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EXTRACT FROM REGIMENTAL HISTORY OF 41ST INFANTRY REGIMENT (PA)

On 3 April 42, the MTR along the different sectors were penetrated by the enemy, whereupon the Regt. was attached to the 2ⁿ Reg Div, 1ⁿ Corps. which were on the left of Pantigan River. On the night of 9 April 1942, the order to surrender was given and the Regt. surrendered to the enemy at Junction Trail 7 & _____.

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EXTRACT FROM NOTEBOOK #1 - DIARY OF MAJOR Wm. J. PRIESTLEY

South Luzon Force - Bataan Force - II Philippine Corps

Brief Outline of Activities Prior to and During War

Prior to the outbreak of hostilities on about Sept 1 a SLF Hq in skeleton form was created and functioned briefly. This Hq consisted of Brig Gen. Geo Parker, Lt. Col. C O Wilson, Lt. Col. H. D. Johnston, Capt. Arthur Christensen and Capt. Homer Uglow. Units to be included under this command were not inducted until somewhat later and the troops thus received practically no training before the war started. Only two regiments the 42nd & 52d Infs. were inducted on Sept 1 and no others immediately thereafter.

The elements of the command were drawn up as follows: Nov 1 - 41st & 51st Infs. mobilized and started training, Nov. 24th - 43rd & 53rd Infs, 41st F. A and 41st & 51st Engrs. On Dec 1 the 41st and 51st Med. Bns. Signal Cos, Hq & Hq Cos, & QM Service Co, so that on Dec 8 the state of the SLF was: 41st Div complete less 1 Anti Tank Bn 51st Div complete less 1 Anti Tank Bn & 51st F. A. and 1st & 2d P. C. (inducted in Mid. Nov and assigned for training only) released at beginning of war.

The 41st & 51st Divs. were inducted and trained in S. Luzon what little training they did have and at the outbreak they were sent to their defensive positions on the beaches. The boundary between division running along a general line thru Lemery & Pancipit Rs. - Id. in Lake Teal - Tagaytay and Las Piñas inclusive to the 41st Div. The rest of the coastline was defended by the 51st Div. with Manila sector unoccupied due to location of the fortified Ids. On Dec 29th the 1st Reg Div was assigned to the beaches between Infanta & Mauban inclusive and was given the road net in rear of it.

On about Dec. 12 the Japanese landed at Legaspi after previously bombing Davao, Legaspi, Nichols Field, Cavite and sections in the SLF territory and started to move N towards the main part of Luzon by rail and by road. Units of the 52nd Inf were sent S to meet them - one Co. along the road and one Bn was split up - its elements being drawn and given different missions - to contact and delay the enemy as long as possible, destroy bridges and military equipment and impede the progress of the enemy as much as they were able.

The Second Phase of SLF activities began on Dec 24 when the enemy landed in force at Atimonan and Mauban. The units of the 52d sent S encountered many adventures of war not covered here, some being out off and breaking thru - others making their way N to join their

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organization later. On the afternoon of Dec. 24 Gen Parker's Hq. was moved to Bataan and the Bataan Force consisting of the 31st Div, 41st Div, parts of the Phil Div., Hq and other misc. units. Gen Jones took command of the SLF upon Gen Parker's departure (his Div. the 41st having reverted to the Bataan Force).

By the night of Dec 24th the "Js" had crossed the Mts. at Atimonan to Malibay and at Mauban had reached the zig-zag at Sampaloc. The enemy from Atimonan advanced in successive states and by nightfall of the 25th were at Lucena, Tayabas, 26th Candelaria, 27th Tiaong and on the night of 27-28 contact was broken in that area as the troops were ordered to Bataan. At Mauban the 1st Inf less 1 Bn retreated to positions on the Laguna-Tayabas boundary night of Dec. 25, Louisiana 26th broke contact on the 27th and withdrew to Bataan via Pagsanjan, Sta. Cruz, Los Benos and Manila. One Bn at Tignausan remained there until the 28th with no contact and withdraw on the 28th. The regiments in the SLF were reshuffled on the night of the 27th and were shuttled into Bataan - no contact being made with the enemy. By Dec 31st Gen. Jones and his Hq. had arrived at Plaridel & contacted Gen. Wainwright. By order of USAFFE Gen Jones was put in command of remains of the 71st & 91st Divs, then at Baliuag and stayed there to cover the withdrawal of the SLF thru them Dec 31st - Jan 1. By morning of the 1st those units and Gen Jones arrived in Bataan and the SLF ceased to exist. (Note: Aasg'd to SLF prior to this date and moved to Tagaytay pos. was the Prov. Constab. Brigade. Three days were absorbed moving in and thru more out - no contact being made with the enemy.)

As part of the 3d Phase of the SLF the Bataan Force existed from Dec. 24-Jan 6 its function having been to organize the position in Bataan and assist in their occupancy.

By the night of Jan 5-6 the last elements of the NLF had withdrawn into Bataan leaving the covering force at Laysc Jct. exposed to the enemy. Organized from right to left in line the pos. contained the 71st Div, 31st Inf (US), and 26th Cav. At 8:00 A Jan 6 our art'y sighted the enemy and began to register on them and at 9:00 A.J. Art'y appeared on the road to be reinforced by other art'y units soon thereafter and a fierce art'y dual ensued. The "Js" also bombarded portion of the 31st Inf with superior fire and by nightfall the right of the 31st and part of the 71st Div had pulled back. At about 10 P. the entire line was ordered withdrawal behind the Abucaay position which movement was executed in great confusion. The 26th Cav, not receiving the order was cut off and withdraw through the Mts. One Bn of the (23d) F.A. was badly shot up and lost all but one gun. The 1st Bn of the 88th FA retreated in order saving all guns.

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The Main Battle Position previously organized, was occupied originally by the II Philippine units from right to left 57th Inf, 41st Division and 51st Div. the 57th turning its flank on the beach at Matabang and the 51st Div tying in with the I Corps at Mt. Natib. This position was shelled almost constantly daily particularly on the left flank of the 41st Div. and the right of the 51st Div. The Js effected a penetration in that sector and between the 41st Div. and 57th Inf left and the 31st Inf (US) and 45th Inf (PS) were sent in to counter attack at Abucay hacienda, the 21st Div. being sent in to reinforce the MIR on the front of the 41st Div. The counter attack was successfully, heavy casualties being inflicted on the enemy and mopping up operation were in progress when the retreat in the I Corps Sector made a withdrawal from the Main Battle Position to the Reserve Orion-Bagac pos. necessary. Some Js had infiltrated thru the II Corps, however, and it is probable that they might have cut thru the reserve Orion-Bagac pos. had the withdrawal not been made.

The withdrawal was accomplished with a considerable confusion during which aggressive action by "J" art'y, air corps and ground troops might have ended the war before the end of January. The position was occupied and divided into subsectors as follows from the beach near Limay-North to Orion - to the Pantingan: SS-A under Col. Irwin-31st Inf. PA, PA Air Corps Bn, and PA Training Cadre; SS-B - Col Doanes - Prov. Regt. U.S.A. Air Corps, SS-C Gen Blumel - 41st Inf (to March 1), 31st Div. less 31st & 33rd Infs. 51st Combat Team, SS-D - Gen Lough - 21st Div. on Right - 41st Div. on left and 33rd Inf on extreme left flank prior to Mar. 1 after which it become Corps reserve and the 41st Inf went from SS-C to SS-D. The Philippine Division, part of which was to have occupied the front line was broken up as Corps and Army Reserve and was employed piecemeal wherever necessity dictated. Its Hq continued to exist under Gen. Lough but never until the final futile effort was it brought together in any attempt at concerted effort.

The Reserve Battle Position was further prepared and fortified after occupancy - lowlands flooded, trenches dug, camouflage created barbed wire strung etc & patrol action was constant but not pressure was exerted until the first of April. Here as in the I Corps the "Js" entrenched and awaited reinforcements.

Toward the latter part of March enemy truck, tank and artillery columns were sighted on the roads and near areas and it was obvious that an offensive had been planned. This push came beginning April 3 at about 8 A with intensive shelling, dive bombing, high level bombing and a general attack in the 42d Inf areas and by nightfall these units had retreated in confusion down trails #6 and #29 to trail #8, the 42d Inf completely disintegrating and disappearing. The 43d Inf was contacted by Gen Lough and ordered to reorg. and moved back up #6 on April 4. However, it was again hit by mass artillery, broke up and disappeared. The 41st Inf. not so hard hit moved N along the road and was not attacked in force. On the night of April 4, the 33d Inf.

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in Corps Res. Along Tr #44, about 1 Km N of #6 & 44, was order N to reinforce the line, but was not heard from thereafter. On April 4th "J" tanks appeared along the Pilar-Bagac road, some started down trail #28 and went back, and a number worked down the Pilar-Bagac Road behind the MLR of the 21st Div along the Talisay R. The 21st Div then withdrew under pressure to the RRT on the slopes of Mt. Samat. In the face of these attacks and withdrawal by the night of Apr 4 the line existed with a large salient in SS-D and units were located as follows: 41st Inf on extreme left astride trail #29, a large Jap on its right to the 21st Div on the forward slopes of Mt. Samat, 51st CT, 32d Inf, Prov. AC Regt; 31st Inf PA AC Bn and the PATC. The 31st Inf US had been ordered from its bivouac area to Jct of trs #2 & 10 on April 4 and was in that area that night.

On April 5 the enemy moved down tr #6 and across the face of Samat and by night they had control of trail #64 to the CP of the 21st Div. and were working up the E slope of Mt. Samat. The extent of the penetration by the "Js" was not known exactly and a counter attack involving the 45th Inf (PS) up Trail #29 with tank support and the 31st Inf (US) up astride #44, thense up #64 to #44 - then up #4 to reinforce and establish the line. Before this could be accomplished in April 6 remnants of the 21st Div came thru the 31st Inf pos. and heavy fire was received from the enemy in Mt. Samat. Heavy pressure on the front and left of the 31st Inf forced its withdrawal to the S. bank of the San Vicente by nightfall of the 6th. The enemy also forced his way up trails #6 & #44 in April 6, the 1st Bn 57th Inf having been order to Jct #8 & #44 to be at disposal of Gen. Lough. Before the 57th Bn could reach Gen Lough, however, his Hq was cut off by the enemy on Trail 8 and the Bn of the 57th was forced to take up a defensive position behind the San Vicente R. at the Jct #8 & #46. The tank support of the 45th Inf arrived late and that unit was forced S on trail #29 and into the I Corps sector.

Thus by nightfall of April 6th situation was almost hopeless. On the extreme left the 45th Inf counter offensive up Tr #29 was nipped and it, with Gen Lough's Hq. was cut off from II Corps. The "Js" had routed the 41st Div and followed it up trails #6 & #44 where the 1st Bn 57th encountered the enemy and held them N. of the San Vicente at Trail Jct #8 & #46. On the San Vicente a large gap existed and then the 31st Inf (US) had gone into pos. connecting with the 51st CT of Gen Bluemel on its right flank. Our art'y had been overwhelmed and silenced and the 41st FA guns had all been captured.

On April 7 an attempt was made to organize a defensive line along the Patoc trail (#46) with 201st and 202d Engrs filling the gap between the 57th (2d Bn. in pos. with 1st Bn night of April 6) and 31st Inf (US) and SS-C units. The 26th Cav and 14th Engrs also moved up, the 26th at Jct. #2 & #10 being turned over to Gen. Bluemel & the Engrs. to Col Tilly who was with the 57th Inf CP and its 3d Bn. attached to SS-C and Gen Bluemel. The "Js" followed up their aggressive move of the

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6th and not only cut trail #46 but staged a separate attack in the 32d Inf area in the right half of SS-C forcing the withdrawal of the 51st CT, along with the 31st (US) to the S bank of the San Vicente and extend line with the 3d Bn 57th Inf, & 21st & 31st Engrs. The 201st & 301st Engrs, had failed to arrive at their position on the Patoc Trail before the enemy cut it and those units were scattered & disintegrated. Thus Gen Bluemel decided to continue the withdrawal to the S bank of the Mamala R where, after consultation with commanders of the 26th Cav, 57th Inf, 31st Inf (US) and Engrs, he decided to withdraw all elements to the Alangan R. which long retreat was affected before dawn of the 8th.

April 8th found the line held behind the Alangan R. in a confused state due to hasty retreat and mistaken routes of withdrawal. It was obvious from the outset that this position was untenable. All 37 mm guns and automatic weapons had been lost, nearly all 155 mm were of ammunitions, In addition the men were almost completely exhausted by the long marches and days without food. The 26th Cav, which had moved from #2 & #10 to #2 & #46 covered the withdrawal of other units and then withdrew to the above pos. itself.

It was intended that new position would be occupied with the 26th Cav, 57th Inf and 31st Inf in line & the 14th Engrs in reserve, but due to a mistake in retiring between new and old trails #20 a scramble ensued and the line was established with the 26th Cav and 14th Engrs astride Trail #20, 31st & 57th to E of old #20 - a big gap to the 803d Engrs, PAC, 31st Inf PA and the 4th PC, (the 4th PC and 803d Engrs having been brought up during the night).

During the morning of the 8th Js bombed the line heavily and the 4th PC and the 31st Inf PA pulled out. Enemy tanks & Inf followed up quickly down trail #20 and soon surrounded the position set that by the night of the 8th the entire line was untenable and further withdrawal become necessary. Orders were confused as were the troops who scattered badly. The bulk of them escaped down new #20 - others cross country. Col. Tilly, Col Brady & Col. Saint of the 57th Inf, 31st Inf & 14th Engrs respectively managed to gather parts of their commands by the morning of the 9th. At 3 A, Mal, Christenson Asst G-3 for II Corps met Gen. Bluemel at Jct #12 & #20 received order to surrender. Gen Bluemel was ordered to take up a position behind the Lamao R. but instead he left a screen and moved troops the rear where surrender came later that day.

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Meanwhile, the Bataan Defense Force needed help to establish the fortifications there. On Christmas day plans were put into effect to create the 2nd Division, Philippine Army. The 51st Provisional Brigade already on Bataan, was employed for this purpose, supplemented by the addition of Philippine Constabulary units, Reserve Officers Training ~~Corps~~ units and light troop elements of other divisions. The Quartermaster Regiment and the Medical Regiment of the Philippine Regular Army, together with the remainder of the headquarters service units went into the new division.

-Vol I, Triumph in the Philippines, p. 69.

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In the Second Corps, the new line (from right to left) was as follows: x

The 31st Infantry Regiment, Philippine Army, on the beach at Orion, the right flank.

The Provisional Air Corps Regiment, U.S. Army.

The 32nd Infantry Regiment, Philippine Army.

The Fifty-First Combat Team (formed from remnants of the Fifty-First Division), Philippine Army.

The 21st Division, Philippine Army.

The 11st Division, Philippine Army, on the extreme left.

The Philippine Army Air Corps Battalion, the Philippine Army Training Cadre Battalion, and the 4th Regiment of the Philippine Constabulary guarded the eastern beaches below Orion.

The 2nd Corps area was subdivided into sectors as follows:

Subsector A, under the command of Col. Constant L. Irwin, included the beach defenses from Orion southward to Limay. It was comprised of the 31st Infantry Regiment, Philippine Army; the Philippine Army Air Corps Battalion, and the Philippine Army Training Cadre Battalion.

Subsector B, under Colonel Irvin E. Deane, included the U. S. Provisional Air Corps Regiment near the right flank of the main battle position.

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Subsector C, under Brigadier General Clifford Blumel, included the 41st Infantry Regiment, Philippine Army; the 32nd Infantry Regiment, Philippine Army; and the 51st Combat Team, Philippine Army. It was in the center of the main battle position.

Subsector D, under General Lough, included the 21st Division, Philippine Army; the 41st Division, Philippine Army, less the 41st Infantry; and the 33rd Infantry Regiment, Philippine Army. It was on the left flank of the main line of resistance.

Subsector E, under Brigadier General Guillermo Francisco, on the Manila Bay beaches below Imay, included the 2nd Regular Division, Philippine Army, which had been made up from the 41st Regiment of the Philippine Constabulary and other miscellaneous units after the withdrawal to Bataan.

After the withdrawal from Abucay, all Regular Army and Philippine Scouts units on Bataan were held in the rear as USAFFE reserve. The headquarters of the Philippines Department, originally composed of Philippine Scouts and Regular Army units, continued to exist under General Lough but these units were never again organized for any combined effort during the remainder of the fight on Bataan.

-Vol I, Triumph in the Philippines, pp. 112, 113, 114.

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1st Regt. Philippine Constabulary

Col. Castenada, c.o. Maj. Lloyd, Cpts. Dunmyer, 1st Bn. Zwaska, 3d Bn Wynkoop, 2d Bn. instructors. Dunmyer & Zwaska went to 2d PC o Dec. 1. Lt. Col. Barry replaced Lloyd. Capt. Stevenson got 1st Bn. Capt. Paul E. Pearson, 2d Bn, Capt. George Manneschildt, 3d Bn. Dec. 8-Barry to SLF QM & Ord., then Wynkoop was senior instructor. Dec. 20-Pearson & Stevenson to SLF. Dec. 25-Wynkoop went to SLF.

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But while December 7 meant "Pearl Harbor" to most of the world, it meant "Clark Field" to the Filipinos and the Americans in the Philippines -- the date to them, halfway around the world and across the international date line, was December 8, 1941. At almost the same moment that the Japs hit Pearl Harbor, they made their attack on Clark Field in Central Luzon, only fifty miles from Manila. There they knocked out the American Far Eastern Air Force with almost the same devastating effect they dealt the U. S. Pacific Fleet 5,000 miles away.

-Vol I, Triumph in the Philippines, p. 34

The North Luzon Force, dispersed throughout the central and northern Luzon area, was commanded by Major General Wainwright. It included two units of the Regular Army, the 31st Infantry Regiment and the 192d Tank Battalion, a former National Guard Organization, as well as six units of the Philippine Scouts. These were the 45th and the 57th Infantries, (PS); the 26th Cav. (PS) and the 23rd, 24th and 88th P.A. Regiments (PS). General Wainwright also had the following Philippine Army Divisions:

The 11th Reserve Division under Col. William D. Brougher, A18

The 21st Reserve Division under Brig. Gen. Mateo M. Capinpin, PA
The 31st Reserve Division under Col Clifford Bluemel, AUS
The 71st Reserve Division under Col Clyde A. Sellsch, AUS
The 91st Reserve Division under Brig. Gen Luther Stevens, AUS
The South Luzon Force was under the command of Brig. General
George Parker. It consisted of one Regular Army unit, the 19th
Tank Battalion; one Philippine Scout unit, the 86th Field Artillery;
the 1st and the 2nd Philippine Constabulary Regiments, and three
Philippine Army Divisions:

The 1st Regular Division under Brig. Gen. Fidel Segundo, PA
The 41st Reserve Division under Brig. Gen. Vicente Lim, PA
The 51st Reserve Division under Col. Albert M. Jones, AUS
The Visayan-Mindanao force was commanded by Col. William F.
Sharp, with headquarters in Mindanao, and it contained no Regular
Army units. It had one Philippine Scout Regiment, the 43rd Infantry;
the 3rd Philippine Constabulary Regiment, and three Philippine Army
divisions:

The 61st Reserve Division, under Col. Bradford G. Clynoweth, USA.
The 81st Reserve Division, under Col. Guy D. Fort, PA
The 101st Reserve Division, under Col. Joseph P. Vachon, PA.

There were also elements of other divisions including the 2d Infantry, the 73rd Infantry and the 93rd Infantry.

The Harbor Defense Command, consisting of Corregidor and its satellite islands, was commanded by Brig. Gen. George F. Moore and was composed of two Regular Army Regiments, the 59th and 60th Coast Artillery; two Philippine Scout units, the 91st and the 92nd Coast Artillery Regiments, and the 4th U. S. Marine Regiment, which had just been moved in from Subic Bay.

Command headquarters feared that the single blow at Clark Field had virtually decided the course of the war in the Philippines. The 26th Cavalry, bombed out of Fort Stotsenburg, moved into the nearby mountains, prepared to strike at the first enemy beach landing wherever it might come. On December 9, Nichols Field, another key army air base at Manila was bombed almost to destruction. The Japs apparently hoped to catch that part of the FFAF which had gone there for refuge. Group installation destruction, however, was all they accomplished -- but that was complete.

-Vol I, Triumph in the Philippines, pp. 42, 43 & 44

There were also elements of other divisions including the 2d Infantry, the 7th Infantry and the 9th Infantry. The Harbor Defense Command, consisting of Detachment and the 1st Detachment, was commanded by Major General George F. Moore and was composed of two Regular Army Regiments, the 22nd and 20th Coast Artillery; two Philippine Coast Artillery, the 1st and the 2nd Coast Artillery Regiments, and the 1st U. S. Marine Regiment, which had just been moved in from Okinawa Bay.

Command headquarters feared that the main line of defense would be virtually decided the course of the war in the Philippines. The 22nd Cavalry, detached out of Fort Stotsenburg, moved into the main line of defense, prepared to strike at the first enemy beach landing wherever it might come. On December 9, Nichols Field, another key air base at Manila was bombed almost to destruction. The base was rapidly repaired to extent that part of the 11th which had gone there for repairs. Deep investigation destruction, however, was all that accomplished -- but that was complete.

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General Wainwright's force on his new battle position were
emplaced from east to west as follows: *

The 11th Division, Philippine Army.

The 1st Regular Division, Philippine Army.

The 92nd Infantry (to which were attached the remnants of the
91st Infantry).

Third Battalion Seventy-First Infantry.

Two battalions, Seventy-Second Infantry (at Bagac).

The rest of the 71st Div. was on beach defense while the 45th
Infantry, PS, and the 26th Cavalry, PS, were in Corps' reserve. Air
Corps units acting as infantry, protected the south and southwest
beaches.

The First Corps area was divided into three subsectors:

The right subsector, comprising the 11th Division and the 2nd
Philippine Constabulary Regiment after the end of January, under the
command of Brigadier General William E. Brougher.

The left subsector, including the remnants of the 91st and 71st
Divisions, and the 1st Regular Division, initially under the command
of Brigadier General Albert M. Jones; placed under Brigadier General
Luther R. Stevens when Jones became commander of the First Corps in
March.

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The south subsector, comprised of miscellaneous Air Corps ground units as well as the 65th Quartermaster Pack Train; the 12th Quartermaster Regiment, Philippine Scouts, the 2nd Anti-tank Battalion Philippine Army; and the 1st Philippine Constabulary Regiment. This was initially under the command of Brigadier General Clyde A. Sellaek; who was later replaced by Brigadier General Clinton Pierce.*

-Vol I, Triumph in the Philippines, pp. 111 & 112

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Before the Battle of Pucot Hill was fairly well begun, another barge fleet landed a strong force at Agloloma Point at dawn on January 24. The initial landings at adjacent Quinauan Point were made at 2 A.M., on the twenty-fifth of January. The 1st Battalion of the 1st Philippine Constabulary Regiment, reinforced by a platoon of mortars, was successful in preventing immediate exploitation of the Japanese beachhead after their landing. For six grueling days the Philippine Constabulary infantrymen were continually engaged in hand-to-hand combat. They were relieved by the 45th and the 57th Infantry Regiments of the Philippine Scouts.

-Vol I, Triumph in the Philippines, p. 124

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CO, 2 nd PC Regt Inf:	M. V. Atanacio	Lt Col Inf	Killed by Japs-Ft Santiago
Ex O	Deogracias Tenezas	Capt Inf	
S-1			
S-2			
S-3			
S-4 (Actg)	Cesar Lintag	1 st Lt QMS O-1588	
S-4	Jose Zulueta	1 st Lt QMS O-21323	
Finance Off	Gregorio Castaneda	Capt FS O-1240	
CO, Hq Bn			
CO, Combat Co	Leandro Pascual	1 st Lt Inf O-34416	
JO	Manerto Lorenzo	1 st Lt Inf O-22959	
MTO	Fred Capolongan	2 nd Lt CE O-21263	
Sig Off	Lupicino Matubis	3 rd Lt SC O-46222	
Dental Off			
CO, Hq & Hq Co			
	Leandro Banaag	1 st Lt Inf	
Attached Chap			
CO, Med Co	Jose Zialcita	1 st Lt MC O-23835	
Veterinary Off			
Miscellaneous			

Regimental History:

Mobilized on July 41 at Old Bilibid Prison, Manila. Inducted into USAFFE on Nov 41 by Col Parker USA. From Aug to the outbreak of the War 8 Dec 41, the Regt was at Balara City. On 1 Dec 41 the Regt was alerted and was assigned to the electric installations, water installations, Radio stations and depot army supply in Manila and vicinity. The Regt was first assigned its sector at Tiaong, Tayabas 25 Dec 41 as reserve force under Gen Segundo. A delaying action was fought until 30 Dec 41 when the whole Regt moved to Bataan thereby occupying the Linay-Lamao Sector. On the 1st week of Feb 42 the 2nd Bn and 1st Bn was sent to Moron as reinforcement of Gen Segundo's force. One of continuous fighting until both Bns were assigned as cover for retreat of Gen Segundo's force. The Bn of Capt Tenezas was assigned to the 45th Inf and 57th Inf in Angyasan Point for 1 1/2 weeks of continuous fighting. The Regt. held the middle sector and fought till all Japs were annihilated in this point. After a week's rest, around the middle of February 42, the Bn of Tenezas w/Co "B" of Bn was assigned to clean the Toul Pocket. Bitter fighting was ensued for more than two weeks. The Bn and a Company annihilated a Regt of Japs in the pocket and captured plenty of ammunitions. For this bravery in action, they were commended personally by Gen Wainwright, Gens Brewer and King. Major Tenezas was awarded the DCS., the Regt was assigned to the Sector west of Pantingan river in the MLR. The Japs for about six times attempted to penetrate the sector but failed due to the stiff resistance the Bn offered. The whole Regt was forced to withdraw further until the final surrender on 9 April 42.

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2nd Constabulary
Story by 2d Lt Walter Engstrom

Composed of PC cadres from over islands & em of PA (those who had 1 enlistment). Organized Camp Murphy Sept. '41. c 2000 in regt. Lost maybe 200 KIA. No Ams. KIA or WIA in 2d PC.

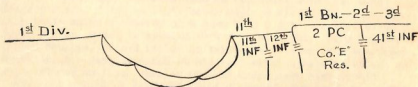
Engstrom joined in Feb. At that time Lt. Col. Atenacio was c.o. Lt. Col. Olson, 1 GD, senior instructor; Maj. Lund, ex. 1st Lt. Clark, Co. G; 2d Lts. Wm. Horan, Co. A; Walter F. Engstrom, Co. E; Mathews, Co. F; James Dawson, Co. L. Cpl. Darrell Wightman, Co. D.

Last week of war Lt. Col. Arthur K. Noble took command; Olson to 13th Inf.; Maj. Primrose from 12th Inf. to c.o. 3d Bn.; Lund, 1st Bn; 2d, Ma-Tenaces. Engstrom had 3d Bn. from last week in Feb. to 1st week April.

Fox holes had overhead protection & trenches connected 1 end to other of position. Mgs. covered with logs & dirt.

2d Bn. in Tual battle on left of 11th. 1st & 3d Bns. of 2d PC remained on MLR on right of 12th Inf. 41st Inf. on right beyond Pantingan.

Attack held up by Jap mgs. A Sgt & his brother borrowed Lt. Clark's sub-mg., crawled up & cleaned out from enfilade the Jap position. Japs had 1 heavy, 3 light mgs. Then his brother crawled into holes, past tunnel & was shot thru arm into ribs & back by sole Jap survivor when the Fil. then killed. They were recommended for DSC.



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Killed all Japs in pocket because Japs played dead, rose & shot after PC had passed.

On MLR made slight sorties & raids to detract from pocket action.

Mar. 29 a 2 hr. artillery bombardment 7-9 am. Fils. broke from front line in 2d Bn. Japs attacked. Engstrom was on his way to hang bombs in trees in 12th Inf. area. At jct. T15 & RRL he met messenger from a Lt who said all troops had left but he & his mg crew & his gun out of action. Japs were coming down right of Pantingan. Engstrom began to turn troops around & send them back. Horan & Engstrom forced them back with pistols-officers & all. He ran Maj. Tenasses out of a fox hole but Maj. Rumbulo, 1st Bn. wouldn't leave his hole. (3d Bn under Maj. Estaniel stayed with men). Engstrom gave message to Tenasses who denied getting it. 3d Lt. Pimental, Co. H, wrote it. Brougher later wanted to know why Engstrom was making false reports!

April 3-8 hrs. art. 9-5. Very few casualties because art. straddled valley. Hit 3d Bn. some but not 2d. Spotted Jap guns, stopped 6, set 4 on fire. Planes bombed 10 to dark. That night a Lt. & Sgt reported nobody in 41st area at 9 pm. Sgt had gone over to visit his companion. Eng phoned message in. Lim denied it to Brougher, Brig. sent a PA ofcr to check & he brought back same report Lim again denied. Eng went himself, walked over 600 yds. of front, picked up some abandoned gear mg & some BARS. Saw no men. Felt bayonet in hole, thought it was Jap because of guard on it. Only abandoned Gook rifle.

April 4-2 am. Co. E put in on right flank. c 3 am. Bn. from 13th Engrs., SC, etc. from div. res. under Lt. Col. Olson put in c 4 am. Japs began to cross road on rt, front into 41st area. Snipers & art. filed on regt. after regt. & all day of 5th. Hit pack train which scattered up & down road & got into land mines.

April 5-9 am. order telephoned to w/d at midnight. Wire had been tapped because, PC had failed to take up wire when OPLR was abandoned Ap. 4. Japs attacked at midnight with mortars & rifles, so regt. stayed on line. Runner brought order next time to w/d at 3 am. Did o.k. & at 3:10 the US155's pounded MLR-shell was still there. Artillery had not been informed of change in orders. 6 am. Dawson & 1 1/2 cos. in shell w/d.

At this time c 30% of men were sick in aid station & hospital; another 30% too weak to move out.

Night of 6th regt. stayed on RRL. Japs tired to cross Pantingan & they fired on Engstrom who sat bareheaded with flashlight on map directing artillery. When he put on helmet it was hit a glancing blow.

April 8-Having been hit by little patrols from rt. front, w/d in afternoon to artillery line c 2 km north of T 8.

April 9-c 7 pm ordered to surrender. Japs had been held across river that day & tanks could not cross because of boulders & blown bridge. Bivouacked at CP, stacked arms, built fires & put white

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flags. @ 8 pm. Japs arrived & opened fire. Brougher sent PA ofcr. to get them to stop. Field ofcrs. got into Brougher's dugout. Engstrom stayed out. Brougher stuck his head out & yelled, "Don't shoot". We surrender." Later he said, "Let's go to Corps. No, we'll stay & face it like men. Then he & Townsend etc. did go to Corps. Others to hills & back to Corps. Dawson & Eng. stayed & ate. After 2 hrs. Japs ceased firing. Gooks started out in truck loaded with gear. Picked up PA stragglers. Eng. stopped truck & threw off ammunition. Capt. Malinaso, Co. E, protested & Eng. threw him out too & ammo on top of him down steep cliff. Picked up Brough whose car broke a steering knuckle @ Saysain. Corps ejected him so they bivouacked in brush along road till Japs took them over.

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But while December 7 meant "Pearl Harbor" to most of the world, it meant "Clark Field" to the Filipinos and the Americans in the Philippines -- the date to them, halfway around the world and across the international date line, was December 8, 1941. At almost the same moment that the Japs hit Pearl Harbor, they made their attack on Clark Field in Central Luzon, only fifty miles from Manila. There they knocked out the American Far Eastern Air Force with almost the same devastating effect they dealt the U. S. Pacific Fleet 5,000 miles away.

-Vol I, Triumph in the Philippines, p. 31

The North Luzon Force, dispersed throughout the central and northern Luzon area, was commanded by Major General Wainwright. It included two units of the Regular Army, the 31st Infantry Regiment and the 192d Tank Battalion, a former National Guard Organization, as well as six units of the Philippine Scouts. These were the 45th and the 57th Infantries, (PS); the 26th Cav. (PS) and the 23rd, 24th and 88th P.A. Regiments (PS). General Wainwright also had the following Philippine Army Divisions:

The 11th Reserve Division under Col. William L. Brougher, AUS

The 21st Reserve Division under Brig. Gen. Mateo N. Capinpin, PA
The 31st Reserve Division under Col. Clifford Blumel, AUS
The 71st Reserve Division under Col. Clyde A. Selloch, AUS
The 91st Reserve Division under Brig. Gen. Luther Stevens, AUS
The South Luzon Force was under the command of Brig. General George Parker. It consisted of one Regular Army unit, the 19th Tank Battalion; one Philippine Scout unit, the 86th Field Artillery; the 1st and the 2nd Philippine Constabulary Regiments, and three Philippine Army Divisions:

The 1st Regular Division under Brig. Gen. Fidel Segundo, PA
The 1st Reserve Division under Brig. Gen. Vicente Lim,
The 51st Reserve Division under Col. Albert M. Jones, AUS
The Visayan-Mindanao force was commanded by Col. William F. Sharp, with headquarters in Mindanao, and it contained no Regular Army units. It had one Philippine Scout Regiment, the 13rd Infantry; the 3rd Philippine Constabulary Regiment, and three Philippine Army divisions:

The 61st Reserve Division, under Col. Bradford G. Clynnoeth, USA.
The 81st Reserve Division, under Col. Guy D. Fort, PA
The 101st Reserve Division, under Col. Joseph P. Vachon, PA.

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There were also elements of other divisions including the 2d Infantry, the 73rd Infantry and the 93rd Infantry.

The Harbor Defense Command, consisting of Corregidor and its satellite islands, was commanded by Brig. Gen. George F. Moore and was composed of two Regular Army Regiments, the 59th and 60th Coast Artillery; two Philippine Scout units, the 91st and the 92nd Coast Artillery Regiments, and the 4th U. S. Marine Regiment, which had just been moved in from Subic Bay.

Command headquarters feared that the single blow at Clark Field had virtually decided the course of the war in the Philippines. The 26th Cavalry, bombed out of Fort Stotsenburg, moved into the nearby mountains, prepared to strike at the first enemy beach landing wherever it might come. On December 9, Nichols Field, another key army air base at Manila was bombed almost to destruction. The Japs apparently hoped to catch that part of the FFAF which had gone there for refuge. Group installation destruction, however, was all they accomplished -- but that was complete.

-Vol I, Triumph in the Philippines, pp. h2, h3 & h4

The Bataan Defense Force which was setting up the defense of Bataan, ^x consisted of the 31st and the 41st Divisions of the Philippine Army and the 2d Philippine Constabulary Regiment, all under Major General George Parker.

The headquarters of the Philippine Department was converted into the Service Command for Bataan, under Brigadier General Allen C. McBride.

The NLF under General Jonathan M. Wainwright, at this point, had the 31st Infantry, Regular Army; the 45th Infantry, 57th Infantry, 26th Cavalry, 23rd Field Artillery, 24th Field Artillery, and 88th Field Artillery, Philippine Scouts; the 11th Division, 21st Division, 71st Division and 91st Division, Philippine Army.

Brigadier General Albert M. Jones, commanding the SLF, had the 86th Field Artillery, Philippine Scouts, and the 1st and 51st Division of the Philippine Army, with artillery reinforcement.

-Vol I, Triumph in the Philippines, pp. 62 & 63.

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General Wainwright's force on his new battle position were emplaced from east to west as follows: *

The 11th Division, Philippine Army.

The 1st Regular Division, Philippine Army.

The 92nd Infantry (to which were attached the remnants of the 91st Infantry).

Third Battalion Seventy-First Infantry.

Two battalions, Seventy-Second Infantry (at Dagao).

The rest of the 71st Div. was on beach defense while the 45th Infantry, PS, and the 26th Cavalry, PS, were in Corps' reserve. Air Corps units acting as infantry, protected the south and southwest beaches.

The First Corps area was divided into three subsectors:

The right subsector, comprising the 11th Division and the 2nd Philippine Constabulary Regiment after the end of January, under the command of Brigadier General William E. Brougher.

The left subsector, including the remnants of the 91st and 71st Divisions, and the 1st Regular Division, initially under the command of Brigadier General Albert M. Jones; placed under Brigadier General Luther R. Stevens when Jones became commander of the First Corps in March.

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The south subsector, comprised of miscellaneous Air Corps ground units as well as the 65th Quartermaster Pack Train; the 12th Quartermaster Regiment, Philippine Scouts, the 2nd Anti-tank Battalion Philippine Army; and the 1st Philippine Constabulary Regiment. This was initially under the command of Brigadier General Clyde A. Sellock; who was later replaced by Brigadier General Clinton Pierce.

-Vol I, Triumph in the Philippines, pp. 111 & 112

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The entire Battle of the Points lasted from January 23, to February 13. Before it was over, Army, Navy, Marine and Air Force units as well as the heavy mortar batteries on Corregidor were called upon to help wipe out the Japanese force. The weary 57th and 45th Infantry of the Philippine Scouts were pushed across Bataan from the Second Corps areas to help throw back the Japanese. A small detachment from the Fourth Marine Regiment, based on Corregidor was there too.

Smaller units from the Fifth Interceptor Command, the Second Philippine Constabulary Regiment, the Twelfth Infantry, Philippine Army; the 192nd Separate Tank Battalion, the Provisional Naval Battalion from the 16th Naval District, a company from the 803rd Engineers, Aviation, Regular Army, a battery from the 59th Coast Artillery Corps, Regular Army, crews from the USS Mary Ann, the USS Fanny, the USS Canopus, the USS Fisheries II, and PT-35, worked to stem the invading tide. The three-weeks-long battle was a bloody and exhausting one for the Americans. For the Japanese it was a complete disaster.

-Vol I, Triumph in the Philippines, p. 121

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South Luzon Force - Bataan Force - II Philippine Corps

Brief Outline of Activities Prior to and During War

Prior to the outbreak of hostilities on about Sept 1 a SLF Hq in skeleton form was created and functioned briefly. This Hq consisted of Brig Gen. Geo Parker, Lt. Col. G O Wilson, Lt. Col. H. D. Johnston, Capt. Arthur Christensen and Capt. Homer Uglow. Units to be included under this command were not inducted until somewhat later and the troops thus received practically no training before the war started. Only two regiments the 42nd & 52d Infs, were inducted on Sept 1 and no others immediately thereafter.

The elements of the command were drawn up as follows:
Nov 1 - ~~41st & 51st Infs.~~ mobilized and started training, Nov. 24th - 43rd & 53rd Infs, 41st F. A. and 41st & 51st Engrs. On Dec. 1 the 41st and 51st Med. Bns, Signal Cos, Hq & Hq Cos, & QM Service Co, so that on Dec 8 the state of the SLF was: 41st Div. complete less 1 Anti Tank Bn 51st Div. complete less 1 Anti-Tank Bn & 51st F. A. and 1st & 2d P. C. (inducted in Mid. Nov and assigned for training only) released at beginning of war.

The 41st & 51st Divs. were inducted and trained in S. Luzon what little training they did have and at the outbreak they were sent to their defensive positions on the beaches. The boundary between division running along a general line thru Lemery & Pancipit Rs. - Id. in Lake Taal - Tagaytay and Las Pinas inclusive to the 41st Div. The rest of the coastline was defended by the 51st Div. with Manila sector unoccupied due to location of the fortified Ids. On Dec. 29th the 1st Reg Div was assigned to the beaches between Infanta & Mauban inclusive and was given the road net in rear of it.

On about Dec. 12 the Japanese landed at Legaspi after previously bombing Davao, Legaspi, Nichols Field, Cavite and sections in the SLF territory and started to move N towards the main part of Luzon by rail and by road. Units of the 52nd Inf were sent S to meet them - one Co. along the road and one Bn was split up - its elements being drawn and given different missions - to contact and delay the enemy as long as possible, destroy bridges and military equipment and impede the progress of the enemy as much as they were able.

The Second Phase of SLF activities began on Dec 24 when the enemy landed in force at Atimonan and Mauban. The units of the 52d sent S encountered many adventures of war not covered here, some being out off and breaking thru others making their way N to join their

organisation later. On the afternoon of Dec. 24 Gen Parker's Hq. was moved to Bataan and the Bataan Force consisting of the 31st Div, 41st Div, parts of the Phil Div., Hq and other misc. units. Gen Jones took command of the SLF upon Gen Parker's departure (his Div. the 41st having reverted to the Bataan Force).

By the night of Dec 24th the "Js" had crossed the Mts. at Atimonan to Malibay and at Mauban had reached the zig-zag at Sampaloc. The enemy from Atimonan advanced in successive states and by nightfall of the 25th were at Lucena, Tayabas, 26th Gendaria, 27th Tisong and on the night of 27-28 contact was broken in that area as the troops were ordered to Bataan. At Mauban the 1st Inf less 1 Bn retreated to positions on the Laguna-Tayabas boundary night of Dec. 25, Louisiana 26th broke contact on the 27th and withdrew to Bataan via Pagsanjan, Sta. Cruz, Los Banos and Manila. One Bn at Tiguaman remained there until the 28th with no contact and withdraw on the 26th. The regiments in the SLF were reshuffled on the night of the 27th and were shuttled into Bataan - no contact being made with the enemy. By Dec 31st Gen. Jones and his Hq. had arrived at Floridel & contacted Gen. Wainwright. By order of USAFFE Gen Jones was put in command of remains of the 71st & 91st Divs, then at Baliuag and stayed there to cover the withdrawal of the SLF thru then Dec 31st - Jan 1. By morning of the 1st those units and Gen Jones arrived in Bataan and the SLF ceased to exist. (Note: Assg'd to SLF prior to this date and moved to Tagaytay pos. was the Prov. Constab. Brigade. Three days were absorbed moving in and thru more cut -no contact being made with the enemy.)

As part of the 3d Phase of the SLF the Bataan Force existed from Dec. 24-Jan 6 its function having been to organize the position in Bataan and assist in their occupancy.

By the night of Jan 5-6 the last elements of the SLF had withdrawn into Bataan leaving the covering force at Laysa Jct. exposed to the enemy. Organized from right to left in line the pos. contained the 71st Div, 31st Inf (US), and 26th Cav. At 8:00 A Jan 6 our art'y sighted the enemy and began to register on them and at 9:00 A. J. art'y appeared on the road to be reinforced by other art'y units soon thereafter and a fierce art'y dual ensued. The "Js" also bombarded portion of the 31st Inf with superior fire and by nightfall the right of the 31st and part of the 71st Div had pulled back. At about 10 P. the entire line was ordered withdrawal behind the Abucay position which movement was executed in great confusion. The 26th Cav, not receiving the order was cut off and withdraw through the Mts. One Bn of the (236) P.A. was badly shot up and lost all but one gun. The 1st Bn of the 88th FA retreated in order saving all guns.

The Main Battle Position previously organized, was occupied originally by the II Philippine units from right to left 57th Inf, 41st Division and 51st Div. tying in with the I Corps at Mt. Matib. This position was shelled almost constantly daily particularly on the left flank of the 41st Div. and the right of the 51st Div. The Js effected a penetration in that sector and between the 41st Div. and 57th Inf left and the 31st Inf (US) and 45th Inf (PS) were sent in to counter attack at Abucay hacienda, the 21st Div. being sent in to reinforce the MLR on the front of the 41st Div. The counter attack was successful, heavy casualties being inflicted on the enemy and mopping up operation were in progress when the retreat in the I Corps Sector made a withdrawal from the Main Battle Position to the Reserve Orion-Bagas pos. necessary. Some Js had infiltrated thru the II Corps, however, and it is probable that they might have cut thru the reserve Orion-Bagas pos. had the withdrawal not been made.

The withdrawal was accomplished with a considerable confusion during which aggressive action by "J" art'y, air corps and ground troops might have ended the war before the end of January. The position was occupied and divided into subsectors as follows from the beach near Lizay-North to Orion - to the Pantingan: SS-A under Col. Irwin - 31st Inf. PA, PA Air Corps Bn, and PA Training Cadre; SS-B - Col Doanes - Prov. Regt. U.S.A. Air Corps, SS-C-Gen Bluenel - 41st Inf (to March 1), 31st Div. less 31st & 33rd Infs. 51st Combat team, SS-D- Gen Lough - 21st Div. on Right - 41st Div. on left and 33rd Inf on extreme left flank prior to Mar. 1 after which it became Corps reserve and the 41st Inf went from SS-C to SS-D. The Philippine Division, part of which was to have occupied the front line was broken up as Corps and Army Reserve and was employed piecemeal wherever necessity dictated. Its Hq continued to exist under Gen. Lough but never until the final futile effort was it brought together in any attempt at concerted effort.

The Reserve Battle Position was further prepared and fortified after occupancy - lowlands flooded, trenches dug, camouflage created barbed wire strung etc & patrol action was constant but not pressure was exerted until the first of April. Here as in the I Corps the "Js" entrenched and awaited reinforcements.

Toward the latter part of March enemy truck, tank and artillery columns were sighted on the roads and near areas and it was obvious that an offensive had been planned. This push came beginning April 3 at about 8 A with intensive shelling, dive bombing, high level bombing and a general attack in the 42d Inf areas and by nightfall these units had retreated in confusion down trails #6 and #29 to trail #8, the 42d Inf completely disintegrating and disappearing. The 43d Inf was contacted by Gen Lough and ordered to reorg. and moved back up #6 on April 4. However, it was again hit by mass artillery, broke up and disappeared. The 41st Inf. not so hard hit moved N along the road and was not attacked in force. On the night of April 4, the 33d Inf

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in Corps Res. Along Tr #44, about 1 Km N of #6 & 44, was order N to reinforce the line, but was not heard from thereafter. On April 4th "J" tanks appeared along the Pilar-Bagac road, some started down trail #28 and went back, and a number worked down the Pilar-Bagac Road behind the MLR of the 21st Div along the Talisay R. The 21st Div then withdrew under pressure to the RET on the slopes of Mt. Samat. In the face of these attacks and withdrawal by the night of Apr 4 the line existed with a large salient in SS-D and units were located as follows: 41st Inf on extreme left astride trail #29, a large Jap on its right to the 21st Div on the forward slopes of Mt. Samat, 51st CT, 32d Inf, Prov. AG Regt; 31st Inf PA AC Bn and the PATC. The 31st Inf US had been ordered from its bivouac area to Jct of trs #2 & 10 on April 4 and was in that area that night.

On April 5 the enemy moved down tr #6 and across the face of Samat and by night they had control of trail #64 to the CP of the 21st Div, and were working up the E slope of Mt. Samat. The extent of the penetration by the "Js" was not known exactly and a counter attack involving the 45th Inf (PS) up Trail #29 with tank support and the 31st Inf (US) up astride #44, thence up #64 to #44 - then up #4 to reinforce and establish the line. Before this could be accomplished in April 6 remnants of the 21st Div came thru the 31st Inf pos. and heavy fire was received from the enemy in Mt. Samat. Heavy pressure on the front and left of the 31st Inf forced its withdrawal to the S. bank of the San Vicente by nightfall of the 6th. The enemy also forced his way up trails #6 & #44 in April 6, the 1st Bn 57th Inf having been order to Jct #8 & #44 to be at disposal of Gen. Lough. Before the 57th Bn could reach Gen Lough, however, his Hq was cut off by the enemy on Trail 8 and the Bn of the 57th was forced to take up a defensive position behind the San Vicente R. at the Jct #8 & #46. The tank support of the 45th Inf arrived late and that unit was forced S on trail #29 and into the I Corps sector.

Thus by nightfall of April 6th situation was almost hopeless. On the extreme left the 45th Inf counter offensive up Tr #29 was nipped and it, with Gen Lough's Hq, was cut off from II Corps. The "Js" had routed the 41st Div and followed it up trails #6 & #44 where the 1st Bn 57th encountered the enemy and held them N. of the San Vicente at Trail Jct #8 & #46. On the San Vicente a large gap existed and then the 31st Inf (US) had gone into pos. connecting with the 51st CT of Gen Blumel on its right flank. Our arty had been overwhelmed and silenced and the 41st FA guns had all been captured.

On April 7 an attempt was made to organize a defensive line along the Patoc trail (#46) with 201st and 202d Engrs filling the gap between the 57th (2d Bn) in pos. with 1st Bn night of April 6) and 31st Inf (US) and SS-C units. The 26th Cav and 14th Engrs also moved up, the 26th at Jct. #2 & #10 being turned over to Gen. Blumel & the Engrs, to Col Tilly who was with the 57th Inf CP and its 3d Bn, attached to SS-C and Gen Blumel. The "Js" followed up their aggressive move of the

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6th and not only cut trail #46 but staged a separate attack in the 32d Inf area in the right half of SS-C forcing the withdrawal of the 51st CI, along with the 31st (US) to the S bank of the San Vicente and extend line with the 3d Bn 57th Inf, & 21st & 31st Engrs. The 201st & 301st Engrs, had failed to arrive at their position on the Petoc Trail before the enemy cut it and those units were scattered & disintegrated. Thus Gen Blumel decided to continue the withdrawal to the S bank of the Mamala R where, after consultation with commanders of the 26th Cav, 57th Inf, 31st Inf (US) and Engrs, he decided to withdraw all elements to the Alangan R. which long retreat was affected before dawn of the 8th.

April 8th found the line held behind the Alangan R. in a confused state due to hasty retreat and mistaken routes of withdrawal. It was obvious from the outset that this position was untenable. All 37 mm guns and automatic weapons had been lost, nearly all 155 mm were of ammunitions. In addition the men were almost completely exhausted by the long marches and days without food. The 26th Cav, which had moved from #2 & #10 to #2 & #46 covered the withdrawal of other units and then withdrew to the above pos. itself.

It was intended that new position would be occupied with the 26th Cav, 57th Inf and 31st Inf in line & the 14th Engrs in reserve, but due to a mistake in retiring between new and old trails #20 a scramble ensued and the line was established with the 26th Cav and 14th Engrs astride Trail #20, 31st & 57th to E of old #20 - a big gap to the 803d Engrs, PAC, 31st Inf PA and the 4th PG, (the 4th PC and 803d Engrs having been brought up during the night).

During the morning of the 8th Js bombed the line heavily and the 4th PC and the 31st Inf PA pulled out. Enemy tanks & Inf followed up quickly down trail #20 and soon surrounded the position set that by the night of the 8th the entire line was untenable and further withdrawal become necessary. Orders were confused as were the troops who scattered badly. The bulk of them escaped down new #20 - others cross country. Col. Tilly, Col Brady & Col. Saint of the 57th Inf, 31st Inf & 14th Engrs respectively managed to gather parts of their commands by the morning of the 9th. At 3 A, Maj. Christensen Asst G-3 for II Corps met Gen. Blumel at Jct #12 & #20 received order to surrender. Gen Blumel was ordered to take up a position behind the Lanzo R. but instead he left a screen and moved troops the rear where surrender came later that day.

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S-2			
S-3	Eulogio Tolentino	1 st Lt CE O-33800	
S-4			
Hq & Hq Serv Co			
CO, Co "A"	Rizalino Garcia	1 st Lt Inf O-22468	
2nd in Comd	Benjamin Rodriguez	3 rd Lt Inf O-32822	
Leader, 1st Pl			
Leader, 2nd Pl			
Leader, 3rd Pl			
1st Sgt			

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CO, Co "B"	Amado Baroquillo	Capt Inf O-22465	
2nd in Comd			
Leader, 1st Pl	Gregorio Gallardo	3 rd Lt Inf O-34130	
Leader, 2nd Pl	Benedicto Potenciana	3 rd Lt Inf O-33713	
Leader, 3rd Pl			
Sgt			

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CO, Co "C"	Ramon C. Centino	1 st Lt Inf	
Leader, 1st Pl	Horacio Cruz	2 nd Lt CE O-26138	
Leader, 2nd Pl	Napoleon Javier	3 rd Lt Inf O-26134	
Leader, 3rd Pl			
1st Sgt			

History:

CO, Co "D"	Vicente Q. Albarillo	1 st Lt OSP O-22464	
Leader, 1st Pl	Artenio Abad	1 st Lt Inf O-22403	
Leader, 2nd Pl	Paterno R. Santos	3 rd Lt Q'S O-22496	
Leader, 3rd Pl			
1st Sgt			

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Ex O	Moreno Jr	Capt Inf	
S-1			
S-2	Ernesto Guzman	3d Lt Cav	
S-3	Jovencio Torralba	1" Lt Inf O-46585	
S-4			
Bn Surgeon	Ramon Angeles	1" Lt MC O-42449	
Hq & Hq Serv Co			
CO, Co "E"	Alfredo Mallari	1" Lt Inf	
2nd in Comd			
Leader, 1st Pl	Fernando Blanco	3" Lt Inf O-42528	
Leader, 2nd Pl	Santiago Berbano	1" Lt Inf O-43241	
Leader, 3rd Pl	Antonio Amosin	3" Lt Inf O-43119	
1st Sgt			

History:

CO Co "F"	Ponciano Ed. Cruz	Capt Inf O-32672	RPD "D" Sec
2nd in Comd	Antonio Concepcion	3" Lt Inf O-33773	
Leader, 1st Pl	Jose Limson	3" Lt Inf O-26095	
Leader, 2nd Pl	Jose Banta	3" Lt Inf O-25786	RPD
Leader, 3rd Pl	Ireneo Cabrera	2" Lt Inf O-42501	RPD
JO	Dominiciano Luna	3" Lt Inf O-34113	
History: JO	Aniceto Bueno	3" Lt Inf O-33484	

CO, Co "G"	Rafael de Guzman	Capt Inf	
Leader, 1st Pl	Hector Chuidian	3" Lt Inf O-27728	
Leader, 2nd Pl	Benjamin Reyes	3" Lt Inf O-1897	
Leader, 3rd Pl	Florentino Ferrer	3" Lt Inf O-42486	
JO	Ramon Cruz	1" Lt Ce O-33330	

History:

CO, Co "H"	Celerino T. Vanada	Capt Inf	
Leader, 1st Pl			
Leader, 2nd Pl			
Leader, 3rd Pl			
1st Sgt			

History:

Bn History: Mobilized with the Regt Nov 41. The Bn was alerted to guard the water, electric, radio, supply depot in Manila and vicinity. At the outbreak of the war the Bn was assigned to concentrate Japs civilian in Manila and vicinity. On the last week of Dec 41 was assigned to Tiaong, Tayabas as reserve force and for delaying action until was ordered to proceed to Bataan 31 Dec 41. In Bataan the Bn was the worst committed PC because it was always in the front lines until surrender. The Bn fought in the following battles: Moron front, Abucay, Mauban MLR, Angyasan Point, Aglaloma sector, Toul pocket at trail # 5 and Pilar-Bagac MLR. Except in Abucay line the Bn was always comited. In this gallantry in action shown by the officer and EM of this Bn the following officers were wounded: Capt Rafael de Guzman, 2" Lt Gualberto Pimental, Capt Ponciano Ed. Cruz, 3" Lt D. Luna and Lt S. Potenciano. The Bn surrendered 9 April 42 at the base of Mariveles mountain.

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t/ PONCIANO ED. CRUZ

Capt Inf O-32672

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1st Lt. Inf, AUS

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2nd Bn., 2d Inf. Regt., PC (PA)

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3rd BW, 2nd PC REST

DESIGNATION	NAMES	RANK & BR SERV	PRESENT STATION
CO, 3 rd Bn	: Eleuterio de Leon	: Major Inf O-1204	:
Ex O	: Miguel Capistrano	: Capt QMS O-1381	:
S-1	:	:	:
S-2	: Francisco Nepomuceno	: 1 st Lt Inf O-54917	:
S-3	:	:	:
S-4	:	:	:
Bn Surgeon	: Ernesto Lesaca	: 1 st Lt MC O-34628	:
Hq & Hq Serv Co	: Jose Legaspi	: 1 st Lt Inf O-27766	:
CO, Co "I"	: Gerino Tactaquin	: 1 st Lt Inf	:
2nd in Comd	: Manuel Colicdan	: 2 nd Lt Inf O-33217	:
Leader, 1st Pl	: Jose Gregorio	: 3 rd Lt CAV O-34012	:
Leader, 2nd Pl	: William Chavez	: 3 rd Lt Inf O-42872	:
Leader, 3rd Pl	: Servillano Tabano	: 3 rd Lt CAV O-33044	:
1st Sgt JO	: Pedro Table	: 1 st Lt Inf O-25984	:

History:

CO, Co "K"	: Pantaleon Ravilles	: 1 st Lt Inf O-27737	:
2nd in Comd	: Ricardo Aquino	: 3 rd Lt Inf O-22416	:
Leader, 1st Pl	:	:	:
Leader, 2nd Pl	:	:	:
Leader, 3rd Pl	:	:	:
1st Sgt	:	:	:

History:

CO, Co "L"	: Esmeraldo Lazaro	: 1 st Lt Inf	:
Leader, 1st Pl	: Francisco Sison	: 2 nd Lt Inf O-21277	:
Leader, 2nd Pl	:	:	:
Leader, 3rd Pl	:	:	:
1st Sgt	:	:	:

History:

CO, Co "M"	:	:	:
Leader, 1st Pl	: Dominador Dawa	: 2 nd Lt Inf	:
Leader, 2nd Pl	: Arturo de los Reyes	: 2 nd Lt Inf O-45874	:
Leader, 3rd Pl	:	:	:
1st Sgt	:	:	:

History:

Bn History : Same as Regimental History:

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But while December 7 meant "Pearl Harbor" to most of the world, it meant "Clark Field" to the Filipinos and the Americans in the Philippines -- the date to them, halfway around the world and across the international date line, was December 8, 1941. At almost the same moment that the Japs hit Pearl Harbor, they made their attack on Clark Field in Central Luzon, only fifty miles from Manila. There they knocked out the American Far Eastern Air Force with almost the same devastating effect they dealt the U. S. Pacific Fleet 5,000 miles away.

-Vol I, Triumph in the Philippines, p. 34

The North Luzon Force, dispersed throughout the central and northern Luzon area, was commanded by Major General Wainwright. It included two units of the Regular Army, the 31st Infantry Regiment and the 192d Tank Battalion, a former National Guard Organization, as well as six units of the Philippine Scouts. These were the 45th and the 57th Infantries, (PS); the 26th Cav. (PS) and the 23rd, 24th and 88th P.A. Regiments (PS). General Wainwright also had the following Philippine Army Divisions:

The 11th Reserve Division under Col. William E. Brougher, AUB

The 21st Reserve Division under Brig. Gen. Mateo M. Capinpin, PA

The 31st Reserve Division under Col Clifford Blusmel, AUS

The 71st Reserve Division under Col Clyde A. Sellech, AUS

The 91st Reserve Division under Brig. Gen Luther Stevens, AUS

The South Luzon Force was under the command of Brig. General George Parker. It consisted of one Regular Army unit, the 191th Tank Battalion; one Philippine Scout unit, the 85th Field Artillery; the 1st and the 2nd Philippine Constabulary Regiments, and three Philippine Army Divisions:

The 1st Regular Division under Brig. Gen. Fidel Segundo, PA

The 11st Reserve Division under Brig. Gen. Vicente Iba, PA

The 51st Reserve Division under Col. Albert M. Jones, AUS

The Visayan-Mindanao force was commanded by Col. William F. Sharp, with headquarters in Mindanao, and it contained no Regular Army units. It had one Philippine Scout Regiment, the 43rd Infantry; the 3rd Philippine Constabulary Regiment, and three Philippine Army divisions:

The 61st Reserve Division, under Col. Bradford G. Chynoweth, USA.

The 81st Reserve Division, under Col. Guy S. Fort, PA

The 101st Reserve Division, under Col. Joseph P. Vachon, PA.

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There were also elements of other divisions including the 2d Infantry, the 73rd Infantry and the 93rd Infantry.

The Harbor Defense Command, consisting of Corregidor and its satellite islands, was commanded by Brig. Gen. George F. Moore and was composed of two Regular Army Regiments, the 59th and 60th Coast Artillery; two Philippine Scout units, the 91st and the 92nd Coast Artillery Regiments, and the 14th U. S. Marine Regiment, which had just been moved in from Subic Bay.

Command headquarters feared that the single blow at Clark Field had virtually decided the course of the war in the Philippines. The 26th Cavalry, bombed out of Fort Stotsenburg, moved into the nearby mountains, prepared to strike at the first enemy beach landing wherever it might come. On December 9, Nichols Field, another key army air base at Manila was bombed almost to destruction. The Japs apparently hoped to catch that part of the FEAF which had gone there for refuge. Group installation destruction, however, was all they accomplished -- but that was complete.

-Vol I, Triumph in the Philippines, pp. 42, 43 & 44

There were also elements of other divisions including the 2d

Infantry, the 7th Infantry and the 9th Infantry.

The 1st Airborne Division, consisting of Cavalry and the

Infantry, was commanded by Brig. Gen. George H. Moore and

was composed of two Regular Army Regiments, the 25th and 50th

Infantry; two Philippine Scout units, the 95th and the 96th

Infantry Regiments, and the 1st U. S. Marine Regiment, which had

just been moved in from Iloilo City.

General Headquarters feared that the 25th and 50th

Infantry Regiments would be the cause of the war in the Philippines. The

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to be prepared to defend the islands at any time they should become

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Vol. 1, Chapter 10, The Philippines, pp. 12, 13 & 14

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On December 20, the scheduled landing was made by one reinforced Japanese regiment at Davao, on Mindanao. This landing of the Sakaguchi Detachment was virtually unopposed. General Sharp had more than 1500 miles of shore to defend and no air reconnaissance to indicate where the Japs might strike. His 81st Division, just then being organized, was in Cebu. He had started the organization of the 101st Division only a short time before. General Sharp, therefore, had to depend primarily on the 61st Division, Philippine Army, the 3rd Philippine Constabulary Regiment, and two companies of the 43rd Infantry, Philippine Scouts. Supplementing these he had one regiment from each of three divisions -- the 1st, the 71st and the 91st -- of the Philippine Army in Luzon. It had been planned originally that these three regiments would join their divisions in Luzon, but the sudden outbreak of the war prevented this, and so they remained under General Sharp's control.

Once again a Philippine commander was faced with the prospect of opposing enemy artillery with rifles. Within five days after the landing at Davao, another artillery-reinforced company landed on the island of Jolo, on General Sharp's southwestern flank. This little island is almost exactly halfway between North Borneo and Zamboanga on the end of Mindanao, dividing the Sulu from the Celebes Sea.

-Vol I, Triumph in the Philippines, p. 52.

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4th PC

4th PC REGIMENT

3rd PC In Southern Islands 4th PC
Story by Maj. Arthur S. Rothrock

Rothrock joined last of Jan. At that time Lt. Col. Jalendonía was c.o., Col. O'Connor, sr. instructor. 2d Bn. - Maj. Monsod & Rothrock. 3d Bn. - an Am. 1st Lt.

Extended Cabcabén to almost Mariveles. 2d on left $1\frac{1}{2}$ km to left & right of Cabcabén; (Some PC unit on the left); on right, 3d Bn. then 1st. Had 6 pounder & 3 pounders for beach defense; fired these at target practice only. Tank plat. & 2 SPM's. In case of landing, to be supported by QM motor pool & Col. Daly's AC.

Had about $\frac{1}{2}$ old soldiers & $\frac{1}{2}$ recruits. Daily bombings but lost only 1 KIA & 3 or 4 WIA in 2d Bn. 2d had 3 fifties-2 of them AA. Many alerts but nothing resulted.

April 5-6-moved to front between road & beach as a secondary line. (Roth. Hosp. 3d). No action.

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In the Second Corps, the new line (from right to left) was as follows: x

The 31st Infantry Regiment, Philippine Army, on the beach at Orion, the right flank.

The Provisional Air Corps Regiment, U.S. Army.

The 32nd Infantry Regiment, Philippine Army.

The Fifty-First Combat Team (formed from remnants of the Fifty-First Division), Philippine Army.

The 21st Division, Philippine Army.

The 41st Division, Philippine Army, on the extreme left.

The Philippine Army Air Corps Battalion, the Philippine Army Training Cadre Battalion, and the 4th Regiment of the Philippine Constabulary guarded the eastern beaches below Orion.

The 2nd Corps area was subdivided into sectors as follows:

Subsector A, under the command of Col. Constant L. Irwin, included the beach defenses from Orion southward to Lisay. It was comprised of the 31st Infantry Regiment, Philippine Army; the Philippine Army Air Corps Battalion, and the Philippine Army Training Cadre Battalion.

Subsector B, under Colonel Irvin E. Doane, included the U. S. Provisional Air Corps Regiment near the right flank of the main battle position.

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Subsector C, under Brigadier General Clifford Blumel, included the 41st Infantry Regiment, Philippine Army; the 32nd Infantry Regiment, Philippine Army; and the 51st Combat Team, Philippine Army. It was in the center of the main battle position.

Subsector D, under General Lough, included the 21st Division, Philippine Army; the 41st Division, Philippine Army, less the 41st Infantry; and the 33rd Infantry Regiment, Philippine Army. It was on the left flank of the main line of resistance.

Subsector E, under Brigadier General Guillermo Francisco, on the Manila Bay beaches below Ilaya, included the 2nd Regular Division, Philippine Army, which had been made up from the 41st Regiment of the Philippine Constabulary and other miscellaneous units after the withdrawal to Bataan.

After the withdrawal from Abucay, all Regular Army and Philippine Scouts units on Bataan were held in the rear as USAFFE reserve. The headquarters of the Philippines Department, originally composed of Philippine Scouts and Regular Army units, continued to exist under General Lough but these units were never again organized for any combined effort during the remainder of the fight on Bataan.

-Vol I, Triumph in the Philippines, pp. 112, 113, 114.

Subsector 2, under direction General William H. Tunney, included
the 1st Infantry Division, Philippine Army; the 2nd Infantry Division,
Philippine Army; and the 3rd Infantry Division, Philippine Army.
It was in the center of the main battle position.
Subsector 3, under General Young, included the 1st Infantry
Division, Philippine Army; the 2nd Infantry Division, Philippine Army; and the 3rd
Infantry Division, Philippine Army. It was
on the left flank of the main line of resistance.
Subsector 4, under direction General William H. Tunney, included
the 1st Infantry Division, Philippine Army; the 2nd Infantry Division,
Philippine Army; and the 3rd Infantry Division, Philippine Army. It was
the Philippine Government and other organizations with other the
attempts to Japan.
After the withdrawal from Subsector 4, the 1st Infantry Division and Philippine
Army units on Luzon were held in the rear as a reserve.
The headquarters of the Philippine Government, originally composed
of Philippine Government and Philippine Army units, continued to exist
under General Young but these units were never able to establish the
any further effort during the remainder of the fight on Luzon.
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South Luzon Force - Bataan Force - II Philippine Corps

Brief Outline of Activities Prior to and During War

Prior to the outbreak of hostilities on about Sept 1 a SIF Hq in skeleton form was created and functioned briefly. This Hq consisted of Brig. Gen Geo Parker, Lt. Col. C O Wilson, Lt. Col. H. D. Johnston, Capt. Arthur Christensen and Capt. Homer Uglow. Units to be included under this command were not inducted until somewhat later and the troops thus received practically no training before the war started. Only two regiments the 42nd & 32d Infs. were inducted on Sept 1 and no others immediately thereafter.

The elements of the command were drawn up as follows:
Nov 1 - 41st & 51st Infs. mobilized and started training, Nov. 24th - 43rd & 53rd Infs, 41st F. A and 41st & 51st Engrs. On Dec 1 the 41st and 51st Med. Bns. Signal Cos, Hq & Hq Cos, & QM Service Co, so that on Dec 8 the state of the SIF was: 41st Div complete less 1 Anti Tank Bn 51st Div complete less 1 Anti Tank Bn & 51st F.A. and 1st & 2d P. C. (inducted in Mid. Nov and assigned for training only) released at beginning of war.

The 41st & 51st Divs. were inducted and trained in S. Luzon what little training they did have and at the outbreak they were sent to their defensive positions on the beaches. The boundary between division running along a general line thru Lemery & Pancipit Rr.-Id. in Lake Taal - Tagaytay and Las Pines inclusive to the 41st Div. The rest of the coastline was defended by the 51st Div with Manila sector unoccupied due to location of the fortified Ids. On Dec 29th the 1st Reg Div was assigned to the beaches between Infanta & Mauban inclusive and was given the road net in rear of it.

On about Dec 12 the Japanese landed at Legaspi after previously bombing Davao, Legaspi, Nichols Field, Cavite and sections in the BLF territory and started to move N towards the main part of Luzon by rail and by road. Units of the 52nd Inf were sent S to meet them - one Co. along the road and one Bn was split up - its elements being drawn and given different missions - to contact and delay the enemy as long as possible, destroy bridges and military equipment and impede the progress of the enemy as much as they were able.

The Second Phase of SLF activities began on Dec 21 when the enemy landed in force at Atimonan and Nauban. The units of the 52d sent 8 encountered many adventures of war not covered here, some being out off and breaking thru - others making their way H to join their organization later. On the afternoon of Dec. 24 Gen Parker's Hq. was moved to Bataan and the Bataan Force consisting of the 31st Div, 41st Div, parts of the Phil Div., Hq and other misc. units. Gen Jones took command of the SLF upon Gen Parker's departure (his Div. the 41st having reverted to the Bataan Force).

By the night of Dec 24th the "Js" had crossed the Mts. at Atimonan to Melichar and at Nauban had reached the Zig-Zag at Sampaloc. The enemy from Atimonan advanced in successive states and by nightfall of the 25th were at Lucena, Tayabas, 26th Canda-
laria, 27th Tisong and on the night of 27-28 contact was broken in that area as the troops were ordered to Bataan. At Nauban the 1st Inf less 1 Bn retreated to positions on the Laguna-Tayabas boundary night of Dec. 25, Louisiana 26th broke contact on the 27th and withdrew to Bataan via Pagbenjan, Sta. Cruz, Los Banos and Manila. One Bn at Tignauan remained there until the 28th with no contact and withdrew on the 28th. The regiments in the SLF were reshuffled on the night of the 27th and were shuttled into Bataan - no contact being made with the enemy. By Dec 31st Gen. Jones and his Hq. had arrived at Flaridel & contacted Gen. Wainwright. By order of USAFFE Gen Jones was put in command of remains of the 71st & 91st Divs, then at Baliuag and stayed there to cover the withdrawal of the SLF thru them Dec 31st - Jan 1. By morning of the 1st these units and Gen Jones arrived in Bataan and the SLF ceased to exist. (Note: Assg'd to SLF prior to this date and moved to Tagaytay pos. was the Prov. Constab. Brigade. Three days were absorbed moving in and thru more out - no contact being made with the enemy).

As part of the 3d Phase of the SLF the Bataan Force existed from Dec. 24 - Jan 6 its function having been to organize the position in Bataan and assist in their occupancy.

By the night of Jan 5-6 the last elements of the HIF had withdrawn into Bataan leaving the covering force at Layac Jet, exposed to the enemy. Organized from right to left in line the pos. contained the 71st Div, 31st Inf (US), and 26th Cav. At 8:00 A Jan 6 our art'y sighted the enemy and began to register on them and at 9:00 A.J. art'y appeared on the road to be re-

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inforced by other art'y units soon thereafter and a fierce art'y dual ensued. The "Js" also bombarded portion of the 31st Inf with superior fire and by nightfall the right of the 31st and part of the 71st Div had pulled back. At about 10 P. the entire line was ordered withdrawal behind the Abucay position which movement was executed in great confusion. The 26th Cav, not receiving the order was cut off and withdraw through the Mts. One Bn of the (236) F.A. was badly shot up and lost all but one gun. The 1st Bn of the 88th FA retreated in order saving all guns.

The Main Battle Position previously organized, was occupied originally by the II Philippine units from right to left 57th Inf, 41st Division and 51st Div. the 57th turning its flank on the beach at Matabang and the 51st Div tying in with the I Corps at Mt. Natib. This position was shelled almost constantly daily particularly on the left flank of the 41st Div. and the right of the 51st Div. The Js effected a penetration in that sector and between the 41st Div, and 57th Inf left and the 31st Inf (US) and 45th Inf (PS) were sent in to counter attack at Abucay hacienda, the 21st Div being sent in to reinforce the MIA on the front of the 41st Div. The counter attack was successful, heavy casualties being inflicted on the enemy and mopping up operation were in progress when the retreat in the I Corps Sector made a withdrawal from the Main Battle Position to the Reserve Orion-Bagac pos. necessary. Some Js had infiltrated thru the II Corps, however, and it is probable that they might have cut thru the reserve Orion-Bagac pos. had the withdrawal not been made.

The withdrawal was accomplished with a considerable confusion during which aggressive action by "J" art'y, air corps and ground troops might have ended the war before the end of January. The position was occupied and divided into subsectors as follows from the beach near Linsay-North to Orion - to the Pantingan. SS-A under Col. Irwin - 31st Inf. PA PA Air Corps Bn, and PA Training Cadre; SS-B-Col Deanes - Prov. Regt. U.S.A. Air Corps, SS-C Gen Blumel - 41st Inf (to March 1), 31st Div less 31st & 33rd Infs, 51st Combat team, SS-D Gen Lough - 21st Div on Right - 41st Div. on left and 33rd Inf on extreme left flank prior to Mar. 1 after which it become Corps reserve and the 41st Inf went from SS-C to SS-D. The Philippine Division, part of which was to have occupied the front line was broken up as Corps and Army Reserve and was employed piecemeal wherever necessity dictated. Its Hq continued to exist under Gen. Lough but never until the final futile effort was it brought together in any attempt at concerted effort.

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The Reserve Battle Position was further prepared and fortified after occupancy - lowlands flooded, trenches dug, camouflages created barbed wire strung etc & patrol action was constant but not pressure was exerted until the first of April. Here as in the I Corps the "Js" entrenched and awaited reinforcements.

Toward the latter part of March enemy truck, tank and artillery columns were sighted on the roads and near areas and it was obvious that an offensive had been planned. This push came beginning April 3 at about 8 A with intensive shelling, dive bombing, high level bombing and a general attack in the 42d Inf areas and by nightfall these units had retreated in confusion down trails #6 and #29 to trail #8, the 42d Inf completely disintegrating and disappearing. The 43d Inf was contacted by Gen Lough and ordered to reorg. and moved back up #6 on April 4. However, it was again hit by mass artillery, broke up and disappeared. The 41st Inf. not so hard hit moved N along the road and was not attached in force. On the night of April 4, the 33d Inf in Corps Res. Along Tr #44, about 1 Km N of #6 & 44, was ordered N to reinforce the line, but was not heard from thereafter. On April 4th "J" tanks appeared along the Pilar-Bagac road, some started down trail #28 and went back, and a number worked down the Pilar-Bagac Road behind the MLR of the 21st Div along the Talisay R. The 21st Div then withdrew under pressure to the RHT on the slopes of Mt. Samat. In the face of these attacks and withdrawal by the night of Apr 4 the line existed with a large salient in SS-D and units were located as follows: 41st Inf on extreme left astride trail #29, a large Jap on its right to the 21st Div on the forward slopes of Mt. Samat, 21st CT, 32d Inf, Prov. AC Regt; 31st Inf PA AC En and the PATC. The 31st Inf US had been ordered from its bivouac area to Jct of trs #2 & #10 on April 4 and was in that area that night.

On April 5 the enemy moved down tr #6 and across the face of Samat and by night they had control of trail #64 to the CP of the 21st Div, and were working up the E slope of Mt. Samat. The extent of the penetration by the "Js" was not known exactly and a counter attack involving the 45th Inf (PB) up Trail #29 with tank support and the 31st Inf (US) up astride #44, thence up #64 to #44- then up #4 to reinforce and establish the line. Before this could be accomplished in April 6 remnants of the 21st Div came thru the 31st Inf pos. and heavy fire was received from the enemy in Mt. Samat. Heavy pressure on the front and left of the 31st Inf forced its withdrawal to the S. bank of the San Vicente by nightfall of the 6th. The enemy also forced his way up trails #6 & #44 in April 6, the 1st Bn 57th Inf having been ordered to Jct #8 & #44 to be at disposal of Gen. Lough.

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Before the 57th Bn could reach Gen Lough, however, his Hq was cut off by the enemy on Trail 8 and the Bn of the 57th was forced to take up a defensive position behind the San Vicente R. at the Jct #8 & #46. The tank support of the 45th Inf arrived late and that unit was forced S on trail #29 and into the I Corps sector.

Thus by nightfall of April 6th situation was almost hopeless. On the extreme left the 45th Inf counter offensive up Tr #29 was nipped and it, with Gen Lough's Hq. was cut off from II Corps. The "Js" had routed the 41st Div and followed it up trails #6 & #44 where the 1st Bn 57th encountered the enemy and held then N. of the San Vicente at Trail Jct #8 & #46. On the San Vicente a large gap existed and then the 31st Inf (US) had gone into pos. connecting with the 51st CT of Gen Blumel on its right flank. Our art'y had been overwhelmed and silenced and the 41st PA guns had all been captured.

On April 7 an attempt was made to organize a defensive line along the Patoc trail (#46) with 201st and 202d Engrs filling the gap between the 57th (2d Bn. in pos, with 1st Bn night of April 6) and 31st Inf (US) and SS-C units. The 26th Cav and 14th Engrs also moved up, the 26th at Jct. #2 & #10 being turned over to Gen. Blumel & the Engrs. to Col. Tilly who was with the 57th Inf CP and its 3d Bn, attached to SS-C and Gen. Blumel. The "Js" followed up their aggressive move of the 6th and not only cut trail #46 but staged a separate attack in the 32d Inf area in the right half of SS-C forcing the withdrawal of the 51st CT, along with the 31st (US) to the S bank of the San Vicente and extend a line with the 3d Bn 57th Inf, & 21st & 31st Engrs. The 201st & 301st Engrs, had failed to arrive at their position on the Patoc Trail before the enemy cut it and those units were scattered & disintegrated. Thus Gen Blumel decided to continue the withdrawal to the S bank of the Manala R where, after consultation with commanders of the 26th Cav, 57th Inf, 31st Inf (US) and Engrs, he decided to withdraw all elements to the Alangan R which long retreat was affected before dawn of the 8th.

April 8th found the line held behind the Alangan R. in a confused state due to hasty retreat and mistaken routes of withdrawal. It was obvious from the outset that this position was untenable. All 37 mm guns and automatic weapons had been lost, nearly all 155 mm. were of ammunitions. In addition the men were almost completely exhausted by the long marches and days without food. The 26th Cav, which had moved from #2 & #10 to #2 & #46 covered the withdrawal of other units & then withdrew to the above pos. itself.

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It was intended that new position would be occupied with the 26th Cav, 57th Inf and 31st Inf in line & the 14th Engrs in reserve, but due to a mistake in retiring between new and old trails #20 a scramble ensued and the line was established with the 26th Cav and 14th Engrs astride Trail #20, 31st & 57th to E of old #20 - a big gap to the 803d Engrs, PAC, 31st Inf PA and the 4th PC, (the 4th PC and 803d Engrs having been brought up during the night).

During the morning of the 8th Js bombed the line heavily and the 4th PC and the 31st Inf PA pulled out. Enemy tanks & Inf followed up quickly down trail #20 and soon surrounded the position set that by the night of the 8th the entire line was untenable and further withdrawal became necessary. Orders were confused as were the troops who scattered badly. The bulk of them escaped down new #20 - others cross country. Col. Tilly, Col Brady & Col. Saint of the 57th Inf 31st Inf & 14th Engrs respectively managed to gather parts of their commands by the morning of the 9th. At 3 A, Maj. Christensen Ass't G-3 for II Corps met Gen. Blumel at Jet #12 & #20 received order to surrender. Gen Blumel was ordered to take up a position behind the Lamac R. but instead he left a screen and moved troops the rear where surrender came later that day.

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1st Bn
4th PC

1st Bn, 4th PC Regt

2^d Bn
4th PC

2^d Bn, 4th PC Regt

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3rd EN
4th PC

3rd EN, 4th PC Regt

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2nd FA

2nd FA REGIMENT

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On December 30, General Wainwright ordered the battle line to D-5. Great convoys filled with men and supplies were pouring through the road junction at San Fernando, Pampanga, into Bataan, behind those who held the front for just this purpose. Day and night the roads thundered with the sound of trucks and the buses. General Wainwright sent a regiment of the 71st Division, together with 500 men of the 91st Division and a battalion of Field artillery, to establish a front along the Pampanga River north of Baliuag on the right (south-east) flank of his line to give added protection of the SLF, which was still hurriedly crossing the Calumpit Bridge and proceeding via San Fernando (Pampanga) to Bataan.

The 2d Field Artillery Regiment, already on Bataan, was sent to San Fernando to reinforce the holding line. The 21st Infantry reached Bamban, Tarlac, on December 30 and strengthened the defense line along the southern bank of the Bamban River. The 26th Cavalry stayed at San Jose to cover the left flank of the 21st Division. All were subjected to heavy artillery bombardment behind which the Japs moved early closely. Hand-to-hand fighting went on all along the line.

On December 31, the 71st Infantry relieved the 91st Infantry at Baliuag, Bulacan, and in the afternoon was itself forced to retire to the west bank of the Pampanga River. The 71st Division again was re-organized and disposed north of the bridge as a covering force. The 91st Division was reformed east and south of the Pampanga River, its artillery ordered to Bataan. -Vol I, Triumph in the Philippines, pp. 75 & 76.

The 2nd Field Artillery, Philippine Army, up to this time had been guarding the beaches from Lamac to Cagcaban. On April 7 it was ordered to occupy the position along the Lamac River to help delay the enemy. But it was unable to stem the advancing tide of Japs who reached the river bank by the evening of April 8.

-Vol I, Triumph in the Philippines, p. 186

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1st Bk, 2" FA REG

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2^d BN, 2ⁿ FA REGT

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3rd BN, 2nd FA REGT

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2nd FA

2^d ENGR

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DESIGNATION	NAMES	RANK & BR OF SERV	PRESENT STATION
Hq, 2d Bn	: Col Jose A. Bernaldes	: Col CE	: Casual, Camp Murphy
ExO	: Maj Perfecto M Vasquez	: Maj CE	: OCE, HPA
S-1	: Telesforo Umali	: 1 st Lt CE	: On sick leave
S-2	: Modesto Zapido	: 1 st Lt CE	: Demobilized
S-3	: Emilio Almaro	: Capt CE	: OCE, HPA
S-4	: Martin C. Bonoan	: Capt O-21453	: Reverted
Hq & Hq Serv Co	: Catalino S. Caragay	: Capt CE	: OCE, HPA
CO, Co Hqs	: Martin C. Bonoan	: Capt CE O-21453	: Reverted
2nd in Comd	: Pedro Montemayor	: Capt CE	: Fort Belvoir, USA
Leader, 1st Pl	: Alejandro Ramos	: 2 nd Lt CE	: OCE, HPA
Leader, 2nd Pl	: Genon Garcia	: 2 nd Lt CE	: Reverted
Leader, 3rd Pl	: Marcos Siogoo	: 1 st Lt CE	: 1 st Engr Cons Bn
1st Sgt	:	:	:

History:

CO, Co "A"	: Casimiro Panabon	: 1 st Lt CE	: Killed by the Japs 1944
2nd in Comd	:	:	:
Leader, 1st Pl	: Eustaquio Villarojo	: 1 st Lt CE	:
Leader, 2nd Pl	: Ernesto Achacoso	: 2 nd Lt CE	:
Leader, 3rd Pl	: Cipriano Angeles	: 1 st Lt CE	:
1st Sgt	:	:	:

History: Former CO - Ricardo V. Tionco 1st Lt CE

CO, Co "B"	: Benjamin Lucas	: 1 st Lt	: Reverted
Leader, 1st Pl	: Enrique SD Manaois	: 2 nd Lt CE	:
Leader, 2nd Pl	: Manuel P. Vergel	: 2 nd Lt CE	:
Leader, 3rd Pl	: Lt Cabarrus	: 2 nd Lt CE	:
1st Sgt	:	:	:

History:

CO, Co "C"	: Manuel Santos	: 1 st Lt CE	:
Leader, 1st Pl	: Felipe Yandoc	: 1 st Lt CE	: Died in Capas 1942
Leader, 2nd Pl	: Lt Punzalan	: 1 st Lt CE	:
Leader, 3rd Pl	:	:	:
1st Sgt	:	:	:

History: Attached to the 1st PC Regt and performed Engr works and saw action at Aglaloma point.

Bn History: Organized on 27 Dec '41 as the Engr unit of the 1st Provisional Brigade under Brig. Gen. de Jesus. Moved to Bataan on 30 Dec 41 and on 6 Jan 42 in Bataan it became the 2nd Engrs and was made as the Engr unit of the 2nd Regular Division which was then newly organized under the command of Gen Francisco. Performed all fortification works, road and bridge construction, beach defenses, camouflage works etc, from Limay to Mariveles and Aglaloma. In the final phase of the Bataan campaign the Engr Bn was used as Infantry troops defending Alangan River until the surrender on 9 April 42 at Little Baguio.

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2d Engr Bn (PA)

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2nd MED BN

DESIGNATION	NAMES	RANK & BR SERV	PRESENT STATION
CO, 2nd Bn (Med)	JOSE Gonzales Roxas	Lt Col MC	Chief Surgeon
ExO	Luis D. Martinez	Major MC	1 st Gen Hospital
S-1	Marcelo C. Angangco	Capt MC	1 st Gen Hospital
Division Dental Officer	Sagala	Lt Col DC	Unknown
Veterinarian Off	Manuel Valdez	Major VC	Unknown
S-4	Pedro U. Soliman	Capt MC	IGS, HPA
Hq & Hq Serv Co	Pedro U. Soliman	Capt MC	IGS, HPA
Hq Co	Zapanta	1 st Lt MC	Unknown
	Layug	1 st Lt MC	Unknown
Leader, 1st Pl			
Leader, 2nd Pl			
Leader, 3rd Pl			
1st Sgt			

History:

CO, Co "A" Coll	Pulmano	Capt MC	Demobilized
Leader, 1st Pl			
Leader, 2nd Pl			
Leader, 3rd Pl			
Original	CO, S. Mesina	Capt MC	Unknown

History:

CO, Co "B" Coll	Juan Merchan Jr	Capt MC	Hq MPC PA (Med)
Leader, 1st Pl	Suplido	1 st Lt MC	Unknown
Leader, 2nd Pl	Cajipe	1 st Lt MC	CO., Med MPC Ta
Leader, 3rd Pl	Santos	1 st Lt MC	Deceased
1st Sgt	Rafael Illana	T/Sgt	Unknown

History:

CO, Co "C" Coll	B. Nebres	Major MC	Demobilized
Leader, 1st Pl			
Leader, 2nd Pl			
Leader, 3rd Pl			
1st Sgt			

History:

Organized about 24 to 27 Dec 41 at the Far Eastern University (HPA) as Medical Bn of the 51st Provisional Brigade. Medical Bn commanded by Major (then Capt) Luis D. Martinez, M.C.; BRIGADE commander was General De Jesus. Components of the Medical Bn mostly from remnants at Camp Murphy, and civilian Volunteers drafted at HPA, Camp Murphy, and a Pasig, Rizal were inducted by the adjutant either in Manila or at Silang, Cavite during the period 24 to 29 Dec 41. Medical Bn with the 51st Provisional Brigade moved to Silang, Cavite about 27 Dec 41; then moved to Ft Wm McKinley on 31 Dec 41 where one-half clearing Co under Capt Jose P. Celis and one Collecting Co under Juan Merchan Jr. was lost when Medical Bn was ordered to leave Ft McKinley the same afternoon of 31 Dec 41 and proceed to Bataan, Reached Limay, Bataan early Morning of 1 Jan 42; bombed on 2 Jan 42 losing at least two (2) Medical officers and fourteen (14) enlisted men.

Re-organized again as the 2nd Medical Bn for the 2nd Regular Division (PC) with additional members from the Philippine Constabulary which arrived also in Bataan about the same time. The Medical Bn remained intact as a unit except a Collecting Co which was attached with an Infantry Regt. PC to the 71st Division PA about the end of Jan 42 in Bataan.

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2nd Medical Bn., 2nd Regular Division			
DESIGNATION	NAMES	RANK & BR SERV:	PRESENT STATION
CO, Clearing Co.	Protacio R. Sotto	Capt MC	1" General Hospital PA
JO.	Jose P. Celis	Capt MC	unknown
JO.	Agustin AVECILLA	1" Lt MC	unknown
JO.	QUITASOL	1" Lt MC	unknown
JO.	SALVADOR	1" Lt MC	unknown
S-4			
Hq & Hq Serv Co : Medical Company 1st Regt			
CO, Co	Jose Obieta	Lt Col MC	Co, 11th Station Hosp.
2nd in Comd	E. POGEDA	1" Lt MC	unknown
Leader, 1st Pl			
Leader, 2nd Pl			
Leader, 3rd Pl			
1st Sgt			
History:			
Medical Company 2nd Regt			
CO, Co	Valdemar Zialcita	Major MC	Demobilized
2nd in Comd	O. CARLOS	Capt MC	HPA
Leader, 1st Pl	S. CORDERO	1" Lt MC	unknown
Leader, 2nd Pl	R. ANGELES	1" Lt MC	unknown
Leader, 3rd Pl	DE LEON	1" Lt MC	unknown
1st Sgt	LEGASPI	1" Lt MC	unknown
History:	E. LESACA	1" Lt MC	unknown
2nd FA., Medical Detachment			
CO, Co	Jose Salcedo	Major MC	District Surgeon 5th Mil.
Leader, 1st Pl	SEBASTIAN	1" Lt MC	unknown
Leader, 2nd Pl			
Leader, 3rd Pl			
1st Sgt			
History:			
Medical Detachment, Hq Special Troops Division Hq			
CO, Co	Guillermo Ilano	Major MC	unknown
Leader, 1st Pl	ZAGALA	Lt Col DC	unknown
Leader, 2nd Pl			
Leader, 3rd Pl			
1st Sgt			
History:			

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