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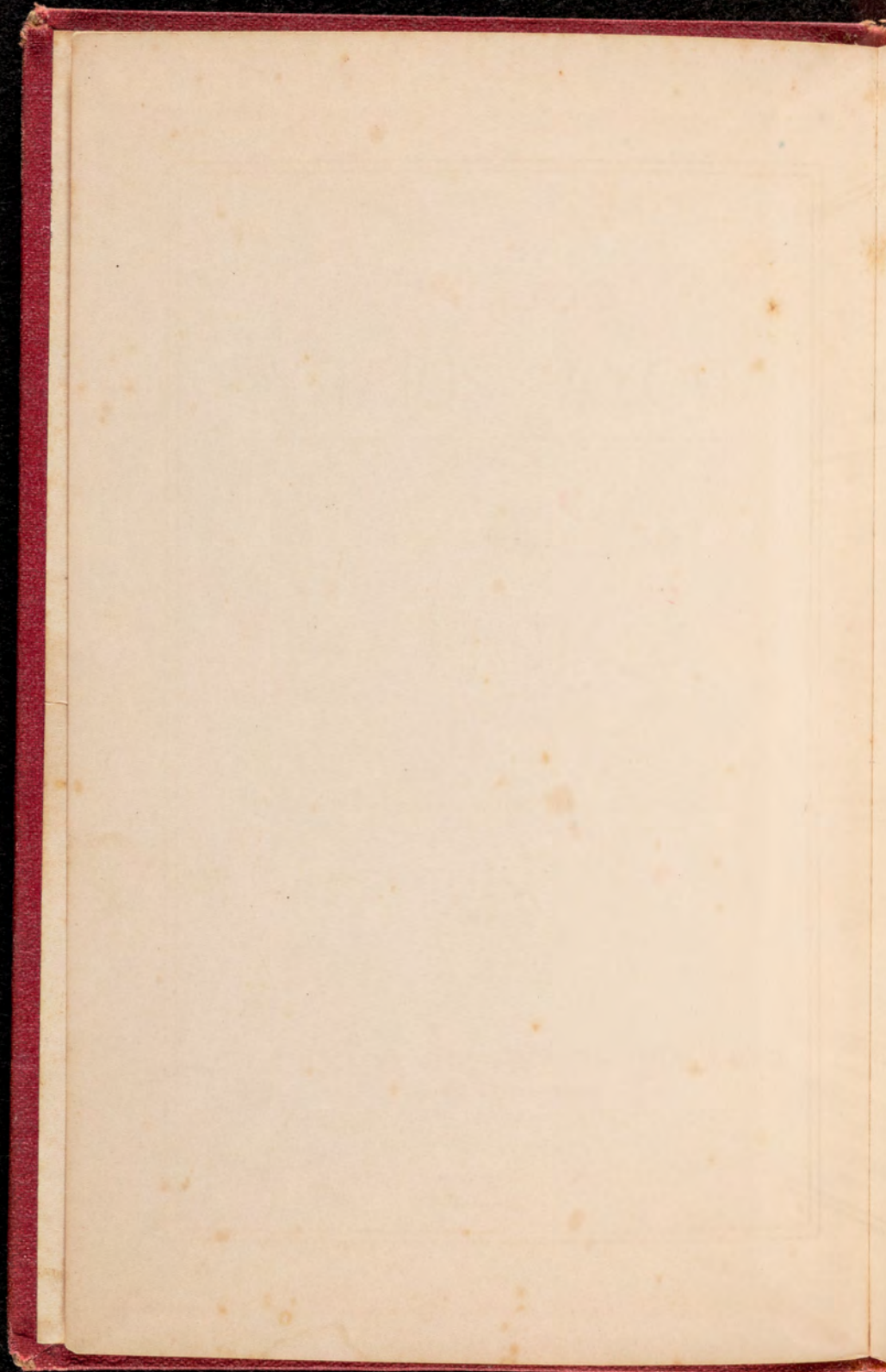
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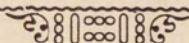
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	JANUARY	FEBRUARY	MARCH	APRIL
SUN.	2 9 16 23 30	6 13 20 27	5 12 19 26	2 9 16 23 30
MON.	3 10 17 24 31	7 14 21 28	6 13 20 27	3 10 17 24
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CALENDAR, 1943

	JANUARY	FEBRUARY	MARCH
SUN.	3 10 17 24 31	2 9 16 23	7 14 21 28
MON.	4 11 18 25	1 8 15 22	1 8 15 22 29
TUE.	5 12 19 26	2 9 16 23	2 9 16 23 30
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	JANUARY	FEBRUARY	MARCH
SUN.	7 14 21 28	4 11 18 25	4 11 18 25
MON.	1 8 15 22 29	5 12 19 26	5 12 19 26
TUE.	2 9 16 23 30	6 13 20 27	6 13 20 27
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Julian Period (year of)		6657
Ash Wednesday		February 23
St. David's Day		March 1
St. Patrick's Day		March 17
Good Friday		April 7
Easter Sunday		April 9
St. George's Day		April 23
Michaelmas Day		September 29
St. Andrew's Day		November 30
King's Birthday		December 14
Christmas Day, Monday		December 25

HOLIDAYS SPECIALLY OBSERVED.

Australia.

New Year's Day (Public Holiday all States)	January 1
Australia Day (Public Holiday all States)	January 26
Good Friday (Public Holiday all States)	April 7
Easter Saturday (Public Holiday all States)	April 8
Easter Monday (Public Holiday all States)	April 10
Easter Tuesday (Public Holiday Vic., W.A.)	April 11
Anzac Day (Public Holiday all States)	April 25
Labour Day (Public Holiday W.A. and Queensland)	May 1
State Foundation Day (Public Holiday W.A.)	June 1
Royal Show Day (Public Holiday Melbourne only)	September 28
Labour Day (Public Holiday N.S.W.)	October 2
King's Birthday (Public Holiday all States)	As arranged
Public Holiday (Tasmania only)	November 6
Melbourne Cup Day (Melbourne only)	As arranged
Christmas Day (Public Holiday all States)	December 25
Boxing Day (Public Holiday all States)	December 26

COMMON NOTES FOR 1944.

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Official Secretary, Wellington House, 125 Strand,
W.C.2.
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Marble Hall, 409-410 Strand, W.C.2.
- Agent-General for South Australia.—Sir Charles M'Cann,
Marble Arch, W.1.
- Agent-General for Western Australia.—Hon. M. F. Troy,
Savoy House, 115 Strand, W.C.2.
- Agent-General for Tasmania.—Hon. Sir Claude James, Aus-
tralia House, Strand, W.C.2.
- High Commissioner for Dominion of New Zealand—Hon.
W. J. Jordan, 415 Strand, W.C.2.

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P.C., G.C.M.G., C.B., D.S.O.
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The Right Hon. Lord Wakehurst, K.C.M.G.
- Governor of Victoria.—His Excellency Major-General Sir
Winston Joseph Dugan, K.C.M.G., C.B., D.S.O.
- Governor of Queensland.—His Excellency Col. the Right
Hon. Sir Leslie Orme Wilson, G.C.S.I., G.C.M.G.,
G.C.I.E., D.S.O.
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- Governor of Tasmania.—His Excellency Sir Ernest Clark,
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Abbott.
- Administrator of Norfolk Island.—Major-General Sir
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- Administrator of the Territory of New Guinea.—Brig.-Gen.
Sir Walter McNicoll, C.B., C.M.G., D.S.O., V.D.
- Administrator of Nauru Island.—Lieut.-Col. F. R. Chalmers,
C.M.G., D.S.O.
- Administrator of the Territory of Papua.—The Hon. H. L.
Murray, C.B.E.
- High Commissioner in the Commonwealth of H.M. Govern-
ment in the United Kingdom.—The Rt. Hon. Sir Ronald
Cross, Bart., M.P., Canberra, A.C.T.

MOON'S PHASES

1944

Sydney Eastern Standard Time.

Standard Time 10 hours east of Greenwich.

The times given in the following table apply to New South Wales (except Broken Hill), Tasmania, Queensland, Victoria, and British New Guinea.

Day	H.M.	Day	H.M.
JANUARY.		JULY.	
3	First Quarter . 6.04 a.m.	6	Full Moon 2.27 p.m.
10	Full Moon 8.09 p.m.	13	Last Quarter . . 6.39 a.m.
19	Last Quarter . . 1.32 a.m.	20	New Moon 3.42 p.m.
26	New Moon 1.24 a.m.	28	First Quarter . . 7.23 p.m.
FEBRUARY.		AUGUST.	
1	First Quarter . . 5.08 p.m.	4	Full Moon 10.39 p.m.
9	Full Moon 3.29 p.m.	11	Last Quarter . . 0.52 p.m.
17	Last Quarter . . 5.42 p.m.	19	New Moon 6.25 a.m.
24	New Moon 11.59 a.m.	27	First Quarter . . 9.39 a.m.
MARCH.		SEPTEMBER.	
2	First Quarter . . 6.40 a.m.	3	Full Moon 6.21 a.m.
10	Full Moon 10.28 a.m.	9	Last Quarter . . 10.03 p.m.
18	Last Quarter . . 6.05 a.m.	17	New Moon 10.37 p.m.
24	New Moon 9.36 p.m.	25	First Quarter . . 10.07 p.m.
31	First Quarter . . 10.34 p.m.	OCTOBER.	
APRIL.		2	Full Moon 2.22 p.m.
9	Full Moon 3.22 a.m.	9	Last Quarter . . 11.02 a.m.
16	Last Quarter . . 2.59 p.m.	17	New Moon 3.35 p.m.
23	New Moon 6.43 a.m.	25	First Quarter . . 8.48 a.m.
30	First Quarter . . 4.06 p.m.	31	Full Moon 11.35 p.m.
MAY.		NOVEMBER.	
8	Full Moon 5.28 p.m.	8	Last Quarter . . 4.28 a.m.
15	Last Quarter . . 9.12 p.m.	16	New Moon 8.29 a.m.
22	New Moon 4.12 p.m.	23	First Quarter . . 5.53 p.m.
30	First Quarter . . 10.06 a.m.	30	Full Moon 10.52 a.m.
JUNE.		DECEMBER.	
7	Full Moon 4.58 p.m.	8	Last Quarter . . 0.57 a.m.
14	Last Quarter . . 1.56 a.m.	16	New Moon 0.34 a.m.
21	New Moon 3.00 a.m.	23	First Quarter . . 1.54 a.m.
29	First Quarter . . 3.27 a.m.	30	Full Moon 0.38 a.m.

NOTE.—For South Australia, Broken Hill, and Northern Territory times, deduct 30 minutes. For Western Australia times, deduct 2 hours.

POSTAL INFORMATION

Postal charges shown below include special war tax of $\frac{1}{2}$ d. on each article posted.

Revised at date of printing.

The rates of Postage within the Commonwealth apply also to postal articles (other than parcels) addressed to Papua, Lord Howe Island, Norfolk Island, the Territory of New Guinea, and the following islands in the Pacific, viz.: Bismarck Archipelago (New Britain, New Ireland, New Hanover, Admiralty Island, etc.), Nauru, Bougainville and Buka (Solomon Islands).

Letters and Letter Cards.—Within the Commonwealth, to places within the British Empire and to New Hebrides, Banks and Torres Islands, $2\frac{1}{2}$ d. first oz., and 2d. each additional oz. To all other places, $3\frac{1}{2}$ d. for the first oz. and 2d. each additional oz. Limit for letters to places abroad, $4\frac{1}{2}$ lb. The selling price of Letter Cards is 2d. each.

Air Mails.—See Special Section.

Post Cards.—Within the Commonwealth, to places within the British Empire and to New Hebrides, Banks and Torres Islands—Single 2d. each; with reply paid, 2d. each half. To all other places—Single, $2\frac{1}{2}$ d. each; with reply paid, 2d. each half.

Commercial Papers.—Within the Commonwealth, to New Zealand and the islands annexed thereto and Fiji— $1\frac{1}{2}$ d. first 2 oz. and 2d. each additional 2 oz. British Empire—1d. for each 2 oz. with minimum of $2\frac{1}{2}$ d. Foreign—1d. for each 2 oz. with a minimum of $3\frac{1}{2}$ d. Limits—Inland, 5 lb.; British Empire and Foreign, $4\frac{1}{2}$ lb.

Printed Matter.—Within the Commonwealth and including Books, Periodicals and Newspapers not registered at a General Post Office and Printed Papers, Circulars, Catalogues— $1\frac{1}{2}$ d. for first 4 oz. and 1d. each additional 4 oz. To places within the British Empire and to New Hebrides, Banks and Torres Islands, $1\frac{1}{2}$ d. first 4 oz. and 1d. each additional 4 oz. To all other places, $1\frac{1}{2}$ d. first 2 oz. and 1d. each additional 2 oz. Limits—Inland, 5 lb.; British and Foreign, $4\frac{1}{2}$ lb. or $6\frac{1}{2}$ lb. for printed volumes sent singly.

Books (Registered).—Within the Commonwealth, $1\frac{1}{2}$ d. first 6 oz. and 1d. each additional 6 oz. up to 5 lb. Must be written by Australian authors and printed in Australia.

Periodicals (Registered).—Within the Commonwealth and posted by the proprietors or newsagents, $2\frac{1}{2}$ d. for every 16 oz. or fraction up to 28 lb. Posted otherwise than above, $1\frac{1}{2}$ d. first 6 oz. and 1d. each additional 6 oz. up to 5 lb.

Postal Information--Contintted

Newspapers (Registered).—Within the Commonwealth and posted by the proprietors or newsagents, 2d. for every 20 oz. or fraction up to 28 lb. Posted otherwise than above, 1½d. first 6 oz. and 1d. each additional 6 oz. up to 5 lb.

Patterns, Samples, Merchandise.—Within the Commonwealth—1½d. first 2 oz. and 1d. each additional 2 oz. up to 1 lb. Samples, to places within the British Empire and to New Hebrides, Banks and Torres Islands—1½d. first 2 oz. and 1d. each additional 2 oz. To all other places—1d. for every 2 oz. or fraction with minimum of 2½d. Limit, 1 lb.; United Kingdom, 5 lb. Merchandise, to New Zealand, and the islands annexed thereto, and Fiji—1½d. first 2 oz. and 1d. each additional 2 oz. up to 1 lb. To all other places—Parcel Rates or Small Packet Rates apply.

Small Packets transmissible to certain countries only—1½d. for each 2 oz. (with a minimum of 8d.) up to 2 lb.

Newspapers (Registered at a General Post Office).—To the United Kingdom and Eire (Ireland)—1½d. first 6 oz. and 1d. each additional 6 oz. up to 5 lb.

To other parts of the British Empire and to New Hebrides, Banks and Torres Islands—1½d. first 4 oz. and 1d. each additional 4 oz. Elsewhere beyond the Commonwealth—1½d. first 2 oz. and 1d. each additional 2 oz.

Newspapers which are printed and published outside Australia and Newspapers which are not registered at a General Post Office are classified as Printed Matter.

Parcels.—To places within 30 miles of the office of posting, 1 lb., 6d.; 2 lb., 9d.; 3 lb., 1s.; 5 lb., 1s. 3d.; 8 lb., 1s. 6d.; 11 lb., 1s. 9d.; elsewhere within State of posting, 1 lb., 9d.; 2 lb., 1s.; 3 lb., 1s. 3d.; 5 lb., 1s. 6d.; 8 lb., 2s.; 11 lb., 2s. 9d. To other places higher rates apply. Papua and New Guinea, 1 lb., 1s. 3d.; 2 lb., 2s.; 3 lb., 2s. 9d.; 5 lb., 3s. 6d.; 8 lb., 5s.; 11 lb., 7s. 3d. Fiji and New Zealand—1 to 3 lb., 1s. 2d.; 4 to 7 lbs., 2s. 11d.; and 8 to 11 lbs., 4s. 11d. United Kingdom—1 to 3 lb., 1s. 11d.; 4 to 7 lb., 3s. 7d.; and 8 to 11 lb., 5s. 10d. Canada—1 to 3 lb., 2s. 2d.; 4 to 7 lb., 4s. 9d.; and 8 to 11 lb., 7s. 7d. South Africa, Union of—1 to 3 lb., 1s. 5d.; 4 to 7 lb., 3s. 2d. 8 to 11 lb., 5s. 2d. U.S.A.—1 to 3 lb., 1s. 8d.; 4 to 7 lb., 3s. 9d.; and 8 to 11 lb., 6s. 1d. Other countries are shown in the Post Office Guide.

Dimensions or weight of Parcels.—Parcels must not exceed 3 ft. 6 in. in length or 6 feet in length and girth combined, or 11 lb. in weight.

Postal Information---Continued

Postage Stamps, Post Cards, Envelopes, Wrappers, etc.
The undermentioned Postage Stamps and Stationery bearing impressed postage stamps are issued for sale to the public:—

- (a) Postage Stamps of the following values are issued:
½d., 1d., 1½d., 2d., 2½d., 3d., 3½d., 4d., 5½d., 6d., 9d., 1s., 1s. 4d., 1s. 6d., 2s., 5s., 10s., 20s.
- (b) Postage Stamps (½d., 1d., and 2d. only) in the form of coils or rolls may be purchased at Post Offices where the demand justifies their supply.
- (c) Letter Cards impressed with 2½d. stamp are issued at 3d. each.
- (d) Post Cards impressed with 1½d. stamp are issued at 1½d. each.
- (e) Ordinary Envelopes impressed with 2½d. stamp are issued at 3d. each (buff) or two for 5½d. (white).
- (f) Registration Envelopes impressed with 5½d. stamp (representing 3d. registration fee and 2½d. postage) are issued at 6½d. each.
- (g) Newspaper Wrappers impressed with 1½d. stamp are issued at 1½d. each. To be used for registered newspapers only.

Money Orders.—Postal Money Orders may be obtained for payment at any Money Order Office throughout the world. Telegraphic Money Orders may be obtained for payment at all offices which are also Telegraph Offices within the Commonwealth, in New Zealand, in Fiji, or at any place in the United Kingdom. Commissions on Orders payable in the Commonwealth—6d. for each £5 or fraction of £5. Papua, Nauru, Fiji, New Caledonia—3d. for each £1 or fraction of £1 with minimum of 6d. Payable in or through New Zealand, 3d. for each £1 or fraction of £1 with minimum of 6d. Canada, Ceylon, Egypt, India, Malta, United Kingdom, U.S.A., South Africa, etc., 4d. for each £1 or fraction of £1 for the first £6, and 3d. for each additional £1 or fraction of £1, with minimum of 9d. Exchange is also charged on Countries underlined.

Postal Notes may be obtained for amounts varying from one shilling up to twenty shillings; these notes are payable only in the Commonwealth, Papua and New Guinea.

Postal Note	Pound-age	Postal Note	Pound-age
1s. to 2s. 6d.	.. 1d.	5s. to 7s. 6d.	.. 2d.
3s. to 4s. 6d.	.. 1½d.	10s. to £1	.. 3d.

Postal Information---Continued

Telegrams, Ordinary (including address and signature).—Town and Suburban, or within 15 miles of sending station—not exceeding 14 words, 9d.; each additional word, 1d. Other places within State—not exceeding 14 words, 1s.; each additional word, 1d. Inter-State—not exceeding 14 words, 1s. 4d.; each additional word, 1d. Urgent telegrams, double the ordinary rates.

Lettergrams.—Not exceeding 30 words, 1s. 3d.; each additional word, $\frac{1}{2}$ d. Sunday, Christmas Day, and Good Friday, double the ordinary rates.

Cable Rates within the British Empire, via Imperial (Eastern and Pacific).—Ordinary (plain language), $\frac{1}{3}$ per word. Deferred (plain language), $7\frac{1}{2}$ d. per word; minimum, 5 words. Daily Letter Rate, 5d. per word, with a minimum of 25 words for 10/5d. To New Zealand.—Ordinary (plain language), $4\frac{1}{2}$ d. per word. Night Lettergrams, 3/9 for 25 words (minimum); additional words 2d. each.

Beam Wireless within the British Empire.—Ordinary Telegrams in plain language, $\frac{1}{3}$ per word (no minimum), immediate delivery. Deferred Telegrams in plain language, $7\frac{1}{2}$ d. per word, minimum 5 words, 24 hours delay. Daily minimum of 25 words for 10/5. Note.—The restriction hitherto governing the number of figures acceptable in text of Deferred and Daily Letter Telegrams has been modified, and in future figure-groups, if written in words, will be entirely exempted from this restriction.

AIR MAILS.

All classes of postal matter (except parcels) are transmissible by Air Mail within the Commonwealth.

Air Mail Fee.— $3\frac{1}{2}$ d. first $\frac{1}{2}$ oz. and 3d. each additional $\frac{1}{2}$ oz., in addition to postage.

Sydney - Brisbane Service.—Operates twice daily in each direction.

Sydney-Canberra Service.—Operates daily in each direction. Sundays excepted.

Sydney-Melbourne Service.—Operates twice daily in each direction.

Sydney-Adelaide Service.—Operates daily. Twice in each direction.

Sydney-Perth Service.—From Sydney daily except Sunday. From Perth daily except Tuesday.

Sydney-Hobart Service.—Daily in each direction.

The Publishers have been compelled during the war to omit the Taxation information usually included in this Diary, owing to the correct information not being available at the time of printing, and the numerous changes in the incidence of Taxation.

LIST OF CABLE RATES

Plain Language Messages via "Imperial" (Eastern and Pacific).

WITHIN BRITISH EMPIRE:

	Ord.		Deferred		Daily		Letter	
	T'grams.	s.	Lang.	s.	Words.	s.	Min.	s.
All British Empire Points, except FIJI, NORFOLK ISLAND & NEW ZEA- LAND	1	3	0	7	0	5	10	5
			Night Letter		Telegrams			
			Min. for		Additional			
			25 Words.		Words.			
Fiji, Suva	0	6	5	10	0	3		
Fiji, Other Places	0	8	7	4	0	4		
New Zealand	0	4½	3	9	0	2		
Norfolk Island	0	3	—					

OTHER COUNTRIES:

	Ord.		Deferred		Letters	
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AFRICA:

EGYPT—Alexandria	}					
" 1st and 3rd Regions		2	6	1	3	20 10
" 2nd Region		2	8	1	4	22 3

OTHER COUNTRIES—RATES UPON APPLICATION AT
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Plain Language Messages.

WITHIN THE BRITISH EMPIRE:

	Ord.		Deferred		Daily		Letter	
	T'grams.	s.	Lang.	s.	Words.	s.	Min.	s.
All British Empire Points except Fiji, Gilbert & Ellice Is. (Ocean Is., Funafuti, Christmas Is.), Nauru, Phoenix Is. (Canton & Hull Is.), Solomon Islands (British)	1	3	0	7	0	5	10	5

RATES BETWEEN AUSTRALIA AND PRINCIPAL
PACIFIC ISLANDS:

	Ord.		G.L.T.	
	s.	d.	s.	d.
*Fiji (Suva)	0	6	0	3
†Fiji (Outstations)	0	8	0	4
Gilbert & Ellice Is. (Ocean Is., Funafuti, Christmas Island)	1	0	0	4
Lord Howe Island (min. 16 words)	0	1½	—	
Nauru	1	1	0	4½
Phoenix Is. (Canton & Hull Islands)	1	0	0	4
Solomon Islands	1	0	0	4
Tonga	1	3	0	5

* NLT—5/10d. for 25 words, 3d. each additional word.

† NLT—7/4 d. for 25 words, 4d. each additional word.

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550	545	— 2CR Central Regional, N.S.W.
560	536	— 6WA South West Regional, W.A.
580	517	— 3WV Western Regional, Vic.
600	500	— 7ZL Hobart, Tas.
610	492	— 2FC Sydney, N.S.W.
620	484	— 3AR Melbourne, Vic.
630	476	— 4QN North Regional, Qld.
640	469	— 5CK North Regional, S.A.
660	455	— 2DU Dubbo, N.S.W.
		7BU Burnie, Tas.
670	448	— 2CO Riverina Regional, N.S.W.
680	441	— 2HR Singleton, N.S.W.
		4AT Atherton, Qld.
		7QT Queenstown, Tas.
690	435	— 6WF Perth, W.A.
700	429	— 2NR Northern Rivers Regional
710	423	— 7NT North Regional, Tas.
720	417	— 6GF Goldfields Regional, W.A.
730	411	— 5CL Adelaide, S.A.
740	405	— 2BL Sydney, N.S.W.
760	395	— 4QS Darling Downs Regional.
770	390	— 3LO Melbourne, Vic.
780	385	— 2KA Katoomba, N.S.W.
		4TO Townsville, Qld.
790	380	— 6WN Perth, W.A.
		2BH Broken Hill, N.S.W.
800	375	— 4QG Brisbane, Qld.
810	370	— 5RM Renmark, S.A.
830	361	— 3GI Gippsland Regional, Vic.
850	353	— 2CY Canberra, A.C.T.
860	349	— 4GR Toowoomba, Qld.
		7HO Hobart, Tas.
870	345	— 2GB Sydney, N.S.W.
880	341	— 3UL Warragul, Vic.
		4WK Warwick, Qld.
		6PR Perth, W.A.
890	337	— 5AN Adelaide, S.A.
900	333	— 2LM Lismore, N.S.W.
		7AD Devonport, Tas.
910	330	— 4RK Rockhampton Regional
920	326	— 2XL Cooma, N.S.W.
		4VL Charleville, Qld.
930	323	— 3UZ Melbourne, Vic.
940	319	— 4QR Brisbane, Qld.
950	316	— 2UE Sydney, N.S.W.
960	313	— 5DN Adelaide, S.A.
(970	309	— 3BO Bendigo, Vic.
		4AY Ayr, Qld.
980	306	— 2KM Kempsey, N.S.W.
		6AM Northam, W.A.
990	303	— 2GZ Orange, N.S.W.
1000	300	— 4MB Maryborough, Qld.
		4CA Cairns, Qld.
		7EX Launceston, Tas.
1010	297	— 3HA Hamilton, Vic.
1020	294	— 2KY Sydney, N.S.W.
1030	291	— 3DB Melbourne, Vic.
1040	288	— 5PI Crystal Brook, S.A.
1050	286	— 2CA Canberra, A.C.T.
1060	283	— 4SB Kingaroy, Qld.
1070	280	— 2RG Griffith, N.S.W.
		6WB Katanning, W.A.
1080	278	— 2LT Lithgow, N.S.W.
		4RO Rockhampton, Qld.
		7HT Hobart, Tas.
1090	275	— 3LK Lubeck, Vic.
1100	273	— 4LG Longreach, Qld.
		7LA Launceston, Tas.
		6MD Merredin, W.A.
1110	270	— 2UW Sydney, N.S.W.
1120	268	— 4BC Brisbane, Qld.
1130	265	— 2AD Armidale, N.S.W.

BROADCASTING STATION FREQUENCY ALLOCATIONS

k/C/s	metres	
		3CS Colac, Vic.
		6ML Perth, W.A.
1140	263	— 2HD Newcastle, N.S.W.
1150	261	— 2WG Wagga, N.S.W.
1160	259	— 7ZR Hobart, Tas.
1170	256	— 2NZ Inverell, N.S.W.
1180	254	— 3KZ Melbourne, Vic.
1190	252	— 2CH Sydney, N.S.W.
1200	250	— 5KA Adelaide, S.A.
1210	248	— 2GF Grafton, N.S.W.
		3YB Warrnambool, Vic.
		6KG Kalgoorlie, W.A.
1220	246	— 4AK Oakey, Qld.
1230	244	— 2NC Hunter River Regional
1240	242	— 3TR Sale, Vic.
		6IX Perth, W.A.
1260	238	— 3SR Shepparton, Vic.
1270	236	— 2SM Sydney, N.S.W.
1280	234	— 3AW Melbourne, Vic.
1290	233	— 4BK Brisbane, Qld.
1300	231	— 2TM Tamworth, N.S.W.
1310	229	— 5AD Adelaide, S.A.
1320	227	— 3BA Ballarat, Vic.
		6PM Fremantle, W.A.
1330	226	— 3SH Swan Hill, Vic.
		4BU Bundaberg, Qld.
1340	224	— 2LF Young, N.S.W.
		6TZ Dardanup, W.A.
1350	222	— 3GL Geelong, Vic.
		4GY Gympie, Qld.
1360	221	— 3MA Mildura, Vic.
		4PM Port Moresby.
1370	219	— 2MO Gunnedah, N.S.W.
		5SE Mt. Gambier, S.A.
		6GE Geraldton, W.A.
1380	217	— 4BH Brisbane, Qld.
1390	216	— 2GN Goulburn, N.S.W.
		4MK Mackay, Qld.
1400	214	— 2PK Parkes, N.S.W.
		5AU Port Augusta, S.A.
1410	213	— 2KO Newcastle, N.S.W.
1420	211	— 3XY Melbourne, Vic.
1430	210	— 2WL Wollongong, N.S.W.
		6KY Perth, W.A.
1440	208	— 2QN Deniliquin, N.S.W.
		4IP Ipswich, Qld.
1450	207	— 2MG Mudgee, N.S.W.
		7DY Derby, Tas.
1460	205	— 2CK Cessnock, N.S.W.
		5MU Murray Bridge, S.A.
1470	204	— 2MW Murwillumbah, N.S.W.
		3CV Charlton, Vic.
1480	203	— 2AY Albury, N.S.W.
1490	201	— 2BE Bega, N.S.W.
		4ZR Roma, Qld.
1500	200	— 2BS Bathurst, N.S.W.
		3AK Melbourne, Vic.

AVERAGE STEAMING TIME ON AUSTRALIAN COAST.

Fremantle to Albany	..	..	..	1 to 1½ days
Adelaide to Albany	..	..	..	3½ to 4½ days
Adelaide to Melbourne	..	..	..	36 to 44 hours
Melbourne to Sydney	..	..	..	40 to 48 hours
Sydney to Newcastle	..	..	..	6 to 10 hours
Sydney to Brisbane	..	..	..	36 to 44 hours

(These times vary according to weather conditions.)

Miscellaneous Information

SHEEP TABLES.

To ascertain the value per head at a given price per lb.

Lbs.	1½d	1¾d	1½d	1¾d	2d	2½d	2¾d	2½d	2¾d	2½d	2¾d	3d	3½d
30	3/9	4/0	4/4	4/8	5/0	5/7	5/11	6/3	6/6	6/10	7/2	7/6	8/1
31	3/10	4/2	4/6	4/10	5/2	5/9	6/1	6/5	6/9	7/1	7/5	7/9	8/4
32	4/0	4/4	4/8	5/0	5/4	6/0	6/4	6/8	7/0	7/4	7/8	8/0	8/8
33	4/1	4/5	4/9	5/1	5/6	6/2	6/6	6/10	7/2	7/6	7/10	8/3	8/11
34	4/3	4/7	4/11	5/3	5/8	6/4	6/8	7/1	7/5	7/9	8/1	8/6	9/2
35	4/4	4/8	5/1	5/5	5/10	6/6	6/11	7/3	7/7	8/0	8/4	8/9	9/5
36	4/6	4/10	5/3	5/7	6/0	6/9	7/1	7/6	7/10	8/3	8/7	9/0	9/9
37	4/7	5/0	5/4	5/9	6/2	6/11	7/3	7/8	8/1	8/5	8/10	9/3	10/0
38	4/9	5/1	5/6	5/11	6/4	7/1	7/6	7/11	8/3	8/8	9/1	9/6	10/3
39	4/10	5/3	5/8	6/1	6/6	7/3	7/8	8/1	8/6	8/11	9/4	9/9	10/6
40	5/0	5/5	5/10	6/3	6/8	7/6	7/11	8/4	8/9	9/2	9/7	10/0	10/10
41	5/1	5/6	5/11	6/4	6/10	7/8	8/1	8/6	8/11	9/4	9/9	10/3	11/1
42	5/3	5/8	6/1	6/6	7/0	7/10	8/3	8/9	9/2	9/7	10/0	10/6	11/4
43	5/4	5/9	6/3	6/8	7/2	8/0	8/6	8/11	9/4	9/10	10/3	10/9	11/7
44	5/6	5/11	6/5	6/10	7/4	8/3	8/8	9/2	9/7	10/1	10/6	11/0	11/11
45	5/7	6/1	6/6	7/0	7/6	8/5	8/10	9/4	9/10	10/3	10/9	11/3	12/2
46	5/9	6/2	6/8	7/2	7/8	8/7	9/1	9/7	10/0	10/6	11/0	11/6	12/5
47	5/10	6/4	6/10	7/4	7/10	8/9	9/3	9/9	10/3	10/9	11/3	11/9	12/8
48	6/0	6/6	7/0	7/6	8/0	9/0	9/6	10/0	10/6	11/0	11/6	12/0	13/0
49	6/1	6/7	7/1	7/7	8/2	9/2	9/8	10/2	10/8	11/2	11/8	12/3	13/3
50	6/3	6/9	7/3	7/9	8/4	9/4	9/10	10/5	10/11	11/5	11/11	12/6	13/6
51	6/4	6/10	7/5	7/11	8/6	9/6	10/1	10/7	11/1	11/8	12/2	12/9	13/9
52	6/6	7/0	7/7	8/1	8/8	9/9	10/3	10/10	11/4	11/11	12/5	13/0	14/1

Lbs.	3¾d	3½d	3¾d	3½d	3¾d	4d	4¾d	4½d	4¾d	4½d	4¾d	4½d	5d
30	8/5	8/9	9/0	9/4	9/8	10/0	10/3	10/7	10/11	11/3	11/6	11/10	12/6
31	8/8	9/0	9/4	9/8	10/0	10/4	10/7	10/11	11/3	11/7	11/11	12/3	12/11
32	9/0	9/4	9/8	10/0	10/4	10/8	11/0	11/4	11/8	12/0	12/4	12/8	13/4
33	9/3	9/7	9/11	10/3	10/7	11/0	11/4	11/8	12/0	12/4	12/8	13/0	13/9
34	9/6	9/11	10/3	10/7	10/11	11/4	11/8	12/0	12/4	12/9	13/1	13/5	14/2
35	9/10	10/2	10/6	10/11	11/3	11/8	12/0	12/4	12/9	13/1	13/5	13/10	14/7
36	10/1	10/6	10/10	11/3	11/7	12/0	12/4	12/9	13/1	13/6	13/10	14/3	15/0
37	10/4	10/9	11/2	11/6	11/11	12/4	12/8	13/1	13/5	13/10	14/3	14/7	15/5
38	10/8	11/1	11/5	11/10	12/3	12/8	13/0	13/5	13/10	14/3	14/7	15/0	15/10
39	10/11	11/4	11/9	12/2	12/7	13/0	13/4	13/9	14/2	14/7	15/0	15/5	16/3
40	11/3	11/8	12/1	12/6	12/11	13/4	13/9	14/2	14/7	15/0	15/5	16/10	16/8
41	11/6	11/11	12/4	12/9	13/2	13/8	14/1	14/6	14/11	15/4	15/9	16/2	17/1
42	11/9	12/3	12/8	13/1	13/6	14/0	14/5	14/10	15/3	15/9	16/2	16/7	17/6
43	12/1	12/6	12/11	13/5	13/10	14/4	14/9	15/2	15/8	16/1	16/6	17/0	17/11
44	12/4	12/10	13/3	13/9	14/2	14/8	15/1	15/7	16/0	16/6	16/11	17/5	18/4
45	12/7	13/1	13/7	14/0	14/6	15/0	15/5	15/11	16/4	16/10	17/4	17/9	18/9
46	12/11	13/5	13/10	14/4	14/10	15/4	15/9	16/3	16/9	17/3	17/8	18/2	19/2
47	13/2	13/8	14/2	14/8	15/2	15/8	16/1	16/7	17/1	17/7	18/1	18/7	19/7
48	13/6	14/0	14/6	15/0	15/6	16/0	16/6	17/0	17/6	18/0	18/6	19/0	20/0
49	13/9	14/3	14/9	15/3	15/9	16/4	16/10	17/4	17/10	18/4	18/10	19/4	20/5
50	14/0	14/7	15/1	15/7	16/1	16/8	17/2	17/8	18/2	18/9	19/3	19/9	20/10
51	14/4	14/10	15/4	15/11	16/5	17/0	17/6	18/0	18/7	19/1	19/7	20/2	21/3
52	14/7	15/2	15/8	16/3	16/9	17/4	17/10	18/5	18/11	19/6	20/0	20/7	21/8

DISTANCE TABLE BY WATER.

Fremantle to Adelaide	..	..	..	..	1,370
Adelaide to Melbourne	..	..	..	..	504
Melbourne to Sydney	..	..	..	..	576
Melbourne to Hobart	..	..	..	..	457
Sydney to Brisbane	..	..	..	..	500
Melbourne to Brisbane	..	..	..	..	1,086
Fremantle to Sydney	..	..	..	..	2,460
Sydney to Hobart	..	..	..	..	628
Sydney to Auckland, N.Z.	..	..	..	..	1,277
Sydney to Wellington	..	..	..	..	1,200
Wellington to Melbourne	..	..	..	..	1,471
Sydney to London via Vancouver	..	..	..	..	12,925
Sydney to London via Cape Horn	..	..	..	..	12,051
Sydney to London via Suez direct	..	..	..	..	11,603
Sydney to London via Cape of Good Hope	..	..	..	..	13,379

Miscellaneous Information---Continued

LAMB TABLES.

To ascertain the value per head at a given price per lb.

Lbs.	4d	4½d	4¾d	4½d	4¾d	4½d	4¾d	4½d	5d	5½d	5¾d	5½d
25	8/4	8/7	8/10½	9/1½	9/4½	9/7½	9/10½	10/1½	10/5	10/8	10/11½	11/2½
26	8/8	8/11½	9/2½	9/5½	9/9	10/0½	10/3½	10/6½	10/10	11/1½	11/4½	11/7½
27	9/0	9/3½	9/6½	9/10	10/1½	10/4½	10/8½	10/11½	11/3	11/6½	11/9½	12/1
28	9/4	9/7½	9/11	10/2½	10/6	10/9½	11/1	11/4½	11/8	11/11½	12/3	12/6½
29	9/8	9/11½	10/3½	10/6½	10/10½	11/2	11/5½	11/9½	12/1	12/4½	12/8½	12/11½
30	10/0	10/3½	10/7½	10/11½	11/3	11/6½	11/10½	12/2½	12/6	12/9½	13/1½	13/5½
31	10/4	10/7½	10/11½	11/3½	11/7½	11/11½	12/3½	12/7	12/11	13/2½	13/6½	13/10½
32	10/8	11/0	11/4	11/8	12/0	12/4	12/8	13/0	13/4	13/8	14/0	14/4
33	11/0	11/4	11/8½	12/0½	12/4½	12/8½	13/0½	13/4½	13/9	14/1	14/5½	14/9½
34	11/4	11/8½	12/0½	12/4½	12/9	13/1	13/5½	13/9½	14/2	14/6½	14/10½	15/2½
35	11/8	12/0½	12/4½	12/9	13/1½	13/5½	13/10½	14/2½	14/7	14/11½	15/3½	15/8
36	12/0	12/4½	12/9	13/1½	13/6	13/10½	14/3	14/7½	15/0	15/4½	15/9	16/1½
37	12/4	12/8½	13/1½	13/6½	13/10½	14/3	14/7½	15/0½	15/5	15/9½	16/2½	16/6½
38	12/8	13/0½	13/5½	13/10½	14/3	14/7½	15/0½	15/5½	15/10	16/2½	16/7½	17/0½
39	13/0	13/4½	13/9½	14/2½	14/7½	15/0½	15/5½	15/10	16/3	16/7½	17/0½	17/5½
40	13/4	13/9	14/2	14/7	15/0	15/5	15/10	16/3	16/8	17/1	17/6	17/11

Lbs.	5½d	5¾d	5¾d	5¾d	6d	6½d	6¾d	6¾d	6¾d	6¾d	6¾d	7d
25	11/5½	11/8½	11/11½	12/2½	12/6	12/9	13/0½	13/3½	13/6½	13/9½	14/0½	14/7
26	11/11	12/2½	12/5½	12/8½	13/0	13/3½	13/6½	13/9½	14/1	14/4½	14/7½	15/2
27	12/4½	12/7½	12/11½	13/2½	13/6	13/9½	14/0½	14/4	14/7½	14/10½	15/2½	15/9
28	12/10	13/1½	13/5	13/8½	14/0	14/3½	14/7	14/10½	15/2	15/5½	15/9	16/4
29	13/3	13/7	13/10½	14/2½	14/6	14/9½	15/1½	15/4½	15/8½	16/0	16/3½	16/11
30	13/9	14/0½	14/4½	14/8½	15/0	15/3½	15/7½	15/11½	16/3	16/6½	16/10½	17/6
31	14/2½	14/6½	14/10½	15/2	15/6	15/9½	16/1½	16/5½	16/9½	17/1½	17/5½	18/1
32	14/8	15/0	15/4	15/8	16/0	16/4	16/8	17/0	17/4	17/8	18/0	18/8
33	15/1½	15/5½	15/9½	16/1½	16/6	16/10	17/2½	17/6½	17/10½	18/2½	18/6½	19/3
34	15/7	15/11½	16/3½	16/7½	17/0	17/4½	17/8½	18/0½	18/5	18/9½	19/1½	19/10
35	16/0½	16/4½	16/9½	17/1½	17/6	17/10½	18/2½	18/7	18/11½	19/3½	19/8½	20/5
36	16/6	16/10½	17/3	17/7½	18/0	18/4½	18/9	19/1½	19/6	19/10½	20/3	21/0
37	16/11½	17/4	17/8½	18/1½	18/6	18/10½	19/3½	19/7½	20/0½	20/5	20/9½	21/7
38	17/5	17/9½	18/2½	18/7½	19/0	19/4½	19/9½	20/2½	20/7	20/11½	21/4½	22/2
39	17/10½	18/3½	18/8½	19/1	19/6	19/10½	20/3½	20/8½	21/1½	21/6½	21/11½	22/9
40	18/4	18/9	19/2	19/7	20/0	20/5	20/10	21/3	21/8	22/1	22/6	23/4

SHEEP SHEARING TABLE.

Showing Price of Any Given Number at per Hundred.

No.	per 18/6 100	per 19/- 100	per 19/6 100	per 20/- 100	per 21/6 100	per 23/- 100	per 25/- 100	per 26/- 100	per 27/6 100	per 32/6 100
1	2d	2½d	2½d	2½d	2½d	2½d	3d	3d	3d	4d
2	4½d	4½d	4½d	5d	5d	5d	6d	6d	6d	8d
3	6½d	7d	7d	7½d	8d	8d	9d	9d	10d	1/-
4	9d	9d	9½d	9½d	10d	10d	11d	1/-	1/1	1/4
5	11d	11½d	11½d	1/-	1/1	1/2	1/3	1/3	1/4	1/8
6	1/1½	1/1½	1/2	1/2½	1/3	1/4	1/6	1/7	1/8	1/11
7	1/3½	1/4	1/4½	1/5	1/6	1/7	1/9	1/10	1/11	2/3
8	1/6	1/6	1/6½	1/7	1/8	1/10	2/-	2/1	2/2	2/7
9	1/8	1/8½	1/9	1/9½	1/11	2/1	2/3	2/4	2/6	2/11
10	1/10	1/11	1/11	2/-	2/1	2/3	2/6	2/7	2/9	3/3
15	2/9½	2/10	2/11	3/-	3/2	3/5	3/9	3/11	4/1	4/11
20	3/8½	3/10	3/10½	4/-	4/3	4/7	5/-	5/2	5/6	6/7
25	4/7½	4/9	4/10	5/-	5/4	5/9	6/3	6/6	6/11	8/7
30	5/6½	5/9	5/10	6/-	6/5	6/10	7/6	7/10	8/3	10/10
35	6/5½	6/8	6/9	7/-	7/6	8/-	8/9	9/1	9/8	11/6
40	7/5	7/8	7/9	8/-	8/6	9/2	10/-	10/5	11/-	13/1
50	9/3	9/6	9/9	10/-	10/8	11/5	12/6	13/-	13/9	16/5
60	11/1	11/6	11/8	12/-	12/10	13/9	15/-	15/7	16/6	19/8
70	12/11	13/5	13/6½	14/-	14/11	16/-	17/6	18/3	19/4	23/-
80	14/10	15/4	15/6	16/-	17/1	18/4	20/-	20/10	22/1	26/3
90	16/8	17/2	17/6	18/-	19/3	20/7	22/6	23/5	24/10	29/5
100	18/6	19/-	19/6	20/-	21/6	23/-	25/-	26/-	27/6	32/6

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NEW YEARS DAY

SATURDAY 1

COMMONWEALTH DAY

(1-365)

The group was released today but I guess it was the wise thing to do because there were damn few pilots who were capable after last night.

Another landing in the offing - suppose we will support it.

SUNDAY 2

2ND AFTER CHRISTMAS

(2-364)

Supported landing at Saidor New Guinea and landed at Lae with a bad engine so got two missions I think.

Took off over water at Lae and the engine cut out but we made it home after a sweat job.

1ST MONTH

JANUARY, 1944.

31 DAYS

MONDAY 3

(3-363)

TUESDAY 4

(4-362)

Six enlisted men plus Virden and Bridges got their orders to go home today.

Bridges and Virden have been overseas for fifteen months but only about ten months have been in Guinea if that much. Neither one of them have been on the rough missions and they are going home on the strength of Loe and Nadyah flights. Don't have much respect for their efforts in the war.

1ST MONTH

JANUARY, 1944.

31 DAYS

WEDNESDAY 5

(5-361)

31 DAYS

JANUARY. 1944.

1ST MONTH

THURSDAY 6

EPIPHANY

(3-360)

1ST MONTH

JANUARY, 1944.

31 DAYS

FRIDAY 7

(7.359)

SATURDAY 8

(8-358)

Look off as spare ship on mission late today but came back as no one dropped out. Nothing exciting any place.

SUNDAY 9

(9-357)

1ST AFTER EPIPHANY

MONDAY 10

(10-356)

Went on leave this morning and stay at Amberly overnight. Made me think of the first landing in Australia and I shuddered.

31 DAYS

JANUARY, 1944.

1ST MONTH

TUESDAY 11

(11 355)

Arrived Sydney this AM
at noon.

1ST MONTH

JANUARY, 1944.

31 DAYS

WEDNESDAY 12

(12-354)

31 DAYS

JANUARY. 1944.

1ST MONTH

THURSDAY 13

(13 353)

1ST MONTH

JANUARY, 1944.

31 DAYS

FRIDAY 14

(14 352)

31 DAYS

JANUARY, 1944.

1ST MONTH

SATURDAY 15

(15-351)

SUNDAY 16

2ND AFTER EPIPHANY

(16-350)

1ST MONTH

JANUARY, 1944.

31 DAYS

MONDAY 17

(17-349)

TUESDAY 18

(18-348)

Left Sydney about 1000 and
landed at Amherst early P.M.
admired some "Spitfires"
and then to Ipswich
for Steaks and beer.

WEDNESDAY 19

(19-347)

Got into Moresby at 1600
and didn't get dinner until
2000 - Boy that transport
set up is rotten.

THURSDAY 20

(20-346)

Co-pilot for Radnik
in Fat Cat this morning
from Moresby and it
really seems pretty good
to be home.

FRIDAY 21

(21 345)

Combat mission #35 to Jap
troop concentration just east
of Saider and we really
covered the target with
bombs and 50 calibres.

Couldnt get home so landed
at Finshafen because
of poor weather and got
~~and~~ an extra mission

Watched destroyer try-
ing to sink sub at
Saider and it was funny
to watch from the air
but not so much fun
on the water - I guess.

31 DAYS

JANUARY, 1944.

1ST MONTH

SATURDAY 22

(22 344)

SUNDAY 23

3RD AFTER EPIPHANY

(23-343)

Flew to Nadyab and back this A.M. in an unarmed B 25 and got two missions for it. Any place like Nadyab, Pale and Tinschafen all count as missions because they are constantly under attack and courier planes have been caught more than once.

We will move to Nadyab around the first of Feb and so I dread the dry-hot place.

1ST MONTH

JANUARY, 1944.

31 DAYS

MONDAY 24

(24-342)

TUESDAY 25

(25-341)

Its raining heavier than
I've ever seen tonight
and once again trees are
falling. I'm all packed
for the move to Nadyab
next Monday. What a hell
hole that's going to be but
then the Japs are almost
out of our range from here.

WEDNESDAY 26

AUSTRALIA DAY

(26 340)

Combat mission #39 - Bombed
and strafed Yara west of
Sio where the trapped
Japs are supposed to be.
There was no village when
we finished so if there were
any Japs they are dead
now. I led the last
element which is a
promotion of some sort.
I've been with the sqd
sometime now though
and most of the veterans
have gone home.
Some ground fire - no damage
to us.

THURSDAY 27

(27 339)

Mission #40 to bivouac area
between Alexisshafen + Madang.
It was a mission village and
we levelled everything except
one building but that was
in bad shape - Got up at
0430 and I'm on the schedule
tomorrow as well as O.D.

tonight so I will be pretty
tired but who cares? surely
not I.

I'm afraid the going
will be rough out of
Madang.

FRIDAY 28

28-338.

Flew another mission today making three days in a row. The good part was that we didn't take off until 1345 and therefore got to sleep late this A.M. I was really tired today.

We hit a Jap concentration east of Gloucester and already the waines have sent us congratulations on neutralizing the position. Out of 48 bombs only three missed the target and we shot 22,000 50 calibres.

SATURDAY 29

(29-337)

Got some hot dope on Jap
stronghold in W. New Britain
from Maine so we went up
and hit the place. Hit it hard.

We move north Monday AM
and is everything confused
but it wont take long to
work it out.

SUNDAY 30

4TH AFTER EPIPHANY

(30-336)

MONDAY 31

(31-335)

Things are really in
a turmoil with the move
and then scheduling 12
planes for Wewak tomorrow
Oh Wewak !!!

TUESDAY 1

(32-334)

Got up at 0500 to hit Uluwak but just as we were turning over the engines - they called it off.

We are a bunch of homeless waifs as the greater part of the squadron is at Nodjat and we are eating and sleeping where we can. They just left enough of us for the mission.

WEDNESDAY 2

(33-333)

Left Dobo this morning for good.
as we ran a mission to Nobinob
village, this time demolishing
it for ever and then we landed
here at Nadyab. We are out
in the open and hotter than
the hinges without water
to speak of. Its just the
opposite of Dobo but it will
be far more healthy here.

THURSDAY 3

(34 332)

Worked like a dog all day with Patton, Payson and Madden building our new castle. Emilio and I don't hit it off too well any more as he is getting too big for his pants. I just dislike Trout and these ~~two~~ three fellows are swell.

We found out you can't work in the afternoon because of the heat - It was 120° with no shade. Air raid last night no damage.

FRIDAY 4

(35-331)

Capt Radnick left for the States this morning and with him went the last hold I had on the "OLD EIGHTH" as far as pilots go. We still have the fine bunch of ground officers but somehow it just doesn't seem the same anymore.

Rad was a fine fellow personally and very fair and efficient as C.O. We went thru a few tough missions together and I always had great confidence in his mental abilities over the target.

Capt Chas Howe of Ventura is our new C.O. He was brought in from Group and he is as eager as they come. Haven't formed any opinions as yet but I liked him at the old group club.

Capt Roberts was dealt a low blow but he's going home soon so I guess he doesn't mind.

SATURDAY 5

(36-330)

Mission #44 to Hansa Bay and it seemed like the old days with ample ACK ACK. Howe was leading and we found the target in bad weather after the 8th and fighters went home. I got a possible barge and was hit in the bomb-bay with something big in A/A.

Got separated in the clouds so Dmitri and I felt our way home alone and scared because we were lost awhile and low on fuel.

SUNDAY 6

SEPTUAGESIMA

(37 329)

Worked long hours on the shack and we should move in, in about three more days. Its a palace compared to Robo.

MONDAY 7

(38 328)

Led fourth element on pretty good mission to Alexishafen today and we got a few barges and set one fuel dump on fire. A little light ack ack but no one was hit.

Completed shack about 2000 o'clock so we will move in tomorrow. It will be nice to get out of this hot tent and live like a human being again. Nadya really has a healthful climate.

29 DAYS

FEBRUARY, 1944.

2ND MONTH

TUESDAY 8

(39-327)

WEDNESDAY 9

(40-326)

Flew Franice today on a gun check and on the way home a P-47 hooked onto me so we had a good little formation flight but I guess we looked kind of funny to the men on the ground.

Went to see my old friends in the 24 Sgd tonight and we had tea and cakes and then the Aussie flight surgeon fixed my eye.

all in all it was a very enjoyable evening.

THURSDAY 10

(41-325)

Wewak tomorrow - I think
Nothing today of interest
except we got a hold of some
brandy and fell into bed
sometime later.

I have been a little lost
lately and not very happy.
I figure its the lack of a
close buddy like Werner.
I believe every soldier should
have someone to talk to
but I haven't got it.

2ND MONTH

FEBRUARY, 1944.

29 DAYS

FRIDAY 11

(42-324)

SATURDAY 12

(43-323)

Combat Mission #46 to villages about 30 miles east of Weewak. We set all three on fire so I guess there was much else to do but come home.

We ran into some light ack ack but that was soon silenced and no one was hit.

SUNDAY 13

SEXAGESIMA

44-322

Capt Roberts went home this A.M. and he was the end of the OLD EIGHTH for good. He was a helluva fine fellow and combat man with a head on his shoulders.

He was dealt a low blow by group but took it without a word.

From now on there are no more real leaders to me and I would just as soon be in any outfit.

Capt Hare is a great guy but its tough to take over a strange Sqd.

MONDAY 14

(45-321)

Big mission.

The whole group hit Da Nang strip and I never saw so much dirt, smoke, ack ack, airplane parts etc in the air at one time in my life. I led the 4th element and went right down a row of parked fighters and got a few at least. The 7A was terrific but I only got a few nicks then we got harassed by some Hampo and in a head on pass with one I out shot him and he broke the attack. Dinitro did the same with another so I guess the Jap pilots are getting more yellow each day.

A couple of other Jap fighters dropped hunks of metal on us from above but I avoided them.

McFadden crash landed at Gusap and washed out the plane but the crew is O.K.
Exact damage later.

TUESDAY 15

(46-320)

The group went to Kavieng today and I took a jeep ride to Lae. They were after shipping but found very little and all four squadrons only accounted for about 3 small freighters.

The 13th lost two A-200 over the target but everyone else got back O.K. Some with a few holes. Lae was very interesting. Still no mail for about 10 days.

2ND MONTH

FEBRUARY, 1944.

29 DAYS

WEDNESDAY 16

(47-319)

29 DAYS

FEBRUARY, 1944.

2ND MONTH

THURSDAY 17

(48-318)

FRIDAY 18

(49-317)

Didn't do a darn thing for the third straight day. We either grouse about doing too much or not enough. No happy medium.

Played poker all morning and afternoon and lost my shirt but I still am not in debt and I don't ever plan to be.

SATURDAY 19

(50-316)

Entered the hospital this A.M. with an infected eye. Not serious yet but it could impair my vision if I kept flying.

Andres is already here with bad ears and Greene arrived this afternoon with dingo fever.

SUNDAY 20

QUINQUAGESIMA

(51-315)

Drister crash landed about a mile from our strip and is cut up pretty bad. I doubt if he will fly combat again because his nerves are about gone. The reason - he flew through one of our bomb blasts - Widener was killed that way.

MONDAY 21

(52-314)

After three days they let me out of the hospital and was I ever glad. Its sure tough to be on your back when you feel healthy.

I go on flying status tomorrow.

TUESDAY 22

SHROVE TUESDAY

(53-313)

Big raid planned for
Hansa Bay this AM but
weather prevented it. I
wouldnt be surprised if
we have another landing
in about 10 days. My guess
is the north side of Hansa
Bay - Whats yours?

Played bridge until a few
minutes ago and we won
for a change. - We is Capt
Baldwin and me.

2ND MCNTH

FEBRUARY, 1944.

29 DAYS

WEDNESDAY 23

ASH WEDNESDAY

(54-312)

Handwritten notes and signatures at the bottom of the page.

THURSDAY 24

(55-311)

Mission #48 to Dagua strip
at Weewak. Led the third
element and it was one
of those hit and run affairs.
There are so many
wrecked planes there
we can hardly tell
what we do anymore.

Several fires were
started though and we
got a solid blow on them.
I got a couple of holes
in my rudder but nothing
serious. 3 90th planes + 1 13th
piled up here on landing.
Head up stuff

2ND MONTH

FEBRUARY, 1944.

29 DAYS

FRIDAY 25

(56 310)

29 DAYS

FEBRUARY. 1944.

2ND MONTH

SATURDAY 26

(57-309)

1ST IN LENT

QUADRAGESIMA

SUNDAY 27

(58-308)

2ND MONTH

FEBRUARY, 1944.

29 DAYS

MONDAY 28

(59-307)

29 DAYS

FEBRUARY. 1944.

2ND MONTH

TUESDAY 29

160-306

3RD MONTH

MARCH, 1944.

31 DAYS

WEDNESDAY 1

ST. DAVID'S DAY

(61-305)

31 DAYS

MARCH, 1944.

3RD MONTH

THURSDAY 2

62-304

FRIDAY 3

(63-303)

Had our first alert last night in about three weeks but the japs got no farther than Gusap.

They just ain't got it anymore.

MARCH, 1944.

SATURDAY 45

(64-302)

Well this was one of those days. First of all we pulled a take-off in the pitch dark

at 0545 and none of us had flown nights since June, let alone instruments in the A-20

I was more scared than I have ever been in a plane because there was absolutely no light and I ran into a tropical storm in the Huon Gulf. When daylight came I was

SUNDAY 5

2ND IN LENT

(65-301)

off Oranise with no other plane within 75 miles. ~~14~~ 4 out of 24, reached the target above Sador and three dropped in the drink including poor old Dickie Greenhalgh. He should have been sent home a month ago.

This afternoon I searched for the plane and found a crumpled parachute in the mountains. No further word.

MONDAY 6

(66-300)

A day of sleep and rest. We got our new planes in today and won't fly a mission for about ~~4~~⁴ more days.

Saw "Government Seal" last night and enjoyed it until the flag waving.

31 DAYS

MARCH, 1944

3RD MONTH

TUESDAY 7

67-299)

3RD MONTH

MARCH, 1944.

31 DAYS

WEDNESDAY 8

(68-298)

31 DAYS

MARCH, 1944.

3RD MONTH

THURSDAY 9

69-297

FRIDAY 10

(70-296)

Flew my new turret job
local today and its a
honey although a little
slower than the other
A-20.

This business of trying
to explain my present
emotions to Francie is
pretty difficult especially
when I dont understand
them myself.

Wish I could get drunk
tonight.

Alerted for Newark to-
morrow A.M.

SATURDAY 11

(71-295)

Hit Boram Strip for #50 today and we poured it to them pretty solid.

7 of our 10 planes got holed but I only got a few 50 calibres through my left wing. Ack ack was pretty heavy and our fighters shot down 27 Japs for the loss of 1 P-40. The Japs didn't even get a shot at us. You sure can't sell the old P-40s short. I'd rather have the 8th Fighter for cover than anyone.

SUNDAY 12

3RD IN LENT

(72-294)

Hit Boram again today only this time my flight of 6 ships were the last to cross the target and the smoke and debris was so thick I couldn't even see the ground. 42 A-20s went across before my six so that may explain it. I was 4th across yesterday.

The 90th lost 2 planes and the 13th 1 but we got by. I got hit in the left wing again only this time with ~~40~~ 40 mm.

It must be my magnetic personality that draws flak. 4 more A-20s lost than above

MONDAY 13

(73-293)

A day of rest for me but the Squadron as well as the group went to Brandi Plantation a mile or two east of Boram Strip. I wrote several letters read and generally loafed.

TUESDAY 14

(74-292)

Had quite a time by myself today for mission #52. Got off late and when I found I couldn't catch the formation I played around the Hansa Bay, Murie Lagoon, and Sepik River area ~~by~~ looking for a target. Finally found a village with a jetty, and signs of activity by gaps so I bombed and strafed it. Came on home and caught hell.

Kairua Is. tomorrow and I'm not too eager because that's where I got shot up so bad once before.

WEDNESDAY 15

(75-291)

All out strike on Kairui Plantation at Wewak. The heavies and mediums saturated Baram and Wewak drone area and we did as well on the island. I'm a little browned off though as I had a duel with some little son of a b - and lost. He had one $\frac{1}{4}$ and I had six and I could see my bullets hitting all around him and even in his pit and he kept right on firing at me head on until he put two slugs in my windshield and then I had to pull up. The glass was really flying and I got my face and right hand cut a little but nothing serious. I guess I was really lucky.

THURSDAY 16

'76 290'

I haven't been able to keep up with the losses sustained by the 2 A 20 Groups since the Ueueak pounding started but I think its only about
* 10 and all due to A/A.

They just dont miss you down low but of course we dont miss either.

* 18 definite to this date.

FRIDAY 17

ST. PATRICK'S DAY

(77-289)

Now that I've gotten out of
Sq. Athletic and recreation
officer I am appointed
"AIR, SEA RESCUE COORDINATION
OFFICER" Some title, but I
do have my responsibilities
when one of our ships goes
down.

Red Alert last night but
Gusag took the bombs —
not one dropped here.

SATURDAY 18

(78-288)

The boys are out hitting Uluwak again today but I'm just lollygagging around sweating out leave.

Solid blow at Chow as we had steak for lunch and eggs for breakfast.

SUNDAY 19

4TH IN LENT

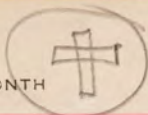
(79-287)

Mission #54 to Cape Maem and Boram today which eight days ago was the hottest spot for A/A in New Guinea.

Today I saw only two bursts of heavy A/A and the place looks deserted.

The area has been hit with heavies, mediums and us for 7 out of 8 days and it appears its about washed up.

I got a few small holes in the cowling but nothing serious.



MARCH, 1944.

MONDAY 20

(80-286)

Yesterday afternoon turned out bad because those of us who didn't hit Uluwak in the morning went after a five ship convoy in the afternoon.

The heavies sunk two ~~freighters~~ freighters the 25's sunk 2 escort vessels and the A 20's sank one escort vessel.

The 89th lost a plane and so did we. Craig was the pilot, a new boy, and his gunners were Cunningham and Ball both old timers.

Went to Dobo today to chauffeur Tratten and Fenderson down on business.

The place is almost as deserted as Moresby.

31 DAYS

MARCH, 1944.

3RD MONTH

TUESDAY 21

(31-285)

3RD MONTH

MARCH, 1944.

31 DAYS

WEDNESDAY 22

82-2841

31 DAYS

MARCH. 1944.

3RD MONTH

THURSDAY 23

(83-283)

FRIDAY 24

(84 282)

Just found out today that
the 3rd Group lost 16 A-200
in two weeks over Wehrak.
Sure counts up when one
or two go down a day.

It looks kind of dark
as for going home and my
eyes won't last for ever -
my nerves either.

Doc Peters is the poorest
excuse of a man I ever saw.

31 DAYS

MARCH. 1944.

3RD MONTH

SATURDAY 25

LADY DAY

(85-281)

SUNDAY 26

PASSION SUNDAY

(86-280)

3RD MONTH

MARCH. 1944.

31 DAYS

MONDAY 27

(87 279)

TUESDAY 28

{88 278}

Going on leave —
Be back in a couple of
weeks

3RD MONTH

MARCH, 1944.

31 DAYS

WEDNESDAY 29

(89 277)

31 DAYS

MARCH. 1944.

3RD MONTH

THURSDAY 30

(90 276

3RD MONTH

MARCH, 1944.

31 DAYS

FRIDAY 31

(91-275)

30 DAYS

APRIL, 1944

4TH MONTH

SATURDAY 1

(92-274)

SUNDAY 2

FALM SUNDAY

(93-273)

4TH MONTH

APRIL, 1944.

30 DAYS

MONDAY 3

(94 272)¹

30 DAYS

APRIL. 1944.

4TH MONTH

TUESDAY 4

(95-271)

4TH MONTH

APRIL, 1944.

30 DAYS

WEDNESDAY 5

(96-270)

30 DAYS

APRIL, 1944

4TH MONTH

THURSDAY 6

(97-269)

4TH MONTH

APRIL, 1944.

30 DAYS

FRIDAY 7

GOOD FRIDAY

'98 268

30 DAYS

APRIL. 1944.

4TH MONTH

SATURDAY 8

[99-267]

SUNDAY 9

EASTER SUNDAY

[100-266]

4TH MONTH

APRIL, 1944.

30 DAYS

MONDAY 10

EASTER MONDAY

{101 265}

30 DAYS

APRIL, 1944.

4TH MONTH

TUESDAY 11

(102-264)

4TH MONTH

APRIL, 1944.
WEDNESDAY 12
(103-263)

30 DAYS

30 DAYS

APRIL, 1944.

4TH MONTH

THURSDAY 13

(104-262)

4TH MONTH

APRIL, 1944.

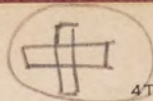
30 DAYS

FRIDAY 14

(105-261)

30 DAYS

APRIL, 1944.



4TH MONTH

SATURDAY 15

(106-260)

Just returned from leave
What a time !!!

Keyes and his gunner ~~Wright~~
are gone for ever.

SUNDAY 16

LOW SUNDAY

(107-259)

Today at least 40 planes disappeared because of terrible weather and a target almost out of our range.

7 of us in the 8th just about set an all time endurance flight for A-20s by flying seven hours. They had to help me out of the cockpit.

4TH MONTH

APRIL, 1944.

30 DAYS

MONDAY 17

(108-258)

APRIL, 1944.

TUESDAY 18

('109-257)

My captaincy came through
today so I made it before
my birthday after all
I wanna go home.

WEDNESDAY 19

(110-256)

What a fat cat - I've turned
out to be! I'm going to
Townsaville and Cairns to
bring back a B-25 and
ligour

Good-bye see you in
a week

30 DAYS

APRIL, 1944.
THURSDAY 20
(111-255)

4TH MONTH

4TH MONTH

APRIL, 1944.

30 DAYS

FRIDAY 21

(112-254)

30 DAYS

APRIL, 1944.

4TH MONTH

SATURDAY 22

(113-253)

ST GEORGE'S DAY
2ND AFTER EASTER

SUNDAY 23

(114 252)

4TH MONTH

APRIL, 1944.

30 DAYS

MONDAY 24

(115-251)

30 DAYS

APRIL, 1944.

4TH MONTH

TUESDAY 25

ANZAC DAY

(116-250)

4TH MONTH

APRIL, 1944.

30 DAYS

WEDNESDAY 26

117-2491

APRIL, 1944.

THURSDAY 27

(118-248)

Arrived tonight in a B-25
simply loaded with spirits.
Big party in Howes tent
and none of us got home
with our clothes - just
a belt and shoes.

What a bunch of drunks
we turned out to be.

FRIDAY 28

(119-247)

Released today and its
a good thing because
there isn't a fit man in
the squadron after last
night!

30 DAYS

APRIL, 1944

4TH MONTH

SATURDAY 29

(120 246)

Mission 56 today to Benin
and Sepik R. area to catch
the Japs retreating from
Hanse Bay and Wenak.

Just a good old-fashioned
gravy run.

SUNDAY 30

3RD AFTER EASTER

(121-245)

MONDAY 1

(122-244)

Had a pretty nice birthday even if I did hit 23. I still feel 16.

Gen'l Whitehead came to group this A.M. and presented our medals to us. I've got my Purple Heart and the Air Medal and 2 clusters.

Got pretty high on three quarts of beer last night which was the last I owned.

31 DAYS

MAY. 1944.

5TH MONTH

TUESDAY 2

(123-243)

WEDNESDAY 3

(124-242)

Went to Dobo and then
Moresby today but when
I tried to get home from
P.M. I threw a cylinder
so had to burn a ride
home. Dobo and Moresby
are almost deserted. Not
one permanent based plane
on any of the Dobo strips

31 DAYS

MAY, 1944.
THURSDAY 4
(125 241)

5TH MONTH

5TH MONTH

MAY, 1944.

31 DAYS

FRIDAY 5

(126-240)

MAY, 1944
SATURDAY 6

(127-239)

We've been eating Salmon for three days now and will for another month I suppose. All our installations, shower, lights, messhall etc are down. The whole 8th leaves for Hollandia tomorrow by boat except 15 pilots and 15 gunners and an equal amount of ground personnel.

We have to wait here til the air strips are ready.

The Japs are still counter-attacking so we will have to live in a perimeter up there.

SUNDAY 7

4TH AFTER EASTER

(128-238)

Made a round trip to Moresby today but didn't get the plane we went after.

Played "hearts" tonight by candle-light because all our facilities are gone

5TH MONTH

MAY, 1944.

31 DAYS

MONDAY 8

(129 237)

MAY, 1944.

TUESDAY 9

130 236

I've been sick since night
before last with diarrhea.
Spent all yesterday in the
sack and missed missions
yesterday and today.

Had breakfast this morn-
ing though - the first food
in 37 hrs and it stayed
down so I guess I'm O.K.

5TH MONTH

MAY, 1944.
WEDNESDAY 10

31 DAYS

(131-235)

31 DAYS

MAY, 1944
THURSDAY 11
(132-234)

5TH MONTH

5TH MONTH

MAY, 1944.

31 DAYS

FRIDAY 12

(133-233)

SATURDAY 13

(134-232)

Mission #57 to Wewak and I pulled a sweat job coming home - what I mean.

We had parafrags and I had two go off prematurely about five feet beneath the plane and it severed all my control cables but two and they were hanging together by about four strands.

I flew home alone with no left rudder half elevator control and no air speed indicator. My arms are dead from holding it steady but it was a matter of do or die. Krause, my gunner

SUNDAY 14

ROGATION SUNDAY

(135-231)

was cut a little and we are both thanking our lucky stars we made it in one piece.

5TH MONTH

MAY, 1944.

31 DAYS

MONDAY 15

(136-230)

MAY, 1944.

TUESDAY 16

(137-229)

Landed at our new home - Hollandia today and what a peachie lay-out this is. We live in an open field that used to be a hog wallow and the ground is terribly pitted from their roosting. The Japs are in the hills, right behind us and we can plainly hear the machine gun and rifle fire all day long.

The place is covered with Jap planes, trucks, fuel - almost anything you'd want. Our troops are driving Jap trucks and our trucks and Jeeps use Jap aviation fuel which is 87 octane. Looked over the Skippies in the stockade this evening - what a crummy lot they are.

We are eating out of mesquite and living on canned rations - sleeping on the ground to boot. Dandy life this!

WEDNESDAY 17

(138 228)

The 8th Sq. is the only offensive unit here besides fighters so we flew 5 missions today in support of the Arara and Wakde landings - I flew two.

Five red alerts last night but no bombs dropped in the near vicinity.

God are we dirty and sweaty. There's barely enough water to drink let alone wash when you feel like it.

ASCENSION DAY

THURSDAY 18

HOLY THURSDAY

(139-227)

Got up at 0530 to fly another mission and while returning from chow two Jap planes buzzed right over our heads and let their bombs go about $\frac{1}{2}$ mile off. I dove headlong into a hog wallow but outside of being clumsy dirty I suffered no ill effects.

Finally took-off and hit the Sarmi Islands where the next landing will come tomorrow.

Wakda and Anara fell with light resistance today.

MAY, 1944.

FRIDAY 19

(140-226)

Hot mission today. First we went after shipping in Manokwari Harbor and then caught the Nips at ~~Kororar~~^{Kororar} with their drawers down. Not much damage in the harbor two or three small merchant ships sunk. At ~~Cambar~~^{Kororar} strip we made about five passes strafing only and completely destroyed 4 bombers and one fighter and probably damaged every other plane in the Drome - We just rat raced and picked our own targets. I found the target I've dreamed of since I've been over here. I found about 100 Japs in an open area and they were just paralyzed as I hurried out my guns. I saw ample Japs fall and the rest run in all directions. I guess I killed about 25 anyhow. I claimed an Oscar on the ground on my third pass. My first two bombs landed in a covey of luggies but my last two went long on a two-thousand tonner.

Moderate ^{A/S} No interception
P38a shot down a Rufe in front of me.

31 DAYS

MAY, 1944.

5TH MONTH

SATURDAY 20

(141-225)

Downed —
8th hit Biak and got
several planes on the
strips

SUNDAY 21

SUNDAY AFTER ASCENSION

(142 224)

5TH MONTH

MAY. 1944.

31 DAYS

MONDAY 22

(143 223)

31 DAYS

MAY, 1944.

5TH MONTH

TUESDAY 23

(144-222)

5TH MONTH

MAY, 1944.

31 DAYS

WEDNESDAY 24

EMPIRE DAY

(145-221)

Haven't had an alert for
several days. I guess the
old 8th really did destroy
20-30 planes at Biak and
Kamiri

31 DAYS

MAY, 1944.

5TH MONTH

THURSDAY 25

(146-220)

The rest of the 3rd Bn
showed up at last so
now we can start operating
in earnest. — —

FRIDAY 26

(147 219)

This is Marilyn's birthday
and I'm lonesome.

I sure don't like being
grounded. Doc says I have
"internal strabismus."

31 DAYS

MAY, 1944.



5TH MONTH

SATURDAY 27

(148-218)

Back landing today and my first mission in 8 days. The landing went off well although the 3rd Dr lost two planes. 90th lost 1 by A/A and the 89th by a zero. We had two zeros playing with our formation but I made only one pass and beat it.

Go again tomorrow and may get into trouble.

Take off

SUNDAY 28

WHIT-SUNDAY-PENTICOST

(149-217)

D.W. Brown failed to come back from Biak today and no one knows what happened to him. Goldie was with him.

MONDAY 29

WHIT MONDAY

(150-216)

Dick again today and from the target assigned us our troops have been stopped.

The 89th lost another plane today and Brown is still missing.

Almost crashed while landing but caught it just in time and went around. Few Jap fighters around but they are afraid of A-20s I guess. They did get the 89th ship tho.

The navy shelled while we were attacking and gave us a bad time. They ought to get their heads out.

31 DAYS

MAY, 1944.

5TH MONTH

TUESDAY 30

(151-215)

5TH MONTH

MAY, 1944.

31 DAYS

WEDNESDAY 31

(152-214)

JUNE, 1944.

THURSDAY 1

'153 213

Started out on a mission to
Ransiki but had to turn back
because of right engine trouble.
Our planes are badly in
need of work but messengers
come most everyday so theres
no time for repairs.

FRIDAY 2

(154 212)

Two engine failures today
as the bags hit Kamini
Rothery made a beautiful
single engine landing.

I told you so about the
planes needing work.

30 DAYS

JUNE, 1944.

6TH MONTH

SATURDAY 3

(155 211)

John Madden was killed today at Manokwari. Nobody knows exactly what happened but it appears he flew into a lagoon.

He was a likable fellow from Mississippi. Evans was the gunner.

Baby tomorrow - hope I get home.

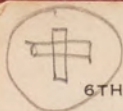
SUNDAY 4

TRINITY SUNDAY

(156 210)

Mission #66 to Manokwari and Kamiri. We started out for a good sized convey but couldn't find it.

There's a huge Jap task force headed this way from the Philippines. 2 BBs, 15 CVs, 3 Chs. and 10 DPs. Wonder what they are up to.



6TH MONTH

JUNE, 1944.

30 DAYS

MONDAY 5

(157-209)

John O'Flahaven of Boston was
burned to death today when he
lost control of his plane on take-
off. Jordan the gunner got out
with just a scratch or two and
as soon as he cleared the plane
it blew up.

Of course Kellum and I had to
be the ones to find John's body
still burning. I'll never forget
that sight as long as I live.

Third fatal crash for us in
about a week.

I'm flying to June 10th and
quitting after that they can do
with me what they want.

JUNE, 1944.

TUESDAY 6

(158 208)

Started out for Manokwari today but just short of Biak I discovered that I had lost 125 gallons of fuel - where, when or why I didn't know so I turned for home. Made it easily.

The weather here was closing in when I landed so the rest of the Squadron landed at Wakde. Munro of the 89th was shot down at Kariri and was picked up by a Cat.

We heard about the European invasion tonight. Now the S.W.P.A. takes page 8 instead of 5.

JUNE, 1944.
WEDNESDAY 7

(159-207)

Flew all the planes to Nadyat
for a rest for pilots and planes
We were really on our heels
and the planes needed work
badly.

30 DAYS

JUNE, 1944.

6TH MONTH

THURSDAY 8

CORPUS CHRISTI

(160-206)

JUNE, 1944.

~~FRIDAY~~ 9

(161-205)

SUNDAY 11

Back home and what a howl
this is after the 345th Dr.
We ate like kings and drank
beer and martinis.

All good things must end.

JUNE, 194³~~4~~

SATURDAY 10

(162-204)

Left Hamilton and flew all night
landing in Hawaii 6-11-43 in
the early morning - beautiful
weather - no engine trouble
but plenty tired.

Year overseas B.S.

SUNDAY 11

1ST AFTER TRINITY

(163-203)

Waikiki Beach aint what its
cracked up to be and
Honolulu reminds me of a
carnival. Year and a half
after Pearl Harbor, Hickam
Field still pretty much
of a wreck but very efficient
Spend quite a bit of time
with Bill Phelan.



6TH MONTH

JUNE, 1944.

30 DAYS

MONDAY 12

(164-202)

We hit Moemi and Waren dromes today and did a pretty good job. I led the second six onto Moemi and we definitely got 3 fighters and possibly 3 more. We also got several Big bldg. trucks etc.

McKeown went down in the target area either from ack ack or hitting a tree. Montgomery was his gunner and they were two swell fellows. That's our fourth loss in two weeks or less.

JUNE, 1944.

TUESDAY 13

(165 201)

Combat mission #71 today and
I'm about ready to throw in
the towel. Group told us today
that there isn't much hope for
going home soon either. The
targets are all rough now too.
Went to Biak for ground
support and I got just enough
R/A to jam my elevator trims
in the "up" position so it
was a laborious flight home.

The old boy is 47 today.
I have a touch of dingly fever
to boot with my fatigue.
Temp of 101 tonight.

JUNE, 194³~~4~~

WEDNESDAY 14

(165-200)

Arrive Christmas Island. I
feel for the poor men stationed
here. Took a tour of the place
and enjoyed the screwy birds
quite a few mosquitos
and ate plenty of coconuts.

30 DAYS

JUNE, 1944³

6TH MONTH

THURSDAY 15

(167-199)

Arrived Canton Island - a
sand reef with one tree
Very hot but a lot of beer
so I was happy. Good food
even in the middle of no-
where.

6TH MONTH



JUNE, 1944.

3

30 DAYS

FRIDAY 16

168-198)

Arrive Nandi in the
Fiji Islands. Real pretty
good food and my first
view of natives. Boy are
they rugged. Like our
navigator fine - his plenty
good.

Herb Rothery about my best friend
and tent mate and his gunner went
down in flames today. The fifth in
less than three weeks.

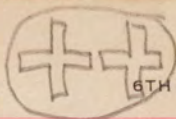
The 8th is the only one flying and
the men are dead. The Colonel will
be cited though for our splendid
work the bastard.

Herb had two of the cutest
babies I've ever seen. It's the
first time I've seen grown men
sit around and cry.

JUNE, 1944.

SATURDAY 17

(169-197)



6TH MONTH

Arrive P.D.G. in New Caledonia
 Bad weather for first time.
 Got hit twice by some
 great big giant bug. Hell
 hole here that's all.

God - Kellum and Ficke went
 down today. Kellum was the 3rd
 in this tent with Herb and me. He
 went down in flames over Balbo
 Ficke may get back - will know
 tomorrow

SUNDAY 18

2ND AFTER TRINITY

170 196

Saw Australia in the distance
 and what a relief after flying
 close to 10,000 miles over
 water.

Spent four days in Ipswich
 my comments on Australia

- ① Best beer I ever had 12%
- ② Civilians sociable-soldiers not
- ③ 40 years behind times
- ④ All women have funny legs
 and are ugly.

JUNE, 1944.

MONDAY 19

{171-195}

Ficke has been given up as lost the other day along with Kellum so that makes seven crews in a little less than three weeks.

We were released yesterday and today.

My malaria is gone so I'm ready to fly again.

JUNE, 1944.

TUESDAY 20

(172-194)

Went on old fashioned barge hunt from Manokward to False Cape. Hunt I quit early after having knocked down a few trees.

I smashed the right engine wing and lost a good hunk of tail but the engine and plane flew all the way home quite normally. I hope that was my number and its gone.

6TH MONTH

JUNE. 1944.
WEDNESDAY 21
(173 193)

30 DAYS

JUNE, 1944³

THURSDAY 22

(174 192)

Arrive Charter Towers and
met crew along with rest
of the fellows. Much flying
sun baths and eating
during day.

1944

Flew an old B25 direct
to Cairns for food and the
way it looks we will
be there a few days.

6TH MONTH

JUNE, 1944.

30 DAYS

FRIDAY 23

(175-191)

JUNE, 194³~~4~~.

SATURDAY 24

(176-190)

Shows every night with apples and peanuts - open air theatres, real old pictures but nothing else to do.

Whole town smells like something dead - More ugly women with hairy legs. a little beer.

SUNDAY 25

3RD AFTER TRINITY

177-189

MONDAY 26

178-188

Got back from fat-cutting
tonight with 18 bottles
of beer and 2 whisky.

So on leave the 28th
so I won't get much
combat in - Thank good-
ness.

JUNE, 1944³

TUESDAY 27

(179-187)

Still flying a lot of formation especially at night. I shouldn't find fault though because formation is the bombers chief means of protection.

Got a pretty good tan already as the climate here is not unlike the southern part of the San Joaquin valley.

WEDNESDAY 28

(180 186)

Went on my fourth and
last leave probably.
Boy have I lost the
old *Esprit de corps*

30 DAYS

JUNE, 1944.
THURSDAY 29

6TH MONTH

181-185

6TH MONTH

JUNE. 1944.

30 DAYS

FRIDAY 30

{182 184}

31 DAYS

JULY, 1944.

7TH MONTH

SATURDAY 1

183-183

Had a bad wreck today in which two over-loaded B-25s collided in the air - 16 men killed and only two alive but in bad shape. They just got too close in formation that's all.

SUNDAY 2

4TH AFTER TRINITY

(184-182)

JULY, 194³~~4~~.

MONDAY 3

(185-181)

They took "My Gal Frances"
away from me today with
the intentions of making a
strafe out of her. I felt
like I was losing a rela-
tive because she was a
real sweet gal.

31 DAYS

JULY, 1944.

7TH MONTH

TUESDAY 4

(186-180)

7TH MONTH

JULY. 1944.

31 DAYS

WEDNESDAY 5

(187 179)

JULY, 194³~~4~~

THURSDAY 6

(188-178)

Had my first ride in a
strofer and it was quite
a thrill. The instructor I
was with was in the
Bismarck Sea Battle and
can really wheel a two-
five through the sky.

Rumor has it that I'll
go to strofers.

7TH MONTH

JULY, 1944.

31 DAYS

FRIDAY 7

(189-177)

31 DAYS

JULY, 194³~~4~~.

7TH MONTH

SATURDAY 8

(190-176)

Arrived Port Moresby, New Guinea - much activity and really in the combat zone now.

SUNDAY 9

5TH AFTER TRINITY

(191-175)

Joined a swell squadron with several old friends in it. We have good food and live in a tent - awfully hot with flies and mosquitoes ample.

JULY, 194³~~4~~.

MONDAY 10

'192.174'

Went on first mission -
not scared, just a little
uneasy. We made a successful
raid on a Jap troop concen-
tration at Salamaua. Trust
we blew them into little
pieces with our "daisy-cutters".

No fighters but quite
a lot of ack ack.

JULY, 194~~4~~³

TUESDAY 11

(193.173)

Just heard we have to leave here for Dobodena and strafers. I don't know whether I would rather stick to medium bombardment or go to low level attack.

1944

Got back from a great leave to find my orders in for home and grounded. Patton, Payson and Solntekin are also in.

7TH MONTH

JULY. 1944.

31 DAYS

WEDNESDAY 12

(194 172)

31 DAYS

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JULY, 194~~4~~.

7TH MONTH

THURSDAY 13

(195 171)

Big day - Francie and I have
been engaged three months
and I am stationed in the
hell-hole of Dabodura.
I'm worried about strafers
casualties too. Oh well
just have to sweat it out.

7TH MONTH

JULY. 1944.

31 DAYS

FRIDAY 14

(196-170)

JULY, 194³~~4~~

SATURDAY 15

(197-169)

Started building our hut today and we had to go deep in the jungle for bamboo. I'm stiff and ache all over from the hard work.

Full moon tonight and the japs always come here on this occasion.

SUNDAY 16

6TH AFTER TRINITY

(198-168)

No raid last night it just rained to damn hard. Hut progressing pretty well - cut my leg pretty good with my machete dangerous weapon.

JULY, 1944.

MONDAY 17

(199-167)

It really breaks my heart to see the 8th Sq. practically inoperative. We've got 4 pilots on status at the moment and only 2 on the big Boela raid. It was the best a year ago and since March began to deteriorate to its present impotency. Its no ones fault but group though for working us down to our present nub.

31 DAYS

JULY, 194³~~4~~.

7TH MONTH

TUESDAY 18

200 1667

The fellows in this squadron are really a good bunch and I am growing to like it here more every day. If the food was a little better everything would be rosey

7TH MONTH

JULY, 1944.
WEDNESDAY 19
(201165)

31 DAYS

31 DAYS

JULY. 1944.

7TH MONTH

THURSDAY 20

(202 164)

JULY, 194³~~4~~

FRIDAY 21

(203-163)

It looks like I will have to co-pilot for a few months as there are a bunch of veterans in this outfit - all old A-20 pilots. The group has only been in 25's a month or so.

1944
Flew A-20 for the first time in a month. Boy I'm going crazy just sitting around and waiting

31 DAYS

JULY, 1944.

7TH MONTH

SATURDAY 22

'204-162'

SUNDAY 23

7TH AFTER TRINITY

(205-161)

7TH MONTH

JULY, 1944.

31 DAYS

MONDAY 24

(206-160)

31 DAYS

JULY. 1944.

7TH MONTH

TUESDAY 25

207 159)

7TH MONTH

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JULY. 194~~4~~

31 DAYS

WEDNESDAY 26

(208 158)

Got my first letter since
leaving the States. It
was a V-mail from Mom.
I have hopes for much
mail in the near future
now. It will sure help

31 DAYS

JULY, 194³~~4~~

7TH MONTH

THURSDAY 27

(209 157)

Our hut is completed and
its a daisy, Was also assigned
to my pilot one M L Green
from Cheyenne and I couldn't
ask for a better man.

JULY, 194³~~4~~.

FRIDAY 28

210-156

Went on big mission #2
to Cape Gloucester. Saw
a zero crash, strafed
air field against lots of
ground fire. We, the mission,
sank two destroyers and
got chased by one of the
many Zeks. Believe me
I was pretty scared and
tense after it was over
and I thought about it.

Write letters from home.
Francie in Florida - I hope
she remembers me with all
those U.S.O. Commandos.

31 DAYS

JULY. 1944.

7TH MONTH

SATURDAY 29

(211-155)

SUNDAY 30

8TH AFTER TRINITY

(212 154)

7TH MONTH

JULY, 194³~~4~~.

31 DAYS

MONDAY 31

(213-153)

Went on mission #3 to Trukhafen
didn't do much because of
weather but sank a couple
of barges and strafed H.Q.
Some machine guns on
ground fired at us but
not much excitement.

31 DAYS

AUGUST, 1944.

8TH MONTH

TUESDAY 1

(214 152)

WEDNESDAY 2

(215 151)

Mission #4 to Rooke Is.
and Finchhafen. Flight sunk
and damaged several barges
along with power launch.

Got up at 0430 so napped
this afternoon after censor-
ing mail. (censor all week)

31 DAYS

AUGUST, 1944.

8TH MONTH

THURSDAY 3

(216-150)

8TH MONTH

AUGUST, 1944.

31 DAYS

FRIDAY 4

1217-149

31 DAYS

AUGUST, 194~~4~~³

8TH MONTH

SATURDAY 5

(218 148)

SUNDAY 6

9TH AFTER TRINITY

219 147

Got up at 0430 - rainy
dark and cold. Its no fun
fooling around enemy territory
all by yourself on a weather
mission. It was mission
#5 in less than a month
Pretty good average.

8TH MONTH

AUGUST, 1944

31 DAYS

MONDAY 7

BANK HOLIDAY

(220-146)

AUGUST, 194³~~4~~

TUESDAY 8

(221-145)

Church this morning —
Practice bomb and strafe
in afternoon. Bull session
tonight about the merits
of Jap pilots — I still don't
know if they are good
or bad but I hope I
don't have to find out.

8TH MONTH

AUGUST. 1944.

31 DAYS

WEDNESDAY 9

(222-144)

31 DAYS

JULY. 1944.

7TH MONTH

THURSDAY 10

(223-143)

8TH MONTH

AUGUST, 1944

31 DAYS

FRIDAY 11

(224-142)

3
AUGUST, 1944

SATURDAY 12

(225 141)

Mission #6 to Huon Gulf but
had to turn back because of
weather and no fighter cover.
did some strafing though.

Alert at 0400 but the
japs hit Oro Bay instead
of us. They dont do much
damage.

SUNDAY 13

10TH AFTER TRINITY

(226 140)

8TH MONTH

AUGUST, 1944.

31 DAYS

MONDAY 14

(227-139)

3
AUGUST, 1944.

TUESDAY 15

228-138

Big show yesterday afternoon as a big formation of japs coming this way were intercepted by 38's and 47's with losses to both teams but we came out best and they didn't reach the target. Alert again early this morning.

8TH MONTH

AUGUST. 1944

31 DAYS

WEDNESDAY 16

(229-137)

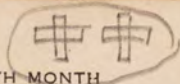
31 DAYS

AUGUST, 1944.

8TH MONTH

THURSDAY 17

(230 136)

AUGUST. 194³₄

FRIDAY 18

(231-135)

Aug 16th to 18th Went to Moresby
three days and the third
group was on an epic show.
Was observer when 120 Jap
aircraft were definitely destroyed
on the ground at Wewak, Bauu
Daga and But airdromes. Don't
know how many unofficial
destroyed. Flew with the 90th
No credit for the mission
though. Henrich and Shepherd
got shot down up there, yester-
day. Hope the poor devils
werent captured. Also sank
7000 tonner in the harbor.

31 DAYS

AUGUST, 1944.

8TH MONTH

SATURDAY 19

(232-134)

SUNDAY 20 1943

11TH AFTER TRINITY

(233-133)

Two missions today but didn't do too much damage. Turned back in a.m. with general SNAFU and weather. Afternoon circled Rooke Is. a couple of times and shot up a European settlement under control of the Jap.

8TH MONTH

AUGUST. 1944

31 DAYS

MONDAY 21

(234 132)

31 DAYS

AUGUST, 1944.

8TH MONTH

TUESDAY 22

(235-131)

8TH MONTH

AUGUST. 1944.

31 DAYS

WEDNESDAY 23

(236130)

31 DAYS

AUGUST, 1944.

8TH MONTH

THURSDAY 24

(237 129)

FRIDAY 25

238-128)

Combat mission #9 Hanae Bay.

I personally sank three small cargo vessels of about 500 to 1000 tons each by ship bombing.

The eighth really did a fine job getting around ten small ships and one big one. Ack Ack was plenty heavy and we had several holes in the plane. one in the cockpit.

Went last night but only one bomber - no damage.

31 DAYS

AUGUST. 1944.

8TH MONTH

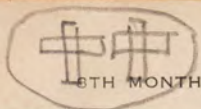
SATURDAY 26

(239-127)

SUNDAY 27

12TH AFTER TRINITY

(240-126)

AUGUST. 194³~~4~~.

31 DAYS

MONDAY 28

(241-125)

Combat mission #10 - Struck at
Hansa Bay and dumps again.
Left big fires and our Squadron
sank five more ships of the
same type we got two days
ago - possibly more. We saw
a heavy ack-ack position
working hard as Ebisa dives
head long into the pit with
all guns blazing and I about
got scared to death - at least
I dropped a 500 pounder in
the middle of the pit and left
nothing but a crater.
Saw Widener and Lagers
blown into a million little pieces
right in front of us - Makes one
sick for a few minutes.

TUESDAY 29

(242-124)

Flew local with Dmitro and
we both greased a couple
Church tonight and a wonderful
sermon.

Something hot is cooking
at Lae and Salamaua but
we haven't been told yet.

Francie still writes
about the poor lonesome
soldiers at Camp Butler -
Some of them are 500 miles
from home - Hi Ho. grin
and bear it.

8TH MONTH

AUGUST. 1944

31 DAYS

WEDNESDAY 30

(243-123)

31 DAYS

AUGUST. 1944.

8TH MONTH

THURSDAY 31

(244-122)

FRIDAY 1

(245-121)

Combat mission #11

Barge Hunt on North

Coast of New Britain destroyed
a few barges and shot up
a plantation. Barge traffic
has definitely decreased. We
got a little ack-ack from
Gloucester.

30 DAYS

SEPTEMBER. 1944

9TH MONTH

SATURDAY 2

(246-120)

SUNDAY 3

13TH AFTER TRINITY

(247-119)

MONDAY 4

(248-118)

Strafed and dropped para frags all over Gloucester Strip for mission #12. Mackay got loaded with ack ack and three or four besides us got perforated somewhat.

Sigismund was shot up and made a beautiful belly landing - whole day finished with no one hurt.

4500 landed in Lee area this AM and about 15000 more due in the next few days.

TUESDAY 5

(249 117)

Couple of red alerts last night but no damage. Several thousand more Aussies and Yanks landed at Lae area late yesterday and this A.M.

Japs are wisening up to strafers and it won't be anything but suicide shortly. They use barrage balloons to keep us at 200' and then hit hard with

A/A The 38th Gr lost three out of ten over Wewak yesterday - Rough

9TH MONTH

SEPTEMBER, 1944

30 DAYS

WEDNESDAY 6

(250 116)

30 DAYS

SEPTEMBER. 1944

9TH MONTH

THURSDAY 7

(251-115)

FRIDAY 8

(252-114)

Combat mission #13 yesterday
Ground support in Markham
Valley Road area. We dropped
frags and strafed for quite
sometime trying to pave the
way for the infantry advance
on Lae. The campaign is
ahead of schedule. All my
missing mail arrived yes-
terday - 14 letters. Air Raid
last night at Oro Bay so
we didn't get up but the
sirens went all night.

I wish Francie would
quit writing about the U.S.O.
Commandos.

30 DAYS

SEPTEMBER, 1944

9TH MONTH

SATURDAY 9

(253-113)

14TH AFTER TRINITY

SUNDAY 10

(254-112)

9TH MONTH

SEPTEMBER, 1944

30 DAYS

MONDAY 11

(255-111)

TUESDAY 12

(256 110)

Nothing to do since the last mission because the Sae campaign is well in hand. Just heard that Vogel and Howard got the business. Old shipment FG 490 AW is taking a beating. I wonder how many of our 27 officers will get home.

Japs still frequent visitors but they couldn't hit the ground with their bats.

9TH MONTH

SEPTEMBER, 1944

30 DAYS

WEDNESDAY 13

1257-109

30 DAYS

SEPTEMBER, 1944

9TH MONTH

THURSDAY 14

(258-10)

9TH MONTH

SEPTEMBER, 1944.

30 DAYS

FRIDAY 15

(259-107)

3
SEPTEMBER, 1944

SATURDAY 16

(260-106)

Combat mission #14 - We were the last Squadron to bomb Lae before the Aussies moved in two hours later. We used frags and strafed like hell but most of the japs have evacuated and been bombed out. Wags

SUNDAY 17

15TH AFTER TRINITY

(261-105)

appointed Sqd. recreation and athletic director yesterday.

Guess we will be hitting Rabaul before too long.

9TH MONTH

SEPTEMBER, 1944

30 DAYS

MONDAY 18

{262 104

TUESDAY 19

(263-103)

Combat mission #15 Barge
hunt from north west of Sic
to Finschafer and then bomb
and strafe there. Also dropped
leaflets to the natives all
the way up and back.

Was in lead ship with
Radink therefore did all
navigating - didn't get lost
once. Had bomb rack
trouble but still did ample
damage to warrant mission.

Softball league started -
japs bombed wild last night

9TH MONTH

SEPTEMBER. 1944

30 DAYS

WEDNESDAY 20

(264-102)

30 DAYS

SEPTEMBER, 1944

9TH MONTH

THURSDAY 21

(265-101)

9TH MONTH

SEPTEMBER. 1944

30 DAYS

FRIDAY 22

('266-100)

30 DAYS

3
SEPTEMBER. 1944

9TH MONTH

SATURDAY 23

(267-99)

When I write that (I) got
this ship and that it means
that I am the one who
dropped the bombs while
the pilots strafes and
flies the kite.

SUNDAY 24

16TH AFTER TRINITY

(268-98)

9TH MONTH

SEPTEMBER. 1944

30 DAYS

MONDAY 25

(269-97)

TUESDAY 26

(270-96)

Just returned from five days in Brisbane with Fat Cat. - had a great time - beer - ice cream - sheets hot water and so on. None of the fellows believe me when I say I was true to Francie but I honestly was.

Group club opened last night with many drunks and many fights. I guess the boys have been deprived too long.

Ch.
from
great guy

Went down to Brisbane with Capt Radnick - he asks for me to co-pilot.

9TH MONTH

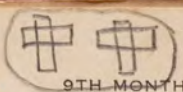
SEPTEMBER. 1944

30 DAYS

WEDNESDAY 27

(271-95)

SEPTEMBER, 1944



THURSDAY 28

(272-94)

Mission #16 — Wewak Harbor

yesterday and what a beating. Our group sent 24 planes and only lost three but two thirds of the rest were shot up.

Miles Green, my old pilot, Berta and Papwell all were lost. Its kind of nauseating having to separate their last belongings and write to the families.

Berta slept between me and Ismitro. This makes four pilots out of our 18 to be killed in six weeks. also our squadrons third plane in five weeks. We understand our percentage of losses are heavier than any other theatre.

Letter from Bonnie says Reek, Speidel and Roessler were killed in Africa.

At least our group sank six big ships and the 8th got 4 of them - I got a 5000 tonner along with Wilkins. We had 20 holes in our ship from A/A

9TH MONTH

SEPTEMBER, 1944

30 DAYS

FRIDAY 29

MICHAELMAS DAY

(273 93)

30-31 DAYS

SEPT.-OCT., 1944. 9TH & 10TH MONTHS

SATURDAY 30

'274-92

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 1

17TH AFTER TRINITY

275-91

Got checked out as first pilot yesterday so now all I have to do is sweat out 1st Lt. for about three months. Heard from Gee yesterday and he made 1st the end of June.

Making 1st means about 25⁰⁰ a month more.

MONDAY 2

(276-90)

Flew first mission as first pilot. No one dropped a bomb or fired a gun as our sightings were nil.

We were looking for a convoy but turned back just short of Rabaul.

OCTOBER, 194³~~4~~

TUESDAY 3

(277-89)

Mission #18 Rooke Is and
west coast of New Britain on
a barge hunt - finished off
a few but they are scarce
now and hard to find now
that Lee and Finsehafen are
in our hands. Saw a few
Jap fighters but our 38's
chased them off.

10TH MONTH

OCTOBER, 1944.

31 DAYS

WEDNESDAY 4

(273-88)

OCTOBER, 194³~~4~~.

THURSDAY 5

(279-87)

Flew to Moresby yesterday and stayed all night with my old pals in the 501st. Had a hard trip back this morning as we had the worst instrument weather I have ever seen.

I finally landed at a new incomplete strip about 10 miles from here while dodging steam rollers. I was never so glad to get on old terra-firma before.

10TH MONTH

OCTOBER. 1944.

31 DAYS

FRIDAY 6

(280-86)

31 DAYS

OCTOBER, 1944.

10TH MONTH

SATURDAY 7

(281-85)

SUNDAY 8

18TH AFTER TRINITY

(282-84)

Old rip really gave us a raid last night. The engineers were hit pretty hard along with a fuel dump and a B 26

We spent most of the night in a slit trench. The A/A and tracers really make a pretty fourth of July at night.

MONDAY 9

(283-83)

Wallace Ieland Werner & his son
was born today and I am as
proud as Bob and Bonnie. They
are the best and I just pray
that nothing will come that
keeps us from being life long
friends - Bob has gotten thru
his piece of misfortune and I
can only sit back and see
what happens.

OCTOBER, 194³~~4~~

TUESDAY 10

(284 82)

This old stuff has got to cease. Yesterday they rolled us out at 0430 and this morning at 0500 as there was a fog convey someplace only no one seemed to know where so we sat on the line sweating it out for two days.

Just hopped the plane Radink and I had at Ubrusk as it needed a new wing but try hard as I could it wouldn't tear off so the plane is OK again.

10TH MONTH

OCTOBER, 1944.

31 DAYS

WEDNESDAY 11

(285-81)

3
OCTOBER, 1944

THURSDAY 12

(286-80.)

After a weeks sweating we finally hit Rabaul. It was the first daylight attack made on them let alone minimum altitude. I must admit it was very easy because we simply caught them with their drawers down. The next few will be bloody though.

The 8th hit Rapopo strip and ruined several bombers and we dropped thousands of frags on retreatments as well as strafing and dropping frags on fuel dump and personnel.

The whole mission contained about 325 a/c and the 8th led the whole works with Col. Hall of Group in the lead ship. I flew on Wilkins' left wing.

It was sure a silly feeling to see the Sallys taking off and flying right through our formation. We even had to dodge them after firing.

10TH MONTH

OCTOBER, 1944.

31 DAYS

FRIDAY 13

(287-79)

OCTOBER, 1944³

SATURDAY 14

(288-78)

Tried to get to Rabaul again yesterday but turned back about 75 miles short because of tropical storms. We had a force of 50 B25s and 50 38's and we were loaded with 2-1000th bombs. Both teams would have lost heavily.

MacBrither says our raid of two days ago was the most important raid ever pulled in the S.W.P.A.

Radio Tokyo called it cowardly, suicidal and sneaking and blamed it all on

SUNDAY 15

19TH AFTER TRINITY

(289-77)

the 2d Lt. They are laying for us personally and we spent last night in a slit trench - it's hard on my beauty sleep.

MONDAY 16

What a show we ⁽²⁹⁰⁷⁶⁾ had yesterday.
Jap dive bombers and fighters
tried to pull a reprisal raid
in broad daylight their first
daylight job on us since we
been here - they tried to
hit shipping at Ono Bay

38's 40's and 47's shot down 22
D/B's and 28 fighters and several
probables. There wasn't
an enemy plane in the
sky when it was over and
they didn't drop one bomb.
We lost 1 P-38 for the
fifty Jap planes.

OCTOBER, 194³~~4~~

TUESDAY 17

291 75

Combat mission #21 yesterday
but I am almost ashamed
of it but then other fellows
have gotten credit for less.
Started out with the fellows
to look for 3 destroyers and
3 transports but I turned
back halfway because
of left engine trouble.
They couldn't find the
convoy because of weather
after a 4 hr search.

WEDNESDAY 18

(292-74)

Rollled out before dawn again this A.M. and sat at the line all day on alert. sure a waste of time but there was a conveyance someplace.

The Japs have tried to raid us 4 days in a row now in daylight and our interceptors are having a field day. This morning they got 30 more Japs for 2 P360 and 1 P40 with all our pilots saved.
Good sermon last night

31 DAYS

OCTOBER, 1944.

10TH MONTH

THURSDAY 19

(293-73)

10TH MONTH

OCTOBER. 1944.

31 DAYS

FRIDAY 20

(294-72)

3
OCTOBER, 1944.

SATURDAY 21

(295-71)

Flew round trip to Maresby
this A.M. nothing eventful
like the last trip though

Was really set in my
place by Francis's last
letter. I deserved it though
but then I grew tired of hearing
about U.S.O. Commandos

Leave Friday for Sydney
and am I ready for it
My ~~new~~ nerves are it
so hot.

SUNDAY 22

(296-70)

20TH AFTER TRINITY

MONDAY 23

'297 69

Got as far as Rockhampton today, had a steak dinner with a quart of milk and ice cream for dessert then a show. It sure is a clean little town with beautiful green country side

31 DAYS

³
OCTOBER, 1944.

10TH MONTH

TUESDAY 24

(298-68)

Arrived in Sydney today
and started off with a hot
shower then a big dinner.

Went to a show and then
to bed.

10TH MONTH

OCTOBER. 1944.

31 DAYS

WEDNESDAY 25

299-67

Get drunk and
be merry

31 DAYS

OCTOBER, 1944.

10TH MONTH

THURSDAY 26

{300-66}

ditto

10TH MONTH

OCTOBER, 1944.

31 DAYS

FRIDAY 27

(301 65)

likewise

31 DAYS

OCTOBER, 1944.

10TH MONTH

SATURDAY 28

(302-64

*Save routing
Lat 2
money*

21ST AFTER TRINITY

SUNDAY 29

303 63)

MONDAY 30

(304-62)

Went to the races today and
lost five pounds and didn't
enjoy the races to boot

Still having a wonderful
time though especially
food and beer.

TUESDAY 31

(305 61)

Enrique and I watched
a cricket match for awhile
this a.m. and then went
to Palm Beach this aft
to meet Mr. Fuller - he gave
us champagne and his daughter
entertained us.

11TH MONTH

NOVEMBER, 1944.

30 DAYS

WEDNESDAY 1

ALL SAINT'S DAY

(306 60)

Had dinner with the
Fullers again tonight and
just sat around and talked

THURSDAY 2

(307-59)

Last night in Sydney
so Dmitro and I ate
heartily - drank some beer
and went to the show in
order to be fresh in the long
trip back.

FRIDAY 3

(308-58)

Stayed in Ipswich and
of course went to town for
steaks and beer. I am
getting tired of steaks but
not beer.

30 DAYS

NOVEMBER. 1944

11TH MONTH

SATURDAY 4

(309 57)

Arrived home at 1930 all tired
out - transports are sure slow.
Ample food and good news
awaiting us.

Bad.

MacKay McCann, Miller
Murphy, Hale and most of
all Major Wilkins were all
shot down at Rabaul yesterday
however they (the 8th) sank 50,000
tons of shipping including a
destroyer. The whole raid
sank 8 transports 2 destroyers
and one cruiser.

~~SUNDAY 5~~

22ND AFTER TRINITY

(310 56)

Good news.

The Squadron has
switched to A-20's

I was made 1st Lt Oct 18th

MONDAY 6

311-55

~~Our~~ Major Wilkins was our C.O. and the greatest leader I ever have or ever hope to know - he was an inspiration and a model for we new fellows. He had 87 missions and was fighting this war to do the most damage and forgetting personal safety.

He was the man who made the 8th so well known and his death is a heavy blow.

Before he was shot down he sank a destroyer and transport with two bombs. He is in for the Congressional medal of Honor and will get it.

NOVEMBER. 194³~~4~~

TUESDAY 7

1312-54

The weather finally got ~~clear~~ clear enough so we could fly this A.M. I solved the A-20 and it is quite a bit like the B-25 except for more maneuverable and about 50 MPH faster. Its sure funny how they check you out around here. In the States we would spend hours on the ground before you could even taxi and here they say there it is try your luck.

11TH MONTH

NOVEMBER, 1944.

30 DAYS

WEDNESDAY 8

{313-53}

THURSDAY 9

314-52)

Capt Schwartz left for
the States today and was
he happy. 14 months over
seas but about six of them
in Australia - He was sick.

FRIDAY 10

(315-51)

Flew a lot of formation today
and came the nearest to crashing
on landing I've ever done. Caught
~~in~~ in prop-wash and had a
helluva battle but made it O.K.

O.D. last night and tonight
also had a red alert about
midnight but they dropped
their bombs elsewhere.

30 DAYS

NOVEMBER. 1944.

11TH MONTH.

SATURDAY 11

ARMISTICE DAY

(316-50)

Worked all morning clearing up the tent and my personal belongings plus a little laundry.

Another raid last night at 0200 this time bombed a little close but they stink when it comes to accuracy.

SUNDAY 12

23RD AFTER TRINITY

(317 49)

MONDAY 13

(318 48)

Word came through last night confirming the rumor we were all sweating out. The ground echelon leaves tomorrow and the air echelon will be out of here within the week. We will be the first offensive ships there. We are going to Nodjeh up the Markham Valley from Lae. We know they get bombed and strafed regularly up there but I don't know much more about it. I do know that the 8th gets all the dirty jobs so they were the first into Moresby and ~~now~~ the first to Dobodura.

TUESDAY 14

(319-47)

Its a beautiful Sunday morning
the kind you used to go for a
ride to the country on or the
kind when even a poor round
of golf is a pleasure just because
the world is so darn beautiful
and peaceful. Yes sir this is
the kind of a day I want to
arrive home on knowing I
have no more worries. It
doesn't help to think about
it though.

WEDNESDAY 15

(320-46)

Old Rip got us up around 0430 and we stayed up the rest of the day. There were six planes over our area and we really through the ack-ack up just like the 4th of July. She dropped quite a few bombs and some pretty close but no damage was reported.

Nadzeb off until the first of the year

THURSDAY 16

(321-45)

Met Gary Cooper yesterday and he really impressed me. When we shook hands his completely engulfed mine - pretty big man! He is touring the advance posts with Una Merkel and Phyllis Brooks whom I also met but they are spooks. They will entertain in our area Sat night so I don't know what they were doing here yesterday

11TH MONTH

NOVEMBER. 1944.

30 DAYS

FRIDAY 17

(322-44)

SATURDAY 18

(323-43)

SUNDAY 19 1943

24TH AFTER TRINITY

(324-42)

Combat mission #22 - General search and nuisance raid on Jap concentrations north of Finschhafen. Its hard to say what we did because we dropped 300lb bombs and strafed the areas we were supposed to. I guess if intelligence was correct there are a few hundred less Japs in New Guinea.

What a relief to fly again I haven't had a mission for ~~over~~ a month. The A20 is a dream for strafing.

11TH MONTH

NOVEMBER. 1944.

30 DAYS

MONDAY 20

(325-41)

Captain Webster

TUESDAY 21

(326:40)

Plenty tired today. Gary Cooper, Una Merkel, Phyllis Brooke ^{short} and some other jokers put on a last night in parden but it wasn't so hot. I did enjoy talking to Cooper in our club after this and had a dance with both of the gals but they are nothing to write home about.

Worked all day yesterday and today on Francis II painting and general tidying up.

Big fight last night at the club and Rankin is minus a front tooth.

Kind of lonesome tonight as it is a beautiful Sunday evening.

Captain Webster left for the States this morning and I sure will miss him. One of the nicest fellows I have ever known - Has been through a lot.

11TH MONTH

NOVEMBER, 1944.

30 DAYS

WEDNESDAY 22

(327 39)

THURSDAY 23

(328 38)

Old Rip had us up at 0400 again but per usual he didn't do any damage or even drop a bomb. Its no wonder though because those jokers fly so high they cant even see the ground let alone the target

MacArthur says if we got our share of production the Pacific War would be over in half the time. Its true we only get 10% of all over seas shipments and we still are slowly pushing the japs back so wait until we get everything we need. ~~It~~

11TH MONTH

NOVEMBER. 1944.

30 DAYS

FRIDAY 24

(329 37)

SATURDAY 25

(330-36)

As nice a Thanksgiving as possible to have overseas. We had the works ~~and~~ to eat and the day off to lay around and recuperate.

Visited the American graveyard at Soguta where part of the Buna Campaign men are. About $\frac{1}{3}$ are unknown.

SUNDAY 26

25TH AFTER TRINITY

(331-35)

Drintra went to the hospital today with terrific pains in his side - The doc is sweating out kidney stones. He has to have morphine to sleep.

MONDAY 27

(332 34)

Spent all morning on the line with Francie II. Visited George this afternoon and he isn't one bit better. They haven't even examined him yet so he just lays there and suffers.

Dont feel so good myself this afternoon.

TUESDAY 28

333 33

Boy what a sorry time I had last night - about 1700 I got bad cramps in my stomach and even though I ate no dinner I vomited five or six times - couldn't even keep water down. Doc Gilmore gave me six pills so now this morning I feel a lot better but I still got taken off the mission today.

Later - We just heard that Jack Harris was killed this aft. on a local flight. He just left the 8th a week ago and was one of the best - he was my last co-pilot. The crash just proves that these C.P.S. haven't had enough time.

11TH MONTH

NOVEMBER. 1944.

30 DAYS

WEDNESDAY 29

334-321

THURSDAY 30

ST. ANDREW'S DAY

(335 31)

Doc Rankin was transferred out today to where he knows not. Its tough on him but he brought it on himself. That was a pretty rough deal he pulled fighting with everyone and then shooting his .45.

Cigarettes are short and we are smoking 20 Brands. The going ~~is~~ rough.

FRIDAY 1

(336-30)

Combat Mission #23 to Bagon Bay and Rotlock Bay - didn't see much but I found a beautiful big plantation house all to myself and dropped two 300 pounders in the front yard - about 50' from the Bldg. Concussion would have killed anyone in it.

Terrific rain and wind storm last night for 4 hours. Blew big trees down and levelled several tents and communication lines but no one was hurt. My tent wasn't scratched.

SATURDAY 2

(337-29)

Visited Dmitro this evening and he is much improved - no stone.

Flew to Moresby and back all before dawn today and brought a Colonel back - I greased the landing and he complimented me on the smooth flight - I was more careful than usual

SUNDAY 3 1943

ADVENT SUNDAY

(338-28)

Combat Mission #24 today and we pulled another ground support from the Masawana River to Hukiki - was a success as far as hitting targets went but we never know how many Japs we killed because you just can't see through the growth. Figure landing on New Britain shortly.

MONDAY 4

(339-27)

Tried to reach Rein Bay today but turned back because of stinky weather - No mission

They gave us a mission after all because we reached enemy skies and too we took off and landed with a load of bombs.

TUESDAY 5

(340 26)

Boyle was over tonight and we had a good time talking over old times with Ivins and Shaw. We had a few drinks but he had a two AM take off so I took him to his quarters early.

WEDNESDAY 6

(34125)

Bombed and strafed Jap bivouac north of Sattelberg for the Aussies.

We hit the target area and once again if the Japs were where we were sent they aint no more.

I was phamphet ship again plus bombing and strafing.

THURSDAY 7

342-24

Pearl Harbor two years ago -

BOSH —!!!!

At least we've got the
offensive rolling.

FRIDAY 8

(343-23)

Twenty Jap planes tried to
get to us last night but weather
turned them back up the coast
so we climbed out of our respec-
tive holes and went back to bed

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SATURDAY 9

344 22

Flew local today but had to leave the formation early with fuel trouble. What with special service work censoring and flying I'm lost for time to write home.

FRIDAY

SUNDAY 10 1943

2ND IN ADVENT

(345 21)

Local again today - They are giving us all the A 20 time possible but I've still got 4 missions in the knocker.

Cisler is leaving us - One of my best friends here - says he's getting a dirty deal.

MONDAY 11

346 20'

Dmitro and I flew a B25D1 again after a couple of months and we really knocked ourselves out. Had a two hour lecture in the afternoon by some joker who has lived on these islands all his life - Now we are supposed to know how to conduct ourselves if we are forced down. Alls I got out of it was confusion.

TUESDAY 12

(347-19)

The show was so terrible tonight it drove us all out. Right now morale is lower than ever even with our victories - We haven't had a square meal since Thanks. giving a few letters come once in maybe ten days and even the shows cant be sat thru.

WEDNESDAY 13

(348-18)

Met Franise a year ago -
today - what a lot has transpired
since then but I sure have
no regrets.

Got to get up at 0430 for
a mission in the morning.
Must get to bed early tonight.

Spent 3 hours washing
clothes this afternoon and
are my hands red.

THURSDAY 14

KING'S BIRTHDAY

(349 17)

Mission ~~26~~^{*27} to Oaue with
big bomb and strafe job. We
flew a double header today
with 12 new pilots waiting for
us to climb out of the cockpit.

Heavies and mediums are
there too so there may be
a landing in the next few
days. Got up at 0430 again
boy the going is rough.

FRIDAY 15

(350-16)

The first landing was pulled
on New Britain at dawn today.

An all American army landing
at Arawe where they met no
opposition. No wonder after
the pounding we gave Arawe
yesterday. This is the beginning
of the end for Rabaul.

31 DAYS

DECEMBER, 1944.

12TH MONTH

SATURDAY 16

(35115)

SUNDAY 17

3RD IN ADVENT

(35214)

Christmas packages rolling
in gloves and we have
all eaten so much sweets
no one is well. But it's
fun. Yanks are spreading
out from Arnhem and it
looks pretty good.

MONDAY 18

(353-13)

Received the orders today
on the Oak Leaf Cluster to
my air medal. Saw some
motion pictures taken from
my nose while practicing
evasive action and strafing
on the Dona wreck. They
came out damn good even
if I did scare myself
watching it.

31 DAYS

DECEMBER, 1944.

12TH MONTH

TUESDAY 19

(354-12)

WEDNESDAY 20

(355-11)

Got a rotten chest cold
and havent any pep at all.
Its playing hot with my
missions too because the
squadron goes out almost
every day.

31 DAYS

DECEMBER, 1944.

12TH MONTH

THURSDAY 21

356 10

FRIDAY 22

(357-9)

Went on Mission #28 today and we bombed and strafed 4 miles west of Gloucester strips.

That area is the most hammered for its size in the world. It was a formidable spot once but now west New Britain looks like it has the chicken pox.

A million craft of various sizes in One Bay. Anytime now - maybe before Xmas.

SATURDAY 23

(358-8)

The Japs in the Gloucester area are really taking a pasting still - We bomb them all day and one or two B 24s stay over all night dropping bottles broken glass and hundreds of small fire bombs. I guess they haven't slept for a week up there.

SUNDAY 24

4TH IN ADVENT

(359 7)

Mission #22 to Siv area on barge hunt. We hit the hide outs and these huns must pay dividends because the Aussies are finding dead Japs all around who starved to death - Xmas Eve. but it sure isn't what it used to be.

MONDAY 25

CHRISTMAS DAY

(360-6)

↪ It says right here Xmas day but it was just another day to us. Got in about 1900 from the mission yesterday - then a show and bed at 2200 for Xmas Eve. My cold is pretty bad and I coughed all night but I think its breaking up. Got up at 0500 and hit at Gloucester for my 30th mission. Slept all afternoon and feel pretty good tonight - Tomorrow is the long awaited landing at Gloucester and Berger Bay. We were briefed on it tonight so I hope to see it.

TUESDAY 26

BOXING DAY

(3615)

Must have been quite a show at Gloucester this morning with the Marines landing and they sky filled with planes.

I didn't go with the early mission but had to stand by loaded with big bombs in case the Jap navy showed up - Boy would we have been clay pigeons.

WEDNESDAY 27

(362-4)

Combat Mission #31 today in close support of Aussie troops at Wabang New Guinea. We hit the targets as ordered so I guess the mission was successful. We have seen a couple of Jap fighters the last few missions but they don't attack us even though we have no top cover. They must respect our nose guns.

Things are supposed to be progressing nicely at Gloucester and the Japs have lost heavy - So have we.

31 DAYS

DECEMBER. 1944.

12TH MONTH

THURSDAY 28

(363 3)

FRIDAY 29

(364 2)

Things are ahead of schedule
at Gloucester with the main
landing so we should
have a good strip there
in a month—So what!!

I'm sick and hungry.

SATURDAY 30

(365-1)

Combat mission #32 - Bomb + strafe enemy installations just south of Dren Beach.

About all we're good for now is ground support and every time the Yanks or Aussies get in trouble we go get them out.

At least we get congratulatory notes every so often from the ground troops on our work so we're happy.

I got a machine gun nest personally today.

SUNDAY 31

(366)

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JANUARY

Dr.

CASH ACCOUNT AND BILL BOOK

Cr.

FEBRUARY

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MARCH

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ANNUAL CASH ACCOUNT

CASH RECEIVED

CASH PAID

BALANCE FROM LAST YEAR

JANUARY - - -

FEBRUARY - - -

MARCH - - - -

APRIL - - - -

MAY - - - - -

JUNE - - - -

JULY - - - - -

AUGUST - - - -

SEPTEMBER - -

OCTOBER - - -

NOVEMBER - -

DECEMBER - - -

BALANCE CARRIED FORWARD

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