 4 Japs were seen grenading fish in the river bed.

At 0025I 3 Japs were killed approaching 2nd Sq Hq OP on Mt Balidbiran. One Jap rifle was found.

Wpns Troop and Recon Platoon patrols reported negative.

Wednesday, 30 May 1945: Troop A departed from Sampalok moving NW to area 3000 yards S of Masungit Rock. One platoon, Troop C moved from 1st Sq positions to Sampalok at 1100I. Troop G is enroute to Lenatin River.

At 1400I Troop A moving NW from Sampalok, found an abandoned Jap bivouac area and defensive positions which would accommodate approximately 100 Japs in the area between Sampalok and Masungit Rock. Only a small amount of abandoned clothing and equipment were found. No contact was made during the day.

Troop A patrol 2000 yards NE of Sampalok made no contact. Troop C patrol to Tanawan, Mata and Santa Maria reported negative.

Troop D and Sq Hq patrols reported negative.

At 1130I Troop E OP observed 20 Japs moving N near Hill 2000. Long range MG and mortar fire was placed on this target. 2 Japs were killed and 2 others wounded committed suicide on the approach of our patrol. Large packs were found containing food and this party may have been a supply train going to Jap positions on hill 2000. At 2330 5 Japs approached Troop E OP. One Jap was killed and the others were driven off. We had 2 EM WIA. During the day Troop F patrol to Santa Ines observed a total of 187 Japs moving SW and NW along Lenatin River trail in vicinity Santa Ines. Troop F patrols in Payna River valley reported negative.

Troop G is enroute to Lenatin River to establish trail block and patrol base.

Wpns Troop and Recon Platoon patrols returned with negative reports.

Thursday, 31 May 1945: Troop A ambushed approximately 60 Japs 3000 yards S of Masungit Rock. 53 Japs were killed and one HMG 3 LMGs, one knee mortar and one US BAR were captured. Japs were caught by surprise along a trail and in shacks. Return fire was meager. We had no casualties. Troop A returned to Sampalok to bivouac for the night. Troops B, C, D and 1st Sq patrols returned with nothing to report.

Troop E conducted operations against 50-100 Japs on Hill 2000 during afternoon. Early in afternoon Troop E occupies a portion of this hill, killing 4 Japs and capturing one LMG. We had one EM KIA and one PA EM WIA. After occupying portion of hill, the troop continued to receive considerable fire from nearby ridges. Troop E spent night at Troop E OP.

At 0230I 4 Japs approached Troop F positions but were driven off by our fire. Troop F patrols in Payna River valley and to contact 151 Inf reported negative.

Troop G is enroute to Lenatin River. Wpns Troop and Recon Platoon patrols returned without incident.

Friday, 01 June 1945: Troop A returned to Sampalok. Troop A ration train on return trip from Sampalok killed 3 Japs. Japs were unarmed except for grenades and bayonets. Other Troop A patrols reported negative.

Troop B patrols E from bivouac area made no contact. Troop C patrols N and NE from Sampalok returned with negative report.

Troop D patrol reconnoitering the Lamor area killed 3 Japs at 1530I. documents were secured and forwarded to RCT. Other Troop D patrols in rear area reported negative.

Troop E occupied objective hill without opposition. Patrols were sent out in an effort to locate Japs that withdrew. The airstrike of 30 May accurately hit the target and several positions were saved in. Enemy casualties are unknown as no bodies or fresh graves could be found.

Troop F patrol to Santa Ines returned 1130I. Patrol leader believes there are no large concentrations of Japs in the Santa Ines area. Numerous small parties were observed moving SE along Lenatin River trail but no enemy movement was seen on the Antipolo Santa Ines trail. At 1700I yesterday, patrol encountered 4 Japs and killed two.

Troop G reached Lenatin River at 1500I. At 1730I 15 Japs walked past an artillery registration point. Artillery fire was placed on this target with apparent good results. Patrol will be sent out tomorrow to cover a 2000 yards radius from their position.

Other 2nd Sq patrols returned without incident. Hq and Wpns Troop patrols reported negative.

Troop A patrols in Sampalok area made no contact. Troop B patrols 4000 yards E from 1st Sq position made no enemy contacts.

Troop C patrol from Sampalok to Ibabao and return to 1st Sq CP killed 12 Japs in scattered contacts. Defensive positions which had been unoccupied for some time and would accommodate approximately 40 men were found. Other troop C patrols reported negative.

Troop D patrol to Bigaa and Lumangoy returned without incident.

One lone unarmed Jap was captured by Troop E at 1300I. Troop E patrol to Laiban is continuing on mission.

Two men from Troop F were killed by US Anti-personnel mines during the morning. Troop F patrols in Payna River valley and to Mt. Balidbiran reported negative.

Troop G on Lenatin River observed 10 Japs on the trail. This target was engaged with long-range MG fire. At 1000I Troop G moved to new location approximately 200 yards to the E along the river. At 1200I Troop G killed one Jap of a party of 2 approximately 1500 yards SE from bivouac.

Hq Troop and Wpns Troop patrols in Regimental CP Area reported negative.

Sunday, 03 June 1945: Troop A patrols in Sampalik area made no contacts during the day. Troop C patrol to May Taian thence N along trail encountered and killed 5 Japs. Troop E patrols E from 1st Sq positions reported negative.

Troop D patrol to Wata and Tanawan reported negative. Two Japs, carrying surrender leaflets, surrendered to Troop D, at 1315I.

1st Sq Hq patrols reported negative.

Troop E patrol to Laiban has not reported and will continue on mission. Troop E patrol investigating results of artillery fire on 02 June found one wounded Jap who committed suicide on the approach of our patrol.

Troop F patrols in Payna River valley and Mt Balidbiran reported negative.

Troop G patrol 2000 yards SE along Lenatin River trail encountered several small groups of Japs and killed 7. Five rifles and one were found. Troop G patrol NW along Lenatin River found 2 Japs previously killed by our artillery. Troop G patrols to contact Troop E killed 3 Japs. Troop G placed artillery fire on approximately 30 Japs with undetermined results.

Troop H and Sq Hq patrols made no contact. Hq Troop and Wpns Troop patrols reported negative.

Troop A returned to 1st Sq area. At 1600I Troop A killed one lone Jap vicinity Sampalok.

Troop C combat patrol captured one Jap vicinity Masungit Rock at 100I. This patrol also killed 6 Japs at 1200I. At 1630I Troop C patrol from area N of Kay Taian killed 7 Japs.

Troop B, 8th Cav, reached Tanay at 1000I enroute to Sampalok.

At 0915I Troop E observed 5-6 Japs approximately 1500yards S of their position. Artillery fire was placed on this target. It is believed that one was killed and two wounded. Other Troop E patrols made no contact. Troop E patrol to Laiban returned. This patrol observed approximately 30-35 Japs during their 4-day patrol. Patrol attempted to ford the river in several places in vicinity of Laiban but the river was too deep and swift.

Troop F patrols reported negative.

Troop G patrol to Santa Ines departed 0730I. Troop G, at 0830I, observed estimated 20 Japs to their NW. Artillery fire was placed with unknown results.

Tuesday, 05 June 1945: In conformity with XI Corps Field Order No. 19, 4 June 1945, the Baldy Force was once again organized as of 050001I with Brig. Gen. J. W. Cunningham, commanding. Units composing this force are 2nd BCT, 1st Cav Div and 112th RCT. Baldy force was directed to seize the Santa Ines area and destroy enemy forces encountered; to block the movement of forces in the Infanta area; and to destroy all remaining forces in other areas within its zone of action. Troops began movement to their assembly areas in preparation of an advance to their objective on 06 June. The 112th RCT to the Masungit Rock- San Andres area. During scattered contacts throughout the period two Japs were killed.

Wednesday, 06 June 1945: 1st Sq moved to positions where it could protect the left flank of the Baldy force and 2nd Sq was enroute to BM 25, from which point it was to advance to the Santa Ines area. During the period two Japs were killed and two captured in minor scattered engagements.

Thursday, 07 June 1945: Vigorous patrolling NW and SE along the Lenatin River was executed by 2nd Sq and during scattered contacts 5 Japs were killed and one captured. Further preparations were made by the 112th Cav for its advance to Santa Ines area.

Friday, 08 June 1945: 2nd Sq began its advance up the Lenatin River against only light scattered resistance, and during the period 15 Japs were killed. During the period 2nd Sq advanced 4000 yards NW along the river while one platoon of Troop E remained at (24.0-71.9) and held the trail block on the river. 1st Sq continued patrolling within its sector; however, no enemy contacts were made.

Saturday, 09 June 1945: 2nd Sq seized Santa Ines, the objective area, at 1500I. During its advance in scattered contacts 115 Japs were killed, 17 found dead and 6 PWs were taken. We suffered only 2 EM slightly wounded in action. During scattered contacts the 1st Sq killed 6 Japs. Local patrols around the CP area at Antipolo contacted and killed 4 Japs during the period.

Sunday, 10 June 1945: 1st Sq continued its mission of protecting the Force left flank, and during scattered contacts by aggressive patrols, three enemy were killed. 2nd Sq consolidated its position in the Santa Ines area and patrolled vigorously in all directions. During scattered contacts with unorganized groups, 43 Japs were killed. Seven officers and 98 EM replacements received.

Monday, 11 June 1945: Organized enemy resistance in the Santa Ines area failed to appear during the period and only scattered contacts were made with sick and half-starved Japs. 27 Japs were killed and 4 PWs were captured during the day, but made no enemy contacts.

Tuesday, 12 June 1945: 2nd Sq continued to make scattered contacts in the Santa Ines area and during the period 115 Japs were killed. In addition thereto, 26 Japs were found dead as a result of our previous artillery fire and bombing in that sector. 1st Sq patrolled aggressively during the day, but made no enemy contacts.

Wednesday, 13 June 1945: Troop B, patrolling NE on the Santa Ines River, encountered an enemy strong point 3000 yards NE of Santa Ines. A total of 28 Japs were killed during the skirmish and the patrol was forced to withdraw. Another enemy strong point was encountered by Troop F N on the Lenatin River in the vicinity of (19.8-83.5); This patrol drew mortar, machine gun and rifle fire and was also forced to withdraw. Among 10 Japs killed by Troop G on Mt Pangbang were one Lt Col and one Major from which documents were secured. Along the Antipole-Santa Ines trail 31 Japs were killed and 90 were found dead by patrols working that area. In addition, scattered contacts between BM 25 and Santa Ines accounted for 86 killed and 25 Japs found dead. During this period our troops suffered one KIA and one WIA. The greater majority of the Japs killed were in disorganized groups and were in poor physical condition due to malnutrition.

Thursday, 14 June 1945: The enemy strong point along the Lenatin and Santa Ines Rivers were not present during this period. Only scattered contacts with unorganized groups were again prevalent, and during the day 15 Japs were killed.

Friday, 15 June 1945: 1st Sq patrolled aggressively during the day but made no enemy contacts. In the Santa Ines area only scattered contacts were made which accounted for 10 Japs killed and 6 captured. One additional Jap was captured by a local patrol in the Antipolo area.

Saturday 16 June 1945: Only scattered contacts were made by the 112th Cav and during the period 20 Japs were killed. In order to eliminate a 4-day evacuation trip, seriously wounded men in the Santa Ines area were evacuated by helicopter. This method of getting the wounded to the rear proved to be very successful and profitable.

Sunday 17 June 1945: Troop E OP patrol SE on Lenatin River killed 5 Japs. Four of the Japs were wearing naval insignia. These Japs were in poor physical condition and had no food. Troop E OP to contact Troop C OP reported negative.

Troop F patrol on upper Antipolo-Santa Ines trail observed 4 Japs enroute, but made no contact. Troop F patrol NE up Santa Ines River killed 3 Japs who were carrying knee mortar ammo and medical supplies. Troop F patrol N up Lenatin River killed 2 Japs out of 5 encountered, which were bathing in the river.

Troop G patrol S along Lenatin River to contact Troop E OP killed 3 Japs. Troop G patrol on lower Antipolo-Santa Ines trail killed 6 Japs. Two Japs were killed vicinity Troop G CP. One Filipino Civilian was found dead outside Troop G OP perimeter. Apparently a group of 15 civilians stumbled into our OP at 0200I. These persons abandoned small packs containing and Filipino jewelry.

Troop B patrol in Payna River valley found 2 dead Japs. One had been dead approximately a week and the other body is believed to be one day old. Both apparently died of starvation. No documents were found.

Troop C OP at BM 25 patrol enroute to OP 1 observed a large group of persons to their E, moving W. This group disappeared over a crest of a hill and was not seen again.

All other 1st Squadron and Hq Troop patrols reported negative.

Wpns Troop patrol investigating civilian report found cave on high ground vicinity 2nd Sq rear echelon. 2 or 3 Japs had been occupying this cave for a considerable length of time, but apparently withdrew immediately prior to the approach of our patrol. US type "B" rations, rice and documents were found.

Monday, 18 June 1946: Troop E OP patrol SE along Lenatin River killed 13 Japs. Of this group, one was a Captain and one was a Lieutenant. Troop E OP N along Lenatin River to contact Troop G killed 12 Japs in a scattered contacts. One Jap was killed by MG fire from the EOP position.

Troop F patrol on upper Antipolo-Santa Ines trail encountered 25 Japs and killed two. Troop F patrol NE on Santa Ines River made no contact, but observed several secondary trails which showed signs of little use. At 2100I, 17 June, unknown number of Japs fired on Troop F OP vicinity Santa Ines. Our troops returned fire, but no Jap casualties were found.

Troop G patrol on lower Antipolo-Santa Ines Trail killed 7 Japs. This patrol also contacted a 25-man patrol from CO E, 151st Inf. Troop G patrol to Limutan River valley will remain out overnight and continued on mission. Troop G patrol to contact Troop E OP on Lenatin River reported negative.

Troop B patrol to contact PA OP to their NW on return trip killed one lone Jap. Jap was armed with bayonet, and was carrying medical supplies, rice, and a Jap flag 6' x 4'.

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July 23, 1945. One platoon, reinforced, to be dispatched to each of the following locations; BM 25, MT BALIDBIAN, BM D-27, LIZON FIVE CO. A.C.M.F. Patrol will remain out three days. Infantry drill and manual of arms, map reading and use of comp ass. Patrols operated in sectors No. 1 and 2 without contact.

July 23, 1945. cont. Reinforced platoon from Troop A departed for BM 25. After reaching objective, patrols will be dispatched to the N, S and E as far as HILL 1000. This patrol reached vicinity MT QUITAGO at 231700I where they saw one Jap and the patrol dispatched to make contact had not returned at close of period. One reinforced platoon from Troop B departed for Mt. Balidbiran. Upon reaching objective, patrols are to be sent to the PAYLA RIVER valley, BOLOBOSO RIVER valley, and pantay. This patrol had reached a point N of MT QUITAGO where they picked up the trail of approximately 11 Japs. The patrol followed the trail to a point several hundred yards NE of the objective without contact. Patrol reached objective at 231700I. One platoon reinforced from Troop F departed for Luzon Bus Co. Road and upon reaching this is to patrol the area between this road and the ANTIPOLATA YATAY highway. At 231640I this platoon had reached the point where they were to establish a patrol base. Three Japs were seen to the W of this position, but attempted contact was unsuccessful. One platoon reinforced from Troop G departed for BM D-27 and upon reaching the objective will patrol N, S and E. This patrol reached its objective at 231530I without contact. All platoons will remain out three days, and carried 536 Radios for inner-platoon communication and 100 300 Radio for communication with Regimental Headquarters. A relay station from Headquarters Troop was setup at BM 7.

July 231800I, 1945. Patrol composed of 7 EM from Troop E and 7 EM from Troop F with war dog attached moved NE from Antipolo to a point and at 241000I where hit hip in ambush of at least six enemy armed with rifles, some of which are believed to have been US M-1's. Patrol had one EM KIA and one EM WIA. Patrol leader believed that two enemy had been killed. The patrol withdrew with the dead and wounded for a short distance, then hid the body and returned to CP with wounded man. Patrol of one officer and 21 EM from Troop E was dispatched at 241300I to recover the body of EM killed during the morning. The body was recovered and the immediate area was searched but no enemy dead were found. As the patrol was leaving the area, the rear of the column was fired on at trail junction by a lone Jap with a rifle. The enemy escaped to the N along the trail at that point. Troop A platoon was ordered to establish its base at Mt Quitago and patrol to BM 25, to a point via BM 23. These patrols reported negative. Troop B patrols to Pantay, Bosoboso and Payna River valleys made no enemy contacts but reported recent activity at a point on their route. Troop F patrols operated N, S, E and W of base at their sector. Near the sector one Jap was seen but the enemy escaped. One round, believed to be our artillery, landed near the sector at 241100I and another landed at the same location at 241130I. 1st Squadron is to move to their new sector and make a thorough search of this entire area.

July 24, 1945. Patrol contacted one Jap at 241530I who fired on the enemy, who escaped. Platoon departed base at Mt Quitago at 250700I and at 250930I contacted two Japs armed with rifles. The platoon opened fire at 600 yds but the enemy escaped in the dense brush and no further contact could be made. This platoon reached LAGUNDI at 251050I and returned to ANTIPOLATA by vehicle. Numerous signs of enemy were found in the area 2000 yds. due N of Mt Quitago. At 242030I 11 Japs approached the platoon perimeter at Mt Balidbiran, moving W from their base. Fire was placed on the enemy and investigation during morning 25 July found no enemy dead but two canteens, one bolo, one bayonet, and one .25 caliber pistol magazine were found abandoned by the enemy. Platoon departed Mt Balidbiran at 250710I, reaching LAGUNDI at 251030I without contact. Platoon Troop F left at 250800I in two patrols. One patrol moved to a point on the river and followed this E NE to assembly point. Another platoon moved along Luzon Bus Co. Road toward ANTIPOLATA. One unarmed Jap was killed at this sector no documents were found. Platoon reached ANTIPOLATA at 251500I. Patrol from Troop G composed of 10 EM moved from ANTIPOLATA to the point to investigate a civilian report of 3 Japs in a hut at this point. Three enemy were found in the hut and killed. They were armed with one rifle and three grenades one of which was US. Documents were found. Patrol from Troop E to investigate reported enemy E of TATAY reached there and found that two Japs had been killed at TATAY by the local police. Patrol then moved SE then E and returned to TATAY without contact. Troop B investigated site of action on 24 July and found the body of one Jap killed with the past 24 hours. A strip of flesh had been cut from one leg and it is believed that this is another case of Jap Cannibalism.

July 25, 1945. At 051615I patrol found about 15 cases used for Jap Medical supplies but nearly all of the cases were empty. Tracks of our enemy made since the rain on evening of 26 July were found nearby and followed by the patrol, but no contact was made. One reinforced platoon from Troop C will be sent to Luzon Bus Company Road to establish base there. Patrol will be out three days.

July 26, 1945. Patrol to sector 10. 2. Route Antipolo road. Numerous caves were found and one Jap air compressor, damaged was found.

July 27, 1945. Motorized patrol from Hq Troop operating in sector No. 4 received a report of enemy of TATAY and upon contacting US Army personnel at the Iizal Cement Plant at BINANGONAN, picked up one Jap PW captured by guerrilla guards 3 kms NE of DULAN GLN. Four other Japs, armed with grenades and rifles, escaped from the guerrillas. Troop G platoon operating from base at MT Quitago killed two Japs in a shack at that point. Two others escaped. The enemy was equipped with rifles and grenades, and well supplied with rice and bananas. Platoon from Troop E patrolled from base at Mt. Tanauan to Iayna River valley and W and E of base without contact, but recent evidence of the enemy was found along the IAYNA RIVER. This platoon returned to ANTIPOLO at 1530I. Platoon from Troop B based at BM D-27 patrolled BM 4 and returned. No enemy contacts were made. Civilians reported that an unknown patrol had killed one of five armed enemy at a point in the platoon sector. The escaping enemy were said to have moved to the N.I.

July 28, 1945. Patrol from Hq Troop to BINANGONAN to investigate report of 4 enemy in that area. The patrol found one dead Jap at this point who had committed suicide during the early morning by detonating a grenade against the stomach. No enemy contacts were made, though reports were received from civilians that 4 Japs were still in the area.

July 29, 1945. Reinforced platoon Troop F departed 0730I and established patrol base on MT QUITAGO at 1445I. At this place the platoon fired on two Japs who escaped in the heavy undergrowth. Reinforced platoon Troop A departed 0730I and established a patrol base at 1000I. Local patrols were dispatched and one unarmed Jap was wounded in a shack at 1430I. The enemy escaped. No other contacts.

July 30, 1945. Platoon Troop A had one WII by Jap sniper at 310200I. The enemy escaped. Other patrols in the area contacted no enemy.

July 31, 1945. Reinforced platoon Troop B departed Mt Tanauan 0800I and at 0900I saw 4 enemy moving E along trail. Fire was placed on enemy who dropped 3 packs and escaped. Fresh blood was found in the area. Apparently some of the Japs were wounded. Packs were heavily filled with rice and supplies. Paybacks, papers and insignia of 2d Lt. were found. A cave in the area showed signs of recent occupation. This platoon reached Mt Tanauan at 1530 without further contact.

August 1, 1945. Platoon Troop C based near NA NKA River, patrolled area surrounding that point on 100 yd. radius E to a road junction N then W to the CR and NW returning to CP. Bodies of two Japs were found in a shack at a point on the route. Civilians were said to have killed these enemy on 31 July.

August 2, 1945. Platoon Troop B based at Mt. Tanauan at 1905I observed large cave vicinity of route of patrol which is believed to be occupied by Japs. Patrol requested permission for 24 hour extension and this was granted. Troop B patrol at 0905I captured one Jap at a point on their route. Patrol returned to base without further incident. Troop B patrol killed 3 Japs and wounded one at 1030I. The wounded Jap escaped. Japs were armed with rifles and carbines. Patrol of 11 men from Troop G. in vicinity of BM 25 killed 3 Japs at 021500I. Japs were in good condition and were armed with one .38 cal. Colt Revolver and one Jap rifle in very bad condition. The patrol returned to base without further contact. Reinforced platoon Troop F relieved Troop G platoon at Mt Quitago. Patrol departed 0800I and will return Aug. 5. On way to objective patrol saw and fired on 4 enemy vicinity of the route, but were unable to overtake them.

August 3, 1945. Troop B patrol sent to investigate smoke observed at a point in their sector. At 031200I killed one Jap at this point. This Jap is believed to be an officer who escaped one of our patrols on 1 August. Troop B patrol at 0930I killed 4 Japs. These Japs had 3 buckets of flesh cut from the bodies of 3 Japs killed yesterday in this same area. The 3 bodies were stripped of flesh from the waist to the elbow, from thighs to the knees, about the neck, and one was castrated. Arrangements are being made to send patrol with photographer from Signal Section, XI Corps to this same area to make photographs of same.

August 5, 1945. Patrol from Troop B, accompanied by photographer from Sig Sec XI Corps, proceeded to this point and secured pictures of previously reported cannibalism. Patrol departed 0730I and returned to Antipolo at 1130I. Results of photos not available at the present time.

August 6, 1945. Patrol from Troop F at 1415I 5 Aug killed one Jap. Patrol from Troop B at 1014I 6 Aug killed 7 Japs and Japs were armed with one LMG, 6 rifles, and one pistol.

August 7, 1945. Two reinforced platoons were on patrol and one motorized patrol from Hq Tr. No enemy contact was made.

August 8, 1945. Reinforced platoon from Troop A reached a base of operations at 1010I and sent three patrols to search surrounding area. One patrol moved 2000yds on azimuth of 300°, a second on an azimuth of 1150° 2000 yds., and a third 2000 yds. on an azimuth of 240°. All patrols returned to base at 1500I with negative report. Reinforced platoon patrol from Troop G killed 2 out of a group of 3 Japs at 0900I the other Jap escaped. Reinforced platoon patrol from Troop H killed 1 enemy at 1050I in the vicinity of their route of patrol. One other Jap escaped.

August 9, 1945. Reinforced platoon Troop A, sent out three patrols. Patrol no. 1 moved to a different point. Due to communication failure no report has been received from these patrols at close of period.

August 10, 1945. Troop A reinforced platoon patrols on 09 August reported no enemy contacts. No. 1 patrol to this area found foot prints in grid square 02-71. Patrol no. 2 to the other point investigating smoke, but found it to come from huts of Filipinos. Patrol no. 3 found an old Jap ammo dump. Dump was strewn with ammo containers, but no ammo was found. Patrols returned 091530I.

August 11, 1945. 1st Squadron did not patrol in their sectors during the period. Other patrols report no enemy contact.

August 12, 1945. Patrols will no longer operate in 1st Squadron sector. Other patrols report no enemy contact.

August 13, 1945. Reinforced platoon Troop F returned to ANTIPOLD at 1100I. Reinforced platoon Troop G returned to ANTIPOLD at 1245I. Patrols will no longer operate in the 2d Squadron sector. One Jap approached one of our sentries and surrendered. He was forwarded to RCT Hdq.

August 14, 1945. There was no patrol activity in the 112th Cavalry sector during this period.

Wednesday Aug 15--Japan officially accepts the Potsdam Ultimatum. Word has been received from XI Corps at 1000 hours that amphibious training program has been called off.

ICT notified S-3 that the 112th ICT is relieved from assignment to the Sixth Army and reassigned to the Eighty Army.

Troops continued training. Retreat-inspection scheduled at 1600 hours was postponed until Friday.

Officers meeting at 1400 hours concerning unscheduled training and preparations for probable move in the near future.

Thursday Aug. 16--Troops continued training--calisthenics and road march. Night problem held at 2000 hours.

Gen. MacArthur orders Japan to send delegation to Manila to discuss forming signing of the surrender terms.

Friday Aug 17--Gen. Cunningham notified Col. McMains that the ICT is on 48-hour alert for movement to BATANGAS. Preparations were begun for mobile loading of equipment and moving as same to the staging area at BATANGAS.

All troops continued training. Retreat-inspection at 1600 hours.

Saturday Aug 18--Troops continued packing and mobile loading of equipment for move to BATANGAS. Inspection was held on the review field for check of personnel's packs and equipment.

It is expected that the regiment will move out from ANTILOLO on Sunday morning.

Sunday Aug. 19--Movement has been postponed for several days. Ships are not available for loading at the present time.

Troop C departed at 1730 as an advance party to BATANGAS.

Trucks continued moving rations and bulky equipment to the staging area.

Meeting of all troop and detachment commanders at 1300.

Monday Aug. 20--The entire day was spent in preparation for movement. Loading of supplies and equipment continued.

2d Squadron will move out tomorrow for BATANGAS to load ships.

Tuesday Aug. 21--2d Squadron moved to BATANGAS as boat loading detail. Continue preparations for movement to staging area.

EM with 85 points left for replacement center at 0900.

Wednesday Aug. 22--Cannon Troop and detachments from Hq and Serv Troops moved to BATANGAS. Word was received that the entire 112th ICT will move to staging area before 1200 tomorrow.

Meeting of all troop and detachment commanders at 1400 concerning last minute instructions.

Thursday Aug. 23--Balance of 1st Squadron, Service and Headquarters Troop and Regimental Headquarters departed ANTILOLO and closed in BATANGAS at 1800. Immediate loading was commenced, as the convoy is to be underway by 1600 tomorrow. Loading continued throughout the night. Personnel will embark tomorrow morning.

Friday Aug. 24--All equipment was loaded at 0900 and immediately personnel began embarkation. All personnel were boarded by 1400.

The Navy called a meeting of all troop officers concerning ship's regulations. Guard was organized under Lt Wells, 579th AAA, Lt Young was announced as Mess Officer, and Lt. Bingham placed in charge of police details.

area (approximately 1000 yards) E of CT) at 1800. Troops continued unloading impediments throughout the day. Motorized patrols were dispatched to secure the city of TATEYAMA and clear out all US troops. The city is off limits.

Tuesday Sept. 4--Motorized patrol from Headquarters Troop, consisting of one officer, 8 men, photographer, Japanese interpreter, and 3 jeeps was dispatched to reconnoiter and inspect coastal defense installations within the first phase line. Patrol departed 0900 and moved N to KACHIYAMA and returned with negative report. Patrol then moved around the southern tip of the peninsula by way of SUSAKI, KAWANA, and SINOMIYA. During the course of the patrol, 6 HMGs, 11 LMGs, 30 rifles, 5-6 knee mortars, 2 individual rocket launcher, and 2 large knee mortars. A small garrison of 15 soldiers (Japanese) were guarding these arms. This point is a collecting point of all confiscated weapons. At SUSAKI two 6-inch long toms were found, and 2 90mm AA guns were found at KAWANA. At 1530 one officer and T2 EM from Troop B departed TATEYAMA for KISARAZU AIRFIELD as an advance detail for the balance of the troop, which will depart 5 September by train for this location. Troop B will relieve a detachment from 11th A/B Div as guards. Meeting of troop and squadron commanders at 1400 concerning administrative matters.

Wednesday Sept. 5--Troop B departed at 0900 by train enroute to KISARAZU AIRFIELD for guard duty at that station. S-2 accompanied the troop, and returned at 2000. Patrol of one officer, 7 EM from Troop C reconnoiter island of OKINOSHIMA. Patrol departed 0800 and returned 1000 with negative report. Troop A patrol on road reconnaissance from TATEYAMA to CHIKURA reported section of road between KONOMA and SUNOMIYA to be impassable. Patrol returned 1445. Hq Troop patrol to KATSUURA returned 1755. Patrol reported finding a large quantity of guns and ammunition, and several tunnels containing 26 boats. People in this area were very cooperative and seemed to show no fear of the Americans. Civilians were completely unaware of what military installations were around them. Army personnel know nothing of naval installations, and vice versa.

Thursday Sept. 6--Motorized patrol from Troop F, consisting of one officer, 4 EM, departed 0730 to make road reconnaissance from TATEYAMA to AMATSU to HIROOKA. Due to bridge being out East of HEGURI and a land slide East to YOKOMIHE, patrol was unable to complete mission. Patrol returned to TATEYAMA at 1500. Another motorized patrol consisting of one officer and 4 EM made road reconnaissance from TATEYAMA TO FUTTSU. Patrol was unable to reach FUTTSU due to impassable river crossing. The engineering crew working on the bridge at MINATO GAWA stated that the bridge would be passable in one week. Troop and Detachment Commanders meeting at 1300. Meeting pertained to routine administrative matters. Word was received that by 15 September, 500 enlisted replacements and 50 Officers replacements will be received by the 112th RCT.

Friday Sept. 7--Troop Baker motorized patrols reconnoitered all roads leading out of KISARAZU and reports main thoroughfares and bridges in good condition. Considerable weapons and equipment were found at FUTTSU, OHORI MINATO, ONUKI, AND HOKI SAPPY. Naval aircraft factory located S. of HOKISAKU. Patrols operated in all directions from TATEYAMA. Meeting of all squadrons troop and detachment commanders at 1300, concerning patrol instructions and administrative matters.

Saturday Sept. 8--All troops continued reconnaissance of road nets and sector of responsibility. No major installations found. Large gas and oil dump found east of NAKAWA. Rifles, knee mortars, bayonets, and MGs found at these towns OSONE, SHIMO-IZUMI, YOKOTA, and YANA. South of WADA five 8-inch howitzers with breach blocks removed, were reported. At KAMOGAWA patrol found four 75 millimeter guns in serviceable condition.

Sunday Sept. 9--Troop Baker patrol found Boys Military school at MINATO, all weapons found at this school were rendered unserviceable, with the removal of bolts. Another Boys Military school found at WADA. Patrols found numerous stores of small arms along routes of reconnaissance. Officers meeting at 1400, concerning with administrative matters.

Monday 10 Sept.--Patrol from Cannon Troop found Agriculture School at KAIHOTSU. 4 cases of explosives, 6 15cm guns and 36 caissons were found. Approximately 200 students in uniform at the school. Troop Baker Patrol found machine shop and equipment at NAKA. Patrols report road nets in good condition. Troop continue construction and police of camp.

Tuesday 11 Sept.--All troops continued road reconnaissance in sector of responsibility. No major installations were found. Main roads were in good condition, but all side roads were impassable to any vehicle larger than $\frac{1}{2}$ ton. Meeting of Squadron, Troop and detachment commanders at 1300, relative to administrative matters and guard instructions.

Wednesday Sept. 12--Troop Baker patrol reports HIROOKA to be located approximately 20 miles from its location on the map. HIROOKA, as shown on the map, is known as SHIRAYAMA to civilians in that area. Patrol UKE SHIMA (island) reports no one on the island. Considerable radar equipment was found unserviceable. Caves at water level were found, which may have been used as Q-boat pens. Troops maintained patrols on all road nets in search of major installations.

Thursday Sept. 13--Motorized patrol from TATEYAMA to FISALEZU required 5 hours enroute, $3\frac{1}{2}$ hours return trip. Road impassable to heavy vehicles. Motorized patrol from TATEYAMA to KISALAZU by way of WADA, AMATSU, KURUKI remained overnight at KISALAZU due to motor trouble. An inland route is open all the way by vehicle. Troop continued local patrolling and construction of camp.

Friday Sept. 14--All troops continued road reconnaissance in sector of responsibility. No major installations found. Troops continue construction and police of camp.

Saturday Sept. 15--Troop A patrol found large dump of auxiliary aircraft tanks along route of reconnaissance. Troop B patrol found several small arms and bayonets at OHAMA and SOGA. Three 75mm mountain guns and several AA guns found along route of reconnaissance. Several AA guns and a searchlight found between TAKE-SAOHA and KANAYA. Roads in good condition with the exception of washout and landslide on B troop route.

Sunday Sept. 16--Two squads troop F sent to KACHIYAMA, guards of radar installations. Squad Troop E, Guarding Lighthouse installation, at NOJIMA-SAKI. Squad Troop G, Guarding Lighthouse installations, at SUSAKI. Squad Troop B to guard installations at FUTTSU. Troop C patrols report roads and trails as shown on map, are accurate. Terrain covered by patrols very hilly, and heavily wooded. Roads in good condition.

Monday Sept. 17--1st Squadron reports terrain covered very rugged and heavily wooded. Troop E reports roads in that area in good condition. Only installations found were a small water or sewage filtration plant. Troop F reports terrain covered hilly and heavily wooded, caves in area were used as air raid shelters. E trooper wounded during demonstration.

Tuesday Sept. 18--1st Squadron patrols report Terrain very mountainous heavily wooded with thick under growth. One N. S. trail passable for $\frac{3}{4}$ ton vehicles. Officers meeting at 1400, concerning with administrative matters. Troops continue construction and police of camp.

Wednesday Sept. 19--2nd Squadron patrols reported areas patrolled very hilly and wooded, valleys under cultivation. Road net in good condition. Small caves in this area have been used for air raid shelters. Other patrols have not returned at close of day. Continue patrolling and training.

Thursday Sept. 20--Troop B patrol reports underground aircraft factory, in vicinity of SANUKI. Complete inventory to be made later. At 1400 Japanese ammo dump exploded, cause undetermined. There were 71 casualties in regiment. 8 men Evacuated, 13 hospitalized, 50 duty Patients. Emergency hospital was set up in Theatre No. 1. Several civilians were wounded. Investigation is being made by Col. Grant. Troops continue patrolling, and establishment of 1st Sq CP site.

The Field Order for our future assignment was received and immediately distributed to the troop commanders.

The convoy remained in BATANGAS BAY for the night due to slow progress of loading. The convoy will get under way at 0900 tomorrow.

Saturday Aug. 25--Convoy departed BATANGAS BAY at 0900. Troop Officers meeting called at 1300 concerning abandon ship drill. Boat stations and teams were announced, and the first drill was held at 1400. Drill lasted for 34 minutes.

Boat assignment tables were published during the afternoon.

Inspection of ship was made at 1000--results satisfactory.

Sunday Aug. 26--During the night the convoy turned back to SUBIC BAY because of typhoon ahead. Convoy stayed in port during the entire day.

Church services were held forward of super-structure during the morning.

A small party went ashore to pick up mail and reading material for the troops.

Monday Aug. 27--Convoy departed SUBIC BAY at 1127 hours. Convoy consisted of 28 cargo ships with destroyer escort.

Inspection of ship at 1000 hours was satisfactory. CO, Adjutant, and representatives of the ship's personnel made the inspection tour.

Tuesday Aug. 28--Inspection of compartments at 1000 hours was satisfactory.

Meeting of all boat team leaders at 0930 concerning changes in boat team assignment table.

Debarkation and Abandon Ship drill at 1400 hours. Time for drill--18 minutes.

Field order for landing operation published.

Wednesday Aug. 29--Inspection of compartments at 1000 hours unsatisfactory. Details will commence scrubbing the walls and the bulkheads. Another inspection will be made at 1400.

Debarkation drill at 1330 hours. Time for drill--17 minutes.

Thursday Aug. 30--Inspection of compartments at 1000 hours satisfactory.

Boat drill held at 1400 hours. Runners were used instead of the loud speaker. Time for drill--15 minutes.

Friday Aug. 31--Inspection of ship at 1000--satisfactory. No debarkation drill today. Movie for officers in the officers' mess.

Saturday Sept. 1--Inspection of compartments at 1000 satisfactory. No debarkation drill today. Movie for officers in the officers' mess. Inspection of arms at 1400. Convoy will enter Tokyo Bay tomorrow morning. It is expected that the troops will debark Monday morning, 3 September.

Sunday Sept. 2--Convoy anchored off Yokohama at 0900 and remained there throughout the day. Inspection of ship at 1000 hours was satisfactory. The official surrender document was signed by Japanese delegation aboard the USS Missouri in TOKYO BAY at 1045. Meeting of unit commanders at 1900 concerning debarkation plans for tomorrow morning in the TATEYAMA NAVAL AIRFIELD area.

Monday Sept. 3--Five ship convoy, carrying elements of the 112TH RCT departed from YOKOHAMA for TATEYAMA (entrance to TOKYO BAY) at 0400. Troops commenced debarkation at 0700 and the first wave hit the beach at 0930. Regimental CP opened in the Control Tower, TATEYAMA NAVAL AIRFIELD at 1130. CP closed there and reopened in the reservation

Friday Sept. 21--Five-four men patrols reported terrain hilly and wooded, main roads passable to heavy vehicles. Large water reservoir, and pumping station supplying a military garrison consisting of 8 barracks. One 10cm Naval gun and 4 submarine pens with several LMG and a AA emplacement found near garrison also. Troops continue patrolling and training.

Saturday Sept. 22--One Squad, Troop F at KANAYA. One Squad, Troop F at KOHAMA. One Squad, Troop F at KAWANA. One Squad, Troop F at TOMISAKI MURA. 2nd Squadron reports sector patrolled very hilly, and heavily wooded. Road net in good condition for all kinds weather. One washout, bridge approach. Troops continue patrolling and training.

Sunday Sept. 23--Troop B patrol reports road net from KISARAZU to HOTA passable to 2½ ton trucks. Large generator, blinker, radio, and telegraph set found at SHIMA TOKURA. Hydrophone set also found, questioning of Naval NF, reveals the set and instruments had controlled mines (electric) in TOKYO BAY. Plotting board also included in set. Troop B patrol reports American boat found by Japanese civilians, boat was drifting in TOKYO BAY.

Monday Sept. 24--Five 2nd Squadron patrols report terrain covered, hilly and wooded, Main roads passable for all kinds of military vehicles, in all kinds of weather. Side roads passable to foot troops only. Troop B patrol reports numerous caves, used as air raid shelters. Jap military school with training equipment, consisting of a few LMG's and knee mortars, also several rifles. Jap in Camp had not received orders to turn in this equipment. Officers meeting at 14001 concerning administrative matters.

Tuesday Sept. 25--All men with 80 points and over were reassigned to 172d Inf. Regt. 43rd Division, as of Sept. 23. 1st Squadron Patrols report terrain covered as mountainous with small cultivated valleys. A lumber mill and rice mill were located along route of reconnaissance. Jap 2 man submarine found beached by 1st Squadron patrol. Troops continue construction and police of camp.

Wednesday Sept. 26--1st Sq (Tr B) departed by rail 1000 27 Sept. for MOHARA. Troop B is still at KISARAZU. 1st Sq hq is being established to supervise demobilization in that area. 2nd Sq patrol found abandoned power plant, plant is dismantled. Terrain was reported hilly. Main roads passable in all weathers.

Thursday Sept. 27--No report from 1st Sq. 2nd Sq reports terrain hilly and wooded, only main roads are passable. Colonel Grant assigned to 43rd Division for return to U.S.A. Sgt. Daut of S-2-3 also left for U.S.A. Lt. Young left today to pick up Colonel Miller at YOKOHAMA. Troops continue patrolling, and training, preparation for Inspection and Review.

Friday Sept. 28--CO 2nd Sq reports, arrived at MOHARA as scheduled. Equipment all arrived at destination safely and was stored before dark. Sq was welcomed by formal ceremony of towns officials. Japanese Major, 52nd Jap Army and Naval Officer are to be Liaison Officers. Weapons will be moved to MOHARA according to plan. Quarters are satisfactory. Continue Patrolling and training.

Saturday Sept. 29--Meeting of all officers living in Officers Quarters RCT. Meeting to be held here at 11301. Jap Naval guards in TATEYAMA and KISARAZU sector have been relieved the 147th Inf. and 3rd Guard Div. Jap Inf. will turn their equipment in at MOHARA, 147th Jap Inf Div. Recommends KOHAMA as ideal spot for evacuation of ammo, by boat. Relation with Jap Officials remains excellent. 1 Platoon was dispatched to Troop B at KISARAZU today. Troops continue patrolling, training and retreat.

Sunday Sept. 30--Detailed report of installations at CHIBA was forwarded to 112th RCT Hdqs this date. Demobilization of Jap units in 1st Sq sector is progressing extremely well. Troops have church and rest day.

Monday Oct. 1--Reestablished radio contact with 1st Sq this date. Troops continue patrolling, training, and retreat.

Tuesday Oct. 2--Troops were paid today at 11301, pay was for the month of August. Meeting of all officers at 11301, concerning administrative matters.

Wednesday Oct. 3--Report arrived this headquarters of a storm expected here today. Post Exchange has been opened at location of near Theatre No. 2.

Thursday Oct. 4--Troops continue Training and patrolling. KISAI/AZU-MOHARA patrols report rainy weather and muddy roads. Demobilizations continuing satisfactorily.

Friday Oct. 5--Heavy rainfall in TATEYAMA area. Red Cross opened at theatre No. 2, served hot coffee to troops after evening show. Troops continue patrolling and training, preparation for Inspections of Personnel arms, and equipment.

Saturday Oct. 6--Inspection of Personnel, arms, and equipment.

Sunday Oct. 7--All Troops: Church and rest day.

Monday Oct. 8--A troop moved to KATORI Airfield close of this day. Demobilization Japanese units proceeding satisfactorily. Troops continue patrolling and training.

Tuesday Oct. 9--Red Cross at Theatre No. 2 now had a library open to the troops during hours. Troops continue patrolling and training. 1 Platoon C Troop moved to KISAI/AZU this date. 1 casualty E Troop, picked up a detonator, which exploded in his hand.

Wednesday Oct. 10--Location of units 112th Cavalry this date:

Regimental Headquarters	TATEYAMA
Service Troop	" "
2nd Squadron	" "
Cannon Troop	" "
Headquarters Troop	" "
1st Squadron Headquarters	MOHARA
D Troop	" "
B Troop	KISAI/AZU
A Troop (-)	KATORI Airfield
1 Platoon Troop A	KISAI/AZU
C Troop (*)	CHIBA Airfield
1 Platoon Troop C	KATSURA

Demobilization progressing satisfactorily.

Thursday Oct. 11--Regt'l CO left for MOHARA to confer with CO 1st Squadron on demobilization of Japanese 52nd Army. Troops continue patrolling and training.

Friday Oct. 12--General Cunningham is making inspection of all troop installations and equipment here at TATEYAMA in preparation for an inspection tour by General Bichelberger Commander 8th Army.

Saturday Oct. 13--Inspection of installations 112th Cavalry at TATEYAMA by General Cunningham, inspection found to very satisfactory. Retreat parade and inspection troops.

Sunday Oct. 14--Troops Church and rest day.

Monday Oct. 15--1st Squadron Headquarters delayed moving to CHIBA because of tunnel cavein on railway. 1 Officer and 40 enlisted men of ordnance section arrived CHOSI. Troops continue demobilization, training and retreat.

Tuesday Oct. 16--Cannon Troop loading 0600 at train TATEYAMA for CHIBA. Troops continue demobilization, and training.

Wednesday Oct. 17--Officers meeting 1130 at 112th Regt'l Hdq, concerning administrative matters. Troops continue patrolling and retreat.

Thursday Oct. 18--Troops were issued one suit OD wollen uniform for winter. OD's will only be worn for dutys other than patrolling and fatigue, untill shortage of winter uniforms have been eliminated. Troops continue patrolling training and demobilization.

Friday Oct. 19--Factories in B Troop area are turned over to Home Ministry Japanese. Japanese Navy property to be turned over to Home Ministry 20th Oct. Troops have Parade and Inspection, Saturday.

Saturday Oct. 20--Cannon Troop moved to KASHIWA. Parade and Inspection of all troops by General Cunningham.

Sunday Oct. 21--All Troops, Fest Day and Church.

Monday Oct. 22--Japanese turned in 18 Bren Carriers that were believed to have been British Army equipment taken from Singapore. Troops continue patrolling and training.

Tuesday Oct. 23--1st Sq reports Major Leonard has moderate case of infectious Jaundice, will require hospitalization. Capt. Hughes S-3 has been released from duty for return home this date. Capt. Paul B. Coldiron, is detailed as Regimental S-3. 1st Lt. Young is relieved from duty as Regimental S-2 and 1st Lt. W. D. Harwell is assigned as Asst. Regt. S-2. Meeting of all officers returning to states at 1500 in this Hdq. Troops continue patrolling and training.

Wednesday Oct. 24--Meeting of Officers at Officers mess 112th ICT at 1000. 300 enlisted men repl. from Americal division have arrived 112th Cavalry, and 35 Officers.

Thursday Oct. 25--WO Barnhart Asst. S-1, and Major Winter S-1, and Lt. Young S-2 left today for 4th Repl. Depot and return to States. Capt. Guy E. Mabie appointed S-2 Regiment. Troops continue patrolling training, and retreat.

Friday Oct. 26--George Troop relieved Fox Troop at KATCHIYAMA Outpost. Colonel Hopper gave an Orientation at Theatre No. 1, to all troops in the TATEYAMA sector. Subject of Orientation was DEMOBILIZATION of Japanese Army in 112th Sector. All Troops continue patrolling and training.

Saturday Oct. 27--Parade at 0900, all troops and vehicles included. Capt. Hughes, S-3 and Lt. Daffenbaugh, Comm. Officer, left for 4th Repl. Depot today.

Sunday Oct. 28--All Troops Church. Received more souvenirs from Able troop, expect to issue souvenirs soon.

Monday Oct. 29--G Troop relieved A troop at outpost in the Tateyama area. The band returned from a 3 day tour of the troops stationed outside Tateyama Area. Meeting of all unit Officers on administrative matters 1130.

Tuesday Oct. 30--1 platoon of Cannon Troop at Matsudo Airfield. A Piper cub carrying Capt. Rubin (CO 1st Sq) on an inspection tour of 1st Sq Troops crashed at Kisarazu 1130, Capt. Rubin was uninjured and the pilot escaped with minor scratches. The plane was demolished. Capt. Rubin completed his inspection of troops. Retreat-Inspection all troops.

Wednesday Oct. 31--Capt. Mabie Regt'l S-2 returned today from Kisarazu, after completing business there. All troops except necessary details, recreation during afternoon.

Thursday Nov. 1--General Cunningham and Lt. Maisenbacher Recruiting Officer 112th ICT spoke to troops today about reenlistment program in the Regular Army. Lt. Col. Holmes assigned Nov. 1, Major Hendrex assigned as Regt'l S-3, Major Bryant assigned as CO 1st Sq., Capt. Alexander detailed as CO 2nd Sq. Lt. Col. Holmes is Ex O 112th Cav. Two railway cars of souvenirs and 500 Jap blankets arrived here 1540 from 1st Sq. for this Hdq. The IX received new supplies for the first time, since we arrived, sale of items will begin tomorrow. All troops continue training and retreat.

Friday Nov 2--Meeting of all unit officers concerning administrative matters, at this Hdq's 1130. Reports to this Hdq's indicate that demobilization of all Japanese arms and equipment in the Chiba Prefecture is 95% complete as of 31 Oct. 1945. Dog Troop Basketball team from Mchara arrived Tateyama to play against teams stationed here.

Saturday Nov. 3--Major Michel 2nd Sq left today for return to U.S. 2nd Sq softball teams left for Mchara to play D troop team.

Sunday Nov. 4--Meeting of all unit CO's concerning administration, 1130 this Hdq's. 300 replacements were received by 112th Cavalry and are being distributed to the Squadrons. All troops Church-Rest Day.

Monday Nov. 5--20 Officers left for 4th Replacement Depot for return to U.S. Capt. Maple Regt'l S-2 returned from 1st Sq today. All troops Retreat.

Tuesday Nov. 6--Replacements were sent to 1st Sq today. Mr. Alexander De Seversky and Maj. General Anderson visited Dog Troop area at Mchara and inspected aircraft and installation there, for 2 hours. They returned with some parachutes as souvenirs. All Troops Retreat-Parade.

Wednesday Nov. 7--Plans are being made for 150 men to attend Rodeo on 11 Nov. at Tokyo. Volunteers to participate in Rodeo are also being selected. Troops continue training.

Thursday Nov. 8--Fox Troop softball team arrived Tateyama to play teams stationed here. The 65th ABF Band returned from Mchara after playing for D Troop. G Troop softball team played at Dog Troop. All troops Retreat-Parade.

Friday Nov. 9--The 112th ICT has been notified that men with 69 points will leave for the 4th Repl. Depot on Saturday Nov. 10. 112th Cavalry Troops have been paid up to Nov. 1, as of this week. Colonel Hopper visited 1st Sq and units in Chiba today. The Colonel returned from Chiba via air, in a B-25 Army Bomber.

Saturday Nov. 10--69 point men left today for the 4th Repl. Depot, and return to the States. Souvenirs were issued to each man. 12 replacements EM were sent to 1st Sq.

Saturday Nov. 10--AIO 503-1 at Tateyama has arranged for transaction of Money order, beginning this date. Lt. Lloyd, Asst. Regt'l S-1, has been detailed as Postal Officer for the ICT. All troops full field inspection at 0900.

Sunday Nov. 11--All Troops Church-Armistice Day was observed by Regiment, all units, with the exception of communications and necessary operations were given the day off.

Monday Nov. 12--Troops continue destruction of enemy material and equipment. All troops retreat. 1st Sq (Chiba) basket ball and baseball teams played at D troop (Mchara).

Tuesday Nov. 13--Troops continued training with organized athletics during the afternoon.

Wednesday Nov. 14--2nd Sq softball teams played teams at 1st Sq (Chiba). Troops continue training and destruction of enemy material and equipment.

Thursday Nov. 15--Dog Troop (Mchara) team playing 2nd Squadron. Basket-ball and Volley-ball teams 2nd Sq played at B Troop (Kisarezu). All Troops Retreat and parade with ABF Band.

Friday Nov. 16--Meeting of all unit CO's at 1130, at 112th Cavalry headquarters. General Eichelberger to visit 112th ICT Saturday. Field meet has been postponed one week. A tour of Tokyo was planned for Saturday, with 50-1000 men to be accommodated, over week-end by 1st Sq. at Chiba. Due to visit of General Eichelberger the Tour has been postponed till next week. An inspection of 1st Squadron troops was called off, because of high winds making trip by plane hazardous.

Saturday Nov. 17--General Eichelberger arrived here at 0910 and inspected installation and personnel. The General left at noon. Col. Miller RCT Ex O. is planning to visit 1st Sq by plane, weather permitting on Sunday the 18 November. Plans are being made by regiment to conduct AFI school for troops here who wish to continue education.

Sunday Nov. 18--All Troop Church-Rest day. Colonel Miller visited 1st Squadron.

Monday Nov. 19--All Troops Retreat and inspection preparatory to retreat. 2nd Squadron Softball teams played Dog Troop at (Mabara). Troops continue training and destruction of enemy material and equipment.

Tuesday Nov. 20--1st Squadron (Chiba) sent several parachutes to this headquarters for our use. Thanksgiving supplies of "turkey and Trimmings" are being distributed to all troops. 10,000 rifles Japanese are being shipped to Naval Activities Officer, Yokosuka Naval Base.

Wednesday Nov. 21--2nd Squadron Softball team plays at 1st Squadron (Chiba). Dog Troop (Mabara) softball team to play 2nd Squadron teams here. 37 EM with 67-69 ASI from 1st Squadron, to leave for 4th Regt Depot. 100 EM and two Officers to leave here Saturday for Tokyo Tour.

Thursday Nov. 22--All Troops except necessary details, Holiday.

Friday Nov. 23--Troops preparing for Athletic meet Saturday. Troops continue training and destruction of enemy material and equipment.

Saturday Nov. 24--Field meet held today Baker Troop won First Place, Dog Troop second place and at 1st for Third Place between Easy and Fox Troop, for drill Competition.

Lt. Harry T. Scheaffer appointed Regt'l Personnel Adjutant.

Sunday, 25 November 1945--All Troops Church-Rest Day.

Monday, 26 November--2nd Squadron Softball teams played 1st Sq, C Trp Team at Chiba. 8th Army inspecting team arrived at 112th RCT this morning, by boat, after a tour of the area, returning in the afternoon. All Troops-Retreat.

Tuesday, 27 November--AFI educational program is now in progress here. Classes are being supervised by Officers appointed through Regt'l S-3. The program offers an elementary schooling, and other subjects. In addition to the AFI courses there are Unit School on Mechanics, Communications, and a Bugler School supervised by the Band.

1 platoon to begin firing M-1 rifle, at 100 yds, marksmanship, tomorrow 0730. The new firing range is under supervision of Regt'l S-3 and Sq CO (2nd Sq). Capt Mabie, Regt'l S-2 is at Chiba 1st Sq on official business.

A 2nd Sq patrol was fired upon by unknown persons, approximately 20 rounds were fired at the patrol. The incident occurred 251330 in vicinity of KOYTSU-NISHIZAKI. Investigation has been turned over to the Provost Marshal 112th RCT.

Baker Troop (Kisarazu) played How Troop here today.

Wednesday, 28 November--1 Platoon F Troop Fired for Marksmanship today on the Regimental Rifle Range. Capt Mabie, Regt'l S-2 returned from Chiba today. All troops continue training and destruction of enemy material and equipment.

Thursday, 29 November--8th Army Inspecting Team visited Tateyama, by boat. The officers returned at 1500. The Practice Review, scheduled for today was cancelled because of rain. A Tour of Tokyo for this weekend is being planned, 50 men and 2 officers of the Cavalry are to leave on Saturday for the tour. Capt Livingston Regt'l Adjutant has been admitted to the 394th Clearing Hospital. Lt. Lloyd is acting Adjutant.

Friday, 30 November--148 FA Teams played D Troop at (Mobara). Special classes in the following subjects have been started here. Live Stock Farming, The Small Business, Bookkeeping, and Accounting, English Grammar, American History, Automobile Mechanics. All Troops continue training, and destruction of enemy material and equipment.

Saturday, 1 December--Regt'l Review with vehicles included. Award of bronze stars to men recommended for medal. 23 EEM from 1st Sq, and 2 EEM from 2nd Sq left today for 4th Repl Depot for return to US. ASR No's. 66-67. All Troops enrolled continue special schools and training.

Sunday, 2 December--All Troops Church-Rest Day. Lt Harwell asst S-2, and S-2 Sgt Left for Tokyo today on business.

Monday, 3 December--Capt Mabie, S-2 left here via plane for Kisarazu (B Trp) on official business. Meeting of all Unit Commanders 1130, RCT conference room. Meeting on administrative matters.

Tuesday, 4 December--150 men have been relieved from duty for return to US from 112th Cav. 20% of this number were reenlistments, in the RA. An Athletic school was conducted today for all Officers and Troops. For the afternoon all troops participated in Athletics.

Wednesday, 5 December--Troop B played here at E Troop. Troops have recreation during afternoon. All troops not enrolled continue training and destruction of enemy material. Troops enrolled in Special Schools continue training. The 65th AGF Band, with CO Lt. Caplan, is on tour. The Band will play Tokyo Red Cross on Dec 4, 1st Cav Div CP on Dec 5th and 1st Sq, Cannon Trp on return to Tateyama. Capt Livingston, Regt'l Adjutant returned from the hospital.

Thursday, 6 December--65th AGF Band returns tomorrow to Tateyama. Gen. Cunningham and Colonel Hooper left here 0330 today, via Auto, Weather permitting an L-5 plane will be sent to Chiba to take General Cunningham and Colonel Hooper on an inspection tour to Able Trp, on Sunday morning. All Troops continue destruction of enemy material and equipment. Troops enrolled in Special Schools, continue training.

Friday, 7 December--2 officers and 100 men from RCT and attached units will go on the Tokyo tour this weekend. 64 EM are leaving tomorrow for return to US. 20% of these men are reenlistments in the R. A.

Saturday, 8 December--All Troops inspection at 0900-1100. 60 point men from 1st Sq (Chiba) and Cannon Trp (Kashiwa), have been ordered to return to Tateyama. Christmas were distributed to the troops today. The cards have list of the campaigns of the 112th Cav and our regimental insignia, portrayed on the card.

Sunday, 9 December--All Troops-Church, Rest Day. 75 EM are leaving tomorrow 0800 for 4th Repl Depot and return to the US. 20% of these men are reenlistments in the R.A. Preparations are being made for Return of 112th Cavalry to the U. S. in January. Capt John F. Howe, is returning to US for discharge. The Capt was Regt'l S-4. Light Machine Gun Training for the Troops will be started next week.

Monday, 10 December--70 men were placed on TDY with the 4th Repl Depot for detail at that orgn. 60 men with ASR 61-62 were relieved of assignment with the Cavalry and sent to the 4th Repl Depot for return to the U.S. 15 EM with Reenlistments in the RA were sent to the 4th Repl Depot. Authorization for Mailing of War Souvenirs with the proper clearance papers has been made. EM with 3 children under 18 years of age, or 4 years service in the Army are now eligible for discharge. Capt Rubin to fly here from Chiba for conference. Fox Troop to play Dog Troop at Mobara. Capt Mabie, Lt Harwell left for Chiba today on S-2 business. 700 rifles and bayonets for distribution to troops at Tateyama arrived here from 1st Squadron.

Tuesday, 11 December--By command of 112th RCT C.G. all excess Equipment will be immediately turned in and arrangements will be made to begin turning in equipment in preparation for the deactivation of the 112th Cav. 34 men with ASR Scores of 60 and over were relieved of duty with 112th Cav and sent to the 4th Repl Depot for return to the U.S. How Troop played Baker Troop at Kisarazu. Troops have been warned to report any bottles of Jap Whiskey with the label "Red Heart", this whiskey contains lethal quantities of Methyl Alcohol.

Wednesday, 12 December--Charlie Troop played C Battery 148 FA at Tateyama. Meeting of all unit commanders at RCT Conference Room.

Thursday, 13 December--148 Able Battery played Dog Troop at Mobara, 148 Baker Battery played Baker Troop at Kisarazu. A fire drill was held at Tateyama Naval Airdrome, Regt'l Hdqs participating at 1300. Improvements are to be made where needed.

Friday, 14 December--110 men will go on the Tokyo Tour this weekend. All war trophies as authorized by WD and the Postal Dept may now be mailed by EM and personnel of this command. Plans are being made for an equal distribution of available trophies to the troops. Equipment is now being turned in to the Regt'l S-4 by Unit Supply Rooms. Completion of the destruction of enemy materiel and equipment is being speeded up wherever possible.

Saturday, 15 December--50 EM Reenlistments in the RA were attached to the 4th Repl Depot for furlough in the U. S. 150 men were relieved of duty with the Cavalry and assigned to the 4th Repl Depot. This group includes men with 3 children, 4 years of service, or 57-60 points. M/Sgt Robinson, Operations Sgt S-2-3 section, left for return to U.S.

Sunday, 16 December--25 EM were transferred from the Cavalry to the 7th Base P.O., APO 503. Files, records and other official documents are now being prepared for moving, or deactivation of the outfit.

Monday, 17 December--Regt'l Hdqs Team played Baker Troop. Christmas Cards were distributed to the troops, the cards show the 112th Cavalry insignia also a list of the campaigns. Destruction of enemy materiel & equipment, and turning over other equipment and supplies authorized to the Home Ministry, is now being completed.

Tuesday, 18 December--E Troop began firing on the IMG range today. Troops to finish firing by Friday 21 December. Easy Troop to play Dog Troop at Mobara tomorrow.

Wednesday, 19 December--A Summary of the location of the Troops and Squadrons at this date. Provisional Squadron, Hq & Hq Trp-Tateyama. Service Troop-Tateyama, Cannon Troop-Kashiwa Airfield, Medics-Tateyama (detachment with 1st Squadron), 1st Squadron, Hq & Hq Trp-Shimoshizu Airfield, Able Troop-Katori Airfield, Baker Troop-Kisarazu Airfield, Charlie Troop-Shimoshizu Airfield, Dog Troop-Mobara Airfield, 2nd Sq and all Troops at Tateyama.

Thursday, 20 December--190 men were transferred to 649th Ord ammo Co, 40 of these men were further placed on TDY with the 112th Cavalry. 22 men were transferred to Hq, 35 AAA Group, and further placed on TDY with the 112th Cavalry. Vehicles and other transportation equipment are being inspected and readied for turning in. Lt Allen, Regt'l Motor Officer to visit all units of Cavalry outside Tateyama today for purpose of inspection of vehicles. Field Manuals and other Technical Manuals are being turned in to Regt'l S-2 for disposition to higher headquarters.

Friday, 21 December--Jap Ammunition shipped from railheads is on schedule, and expected to be completed by 24 December. Troops continue training. Meeting of all Unit Commanders at 1130 RCT Conference Room.

Saturday, 22 December--Inspection of all troops and installations at 0900-1100. Preparations are being made for the return to the U. S. of the 112th RCT or the deactivation of this unit in Japan, during 1946.

Sunday, 23 December--100 E.M. were transferred to the 4th Repl Depot under the W. D. Readjustment Regulations, for the return to U. S. 36 EM were transferred as reenlistment in the R.A. to the 4th Repl Depot, for the return to U.S. and reassignment.

Monday, 24 December--4 LST boats loaded the trucks and other vehicles which were ready to be turned in, in preparation for the return of the RCT to the U.S. All Troops were again warned to check all fire precautions and to be especially on the alert during the Holidays, against fire hazards.

Tuesday, 25 December--Christmas Holiday was observed by all the troops and only necessary details were made. Turkey and all the trimmings were served in the mess halls. Coca-cola was issued to all the troops and the Red Cross packages distributed. A Christmas program was performed at the RCT theatre in the evening.

Wednesday, 26 December--Word has been received that the 7th And 8th Cavalry of the 1st Cavalry Division will relieve the 112th Cavalry of all responsibility in the Chiba Prefecture. Jan 1, 1946.

Thursday, 27 December--Able Troop is to return to Tateyama on the 28th of December. A detachment of Able Troop, 140 men arrived Tateyama at 1600. Ammunition Dumps at Togane and Yokaishiba as of 26 December, have been completed. All remaining vehicles with the exception of necessary vehicles have been turned in. Ration and other necessary unit supply are being handled by the 3473 Q.M. Truck Company now detailed to the 112th.

Friday, 28 December--The rear echelon Able Troop will be relieved today and will return to Tateyama tomorrow. B Troop, 8th Cavalry arrived Katori. 1st Sq. Hq. 8th Cavalry arrived Chiba, one platoon sent to Matsudo Airfield. Ammunition dump at Katori has been completed. 1st Sq Troops now preparing to turn over responsibility in their sector to 8th Cavalry on 1 January 1946. Word has been received that the regiment may be deactivated in Japan. A USO Troup (Tiny Bradshaw's Band) played in the evening at the RCT Theatre.

Saturday, 29 December--Rear Echelon Able Troop arrived with 18 men, 2 officers at 1600. Lt Solomon, A Troop CO remaining at Chiba. Inspection of troops at 0900 followed by inspection of installations till 1100. Dog Troop, 8th Cavalry arrived Chiba, one platoon Dog Troop 8th Cav, arrived Matsudo Airfield.

Sunday, 30 December--269 E.M. were transferred today to 8th Army units in Honshu. All Troops have church.

Monday, 31 December--100 men of Baker Troop were transferred to 7th Cavalry Regiment, 1st Cavalry Division. 156 men of Baker and Charlie Troops were transferred to 8th Cavalry Regt, 1st Cav Division. 5 officers were transferred to 1st Cavalry Division. 3 EM were transferred to 8th Army Special Service Section. Meeting of all Unit Commanders at RCT Conference Room, 1130. The Regt is now engaged in the Deactivation of the 112th Cavalry Regiment, here in Japan. We are to be relieved of responsibility in the Chiba Prefecture by the 1st Cavalry Division at 311159 December 1945. Units of the 7th and 8th Regts, 1st Cavalry Division have arrived here and are stationed at our former outposts. Cannon Troop (formerly Kashiwa) has arrived at Tateyama. Regt'l Hq Trp was relieved by A Troop, 8th Cavalry, Baker Troop (Kisarazu) was relieved by C Troop, 7th Cavalry, and Dog Troop will be relieved by 1 platoon C Troop 7th Cavalry.

Tuesday, 1 January 1946--Turkey and trimmings were served to all troops, all troops except necessary details will have the day off. Regimental Headquarters will continue to work today. 190 EM and 3 officers were transferred from Troop Easy and George to the 387th Inf Regt, 97th Div. Major Hendrix, S-3 is in charge of all troops movements from our unit and shipments of men on orders will begin tomorrow. Baker Troop moved from Kisarazu to Tateyama at 1600. All Troops except necessary details have the day off.

Wednesday, 2 January--111 EM Troop Fox were transferred to 12th Cav, 1st Cavalry Division. 79 men of Dog Troop were transferred to 5th Cav, 1st Cavalry Division. 2 officers were transferred to 1st Cavalry Division. 61 men transferred, to 8th Army Engineer Units. Meeting of officers, units, at 112th Conference room at 1130. 5 LCT's arrived here to pick up trucks and other equipment that is ready to be turned over. Demobilization charts and situation maps of our operations in the demobilization of the Japanese 52nd Army, have been turned over to the CO of A Troop, 8th Cavalry, 1st Cav Division.

Thursday, 3 January--97 EM and 6 officers were transferred to 97th Div 127 EM were transferred to the 8th Army Engineer units. 8 EM were transferred to 44th Tank Battalion. 14 EM were transferred to the 151st MP Platoon. 4 officers and 27 EM were transferred to the 1st Cav Division. 28 EM were transferred to the 204th Ord MM Company. An orientation for all men on Troop Movement, January 4, was held at the RCT Recreation hall by Major Hendrix, 1830. Mess hall equipment of the two troops in the Second Squadron area will be turned in today. Major Bryant and 1st Squadron Hdqs arrived Tateyama 1600. All Troops of the 112th Cavalry are now stationed in Tateyama. The final S-2-3 reports were sent in yesterday and the S-2-3 section are now engaged in the Deactivation of the 112th Cavalry.

Friday, 4 January--Meeting of all officers concerned with Troop movements on the 5th of January at the RCT Conference Room, 1800. 50 officers were transferred today to 8th Army Units. 3 officers were transferred to 4th Repl Depot for return to U.S. under Readjustment Regulations. Headquarters, Service, Easy and 2nd Sq Hdqs Troop Kitchens are the only ones now operating.

Saturday, 5 January--All Troops except high point men have now been transferred to other units. Approximately 250 men including TDY men transferred to other units, are now on duty here in TATEYAMA, with the 112th Cavalry. 2nd Sq Hdqs, and Sv Trp are the only kitchens in operation. Able Troop of the 8th Cavalry, 1st Cavalry Division, is now stationed at the Tateyama Naval Airdrome.

Inactivation is to be entirely completed by 10 January. Colonel P. L. Hooper will return the Regimental Colors to the Governor of Texas. The regimental historical records will be stored at APO 75 in accordance with readjustment regulations.