

319.1 S-1 Periodic Report
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ARMY OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA
SIXTH MILITARY DISTRICT
TUNIS A

3-1 PERIODIC REPORT

From: 31 July '43 Midnight
To : 31 August '43
Issuing Unit: TUNIS A
Place of Issue: In the field
Date & Hour of Issue: 10; AM
25 August '43

No. 1

Maps: Map of Panay, BCGS, 1931
Scale: 1:200,000

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1. Station List:

(Already submitted)

2. Administrative Installation:

(Shown by overlays as per Combat Order and Field Order issued by Tunis A-20 and 30 respectively.)

3. Strength of Command:

(Shown by Basic Strength Report herewith attached)

4. Casualties:

The following is an additional report of casualties of this command from the beginning of the reorganization to date. Partial report of casualties was submitted in the 3-1 Periodic Report.

(1) Pvt. ANTONIO ADORADOR - CIV43 - 1393

Name & Address of Nearest Relative:

YELDA B. ADORADOR (Wife) - Janipa-an, Cabatuan

Date & Place Killed: 29 July '43; Janipa-an, Cabatuan

Burial Place: Janipa-an, Cabatuan

Name of Immediate CO: PABLO BALDO, 1st Lieut., Infantry -
Commanding Officer, Tunis A-20H

Remarks: died in Line of Duty

5. Graves Registration:

(1) Pvt. ANTONIO ADORADOR - CIV43 - 1393

Burial Place: Janipa-an, Cabatuan (without Military Honor)

6. Replacements: NONE

7. Prisoners: NONE

8. Stragglers: NONE

9. Morale:

The members of this Command still maintain a true and sound spirit of an ARMY with full confidence of the coming Victory in our favor. This is supported by the fact

that everywhere, anytime, anyhow our men are always on the go to accomplish mission assigned them regardless of enemy penetration, and favorable circumstances, and existing difficulties in the field. The spirit is further increased due to payment of partial pay to all our men which this command believes it to be the best means to hold the morale.

10. Civil Population:

In spite of the penetration in the southern towns of Iloilo the civilians are in full-hearted cooperation with our Army worth while mentioning with our Unit. This is shown by the fact that whenever our men need their help and cooperation they never hesitate to give hands.

In Capiz the morale of the civilians is increasing and confidence to our Army is gradually developed due to various demonstration and operations of different Units and also liquidation of fifth-columnist and pro-Japs which is a menace in the preservation of a true spirit of patriotism.

For the COMMANDING OFFICER:

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For the Commanding Officer
[Signature]

2nd Lieut - Inf
Adjutant

Rec. 8-26-43
at 4:50 P.M.

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ARMY OF THE UNITED STATES
SIXTH MILITARY DISTRICT
TUNIS A

S-1 PERIODIC REPORT

From: 30 Sept, '43 Midnight
To : 31 October, '43 Midnight
Issuing Unit: TUNIS A
Place of Issue: In the Field
Date & Hour of Issue: 10:00 AM
31 Oct, '43

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No. 4

Map: Map of Panay, EGCS, 1931
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1. STATION LIST: (Please see attached station List)

2. ADMINISTRATIVE INSTALLATIONS:

- a. The following are changes in location of troops, CPs and boundaries:
1. Tunis AH moved from its ROP to AGP as reported.
 2. Tunis A-20 moved from AVF-9AO to KKK-9AO
FCP - No change.
 3. Hq & Hq Serv Co - CP - No change. Same as of previous reports. This Co will continue to serve the Bn Staff and lettered Cos and at the same time to cover a sector of Iloilo Province West of the rail from Bitagan to Pototan and a line from Pototan passing Tina, Janiway to Ginos, Lambunao.
 4. "A" Co moved from KKK-9AO (Dugas) to SAK (Janiway). This Co will cover the sector bounded on the East by the sector assigned to Hq & Hq Serv Co, and Pototan-Polot-an Road and then switching to the Jalund River following its course up to the vicinity crossing Pototan-Polot-an Road, then following the Iloilo-Pavia-3ta Barbara-Cabatuan and Ma-asin Roads.
 5. "B" Co CP - AMF-LAW. This Co will cover the whole area West of that covered by "A" Co up to the Iloilo-Antique boundary.
 6. "C" Co CP - No change. Same as of last report. This Co will cover up the whole province of Antique. (Note: For coded words, see S-3 Bull. No. 10, London City.)
 7. CP of Tunis A-30 moved from NOPAM-LASAS-IN to ADOON-LAYUC-AARM.
 8. Tunis A-30d - CP of Co Hq moved from BOAGL-ANJAT-EY to CAPOT-AASBS-BSIM; CP of 1st Platoon moved to LOOOS-RMDE-ONGI
 9. Tunis A-30E - CP of 3rd Platoon moved to ICPNA-ACEZA.
 10. Tunis A-30F - CP of Co Hq and 1st Platoon moved to SOSBO-IPLIA.
(Note: Meaning of coded words will be sent later thru an officer)
- b. No report of changes of other CPs have been received. CPs are mobile.

3. STRENGTH TO COMMAND:

- a. Concise statement concerning status or strength of this command and replacement needed: This command has an authorized strength of 67 officers and 1031 EM including Medical Attached. (Three Medical officers,

three Dental Officers and thirty five Medical Aidmen.) The actual strength is 68 officers and 1028 EM. Three officers assigned to this Unit are unassigned. (For further detail, please see basic strength Return herewith attached.)

4. CASUALTY:

a. The following is an additional report of casualties of this command from the beginning of the reorganization to date:

1. Name: MARCELO RIVAS, Rank: Prob 3rd Lieut., Inf
2. Name or immediate CO: 2nd Lieut. GILBERTO GONZALEZ, CE, CO,
TUNIS A-21E
3. Remarks: fractured right thigh while in the performance of his duty.

5. GRAVES REGISTRATION: (None)

6. REPLACEMENTS:

a. This Regt needs two Dental Officers, two Medical Aidmen and six EM to complete the authorized strength as per TO.

7. PRISONERS: (None)

8. CAPTURED:

- a. Pfc Grasin, Rafael, Tunis A-20-B captured by the Japs after he was pointed out by one pro-Jap agent as an Army Man. Being trapped, he had no other course to take but to submit.
- b. Pvt Saloma, Salvador, Tunis A-20-A on the 5th of October was captured by the Japs. But according to information received by this Hq, said EM is intending to escape as soon as he has a chance to move his family which is presently held as hostage.

9. STRAGGLERS: (None)

10. MORALE:

The morale of officers and EM of the Hq Bn is high and increasing. This is the attribute of the well informed knowledge about the events in outside world particularly that most awaited global victories of the Allies. Nearness of aid for the redemption of our people is not a question to our officers and men. This may be considered as mere assertion and even exaggeration but facts show in all our daily activities that our men never kick and united they stand in the performance of their duties wherein they follow orders heartily and willingly with the aim in view to help win this war. To them, bitter sacrifices for the sake of our sacred cause may soon be over. The question of time for the advent of this redemption is not a problem. We have faith on the Divine Providence that sooner due justice and peace be given to those who strive for them.

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-S-1 PERIODIC REPORT-

From: 31 Dec. '43 Midnight
To : 31 Jan. '44 Midnight
Issuing Unit: TUNIS A
Place of Issue: In the Field
Date & Hour of Issue: 10:00 AM,
28 Jan. '44

No. 1

MAP:- Map of Panay, BCGS, 1931
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1. STATION LIST:- (Please see attached Station List.)

2. ADMINISTRATIVE INSTALLATIONS:

a. The following are changes of location of troops and CP's:-

1. TUNIS A Hq moved to RCP, JZHO - ZOVB - VJZ - WSKZ - LZT.
2. TUNIS A-20 FCP: YGTO - GHTZ - HNSV - HZJ.
3. TUNIS A-20 RCP: ZDQZ - H - LVGH.
4. TUNIS A-20H CP: OQHZ - PZHQ - SZN.
5. TUNIS A-20A CP: WZLS - JZEK - ZZJQ - H.
6. TUNIS A-20B CP: WZDW - ZD - OQTY - ZSZH.
7. TUNIS A-30 CP: JOZZ - HZCZ - DZA.
8. TUNIS A-30F CP: DZTZ - LZHW - SKZB - ZG.

Code words use indicator No. 111.)
are changes of all other CP's received. However CP's may
change to time as situation demands.

3. STRENGTH

a. Concerning the status of this command and replacements
has an authorized strength of 67 Officers and 1,031 EM
1 Medical (3 Medical Officers, 3 Dental Officers and 30
Men.) The actual strength is 68 Officers (2 Officers on indefi-
nite furlough and 1 Officer unassigned) and 1,019 EM. (For more detail,
please see Basic Strength Return herewith attached.)

4. CASUALTIES:-

a. The following is an additional report of casualties of this command from
the beginning of the organization to date:

1. Name:- Alejo Figuroa Rank:- Pfc. CE
2. Name and address of nearest relative:- Arsenio Figuroa (Father)
Banate, Iloilo
3. Date and place of death:- 12 Jan '44 - Barrio Ilas, Capulan, Dao, Capiz.
4. Name of immediate CO: 3rd Lieut. Arturo T. Rivera, CE, TUNIS A-30F
5. Remarks:- Killed by Japs PC while on special mission to requisition
palay at Ro. Ilas, Capulan, Dao, Capiz.

5. GRAVES REGISTRATION:

a. Name: Pfc Alejandro Figueroa
Burial Place: Ilas, Capulan, Dao, Capiz (without military honor)

6. REPLACEMENTS:

This command needs 3 Dental Officers, 4 Medical Aidmen and 8 Engr trained EM to complete the authorized strength as per TO.

7. PRISONERS:

1. Agustin Ibañez of Lutudlutud, Pilar, Capiz, a Japanese spy caught by this Unit was liquidated 7th of January '44.
2. Jose Puertogallera and Francisco Sobredilla both Jap spy suspects, under the custody of Tunis A-30 were released after sufficient investigations and observation.

8. STRAGGLERS: (None)

9. MORALE:-

Tunis A-20 and 30;

Officers and EM of these Bns. have been found loyal and faithful, unaffected by enemy propaganda. Everybody cherishes the hope for ultimate victory. The dissemination of foreign news regarding progressive encouraging developments and overwhelming victories of the allies are instrumental in the upkeep of the morale of the men. As usual routine lectures on miscellaneous vital subjects are given to all men. Every member of this command is ever in readiness for the long expected order of the zero hour.

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10. CIVILIAN POPULATION:-

Civilian population is the element that has been greatly affected in morale. The enemy through either by threats or committal of atrocities on tortures and merciless killings, have succeeded in winning the civilian population to their side. They have accomplished success in luring people in the choice of domicile, acquisition of property and procure labor of any sort, they ever need. There are no doubt on the side with the enemy, because they just simply wait for the day whether Japs lose or win this war. They are that kind of people, a species of cowards and selfish. The civilians who are called "loyal" class is the one who plays ball with the enemy. They never change color, attitude and relation with the Army. They always evade contact with the enemy. These elements never cease extending helping hands to our organization in any way and capacity possible. To generalize the cause of change of morale of the civilian is simply attributing same to FEAR. The need of our hour is Freedom of Fear which is synonymous to Freedom of Want. In some instances, civilians objected to Engr operation due to fear of the Japs. In some same they are usually held responsible, made to answer. Civilian are made to live in towns, in respective barrios abandoning their evacuated places because of fear of enemy order. In short it is fear that is the mental and responsible in the change of morale of the civilians during these trying days. It is ripe time that something

should be done to remedy the situation. The following suggestions are submitted for whatever worth they would have. (1) Impress always to the civilians the existence of the Army, its mission and relation with them. Let them realize that the Army is constantly around to watch them, impress to them that they are not at liberty to do whatever they please. (2) Staging little action once in a while to check small enemy patrols going to interior barrios. Also make little scares to civilians inside enemy garrisons by sniping RONDAS and H.G. cooperating with the enemy. (3) Intensive campaign against 5th columns and spies. Stage an objective and actual demonstration of how a 5th columnist or spy will die or punished if so proven.

For the COMMANDING OFFICER:-



TEOFILO A. ZOSA
Capt-CE(0-62050)
Adjutant

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