

PHOTO STUDY (PART 2) AUSTRALIAN SOLDIERS BATHING AND SUNBAKING

**(“Sunbaking” is Australian slang
for “Sunbathing”)**



**MALAYA. USING THEIR
TOWELS AS SARONGS,
AUSTRALIANS MAKE
THEIR WAY THROUGH
THE TREES TO THE
BATHING PLACE.** (NEGATIVE BY M.
NICHOLS).



Members of B Company, 9RAR, undress on the bank of a river during Operation Jack. They are about to bathe in the river, their first bath in thirteen days.



**Three members
of B Company,
9RAR, bathe in a
river during
Operation Jack. It
is the diggers' first
bath in thirteen
days.**





**October
1969.
Members of
B Company,
9RAR,
bathe in a
river during
Operation
Jack. It is
the diggers'
first bath in
thirteen
days.**

Standing undressed in the water, an unidentified member of B Company, 9RAR, puts his boots back on first after he and his mates have bathed in a river during Operation Jack. It was the diggers' first bath in thirteen days.



**North-east Australia.
Aircraftman 1 J. Leahy of
Mordialloc, Vic, pouring water
over AC1 Ray Hull of
Richmond, who is naked
having a hot outdoor bath in a
cut down oil drum.**



**BABIANG, NEW
GUINEA. 1944-11-06.
MEMBERS OF A
TROOPS, 2/10
COMMANDO
SQUADRON CLEANING
UP AFTER A PATROL
INTO JAPANESE
TERRITORY NEAR THE
DANMAP RIVER.**

IDENTIFIED PERSONNEL ARE:-
TROOPER L. PICKERING (1); TX5600
LANCE-CORPORAL JOHN MATTHEW
CORBETT (WHO SERVED UNDER THE
ALIAS EDWIN HOWARD LUKES) (2);
TPR DEREK SCOTT FERGUS
FERGUSON (3).



**MELKONG RIVER,
NEW BRITAIN. 1945-
02-20. TROOPS OF
THE 2/14TH FIELD
REGIMENT,
ENJOYING A BATH
OR A WASH IN THE
SHALLOWS OF THE
RIVER NEAR THEIR
CAMP.**



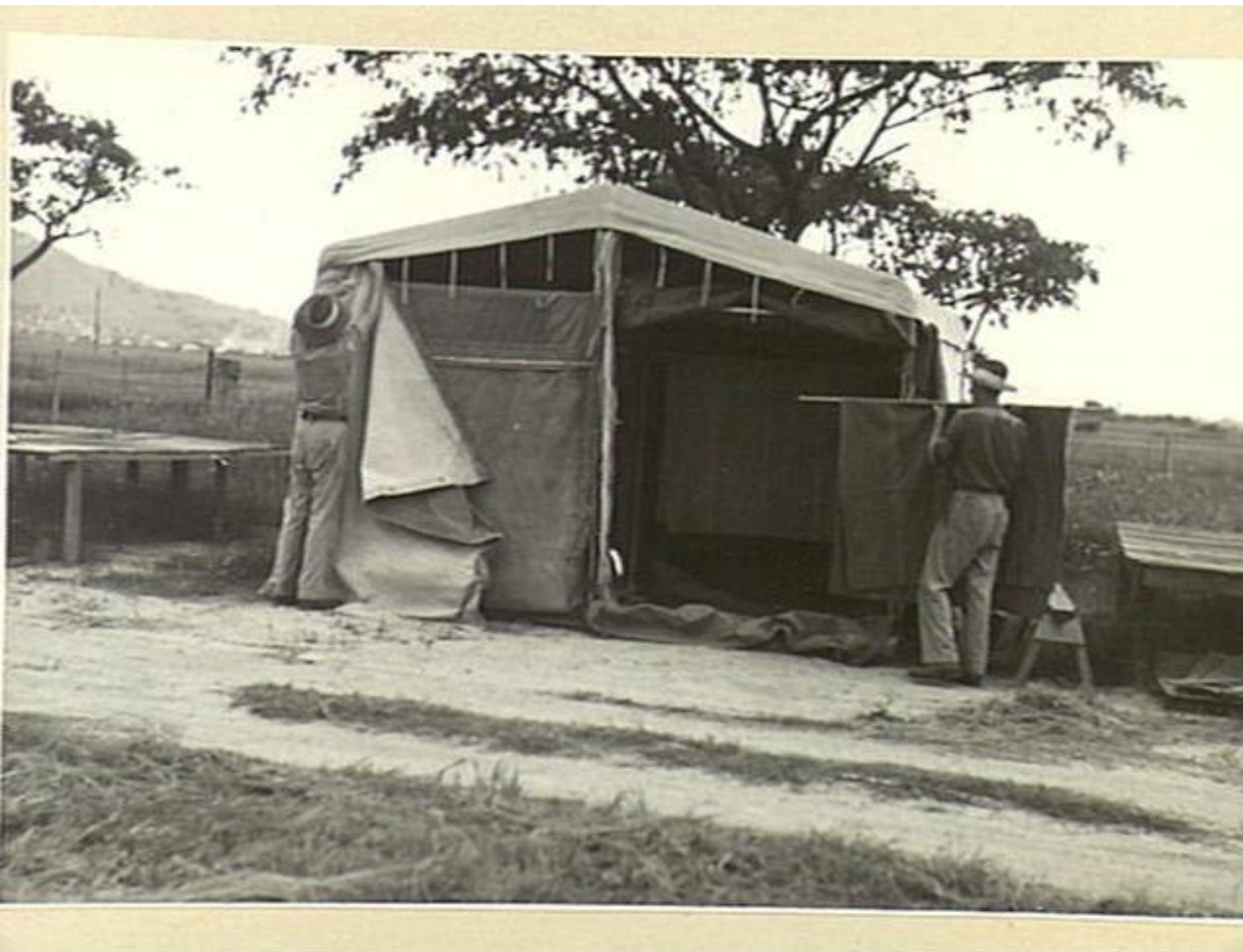
NADZAB AIRSTRIP, NEW GUINEA. 1943-09-19. TROOPS OF THE 2/5TH AUSTRALIAN FIELD COMPANY ATTACHED TO THE 25TH AUSTRALIAN INFANTRY BRIGADE ENJOY A WASH IN THE CREEK AFTER THEIR TWENTY FIVE MILE MARCH FROM LAE. SHOWN: WX3037 LANCE CORPORAL A. C. MCKENZIE-SMITH (1); NX16305 SAPPER (SPR) P. F. G. MARTIN (2); NX93504 SPR F. W. CUNIS (3); NX96342 SPR S. HOOKER (4); VX64459 SPR C. A. BOEHM (5); UNKNOWN (6); UNKNOWN (7); UNKNOWN (8); SX20267 SPR R. V. N. LOCK (9); VX111812 SPR F. NOSEDA (10); NX81085 SPR M. P. DAVIDSON (11); QX29552 SPR F. L. DOYLE (12); NX82158 SPR M. V. GANNON (13); NX54649 SPR R. M. TUIE (14).

IN NEXT 3 PHOTOS:









**OONONBA, QUEENSLAND.
1944-03-11. MEMBERS OF
THE 102ND MOBILE BATH
UNIT ERECTING A
DISINFECTOR USED TO
DECONTAMINATE BLANKETS,
CLOTHING AND EQUIPMENT.
ONE SIDE IS BEING CLOSED,
AND BLANKETS ARE BEING
PLACED IN THE OTHER SIDE.
USING BOTH SIDES OF THE
UNIT, 2,000 BLANKETS CAN
BE TREATED EACH DAY.**

**Original negative
donated by Padre
Dexter in 1920's, no
caption information
was supplied. Range
from J03381 to
J05481.**



**A group
of
soldiers
enjoying
a thermal
spring
bath
during a
period of
leave.**



Perak State, Malaya. During a brigade exercise in the bush, members of the 1st Battalion, The Royal Australian Regiment (1RAR), take the opportunity to have wash from a trailer filled with water. One of the soldiers is sitting in the trailer having a bath, while at left another man is drying himself off after having just got out of the trailer. The trailer is being towed by a short wheel base a Landrover. (Original print housed in AWM Archive Store)

IN NEXT PHOTO:



**Phuoc Tuy Province,
South Vietnam. August
1971. Private (Pte) Allan
Ottway of Toongabbie,
NSW, takes a welcome
wash in a narrow creek
during a break in
patrolling in the north-
west of Phuoc Tuy
Province. Pte Ottway is a
member of the 7th
Battalion, The Royal
Australian Regiment
(7RAR), which is
operating in a suspected
Viet Cong supply area.**



PHUOC TUY PROVINCE, SOUTH VIETNAM. 1970-02. HAVING A SHOWER IN THE FIELD IS NOTHING NEW, BUT A BATH! SAPPER (SPR) LANCE NICHLOS, 21, OF EDDYSTONE POINT LIGHTHOUSE, TAS, TAKES ADVANTAGE OF A BREAK IN THE DAILY ROUTINE AT FIRE SUPPORT BASE PAT, TO ENJOY THE LUXURY OF A BATH IN A TRAILER AND LISTEN TO HIS RADIO. SPR NICHLOS AN ENGINEER FROM THE 1ST FIELD SQUADRON, WAS ATTACHED TO 5TH BATTALION, THE ROYAL AUSTRALIAN REGIMENT (5RAR), FOR OPERATION BONDI, 5RAR'S LAST OPERATION IN VIETNAM. THE BATTALION WAS DUE TO SAIL FOR HOME LATER IN THE MONTH ON BOARD THE TROOPSHIP HMAS SYDNEY AFTER A YEAR IN THE WAR ZONE.



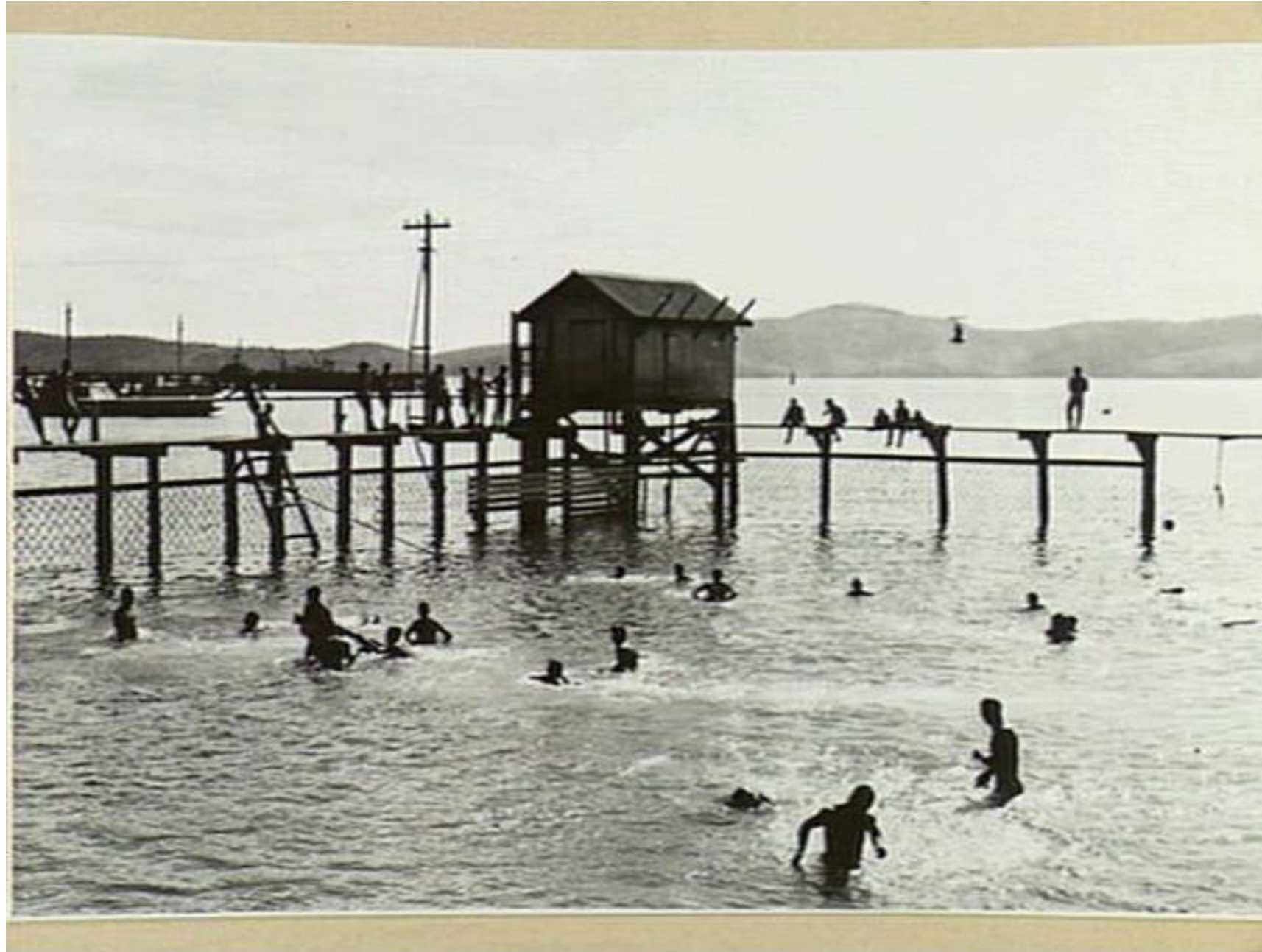
**PIONEER CROSSING,
PORT MORESBY AREA,
PAPUA, 1944-03-25.
VX113860 CORPORAL
F.J. REEVES (1), WITH
VX68221 PRIVATE J.
FORD (2), THE
DESIGNER OF THE
MOBILE SHOWERS
AND HEATING UNIT
PICTURED AT THE
2/107TH MOBILE BATH
UNIT.**



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UNIT.**



**PORT MORESBY,
PAPUA. 1942-08. A
MORE CONVENTIONAL
WAY OF KEEPING
COOL. AUSTRALIAN
SOLDIERS ENJOY THEIR
SWIM IN THE OLD
PUBLIC BATHS AT
PORT MORESBY.**



**PORT MORESBY,
PAPUA. 1942-08. ONE
WAY TO KEEP COOL IN
NEW GUINEA. THIS
AUSTRALIAN SOLDIER
SEEMS TO BE
ENJOYING HIS BATH AT
A ROAD HYDRANT IN
PORT MORESBY.**



**Probably
ALEXANDRIA, EGYPT.
1915. MEN BATHING
AND EXERCISING
THEIR HORSES IN THE
SEA BEHIND A
BREAKWATER. THE
MEN ARE PROBABLY
FROM THE 1ST
DIVISIONAL
AMMUNITION
COLUMN.**



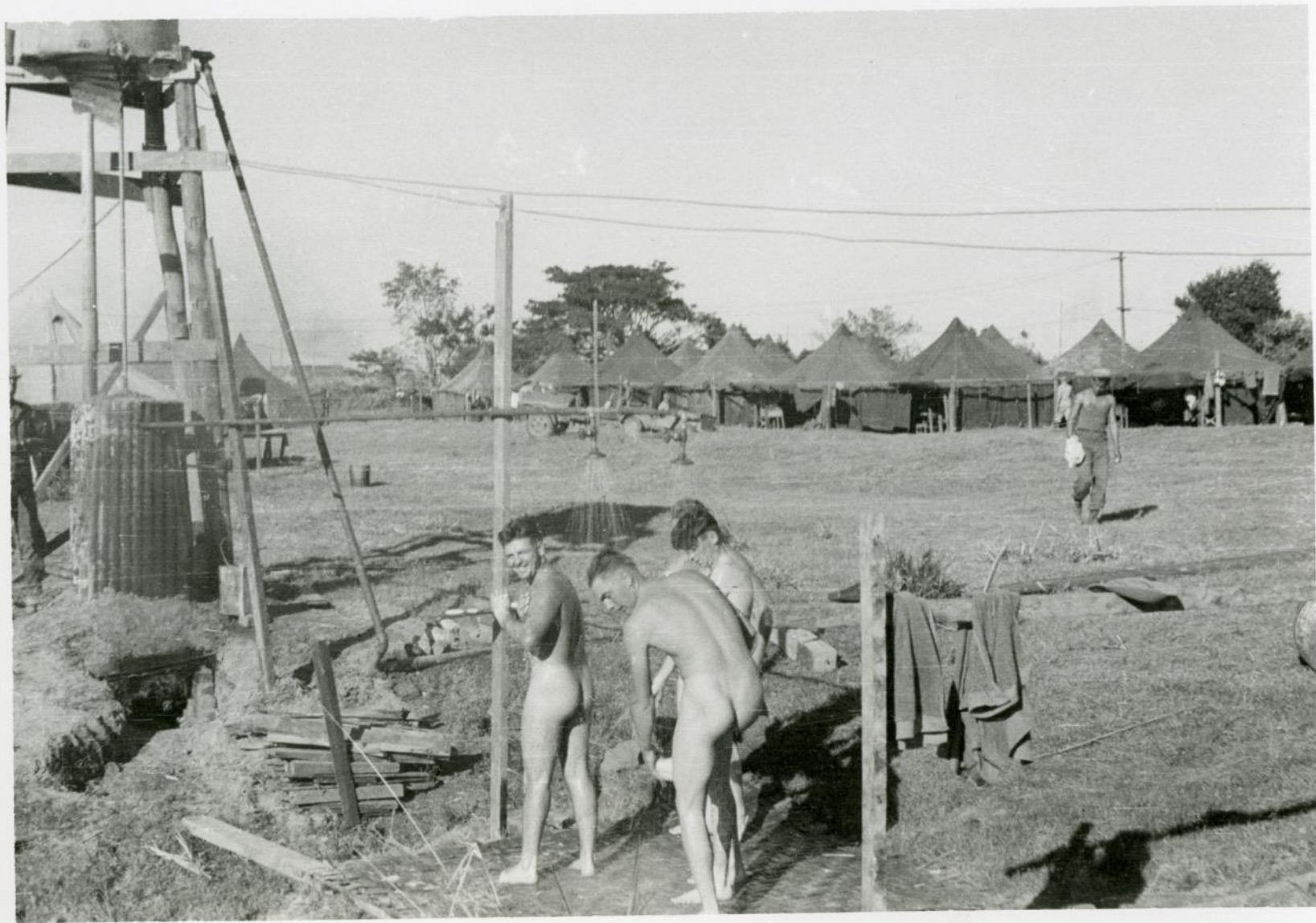
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Two Light Horsemen take a horse into the surf while swimming at Mohamidiya, four miles from camp at Romani.



**SCARLET BEACH,
FINSCHHAFEN AREA,
NEW GUINEA. 1944-
03-13. THE SIGN
MARKING THE SPOT
FOR NUDE BATHING
AT SCARLET BEACH.**







**Sicily,
Italy. July
1943.
Naked
members
of a RAAF
Fighter
Bomber
Squadron
stand in a
trough
next to a
well and
use the
facilities
for
bathing.**



**Soputa, Papua.
December 1942.
Australian troops
bathing in the River
Basari at Soputa.
Some of the men are
standing on a
wooden platform
while they dry
themselves. A soldier,
at far left is cleaning
his teeth as he stands
in the river.**



SYDNEY, NSW. 1945-09-16. MEMBERS OF 8TH DIVISION, EX-POWS OF THE JAPANESE, ARRIVED AT ROSE BAY FROM SINGAPORE BY CATALINA FLYING BOATS. MAJOR GENERAL E. C. P. PLANT, GENERAL OFFICER COMMANDING, NSW LINES OF COMMUNICATION AREA AND A HUGE CROWD WELCOMED THEM. FROM THE FLYING BASE THE MEN TRAVELLED IN BUSES TO 113RD GENERAL HOSPITAL WHERE THEY HAD A MEDICAL EXAMINATION. SHOWN, DRIVER R. P. COLEMAN AND PRIVATE A. FLECKONE HAVING THEIR FIRST HOT BATH IN FOUR YEARS.

IN NEXT PHOTO:



TARAKAN ISLAND, BORNEO. 1945-05-09. A PARTLY WRECKED BUILDING WHICH WAS CONVERTED TO A BATHROOM BY THESE RAAF MEN. THEY WERE NOT WORRIED BY LACK OF PRIVACY. FROM LEFT: 131289 CORPORAL G. STURGEON, SYDNEY, NSW, SHAVING; 73330 LEADING AIRCRAFTMAN (LAC) A. B. WILLIAMS, CAMPSIE, NSW, NAKED UNDER THE SHOWER; 78325 LAC L. DORE, SOUTHPORT, QLD, WASHING HIMSELF FROM A TUB OF WATER.

IN NEXT PHOTO:



The Cleaning and Dressing Room of Australian Corps baths at Corbie. Uniforms were cleaned and ironed, while the owner was having a hot bath in the adjoining bath house. There is a collection of flat irons heating on the stove. An extract from the unit diary of the Baths and Laundries Australian Corps for July 1918, titled "Instructions for NCO I/C Baths", states "Each man in the ironing room will have three flat irons marked so that he can recognise each one. These must be kept hot. Tunics and Breeches are ironed to kill the lice and eggs - not to improve the appearance of the clothing. Great care must be taken that all lice and eggs are directly exposed to the iron especially under the edges of the seams and in the crutch and fly flap."

IN NEXT PHOTO:



The mud and slush throughout the Ypres Sector kept the feet of the troops in a continual state of dampness and caused the complaint of 'trench feet' to become fairly general. Members of the 40th Battalion, 10th Australian Infantry Brigade are seen here taking advantage of a rest at Dragoon Farm, near Ypres, after the Battle of Passchendaele Ridge, to bathe and oil their feet in order to obviate the malady. Identified, standing, left to right: 2311 Corporal (Cpl) Cyril Sydney Cosson (smoking cigarette, 1); 137 Lance Corporal (LCpl) G Bailey (2); 619 Private (Pte) F Clayton (3); 2136 Sergeant (Sgt) R W Richardson (4); 797 LCpl M E Cox (5); 2281 Sgt W Walker (facing camera with left hand doing up button of jacket, 6); 13595 Pte F Bell, Army Medical Corps (roll of bandage under left arm, 7). Sitting: 204 Pte A W Hunn (8); unidentified (9); 2562 Sgt H F Davis (10); 2297 Pte H L Booth (11); 2589 Pte A H Holmstrom (in front of Booth, 12); 844 Cpl O H Hansson (13); 5656 LCpl L M Badcock (partially obscured, 14); 2638 Pte T P Ready (15); and working on Badcock's feet is 16652 Pte L H Smith, Army Medical Corps (16). See E00942K for position of those named in this caption. **IN NEXT PHOTO:**



**THIS IS A SCENE IN THE
DESERT. A POOL OF
STORMWATER
PROVIDED A WELCOME
WASHBASIN FOR THIS
PARTY OF DUST
BEGRIMED BRITISH
TOMMIES AT
GERAWLA, DURING
THE 8TH ARMY'S
ADVANCE.** (NEGATIVE BY F.
HURLEY).



**STORM WATER
PROVIDES BATH
WATER.**



**BRITISH
SOLDIER
CLEANS
UP IN
DIRTY
WATER
OF A
SHELL
HOLE,
WW1.**



**DIGGERS TAKE A
BATH IN
THILAND.**



**TOBRUK. QX2836 PRIVATE VICKERY OF
ROCKHAMPTON, QLD, TAKES A BATH IN WADI
AUDA SURROUNDED BY MEMBERS OF 2/4TH FIELD
PARK AND 2/4TH FIELD COMPANY OF ENGINEERS.
THE BATH TUB WAS AMONG THE STORES
CAPTURED FROM THE ITALIANS. WATER COMES
FROM THE ENGINE COOLING APPARATUS AT THE
AIF PUMPING STATION.** (NEGATIVE BY F. HURLEY).

IN NEXT PHOTO:



**Unidentified
Australian
servicemen
bathing in shell
holes on the
Somme battlefield,
after the fight for
Bullecourt, WW1.**



**WESTERN DESERT, EGYPT.
1942-07-20.**

**AUSTRALIANS BATHING
IN THE SEA NEAR EL
ALAMEIN. WATER
RATIONING MAKES SEA
BATHING AS MUCH A
SOURCE OF HEALTH AS OF
PLEASURE IN A DESERT
CAMPAIGN.**

**FORTUNATELY, AT
PRESENT, THE MAIN
BODY OF AUSTRALIANS IS
WITHIN REACH OF THE
SEA. (ALSO IN NEXT
PHOTO):**



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WHEN VICTORY WAS WON IN SYRIA, THESE AUSTRALIANS TOOK THE FIRST OPPORTUNITY PROVIDED BY AN ORNAMENTAL POOL TO WASH OFF THE DUST OF A STRENUOUS CAMPAIGN. THEY ARE: LANCE CORPORALS JACK HARFORD, L. GAFFNEY AND A. YARROLD.



IN NEXT PHOTO, YUMOTO, JAPAN. C. 1946-09-27. TROOPS FROM THE LAKESIDE HOTEL, BCOF REST CENTRE, ENJOYING A HOT SULPHUR BATH AT A HOTEL. LEFT TO RIGHT: VX97193 LIEUTENANT R. W. ROWED OF MELBOURNE, VIC; CORPORAL G. U. TURNER OF ENGLAND; 14710308 DRIVER A. CALDWELL OF ENGLAND; NX180649 LANCE CORPORAL B. P. ROACH OF KEMPSEY, NSW; 14869732 DRIVER D. WEEDON OF ENGLAND; NX204947 LANCE CORPORAL W. M. ROACH OF SYDNEY, NSW.



The bathing parade.



A batman preparing a bath for his officer in an oil sheet in the cramped quarters of the front line trenches.



After Australian infantry had stormed the steep heights of Sattelberg, Private (Pte) D. Sutherland of Richmond, SA, has a bath in an abandoned tub. Pte J. E. Young of Morgan, SA, looks on while Pte R. K. Connelly of East Fremantle, WA, helps with the scrubbing. The buildings behind are in ruins after Allied bombing.



IN THE NEXT PHOTO, A large group of men standing near tarpaulin covered boxed stores on Anzac Beach. Some men have towels; one is naked. In the foreground is a turbaned Indian. Original inscription reads: "On the beach at Anzac". One of a collection of photographs thought to be taken by 440 Trooper (Tpr) Arthur Lovett, 3rd Light Horse Regiment. Tpr Lovett enlisted as a 20 year old bank clerk from Hobart, Tasmania. He served at Gallipoli until August 1915, when he was evacuated sick to England. In December 1915 he was granted a commission in the British Army.



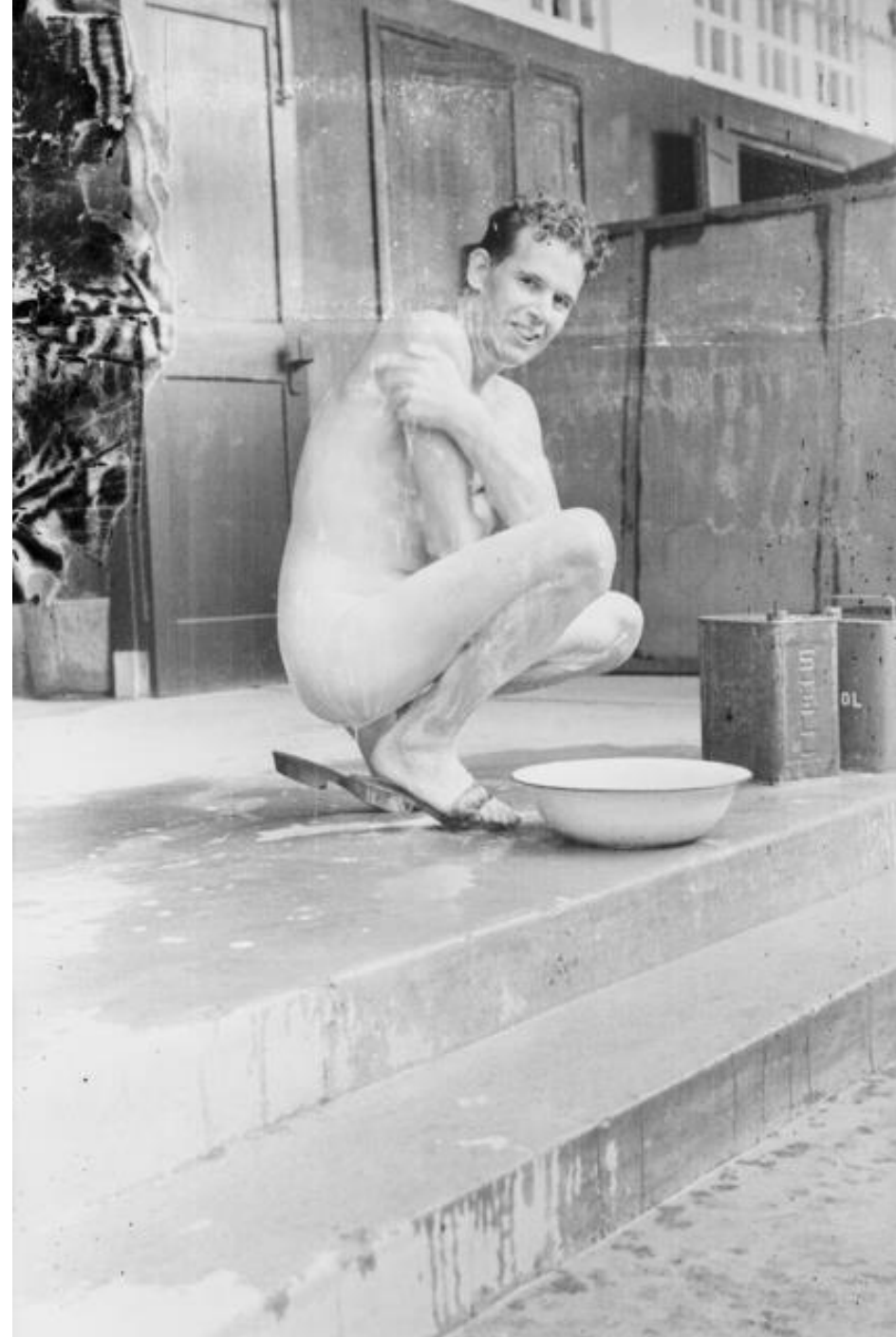
**Gallipoli Peninsula,
Turkey. May 1915. A
scene on Anzac
Beach on a Sunday
early in May, when as
many as 400 bathers
were in the water at
one time. Watson's
Pier, in the left
foreground, was
under construction.**



ALEXISHAFEN, NEW GUINEA. 1944-05-11. A CAPTURED JAPANESE RICE COOKING CAULDRON BEING USED AS A BATH TUB BY MEMBERS OF THE 35TH INFANTRY BATTALION, 8TH INFANTRY BRIGADE. PERSONS SHOWN ARE:- NX120436 SERGEANT J.T. PUNCH; NX120501 PRIVATE W.J. MCDONALD



IN THE NEXT PHOTO, An Australian prisoner bathes on the verandah of a Selarang Barracks building, Changi prisoner of war (POW) camp, using an enamel bowl and cans of water. This photograph was taken secretly by VX45320 Major (Maj) Kennedy Byron Burnside, Australian Army Medical Corps, Commanding Officer of the 2nd Mobile Bacteriological Laboratory, studying tropical diseases. Burnside was in Singapore with the 2/13th Australian General Hospital when Singapore fell to the Japanese in early 1942. He was interned at the Selarang Barracks, Changi prisoner of war camp, where the unit set up a laboratory. Maj Burnside hid an 8mm Bell and Howell film camera and a 35 mm Leica in the camp and recorded prison life. In August 1943, a change in prison command led to a tightening of the camp's discipline and punishment regime, and Burnside's negatives, cameras, and diaries were hidden in 15-inch brass shell cases, along with many other Australian records. The shell cases had been salvaged from the British naval guns that were emplaced in the Changi area and destroyed by the garrison. The items were buried according to star sightings, which were again used in September 1945 to unearth 12 of the 13 buried cases.



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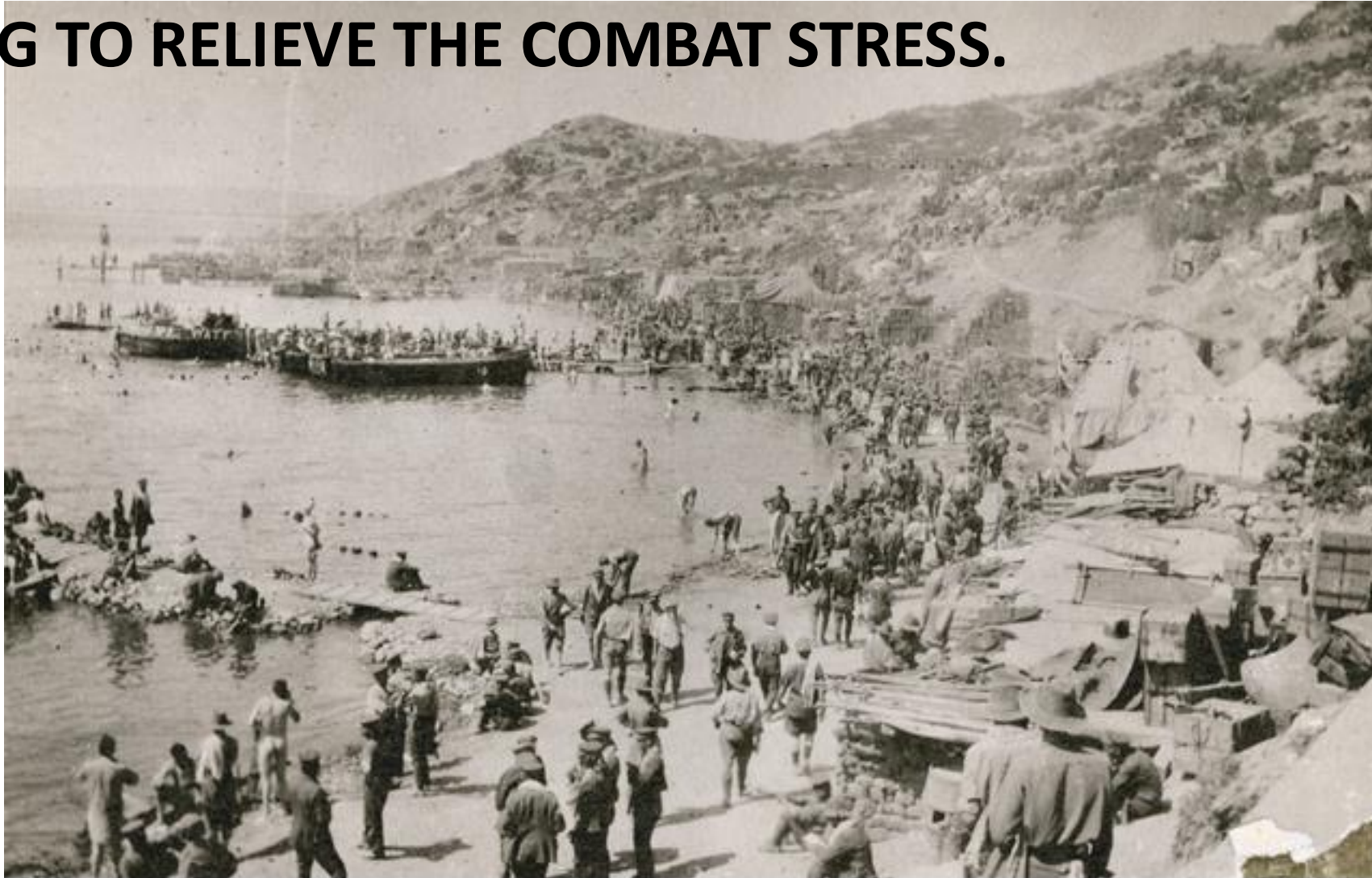
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**THESE POW'S IN
JAPANESE CAMPS
HAD TO HELP EACH
OTHER TO BATHE.**



ANZAC BEACH, GALLIPOLI. 1915. PHOTOGRAPH SHOWING TROOPS AND STORES ON THE BEACH WITH BOATS IN THE BACKGROUND AND SOME MEN BATHING. SOLDIERS WERE ENCOURAGED TO GO SWIMMING TO RELIEVE THE COMBAT STRESS.



THERE WAS A PROBLEM THOUGH, WITH SWIMMING IN ANZAC COVE. THEY WERE PRONE TO BEING SHOT BY TURKISH SNIPERS.

IN THE NEXT PHOTO WE SEE an Informal portrait of 1714 Driver Fred Lucas King, 7th Battery, 3rd Field Artillery Brigade (3FAB), of Indooroopilly, Qld, holding a small dog which was the troop mascot for the unit. King enlisted on 1914-08-28, **was wounded while swimming at Gallipoli**, met his future wife, an English nurse, while in hospital and retired as a Lieutenant with Headquarters, 11th Field Artillery Brigade (11FAB) on 1918-03-10. He did not return to Australia but spent the rest of his life in England.



GALLIPOLI, 1915. A BEACH SCENE AT ANZAC COVE, SHOWING SOLDIERS BATHING, RELAXING ON THE FORESHORE. (COLLECTION A.D. HOOD, DONOR J. BORSTEL). THEY WERE SUSCEPTIBLE TO BEING SHOT BY ENEMY SNIPERS.



**Sahiliyeh,
Mesopotamia.
1918-03. Informal
portrait of
members of No. 3
Station, 1st
Wireless Signal
Squadron,
Mesopotamian
Expeditionary
Force, enjoying an
afternoon swim in
the Euphrates
River.**



**Baqubah (Baquba),
Mesopotamia. 1918. Drivers
of No. 2 Station, 1st
Wireless Signal Squadron,
Mesopotamian
Expeditionary Force,
swimming in the Diala
(Diyala) River. The wagon
acted as a general
communications control
station for the Force during
1918 and January 1919
connected to Squadron
Headquarters (SHQ) by an
old Turkish landline. (Donor
E. Keast Burke)**



**Bombay, India. ?1917.
Informal group portrait of
troops, possibly a
reinforcement for the 1st
Wireless Signal Squadron,
Mesopotamian
Expeditionary Force, relaxing
in the water. They were at
Elephanta Island which was
famous for its ancient carved
caves. Note the topees worn
by the men even in the
water. These pith helmets
were issued to replace the
customary felt hats on the
arrival of the troops in India.**



IN THE NEXT PHOTO, AQUEDUCTS DATING BACK TO THE ROMAN OCCUPATION OF SYRIA OVER TWO THOUSAND YEARS AGO ARE STILL IN USE AND HAVE BEEN RESTORED AND MADE TO SERVE THE PURPOSES OF THE IRRIGATION SYSTEM COVERING THE COUNTRY BETWEEN TYRE AND SIDON. AUSTRALIAN TROOPS USE THE COOL WATERS TO HAVE REFRESHING FOOT BATHS. (PHOTOGRAPHER FRANK HURLEY)



ATHERTON, QLD. 1943-07-16. THE MASCOT OF A COOKHOUSE AT THE 9TH AUSTRALIAN DIVISION, A PUPPY DOG, BEING DRIED AFTER HIS BATH, IN PREPARATION FOR THE VISIT OF GENERAL DOUGLAS MACARTHUR, COMMANDER IN CHIEF, ALLIED LAND FORCES, SOUTH WEST PACIFIC AREA.



**AT SEA. NO EXCUSE FOR
BEING DIRTY WITH SO
MUCH WATER AROUND,
SO THESE TWO ABOARD
MS SOPHOCLES TAKE IT IN
TURN TO GIVE EACH
OTHER A GOOD WASH.
TROOPER FRANK BOYLE,
AND TROOPER JOHN
SHAW, BOTH OF THE
2/7TH DIVISIONAL
CAVALRY REGIMENT.**



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AUSTRALIAN LIGHT HORSEMEN BATHING IN AN ABLUTION POOL. IN THE WADI GHUZZE IN 1917.

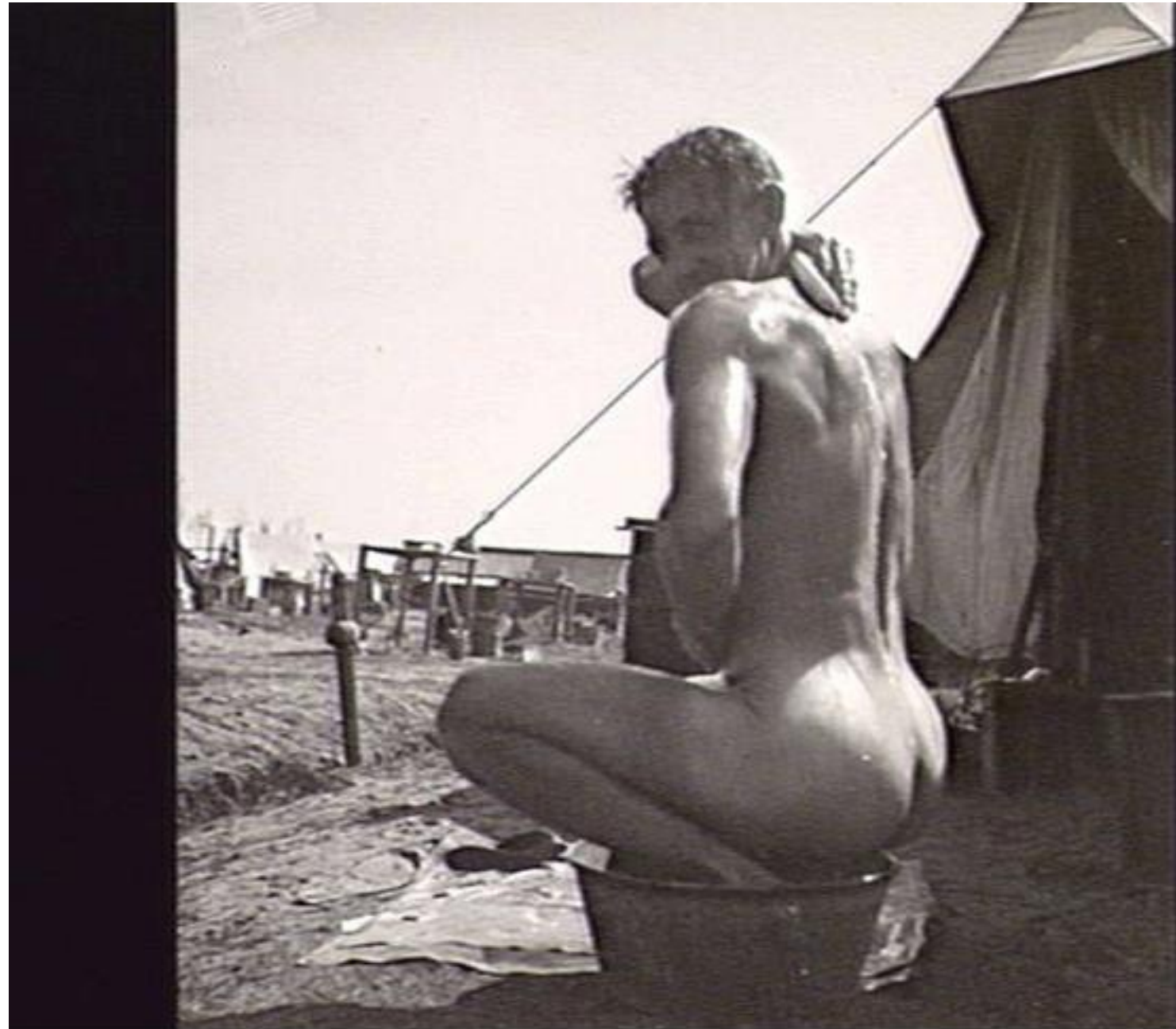
(DONATED BY MR. J.A. HENDERSON.)



IN THE NEXT PHOTO FROM Bakli Bay, Hainan Island. c. 28 August 1945. Japanese repairing a bath in the prisoner of war (POW) wash room in the POW Camp where Allied prisoners are imprisoned, including some members of the 2/21st Australian Infantry Battalion Group captured at Amboina early in 1942. The POW stood around outside the bath, a cement trough, and with mess tins, dipped and threw the water over themselves.



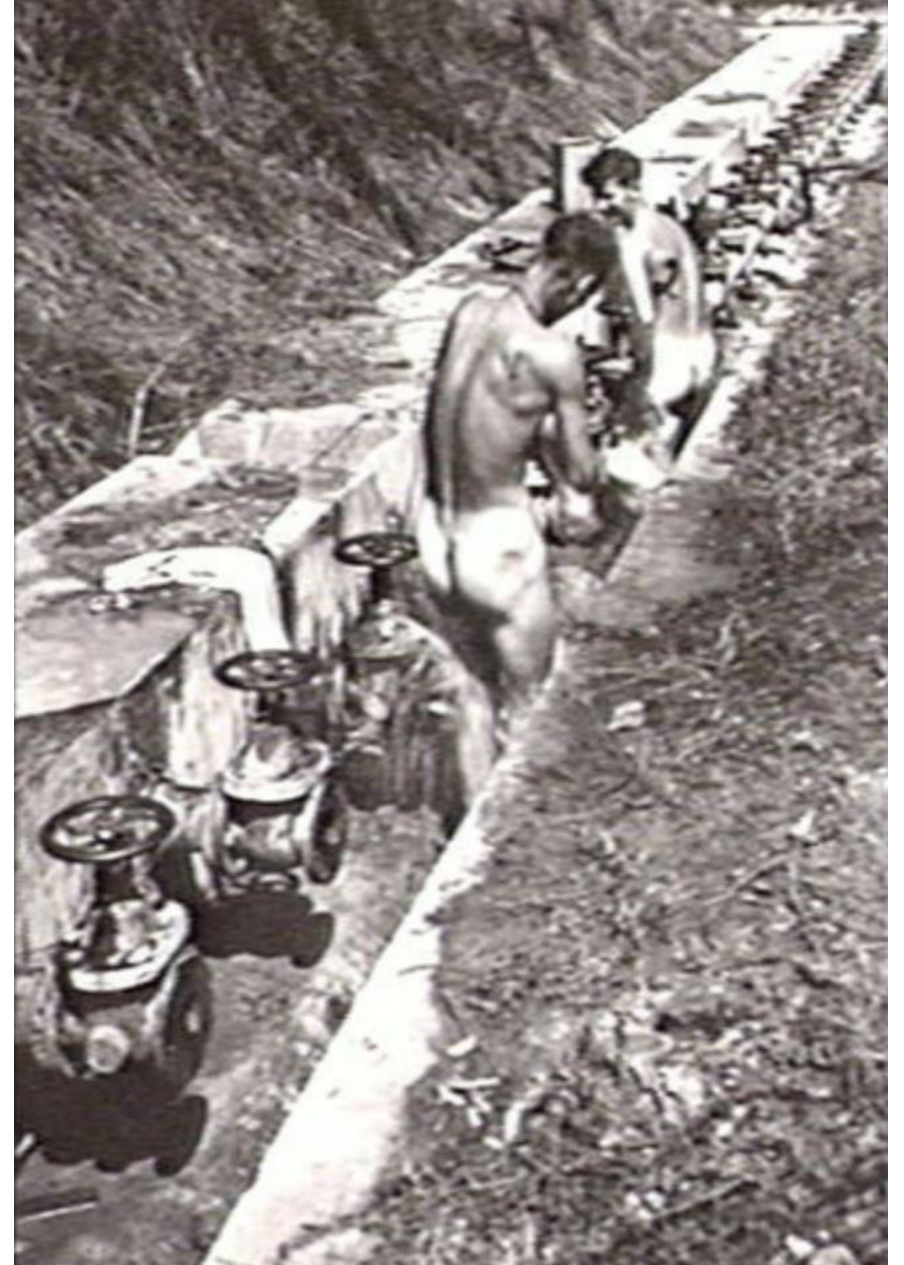
**BALIKPAPAN AREA,
BORNEO. 1945-09-
07. WARRANT
OFFICER 2 W. E.
MAXWELL, 2/14TH
INFANTRY
BATTALION, HAVING
A BATH IN A DISH.**



**BALIKPAPAN, BORNEO. 16 JULY
1945. MEMBERS OF 2ND
BATTERY, 2/1ST LIGHT ANTI
AIRCRAFT (COMPOSITE)
REGIMENT HAVING A BATH BY
THE ROADSIDE IN THE OILFIELDS
AREA. THE WRECKED CRACKING
PLANT IS IN BACKGROUND.**



BALIKPAPAN, BORNEO, 10 JULY
1945. PRIVATE P W ROBERTS
(1) AND PTE A O SHERRIFF (2)
MEMBERS OF C COMPANY,
2/12 INFANTRY BATTALION,
BATHING AT WATER OUTLETS
OF THE TOWN RESERVOIR.



BEIRUT, SYRIA. 1942-06. BATHING SCENE IN THE MEDITERRANEAN SEA. THESE MEN ARE FROM A.I.F. UNITS IN SYRIA AND ARE STAYING AT THE "HAPPY VALLEY" LEAVE CAMP, A CAMP ESTABLISHED ABOUT 2 MILES FROM BEIRUT TO ENABLE PERSONNEL TO AVAIL THEMSELVES OF A 7-DAY LEAVE PERIOD AT A MINIMUM EXPENSE. DAY TRIPS TO PLACES OF HISTORICAL INTEREST WERE ARRANGED AND OTHER RECREATIONAL FACILITIES INCLUDED SPORTS, SURFING AND A WELL STOCKED LIBRARY.

IN THE NEXT PHOTO:



BERRY SPRINGS, N.T. 1942-11-13. MEMBERS OF THE 43RD AUSTRALIAN INFANTRY BATTALION CONSTRUCTING SHOWER BATHS AT THE BERRY SPRINGS AUSTRALIAN REST CAMP NOW BEING CONSTRUCTED. ALL BUSH TIMBER IS BEING USED IN THE ERECTION OF THE CAMP WHICH IS BEING DONE BY MEMBERS OF THE INFANTRY BATTALIONS IN THE AREA, SUPERVISED BY ARMY ENGINEERS. WHEN COMPLETED THE CAMP WILL HOLD ABOUT 1200 TROOPS AND IT IS INTENDED THAT EACH UNIT IN THE NORTHERN TERRITORY WILL, IN TURN, SPEND A WEEK THERE. IN NEXT PHOTO:



**BIAK ISLAND (THEN
DUTCH) - NOW PART OF
INDONESIA. 1944-07.
UNIT NO 1 WIRELESS
UNIT RAAF.
UNIDENTIFIED JAPANESE
KANA WIRELESS
INTERCEPT OPERATOR
HAVING A BATH IN A
JAPANESE TUB. NOTE THE
WHITE CORAL ROCKS
STREWN AROUND. (DONOR
A.J. BROWN)**



**BOGIA, NEW GUINEA.
1944-07-30. T102546
PRIVATE K.S. ARNOLD (1),
N378137 PRIVATE N.J.
CLACK (2) OF THE 30TH
INFANTRY BATTALION
CLEANING THEIR BREN
GUN ON THE BANK OF A
CREEK WHILE THEIR
FELLOW MEMBERS OF
THE BATTALION ENJOY A
BATH IN THE SHALLOW
WATER.**



**BROOKETON,
BORNEO. 13 JUNE
1945. MEMBERS OF
HQ 20 INFANTRY
BRIGADE AT
YELLOW BEACH,
BATHING IN RICE
TUBS LEFT BEHIND
BY THE JAPANESE.**



Brigadier-General Granville de Laune Ryrie (middle), Commanding Officer (CO) of the 2nd Light Horse Brigade, enjoys a bathe in the Dead Sea wearing his hat. Two unidentified officers wade either side of Brigadier-General Ryrie (similar image held as P05093.039).



IN THE NEXT PHOTO, Chipyeong-ni area, Korea, 1951-03. A member of the 3rd Battalion, The Royal Australian Regiment (3RAR), takes a bath in a 44-gallon petrol drum that has been cut open to turn it into a makeshift bathtub. The sides of the drum where it has been cut have been folded back to form flaps on one of which (right) the soldier's towel rests. Some American-made tents or hoochies are pitched at rear. Along with the rest of the battalion, the soldier is enjoying a well-earned break from operations at the IX Corps rest area. (Donor I.

Robertson)





Bathing under difficulties at Chailak Dere, Anzac, are Staff Sergeant Jewkes (930 George Gilbert Jewkes) (left), and Private Morrow (98 Andrew Duncan Morrow, who later died of wounds 21 July 1916, France) of the 1st Australian Light Horse Field Ambulance.

Three unidentified Australian soldiers stand near a bucket shower at Fire Support Base (FSB) Catherine. An M113A1 Armoured Personnel Carrier (APC) is nearby. The clouds of dust thrown up by American Chinook helicopters delivering equipment to the FSB made showering in the open air a frustrating experience. One of a collection of images related to the service of 2792610 Trooper (Tpr) (later Corporal (Cpl)) Bruce Keith Chapman. Chapman served in Vietnam with A Squadron, 3 Cavalry Regiment from 3 September 1970 to 6 January 1971, and with B Squadron, 3 Cavalry Regiment from 7 January 1971 to 9 June 1971.

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IN NEXT TWO PHOTOS, BATHING CAMELS AT EL BURJ. (DONATED BY
CAPTAIN J.D. CRAMB.)





NATIVES ATTACHED TO NO. 4 CAMEL CORPS HOSPITAL BATHING AT RAFA, IN 1918. DONATED BY CAPTAIN J.D. CRAMB.



IN THE NEXT PHOTO, Corporal Michael (Mick) Papay (left), and Lance Corporal Billy Owen, both of 17 Construction Squadron, Royal Australian Engineers, with United Nations Transition Assistance Group (UNTAG), relax in an impromptu spa bath at Ongwediva. A crate has been humorously identified with the sign "Bondi Beach" a Lifesaver's cap and the Australian flag.



Dumpu, Ramu Valley, New Guinea. Bath time for Australian troops in a creek at Dumpu.



IN THE NEXT PHOTO: EL AMARA, SINAI, 1916-09. OFFICERS OF THE 10TH AUSTRALIAN LIGHT HORSE REGIMENT IN THE DELOUSING BATH WHILST OTHERS ARE WAITING FOR THEIR CLOTHES TO COME FROM THE STEAM FUMIGATOR. READING FROM RIGHT TO LEFT, THE OFFICERS ARE: (1) LIEUTENANT COLONEL T.J. TODD, DSO, COMMANDING 10TH ALH, (2) LIEUTENANT R. McCALLUM, (3) CAPTAIN MCFARLAND, 9TH ALH, (4) AN OFFICER OF THE 9TH ALH, (5) LIEUTENANT J. NORRISH, 10TH ALH, (6) LIEUTENANT J.K. LYALL, MC, 10TH ALH, (7) ?, (8) MAJOR W. KENT-HUGHES, DAQMG, AUSTRALIAN MOUNTED DIVISION, (9) ?. (DONATED BY MAJOR L.C. TIMPERLEY.)



AUSTRALIAN WAR MEMORIAL

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ENGULT RIVER, NEW GUINEA, 1945-08-11. TROOPS OF 2/7 INFANTRY BATTALION BATHING IN THE FAST FLOWING RIVER. IDENTIFIED PERSONNEL ARE:- PRIVATE S.V. SHAW (1); PRIVATE P. MALOY (2); LANCE-CORPORAL A. TREU (3); PRIVATE R.A. CARROLL (4).

ETA JIMA, JAPAN. 1946. AFTER SOAPING AND WASHING UNDER THE SHOWERS, THE TROOPS USED TO BATHE IN THE NEAR SCALDING WATER IN THE JAPANESE BATH TUBS WHICH WERE MADE OF CONCRETE AT THE 130TH AUSTRALIAN GENERAL HOSPITAL.



Gallipoli Peninsula, Turkey. June 1915. Troops bathing off picket boats and pinnaces. Bathing was the principal pleasure at Anzac, and, though dangerous, was encouraged.



**GOODENOUGH ISLAND,
PAPUA. C. 1944. MEMBERS
OF A RAAF SQUADRON
BATHING NAKED IN A
MOUNTAIN STREAM.**



NEXT PHOTO SHOWS: Group portrait of allied prisoners of war (POWs) at Fort 15, Stalag XXa, clothed only in their bathers (swimming costumes) or towels, having just enjoyed their monthly bath in a disused, waterfilled quarry. Included in the photograph are Don Mold (standing, far left) and NX9669 Warrant Officer 2 K.L. Winton Healey (sitting, second from right). This German prisoner of war (POW) and internment camp was in a series of semi underground forts built in the 1880s on the Vistula River. Prisoners included men of the 2/5th Australian General Hospital (AGH) who were captured in Greece after they were ordered to remain behind to treat wounded allied POWs following the evacuation.



IN THE NEXT PHOTO: Haramura area, Honshu, Japan, c. 1950-09-21. Holding a wash-bowl in his hand, a bare-bottomed member of the 3rd Battalion, The Royal Australian Regiment (3RAR), is caught with his pants down outside his tent, as he has a 'quick APC' (wash of his armpits and crutch) in the morning. Another soldier is getting dressed inside the tent. Some branches broken from trees and bushes rest on top of the tent as camouflage. The soldiers are at Haramura, BCOF's main field training centre, taking part in a final series of exercises before 3RAR's departure for Korea. (Donor I. Robertson)



Hathazari, Eastern Bengal, India. c. 21 February 1945. From serving the surrounded paratroopers at Arnhem to supplying ground forces in the Araken in Burma are the experiences of 413713 Warrant Officer (WO, later Pilot Officer) Edwin Anthony Fahey, navigator of Granville, NSW (right), taking a bath 'somewhere in Burma'. Helping him on the water pump is 414833 WO R. A. Rose, navigator of Goondiwindi, Qld. WO Fahey was killed in an accident over Burma on 27 June, 1945 Both servicemen are RAAF members of No. 117 (Dakota) Squadron RAF.



**ILOLO - KOKODA, NEW
GUINEA. 1944-04-30.
NX167902
SIGNALMAN J.J.
MORGAN (1), AND
NX91218 SIGNALMAN
G. BEANCHOP (2),
WATCH SMALL FISH IN
THEIR BATHING POOL
AT CAMP 44, 18TH
AUSTRALIAN LINES OF
COMMUNICATION
SIGNALS.**



AUSTRALIAN WAR MEMORIAL

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Informal group portrait of unknown Australian soldiers bathing at a water source. This photograph is from a collection relating to the service of NX52123 Lieutenant (Lt) Sydney Carton Speight, an amateur photographer who served with the 7 Division Signals, 2/2 Commando Squadron, and 9 Division Signals.

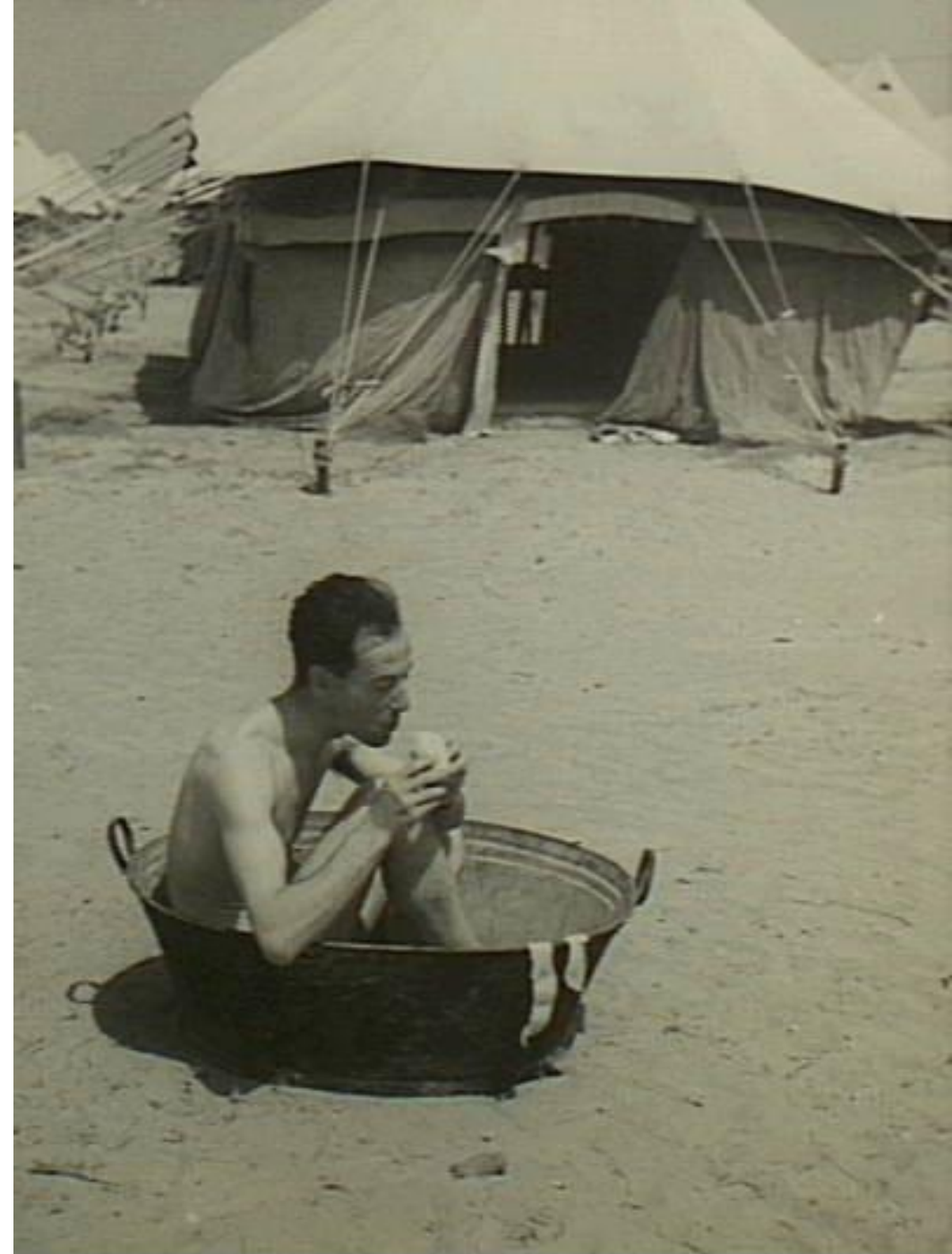


**KANOMI
BEACH, NEW
GUINEA.
1944-01-04.
TROOPS OF
THE 9TH
DIVISION
ENJOY THE
SWIMMING
AND SUN
BATHING
WHILE
AWAITING
ORDERS TO
MOVE
FORWARD.**





Karachi, India. c. 1945. At the Transit Camp Flight Sergeant T. Pember of Calne, Wiltshire, shows the best way to eat a mango. He is sitting in a bathtub in the outdoors, in front of a tent. The first of many reinforcements for South East Asia Command are reaching India by air, five days after leaving England. They are being flown out in Douglas C47 Dakota aircraft of RAF Transport Command. Initially air trooping is being carried out on a small scale. There are six staging posts between the termini, a west of England airfield, and Poona, India, and two forty-eight hour rest periods en route. Hot coffee, tea, and hard rations, are supplied in the aircraft, and each man is provided with two books for light reading on the flight.



**KILIGIA, PAPUA, NEW
GUINEA. 1944-04-03.
ALLIED SERVICEMEN
FROM UNITS IN THE
VICINITY AT
HEADQUARTERS 5TH
DIVISION BATHING,
WASHING, AND
SHAVING IN THE
SWALLOW WATER
NEAR THE MOUTH OF
THE TUNOM RIVER**







Korea, c. 1951-02. Sitting on the edge of a ditch in the countryside, a member of the 3rd Battalion, The Royal Australian Regiment (3RAR), gets a young Korean peasant girl to wash his back. The soldier, his face and chest lathered with soap, has a tub of water at his side. (Donor I. Robertson)