

HEADQUARTERS
503D REGIMENTAL COMBAT TEAM
Office of the S-3

FROM:
TO :

S-3 PERIODIC REPORT

No. 7.

MAP: BATTLE MAP, NEGROS ISLAND; 1/50,000.

1. LOCATION OF TROOPS: No change.
2. WEATHER AND VISIBILITY: Very warm, visibility unlimited.
3. OUR OPERATIONS:
 - a. Infantry: "E" Co., on combat patrol in the vicinity of SINAYPAIPAN (36.0-07.5), observed an estimated 100 enemy in the vicinity of (37.5-06.7). Artillery brought to bear landed in the target area and the enemy scattered to the hills. Casualties were estimated at 20. Re-supplied by air "E" Co. continued patrolling the area with nil enemy contact; however, there were many indications of recent occupation of the area by the destroyed equipment and abandoned dug in positions. A group of approximately 100 Filipino civilians were contacted evacuating from the hills in the vicinity of CANCELAVAN (36.8-09.7). This group reported the enemy to have withdrawn into the hills to the southeast. A combat patrol to (37.0-01.8), (37.5-02.9) and (37.5-01.5) reported abandoned enemy positions vicinity (37.0-01.8) which contained a great quantity of rice and sugar, one air corps .50 cal. MG, one 20 mm gun with 500 rounds of ammunition for both guns. All were destroyed. The body of one of our KIA of 13 Apr. was recovered. Combat patrol to (36.7-03.0) reports all negative. Reconnaissance patrol south to (34.9-99.1) reported nil contact but signs of enemy occupation four or five days old.
 - b. Artillery: Harrassing fire in the area contained in coordinates (37.9-98.1) (38.4-97.8) (39.0-98.6) (38.5-99.3) delivered during night 13-14. Support fire on enemy positions and suspected positions at (35.7-97.7) (39.4-97.2) (39.3-98.1) (38.9-97.7) (39.6-98.7) (38.6-98.6) (39.4-04.4). All positions were forward of our lines and results other than landing in correct area could not be determined.
 - c. Engineers: Maintained supply route road to forward elements. Provided mine search unit for tanks; one mine only found.
 - d. During an air strike forward of our front line positions one A-20 airplane fell approximately one and a half miles to our left front. Reason undetermined but reports indicate due to enemy action.

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5. CASUALTIES:

a. OUR CASUALTIES: Today: 0.
Totals: 16 KIA, 42 WIA.

b. ENEMY KNOWN CASUALTIES: Today: 7 KIA.
Totals: 53 KIA, 0 POW.


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