RESTRICTED CT 26 REPORT, COMMENTS & RECOMMENDATIONS PART V COMMENTS & RECOMMENDATIONS Since the operation was hastily organized, and was characterized by speed of execution at the expense of careful planning, most of the faults and failures which occurred can be traced to that cause. Detailed comment is therefore omitted. Principal faults were: (a) Lack of adequate information about the objective, including aerial photo coverage, adequate maps, condition of roads, available billets, probable attitude of the natives, etc. This resulted in many last minute changes in plans and consequent confusion. (b) An excess of supply of heavy weapons, equipment and supplies which were not needed, and a critical shortage of many badly needed items, particularly transportation, complete rations, and personal baggage. (c) The operation was further handicapped by the continuous transfer of high point personnel to the United States for separation from the service. This stripped the regiment of many of its best and most experienced officers and non-commissioned officers, and caused a constant reassignment of duties at a time of intense operational activity. The requirement to leave a rear echelon behind, thus separating organizations and individuals from their equipment and baggage was a particular disadvantage in this operation, especially in view of the large number of transfers of personnel. It is recommended that no rear echelon be left behind except in operations of a strictly combat nature, and when there is prospect of an early return to base, or when the rear echelon can follow shortly the advance elements. CT 26 REPORT, COMMENTS & RECOMMENDATIONS RESTRICTED 1319

CT 26 REPORT, APPENDIX NO. 1 File No. 0026A25745 CT 26 RESTRICTED (Reduced from SECRET) In the Field 2200. 14 September 1945. Opn Plan) No. 2-45) Map, Chart, Photos: See Annex BAKER (Intelligence) Div Opn Plan No. 25-45. TASK ORGANIZATION: See Annex ABLE (Task Organization). 1. a. See Annex BAKER, Div Opn Plan No. 25-45, and G-2 Studies and Summaries, as issued. b. V. Phib Corps, consisting of V Phib Corps Troops, 2dMarDiv(Reinf), 32ndInfDiv(Reinf), and 5thMarDiv(Reinf), in conjunction with Amphibious Group Four, will, in operations commencing on "A"-day, land in NAGASAKI-SASEBO area, and rapidly occupy and establish surveillance over the SASEBO area, extending occupation and surveillance to include the NAGA-SAKI area as troops become available; then on "C"-day, by overland and amphibious operations occupy and establish surveillance over the SHIMONOSEKI-FUKUOKA area, prepared for further operations, in order to assist in imposing on the Japanese Armed Forces and civil population those prescribed terms of surrender requiring immediate military action. The 5thMarDiv(Rein) will: (1) At NAN-hour on "A"-day land elements of BLT-328 on designated RED Beaches and secure the entrance to SASEBO WAN. Establish surveillance over IORI-SAKI and progressively occupy critical areas controlling SASEBO Harbor and the passage into OMURA WAN. (2) When the entrance to SASEBO Harbor is secure, and on Division order, land CT 26 on designated GREEN Beaches and secure SASEBO Naval Air Station; then advance that CT rapidly overland and secure SASEBO Harbor and dock facilities and that portion of SASEBO necessary to the uninterrupted landing of the remainder of the Division. (3) When the SASEBO Naval Air Station and the SASEBO Harbor and dock facilities are secure, land the remainder of the Division in SASEBO Harbor area and secure the remainder of SASEBO and approaches thereto. (4) Be prepared on Corps order to initiate overland operations to occupy and secure OMURA and approaches thereto, including the OMURA Seaplane Base and Naval Airdrome. (5) After occupying OMURA, be prepared for further overland operations to occupy and secure NAGASAKI area on Corps order. appropriate trapped to the terminal CT 26 REPORT, APPENDIX NO. 1 1320

- (6) Establish and maintain in assigned area of responsibility surveillance of the armed forces and civilian population and impose thereon the prescribed terms of surrender requiring immediate military action.
- (7) At OBOE plus 30 land a Tank Group of 30 tanks on GREEN Beaches to support operations of CT 26.
- (8) Be prepared for further overland and short range amphibious operations.
- 2. a. CT 26 land in column of battalions on GREEN Beaches at OBOE-hour, occupy and establish surveillance over the SASEBO Naval Air Station; send Reconnaissance Det to Aircraft Factory to reconnoiter and exercise surveillance over that area, report result of reconnaissance promptly and remain as security detachment until relieved by 13th Marines; then advance rapidly overland and occupy and establish surveillance over SASEBO Harbor and dock installations within assigned zone of responsibility. Occupy and establish surveillance over the approaches to SASEBO in assigned zone of responsibility. Establish Base of Opn in vicinity of (71.4-14.4). (See Annex BAKER).
 - b. NAN-hour--0800, OBOE-hour, PETER-hour, to be announced. "A"-day- -22 September, "C"-day, to be announced.
- c. For beaches, objectives, scheme of maneuver, zone of responsibility, billeting area, etc., see Annex BAKER (Operations Overlay).
- 3. a. LT-226 land at OBOE-hour on GREEN Beaches. Immediately occupy and establish surveillance in accordance with instructions contained in paragraph 3. x. (13) and (14) below, over all installations and buildings as directed in annex LOVE of 5thMarDiv Opn Plan No. 25-45. Advance along the two main roads leading north from the Naval Air Station and occupy and establish surveillance over other critical areas and installations within the area of responsibility assigned LT-226. (See Annex BAKER).
- b. LT-326 land on GREEN Beaches commencing at OBOE/45 minutes. Advance rapidly along the main road leading north from the Naval Air Station (extending from (79.20-08.45) to (79.35-10.50) to (79.55-12.10)) and into the town of SASEBO passing through elements of BLT-226. Progressively occupy and establish surveillance in accordance with instructions contained in paragraph 3. x. (13) and (14) below, over the gum installations at (76.3-13.2), (76.2-13.1), (76.0-13.2) and (75.8-13.5), the naval installations in the vicinity of the Naval Basin, the Post Office at (77.1-14.1), and other critical areas and installations within the area of responsibility assigned LT-326. (See Annex BAKER).
 - c. LT-126 lands on order of CT 26 at about OBOE/85 minutes on GREEN

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CT 26 REPORT. APPENDIX NO. 1 Beaches. Follow immediately behind IT-326. Progressively occupy and establish surveillance in accordance with instructions contained in paragraph 3. x. (13) and (14) below, over the mine and torpedo storage installations at (78.3-12.2), the railroad yards at (78.3-12.9), the bridges at (77.6-13.4), the Naval Construction Battalion installations at (77.5-13.2), the SASEBO Navy Yard Commandant's Headquarters at (77.1-13.5), and other critical areas and installations within the area of responsibility assigned LT-126. (See Annex BAKER). d. Reconnaissance Platoon land on GREEN Beaches at OBOE plus 20. Proceed to the aircraft factory at (81.2-10.7) to reconnoiter and exercise surveillance over that area; report results of reconnaissance promptly and remain as a security detachment until relieved by the 13th Marines. e. Regtl Wpns Co land on Regtl order and support operations ashore as directed. f. Co "A", 5thEngBn (less 3 plats) land on GREEN Beaches; be prepared to make a reconnaissance of the roads, bridges, and water supply; to repair and improve roads in zone of action of CT 26, and to execute other engineering missions as ordered. g. 1stPlt, Co "B", 5thMTBn, land on order and support CT 26 as directed. h. 1stBn, 13th Marines, land on order; be prepared to support advance of CT 26 to SASEBO town. i. 1stPlt, OrdCo, 5thServBn, land on order at about OBOE/40; be prepared to support operations of CT 26 ashore. j. Co "A", 3rd MP Bn land on GREEN Beaches on order at about OBOE plus 45, control traffic in Regtl zone of action and perform other duties as directed. k. Det ASCO land on GREEN Beaches; support operations ashore, 1. Co "A", 5thMedBn will land on Regtl order and support operations ashore as directed. man account of overer beamsons and x. (1) EEI's (a) Report conditions of roads.
(b) Report all means of local transportation. (c) Report all arms or ammunition not previously destroyed. (d) Determine whether the Japs will passively submit to the The state of the s OT 26 REPORT, APPENDIX NO. 1 1322

initial landing of our occupation forces, offering no resistance, or offering disorganized resistance by military and/or civilian personnel in the form of sniping, booby traps, mines, etc., or whether the Japs will oppose our landing and occupation in force will all means at their disposal.

(e) Determine any difference in quality of resistance, active or passive, offered by naval personnel as

compared to Army personnel.

- (2) Maintain patrols in zone of action.
- (3) Units report when important operations are initiated and objectives attained.
- (4) All units will be prepared for further operations to seize and occupy NAGASAKI or other critical areas.
- (5) All operations will be planned and conducted in such a manner that forces are constantly prepared for combat in event of a resumption of hostilities, treachery or sabotage.
- (6) Unless directly attacked, no unit or individual will open fire on any aircraft.
 - (7) Unit commanders are responsible for the defense and control of occuppied areas and installations within their assigned zones.
- (8) All units will enforce passive defensive measures, particularly dispersal of ammunition and Class III dumps.
- (9) Strict fire discipline will be maintained by commanders of all units. No firing will be executed except that requiring such military action in the imposition of the terms of surrender. The gravity of the premature use of fire power in the execution of occupation missions will be impressed on all individuals. Magazines will be filled, chambers empty.
- (10) RCT Commanders only are authorized to issue orders for artillery, tanks, M-7 weapons carriers and 81mm mortars to open fire. BLT Cos are authorized to issue orders for 60mm mortar, 37mm guns and small arms to fire. COs of companies making initial landings on Beach RED-1 and Beach RED-2 are authorized to issue orders for opening fire. The above Commanders will not, repeat not, issue orders for opening fire unless his unit is being fired upon or attacked by the enemy, and OHEVERY RE thon only after a thorough investigation of the incident.

CT 26 REPORT, APPENDIX NO. 1 (11) All commanders will insure that Japanese and friendly stores, installations and equipment are safeguarded against pilfering and looting by members of our forces and by local inhabitants. (12) Units report by fastest possible means any hostile use of firearms, or organized intervention in accomplishment of assigned missions. (13) The following tasks are common to the operations set forth in this plan: (a) Receive the surrender from Japanese forces of all arms, as (b) Supervise the execution of policies relative to Military Government. (c) Supervise the disarmament and demobilization of Japanese armed Forces in accordance with specific orders to be issued by this Headquarters. (d) Recover, relieve, and repatriate allied prisoners of war and civilian internees without delay, as directed, (e) Suppress activities of individuals and organizations which may be inimical to the operations and the occupation forces. (f) Be prepared to protect and assume control of Japanese wire and radio communications facilities. (g) Facilitate peaceful commerce, particularly that which contributes to the subsistence, clothing and shelter of the population. (h) Destroy hostile elements which oppose by military action the imposition of surrender terms upon the Japanose. (i) Prepare to impose terms of surrender beyond immediate military requirements as directed. (j) Be prepared to extend control over the Japanese as required to implement the policies for a post-war occupation and government when prescribed. (k) Take active measures to insure that adequate protection is afforded historical, cultural and religious objects and installations; impress all members of their respective . water planted, over 12 metabout and a will outly produced CONTROL OF THE REAL PROPERTY AND PARTY AND PERSONS AND OT 26 REPORT. APPENDIX NO. 1 1324 C. C. Street Control

commands with the fact that profanation of shrines and holy places, even if unintentional, will only prejudice our efforts to achieve a peaceful and firm occupation. The several Imperial palaces and all shrines will be especially protected from harm of any kind.

- (14) In partial implementation of the general missions assigned in paragraph 3. x. (13) above, commanders within assigned zones of responsibility will exercise surveillance over the following Japanese installations:
 - (a) Military.
 - 1 Military
 - a. Defense Installations:
 - 11. CD and AA batteries
 - 21. Fortresses
 - 3'. Harbor defenses
 - 41. Radio and radar equipment
 - b. Airfields and airfield facilities:
 - l'. Headquarters buildings
 - 2'. Operational aircraft
 - 3'. Air dumps, repair facilities, and depots
 - c. Supply and service facilities including arsenals and ammunition, engineer, QM, and signal dumps.
 - d. Major headquarters of all Army, Navy and Air units.

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- o. Residences of high ranking military personnel.
- f. Internment camps for Allied PWs and civilians.
- g. Headquarters of KEMPEI TAI (Military Police), TOKUMU KIKAN (Army-Navy Secret Intelligence Service), and similar organizations. THE DESIGNATION OF THE PERSON NAMED IN COLUMN 2 Civilian:

a. Headquarters of political, secret, and quasimilitary societies and organizations actually or potentially inimical to the occupation forces including the following: CONTRACTOR OF STATES

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CT 26 REPORT. APPENDIX NO. 1 1'. KOKURYU KAI (Black Dragon Society) 2'. DAI NIPPON SEJI KAI (Greater Japan Political Assn) 3'. KOKU SUI-TO (Extreme Nationalist Party) 4. CHIZAKURA (Nationalist Party-Manchuria) 5'. NISSHO, and related extremist and terrorist societies. 6. TEHOKU ZEIGO GUNJIN KAI (Imp. Reserve Assn) 7'. SOTEI DAN (Union of Able Bodied Men) 81. SHONEN DAN (Youth Assn) 9'. SEINEN DAN (Young Mens Assn) 10'. Combat Corps 11'. Peoples Volunteer Corps 12'. GAKU DO TAI (Student Corps) 13'. Industrial Patriotic Service Assn. 141. Agricultural Patriotic Service Assn. 15'. Patriotic Service Corps 16'. Mechanized National Defense Assn 17'. Maritime Transportation Total Superintendenco Section. ' 18'. Shipping Management Assn. b. Residences and offices of representatives of the Japanese puppet and subservient governments of: 1'. China 21. Manchukuo 3'. The Phillipine Islands 41. NEI 51. Burma 6'. Siam (Thailand) 3 Critical strategic installations: a. Munitions and armament factories, assembly plants and b. Governmental and private research and experimental laboratories. c. Headquarters of scientific institutions such as: A Maria and a representation of the property of the first 1'. Technical Boards · 21. Japanese Technical Societies 3'. Science Mobilization Assn 4'. All-Japan Science League (b) Establish as necessary surveillance over and insure continuance in operation the following installations and instructions: CT 26 REPORT, APPENDIX NO. 1 1326

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1 Government installations:

- a. National government headquarters and buildings.
 - b. Local and municipal government headquarters and bldgs.
 - c. Police headquarters.
 - d. HOKO headquarters (Neighborhood Control Organizations)

2 Transportation:

- a. Railway terminals, yards, stations, and equipment.
- b. Railway and highway bridges and tunnels.
- c. Airfields
- d. Bus transportation system.
- e. Port and shipping installations to include docks and warehouses.
- 3 Communications (See Annex HOW, Div Opn Plan No. 25-45)
 - a. Telephone exchanges
 - b. Telegraph and cable headquarters and installations.

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- c. Radio stations.
- 4 Post Offices
- 5 Newspapers, periodicals, and publishing houses.
- 6 Public Utilities
 - a. Dams
 - b. Electric light and power plants
 - c. Water plants
 - d. Gas lines
 - o. Fire fighting services
 - f. Sanitation and public health facilities

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CT 26 REPORT. APPENDIX NO. 1 7 Such other factories, plants, storage warehouses, and similar installations as may be necessary to facilitate peaceful commerce, particularly that which contributes to the subsistence, clothing, and shelter of the popula-(c) Safeguard, as practicable, all documents, records, materiel and equipment contained within the installations listed in (a) and (b) above, and effect their disposition as directed by G-2. (d) Locate and maintain intelligence surveillance over the leaders and key personnel connected with the installations and organizations listed in (a) and (b) above. (15) In carrying out the missions assigned in paragraph 3. x. (14) above, Unit Commanders, in their respective areas of responsibility will: (a) Be guided by the following general policy: The Supreme Commander for the Allied Powers will issue all necessary instructions to the Japanese Emperor or to the Imperial Government and every opportunity will be given to the Government and the Japanese people to carry out such instructions without further compulsion. If nocessary, however, the Supreme Commander for the Allied Powers will issue appropriate orders to his subordinate commanders indicating the action to be taken by them to secure obedience by the agencies of the Imperial Government or Japanese people within the areas of their commands. In other words, the occupation forces will act principally as an agency upon which the Supreme Commander for the Allied Powers may call, if necessary, to secure compliance with his instructions to the Japanese Imperial Government. (b) Observe the obligations imposed on the occupation forces by international law and the rules of land warfare. (c) Take all necessary steps to protect and preserve the records of: 1 All governmental agencies and quasi-governmental agencies, particularly records concerning Japanese individuals. 2 All Japanese political, patriotic, and secret societies. (d) Register all nationals of countries with which any of the United Nations is or has been at War, except Japan and take CT 26 REPORT, APPENDIX NO. 1 1328

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into protective custody the diplomatic and consular officials of such countries. Frompt reports of such action will be made to this Headquarters.

- (e) Register all nationals of neutral countries and afford full protection to the persons, archives and property of the diplomatic and consular officials of such countries.
- (f) Take all necessary steps to protect and preserve the property of the United Nations and their nationals.
- (g) Arrange with the appropriate Japanese officials for the collection of all arms in the possession of the Japanese civilian population and their safe-keeping pending instructions as to their disposition from this Headquarters.
- (h) Identify and collect all property looted from the governments and citizens of any of the United Nations and submit reports thereof to this Headquarters.
- (i) Apprehend and detain, when directed by this Headquarters:
 - 1 The members of terroristic and secret patriotic .
 societies, officially identified as such by the CounterIntelligence Corps.
 - 2 Persons whose names or descriptions are contained in lists of actual or suspected war criminals.
 - 3 Personnel administering or guarding prisoners of war and internment camps.
- (j) Utilize Japanese military and civilian personnel and agencies to the maximum consistent with prescribed policies.
- (16) All parts of this order not required for operations ashore will be destroyed prior to landing.
- (17) Opn Plans for subsequent overland or amphibious operations will be issued later.
- (18) "A"-day day of landings in SASEBO area.

NAN-hour - hour of first landings on "A"-day.

OBOE-hour - hour of landing at SASEBO Naval Air Station. To be designated.

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lstBn, 26th Marines
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(e) Artillery Group

1stBn, 13th Marines

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BY ORDER OF COLONEL GRAHAM:

J. P. SAYERS, Lieutenant Colonel, U. S. Marine Corps, Executive Officer.

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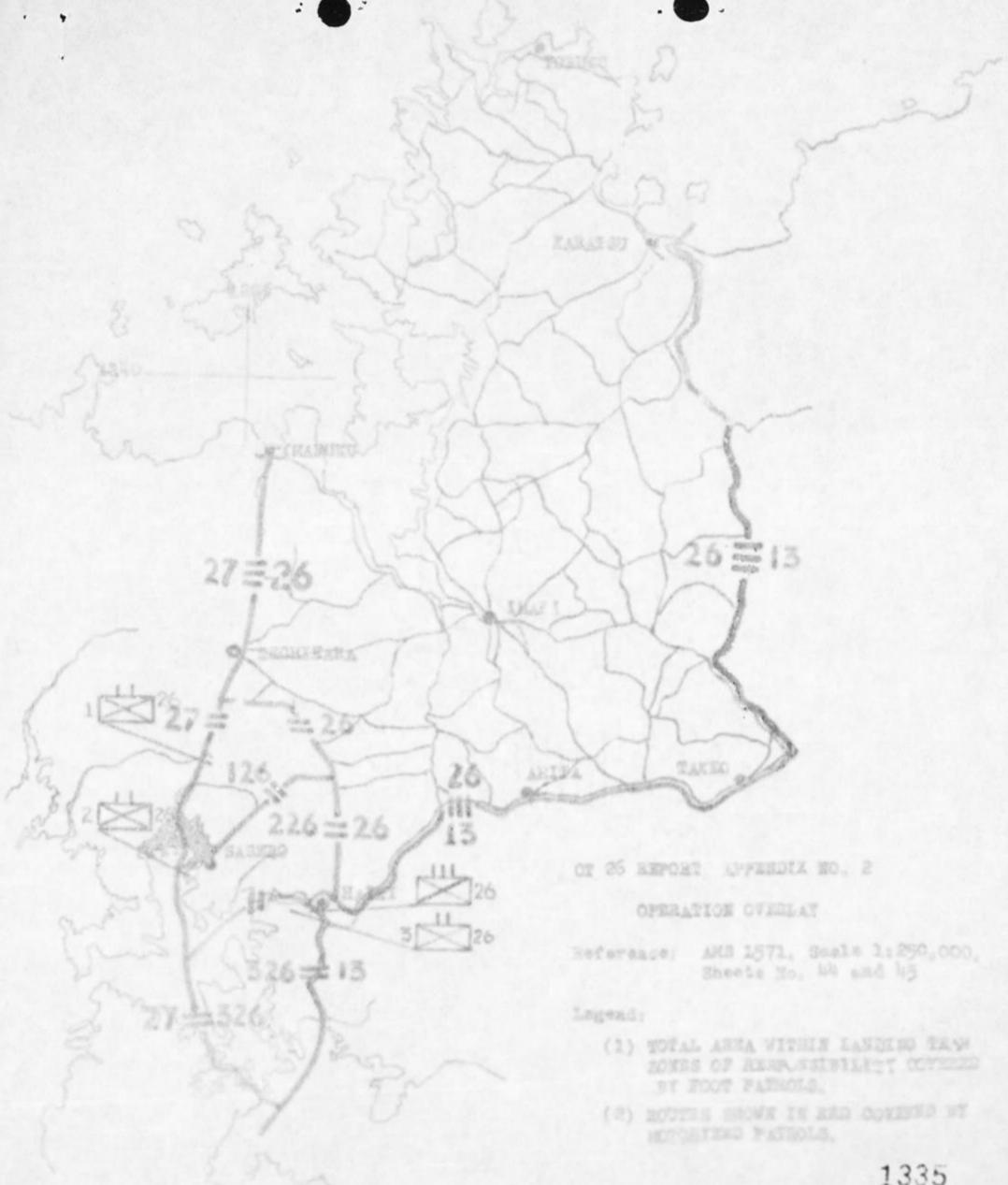
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CONFIDENTIAL 1975/BCB-tbm HEADQUARTERS. 27TH MARINES, 5TH MARINE DIVISION. IN THE FIELD. 30 November 1945. ANNEX HOW TO 5TH MAR DIV CPERATION REPORT. OCCUPATION OF JAPAN ENCLOSURES: (A) Overlay of original CT-27 Zone of Responsibility (SASEBO). (B) Overlay of expanded CT-27 Zone of Responsibility (SASEBO). (C) Overlay of CT-27 Zone of Responsibility (KURUME). (1) Administration. APPENDICES: (2) Intelligence. (3) Supply and Evacuation. PLANNING: Insufar as this regiment was concerned, planning for the assault on Southern Kyushu was never begun, as hostilities ended prior to the receipt of the Division Operation Plan. Planning for the occupation of Japan was begun 19 August upon receipt of information that this regiment would be a part of the occupation forces. Various operation plans were received from Division from time to time giving this regiment its initial zone of occupation and instructions as to how to conduct the occupation. The plan ultimately used and the initial area of occuration finally assigned was received in dispatch form two days prior to landing at SASEBC. Throughout the planning, battalions and attached units were kept informed as to their part in the occupation as information was received at this headquarters. The final plan called for this regiment to detach a reinforced company from the 1st Battalion, under the command of Lieutenant Colonel Donn J. Robertson, as the OMURA Occupation Group. The combat team operation plan called for this combat team to land in the dock area in a column of battalions in the order 1st. 2d and 3d. TRAINING: Training of all hands in occupational duties was begun upon departure from the Hawaiian area on 1 September. Training consisted of classes in Japanese words and phrases, customs of the Japanese people, history of the Japanese empire, type of terrain and weather which might be expected, military forces expected to be encountered, intelligence targets known to be 1 xated in this combat team's zone of responsibility, and the enforcement of surrender terms. CONFIDENTIAL - 1 -1337

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CRGANIZATION:

This combat team was originally organized for the occupation of Japan as follows:

BLT-1/27,

Major Gerald F. RUSSELL

1stBn, 27thMar 1st 37mm Plt, RWpnsCo 1st Plt, "B"Co, 5th Engr Bn Coll Sect, "B"Co, 5th Med Bn Det ASCO, 5th MarDiv

BLT-2/27,

LtCol. John W. ANTONELLI

2d Bn, 27thMar 2d 37mm Plt, RWonsCo 2d Plt, "B"Co, 5th Engr Bn Coll Sect, "B"Co, 5th Med Bn Det ASCO, 5th MarDiv

BLT-3/27.

LtCol. George R. STALLINGS

3d Bn, 27thMar 3d Plt, "B"Co, 5th Engr Bn Coll Sect, "B"Co, 5th Med Bn Det ASCO, 5th MarDiv

RCT-27 (-).

Colonel Thomas A. WORNHAM

Hq & Serv Co, 27thMar
RWpnsCo (-)
"B"Co, 5th Engr Bn (-)
"B"Co, 5th Med Bn (-)
Plat, "B"Co, 5th MT Bn
2d Bn, 13thMar
2d Plt, Ord Co, 5th Serv Bn
Det ASCO, 5th MarDiv
"C"Co, 3d MP Bn

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MOVEMENT TO TARGET (SASEBO, KYUSHU, JAPAN):

Loading of ships began on 23 August and troops were embarked on 25 August. The convoy sailed from HILO, Hawaii, T.H., at 0200, 26 August, and arrived at PLARL HARBOR, Cahu, T.H. at about 1700, 26 August. The convoy departed from PLARL HARBOR, Oahu, 1 September 1945 and arrived at SAIPAN 13 September. Departed from SAIPAN 16 September and arrived at SAISAO Harbor, Kyushu, Japan, on 22 September 1945. CT-27 began debarking in the dock area and moving to initially assigned zone of responsibility the afternoon of 22 September 1945. Debarking of troops was completed

OCCUPATIONAL OPERATIONS:

23 September.

Immediately upon going ashore, each of the three Battalion Landing Teams proceeded to its assigned zone of responsibility (see attached overlay, marked Enclosure (A)) and placed unler surveillance all known Japanese military and naval installations, plus such civil installations as post offices, police stations, telephone exchanges, railroad stations and terminals, etc. From 23 September to 4 October units of this combat team guarded and inventoried Japanese supplies and installations in their assigned zone of responsibility and patrolled the area north and west of the regimental zone of responsibility in search of additional Japanese installations. On 5 October the 2d Battalion, 27th Marines, was detached to Division control and the 27th Marines received an expanded area of responsibility (see attached overlay, marked Enclosure (B)) upon receipt of Division Operation Order No. 37-45. This same date "C" Company reverted to parent control from the OMURA Occupation Group. The period b to 21 October was spent in collecting civilian arms and ammunition and in continuing to guard and inventory Japanese military and naval supplies and installations. On 21 October, Division Operation Order No. 40-45 ordered the 1st Battalion, 27th Marines, to assume control of the entire regimental zone of responsibility and detach the lat Battalion to Division control. The remainder of the 27th Marines, consisting of Regimental Headquarters and the 3d Battalion, was ordered to proceed to KURUME in order to extend surveillance of U. S. Armed Forces over that area, and to assume control of the SAGA Occupation Group and its assigned zone of responsibility at 0800, 25 October. The period 25 October to 23 November was spent patrolling our assigned zone of responsibility (see attached overlay, marked Enclosure (C)) in search of Japanese installations and caches of war supplies. Such Japanese supplies as were suitable for civilian use were turned over to Japanese Home Ministry representatives while such supplies and material which were of a strictly military nature were destroyed as rapidly.

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as possible. On 17 November 1945, instructions were received to prepare to turn over the regimental zone of responsibility to relieving Army and Marine units upon receipt of Division order. This was accomplished on 25 November, at which time the 2d Battalion, 6th Marines, assumed responsibility for that part of SAGA KEN previously assigned to 27th Marines, and the 121st Field artillery Battalion, 32d Infantry Division, assumed responsibility for that part of FUKUOKA KEN previously assigned to the 27th Marines.

The exchange of personnel between the 2d Marine Division and the 5th Marine Division began 23 November and was completed by 2400, 25 November. On 24 November 1945, 27th Marines commenced train and motor movement into the immediate vicinity of SASEBO; Regimental Headquarters and 3d Battalian moving from KURUME to HAIKI, and the 2d Battalian moving from SAGA to AINOURA. All movements were completed by 25 November 1945. On 30 November 1945, Initial preparations for movement by ship to the United States were commenced.

COMMENTS:

- 1. Japanese compliance with surrender terms in the various zones of responsibility assigned to this regiment has, on the whole, been excellent. However, minor instances of unreported installations, and unreported caches of Japanese military supplies have been discovered.
- 2. It is felt that the initial use of occupational forces for guarding of civilian stocks of dynamite intended for coal mining resulted in unwarranted dispersal of occupational forces and a distinct hinderance to the Japanese civil economy.
- 3. Telephone service over Japanese cables was frequently interrupted and never good. From 5 November to 12 November, the one direct trunk to Division was completely inoperative. The trunk via 2d Battalion at SAGA to Division Headquarters had crosstalk from regiment to division. This caused undue traffic on the radio.

RECOMMENDATIONS:

- 1. In the future, zones of responsibility should be assigned so as to include entire political subdivisions of the area being occupied, as splitting of political subdivisions between two commands of the occupational forces results in needless confusion of the civilian population and doubles the number of contacts and interviews necessary for the occupational forces.
- 2. Once occupational forces are ashore and the bulk of enemy troops are disarmed, small arms ammunition should be the only ammunition in the hands of the occupying troops.

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In the Field

30 November 1945.

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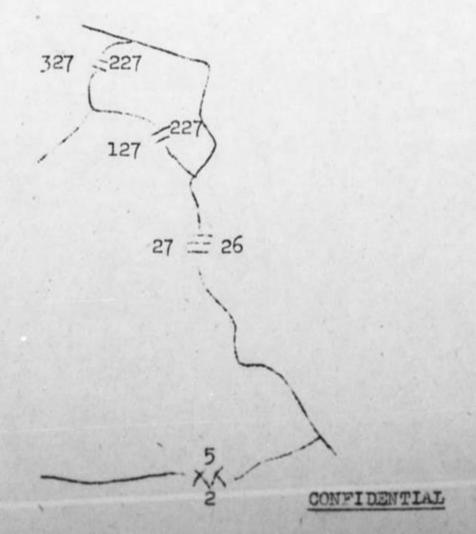
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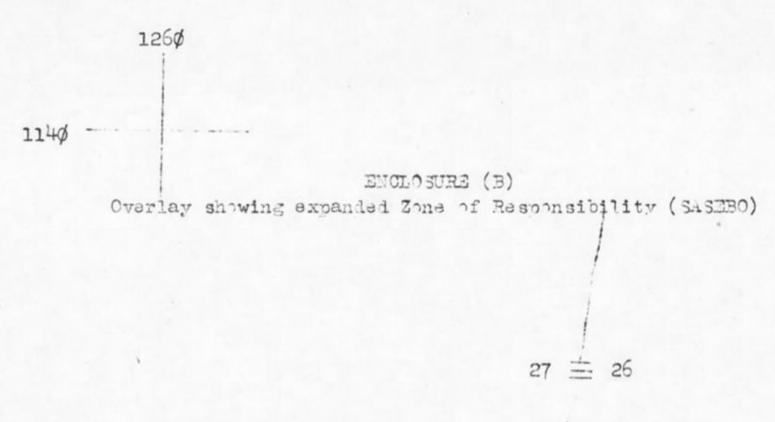
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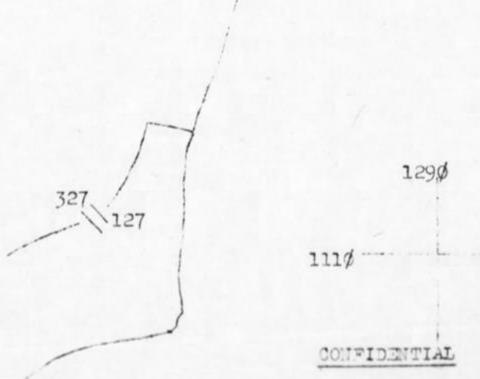
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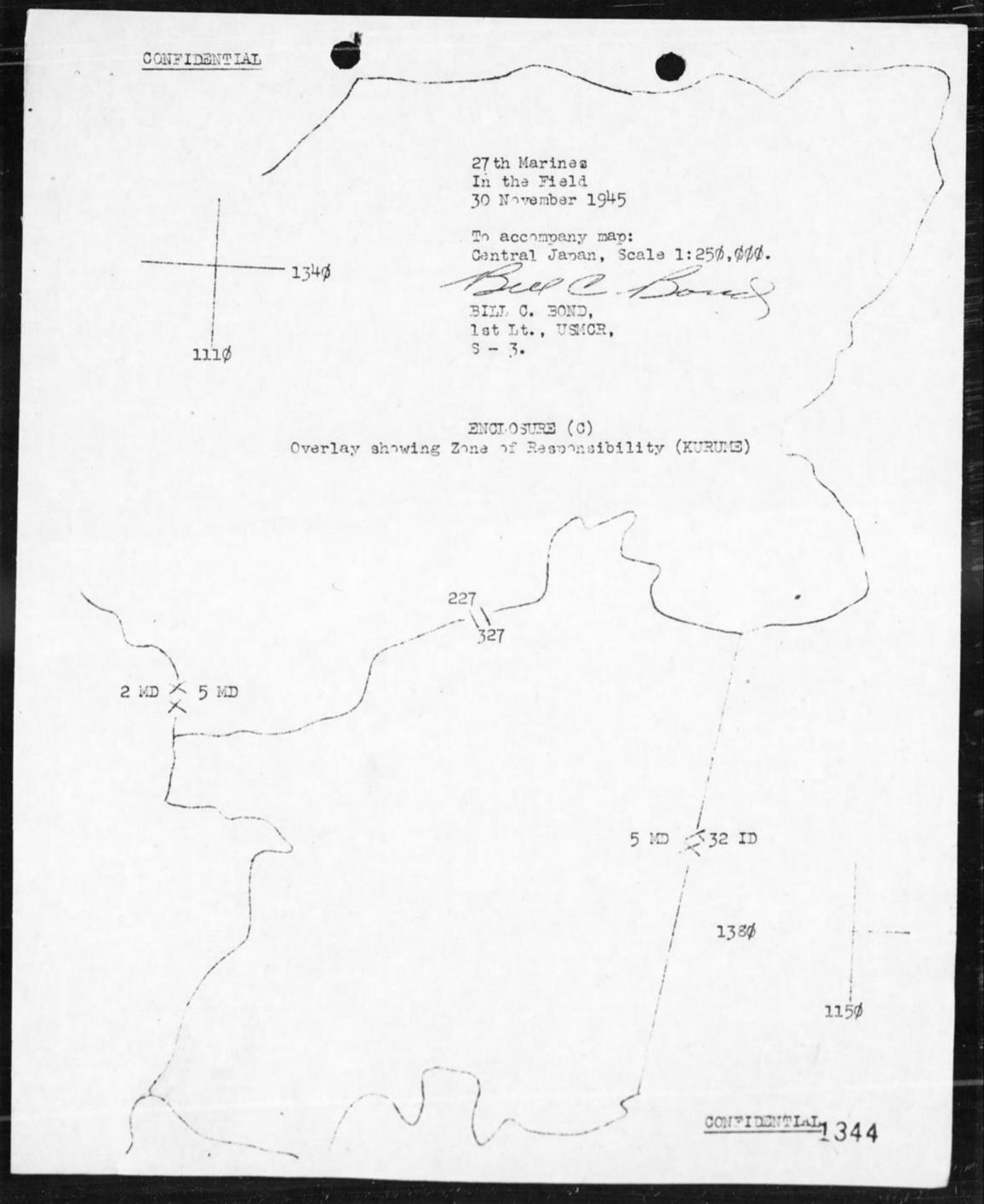
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CONFIDENTIAL HEADQUARTERS. 27TH MARINES, 5TH MARINE DIVISION. IN THE FIELD. 30 November 1945. APPENDIX (1) (ADMINISTRATION) TO ANNEX HOW PLANNING: 1. The only planning for the assault operation accomplished by the one section was the preparation of an initial embarkation plan, such plan becoming obsolete upon the cessation of hostilities and the subsequent assignment of this regiment to an occupation mission. 2. Planning for the occupation operation progressed as information was received from higher echelon. Planning consisted of the oreparation of the Regimental Administrative Plan and the annexes thereto, with particular emphasis on the preparation and submission of reports. A regimental provost marshal was appointed and an SOP covering provost marshal activities was oublished. В. OCCUPATIONAL OPERATIONS: 1. During the early phases of the occupation, there was little in the way of operations by the one section. All military government and provost marshal activities were under division control, with the exception of a portion of the area assigned to BLT-3/27. The work of the one section during this period consisted of bringing up to date all records and reports, preparation of drafts of personnel to be transferred; to the United States for discharge and doing everything possible for the health and comfort of the troops. 2. On 5 October 1945, BLT-2/27 was detached to Division control and ordered to SaGA in an expansion of the area assigned for the enforcement of surrender terms. - military government team was assigned to BLT-2/27 on that date and proceeded with their assigned missions in SAGA KEN with little difficulty. A battalion provost marshal was appointed and a platoon of military police was attached to handle provost marshal activities. 3. On 21 October, BLT-3/27 and CT Headquarters were ordered to KURUME, FUKUOKA KEN, and BLT-2/27 reverted to Regimental control on 25 October. Another military government team was attached to BLT-3/27 for work in KURUME and vicinity. CONFIDENTIAL -1-1345

C. JAPANESE COMPLIANCE WITH SURRENDER TERMS:

1. Excellent cooperation from the Japanese in compliance with the surrender terms was received. The Japanese Civil Police, Home Ministry representatives and Liaison Committees made every effort to comply with our directives. A few scattered cases of non-compliance occurred, but it is felt that these were due to a misunderstanding of our directives rather than an attempt at thwarting our plans.

D. RECOMMENDATIONS:

- 1. That zones of responsibility be assigned on the basis of political subdivisions.
- 2. That an entire company of military police be assigned permanently to the combat teams.
- 3. That sufficient military government personnel be attached to allow for a liaison team with regimental headquarters.
- 4. That reports be kept to a minimum and that duplicity of reports be avoided.

E. MILITARY GOVERNMENT:

- l. During the early phases of the occupation, all civil affairs and military government were under division control. One military government team was assigned to BLT-2/27 on 5 October for duty at SAGA and another military government team was assigned to BLT-3/27 on 21 October for duty at KURUME.
- 2. Upon the arrival of a team to their assigned area, the required surveys were completed and the procedure for the procurement of civilian labor was accomplished. Some difficulties were encountered because of the confusion existing within the Japanese Liaison Committees and because of their inability to maintain proper records.
- 3. It was noted that military government officers were somewhat hampered by a misunderstanding of command channels in Division and Corps Headquarters and by a lack of specific directives from those Headquarters.

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CONFIDENTIAL APPENDIX (1) (ADMINISTRATION) TO ANNEX HOW (Continued). Page 3 F. PROVOST MARSHAL: 1. During the early phases of the occupation, all provost marshal activities were under division control. 2. Upon the assignment of BLT-2/27 to SAGA and BLT-3/27 to KURUME, each of these organizations appointed a provost marshal and augmented attached military police with line troops. 3. The following activities were handled by the various provost marshals: Traffic control --- by use of signs, motor patrols and traffic control posts. Military law and order -- by use of shore patrol, both motorized and on foot and enforcement of the 1800 curfew. Civilian law and order -- by directives to the Civil Police and by supervision over same; and by a civilian curfew. d. Enforcement of safeguards and off limit areas -- by periodic inspections during each period of 24 hours. SPECIAL SERVICES: 1. The first program begun by special services was a regimental movie. Our projectors were unpacked, serviced and a movie was shown on the fifth day ashore. When organizations were detached from the regiment, Japanese projectors were rebuilt and put into operation. Movie theatres were used at KURUME and SAGA. 2. Athletic programs of all types were inaugurated and encouraged. Both indoor and outdoor basketball courts were used and in addition, badminton, volleyball, baseball, softball, and touch football fields were constructed. 3. On 10 November, the Marine Coros birthday, a beer party was held for all enlisted personnel. 4. It is suggested that a quantity of 16mm movies could be used to better advantage than a few 35mm. COMFIDENTIAL - 3 -1347

H. ADJUTANT:

- 1. During the occupation period, the work of the adjutant consisted mainly of routine administration, preparation of reports and records for demobilization and the transfer of personnel to the United States for discharge.
- 2. The main difficulties encountered were a lack of sufficient typewriters and poor communication and main service due to the various areas in which the lower echelons of this regiment were stationed.

I. POST OFFICE:

- 1. Upon the arrival of this regiment at the Marine Camp, AINOURA, sufficient space was available in a centrally located position to enable adequate receipt and dispatch of mail and postal supplies. Upon the movement of the regiment to KURUME, another excellent building for the Regimental Post Office was available and used.
- 2. Some difficulty was encountered after first arriving at KURUME in the receipt of mail, in that there was a confusion in the orders issued regarding train schedules. However, this situation was eventually rectified and for the latter period of the occupation, the mail service was very good.

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CONFIDENTIAL HEADQUARTERS, 27TH MARINES. 5TH MARINE DIVISION. IN THE FIELD. 30 November 1945. APPENDIX (2) (INTELLIGENCE) TO ANNEX HOW PLANNING: A. 1. Planning for the invasion of Southern Kyushu was never begun because of insufficient material. 2. Maps, photographs, hydrographic, weather, terrain, and other information for the occupation of Japan was received only in time to deliver it to lower echelons and some of it never was received in time to be distributed before reaching the target. 3. Advance Reconnaissance of the objective: One staff NCO from this combat team accompanied the Division Inspector in his advance reconnaissance of the objective. Other than to give us a general idea of how the Japanese Liaison Committee was cooperating with us, this man brought back no information to aid us in setting up in our sector because our assigned zone of responsibility was changed after the advance party had left for the target. В. TRAINING AND ORGANIZATION: 1. Training consisted of indoctrinating troops as to Japanese customs, way of living, etc., and a brief study of the geography of Japan. Assigned language officers gave a 4-lesson course in the Japanese language to all officers while enroute to the target, which proved to be very beneficial. Picked enlisted men also received instruction in the language. 2. a. Provisional intelligence platoons were organized by the battalions to aid in locating and reporting intelligence targets during the occupation. The two language officers and four enlisted linguists regularly assigned to a combat team were attached for the occupation to this Headquarters. There of the enlisted men were then assigned, one to each Landing Team, the fourth remaining with CT Headquarters. -1-CONFIDENTIAL 1349

C. INTELLIGENCE FUNCTIONING DURING OCCUPATION:

l. Battalions went ashore with lists of known intelligence targets. These were immediately checked, reported on and taken under surveillance. By contacting the Japanese officer in charge of each area, installation, or unit in the area, and receiving from him information on strength of units, diagrams of installations and inventories of equipment, the process of locating and checking targets was simplified. Nearly all installations were under guard by Japanese troops when we arrived and these troops remained there until relieved by our troops who took them under surveillance.

With the exception of inventories of equipment, all documents of Japanese Naval and Army units were burned during the period 15 to 20 august 1945, by orders of the Naval and Army Ministries respectively, at TOKYO, making it impossible to check on histories and TO's of units. Commanding officers of all units contacted concurred on the dates and orders for burning.

- 2. In almost every case, the Japanese had made complete inventories of all equipment. The equipment was segregated and labeled with amounts and names of each item. It was merely a case of checking these, giving them a receipt and taking over.
- 3. All new equipment encountered was covered by JICPCA and NAVTECHJAP Intelligence teams who handled such material.
- 4. The liaison committees set up by the Japanese, in the cities of SASEBO, SAGA and KURUME, handled all necessary liaison, both of military and civilian natures.
- 5. Civilian attitude has proved to be comperative in general with only incidents of several policemen in SASEBO area being arrogant toward Marine sentries on 27 October; discharged soldiers under the influence of liquor giving our outpost sentries trouble in the 1st Battalion zone of responsibility on 4 October; and numerous instances of people attempting to steal food, clothing and building materials from warehouses under our surveillance.

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CONFIDENTIAL APPENDIX (2) (INTLILIGENCE) TO ANNEX HOW (Continued). Page 3 6. Language personnel assigned were never of sufficient number to handle all work requiring interpreters. The Japanese Liaison Committees had interpreters which were made use of and additional interpreters were picked up as English-speaking persons were encountered. a. Very few documents were encountered, thus no special system was devised nor were difficulties encountered. b. Interrogations, as were necessary, were conduct to gain specific information regarding units and installations. These were conducted by Marine linguists or Japanese interpreters as were available. D. JAPANESE COMPLIANCE WITH SURRENDER TERMS: 1. No specific instances of failure to comply with surrender terms have ever been reported. Several instances were encountered in which it was at first thought the Japanese were giving us incomplete information and in other cases certain officers or officials denied knowledge of installations and units in their area. It was later found that the Japanese did not understand exactly what we wanted or actually were unaware of certain installations. C.F. Bearing KARL W. BERG. First Lieutenant, U. S. Marine Corps Reserve, 5 - 2. - 3 -CONFIDENTIAL 1351

CONFIDENTIAL HEADQUARTERS, 27TH MARINES. 5TH MARINE DIVISION. IN THE FIELD. 30 November 1945. APPENDIX (3) (SUPPLY AND EVACUATION) TO ANNEX HOW Movement of supplies and equipment of CT-27 from Camp Tarawa to HILO, HaWAII, T. H., commenced on 21 August 1945. Ships were combat loaded, and sailed from HILO on 26 August. During the loading phase, the weather conditions were anything but agreeable. During the night of 23 August the rainfall was approximately 7 inches and the following night approximately 4 inches. This resulted in the loss of valuable records and equipment. Unloading at the target, SASEBO, KYUSHU, JAPAN, commenced on arrival 22 September and proceeded in a normal fashion until completed. Again, adverse weather conditions hampered the work. Units landed with one unit of fire for organic weapons and sufficient emergency rations for four meals. Regimental dumps were set up and unit distribution began on 25 September. On 4 October gallies were in operation and "B" Rations and fresh bread were available. Cold-wet weather clothing were also made available by the Division. On 5 October the 2d Battalion, 27th Marines, were detached to Division control and moved to SAGA. On 24 October the 3d Battalion, 27th Marines, and Regimental Headquarters proceeded to KURUME. Supplies for both SAGA and KURUME were moved by Division via rail and this method functioned very smoothly. A bakery was set up at KURUME on 27 October and fresh bread was made available from this date. "B" Rations were supplemented by fresh meat on 8 November and every second or third day thereafter. The Medical Department embarked combat loaded with adequate supplies. while enroute to the occupation area, an epidemic of catarrhal fever or mild influenza was encountered with a total of approximately 225 cases. Recovery of these patients was normal and rapid and all hands were able to disembark by the time of actual landing. In the occupation phase, the water and food supplies were well controlled and inspected and there were no cases of contagious or infectuous diseases encountered. The venereal rate was very low except for a moderate number of gonococcus infections in one battalion. -1-CONFIDENTIAL 1352

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Upon arrival at KURUME on 24 October disposition proceeded according to Annex FOX to 5th Marine Division Administrative Order 1-45.

Both the 2d Battalian at SAGA and the 3d Battalian at KURUME began transferring control items immediately to Division. Over 50,000 rifles and over 5,000 swords were sent to Division.

As rapidly as inventories could be made of warehouses and installations containing goods of use to the civilian population, these were turned over to the Home Ministry representative of this district.

Both battalions set up incinerators for burning small arms ammunition and over ten million rounds have been disposed of in this manner.

All airplanes at the KURUME and METABARU Airfields, which were in the 2d Battalion zone of responsibility, have been destroyed, with the motors blown up with dynamite and the planes piled together and burned.

Light and heavy machine guns were destroyed by using acetylene torches and over 300 have been destroyed in this manner.

Over 168 Japanese materials which meet the United States requirements for War Memorials and Museum pieces were found in the regimental zone of responsibility and are being held pending further instructions.

Disposition is proceeding at this date and inventories, disposition reports, and stock record cards are being completed.

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HEADQUARTERS, 28 TH MARINES
5 TH MARINE DIVISION, FLEET MARINE FORCE,
C/O FLEET POST OFFICE, SAN FRANCISCO, CALIFORNIA.

30 November, 1945

Annex ITEM to 5th Marine Division Operations Report, Occupation of JAPAN

28th Marines Operations Report, Occupation of JAPAN

From: The Commanding Officer.

To : The Commanding General, 5th Marine Division.

Subject: 28th Marines Operations Report, Occupation of JAPAN.

The subject report is respectfully submitted herewith.

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CONFIDENTIAL HEADQUARTERS, 28TH MARINES 5TH MARINE DIVISION, FLEET MARINE FORCE, C/O FLEET FOST OFFICE, SAN FRANCISCO, CALIFORNIA. 30 November, 1945. BASIC REPORT 1. PLANNING a. Assault Operation. Planning for the assault operation against southern KYUSHU was started on 1 August, 1945. Maps, photographs, intelligence summaries, and a tentative operation order were received at this time. During the period 1-12 August, intensive study was made of all available material on the beaches, terrain, and enemy forces in Southwestern KYUSHU. However, on 12 August, planning was halted because of the imminence of the Japanese surrender. b. Occupation Operation. On 20 August, 1945, preliminary plans for the occupation of KYUSHU were received. Early sailing orders made necessary a concentrated planning period. All plans and preparations were made with the view of possible combat upon landing in JAPAN. Much planning, of necessity, was carried on enroute to the target and during that period three plans were evolved. All personnel were thoroughly briefed on all plans and on the surrender terms. Division Operations Plans 25, 25A, and 25B-45 were used as a basis for this planning. Necessary distribution of planning material to subordinate units was effected at various stops between HAWAII and JAPAN. 2. TRAINING a. Assault Operation. After returning from the IWO JIMA Operation, a training program was commenced with the view to bringing the regiment back to normal fighting efficiency. This program commenced with individual training and carried through regimental combat team training. The 28th Marines, having been designated as a reserve unit for the asseult operation on KYUSHU, had no definite objective assigned for that operation. Consequently no special training or rehearsals were necessary. The regiment merely had to be maintained in top fighting trim, prepared for any eventuality. The regiment did however participate in several field exercises involving movement over long distances and considerable maneuver of subordinate units. b. Occupation Operation. Inasmuch as little time was available between the time occupation orders were received and the sailing date, no special training was carried 1356 out in HAWAII. However, aboard ship debarkation drills were held at frequent intervals, and personnel were thoroughly briefed on surrender terms. CONFIDENTIAL

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Classes in basic Japanese were available to all hands.

3. ORGANIZATION

a. Assault Operation.

RCT-28 was organized as follows for the assault on Southwestern KYUSHU:

28th Mar (less M-7 Plat, Regt'l Wpns Co)
Co C, 5th Engr Bn
Plat, Co C, 5th MT Bn
Co C, 5th Med Bn
Det, 3d Prov Rocket Det
3d Plat, Co C, 72d Gml Mort Bn
3d Sec, 6th Mar War Dog Plat
3d Plat, Ord Co, 5th Serv Bn
3d Plat, Sup Co, 5th Serv Bn
Det, ASCO, 5th Mar Div

The planning period for the assault operation was so short that the final task organization for BLT's had not been evolved at the time the Japanese surrendered.

b. Occupation Operation.

RCT-28 was organized as follows for the occupation of JAPAN:

BLT-128

Lt Col BUTTERFIELD

1st Bn, 28th Mar

1st Plat, C Co, 5th Engr Bn

1/3 Coll Sec, C Co, 5th Med Bn

Det ASCO, 5th Mar Div

Ln Pty, 5th Tk Bn

Det, 3d Bn, 13th Mar

BLT-228

Lt Col McDONOUGH

2d Bn, 28th Mar

2d Plat, C Co, 5th Engr Bn

1/3 Coll Sec, C Co, 5th Med Bn

Det ASCO, 5th Mar Div

In Pty, 5th Tk Bn

Det 3d Bn, 13th Mar

BLT-328

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Maj SMOAK

3d Bn, 28th Mar

3d Plat, C Co, 5th Engr Bn

1/3 Coll Sec, C Co, 5th Med Bn

Det ASCO, 5th Mar Div

Ln Pty, 5th Tk Bn

Det, 3d Bn, 13th Mar

Plat, D Co, 3d Prov MP Bn

CONFIDENTIAL CT-28 (-) Col LIVERSEDGE 28th Mar (less 3 Bns & M-7 Plat) C Co, 5th Engr Bn (less 3 Plats) C Co. 5th Med Bn (less Coll Sec) Det ASCO, 5th Mar Div Ln Pty, 5th Tk Bn Det, 3d Bn, 13th Mar Co D, 3d Prov MP Bn (less 1 Plat) 4. ADVANCE RECONNAISSANCE OF THE OBJECTIVE One NCO from RCT-28 accompanied the Division reconnaissance group in the SASEBO area. He rejoined the combat team aboard the headquarters ship about 1100, 22Sept45, and rendered his report to Col Liversedge. The report was of some value in that it outlined road conditions and condition of the billets assigned to the combat team upon landing. 5. OCCUPATION OPERATIONS a. The S-1 and S-4 sections performed normal functions of administration and supply throughout the occupation. S-4 also handled procurement of Japanese materiel and labor. S-2 and S-3 operated jointly in executing and supervising all occupation missions falling under the purview of those two sections. Coordination of 'patrols investigating military and civilian targets was one of the main duties. Complete overlays and files covering all targets within the regimental zone were maintained. In addition, cases involving compliance with surrender terms were investigated and liaison with Japanese Military, Naval, and civilian authorities was maintained with the aid of attached linguists. b. Narrative Summary of Operations Ashore 1800, 21Sept to 1800, 22Sept45 CT Hq remained afloat. LT-128 remained afloat. LT-228 landed at 1400 at the SASEBO docks. They were ordered to reinforce the Shore Party Bn, and assist in unloading. The CP opened in a warehouse at the SASEBO Dock Area (77.6-13.4). LT-328 remained aflost. No casualties for the period. 1800, 22Sept to 1800, 23Sept45 CT Hq remained aboard ship in the SASTBO Harbor. Col Liversedge and representatives of all staff sections went ashore at 0915 to reconnoiter the AINOURA Naval Training Station. 1358 - 3 -CONFIDENTIAL

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Col Liversedge and party returned to APA 114 at 1500.

LT-128 landed at 0825 on Green beaches and established its CP at the Naval Air Station, SASEBO.

LT-228 continued to assist the Shore Party.

LT-328 landed in the JIG Area at 0800 and moved to the AINOURA Naval Training Station (73.-13.).

No casualties for the period.

1800, 23Sept to 1800, 24Sept45

CT Hq and Wpns Co, landed at 1140 at JIG Area and moved to the AINOURA Naval Training Station. The entire CT was then ashore.

LT-128 moved to the AINOURA Naval Training Station at 1030.

LT-228 continued to assist Shore Party.

LT-328 sent a patrol to the MIYAZAKI, SONOGI, URESHINO, TAKEO, ARITA Area.

" C Co, 5th Med Bn landed and moved to the AINOURA Naval Training Station.

Hq C Co, 5th Engr Bn landed with CT Hq at 1140 and moved to the AINOURA Navel Training Station.

'No casualties for the period.

1800. 24Sept to 1800. 25Sept45

LT-128 remained in reserve.

.LT-228 continued to assist the Shore Party.

LT-328 sent two rifle platoons to guard ammunition dump (64:-19.).

No casualties for the period.

1800, 25Sept to 1800, 26Sept45

LT-128 remained in reserve.

LT-228 continued to assist Shore Party in unloading ships and handling supplies ashore.

LT-328 remai ned at the AINOURA Naval Training Station with two platoons guarding ammunition dump (64.-19.).

No casualties for the period.

CONFIDENTIAL 1800, 26Sept to 1800, 27Sept45 CT Hq recieved orders to send Col Williams, Major Wood and party on reconnaissance to FUKUOKA preparatory to occupying that area. LT-128 remained in reserve. LT-228 was detached from the Shore Party and commenced movement of troops to the AINOURA Naval Training Station. LT-328 remained at the AINOURA Navel Training Station with two platoons guarding ammunition dump (64.-19.). No casualties for the period. 1800, 27Sept to 1800, 28Sept45 CT Hq recieved verbel orders to prepare one LT and "pns Co to move to FUKUOKA about 30Sept45. LT-128 was worned to be ready to move on this date. LT-128 remained in reserve at AINOURA Naval Training Station. LT-228 completed movement of troops to AINOURA Naval Training Station. Their CP opened in Bldg #46. LT-328 remained at AINOURA Naval Training Station with two rifle plat. toons guarding ammunition dump (64.-19.). No casualties for the period. 1800, 28Sept to 1800, 29Sept45 LT-128 remained in reserve at AINOURA Navel Training Station prepared to move to FUKUOKA. Billeting Detail of FUKUOKA Advance Occupation Force left by train for FUKUOKA. LT-228 remained in reserve at AINOURA Navel Training Station. LT-328 remained in reserve at AINOURA Navel Training Station with two platoens guarding ammunition dump (64.-19.). Wpns Co 28th Mar(-) prepared to move to FUKUCKA. No casualties for the period. 1800, 29Sept to 1800, 30Sept45 LT-128 moved to FUKUOKA with one platoon Wpns Co and a detachment from H&S Co. 28th Mor. The LT passed to control of the FUKUOKA Advance Occupation Force. LT-228 remained in reserve at the AINOURA Navel Training Station. 1360 - 5 -CONFIDENTIAL

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LT-328 remained in reserve at the AINOURA Naval Training Station with two platoons guarding ammunition dump (64.-19.).

No casualties for the period.

1800, 30Sept to 1800 10ct45

CT Hq received orders to alert one Co to move by rail to SHIMONOSEKI about 40ct45.

LT-228 remained in reserve at the AINOURA Naval Training Station.

LT-328 remained in reserve at the AINOURA Naval Training Station with two plateens at SASA (64.-19.). Alerted KING Co for move to SHIMONOSEKI about 40ct45.

No casualties for the period.

1800, 10ct to 1800, 20ct45

CT Hq recieved orders to be prepared to move by rail and truck to FUKUOKA on 5 and 6Nov45. All units remaining at AINOUHA NTS were alerted for this move.

LT-228 remained in reserve at the AINOURA Naval Training Station.

LT-328 remained in reserve at the AINOURA Naval Training Station with two platoens guarding ammunition dump (64.-19.).

1800, 20ct to 1800, 30ct45

CT Hq made prepartions to move to FUKUCKA on 5 and 60ct45.

LT-228 remained in reserve at the AINOURA Naval Training Station.

LT-328 remained in reserve at the AINOURA Naval Training Station. The two platoons at SASA (64.-19.), ammunition dump, were relieved by elements of ITEM Co, 27th Marines at 1200.

No casualties for the period.

1800, 30ct to 1800, 40ct45

CT Hq continued preparations for move to FUKUOKA on 5 and 60ct45.

LT-228 remained in reserve at the AINOURA Naval Training Station.

LT-328 (- KING Co) remained in reserve at the AINOURA Naval Training Station. KING Co left camp at 0430, 40ct45 enroute to SHIMONOSEKI.

No casualties for the period.

CONFIDENTIAL 1800, 40ct to 1800, 50ct45 CT Rq left SASEBO 50ct45 with these elements; 2d Bn, 28th Mar, C Co (less 1 plat) 3d Prov MP Bn, and Wpns Co, 28th Mar. LT-328 remained in reserve at the AINOURA Naval Training Station. No casualties for the period. 1800. 50ct to 1800. 60ct45 CT-28 (less I and K Cos and LT-128) arrived at KASHII Station, FUKUOKA, JAPAN on the 5th and 6th of Oct, and the CT CP opened on 60ct45 at the Ippotei, East Park, FUKUOKA. CT-28 was placed under FUKUOKA Occupation Force for operational control. CT-28 had the following units attached: C Co (less 1 lat) 3d Prov MP Bn, C Co, 5th Fngr Bn, 3d Flat, Ord Co, 3d Plat, Serv Co, 3d Plat, Sup Co, B Co, 12th Force MT Bn, 2d Plat Auto Repair Co. LT-128 had been under FOF control since 30Sept45 and was now billated at the KYUSHU Airplane School (48.9-74.0). LT-228 was billeted at KASHII Station (49.5-73.5) and their CP opened there on 60ct45. LT-328 was billeted at KASHII Station (49.5-73.5) and their CF opened there on 60ct45. LT-328 received verbal orders to prepare to move to MOJI on the 10th of October, 1945. No casualties for the period. 1800, 60ct to 1800, 70ct45 CT-28 assumed control of LT-128 at 0800I. LT-128 sent detachment of 1 officer, 31 men to maintain law and order in three Chinese FW Comps in the vicinity of IIZUKA (1370.4-1170.4), and one intelligence patrol to WAJIRO and CHIKUZEN-SHINGU. LT-228 supervised movement of Japanese material in KASHII Warehouse Area. LT-328 (less I and K Cas) continued preparations for movement to MOJI. Wons Co, 28th Mar was released to FOF to act as MP for the area. C Co, 5th Engr Bn, commenced improvement and maintenance of facilities in LT-128 and 228 billeting areas. C Co, 5th Med Bn, began operation of hospital at the HAKATA Serplane Base. (41.2-74.8) No casualties for the period. 1362 - 7 -CONFIDENTIAL

1800, 70ct to 1800, 80ct45

LT-128 sent two (2) groups (1 NCO and 9 men each) to the vicinity of IIZUKA to take over two (2) additional Chinese POW Camps.

LT-228 continued improvement of KASHII Station.

LT-328 continued preparations for movement to MOJI.

No casualties for the period.

1800, 80ct45 to 1800, 90ct45

LT-128 sent out four (4) motorized patrols. Two (2) patrols were intelligence patrols in the SHINGU, KOGA, YAMADA, HOKOKAN School, KASHII Fort area (46.7-78.5). The other two patrols were sentry patrols, one in the northern sector of LT's zone of responsibility, and one in southern sector. The LT sent 1 officer and 47 men to reinforce the IIZUKA Chinese PW Camp Detachment. This group to maintain law and order in five (5) additional camps in the NOGATA, ORIO, TAGAWA District.

LT-228 sent two (2) intelligence petrols in the FUKUOKA, SUMIYOSHI, MINOSHIMA, TAKENOSHITA, OH SHI, IJIRI, KOKURA Area. LT sent one sergeent and twelve (12) men to guard a new type Jap Plane located by CIC, three miles south of ITAZUKE (ZASSHONOKUMA District (53.0-61.3).

LT-328 continued preparations for movement to MOJI.

No casualties for the period.

1800, 90ct to 1800, 100ct45

LT-128 sent patrols as follows:

Fatrol #1 Intelligence patrol from HAKATA WAN peninsula to the northern edge of FUKUOKA city limits.

Patrol #2 Intelligence patrol in the YAMADA, FUKUOKA, MIZUMACHI Area. Fatrol #3 Sentry patrol in the northern sector of LT's zone of responsibility.

Patrol #4 Sentry patrol in the southern sector of LT's zone of responsibility.

Dispatched 1 officer and 12 men to exercise surveillance over Chinese PW Camp in the vicinity of UMI.

LT-228 sent two (2) patrols to reconneiter new intelligence targets.

Dispatched 1 NCO and 10 men to assist in search of "estern Army CF in the vicinity of FUTSUKAICHI (50.70-50.55).

LT-328 plus 3d Plat, C Co, 5th Engr Bn, 3d Plat, B Co, 12th Force MT Bn and a det, H&S Co, 28th Mar left KASHII Station 0956 by rail for MOJI. This LT was attached to FOF for operational control

. No casualties for the period.

CONFIDENTIAL 1800, 100ct to 1800, 110ct45 CT-28 Hq held conference with Police Chief and harbor officials to make errangement for searching craft coming from portsoutside the home island of JAPAN. LT-128 sent two (2) intelligence patrols to the WAJIRO, MOTOMA, MINATO, SHINGU, MACHI, HIRA YAMA Area, and two (2) sentry patrols. LT-228 sent three (3) in elligence patrols to the IMAJIKU, SUSENJI, DAIMORI, SHIMOKEGO, TANI, TAJIMA, NIIGA, ITAZUKE, KASUGA Area. No casualties for the period. 1800, 110ct to 1800, 120ct45 GT-28 Hg conducted road reconnaissance to KURUME. LT-128 sent two (2) intelligence patrols to the KOGA, MUSHINGUCHI, HANAMI, HAMAO-DOI, KOMATA, TACHIBANAGUCHI Area and two (2) sentry patrols. LT-228 sent three (3) intelligence patrols to the MEINOHAMANACHI, HETA, KOTA, CHARA, YOKAHAMA, HIRATA, KASUGA, CKI, SAGU, OSA-MURA, MAEBARU, AKASAKA, KAFURI, YOSHI Area. Sent 1 sergeant and 17 men to guard HYUSHU Aircraft Factory at ZASSHONOKUMA (53.0-61.3). Sent 1 sergeant and 13 men to guard KASUGA Weapons Factory at KASUGABARU Station (53.0-60.5). No casualties for the period. 1800, 120ct to 1800 130ct45 CT-28 Hq supervised and inspected Japanese troops arriving from KOREA. LT-128 sent two (2) intelligence patrols to the KASHII, HAMADA, SHIMO, IGA, CHOJABARU, SHINMACHI Area, and two sentry patrols. LT-228 sent three (3) intelligence patrols to the IHARA, MISAICA, HIAKE, HATAE, SETO, HARO, IKISAN, FUKAI, TORIKAI, ROJI, MINO-SHIMA Area. Sent 1 officer and 13 men to the HAKATA Harbor to search Japanese . troops arriving by ship from KOREA. No casualties for the period. 1800, 130ct to 1800, 140ct45 CT-28 Hq supervised debarkation of Japanese troops arriving from KOREA. Organized Examiner Team for the purpose of "spot checking" Japanese personnel returning from ports other than those in the main islands of JAPAN. This team was organized as follows: 1364 - 9 -CONFIDENTIAL

1 Chief Exeminer - 1 Lt to be in charge

- 1 Asst Examiner 1 Lt to assist and provide relief for Chief Examiner.
- 2 Rifle Squads

2 Interpreters

1 CIC Det (2 special agents and 2 interpreters)

2 Medical Officers.

Also made preparations to send raiding parties to NAMAZNDA, HOJYO, and IIZUKA Prisons to arrive at 1600, 150ct45 and determine if SCAP directive of 40ct45, to Jap government had been complied with.

LT-128 continued routine guard duty.

LT-228 sent 1 sergeant and 4 men on train to MOJI as train guard. Left at 1430 to return on 150ct45.

No casualties for period.

1800, 140ct to 1800, 150ct45

CT-28 Hq sent advance billeting party to KURUME. Left at 0800 and returned at 1900, 150ct45. Continued inspection of Japanese arriving from ports outside home islands of Japan.

LT-128 sent two (2) intelligence patrols to HAMAO, KURAMOTO, and TAKATA Area.

Sent 1 officer and 15 men to NAMAZNDA Prison to guard and investigate records and prisoners. Left at 1100 to arrive there by 1600, 150ct45. They were accompanied by 1 interpreter (FOF).

LT-228 sent one (1) intelligence patrol to the HARA, JIRO-MARU, TOCHI, NOKE Area.

Sent 1 NCO and 3 men to ABURA-YAMA (41.5-57.3) to guard FOF Radio

Relay Station. Left 1000, 150ct45.

Sent 1 officer and 6 men to IIZUKA Prison (1370.4-1170.4) to guard and investigate records and prisoners. Left 1100 to arrive there by 1600, 150ct45. Accompanied by 1 interpreter (FCF).

Sent 1 officer and 11 men to guard and investigate records and prisoners at HOJYO Prison. Left 1100 to arrive there by 1600, 150ct45. Accompanied by 1 interpreter (FOF).

1800, 150ct to 1800, 160ct45

CT-28 continued inspection of Japanese arriving from ports outside the home islands of JAPAN.

LT-128 sent two (2) intelligence patrols to the HAMAO, FUTSUKAICHI, KATANO, DAIBU, HOGZO, HAMAS, HIRAO, UMI, SUE, BEKA Area and 1 sentry patrol.

LT-228 sent two (2) intelligence patrols to the ROJI, KEYAGO, DOZEN-CHU, SHIMO, ON, HARUDA, TSUKO, WAKAE Area.

At 2330I, 150ct45, IIZUKA Branch Prison patrol r turned having been unable to locate said prison. This patrol to return to the IIZUKA Area when prison is located.

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CONFIDENTIAL No casualties for the period. 1800, 160ct to 1800, 170ct45 CT-28 continued inspection of Japanese arriving from ports outside the home islands of JAFAN. LT-128 sent two (2) invelligence patrols to the MISHIRO, NOTOGI, NOGATA, VEKI, AKAMA, FUKUMA, YAMADA, MARA, HATSU, TARE, FUKUMA Area, and one (1) sentry patrol. LT-228 sent two (2) intelligence petrols to the MAEBARU, OISHI, SAKUDA, BABA, MOTOOKA, ANTOKU, MATSUE, OURA, NEDA, NISHI, IRUBE Area. Sent 1 officer and 1 man to IIZUKA to reconneiter the area in an attempt to locate the IIZUKA Prison. No casualties for the period. 1800, 170ct to 1800, 180ct45 CT-28 Hq continued inspection of Japanese arriving from ports outside the home islands of JAPAN. Confiscated 6931 yen from returning troops. LT-128 sent two (2) intelligence patrols to the northern section of the LT's zone of responsibility and 1 sentry patrol LT-228 sent two (2) intelligence petrols to the FUKUOKA Higher School /rmory, IMAJIKU Seaplane Base, SUSENJI Naval Air Base, "Chitose" Unit #32620 Ammunition Dump at MARBARU, HARUDA Collecting Point and the KID9 Ammunition Dump. II ZUKA Prison was located and the detail reinforced. No casualties for the period. 1800. 180ct to 1800. 190ct45 CT-28 continued investigation of Japanese arriving from ports outside the home islands of JAPAN. Commenced impounding outgoing and incoming mail in HAKATA Herbor. LT-128 sent one intelligence patrol to the KAWASAKI, HONJO, NOGATA, IIZUKA Areo and one sentry petrol. One platoon was dispatched at 2115 to the IIZUKA FOW Camp to act as a mobile reserve in case of a riot at the Chinese PW Camp. Nothing developed and the patrol returned to camp at 1300, 190ct45. LT-228 sent two (2) intelligence patrols to the FUTSUKAICHI, YORII, SCHZU, AMAGI, SHITANI, HONGO, TACHIARA Area. No casualties for the period. 1366 - 11 -

1800, 190ct to 1800, 200ct45

CT-28 Hq continued investigation of Japanese arriving from ports outside the home islands of JAPAN. Impounded one bag of outgoing Japanese mail (approximately 3 pounds).

LT-128 sent no additional intelligence patrols since those of the 19th were to be two day patrols. Dispatched one sentry patrol.

Sent two (2) billeting patrols to report to G-1 FOF for orders. These patrols left at 0800 and consisted of 1 NCO and 1 man per patrol.

LT-228 sent no additional intelligence patrols, since those of the 19th were two day patrols.

The Guard Detachment, having completed its mission returned to camp at 1500, 200ct from the IIZUKA Prison. No violations of the SCAP directive were found.

No casualties for the period.

1800, 200ct to 1800, 210ct45

CT-28 Hq assumed operational control of 126th Field Artillery Bn at 1200I. Continued inspection of Japanese arriving from ports outside the home islands of JAPAN:

LT-128 continued routine guard missions.

LT-228 continued routine guard missions. HOJYO Frison detail returned to camp at 2000. Found no violations of the SCAP directive.

126th Fld Arty Bn begen improvement of KASHII Werehouse billeting area.

No casualties for the period.

1800, 210ct to 1800, 220ct45

CT-28 Hq continued investigation of Japanese arriving from ports outside the home islands of JAPAN.

LT-128 sent one intelligence patrol to the KNGU KOKE MIM KINRO Army Training School (1355.4-1197.5), and one sentry patrol.

LT-228 sent two (2) sentry patrols throughout their zone of responsibility.

126th Fld Arty Bn continued improving KASHII billeting area.

No casualties for the period.

1800. 220ct to 1800. 230ct45

CT-28 Hq continued inspection of Japanese arriving from ports outside the home islands of JAPAN.

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1800, 260ct to 1800, 270ct45

CT Hq continued checking Japanese repatriates entering HAKATA Harbor.

LT-128 Installations guarded by Japanese Naval personnel relieved by Civil Police.

Chinese FW guard detachment returned from the ORIO, NOGATA, TAGAWA Area at 1600, having been relieved by the 127th Inf Regt.

Patrol to the NAMAZNDA Frison completed investigation and returned

to camp at 1030. Nothing unusual found at the prison.

Sent one sentry patrol in the southern section of its zone of responsibility.

LT-228 sent one sentry patrol to check installations that were taken over by Civil Police, and one sentry patrol in the northern section of its zone of responsibility.

126th Fld Arty Bn continued improving billeting area. Installations guarded by Japanese Naval personnel relieved by Civil Police.

No casualties for the period.

1800, 270ct to 1800, 280ct45

CT Hq continued checking Japanese repotrictes entering HAKATA Harbor.

LT-128 continued routine guard missions.

LT-228 continued routine guard missions.

126th Fld Arty Bn CO, and S-3 went to OITA, to reconneiter billeting area.

No casualties for the period.

1800, 280ct to 1800, 290ct45

CT Hq relieved guard of the 58th Air Service Group with one Civil Police. This guard was placed over Jap ordnance in the 58th Air Service Group area in ZASSHONOKUMA. Continued checking Japanese repatriates entering HAKATA Harbor.

LT-128 continued routine guard missions.

LT-228 relieved one NCO and twelve men from the KYUSHU Aircraft Flant and Jap "Fusher Flane" at 1030, in the ZASSHOMOKUMA District. Three (3) communication men were sent from this group to reinforce the guard at KASUGA Wpns Factory. (KASUGABARU Station)

126th Fld Arty Bn made advance preparations to move to OITA.

No casualties for the period.

CONFIDENTIAL 1800, 290ct to 1800, 300ct45 CT Hq continued checking Japanese repatriates entering HAKATA Harbor. LT-128 sent one sentry patrol to check sentries in zone of responsibility. LT-228 sent one sentry patrol to check the southern section of the LT's zone of responsibility. 126th Fld Arty Bn loaded rail transportation in preparation for movement to OITA. No casualties for the period. 1800, 300ct to 1800, 310ct45 CT Ha continued checking Japanese repotrictes entering HAKATA Harbor. Continued relieving with Civil Police Japanese military personnel guarding dumps. Received orders to be prepared to move to SASEBO on 2 and 5Nov45. LT-128 relieved guards previously maintained by LT-228. Sent one sentry patrol in northern section of LT zone of responsibility. LT-228 made preparations to move to SASEBO on 2Nov45. 126th Fld Arty Bn commenced movement by rail to OITA. No casualties for the period. 1800, 310ct to 1800, 1Nov45 CT Hq continued checking Japanese repatriates entering HAKATA Harbor. LT-128 completed relieving guard previously maintained by LT-228. Sent one sentry pritrol in northern section of LT zone of responsibility. LT-228 completed loading reil transportation for movement to SASEBO. 126th Fld Arty Bn completed movement by roil to OITA. Detached from CT-28 at 0800, 1Nov45. No casualties for the period. 1800, 1Nov to 1800, 2Nov45 CT Hq continued checking Japanese repetrictes entering HAKATA Herbor. Made preparations to turn over all guards of CT to the 127th Infantry Regiment, 32nd Inf Div. LT-128 sent cut one sentry patrol in the northern section of LT zone of responsibility. 1370 - 15 -CONFIDENTIAL

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LT-228 (-1 Plat) left in three (3) trains, 0810, 0925, and 1040 for SASEBO. Attached to 5th MarDiv for operational control.

No casualties for the period.

1800, 2Ncv to 1800, 3Nov45

CT Hq continued checking Japanese repatriates entering HAKATA Harbor, and continued making preparations to turn over all guards of CT to 127th Infantry Regiment.

No casualties for the period.

1800, 3Nov to 1800, 4Nov45

CT-Hq Examiner Team checking incoming repatriates at HAKATA Harbor relieved by 127th Inf Regt.

LT-128 All guards except those at IIZUKA Frison Camp relieved by 1st Bn, 127th Infantry Regiment.

No casualties for the period.

1800, 4Nov to 1800, 5Nov45

CT Hq All guard posts relieved by 127th Inf Regt and CT zone of responsibility passed to the control of the 127th Inf Regt at 1500.

LT-128 made preparations to move to SASEBO.

No crsualties for the period.

1800, 5Nov to 1800, 6Nov45

CT Hq completed movement of CT-28 (- "pns Co) to SASEBO.

LT-M28 left FUKUOKA at 0810 and arrived at SASEBO at 1330. H&S Co, 28th Mar (-), 3d Flat, Sup Co, C Co, 5th Engr Bn (-), 1 Plat, 2d Bn, 28th Mar, departed from FUKUOKA at 1010 and arrived at SASEBO at 1530. Released all attachments to control of parent organization.

No casualties for the period.

1800, 6Nov to 1800, 7Nov45

CT Hq opened CP at 0800 in Bldg #23, Marine Camp, AINOURA (AINOURA Naval Training Station). Returned to control of 5th Marine Division. Inspected by General Kreuger, CG, 6th Irmy, from 0840 to 1025.

1st Bn, 28th Mar relieved 3d Bn, 28th Mar of ten guard posts in the SASEBO area. Its CP opened at ONO Barracks (78.35-18.05), with "A", "B", and "C" Cos, billeted at YAMANOTA Barracks (75.50-17.20). Commenced improvement of assigned billeting areas.

CONFIDENTIAL 2nd Bn, 28th Mar reverted to CT-28 control with its CP at the EAST SIDE NAVY YARD (78.1-11.5). Continued routine guard missions. 3rd Bn, 28th Mar reverted to CT-28 control. The battalion had been under operational control of the 5th Mar Div since its return from MOJI at 1541, 220ct45 and was billeted in Bldg #22, Marine Camp AINOURA. Continued routine guard in area formerly occupied by the 2nd Bn, 27th Mar. Relinguished ten guard posts to the 1st Bn, 28th Mar. Wons Co (-) arrived from FUKUOKA at 1745, 6Nov and were billeted in Bldg #31, Marine Camp AINOURA. No casualties for the period. 1800, 7Nov to 1800, 8Nov45 CT Hq initiated a training program for personnel not on guard. 1st Bn, 28th Mor continued routine guard missions. Hq Co, "A" and "C" Cos moved to Marine Camp AINOURA (Bldg #46). "B" Co moved to the SASEBO Fortress Hoadquarters. (77.3-15.3) 2nd Bn, 28th Mar sent one motorized patrol to reconnoiter the area around HAIKI. Continued routine guard missions. 3rd Bn, 28th Mar continued routine guard missions. Fire in warehouse (66.2-18.8() about 1700. The werehouse was used for storing dynamite. 'Fire fighting detail was sent out from Marine Camp, AINOURA. The warehouse blew up about 1930 with no resulting casualties. The fire fighting detail was secured and sent back to camp at 2015. No casualties for the period. 1800, 8Nov to 1800, 9Nov45 CT Ho comm need disposing of Japanese materiel in CT zone of responsibility. 1st Bn, 28th Mar continued routine guard missions. 2nd Bn, 28th Mar continued routine guard missions. Established traffic control station just east of HAIKI. 3rd Bn, 28th Mar continued routine guard missions. Established traffic control station at the SASEBO, HIRADO, AINOURA road junction. No casualties for the period. 1800. 9Nov to 1800. 10Nov45 CT Hq continued disposition of enemy materiel. 1372 17 -

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1st Bn, 28th Mar continued routine guard missions.

2nd Bn, 28th Mer continued routine guard missions.

3rd Bn, 28th Mar sontinued routine guard missions.

No casualties for the period.

1800. 11Nov to 1800, 12Nov45

CT Hq conducted inspection of guard details in the western section of CT zone of responsibility. Supervised training program.

1st Bn, 28th Mar sent one motorized patrol in the SAISHI, YUNOKI, SECHINARA, ERI Area. Continued training and routine guard missions.

2nd Bn, 28th Mer sent one motorized patrol to IMARI and one patrol to HAIKI. The IMARI patrol was a two day patrol to return at approximately 1630, 13Nov45. Continued routine guard missions.

3rd Bn, 28th Mar sent cut one motorized patrol in the northern section of Bn zone of responsibility. 'Continued training and routine guard missions. Two men were fired upon at 1115, 11Nov45 while walking around the weather deck of the old Japanese battaleship anchored in the bay, northwest of Marine Camp AINOURA. The incident was investigated and a patrol searched the area north of the ship but nothing was discovered.

The remainder of Wpns Co arrived from FUKUOKA at 2012, 11Nov45 and were billeted in Bldg #31 Marine Comp AINOURA.

No casualties for the period.

1800, 12Nev to 1800, 13Nev45

CT Hq continued disposing of Japanese material. Supervised training program.

1st Bn, 28th Mer sent one motorized petrol in the MIKAWACHI, YOSHIFUKU, YOSHUKU, SATO, URANOSAKI Area. Continued training and routine guard missions.

2nd Bn, 28th Mer continued training and routine guard.

3rd Bn, 28th Mer sent out one motorized patrol in the northern section of the Bn zone of responsibility. Continued training and routine guard missions.

No casualties for the period.

1800, 13Nov to 1800, 14Nov45

CT Hq continued disposing of Japanese materiel. Supervised training program.

CONFIDENTIAL 1st Bn, 28th Mar sent out one motorized patrol in the KURONDA, HIGASHI-UMEME, MIYANO, IMARI Area. Continued training and routine guard missions. 2nd Bn, 28th Mar sent out one motorized patrol to KARATSU and vicinity. This was a two day patrol. Continued training and routine guard missions. 3rd Bn, 28th Mar sent one motorized patrol in the EGUCHI, SHIMO, SHISA, NAKANA, KUROSHIO, SHIRAHAMA Area. Continued training and routine guard missions. No casualties for the period. 1800, 14Nov to 1800, 15Nov45 CT Hq furnished eight officers and sixton men to lead search parties checking shrines and schools in SASEBO to see if surrender terms had been complied with. Continued disposition of enemy materiel. 1st Bn, 28th Mar continued surveillance, training, and routine guard. 2nd Bn, 28th Mer continued surveillance, training and routine guard. Two day patrol which left 14Nov45 was still operating in the vicinity of KARATSU. 3rd Bn, 28th Mar continued surveillance, training, and routine guard. No casualties for the period. 1800, 15Nov to 1800; 16Nov45 CT Hq continued dispositiontof enemy materiel. 1st Bn, 28th Mar continued surveillance, training, and routine guard. 2nd Bn, 28th Mar continued surveillance, training, and routine guard. Sent a three day patrol to the area around KARATSU. 3rd Bn, 28th Mar continued surveillance, training, and routine guard. Sent one road reconnaissance patrol to the area just north of SASEBO. No casualties for the period. 1800, 16Nov to 1800, 17Nov45 CT Hq continued disposition of enemy materiel. 1st Bn, 28th Mar continued surveillance, training, and routine guard. 2nd Bn, 28th Mor continued surveillance, training, and routine guard. One patrol continued to operate in vicinity of KAKATSU. 3rd Bn, 28th Mer continued surveillance, training, and routine guard. No cosualties for the period. 19 -CONFIDENTIAL

1800, 17Nov to 1800, 18Nov45

CT Hq continued disposition of enemy material.

1st Bn, 28th Mer continued surveillance, training, and routine guard.

2nd Bn, 28th Mar continued surveillance, training, and routine guard. Fatrol to KARATSU and vicinity expected to return late, 18Nov45.

3rd Bn, 28th Mer continued surveillance, training, and routine guard.
No casualties for the period.

1800, 19Nov to 1800, 19Nov45

CT Hq continued disposition of enemy materiel.

1st Bn, 28th Mar sent one patrol to the area of MIKAWACHI, YOSHINUKU, YOSHUKU, YANAYE, SATO, and URANOSAKI. Continued training, and routine guard.

2nd Bn, 28th Mar sent one patrol to the area around KARATSU. This patrol to remain in that vicinity for three (3) days.

3rd Bn, 28th Mar sent one road reconnaissance patrol to the area north of SASEBO. Sent one (1) officer and twenty-five (25) men to SHISHIMACHI to maintain law and order among roiting Chinese laborers.

No casualties for the period.

1800. 19Nov to 1800. 20Nov45

CT Hq continued disposition of enemy material. Lt Col Rich, 3d Bn 6th Marines and party arrived 1900, 19Nov45 to make preparations for relief of CT-28. Lt Col Rich was joined by Lt Col Fuller, Regt'l Ex Officer, 6th Marines on the morning of 20Nov45.

1st Bn, 28th Mar sent one patrol to the MIKAWACHI, ARITA, MIMASAKA, IMARI, YUNOKI Area. Continued surveillance, training and routine guard.

2nd Bn, 28th Mar sent cut patrol to all guard posts in the Bn zone of responsibility to determine the advisibility of consclidating some of these posts. Patrol which left on 19Nov45 to the area around KARATSU continued its mission. Continued surveillance, training, and routine guard.

3rd Bn, 28th Mar sent one patrol to the OGITA, INITA, KOTEDA, BOTA, SHINO-GAME Area. The patrol which went to investigate the Chinese situation at SHISHIMACHI returned at 1315, 20Nov45. No proof existed of any physical violance which may have been created by the Chinese. The Chinese and Japanese were duly warned, and after execuating the Chinese

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No casualties for the period.

1800, 23Nov to 1800, 24Nov45

CT Hq continued disposition of Japanese materiel. Released that part of SAGA Ken in zone of responsibility to 2d Mar Div at 1000.

1st Bn, 28th Mar continued surveillance, training, and routine guard.

2nd Bn, 28th Mer continued patrol of the area between IMARI and KARATSU. Continued surveillance, training, and routine guard.

3rd Bn, 28th Mar sent one reconnaissance patrol to area north of AINOURA. Continued surveillance, training and routine guard.

No casualties for the period.

1800, 24Nov to 1800, 25Nov45

CT Hq continued disposition of Japanese material. Continued drawing war trophics for issue to personnel of the regiment.

1st Bn, 28th Mer continued surveillance, training, and routine guard.

2nd Bn, 28th Mer The petrol to the IMARI and KARATSU Area returned to camp et 1700, 25Nev45. Continued surveillance, training, and routine guard.

3rd Bn, 28th Mar sent one reconnaissance patrol to the area just north of AINCURA. Continued surveillance; training, and routine guard.

No casualties for the period.

1800. 25Nov to 1800. 26Nov45

CT Hq continued disposition of Japanese materiel. Started issuing war trophies to personnel of this regiment. Trophies were issued to officers and enlisted men according to point system, regardless of rank.

1st Bn, 28th Mor sent one reconnaissance patrol to the KURONDA, ARITA, MIYANA, MIMASAKA, HIGASHI-UMEME, IMAKI Area. Continued surveillance, training and routine guard.

2nd Bn, 28th Mar continued surveillance, training, and routine guard. Was relieved of guard in LOVE, MIKE, NAN, OBOE Areas, SASEBO Harbor, by 8th Service Regiment.

3rd Bn, 28th Mar sent one reconnaissance patrol to cover the area north of AINOURA. Continued surveillance, training and routine guard.

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1800, 29Nov to 1800, 30Nov45

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1st Bn, 28th Mer continued surveillance and routine guard.

2nd Bn, 28th Mer continued surveillance, and routine guard.

3rd Bn, 28th Mar continued surveillance and routine guard. Commenced relief of 1st Bn guard in SASEBO.

No casualties for the period.

At the close of this report, the regiment is preparing for return to the states and subsequent demobilization. The 3d Bn, 6th Marines will relieve the regiment at 1000, 10Dec45.

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CONFIDENTIAL 6. JAPANESE COMPLIANCE WITH SURRENDER TERMS The Japanese were very cooperative in complying with surrender terms in both the FUKUOKA and SASEBO area. However, prior to actual occupation of JAPAN, during the period 15-18 August 1945, certain documents, records, etc, were burned on "orders from Headquarters, TOKYO:" After occupation began, minor instances where failure to comply with terms was evidenced were a result of a misunderstanding of orders. There was no evidence of actual intent to evade the terms. 7. SUPPLY, EQUIFMENT, AND LOGISTICS Let it suffice to say that, with few exceptions, supplies, equipment, and logistics were satisfactory throughout the operations. For a more detailed discussion see Annex DOG. 8. SPECIAL FEATURES a. Naval Gunfire, Air, Artillery. Naval gunfire, sir, and artillery support never progressed beyond the general planning stage in the regiment. During the voyage from HAVAII to JAPAN plans were laid for utilization of support as outlined in Division and Corps operation plans. None of the support was used or needed since the landing at SASFBO was made without opposition. b. Frocurement. Procurement of Japanese labor and materiel was never arranged directly with Home Ministry officers, but with Military Government officers of higher commend echelons. See Annex DOG. c. Inventory, Safeguarding, and Disposition of Surrendered Material. (1) While operating in the FUNUOKA area under 32d Division control the regiment handled dispostion as follows: (a) Upon locating dumps or warehouse of arms, armament, ammunition; or supplies which had to be destroyed or turned over to the Home Ministry, a representative of the Civil Police Force was taken to the location and signed for the responsibility of guarding the material until disposition could be made. Police guards were inspected frequently by a Marine Officer for alertness and sufficiency of number requisite to the size of the dump. (b) When the Bisposition Section was ready to dispose of the materiel, a Battalian Depot Control Group would inventory it and either supervise its destruction by Japanese laborers, or, in the case of foodstuffs and construction material not needed by Allied Forces, would turn it over to the Home Ministry. (2) In general the same methods of inventory and disposition were used while operating under the 5th Morine Division in the SaSEBO area. However, we were not permitted to use Civil Police Guards on uninventoried . CONFIDENTIAL

meteriel. Initially, this made necessary the use of about 77% of the regiment on guard and outpost duty. As material was disposed of the guards were taken off. See Annex DOG.

d. Chinese Laborers.

(1) FUKUOKA area.

There were approximately 3,800 Chinese laborers divided among eleven mining camps in this area. The laborers were divided into three incompatible factions: Nationalist (or Chiang Kai-Shek) Chinese, Communist Chinese, and volunteer laborers with no party affiliations. They were a constant source of trouble. Fighting was frequent, both among themselves and with the Japanese.

It became necessary on 7 October, 1945 to send Marine detachments to maintain law and order in the mining camps. There were minor difficulties thereafter, but the presence of Marines was usually sufficient to quell any disturbances.

Responsibility for maintaining law and order in the camsp was taken over by the 127th Infantry when the regiment returned to SASEBO on 6Nev45.

(2) SASEBO area.

Only in one instance did the 28th Marines have any dealings with Chinese laborers in this area. On 19Nov45 a disturbance was reported in a mining camp at SHISHIMACHI where 177 Chinese were awaiting transportation to HARIO where they were to go aboard ship for CHINA. A detachment of one officer and twenty-five men was sent to the camp to maintain law and order during the night and until the Chinese left the camp for HARIO. No disturbances occurred and the detachment returned to Marine Comp, AINOURA on 20Nov45.

e. Exemination of Japanese Repatriates. .

While operating under FUKUOKA Occupation Force and 32nd Infantry Division control, CT-28 was responsible for examination of Japanese repatriates entering HAKATA Harbor from parts outside of the main islands of JAPAN. To accomplish this mission, an Examiner Team was organized as follows:

- 1 1st Lt, Chief Exeminer
- 1 2nd Lt, Asst To Chief Exeminer
- 2 Medical Officers
- 2 Special Agents (CIO)
- 2 Rifle Squads
- 4 Interpreters

Initially, the mission of the Term was to "spot-chack" incoming personnel for loot, excess food, excess currency and securities, and to comfiscate same; to supervise examination of repatriates by Japanese medical personnel; and to take into custody any suspicious personnel as directed by the CIC component of the Team.

CONFIDENTIA The Examiner Team functioned continuously from 130ct45 to 4Nov45 when the 127th Infantry relieved CT-28. The Civil Police were used during this period to maintain order in the dock area and to see to it that all incoming personnel were checked by the Examiner Team. Two to five thousand repatriates were examined daily by the Team. During the period the Team functioned, no loct, or excess food was found on repatriates. Some securities and a considerable amount of currency in excess of that authorized (200 yen enlisted, 500 yen officers, 1,000 yen civilians) were confiscated however, and turned over to a representative of the Japanese Government. The reliment was not responsible for handling repatriates while operating in the SASEBO area. 9. CONCLUSION a. Assault Operation. (1) Comments: Thank God we didn't have to fight in JAFAN. (2) Recommendations: None. (b) Occupation Operations. (1) Comments and Recommendation. (a) Having adequate shipping for the combat team from embarkation point to target, proved its adventages from the planning phase to the actual landing. The maintenance of one BLT abourd one ship from embarkation to landing eliminated many personnel problems such as occur when complicated transfers are effected enroute to target. (b) The necessity for joint operations by S-2 and S-3 makes it advisable to consolidate both offices to insure complete coordination. (c) The T/O strength of the S-2 section was found excessive for operations as encountered in JAPAN. Total strength of two officers and six enlisted is recommended. (d) The need for one enlisted and two officer linguists in Rept'l Hq was never demonstrated during the occupation since a pool of civilian linguists was maintained by the FUKUOKA Occupation Force and 32nd Infantry Division, under which most of our operations were conducted. It is recommended that the pool system be instituted and continued within the Division lan'unto section and that one officer be attached to hegt'l Hq to cordinate requests from each battalian. Battalian enlisted interpreters are necessary and should be continued in their present status. (e) It is recommended that all questions involving liaison with Japanese officials (except problems purely local in nature) be handled exclusively by Division Headquarters. In some cases it was necessary for S-2, 1382 - 27 -CONFIDENTIAL

to request G-2 personnel and Japanese lisison officials in direct contact with G-2, to provide information which might better have been requested directly by G-2 from their own lisison officers. Verification of lisison reports can best be checked by regiment. The reports themselves should be the subject of direct intercourse between G-2 (or G-3) and the Japanese department concerned.

- (f) It is recommended that regiment be informed in advance of steps taken by advance parties, such as seizure of documents or investigation of order of battle. Duplication of effort and consequent "loss of face" has resulted through the efforts of patrol leaders and staff officers who were not informed of similar previous efforts by other echelons.
- (g) It is recommended that reports of disposition by any echelon within a particular regimental zone be submitted to the appropriate S-2 office in order that toroets files may be kept accurate and up to date at all times.
- (h) The unit mission made necessary procurement of a number of motor vehicles in addition to those organic to the regiment. This was accomplished without great difficulty but would have not been necessary if organic one ton trucks had accompanied the regiment. On many occasions it was found necessary to use M29C Carro Carriers to tow water trailers and to transport patrols. Such use of these special purpose vehicles led to rapid breakdown, and, as a result, the majority were inoperational during most of the occupation. It is recommended that general purpose vehicles be given priority over special types on similar missions in the future.

BY ORDER OF COLONEL LIVERSEDGE

Values HAYNES, Captain, USNC, S-3.

ANNEXES: ABLE, Pertinent Operation Orders, Administrative Orders and Overlays Issued During Occupation.

> BAKER, S-1 Report. CHARLIE, S- 2Report. DOG, S-4 Report. EASY, Sig Com Report.

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CONFIDENTIAL Annex ABLE to 28th Marines, Operation Report, Occupation of JAPAN Administrative Orders, Operation Orders and Sketch- overlays Issued During Occupation 1. The following orders and sketch-overlays are included in this Annex: a. CT-28 AdmO 1-45 b. CT-28 Warmin; 0 3-45 c. CT-28 Adm0:4-45 d. Dispatch, 1020, 70et45, Concerning Chinese labor camps. e. Dispatch, 1500, 120ct45, concerning CT zone of responssibility. f. CT-28 Opn 0 36-45. g. Dispetch, 1345, SNov45, concerning assignment of zone of responsibility in SASEBO Area. Because of the frequent movement of troops on short notice and the constantly changing situation, most orders were issued verbally over the telephone or in comferences with CO's of units. 1384

CONFIDENTIAL HEADQUARTERS, 28TH MARINES 5TH MARINE DIVISION, FLEET MARINE FORCE, C/O FLEET FOST OFFICE, SAN FRANCISCO, CALIFORNIA. 4 OCTOBER, 1945. CT ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER) Movement to Fukuoka Area. NUMBER..... ..1-45) Maps: War Dept. Map Kyushu - 1:500,000. Reference: (a) CT Warning Order No. 3-45. 1. PERSONNEL. (a) Uniform and Equipment - as set forth in reference (a). (b) Rations - Unit distribution of rations to be carried by individuals to all units of task organization by RQM, 28th Marines, on 4 October 1945, at Bldg. 69, NTS, Ainoura. (c) Movement to railhead - as sat forth in Annex ABLE, except drivers and passengers in road serials. (d) Movement in road serials - as set forth in Annex BAKER. (e) Billeting - as arranged by advance billeting detail in accordance with instructions of Commanding General, Fukuoka Occupation Force. (f) Stragglers - Unguthorized sightseers and scuvenir hunters: 1. In Sasebo area - to be turned over to Provost Marshall, 5th Mar Div. 2. In Fukuoka area - to be turned over to Provest Marshal, Fukuoke Occupation Force. 1. Postal facilities for in-coming and out-going mail to be furnished by postal section attached to 28th Marines. 2. All Navy and Marine Corps personnel will continue to use current FFO addresses. 2. EQUIFMENT AND SUFFLIES. (a) Camp equipment, including all storage tents, flies, and prefabricated latrines, will be carried by using organization. (b) Movement to rail-head. 1. All units submit requests for required motor transportation of equipment and supplies to this office prior to 1200, 4 Ocother 1945. 1385 CONFIDENTIAL

2. Movement priorities - In accordance with personnel priorities as set forth in Annex ABLE.

3. SUPPLY.

(a) Method of Supply. Initially, to all units of task organization through RQM, 28th Marines.

4. RESUPPLY.

(a) Initially, all classes including medical, by rail from 8th Service Regiment, Sasebo, via RQM, 28th Marines.

5. MOTOR TRANSFORTATION.

- (a) Routing.
 - 1. All 1/4 and 1 ton self propelled vehicles by most direct improved road route in road serials set forth in Annex BAKER.
 - 2. Minimum of two (2) passengers in each vehicle proceeding by road to Fukuoka.
 - 3. Vehicles over one (1) ton rated capacity and all trailers to be staged and rail car loaded at Sasebo railroad station on verbal movement orders from this headquarters.
 - 4. All rail loaded vehicles to have fuel tanks 3/4 full.
 - 5. Full combet loads for above vehicles in accordance with rated capacity.
- (b) Employment:
 - 1. Low priority vehicles as directed by MTO, 28th Marines.
 To be released for combat loading four (4) hours
 prior to directed staging time.

6. MISCELL, MEOUS.

- (a) Current prohibitions regarding throwing of food to natives to be enforced by units during all phases of this movement.
- (b) Units to provide own guards for vehicles and equipment at staging point. Any pilfering of government property to be dealt with promptly and severely.

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(c) No food, clothing, or supplies of any nature to be given, sold, or bartered to Japanese civilians or members of Japanese Armed Forces.

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Captain, USMCR
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ANNEX ABLE TO:

CT ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER)

Reil Movement to Fukuoka.

NUMBER.....1-45)

1. RCT-28 will on 5 and 6 October 1945 move by rail to Fukuoka according to the following schedul:

	Time Lv	Time Lv	No. Par-	
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				"pnsCo,28Mer
			437	pinoto junios
			40.	lstLt
#4	0430,60ct	0700	233	I Co,28Mar Hopkins
			134	C Co,5EngrBn
			367	
				lstLt
#5	0730,60bt	1000	238	3dBn,28Mer Fadovano
			30	3dP1,OrdCo
			45	3dP1,ServCo
			33	3dPl, SuppCo B Co & 2dFl Auto Rep Co
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- 2. Serial Commanders will be responsible for loading personnel in trucks on the east side of the NTS drill field, unloading troops at the Sasebo Railroad Station, loading baggage and personnel on trains, and unlosding at Fukuoka.
- 3. I Co., 3d Bn, 28th Marines, will remain on the 4th Serial train and continue to Moji.

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	CO, LT 328	(5)	CO, Supp Co, 5th Serv B	
	CO, H&S Co, 28thMar	(1)	S-1	(1)
	CO, "pns Co, 28th Mar	(1)	S-2	(1)
		(2)	S-3	(2)
		(2)	RQM	(2)
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4 October, 1945

ANNEX BAKER TO:

CT ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER)

Road Seriels - Fukuoka movement.

NUMBER . . 1-45)

Serial I - Commander - 1stLt. C. L. Hrneir C Co, 3d MP Bn.

VEHICLE	UNIT	NUMBER
VEHICLE 1/4 T, 4x4, Truck 1/4 T, 4x4, Truck Cargo Carrier, M29C 1/4 T, 4x4, Truck 1/4 T, 4x4 Truck 1/4 T, 4x4 Truck 1/4 T, 4x4, Ambulance 1 T, 4x4 Truck, cargo 1/4 T, 4x4, Truck 1 T, 4x4, Truck 1 T, 4x4, Truck 1 T, 4x4, Truck 1 T, 4x4, Truck	"C" Co. 3d MP Bn 2nd Bn, 28th Mar 2nd Bn, 28th Mar "pns Co 28th Mar H&S Co, 28th Mar H&S Co, 28th Mar H&S Co, 28th Mar H&S Co, 5th Engr Bn "C" Co, 5th Engr Bn "C" Co, 5th Engr Bn "C" Co, 3rd MP Bn	NUM ER 1 8 2 1 4 2 1 1 2 2
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(c) Working Party.

- 1. For organic equipment and supplies unit responsibility.
- For CT rations, water, and supplies company strength working party to be provided by BLT 228 and 3rd Plat, Supply Company.

2. Dumps and Warehouses

(a) Location of temporary dumps and permanent organization warehouses or supply rooms to be as directed by Commanding General, Fukuoka Occupation Force.

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		Wpns Co, 28th Mar	(1)	S-2	(1)
		C Co, 5th Engr Bn				2)
				hQM	(2)
		C Co, 3rd MF Bn	(2)	RMTC	(1)

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CT WARNING ORDER)

: Movement to Fukuoka Area.

NUMBER.....3-45)

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Reference: (a) Disp. 021147/1, CG, 5th MorDiv, dtd 200ct45.

1. GENERAL.

organizations, has been ordered to prepare for early movement to the Fukuoka Area by rail and motor transportation.

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CONFIDENTIAL b. Movement of personnel and supplies to entraining point, or to Fukuoka by motor serial, will be scheduled by this Headquarters in a forthcoming order. II. PERSONNEL. ε. All elements of task organization set forth in reference (e), less rear echelon groups established by CO, CT 28. EQUIPMENT AND SUPPLIES. III. a. 5th MarDiv will Lay down at entraining point all Class I, III, and V supplies necessary for mounting out entire CT except following: One (1) U/F-Ell weepons-in hends of troops or in CT b. Class II and IV (To be obtained through normal supply agencies). (1) Class II and IV - less Engineer and Cold Wet-Weather Clothing - 30 des. (2) Class II - Engineer. (a) Water Purification Supplies only - 30 das. c. Equipment. (1) Organizational. (a) Minimum necessary to carry out assigned mission for period of thirty (30) days. (2) Water Furification Units. (a) "C" Co, 5th Engr Bn, less 1st Plat, will corry sufficient water purification units to provide water for entire task organization. (3) Chemical Warfare. (a) Grs masks, protective cintment, and eyeshields, plus 10 das maintenance items, will be carried in unit supply. IV. SUFFLY. a. Method of supply to be covered in forthcoming administrative order. -V. RESUPPLY - All Class s. a. To be covered in forthcoming administrative order. 1391 CONFIDENTIAL

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VI. INDIVIDUAL EQUIPMENT AND SUPPLIES.

a. Uniform-Utility, w/steel helmets; leggings; cartridge belts, w/two (2) filled canteens; normal arms; field transport pack, w/brown side of shelter-half cut.

b. Cots will be rolled inside bedding rolls and entrucked with troops; loading into baggage or freight cars at entraining point will be accomplished by unit working parties.

c. Officers' clothing rolls, bedding rolls, and trunks will be handled in the same manner as set forth in VI(b) above.

d. Units will issue one (1) "K" ration and one (1) "D" ration to each individual prior to movement.

e. Ammunition - One (1) U/F now in hands of troops.

VII. MEDICAL SUFFLIES.

- a. Spray equipment and DDT in advance echelon or leading elements.
- b. Adequate amounts of other medical supplies sufficient for 30 days.

VIII. VEHICLES.

- e. Employment as prescribed in forthcoming administrative order.
- b. Combat loaded if rail shipped.
- c. Lord limit one (1) ton for rord seriels.

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	CO, LT 328	(5)	CO, Sup Co, 5th Serv Bn	
	CO, H&S Co, 28th Mor	(1)	S-1	(1)
	CO, Wpns Co, 28th Mer	(1)	S-2	(1)
	CO, C Co, 5th Engr Bn	(2)	S-3	(2)
	CO, 5th Ord Co	(2)	RQM	(2)
	CO, C Co, 3rd MF Bn	(2)	RMTO	(1)

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/s/ J. W. DO'NER, Captain, USMCR, AS - 4.

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CONFIDENTIAL 28 October, 1945. CT-28 ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER) Disposition of Enemy War Materials. Reference: (a) Annes KING, to VAC Administrative Order No. 6-45. (b) 32nd InfDiv Memo dated 27 October, 1945. (c) Attachment 3, 6th Army Administrative Order 19/2. dated 6 October, 1945. 1. GENERAL. e. Turpose - To accomplish all possible disposition and destruction of Japanese war materials in CT-28 area of responsibility. b. Classes - Such materials will be divided into the following general classes: (1) Materials and equipment which can be used only for wer purposes. (2) Materials and equipment which can be comverted to peacetime uses. c. Disposition - Materials not required for use of own units will be disposed of as follows: (1) Class I (a) Articles authorized by reference (a) as war trophies will be collected, inventoried, and centrally stored as directed by the CT Disposition Officer. (b) All others - Destroy as directed in reference (c) and turn back resulting scrap to Japanese Home Ministry through CT Procurement Officer. (2) Class II - Turn over to Japanese Home Ministry through CT rocurement Officer. 2. DISFOSITION METHODS a. Personnel - The disposition and destruction of materials will be effected by the following CT personnel: (1) A CT-28 Disposition Officer as appointed by the CT Commender with duty of cerrying cut all disposition es ordered by references and further directives. . The Disposition Officer will have no collateral duties and will be responsible for effective functioning of Depot Control groups. (2) The 3rd Platoon, Ordnance Company, 5th Mar Div will be placed at the disposal of the CT Disposition Officer for use in effecting disposition of Japanese Ordnance materiel. 1393

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CONFIDENTIAL (5) C Co, 5th Engr Bn (2) C Co, 5th Med Bn (2)DISTRIBUTION: CG, 32nd Inf Div (2)CG, 5th Mer Div (1)(5) S-1 CO, LT-128 (5) S-2 (1) CO, LT-228 CO, 126th FA Bn (2)(5) S-3 (2) CO, H&S Co, 28th Mar (1) RQM CO, Tons Co, 28th Mar (1) CT Disposition Officer (2) 3d Ord Plat (1) RMTO (1) B Co. 12th Force MT Bn (2) QFFICIAL: /s/ J. W. DOWNER Captain, USMCR, O. ERATION ORDERS AND DISPATCHES TO: BLT-128 1020, 70ct45 1. You will send one officer and one NCO plus three groups of one NCO and nine men each to quard three FW camps vicinity

You will send one officer and one NCO plus three groups of one NCO and nine men each to guard three FW camps vicinity IIZUKA this date. On 80ct45 three groups of one NCO and nine men will be sent to guard three more FW Camps. Total of six groups with one officer in overall command. Non to leave this date will meet Maj Wood at CT Hq Bldg at 1300 this date. Maj Wood will provide orders and guides. BLT-128 provides transportation and supplies. Suggest one Jeep and trailer remain with officer commanding group. These groups should be relieved weekly. Group makes reports direct to Maj Wood. Non should take all personal gear and should carry at least one U/F.

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TO: BLT 128, 228

1500, 120ct45

l RCT 28's zone of responsibility has been extended as shown on enclosure (a) (See Sketch - overlay showing zone fr 120ct to 140ct).

2 Units will continue execution of assigned missions and will initiate further missions in areas newly assigned.

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RCT - 28 (- 3d Bn)
In the Field
08001, 24 October, 1945.

Opn Order)

Reassignment of Occupation Zone of Responsibility.

No. 36-45)

Map: AMS L571, Central JAPAN, 1:250,000.

TASK ORGANIZATION:

(a) 1st Bn. 28th Mar Lt Col BUTTERFIELD

(b) 2nd Bn. 28th Mar Lt Col McDONOUGH

(c) 126th Fld Arty Bn Lt Col KEARNS

(d) RCT - 28 Hq Gp: . Cel LIVERSEDGE

28th Marines (-1st, 2d, 3d Bns, 126ty Fld Arty Bn, "pns Co)

Co C, 5th Med Bn

Co C, 5th Engr Bn (-3d Flat)

3d Flat, Ord Co, 5th Serv Bn

3d Flat, Serv Co, 5th Serv Bn

3d Flat, Sup Co, 5th Serv Bn

a. Current intelligence summaries.

- b. 32d Inf Div at 0800I, 240ct45, relieves FOF of all tactical responsibility and assumes command of assigned zone of responsibility and completes implementation of missions outlined in VAC Opn Flan 2-45 and instituted by FOF.
- 2. RCT-28 assumes command of assigned zone of responsibility 0800I, 240ct45; continues and completes implementation of missions outlined by FOF and 32d Inf Div. (See sketch-overlay showing zone fr 240ct to 6Nov45)
- 3. E. 1st Bn. 28th Mor will:
 - (1) Continue execution of assigned missions in zone of responsibility.
 - (2) Execute further missions assigned by CO, ECT-28.

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OFERATION ORDERS AND DISFATCHES (CONTINUED)

TO: 1st Bn, 2nd Bn, 3rd Bn.

1345, 8Nov45

- 4. Enclosure: (a) Overlay showing Zones of Responsibility. (see sketch overlay showing zones fr 6Nov to 30Nov45)
 - (1) Effective upon receipt this msg, units assume responsibility of zones as shown on Enclosure (A)
 - (2) Responsibility includes: a. Exercising surveillance over zone. b. Fosting guards as ordered by this Hq or as deemed necessary by Bn C.O. c. Initiating patrols to cover assigned zone to insure that no military installations or storage areas exist that have been overlooked by previous patrols. Submit daily with Opns report an overlay showing routes covered by patrols. Use map scale 1:25,000 or 1:250.000.
 - (3) S-2,28 will furnish list of targets previously covered by patrols.
 - (4) Disposition of enemy material will be a function of this Hq and will be handled by the Regimental Disposition Officer and Depot Control Groups as organized at present.

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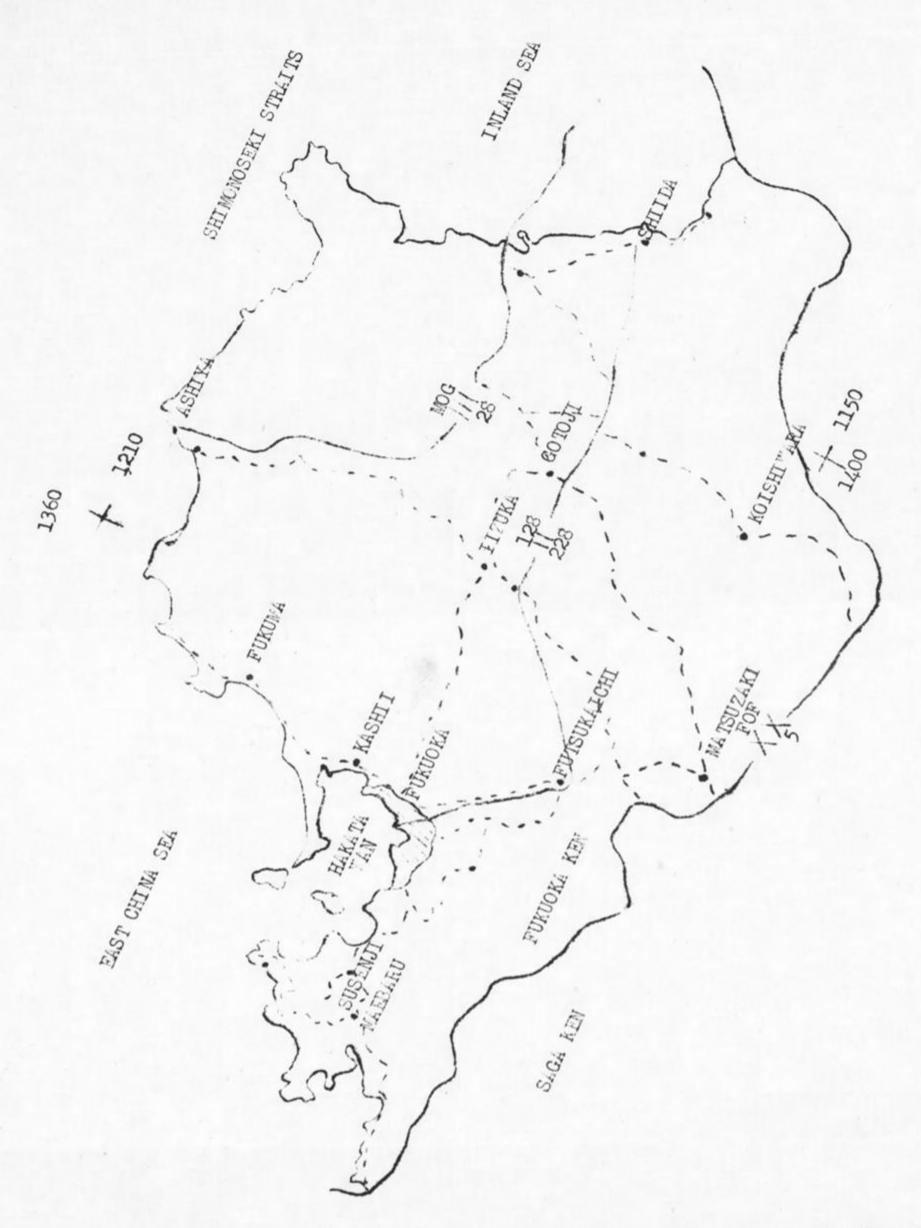
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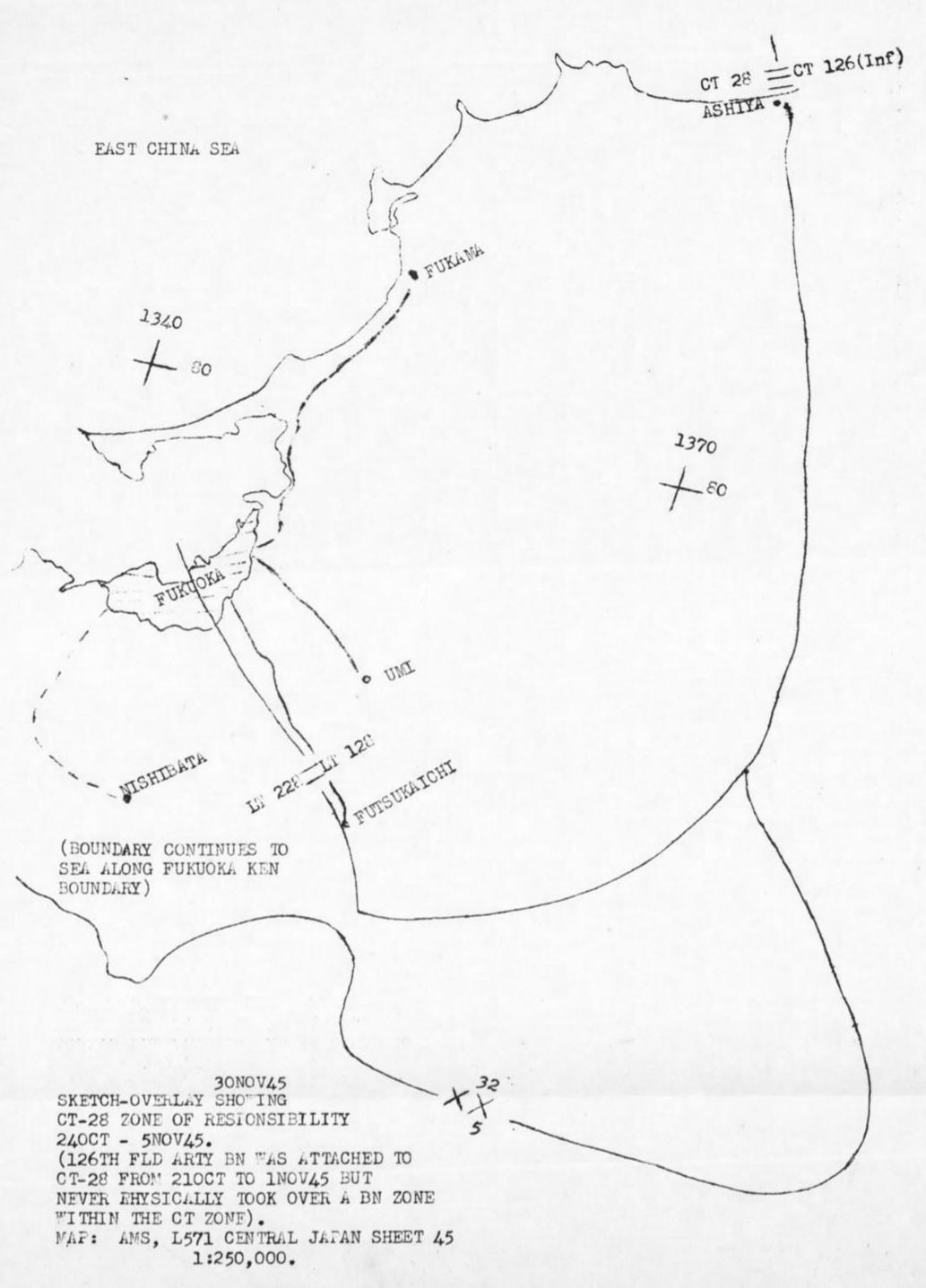
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SKETCH-OVERLAY SHOWING CT-28 ZONE OF RESPONSIBIL-ITY

12-240CT45

MAPS: VAC OCCUPATIONAL ZONE, SHEET 2

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SKETCH-OVERLAY SHOUING
CT-28 ZONE OF RESPONSIBILITY
6-24NOV45 (SINGLE SOLID LINE)
24-30NOV45 (DOUBLE BROKEN LINE)
(ON 24NOV45 THAT FORTION OF
SAGA KEN IN CT-28'S ZONE
FASSED TO CONTROL OF 2D MARDIV)
MAP: AMS, L571 CENTRAL JAPAN
SHEET 45

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Annex BAKER to 28th Marines Operation Report, Occupation of J. PAN.

S-1 REFORT

During the planning phase for the OLYMPIC OPERATION, the S-1 section conducted school for its command post personnel, both in the office and in the field. Upon receipt of directives for the occupation of JAPAN, all personnel had been thoroughly + trained, and embarkation plans were drawn up. The following table shows assignments to each of the ships allocated to CT-28:

HAMBLEN (APA-114)		
OT-28 (Command Ship)		
CT-28, less 3 Bns & M-7 Flateen	. 28	331
Co C, 5th Engr Bn, less 3 Flatcons	2	35
Co C, 5th Med Bn, less Coll Section	. 7	44
Det., ASCO, 5th Mar Div	2	11
Liaison Party, 5th Tk Bn	1	3
Liaison Farty, 3d Bn 13th Mar	1	3 3 58
. Co D, 3d Frev MP Bn	5	_ 58_
	46	485
MONTROSE (APA-212)	4	
BLT-128		
1st Bn, 28th Marines	42	891
lst Flot, Co C, 5th Engr Bn	42	44
1/3 Coll Sec, Co C, 5th Med Bn		14
Det, ASCO, 5th Mar Div		5
Licison Farty, 5th Tk Bn		14 5 3 12
Licison Farty, 3d Bn, 13th Mor	. 2	12
	45	969
KINGSBURY (AFA-177)		
BLT-228		
2nd Bn, 28th Marines	41	872
2d Plot, Co O, 5th Eng Bn	1	
1/3 Coll Sec, Co C, 5th Med Bn	_	14
Det, ASCO, 5th Marshiv	. 3	16
Licison Party, 5th Tk Bn		3
Liaison Farty, 3d Bn, 13th Mar	2	12
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	41	701
SEVIER (APA-233)		
BLT-328		
3d Bn, 28th Marines	43	891
3d Flat, Co C, 5th Engr Bn	-	
1/3 Coll Sec, Co C, 5th Med Bn		14
Det, ESCO, 5th Mar Div	4	27
Flat, Co D, 3d Prov MF Bn	ĩ	45 14 27 24 3
Licison Porty, 5th Tk Bn		. 3
Licison Farty, 3d Bn, 13th Mar	2	12
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MFRRICK (AKA-97)	**		
H&S Co.		6	37
1st Bn.		1	
2d Bn	***	1	
3d Bn		1	
Cc C, 5th Engr Bn		. 1	22
Co C, 5th Med Bn			5
3d Bn, 13th Marines			6_
		10	70
Total CT-28 Troops Emberked		198	3502
Attached for transportation		103	1434

Total Embarked 301 493

- 2. Commanding Officers of Troops aboard each vessel were furnished sufficient Post Exchange supplies for health and comfort of personnel embarked, and the American Red Cross provided books, playing cards and other games suitable for shipboard use.
- 3. Assignment of Chaplains was made by the Division G-1, with a view to providing each ship with both a Catholic and a Protestant Chaplain.
- 4. Immediately upon arrival at Poarl Harbor, on August, 28, 1945, and during the period the ships of CT-28 were anchored there, liberty was authorized for 50% of all personnel daily, from 0900 until 1800.
- 5. During the voyage from FEARL HARBOR to SAIFAN, all personnel of the S-1 Section were thoroughly briefed on the operation, and functioned normally with respect to administration. During the period September 13 to 16, inclusive, 1945, ships of CT-28 were at anchor at SAIFAN. Due to lack of recreational facilities ashere, no liberty was granted.
- 6. During the period September 22 to October, 6, 1945 the CT Command Fost was set up at the former Naval Trainin Station, AINOURA, and personnel in that area were billeted in barracks thereat. Commencing 10ct45 liberty in the SASEBO-AINOURA Area was authorized for 25% of all personnel daily from 0900 to 1800. By coordination with S-4, trucks were provided for liberty parties to SASEBO, and return.
- 7. On 6 October, 1945, the Command Fost was moved to FUKUOKA, and established in the IFFOTEI Building in East Fark, which also housed the FUKUOFA Occupation Force CF. Fersonnel were quartered in the Japanese Gymnasium in East Fark. liberty was granted daily from 0900 to 1800 for 33-1/3% of the personnel, which was later modified to provide one day liberty each seven days; on 30 October, liberty hours were extended to 2300.
- 8. On 6 November, 1945, the Command Fost returned to Marine Camp, AINOURA, all CT-28 Troops having returned to the SASEBO Area.
- 9(a) During the entire period covered by this report, the "1"-Section functioned normally, executing all administrative details devolving upon it.

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CONFIDENTIAL (b) Religious services were conducted at least once each week, the Chaplains moving from Area to Area in order to accomplish this. (c) The American Red Cross representative distributed articles for health and comfort as they became available, and investigated family matters for officers and enlisted as required. (0) No prisoners of wer. (e) No combat casualties. BY ORDER OF COLONEL LIVERSEDGE M. S. SMITH 1stLt, USMC S-1 1. Special Service Report AIPENDICES: 2. Post Office Report. - 3 -1405 CONFIDENTIAL

CONFIDENTIAL Appendix 1 to Annex BAKER (S-1 Report), to Operation Report, 28th Marines Occupation of JAPAN. SPECIAL SERVICE REFORT . 1. The Regimental Special Service section was formed on 29 September, 1945, pursuant to a directive from the Commanding Ceneral, 5th Marine Division, with First Lieutenant Harry B. Fierce (032051), U.S. Merine Corps Reserve, as officer in charge, and Second Lieutenant Richard A. Sprowls (044054), U.S. Marine Corps Reserve, as educational guidance officer. In accordance with the same directive, each battalion appointed a special service officer, and formed a Special Service section. All Special Service sections were fully staffed and in operation by 1 October, 1945. 2. While at Marine Camp, AINOURA, during the period October 1 to 5, inclusive, 1945, outdoor movies were held in the regimental area when weather permitted. When inclement weather prevailed, personnel attended the 5th Marine Division movies inside one of the camp warehouses. 3. Upon arrival at FUKUOKA on 6 October, 1945, the Regimental Special Service section sponsored or conducted the following program. (a) Movies held daily at 2d Bn area. Arrangements made for Japanese operators and projectors for movies at 1st Bn area and 3d Bn at MOJI. Films alternated among units. (b) Frequent contacts made for distribution of newspapers and merazines to all units. (c) Two representatives sent to SASEBU for Corps Educational Conference, October 21-27, 1945. (d) Daily mimergraphed newspaper published. (e) Two bexing smckers held at 1st Bn crea. Prizes given to contestants; transportation provided for men wishing to attend from other erecs; bank concert before bouts. (f) Arranged for Division Band Concerts at 2nd Bn area: gave first group of high point dischargees sent-off at KASHII Station. (g) Irranged for conducted tours through KYUSHU Imperial University. (h) Japanese Language School in progress at 2d Bn area when Regiment returned to SASEBO. Japanese Professor from KYUSHU Imperial Uni- .. versity met with approximately 30 enrollees. Instructors' lesson plan mimcgraphed by Special Service. (i) Educational survey made of all men in 28th Marines and report made to Division, including (a) subject most interested in; (b) teachers available; (c) number taking correspondence courses from MCI and USAFI. 1406 - 1 -CONFIDENTLAL

CONFIDENTIAL (j) Texbooks issued batt (k) Wrapping paper and t (l) Arranged for personn (m) Transportation furni

- (j) Texbooks issued battalians for self-study courses.
- (k) Wrapping paper and twine furnished personnel for mailing packages.
- (1) Arranged for personnel to use sailboats in 1st Bn area.
- (m) Transportation furnished daily for liberty parties going to FUKUOKA.
- (n) Sponsored Regimental Halloween Dence for officers October 31. Army Nurses were guests.
- (c) Athletic field cleaned and made suitable for three (3) softball fields in FUKUOKA.
- (p) Basketball and valleyball tournaments held in 2d Bn area. 2d Bn invited Japanese teams and played games on Sundays.
- (q) 1st Bn had adventage of adequate gymnasium facilities for indoors sports and movies. Japanese experts gave demonstrations in Juda and Kenda.
- (r) 2d Bn had well-equipped Recreation Hall. Loudspeakers arranged for programs to be received in several different places. Fublished weekly mimeographed newspaper variety of games, newspapers, library books, r ading writing tables, ping-pong tables.
- (s) Sports equipment pro-rated to all battalions.
- 4. Upon moving to Marine Comp, AINOURA on November 6, the following program was carried out:
- (a) All personnel briefed on opportunities offered in Division School. Approximately 250 enrolled in the school.
- (b) Lectures on Veteran Benefits given to all available personnel periodically.
- (c) Four members, one from each battalion and H&S attending Corps Special Service School at SASEBO November 17-23, 1945.
- (d) Participated in field day on Marine Corps Birthday, November 10, 1945.
 - (e) 3d Bn operates beer hall for enlisted men.
- (f) Battalian Special Service personnel made daily trip to receive and distribute current periodicals, newspapers, magazines, etc.
 - (g) 28th Morines movie operated in 2d Bn crea.

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CONFIDENTIAL) (h) 28th Marines won the softball tournament and competed in touch football and other sports. (i) Arranged boxing smcker on 22Nov45. BY ORDER OF COLONEL LIVERSEIGE M. S. SMITH lstLt, USFC S-1 1408 - 3 -CONFIDENTIAL

CONFIDENTIAL Appendix 2 to Annex BAKER (S-1 Report, to Operation Report, 28th Marines, Occupation of JAPAN. FOST OFFICE REPORT The Regimental Fost Office was under the supervision of Captain Clarence S. Wick, (AFM), U.S. Merine Corps. The operating personnel were members of Headquarters Company, Headquarters Battalion, 5th Morine Division and all instructions concerning the lost Office were issued by the Division Postal Officer. The personnel disembarked at SASEBO 24 September, 1945 and the regimental post office was installed in building #37, Marine Camp, AINOURA, Stamps were placed on sale 27 September, 1945, but no money order business was opened until after moving to FUKUOKA on 6 October 1945. This move caused the lost Office to be closed two days and business was resumed on 8 October, 1945, at which time both stamps and maney orders were sold. While at FUKUOKA a branch for the sale of stamps and mailing of letters was opened at the Base Force Headquarters building and packages were mailed at the KASHII Warehouse Camp station where the main Fost Office was located. The post office was a sin moved to Marine Camp, AINOURA on 3 November 1945, leaving a branch with the Base Force at FUKUOKA, and business was recpened 5 November 1945. \$5,000 in postare stamps was narmally carried on hand throughout the occupation operation. BY ORDER OF COLOUEL LIVERSEDGE M. S. SMITH 1stLt, USMC S-1 1409 CONFIDEN TEAL

CONFIDENTIAL ANNEX CHARLIE, to 28th MARINES Operation Report, Occupation of JAPAN INTELLIGENCE A. Narrative of planning for assault and occupation missions. 1. Maps, photographs, hydrographic, werther, terrain and other infometion furnished, its accuracy and adequacy. a. Assault. Treliminary orders for the assault operation were received by this regiment on 1 August, 1945. On that date a conference room was established under guard for the use of the Regimental Staff, and planning commenced. Sample maps of 1:250,000 and 1:50,000 scale, plus area studies of Southern KYUSHU, agriel photos of the VAC zone of responsibility and hydrographic charts of the VAC landing beaches were furnished the regiment in sufficient quantities for initial study. On 12 August, due to the imminance of surrender by the Japanese Government, the assault plans were holted and all pertinent material was later recalled by the 5th Morine Division. On 20 August, preliminary plans for the present operation were received and planning recommenced for the occupation of Northern KYUSHU. . b. Occupation. . Through the cooperation of the G-2 Mapping and Photographic section, the combat team was always well sumplied in advance with adequate maps, photos and information material for each occupational mission. However, rapid changes in the regimental zone of responsibility while attached to FUKUOKA, Occupation Force, made it difficult to maintain complete coverage in any single scale. 1:500,000 Road Map. This map was of little tactical value, but was useful to motor transport units operating over the main road net. AMS L571, 1:250,000, Central JAMAN. This map was adequate for strategic purposes and was employed mainly for plotting battalion and regimental zones of responsibility. It was useful for patrols only when covering improved highways. ANS 1772, 1:50,000, KYUSHU. Although this was used as the basic operations, patrol and situation map, its value was limited by the faulty editing and poor reproduction of certain sheets. Since it was net up to date, many installations, highways, etc. were not found as shown. In one case a battalion command post occupying reclaimed land appeared by coordinates to be several yards at sea. 1410 - 1 -CONFIDENTIAL

CONFIDENTIAL AMS L872, 1:25,000, KYUSHU. This map was profitably emplyed as a situation map covering concentrated areas both in SASEBO and FUKUOKA. It was used to augment the 1:50,000 map when complete coverage was not readily available. However, the same general criticisms apply as in the case of AMS L772, 1:50,000. Aerial mossics, town plans and information sheets furnished by G-2 in ample quantities were used extensively by advance billeting parties and for locating important targets in industrial areas. Continuance of their use is recommended. 2. Data furnished by advance reconnaissance detail. Prior to debarkation in SASEBO Harbor this regiment was furnished . with adequate information on the landing beaches, road conditions, billeting facilities, disposition of Japanese troops and local compliance with the surrender terms. The majority of information provided was of general, rather then intelligence value. B. Training and organization of Intelligence Section for Occupational Mission. 1. Training. Training films formed the basis of much of the intelligence section's instruction both prior to and following the enemy surrender. Metion pictures of every available phase of Japanese living, including government,

home and social life, agriculture, industry, sports and recreatin were augmented by lectures in general subjects such as civil government, military customs and courtesy and interior suard duty.

Attached linguists conducted instruction in civilian phrases before emberkation and while enroute to JAPAN. This training was accompanied by large-scale distribution of individual phrase books and lectures on Japanese psychology, customs and history.

Japanese maps were used in training, while road patrols and both topographical and area sketching were emphasized.

2. Organization.

To handle the numerous required reports and records, five additional typewriters, provided by G-2, were divided among the regimental and battalion intelligence sections and clerical ability was sought among replacements joining these sections.

The allowed T/O strength of three officers and twenty-two enlisted was found excessive for occupational duty so long as no patrols were required of the regimental intelligence section. Consequently, strength was reduced in October to two officers and eight men.

CONFIDENTIAL C. Intelligence Functioning During Occupation. 1. Collection and verification of information from Jap Army, Navy, Airforce. The main function of the regiment in this regard was the physical checking of demobilization reports, inventories, and other information submitted directly to higher ochelon by Japanese Army and Navy liaison officitls. These investigations were accomplished by battalian patrols. In cases involving Order of Battle reports, the patrols were accompanied by G#2 linguists attached to regimental headquarters. In certain instances, such as while exercising control over shipping in HAKATA Herbor, lisis n was performed directly with Army, Navy, prefeetural police and shipping officials by S-2 and S-3, using attached G-2 officer interpreters. 2. Inventorying Jap equipment. Actual inventorying of Japanese equipment was not hendled by the intelligence section. However, infantry patrol leaders were instructed to spot-check all major items encountered during their operations. Records of equipment thus reported, including the location, description, and amount, were maintained by this section for the information of disposition officers. In FUKUOKA these files, plus related maps and overlays were kent up to date and delivered to disposition officers of the 127th Army Regiment when our zone of responsibility passed to Army control. Similiar records covering this regiment's operations in SASEBO area were complied and maintained on a day to day basis. 3. New equipment encountered. Patrol leaders were not especially qualified to determine whether or not Jap equipment was new or hitherto unknown by our forces. However, since all items were reported to S-2 and S-3 through channels, any equipment of unusual interest was immediately reported by this regiment to higher echelen. Visiting officers of special intelligence units such as NAVTECHJAP, were furnished with maps by S-2 and directed through S-2 and S-3 channels to those installations which they sought to investigate in our zone. On occasion, the investigation of S-2 files by these officers proved helpful in checking aircraft, radar and other equipment previously reported in our zone. 4. Liaison with Japanese Forces. Japanese liaison officials were evailable through 5th Marine Division . Her dquarters while the regiment was operating in SASEBO, and through FUKUOKA Occupation Force and 32nd Infantry Division Headquarters while operating in the FUKUOKA area. 1412 - 3 -CONFIDENTILL

CONFIDENTIAL Since these officers were in contact with Army, Nevy and Prefectural Headquarters, they were able to assist greatly in the location of undemobilized units and in guiding patrols or staff officers to installations when exact locations were unknown. Prior to and following the FUKUOKA phase, little need for liaison was necessary in the SASEBO area, since this regiment was initially in reserve and upon its return to AINOURA most matters requiring dealings with the Japanese, except demobilization, had been accomplished by the two previcus occupation regiments. 5. Civilian attitude. Cooperation on the port of all Japanese civilians was uniformly excellent. Misunderstandings are so on some occasions due to the differences of language and the general Japanese tendency to avoid direct answers in conversation. Our advance patrols in each area were usually viewed with some concern, particularly in urban areas. In all cases, however, local officials and civilian police were cooperative even to the extent of feeding and entertaining the members of reconnaissance units in addition to providing all required information. 6. Language personnel distribution.

All linewists were used constantly as instructors during the planning phase and while enroute to our objective. Lectures in phrases, conversation, psychology, geography, etc. were delivered to all troops prior to landing.

For occupation, as for combat, two language officers and one enlisted linguist-were attached to regimental headquarters from G-2, plus one enlisted linguist per battalian. On 7 November, an additional officer and enlisted interpreter, familiar with our zone, were attached to the regiment to aid in the disposition of surrendered material.

During both periods of occupation in SASEBO, this number was more than sufficient for patrol operations, maintenance and liaison.

While the regiment operated under FUKUOKA Occupation Force and 32nd. Infantry Division control, the regimental language force was inadequate to handle numerous patrols and was au mented by the drafting of several English-speaking Japanese daily from a pool maintained initially by Force and later by the 32nd Infantry Division. Procurement was handled by the drafting of several intended language officers through intelligence channels.

Se long as this civilian pool was available, one language officer in regimental headquarters was sufficient.

a. Handling of documents.

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CONFIDENTIAL No documents of intelligence value were translated within the regiment. Maps and inventories (many of which were in English) comprised wirtually all documents handled by our attached interpreters and these were immediately forwarded to higher intelligence channels. Such information as had not already been burned by the Japanese or turned over directly to higher echelon officials was gained largely by interrogation. In some instances, necessary translations to and from the En lish were made by Japanese liaison personnel under the supervision of our linguists. b. Interrogations. Much valuable information was derived through patrol and investigetive interrogetions conducted by the two officer linguists. Neither the enlisted linguists nor the civilian Japanese interpreters possessed the vocabulary required for detailed military conversations. All information thus derived was made the subject of periodic or special reports to G-2. 7. Release of Allied HW's. This section had no contact with Allied prisoners of wer. 8. Repatriation of foreign nationals. Koreans were the only foreign nationals repatriated from the regimental zone of responsibility, although close supervision was maintained over Chinese awaiting return to their homeland from mining camps in KYUSHU. In the case of the Koreans, the regiment was not involved except to supervise civilian police and Korean liaison officials in the maintenance of law, order and semitation. Guard detachments were maintained in the various mining camps occupied by Chinese laborers and close administration maintained. The intelligence section was not involved in the reprtriation of other foreign nationals, since none was encountered. 9. Repetriction of Japanese nationals from abroad. The only contact with repatriated Japanese experienced by this regiment occured during operations in the FUKUOKA area. In this connection, joint supervision was maintained by S-2 and S-3 over all personnel and troops debarkin at HAKATA Harbor from ports other than those in the Japanese home islands during the period 14 October to 5 November, 1945. Several conferences involving S-2 and S-3 with local police and harbor authorities were necessary prior to the initiation of the program. Under this plan, Examiner Teams, consisting of officers, interpreters and several enlisted men, inspected all incomin shipping to check compliance with SCAF directives including searches for loct, securities on excessive amounts of currency. S-2 submitted daily reports including all facts concerning sailing orders, status and destination of passengers, both military and civilian. Complete Order of Battle information was also reforted on all 1414 military passengers. - 5 -CONFIDENTIAL

Commencing 18 October, this headquarters impounded several thousand pounds of mail from incoming and outgoing vessels in coordination with the 4th Advance Censership Detachment and during the same period Examiner Teams confiscated approximately thirty thousand excess yen in the hands of repatriated Japanese, which was later delivered by S-2 to local customs authorities upon orders from G-2, 32nd Infantry Division.

D. Japanese compliance with surrender terms.

Military forces and civilians in our zone appear to have complied with the surrender terms after the landing of our occupational forces. Frior to that date, however, notably during the period 15 - 18 August, when surrender intent became known locally, as in the case of officers at ASHIYA Airfield (1370.1-1200.5) and 4th AA Division Temporary Headquarters at TSUKUSHI (1361.5-1151.8), classified documents were burned, meteorological and other technical equipment destroyed or distributed, and looting, blamed on "civilians, children and the typhoch" took place at some military installations. No positive evidence of post-occupational evasion was discovered.

E. Comments and recommendations.

- 1. Occupational operations demonstrated the need for close coordination between S-2 and S-3, since guards, patrols, demobilization of Japanese forces and liaison activities usually involved joint supervision. It is recommended that the S-2 and S-3 affices and staffs be combined in battalion and regiment in future occupational assignments.
- 2. It is recommended that the S-2 Section be reduced in strength and organized as follows: Two officers, one section chief (capable of organizing, composing and supervising reports and records), two clerks, one draftsman, one assistant draftsman, and one runner. Total: Two officers and six enlisted.
- 3. In many instances it was found that intelligence material had been collected with an without receipt by other units or technical specialists operating in the regimental zone. Without a standardized receipt form accempanied by instructions to the Japanese, it was impossible for patrol leaders to determine the truth of many of their statements concerning the previous confiscation of disposition of material. Unless all echelons are instructed to coordinate partial or complete disposition through intelligence channels, all records of installations and their contents are useless and the accuracy of Japanese inventories cannot be verified.
- 4. The need for maintenance of accurate up to date intelligence and disposition records by each unit cannot be overemphasized in those areas subject to constantly changing occupational forces. Very little information concerning the intelligence activities of previous units occupying the final SASEBO zone of responsibility was available. As a result, duplication of previous efforts was unavoidable.

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C ONFIDENTIAL 5. Since Japanese liaison officials were closely associated with Division headquarters, duplication of effort occurred in FUKUOKA on some occasions when the regimental S-2 was called upon to furnish strategic guard and demobilization reports. This necessitated borrowing the Japanese liaison officials who might better have submitted their reports directly to G-2. Therefore, in order to avoid such a duplication in the future, it is re-commended that the regimental function be that of checking the accuracy and veracity of limison reports but that the reports themselves be the result of direct intercourse between G-2 and the Japanese officials concerned. 6. Although the enlisted interpreters were constantly employed in each battelion, the need for three linguists in regimental headquarters was never demonstrated. It is suggested that the pool system be established in Division headquarters and that one officer, assisted by one enlisted linguist, be ettached to each regimental S-2 section to conduct the procurement of interpreters for each battalion in addition to handling special interrogation assignments. 7. It is felt that documentary translation is beyond the scope of the regimental section and should be accomplished exclusively by higher echelon except in miner cases of tactical emergency. BY ORDER OF COLONEL LIVERSEDGE nu. e. c. Donnell W. C. O'DONNELL 1stLt, USMCR S-2. CONFIDENTIAL

CONFIDENTIAL Annex DOG to 28th Marines Operations Report, Occupation of JAFAN 30 Novmeber, 1945 1. FLANNING S-4 REPORT a. Assault Operation. S-4 planning for an intended assault on the Japanese islands began during July of this year with a preliminary study of weather, road, and beach conditions in the target area. During this period certain service personnel from units of the regiment, both officer and enlisted, were required to attend a familiarization class in nomenclature, fitting, and proper use of cold wet-weather clothing. Knowledge acquired in this class was of value to quartermaster personnel in ensuing operations. During the first two weeks of August, service personnel received practical training in supply matters during battalion and regimental landing exercises and field problems. b. Occupation Operation. Flanning for the occupation was hurried and consisted largely of formulation of loading plans by the Transport Quartermaster (Appendix 1). Other S-4 planning was mainly determination of equipment separation into forward and rear echelon groups, such determination being based on directives from higher authority and study of the unit mission. 2. SUFFLY a. General. Initial supplies of all classes were placed aboard vessels transporting the RCT in quantities approximating those set forth in 5th MarDiv Administrative Memorandum No. 33-45, These were mainly supplies, FOE, and were spotted dockside on request of Transport Quartermasters, and loaded in such manner that each vessel had aboard a horzental section of all supplies. Resupply after landing was through normal channels while in the SASEBO Area and by rail direct from the 8th Service Regiment while in the FUKUOKA Area. During the latter period the service elements of the regiment acted as supply agency for troops in approximately brigade strength, including some U.S. Army units. In spite of this increased load, supply functioning was efficient at all times and all difficulties arising were promptly evercome. On return to the SASEBO Area on 6 November 1945, supply was again taken up through normal channels and proceeded smoothly for the remainder of the operation. b. Class I (1) Rations Emergency type rations were issued to the troops prior to debarkation and they were subsisted on such during the initial stay in the SASEBO Area. "B" type rations were used curing the first days 1417 - 1 -CONFIDENTIAL

in FUKUOKA; however, self containment was lost on this ration because of the great increase in the number of troops supplied and it was necessary to revert to emergency types until resupply could be effected. Adequate rations were provided at all times, although it became necessary to supplement the 10-in-1 type ration with an issue of 1/3 "C" ration in a few instances. Fresh bread was served for two days only, during the FUKUOKA phase destruction of the bakery by fire on the third day of its operation made further issue impossible. Replacement of ovens was never effected, but the lack of bread was partially compensated for by issuance of ingredients to unit galleys. "A" type rations were issued on two occasions in the FUKUOKA Area and became a regular item upon return to SASEBO.

(2) Water

Sufficient portable water was carried in supplies, FOE, for all cooking and drinking purposes until water purification units could begin functioning. During the FUKUOKA phase purified water was supplied to approximately 5,000 U.S. Army, Navy, and Marine personnel on the basis of a minimum of 2 gallons per man per day. No untreated water was issued for drinking purposes at any time during the operation.

c. Class 2

Class 2 supplies were generally adequate throughout the operation. Expenditure of allowances created temporary shortages from time to time but resupply was effected before curtailment of activities or hardship resulted.

. d. Class 3

. Supplies of this class were always ample and sufficient stocks always on hand in dumps to meet any eventuality.

e. Class 4

critical shortages of items which would fall in this class developed on several occasions during the operation. The most notable were cold wet-weather clothing, screen wire, and DDT powder. Additional clothing was produced before hardship or danger to health was suffered and special measures taken to secure the other items which were required for health and comfort.

f. Class 5

Supplies of this class were carried in sufficient quantity at all times. Very little expenditure occurred except for normal loss on issues to troops, and demolitions used in disposition work.

CONFIDENTIAL 3. EQUIFMENT Equipment carried by the regiment on this operation was generally adequate for all needs, with one or two exceptions. It is believed that one ton trucks, many of which were left in the base echelon, would have been of more value than the M290 Cargo Carriers which were carried. Engineer equipment was notable for its excellent performance and suitability for the mission; nothing was in excess and nothing lacking. 4. LOGISTICS a. Transportation Movement of units from place to place on KYUSHU was accomplished largely by rail during the initial stages of the operation. This was due to the condition of the roads and the fact that many bridges had to be rebuilt or repaired before heavy vehicles could use them. Rail transportation was efficiently handled at all times and troop movements made on schedules comparing feverably with similar moves on United States rail lines. Supply in the FUKUOKA Area was over the same rail not and left nothing to be desired. b. Drums and Pollets Tilson drums were used extensively for organic supplies, equipment, and clothing on the vari us moves and were highly satisfactory, reducing pilferage and labor in handling. Tallets were used to some extent during the waterborne move to the target but were not used thereafter. c. Traffic Movement of traffic was generally satisfactory after Engineer repairs to reads and bridges had been made. No difficulty was experienced in reversing normal driving procedure, that is, driving to the left instead of right. 5. COMMENTS AND RECOMMENDATIONS. e. Assault Op ration. No comments or recommendations b. Occupation Operation. (1) Rations 1111 118 10-in-1 type rations were found to be highly satisfactory for use of patrols or small groups doing individual cooking. but were not suitable for use by unit galleys because of the inadequacy of the menu ss reports the mid-day meal. It is recommended that a higher - 3 -1419 CONFIDENTLAL

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proportion of "B" or "C" rations be carried on this type operation, particularly where a cold, wet climate is to be encountered.

(2) Sanitary Supplies.

During the opening phases of the operation, and when units occupied new areas, heavy demands for DDT powder were en-

During the opening phases of the operation, and when units occupied new areas, heavy demands for DDT powder were encountered. This was due to infested condition of billets and was the proper agent for use in preparing them for occupation. However, requests were often made for excessive quantities of the powder; for example, a battalian requested an emergency issue of a quantity sufficient to make spray solution for 500 acres of floor space. It is recommended that four to six riflo company personnel be indectrinated in proper use of this agent in preparing billets for occupancy.

(3) Transportation

The unit mission made necessary procurement of a number of motor vehicles in addition to those or anic to the regiment. This was accomplished without great difficulty, but would not have been necessary if organic one ton trucks had accompanied the regiment. On many occasions it was found necessary to use M290 Cargo Carriers to tow water trailers and to transport patrols. Such use of these special purpose vehicles led to rapid breakdown, and, as a result, the majority were incperational during most of the occupation. It is recommended that general purpose vehicles be given priority over special types on similar missions in the future.

AFFENDICES: 1. Transport Quartermaster

- 2. Quartermaster
- 3. Medical
- 4. Ordnence
- 5. Disposition
- 6. Frecurement
- 7. Motor Transport
- 8. Engineer

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CONFIDENTIAL Appendix 1 to Annex DOG (S-4 Report) to Operation Report, 28th Marines Occupation of JAFAN. TRANSPORT QUARTERMASTER REPORT 1. FLANNING e. Assault Operation. Planning for the assault operation had reached the stage of preparation of loading plans for base and target echelons when the mission was changed to occupation. 4. b. Occupation Operation. This consisted of formulation of loading plans based on directives from higher authority. 2. TRANSFORT LOADING Preparations for loading of the CT began with spotting of FOE supplies and organic equipment and vehicles on the docks during the afternoon of 24 August 1945. Actual loading began soon after ships arrived on the morning of 25 August. Three (3) AFA's and the AKA were loaded at the docks and one (1) AFA was loaded in the stream by lighterage. Average time for loading a modified combat load on the AFA's was twentysix (26) hours; loading time for the AKA was 40 hours. Average tennage carried by AFA's was 750 long tons; by the AKA 1500 long tons. All ships earried more than normal combat load, yet cargo was stowed in such manner that selective unloading would have been possible at the target if necessary. 3. UNLOADING AT TARGET Unloading was delayed somewhat because of lack of dock space and an initial scarcity of lighterage. Three (3) APA's unloaded in the stream using several types of landing craft, plus LSM's as lighters. One (1) AFA and the AKA were unloaded at dock as soon as space became available. Average time for unloading AFA's was twenty-three (23) hours, while the AKA was unloaded in forty-two (42) hours. BY ORDER OF COLONEL LIVERSEDGE J. W. DOWNER Capt, USMCR, S-4. 1421 - 1 -CONFIDENTIAL

CONFIDENTIAL Appendix 2 to Annex DOG (S-4 Report) to Operation Report, 28th Marines, Occupation of JAPAN. QUARTERMASTER REPORT There was an adequate amount of all types of supplies initially. Resupply in the SASEBO area through normal channels was good. Storage space at AINOURA was sufficient .. Warehousing facilities in the FUKUOKA area were ideal. The rail unloading area was in the immediate vicinity of the RCT-28 warehouse. Resupply from the 8th Service Regiment was generally very good. The only critical shortages noted were Class 4 items. There was a shortage of DDT powder due to large expenditure of same during preparation of billets for occupancy. There was also a shortage of certain sizes of cold wetweather clothing, mainly shee-pacs. The Ordnance, Service and Supply platoons attached to RCT-28 efficiently effected the supply problem. Upon return to the SASEBO area supply was operated through normal channels. BY ORDER OF COLONEL LIVERSEDGE 1stLt, USMCR Regt'1 QM. CIMEIDENTLAL 1422

CONFIDENTIAL Appendix 3 to Annex D.G (S-4 Report) to peration Report, 28th Marines, ccupation of JAFAN. MEDICAL REP RT 1. TRAINING a. There was no preliminary training for the Medical Units, except for normal reorganization after the IW JIMA peration. b. No particular preparations were made for the landing other then normal combat loading of Units 5 to 10. The remaining Units were carried hold loaded for use upon establishment of a semi-permanent base of operations. Most preparations were based on verbal orders. 2. IN TRANSIT Innoculations of the entire Regiment and attached units were brought up to date while aboard ship. There was an outbreak of influenza on board two of the AFAs in the convey, those carrying the First and Third Bettalion, which commenced on the 11th of September and lasted until the 22nd. 3. SASEBO AREA .. AIN URA Naval Barracks was furnished as quartering area for ' the 28th Regiment. It was clean, but most of the sanitary appliances would not function. The ground water table was eighteen inches below the surface, necessitating the construction of portable heads on old bomb shelters. Medical resupply was from the Division Medical Storeroom. FUKU KA AREA 4. a. The units of the Regiment were divided between the KASHII Warehouse Area and the Industrial School Area. Sanitation was poor by military standards in both locations. This condition was corrected as rapidly as . possible. b. Due to the fact that the Medical Field Frophylactic Units were turned in to a Field Depot before the Regiment left Camp Tarawa, in accordance with Division orders, Prophylaxis Stations were not adequately stocked until gear could be brought from SASEBO. c. All insect infested areas were sprayed with DDT before troops moved in. d. n return to SASEB, the Regiment was again billeted at AIN URA. Sanitation was adequate. 1423 -,1 -CLNEIDENTIAL

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5. SUPPLY

Supply was adequate, but somewhat slow. The first and greatest deficiency was in Venereal Prophylactic material, but this was remedied. Routine medical resupply was difficult in FUKUCKA because of the lack of supply attached to FOF Command.

6. COMMENT

- a. Medical supply was not well coordinated nor adequately planned for an occupation. It would have been adequate for an assault.
- b. By removing the tops of old bomb shelters, adequate temporary latrines could be constructed.
- c. Water for drinking was supplied by Division Water Points in adequate quantity and quality.
- d. Cold weather clothing was late in arriving and distribution limited at first. However, few upper restinatory infections occured.

7. RECUMENDATIONS

a. The Medical Field Units removed from the Table of Organization for a Regimental Aid Station should be replaced; namely Units 22, 32, and 39, for use in compation Duty.

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CCNFIDENTIAL Appendix 4 to Annex D.G (S-4 Report) to Operation Report, 28th Marines, Occupation of JAPAN. CRDNANCE In the planning phase for the assault operation, orders were received that this CT would carry three (3) units of fire (CINCPOA), and the 5th MarDiv would carry two additional units of fire (CINCFOA) for the CT. For training we were allowed two units of fire (CINCECA), and upon these being exhausted, this training allowance was raised to three units of fire. A complete inspection of all ordnance items was conducted by Division during June and July. All equipment which could be repaired was repaired by the Ordnance Co during this period. Equipment which could not be repaired by the company was replaced. 3. a. When the assault operation was changed to an occupation operation, the ammunition allowance was cut so that this CT carried one (1) unit of fire (AFPAC) and the 5th MarDiv carried an additional two units of fire (AFFAC) for the CT. b. Allocation of ammunition per ship was done by Division and this CT carried the alloted amount. Loading of this ammunition was done by CT personnel. During the operation in JAPAN this CT maintained an ammunition dump only once. This occurred when the CT was sent to occupy FUKUCKA and the surrounding area. Upon completion of this mission the ammunition was turned into the 32d Div. The greatest ordnance function here has been supplying explosives and accessories for demolishing Japanese materiel, and preparing excess Marine Corps equipment for disposition pending return of the Regiment to the States. BY CROER OF COLONEL LIVERSEDGE : Henderson . R. HENDERSON 1stLt, USMCR rdpance (fficer. . 1425 CONFIDENTIAL

CONFIDENTIAL Appendix 5 to Annex DOG to Operation Report, 28th Marines. Occupation of JAPAN. DISPOSITION OF SURRENDERED MATERIEL AND EQUIPMENT REFORT 1. GENERAL a. A disposition section was established on 29 October, 1945 in compliance with CT-28 Adm O, No. 4-45, dated 28 October, 1945, and other existing directives. b. The purpose of the Disposition Section was to direct and control the processing and disposition of surrendered Japanese supplies, material and equipment located in the CT-28 zone of responsibility. ORGANIZATION OF THE CT DISPOSITION SECTION a. Headquarters Section (1) (1) CT Disposition Officer (Major) (2) Ass't Disposition Officer (2ndLt) -----1 (3) Clerks (ifc) (4) Drivers (Ifc) (5) Interpreter TOTAL b. Battelien Depet Centrel Group (3) (1) Depot control officer (2nd Lt) -----1 (2) Depot control team leaders (2ndLt) ----5 (3) Depot control teams ldrs, ass't (Sgt) ---6 (4) Record clerks (5) Drivers (Ifc) ----6 (Pfc) ---4. (6) Interpreter TOTAL 3. FUNCTIONS OF THE CT DISPOSITION SECTION a. Battalion Depot Control Group. (1) Given area of responsibility within the CT zone of action. (2) Locate, inventory and dispose of all Japanese materials. within the zone of responsibility assigned. (3) Disposition of material considered to be non-essential for use of Allied Forces and of no military value is turned over to the Japanese Home Ministry. (4) Materials termed essential for use of allied Forces were held and stored in warehouses centrally located within the bettlich zone of responsibility, pending requisition by higher echelon. -1-

(2) Maintains records on all dispositions made in the CT-28 zone

(3) Maintains a situation map showing the locations and type of

(1) Approximately eighty (80) percent of all materials that can

be turned over to the Japanese Home Ministry as governed by existing regu-

b. Explosives and Ammunition destroyed-Approximately twenty (20)

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dumps in each of the three battalion zones of responsibility giving refer-

of responsibility, giving location, amounts and signatures of persons

(Officers) making the disposition.

ences to the inventories and disposition record.

lations has been turned over as of 30Nov45.

percent.

a. Material returned to Japanese Home ministry

4. ESTIMATE OF WORK DONE WITHIN CT-28 ZONE OF RESPONSIBILITY

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d. It is recommended that, when possible contracts be made with Japanese transport companies and similiar organization for disposition of large ammo and explosive dump. Only supervisory personnel are required in this case and the risk to Allied Military personnel is greatly lessened.

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CONFIDENTLAL Appendix 6 to Annex D.G (S-4 Report) to (perations Report, 28th Marines, Occupation of JAFAN. PROCUREMENT REPORT 1. Progurement of Japanese labor, labor and services, and materials for use of this regiment was never arranged directly with the Home Ministry offices, but with Military Government officers attached to higher echelons of command. Labor was procured and used on a daily busis by all units subsequent to 1 October 1945. This labor performed camp police work, unloading and moving of supplies, and generally took the place of Marine working parties. Labor and services were produced on three occasions for skilled work on a contract basis, such as installation of water line extensions and repairs to existing camp electrical facilities. Vaterials procured were in all cases from military stores and consisted mainly of construction, plumbing, and electrical supplies which were used in erection. of buildings or facilities needed for health and comfort of troops. In every instance, request for the desired materials was made through the Military Government Trocurement Officer and acknowledgement and inventory rendered upon receipt. BY ORDER OF COLONEL LIVERSEDGE J. W. EXWNER
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CONFIDENTIAL Appendix 7 to Annex DOG (S-4 Report) to Operation Report, 28th Marines, Occupation of JAPAN. MO TOR TRANSPORT REFORT 1. During the entire period of the operation, organic motor transport of this regiment required augmentation by assignment of additional vehicles from higher echelons. The special nature of this operation, requiring widespread road reconnaissance patrols, and self-containment regarding rations, water, and fuel over various periods, made demands on motor transport extremely heavy. During the FUKUCKA phase one (1) company of Force Motor Transport, plus one (1) platoon of an Automotive Repair Company, was attached to the regiment. Both units proved invaluable during this period. Operational requirements could not have been met without them. On return to SASEBO these units were detached and it was found necessary to request vehicles from the Division Motor Transport Officer to enable normal operations and disposition of enemy materials to proceed. 2. On the whole, most motor vehicles functioned in a satisfactory manner, one notable exception being the M290 Cargo Carrier. This is not a suitable general purpose vehicle. After the opening days of the operation very little could be done with those organic to the regiment. It is believed that additional one (1) ton trucks should have been carried in the shipping space taken up by the M29C's. 3. The accident rate was not abnormal, in spite of narrow roads and streets and the change in driving customs. Foor conditions of the roads caused additional wear which was met to some extent by narrowing the period between servicings. BY CRDER OF CCLCNEL LIVERSEDGE J. W. DOWNER Capt, USMCR, - 1 -1431 CONFIDENTIAL

Appendix 8 to Annex DOG (S-4 Report) to Operation Report, 28th Marines, Occupation of JAPAN. ENGINEER REPORT 1. INITIAL FLANNING AND OFFRATION Company "C" 5th Engineer Battalian emberked from HILO, HAWAII as engineer teams (reinf plats) attached to the battalions of the 28th Marines Legiment. Their mission was clearly cutlined as en ineer or combat support such as was called for in the then uncertain occupation of northern KYUSHU, JAPAN. 2. FUKUCKA CCCUPATION a. During the first phases of the occupation of FUKUCKA, Company "C" 5th Engineer Battalion reverted to Regimental control and was assigned all engineer responsibilities for that area and such autposts as were designated. Briefly their entire work is summed in four goups: water supply, road construction, camp maintenance, and utilization of Japanese engineer materials. It might be noted that to supply water the company had to use available equipment and men to maximum. An average of 15,000 gallons per day was used. Camp maintenance was simplified by the abundance of Japanese material and labor. b. The engineer missions of Company "C" were absorbed by various Army units when the 32d Inf Division assumed control of FUKUCKA. In SASEBO, from 6Nov45 to 30Nov45, no engineer unit was assigned to the regiment. Engineer missions were accomplished upon request to higher echelons. BY CRDER OF COLONEL LIVERSEDGE J. W. DOWNER.
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CONFICENTIAL Annex EASY to 28th Marines Operation Report, Occupation of JAPAN. SIGNAL COMMUNICATION REPORT 1. TRAINING a. Training for the assault on KYUSHU began on 30 April after the first group of replacements had arrived after return from the IWO JIMA Operation. Training consisted of the following: Electricity and Magnetism Map reading and use of compass Security Thonetic alphabet Radio code, sending and receiving Message writing Codes and ciphers Message center procedure Message center logs, preparation and use of Visual Signaling R/T and W/T Frocedure SOI and SOF Installation, operation, and maintenance of switchboards TC-4 BD-71 and 72 Wire ties and splices Pole line construction Simplex and phantom circuits, including repeating and loading coils Field telephone circuits Installation, operation, and maintenance of field telephone, EE-8 Wire laying and tagging Switchboard procedure Line route maps, circuit and traffic diagrams Trouble shooting Local battery telephone systems. Test stations Frequency modulation Installation, operation, and maintenance of radio equipment, TBX, TCS, SCR-608, SCR-300A, SCR-610 Antonnas and transmission lines. Practice radio nets Installation, operation, and maintenance of telegraph set TG-54 Radio anti-jamming defenses All hands fired their weapons, and received instruction in field sanitation, hand grenades, first aid. gas defense, infantry tactics. identification, mines and booby traps. 1433 - 1 -CONFIDENTIAL

Conditioning hikes were carried out frequently.

In addition, each section was instructed in the work of the other sections.

There were no changes in training for occupational duty, since the instruction was largely technical and prepared the sections for any type of duty.

- 2. Installation, operation, and maintenance of signal communications was largely normal during the occupation operation.
- During the FUKUOKA phase dividing regimental headquarters between FUKUOKA and KASHII Station (a distance of about 42miles) necessitated the organization of Gasper Kray exchange at KASHII Station to serve attached units and non-operational components of regimental headquarters. All trunk circuits were paralled by spare circuits, and test stations were installed at frequent intervals to facilitate maintenance. All circuits were installed at least eighteen feet above the deck on existing Japanese cole lines. Where three or more circuits followed the same route, they were cabled. Fire -130 was used for all inside installations and for cabling from outside terminals to the "A" frame of their eighental switchborr. Altogether, more than 300 miles of telerhone circuits were installed and operated by this regiment.
- 4. Message center operation was normal. Scheduled messenger runs were made to all units three times daily.
- One radio team was attached to the Third Battalion and one to the FUKUOKA Occupation Force to operation Force nets. "eapons Company manned the radio sets of the military police while in the FUKUOKA Area. Two radio teams were attached to the First Battalion to operate stations at outposts too far away for wire communications. Large patrols used TCS Radios to maintain contact with their battalion headquarters.
- 6. Signal surply was adequate. Initial extra supply of wire was obtained from Division, and no replenishment of any sort was required.

7. COMMENTS AND RECOMMENDATION

- a. Radio equipment was more than adequate. Radio was used to maintain contact with motorized patrols and convoys, as primary means of communication with insolated outposts, and in the event of wire failure.
- b. In a static occupation, wire is the primary means of communication. The allowance of isulators IN-25 should be increased to 300 per regimental headquarters, and 100 for each battalion. The same allowance should be made of brackets FF-57. Gloves LC-10 should be issued

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on the basis of one per lineman's equipment MTE-1. Allowance of switch-boards BD-72 should be increased to one per infantry battalion. Telephones, EE-\$, should be increased to 60 per regimental headquarters and 40 per infantry battalion. Allowance of terminal strip TM-184 should be increased to 20 per regimental headquarters and 12 per infantry battalion. Increase in allowance of wire W-110B to 75 miles per infantry regimental headquarters and 35 per infantry battalion is advisable. An additional 25 miles of cable CC-358 and 8 cable stub CC-356 is advisable. The allowance of wire W-130 should be reduced to 3 miles per infantry regimenal headquarters and infantry battalion.

BY ORDER OF COLONEL LIVERSEDGE

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JRC/wrz HEADQUARTERS,

13TH MARINES, 5TH MARINE DIVISION, FMF.,

C/O FPO, SAN FRANCISCO, CALIFORNIA. COLFIDERTIAL 30 November, 1945. The Commanding Officer. From: To : The Commanding General, 5th Marine Division. Subject: 13th Marines Operation Report, Occupation of JAPAN. In compliance with Division Special Order Number 355-1945, Annex JIG to Division Operation Report, Occupation of JAPAN is submitted herewith. +N/01 ... J. A. BEMIS. CONFIDENTIAL 1436

CONFIDENTIAL Arty Gp 5th MarDiv (Roinf) In the Field 30 November, 1945. Filo No. 1975-20. Annox JIG (13th Marines Opn Report) to 5th MarDiv Opn Report, Occupation of JAPAN. PLANNING. 1. (a) Written information relative to the landing on the Southwest coast of KYUSHU, JAPAN was received 30 July, 1945. A conference room was established and key members of the staff were kept up to date on incoming information. Photographs and orders were studied, and staff conferences were held, but due to a change in plans written orders were not completed and dissemination was not made to surordinate units. (b) Occupation. This phase was accomplished aboard ship. The regimontal staff was embarked abourd one ship and frequent conferences were held throughout the voyage. Regimental Operation Orders 25-45, 25A-45 and 25B-45 were propered covering the preferred, first and second alternate plans. These were disseminated to the 1st and 2nd battalions at Saipan but distribution to other units was impossible due to their being embarked in separate convoy. Photographs of the SASEBO Harbor area were ... studied and temporary billets, storage areas and unloading facilities were select d. Plans were initiated for expediting unleading of essential equipment and material for any expected centingency. TRAINING. (a) Assault. Schools were organized in gunnery technique, chemical warfare, surveying, intelligence, air electration, Japanese language, photo interpretation, and difficult driving. Battery, battalion and regimental tests in tactics and gunnery were conducted to ascertain relative efficiency of the units, great stress being placed on discovered _ _ wealcresses. CONFIDENTIAL 1437

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Battalions conducted overhead firing exercises for each infantry battalion, and forward observer parties and liaison teams accompanied infantry companies and battalions on numerous field exercises to effect complete collaboration. CPXs were conducted including one on a division level. A large terrain board was constructed and all officers were required to fire a minimum of all types of problems. Numerous day and night problems were conducted by flash and sound ranging teams. Available films relative to JAPAN were shown to all hands.

(b) Occupation

In the short time available prior to embarking aboard ship and during the voyage, intensive training in interior guard duty, courtesy and military customs, Japanese language, military government, and related subjects was conducted. Special stress was placed on the terrain, facilities, customs, and habits of the Japanese.

3. ORGANIZATION

- (a) Organic four (4) battalions.
- (b) 5th Amph DUKW Company.
- (c) Company "C", 20th Amph Truck Battalion.
- (a) VMO-5.

OPERATIONS ASHORE

22 September

Operations ashore commenced when elements of Headquarters established a CP at the SASEBO Aircraft Factory at 1030. First battalion landed at 1145, occupied position and was ready to fire by 1240 as an emergency procedure. Other battalions had started unloading by 1800, but did not occupy firing positions.

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CONFIDENTIAL Annox JlG (13th Marines Opn Report) to 5th MarDiv Opn Report, Occupation of JAPAN. (Cont'd). 23 September Unloading operations were continued and completed by the 1st. 2nd, and 4th battalions, VMO-5, and Co "C", 20th Amph Trk Bn. 24 September First and Second Battalions began movement to Naval Stores Area (1282,8-1112.7) for guarding and billeting; com letely established the following day. Other units occupied buildings in SASEBO Aircraft Factory. 25 to 29 September Following reconnaissance of previous day, "B" Btry, 1st battalion moved to KAWAT NA, Naval Stores Area (1292.9-1101.5) for guarding and billeting. Reconnaissance of and preparations for movement to HIU Ammunition Depot (1281.5-1111.0) were made by the 4th battalion. 29 September to 2 October Fourth battalion began movement to HIU Ammunition Depot for guarding and billeting. Third battalion and Regimental H&S continue guarding S.SEBO Aircraft Factory. Orders were received assigning zone of responsibility for patrolling and uncovering Japanese war materials and breeches of Terms of Surrender, 2 to 7 October Patrolling in assigned zone of responsibility was conducted. Second battalion established two patrols in conjunction with 10th Marines to execute surveillance missions in the southern zone of responsibility. 10, 11 October Typhoon swept SaSEBO and vicinity inflicting heavy damage to numerous dwellings, communications and po or facilities. No casualties were suffered. CONFIDERTIAL 1439

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Detachments were dispatched to URAG.SHIRA (1281.5-1105.2) and HARIO Naval Barracks (1285.0-1104.0) to execute surveillance and report on repatriation and demobilization of returning Japanese Military Forces of Korca (58th Army).

13, 14 October

Fourth battalion discovered remnants of 312th Japanese Army Division (Home Defense Unit) near HAMASAKI (1306.56-1147.51). Equipment was inventoried and placed under surveillance for later destruction. Demobilization of 9,956 returning troops began at URAGASHIRA.

15 to 18 October

Regimental Educational Program initiated by establishing unit schools. Approximately twenty-five (25) percent of zone of responsibility had been completely patrolled.

18 October

Co "C" 20th Amph Trk Bn was detached from this regiment. Several hundred asserted weapons, including rifles, swords, shotguns, daggers, etc. had been collected in the zone of responsibility at this date. Ichobilization of the second group of Japanese repatriates consisting of 332 personnel from DAITO SHIMA began.

19, 20 October

Demobilization of the third group, 10,242 military personnel from KOREA, began.

21 to 25 October

Disjosition of Japanese war materials and essential civilian commodities was commonced.

25, 26 October

Unloading and processing of 2,295 Japanese troops of the 58th Army from KOREA began.

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CONFIDENTIAL Annex JIG (13th Marines Opn Report) to 5th MarDiv Opn Report, Occupation of JAPAN. (Cont'd). 27 October Elements of the Japanese 58th Army, numbering 9,798, began unloading at URAGASHIRA for demobilization. 28, 29 October Repatriation of Japanese military forces from KOREA continued. 8,405 were unloaded for demobilization. 30, 31 October The assigned zone of responsibility for patrolling was eightythree (83) percent completed. Unloading and processing of 5,608 returning troops of the 58th Army in KOREA began. 1, 2 November Large quantities of equipment of the 312th Division were destroyed by the Fourth battalion. The regiment completed patrol of assigned zone of responsibility. Unloading of 9,808 Japanese troops of the 58th Army bogan at UR. GASHIRA. 3 November The 121st FA battalion (Army) was attached to this regiment. 4 to 7 November Forty (40) tons of ammunition were loaded for dumping at sea; equipment of the 312th Division and four (4) 15cm guns were destroyed. Third battalion began movement of airplane wings and spare parts from NITO Aircraft Factory. 7 November "Spot Checking" of critical points in the zone of responsibility continued. Twenty-nine (29) warheads and six (6) anti-aircraft guns were destroyed. - 5 -1441 CONFIDENTIAL

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8 November

Commenced unloading three (3) ISTs returning 4,200 Japanese Troops from KOREA and the S.S. FORT BUFFALO returning seven hundred (700) Japanese Marines which had been a part of the defense forces of HONKONG.

9, 10 November

Twolve (12) buildings, containing civilian materials, were signed over to the Japanese Home Ministry by the 1st Bn. Two (2) ISTs unloaded 3,990 Japanese troops of the 111th Division at UR.GASHIRA for demobilization.

11, 12 November

Elements of the Japanese 96th Division of KOREA, totaling 2,199, were unloaded at URAGASHIRA for demobilization. Destruction of war materials continued.

13, 14 November

The 2d and 3rd Bns destroyed several tons of aircraft parts located at the NITO Aircraft Factory.

15, 16 November

Over 15,000 type 604 motor projectiles, 250 aerial bombs and 52 depth charges were loaded aboard ship for disposal at sea. The total number of repatriates unloaded at URAGABAIRA was 69,761 at this date.

17, 18 November

Destruction of war materials continued. Liaison with relieving units of 2d MarDiv established and preparations made for same.

19, 20 November

First group of 919 Chinese repatriates arrived at URAGASHIRA from NAGASAKI area for transport to North China. 2,998 Japanese troops arrived at URAGASHIRA for demobilization.

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CONFIDENTIAL Annex JIG (13th Marines Opn Report) to 5th MarDiv Opn Report, Occupation of JAPAN. (Cont'd). 21 November 1,080 Chinese arrived at HARIO for repatriation. Three (3) ISTs unloaded 2,989 Japanese troops at URAGASHIRA for demobilization. 22 November 2,337 Chinese arrived at HARIO Naval Barracks to await transport to North China. Three (3) ISTs unloaded 2,980 Japanese troops at URAGASHIRA for processing and later demobilization. 23 November 121st FA Bn, relieved by 2nd Bn, began movement to KURUME for assignment with 32d InfDiv. 2,887 Chinese coal miners and laborers loaded aboard ISTs at URAGASHIRA for shipment to North China. 24 November 121st FA Bn completed movement to KURUME; detached from this unit. Disposition continued. Zone of responsibility in SAGA KEN rcleased to control of 2d MarDiv. 25 November Preparation made for exchange of personnel with 10th Marines. 2,994 Japanese troops from TAKU, China unloaded at URAGASHIRA for processing and demobilization. 26 November Transfer of personnel between Ath Bn, 13th Marines and 4th Bn, 10th Marines and 1/5 H&S Batterys of 13th and 10th Marines effected. 1,488 Japanese Army troops, 227 Navy troops, and 880 civilians unloaded at UKAGASHIRA. 27 November Transfer of personnel between 3rd Ha, 13th Larines and 2d Bn, 10th Marines and 1/5 HaS Batterys of 13th and 10th Marines effected. 2,967 Japanese Army troops unloaded at URAGABHIRA for demobilization. 1443 - 7 -

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28 November

Bn, 10th Marines and 1/5 H&S Batterys of 13th and 10th Marines effected.

29 November

Transfer of personnel between 1st Bn, 13th Marines and 1st Bn, 10th Marines and 1/5 H&S Batterys of 13th and 10th Marines effected. 3,006 Japanese troops from China unloaded at URAGASHIRA. 1,299 Chinese outloaded.

30 November

Transfer of 1/5 H&S Btry, 13th Marines with H&S Btry, 10th Marines effected. 2,856 Japanese Army troops unloaded at URGASHIRA.

5. CONCLUSIONS

- (a) During the period of occupancy from 22 September to 30 November, 1945 the following amounts (approximate) of Japanese War materials were destroyed: 188,350 assorted rounds artillery and mortar ammunition; 24,914 aerial bombs (filled and empty); 400 tons aircraft parts; 30 tons of signal equipment; 1,785 machine guns (assorted); 20 tons mae ine gun spare parts; 161 war making machines; 270 torpedos; 649 tons torpedo parts; 1,518 mines; 3,485 depth charges; 83 artillery and AA guns; 17 tons artillery and AA gun parts; 60 tons explosives; 3,917 gas masks; 282 aerial cameras.
- (b) An area of approximately 515 square miles was completely patrolled and investigated by elements of this regiment.
- (c) Supervision of unloaded, inspection and demobilization or repatriation of 99,042 incoming Japanese troops or civilians and supervision of handling and loading of 6,135 foreign nationalists for repatriation were effected by detachment of this regiment.

6. RECOLLENDATIONS

(a) For operations of this nature, it is recommended that a minimum of eight interpreters be assigned to an artillery regiment for language schooling while enroute and for operations ashere.

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CONFIDENTIAL Annex JIG (13th Marines Opn Report) to 5th MarDiv Opn Report, Occupation of JAPAN. (Cont'd). It is recommended that any units moving into an occupational operation set up SOPs covering inventorying and disposition before, or at the earliest practical time after arrival at the zone of occupation. It is recommended that Japanese maps showing prefectural, shi, and machi boundaries and the town or city in each of these areas which provides Japanese control be distributed to subordinate units. Zones of responsibility for each unit could then be assigned from these maps using shi and machi boundaries which would facilitate liaison and control within these areas. BY ORDER OF COLONEL BEMIS. E. C. FERGUSON, LtCol, USAC, Executive Officer. APPEIDIX: 1 - S-1 Report APPENDIX: 2 - S-2 Report APPLIDIX: 3 - S-4 Report G-3, 5thMarDiv (75); CO (1); ExO (1); S-1 (1); S-2 (1); DISTRIBUTION: S-4 (1); Each Bn (5); War Diary (5); FILE (10). OFFICIAL J. R. CROCKETT, Major, USMC, S-3. - 9 -COMPIDENTIAL 1445

CONFIDENTIAL APPENDIX 1 (S-1 Report) to Annex JIG to Fifth Marine Division Operation Report, . Occupation of JAPAN. 1. On 30 July, 1945, the date of commencement of plenning for the Assault Operation, this regiment had an actual strength of 175 officers and 2,404 enlisted which included 9 officers and 57 enlisted Naval personnel. On 1 September, 1945, the date of departure from the Hawaiian Area, the actual strength was 172 officers and 2,422 enlisted. of which 7 officers and 202 enlisted were left with the rear achalon. 2. The artillery group landed and the regimental command post was established at the Nevel Aircraft Factory, SASEBO, on 22 September, 1945. As soon as facilities could be made available, a post office, post exchange, and special service section was organized and commenced operations. The post exchange and post office were branches of the Division and managed by personnel furnished by Division Headquarters, assisted by personnel furnished from units of the regiment. These sections were serving all units of this regiment including those stationed at outlying localities. Due to the distance in certain cases, this arrangement was not entirely satisfactory, but could not be improved due to the lack of qualified personnel necessary to further extend these activities. 3. Special Service sections were organized within the regiment in accordance with present, G-series, Tables of Organization. These sections organized and supervised the various activities normally assigned. A schedule of athletic games and competitions was arranged. Movies and a very limited number of troop shows were obtained. In addition an education program was established with classes of instruction in various phases of law, mathematics, history, English, and agriculture, on both the battalion and regimental level. 4. Considering the very poor housing conditions, and limited liberty and recreation opportunities because of the need for personnel required in the performance of guard, patrol duty, disposal and repatriation work during the period of occupation, morale was considered to be exsellent. BY CRDER OF CCLOWEL BEMIS E. C. FERGUSON, Lieutenent Colonel, U. S. Marine Corps, Radioental Executive Officer OFFICIAL: Captain, U.S.M.C. Regt'l Adjutent. 1446 - 1 -

CONFIDENTIAL APPENDIX 2 (S-2 Report) to Annex JIG to 5th Marine Division Operation Report, Occupation of Japan. Planning for assault operation commenced on 30 July, 1945 at which time the first information was received regarding the assault oper tion. Maps, photos and other materials. The map, used was the A.m.S. L872, scale 1/25,000. This map was first received on 22 Jugust. It was found to be suitable in all respects except that width of roads was not always accurately shown. Sufficient maps were received while enroute to the target. Two battalions which were transported in a separate convoy had only maps for planning pur oses until after landing at Sasebo. The map of Central Japan, sc le 1/250,000 was also used in limited quantity. The A.M.S. L872, scale 1/50,000, was received several weeks efter londing. No hotographs were received in sufficient quantity to distribute to battalions. The only photos received were a few vertical photos of beach areas. Mos ics, scale 1/25, 00, were received in large quantity, but the terrain features were so indistinct as to make them useless. They were discarded. No models or vectographs were received. B. Ir ining and Organization of the Intelligence Section for the Occupational mission. The Intelligence Section consisted of one (1) Captain, one (1) Lieutenant, two (2) intelligence clerks, one (1) draftsman, and two (2) radio operators. Training for the Occupational Mission was conducted aboard ship while on oute to the target. This training consisted of a thorough briefing of the section on their duties upon landing, Surrender Terms, Goography of Japan, Customs of the Japanese Peo 1 , Japanese Language, Military Government, etc. C. Intelligence Functioning During Occupation. 1. Upon landing, as there was no opposition, the intelligence became concerned with reconnectering the area and making recommendations for the security of the area. CONFIDENTIAL 1447 APPENDIX 2 (S-2 Report) to Annex JIG to 5th Marine Division Operation Report, Occupation of Japan. (Cont'd)

2. Inventorying Japanese Equipment.

Beginning 24 September, the Intelligence Section of each battalion commenced inventorying all Japanese military materials, equipment and installations. These inventories lacked accuracy because some equipment and materials could not be identified, and insufficient interpreters were available to determine the correct nomenclature and quantity.

In most cases the Japanese had prepared inventories covering each installation. Some of these inventories were in English and our forces merely made a physical check of the inventory, submitted by the Japanese.

The inventorying of all Japanese military materials, equipment and supplies was accomplised by 1 November, 1945.

3. New equipment encountered.

It was not determined whether or not any equipment encountered was new.

4. Liaison with Japanese Forces.

The liaison was conducted mainly by higher echelons.

5. Civilian Attitudo.

The attitude of the Japanese civilians was one of unexpected friendliness, curiosity and willingness to cooperate with our forces. Many people displayed fear upon first encountering our forces. This gradually dispresent. The Japanese seemed very willing to give information of any kind and often voluntered information.

6. Languago Personnel Distribution.

a. There were no language personnel with this regiment when landed which was a decided handicap. There were I process officials at the beach when the regiment landed, but because of the complete lack of linguists, prectically no information could be obtained. Approximately one week after landing, an interpreter was attached to the regiment. Subsequently three more linguists were attached.

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CONFIDENTIAL APPENDIX 2 (S-2 Report) to Annex JIG to 5th Marine Division Operation Report, Occupation of Japan. (Cont'd) Many Japanese were found the could speak English. A number of these were hired through the Japanese Liaison Committee. This greatly aided liaison and relieved our shortage of interpreters. Handling of Documents. All Japanese documents were reported immediately to the S-2 of the regiment. These documents were then examined by an interpreter and if found to contain important information, they were reported immediately to G-2 for disposition. c. Interrogation. Organized interrogation was not conducted by this regiment. however, at the repatriation center at Uregashira, high ranking Japanese officers returning from abroad were questioned upon landing in order to obtain order of b ttle information. 7 Release of Allied Frisoner's of War. This regiment was not assigned the mission of releasing Allied Prisoner's of War. 8. Repatriation of Foreign Nationals. On 12 October a detail of officers and men were stationed at Hario barracks and at Uragashira to supervise and re ort on the handling of outgoing and incoming repatriates. During the period 12 October to 30 hovember, a total of 99,042 Japanese troops arrived from abroad and were processed at these stations. During the same period there were 6,135 outgoing Chinese and Korean repatriates processed. Japanese compliance with surrender terms. Ashes were found which indic ted that the Jap nese had burned documents prior to our arrival. No other evidence of non-compliance with the surrender terms was noted. COFIDENTIAL

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CONFIDENTIAL APPENDIX 3 (S-4 Report) to Annex JIG to Fifth Marine Division Operation Report, Occupation of JAPAN. 1. QUARTERMASTER Supplies were furnished by Division on an automatic supply basis. "C", "K" and "10 in 1" rations were supplied daily commencing 22 September. "B" rations were made available as soon as a suitable galley was constructed. First issue of "B" rations was made on 30 September. First issue of fresh meats was made on 29 October. Issue of winter clothing was slow due to moving of Division Quartermaster warehouses. A full issue of winter clothing, with the exception of shoe 'pacs, was made. Shoe pacs were issued to only 75% of the personnel due to inability to obtain correct sizes. Stationery supplies were inadequate for the large number of reports, inventories, and orders necessary in an operation of this type. 2. MEDICAL DEPARTMENT The medical Department of this organization was combat loaded aboard LSTs and APAs and landed at the target on A day. Sickbays were immediately set up by all units. Supplies and equipment were adequate and no shortages were experienced. Quartermaster resupply was adequate at all times. No specific medical problems were experienced and sanitation squads continuously sintained facilities. Japanese water supply was limited to external usaco. 3. DISPOSITION Disposition of Japanese War Materials and Equipment was initiated on 22 October, 1945, with the setting up of a Disposition Section as a separate staff section and the appointment of Commander Moble S. Martin, U.S.C. & G.S., as Regimental Disposition Officer. Surrendered Materials were disposed of in accordance with instructions laid down in Annex "FOX" to Division Administrative Order No. 1-45. Japanese labor, trucks; and ships, under Marine supervision were used exclusively in the handling of Japanese armunition and explosives. CONFIDENTIAL 1451 APPENDIX 3 (S-4 Report) to Annex JIG to Fifth Marine Division Operation Report, Occupation of JAPAN.

All weapons seized were rendered inoperative with the exception of items classified as War Memorials or War Trophies. These items were turned over to Division War Trophy Section.

Inert projectiles and bombs were dumped at sea from U. S. Navy LSM's and LCT's utilizing Japanese Labor for working parties.

The regiment was allocated 202 swords, 42 Japanese medals, 67 pistols, 45 binoculars, and a sufficient number of rifles, carbines and shotguns to distribute one firearm to each man in the regiment. Officers and first pay grade NCO's received a sword, the remainder of the regiment received a rifle or carbine, and the rest of the war trophies were distributed by lottery to the men excluding officers and first pay grade.

The paper work involved in the disposition of Japanese war materials was a problem, as the order for the setting up of the forms for inventorying and disposition work were received on 23 Cctober, one month after the regiment had landed in Japan, and after rost of the actual physical inventorying of equipment had been completed. Since reports were to be submitted on required forms giving items in specified units, much duplication of clerical work resulted and many of the areas had to be re-inventoried.

4. MOTOR TRANSPORT

The transportation available was not sufficient due to the extensive patrolling necessary and heavy demands from division for transportation.

The number of flat tires was extremely high due to the poor condition of all roads. Due to this, the supply of tire patches, tubes, replacement valves, etc., was highly inadequate.

It was necessary to "deed line" many vehicles due to lack of spare parts.

On 29 November, 1945 the following vehicles were transferred to the Second Marine Division: one (1) station wagon; fifteen (15) \$\frac{1}{2}\$ ton 4x4 trucks; thirty-five (35) 1 ton 4x4 trucks.

5. PROCUREMENT

Procurement of Japanese material for housekeeping and recreational purposes was handled in accordance with annex "KING" of Division Administrative Order Number 1-45 and modification No. 1 therato.

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CONFIDENTIAL APPENDIX 3 (S-4 Report) to Annex JIG to Fifth Merine Division Operation Report, Occupation of JAPAN. Numerous items of Japanese equipment and supplies were procured for use by the artillery group. BY ORDER OF COLONEL BEMIS E. C. FERGUSON, Lieutenant Colonel, U. S. Merine Corps, Regimental Executive Officer. CFFICIAL: 15 amuchan D. S. CARMICHAEL, Ceptain, USMCR. 5-4 - 3 --CONFIDENTIAL 1453

WRC/rlw HEADQUARTERS, 5TH TANK BATTALION, DIVISION SERVICE TROOPS. 5TH MARINE DIVISION, FMF, C/O FLEET POST OFFICE, SAN FRANCISCO, CALIF. 3 Docembor, 1945. CONFIDENTIAL From: The Commanding Officer. To : The Commanding General, 5th Marine Division. 5th Tank Battalion Operation Report, Occupation of Japan. Subject: This organization began the planning and training for the assault on the Japanese empire immediately upon the completion of the rehabilitation phase after the IWO JIMA operation. The planning and training were both centered on two objectives: (1) The reorganization of the Tank Battalion to meet terrain conditions in the Japanese empire. (2) The revision of tactical employment as a result of experiences of tank units on IWO JIMA and OKINAWA. Several organizational changes were effected such as the organization of a Flame Tank Company, however, the effectiveness of these changes were never determined since a new Table of Organization which was propared while the unit was absent on IWO JIMA was placed into effect prior to the departure of this unit from the Hawallan Islands. The training was centered on three objectives. Primarily Tank-Infantry training for all the Infantry of the Division in the basic fundamentals and the standard operating procedure of Tank-Infantry employment. This was necessitated by the fact that as a result of casualties on IWO JIMA and the consequent replacements the infentry was not experienced in Tank-Infantry tactics. Secondairly training in tank tactics which emphasized two points, defense against anti-tank measures and the attack of anti-tank guns. Thirdly, tactical training in the forcing of dofiles, since due to the terrain factors of the impire and the dependency of supply upon a road net it was realized that the primary mission of the tank unit would be to force the existing reads; defiles in the existing road net were numerous and it was considered that they would be well defended. In addition every effort was made to provide from within the Tank Battalion a reconnaissance screen which is necessary in large land mass operations. The mission of this unit for the occupation of Japan was to land with the assault elements and support any unit which encountered resistance. Mounted reconnaissance units were furnished by this battalion to each infantry unit. They landed with the infantry unit and vir the radio reported no resistance over the entire division front. On the night of the landing, the tanks went into bivouac at the SASEBO Naval Air Station and remained there throughout the occupational period. -1-CONFIDENTIAL 1454

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- A detachment from this unit formed the OITA occupation group and carried out the imposition of the surrender terms in OITA KEN until relieved by elements of the 32nd Army Division. Throughout this period no difficulties were encountered and the cooperation of the Japanese left nothing to be desired. There was a significant factor noted that the Japanese operated most effectively when exposed to harsh dictorial measures.
- In addition to the detailed recommendations contained herein, there is a broad recommendation which applies to all Marine Corps units. It is believed by the undersigned that had an assault operation become necessary upon the Japanese empire that the organic transportation of a Marine division would have failed most miserably. The existing read net would not have stood the traffic of our two and one-half (2½) ten trucks or tanks. It is therefore recommended that in any such operation in the future that one (1) ten trucks be supplied and that the read building equipment of Engineer, Tanks, and Pioneer units be expanded materially. It is felt that instead of a Marine unit being given standard equipment to fight anywhere in the world, that the Tables of Organization should be revised to permit sufficient flexibility to permit a unit to adapt itself to the varing requirements of the target selected.

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(d) The following assignments of duty to officers will be in effect in the eyent of any emergency requiring action by our troops.

Capt. Lt.	BRUNS JONES	Commanding Officer. Executive Officer. Commander of Troops. S-4 S-3 Commander of barracks defense. Commander of mobile riot squad. Platoon Commander, 1st Platoon, "B" Company.
Lt.	DOMELER	Platoon Commander, 2nd Platoon, "B" Company.
Lt.	STEMKOSKI	Platoon Commander, 1st Platoon, "A" Company.
Lt.	JOHTS	Platoon Commander, 2nd Platoon,
Lt.	EBAUGH	Platoon Commander, 3rd Platoon,
Lt.	SPIAIN	Commander of Military Police patrols and supervisor of civilian police activities.
A CONTRACTOR OF THE PARTY OF TH	ROBBINS MILLS	Surgeon Communication chief.

- (e) The first and second platoon of "B" Company are designated as the mobile unit. The first, second, and third platoons of "A" Company are designed as the reserve unit.
- 2. Plan for the defense of the billeting area of Oita Occupation Group in the event of an actual attack on that area:
- (a) In the event of an actual attack on the billeting area of the Oita Occupation Group, the following plan will be put into operation.
- (b) The billeting area is enclosed in a rectangular compound with earth revetments around all four sides, There are a number of small Japanese earthworks, built as air-raid shelters, throughout the compound. all gates to the compound, except the main entrance, will remain closed at all times. In the event of an attack the main gate will be closed and locked.

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1975 EHS/gkb HEADQUARTERS, NAVAL AIR STATION COMMAND, SASEBO AREA. FIFTH MARINE DIVISION, FMF. C/O FLEET POST OFFICE, SAN FRANCISCO, CALIF. CONFIDENTIAL . 17 November, 1945 From: 5-3, 5th Tank Battalion. To : The Commanding Officer, 5th Tank Battalion. Subject: Annex Able to Annex King. OPERATION ORDER #2: Defense of Naval Air Station area. (a) Sasebo - 1/22,900. Maps: (b) Photographs - drawing of NaS. (a) See annex Baker to 5th Marine Division Operation Plan 25-45 and Intelligence Studies and Summaries issued. The Fifth Tank Battalion will be prepared to defend against and subsequently disperse, capture, or destroy any hostile groups within its area of responsibility that interfere with the accomplishment of its mission. It will further be prepared to support any separate unit in the Sasebo area. PlusN I Company "C", 5th Tank Battalion will on orders from the Commanding Officer, 5th Tank Battalion send out radio Operators to take up positions where they can observe enemy action along routes of approach to this area. Tanks will immediately take up defensive postions where they can command these approaches. as needed. (b) Company "B" will be on call to support Company "C" (c) Elements of "A", "B", and "C" Companies will have unused tanks dug in at strategic positions and weapons manned to provide a cross-fire for the immediate area of the Naval Air Station. (d) Drivers will be available to supply Company "C" with necessary replenishment tanks as may be needed. All available personnel will be dug in a strategic point in a ring of defense. CONFIDENTIAL 1459

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PLAN II

- Company "C", 5th Tank Battalion will be prepared on order from the Commanding Officer, 5th Tank Battalion, to proceed via solected route to any unit in the Sasebo area. Recon units will lead the way and control all traffic to insure least possible delay in movement.
- Company "B" will remain on call at present location. Recon units will proceed to strategic points so that traffic control can be instantaneous in the necessity of movement.
- H&S Company (Maintenance) and sufficient personnel to man (2 per tank) the remaining vehicles will be prepared to resupply any unit with new vehicles manned by original crews.
- All units will call for replenishment vehicles rather than endeavor to free one in rice paddies and delay support. Retreiver and recovery teams will coordinate salvage work.
- Supply will be automatic from the Battalion C.P. (79:10-08.90) by truck to forward outposts. Replenishments of other than automatic supplies will be radioed into the Battalion C.P.
- (b) Administrative reports will be submitted not later than 1600 to the Battalion C.P.
- Communication will be by radio in accordance with 5th Marine Signal. 5th Tank Battalion C.P. will be in command vehicle and will advance in rear of assault company in Plann II. In Plan I, C.P. will be centrally located to rear of perimeter defense.

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CONFIDENTIAL ANNEX BAKER OF ANNEX KING Appendix 3 - Special Services TRAINING PERIOD (a) EDUCATION Due to the fact that during this period military training was of prime importance, no formal classes were held in academic or vocational studies. However, correspondence study in the Marine Corps Institute and The United States Armed Force Institute was greatly incouraged. The battalion school tent was made available to all hands for study in the off hours and tutors were obtained from qualified officers and enlisted personnol in order to give all students as much assistance as possible. (b) RECREATION all available means for recreation were provided within the battalion and activities provided by the division were made readily accessible to all hands. This battalion provided the following recreational facilities: (1) Battalion recreation room with a beer canteen and ping peng tables, and facilities for playing cards and other simular indoor games. 2) Library for leisure time reading and letter writing. (3)Company swimming parties were hold regularly at the beach. (4)Fishing parties. The following divisional recreational facilities were made available to all hands: Moving picture (nightly) . . (1) (2)USO Shows. Red Crass Canteen. (o) ATHLTTICS Within the battalion large compitition was had in softball and vollay ball, while within each company, a similar competion progrem was had between platoons. Body building classes were held daily and results were very incouraging. CONFIDENTIAL 1461 - 1 -

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Seven members of the battalion participated on the Service Troops toam of the Division baseball league. Attendance at these games by members of this organization was always high.

(d) PERSONAL AFFAIRS

Inasmuch as the war was still in progress during this period, post-war problems among personnel of this organization were practically nil. Personal affairs problems were well confined to emergency
furloughs which were handled by the individual companies in cooperation
with the battalion adjutant.

OCCUPATION PURIOD

(a) EDUCATION

lovel subjects was organized with first classes commencing 14 October, 1945. Instruction was offered in the following courses.

- (1) Basic Mathematics
- (2) Algebra I
- (3) Elementary Physics
- (4) Bookkeeping and Accounting
- (5) Fundamentals of Mectricity
- (6) Livestock Production
- (7) Farm Management
- (8) American History

Enrollment in the battalion school was ninety-six (96). Instructors were obtained from officers and enlisted men in the battalion, who had oith r teaching experience or sufficient educational background in the classes which they held to qualify as good instructors.

In addition to the battalion school, correspondence study in the Marine Corps Institute and United States armed Force Institute was greatly encouraged. A Special Study Hall was made available as were tutors in all courses. Correspondence study enrolless in the organization at the time of this report totaled forty-three (43).

Interviews were held by the educational officer and the educational NCO in which personnel awaiting discharge were advised and helped to plan their educational program after release from the service. Such interviews numbered nine (9).

CONFIDENTIAL ANNIN BAKIR OF ANNIX KING-Appendix 3-Special Services (Cont'd) (b) RICRILITION A battalion library was established in which the following facilities were nade available to all hands: (1) Fiction and non-fiction books. (2) Current magazines. Stars and Strines Daily Paper. Sporting News . Daily Spearheads. Letter writing facilities, with stationery furnished. A battalion recreation hall adjacent to the Post Exchance was established with facilities for drinking beer and coca cola, playing ping pong, and other various games such as acey-ducey, card games, monopoly, etc. A branch Post Exchange was installed. The 5th Division Band was made available to play for our entertainment on two separate occasions, 5 November, and 19 November, 1945. A Japanese entertainment group was procured and it presented shows on 5 November, and 15 November, 1945. A quiz show, composed of local talent, was held on the ovening of 10 November, 1945 and cash prizes were awarded to the participants. In addition to the above, each company had its own reading room which was used for study periods, reading and letter writing. 16mm Moving Pictures were held nightly commencing 28 Sontember, 1945. Two showings were held each night to insure that every one in the battalion had an opportunity to attend. Jan seanlane floats were obtained for building boats and a great number of mon spent their recreation hours building and sailing these boats. A Jap fishing boat was but into operation and served as a crash boat and as a recreation boat for fishing and sight social trips. (c) ATFLETICS The following athletic facilities were constructed: (1) Softball diamond (2) Football field CONFIDENTIAL 1463 - 3 -

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(3) Two volley vall courts

(4) Indoor, four wall, handball court.

(5) Body-building room

(6) Boxing room

Round-robin lague competition was held in softball with each company having a representative team, and to fill out the league teams were entered by neighboring Marine and Army units. In addition, the 5th Tank Battalion has a team entered in an area league sponsered by the 5th amphibious Corps and the same team has played games with the teams from Camp ainoura and from ships in the harbor. Attendance for the tank battalion team games was always high and enthusiasm was great.

volley ball competition was placed on the same basis as

softball.

Touch football was organized on the same basis.
Boxing and bedy-building instruction was held regularly.

With the above mentioned athletic facilities made available to all personnel it is estimated that at least 90% of the tank battalion, or all personnel who so desired, were able to take an active part in athletics.

(d) PERSONAL AFFAIRS

Porsonal affairs loctures and interviews were held by the 5th Marine Division Personal Affairs Officer as well as by the Battalian Special Services Officer. The locture phase was incorporated with the daily training schedule and interviews were made available at any time. New information was passed on to all hands as soon as it became available, through medium of bulletin boards, memorandums, and publications to all commanies.

During the occupation period, interviews concerning the following were held:

(1) Civil Service references (7)

(2) Emergency Furloughs (2) (3) G. I. Bill of Rights (14)

(4) Life Insurance (5)

(5) Income Tax (2)

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Appendix 5 - Adjutant's Report.

31 May, 1945. The Tank Pattalion was six (6) percent overstrength after joining replacements received on IWO JIMA. All replacements were trained at Track Vehicle Battalion, Special Training Regiment, San Diego.

The unit was under unpany administration with four (4) battalion clerks for the battalion administrative work, including 2 and 3 sections. The administrative unit was instructed in the reporting of casualties and the prognosis report.

The battelion left the training area on 25 August and emberked upon twelve (12) LSMs and three (3) APAs. Liaison teams of two (2) men and a jeep driver were assigned to and travelled with each infantry battelion.

All companies landed at Green Beach #1 in the SASEBO Navel Air Station Area on 22 September, 1945. The landing was made without incident, and Lieutenant Colonel W. R. COLLINS assumed command of the Navel Air Station Area.

On 1 October a centralized personnel section was established, company clerks being consolidated in a central office.

Upon the directive to have "A" Company, reinforced, move to OITA as the OITA KEN occupation group the administrative section was divided so as to fulfil duties of separate 1, 2 and 3 sections. Upon being relieved by a unit of the 32nd Army Division, "A" Company reinforced, returned to bettalion control.

A directive was received to detach and transfer officers and enlisted men with less than 50 points to the Second Marine Division and units in the VAC, and to receive and join high point men from these organizations. On 25 November details began moving by rail to and from SASEBO to NAGASAKI and units of VAC. All transfers were completed on 29 November. Transfers and joinings were effected as listed below:

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1975 EHS/gkb HEADQUARTERS, NAVAL AIR STATION COMMAND, SASEBO AREA, FIFTH MARINE DIVISION, FMF, C/O FLEET POST OFFICE, SAN FRANCISCO, CALIF. 17 November, 1945. CONFIDENTIAL From: S-2. 5th Tank Battalion. To : The Commanding Officer, 5th Tank Battalion. Subject: Annex Charlie to Annex King. Maps: KYUSHU AMS Scale 1:25,000. KYUSHU AMS Scale 1:250,000. Upon return to the island of HAVAII after the IWO JIMA operation a period of intensive training was initiated for the Battalian Intelligence Section and all Reconnaisance and Liaison Personnel. This training entailed the proper functioning of the Battalion Command Post, tank intelligence information, map and aerial photograph reading, study of Japanese Language, tactics and compass problems. On 10 May, 1945, the intelligence section undertook the training of all company Reconnaisance and Liaison teams. Extensive field problems dealing with all phases of scouting and patrolling, field sketching, route reconnaisance both mounted and dismounted, and compass problems were prepared and conducted by this section. On 13 May, 1945, this section published an order governing the marking of tanks. Special numbers were used to indicate officers' tanks and flame thrower tanks. Each company used a definite block of numbers and an indontifying color. The numbers were eighteen (18) inches high, were plainly visible for several hundred yards and were painted on the sides of the turret, on the bustle and atop the tank to aid in aerial observation. During the period 11-15 June, 1945, a school in the fundamentals of the Japanese Language was conducted by the G-2 Language Section. The instruction consisted of proper pronunciation, common phrases and a familiarization with the Japanese place names. These classes were attended by all officers, key non-commissioned officers and Reconnaisance and Liaison men. Commencing 9 July, 1945, infantry men from all Regiments were brought to the Tank Battalion to be trained as tank guides. This section participated and instructed in the following subjects: Tank Intelligence information, the proper use of tanks with infantry, the proper mine clearing tactics and the capabilities and limitations of the tank. During the period 19-20 July, 1945, this section conducted a Gas and Decontamination School and all chemical personnel throughout the battalion participated. The school stressed the use of decontaminating agents, CONFIDENTIAL -1-1466

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vesicant kits, gas indentification, use of the gas mask, and entry into the gas chamber.

Beginning 25 July, 1945, the Division Intelligence Section conducted a series of orientation lectures on the following subjects: Prisoners of War, Physchological Warfare, Japanese Documents and the function of Language Personnel. These lectures contained much valuable information and

were made part of the daily schedule.

During the period 18-20 July the Battalion Reconnaisance and Liaison Teams under the direction of the Battalion Reconnaisance and Liaison Officer participated in a repetition of the Armored Force Problem stressing the screening phase composition and tactics of the screen were emphasized and the Air Observers were used to a decided advantage. Large white numbers were marked on the jeep hoods and by using this number the plane could direct a considerable number of jeeps easily. It was determined that at least one (1) reconnaisance vehicle must be used for every four hundred (400) yards of front in fairly smooth terrain and that armored cars of light tanks accompany the screen so as to disperse or capture any resistance encountered by the screen and to insure the uninterrupted advance of the main body.

The period from 11-26 august, 1945, was devoted to briefing and preparation for the coming operation. The operation of the battalion command post during a fast moving situation was especially emphasized. The intelligence section was briefed as thoroughly as orders permitted at that time. Also during this period all possible information on the forthcoming operation was collected into griefs to be opened by the various troop

During the voyage from HILO, HAWAII to SASEBO, KYUSHU a regular schedule of briefing and lectures on the pending operation and enforcement of surrender terms were conducted. Previously prepared intelligence information had been supplied Troop Commanders aboard the various vessels carrying this command. Additional information was distributed by courier whenever possible.

At approximately 1400 22 September, 1945, the Battalion Command Post landed and set up in the Administration Building of the Sasabo Naval Air Station (1278.99-1108.85 1/25000 AMS L872). Immediate steps were taken to contact Japanese Liaison Personnel to ascertain whether or not all the terms of surrender had been carried out. Everything proved satisfactory and the Japanese Liaison men rendered valuable assistance.

Combat Team 26 had also set up their C.P. at the SASEBO Naval Air Station and was the senior unit present. On 25 September, 1945, Combat Team 26 moved on and the tank battalion assumed tactical control of the SASEBO Naval Air Station.

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Commencing 25 September, 1945, immediate steps were taken to guard all intelligence targets and patrols were sent out to reconnoiter this command's area of responsibility. Members of the section scoured every target for intelligence value and all information was submitted in batch form and on periodic reports. Japanese Naval Technician Teams were present and cooperated to the fullest extent.

Inventories of all installations were conducted either by this command or subordinate units on the Air Station. Complete inventories were

submitted through appropriate channels.

On or about 5 October, 1945, the Oita Occupation Group was formed by Division Order. The Battalian Intelligence Section with the exception of one (1) Intelligence Non-commissioned included in the group. The main body boarded a train on 13 October, 1945, and reached OITa on the same night.

Upon arrival, the Japanese Liaison Committee and the Allied Military Government Section of OITA KEN were contacted in regard to all information they had obtained prior to our arrival. Such information was consolidated by this section for further disposition to the 5th Marine Division.

all military personnel and civilians were very cooperative and eager to assist occupation forces. Cooperation on the part of the civilian police was all that could be desired. No trouble was encountered throughout the whole occupational period.

active patrolling was performed to search for new intelligence targets and to place the occupation forces constantly in the public eye.

All remaining military units in OITA KEN were ordered to submit complete demobilization records, order of battle reports and inventories.

Six (6) man jeep patrols were sent to all outlying districts throughout OITA KEN to investigate all known intelligence targets, to search for unreported installations, and to insure that the demobilization of Japanese armed Forces was being effected. These patrols proved very successful and received excellent cooperation from the Japanese.

Periodic shipping reports for all ports throughout OITA KEN were submitted to Division once weekly. These reports covered both entrance and departure and listed the ship's name, gross tons, type of ship, cargo, probable sailing date, destination and appropriate remarks. These reports were submitted to this section daily by liaison committee and were combined

into weekly reports.

Daily demobilization changes were a part of the S-2 Periodic Reports. Once weekly the entire demobilization records of all Japanese Military units still functioning were submitted as an annex to the intelligence report. Other annexes included reports on war plants, new weapons, maps of millitary installations, reports on special units and patrol reports. Everything of even the slightest intelligence value was included in these reports.

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On 31 October, 1945, an advance detail and Reconnaisance Party of three hundred and fifty (350) men from the 126th Field Artillery Battalion arrived by train and preparations were begun to relieve the OITA Occupation Group.

All documents and records were turned over to the relieving unit whose staff officers were indoctrinated into their tasks by the men who were ening relieved. On 5 November, 1945, the Oita Occupation Group loaded absorbed the train and returned to their parent organization at the Sasebo Naval Air Station.

Beginning 8 November, 1945, the Tank Battalion embarked on a regular fourty-four (44) hour weekly schedule. The intelligence section participated as instructors in various subjects.

REMARKS AND RECOMMENDATIONS:

- In the opinion of this office the SCR-510 Jeep and portable radio is not suited to reconnaisance and liaison work. The radio is to large and to heavy to be carried when men are working with front line troops. The set must be dismantled and then it is a two man load. When put together the radio is to heavy to be erried by one man and two men would make excellent targets. It is recommended that a smaller lighter radio be used or a smaller radio that can contact the SCR-510 and can be carried into the front lines easily. The larger radio could be left at the Infantry Battalion Command Post and all information transmitted to it from the smaller radio.
- There is no provision in the present Table of Organization for a screen whose duty it is to provide reconnaisance and protection for the main body. The 1/2 ton 4x4 (jeep) is not adequate because it carries very little fire power and no armor protection. It is recommended that light tanks or armored cars be used to provide protection and fire power to the screen. It is further recommended that the 1/2 ton 4x4 be replaced by the "Weasel" w/radio.
- tegrated in our opinion. The two and three sections work together very closely and all members of these sections should be able to do any of the jobs required. At present the Table of Organization strength of the sections are inadequate in the opinion of this section based upon actual battle requirements the sections combined should number six (6) men with the following duties:

Gunnery Sergeant Platoon Sergeant Chief of both sections.
Chief of intelligence section.

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Private First Class Intelligence Radio Operator. At present there is no provision for an intelligence radio in this battalion's Table of Organization. That should be remedied. In the opinion of this office the enlisted men in the two and three sections are not adequately trained. All intelligence men should be graduates of Combat Intelligence School, at least, in addition to other appropriate schools. The Reconnaisance and Liaison Personnel as prescribed by the present Table of Organization are far from adequate. A Tank Company is normally attached to an infantry regiment and must have liaison at the regiment, all the battalions and any other supporting unit. At least four (4) teams of five (5) men each are needed by each company. The four (4) teams go to regiment and each of the battalions. Five (5) men are required because two (2) men man the radio and three (3) serve as reconnaisance. M Spinn EDWARD H. SPLAIN. 2ndLt., USMCR. S-2 CONFIDENTIAL - 5 -1470

1975 EHS/gkb HEADQUARTERS, NAVAL AIR STATION COMMAID, SASTBO AREA. FIFTH "ARIU" DIVISION, FIT, C/O FLEET POST OFFICE, SAN FRANCISCO, CALIF. COLFIDENTIAL 17 November: 1945. S-3. 5th Tank Battalion. From: The Commanding Officer 5th Tank Battalion Te : Subject: annex Dog to annex King. Maps: KYUSHU AMS Scale 1:25.000. KYUSHU AMS Scale 1:250,000. Upon return to HaWAII from the island of IWO JIMA a meeting of representatives from the first, third, fourth and fifth tank battalions was held at FMF, PAC in Pearl Harbor to standardize tank infantry coordination and to submit recommendations relative to the adoption of a suitable table of organization for the Marine Tank Battalion. As a result of this meeting, Fleet Marine Force Headquarters issued a Standardized Operation Froceedure for tank-infantry training. A new table of organization as recommended by the meeting was forwarded for approval. On 5 May the tank companies commenced a series of problems with the artillery regiments. These problems involved the movement of tanks under timed fire, the training of tank officers in the adjustment and technique of artillery fire and the training of Artillery Forward Observers in observing and adjusting fire from within a tank. This period of training lasted two weeks during which time the enlisted men and officers of this. unit reached a suitable degree of proficiency in the directing of artillery fire. On 13 May this battalion organized a Flame Company in expectation that such a commany would be included in a new Table of Organization. Nine (9) flame tanks arrived, but the Flame Company was dis anded on or about 5 August when the expected Table of Organization broved different from what was anticipated. The flame tanks were then placed in the various compenies, one to each platoon. On 22 May the tank battalion undertook the training of the crows of the l'TBl Gun Carriages. This training involved vehicle maintenance and repair, driving, gunnery, and the tectical use of the MYBl with a medium tank company and battalion. Throughout the training period all the tank companies held their own tactical and firing problems involving the use of the flame throwers and tank dozers as well as the conventional tanks. On 28 liey the tank dozer drivers and assistant drivers attended a bull dozer school conducted by the 5th Engineer Battalion. CONFIDENTIAL 1471 - 1 -

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During the period 4-7 June, 1945, (inclusive) a course of instruction covering mines and demolitions was conducted by the 5th Engineer Battalian. A total of ten (10) men per company attended this school. These men were members of tank dozer crews who were to assist and effect clearance of mines when so dictated by the situation.

During the week of 11 June, 1945, two (2) men from each company attended a field wire shoot. The men, although not communication personnel, received sufficient instruction to enable them to perform necessary telephone and field wire duties should the occasion arise during the coming operation.

Also during the first week in June problems were conducted incorporating tank-infantry coordinations with all the infantry companies, the Engineers and the artillery included. Each infantry company received a minimum of one (1) days training with approximately nine (9) tanks, including a flame thrower tank and a dozer tank, participating. The mornings were devoted to a blackboard lecture by a tank officer which embraced visual signals, engine signals, the operation of the tank-infantry phone and a general discussion of the tenk-infantry standard operating proceduro as edited by this battalion. After the lecture the infantry mon were given short rides in the tank and then practiced visual signalling and infantry tactics in connection with the tanks. During the afternoon a short problem was conducted featuring a situation in which a combined tank and infantry attack was stooped by a mine field, the mine field cleared by onginears, the tanks move through the infantry and attack positions heavily defended by small arms fire, encounter anti-tank fire and then pull into defiladed positions to cover a general infantry attack. This was a fireing problem during which the infantry men guided and directed tank fire, dummy minos with a small charge were used.

During the period 11-20 June, 1945, the Battalion Executive Officer conducted a series of problems involving indirect fire and the use of tanks as artillery. A firing battery of tanks was set up and a target, several hundred yards away brought under fire. Officers and senior enlisted mon manning an Observation Post observed the fire and by radio sent back the changes using the same teams as used by the artillery. Another officer in command of the tanks computed and made the necessary adjustments until such time as the target became the center of the impact area. During this period all officers and senior non-commissioned officers received valuable training in the observing and adjusting of artillery fire.



CONFIDENTIAL _______ Subject: 5th Tank Battalion Operation Report, Occupation of Japan (Cont'd) . During the period 20-22 June. 1945, this battalion conducted an Armored Force Problem involving the movement of a tank battalion with supporting units 12 to 15 miles from their source of supply. The problem lasted three days and consisted of a mock landing with three (3) roinforced Battalion Landing Teams, the breaching of a belt of enemy resictance including a mine field and the capture of a small mountain which was heavily defended by our own men acting as the enemy. Approximately one hundred (100) of this battalion's men acted as enemy infantry and harassed the tank force with infiltration tactics throughout the night and while on the march. The second day consisted of a twelve mile motor march, with a reconnaisance screen functioning ahead of the main body through hostile territory. The screen and the main body were harassed by small groups of enemy snipers all during the day until the main body of the en my was again encountered late in the afternoon. After beating off the enemy a tactical bivouac was established for the night. Small groups of the enemy infantry again infiltreted during the night. The third day consisted of a firing problem (without the enemy) simulating the attack and seizure of the enemies main defenses. All during the problem the Division air Observers had been handicapped by bad weather but now the weather broke and they proved to be of great assistance during the attack. Individual tanks, and platoons were guided to the enemy positions, also suitable routes of egresswere selected by the Air Observers. The large numbers painted on the tanks were easily visible from the air and greatly aided the Observers in identifying the tanks. a tank radio (SCR 510) had been installed in the plane and worked out very well. The enemy positions were taken swiftly without any loss of movement. The Battalion Commander decided not to return to camp and for the next two days this battalion conducted problems on the use of the smoke shells. the spotting of targets by aerial observers and the direction of the joep screen from the air. All problems were very satisfactory and upon complotion the battalion returned to camp. Commencing 2 July, 1945, a school for all officers and Staff Noncommissioned Officers (line) was conducted by this battalion for the purpose of acquainting our men with other units throughout the division and to further cooperation with these units. The officers giving the loctures were asked to speak on the problems entailed in a large land mass operation and how they could aid this command and how we could help them. The lecture given by a representative of the 5th Motor Transport Battalion CONFIDENTIAL 1473

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entailed a blackboard problem is which Motor Transport had to supply fuel and provisions to the tanks over some fifty (50) land miles. The difficulties entailed were thoroughly discussed and several points on how we could be of assistance were brought out. Tembers of the G-2, G-3, G-4, the infantry company and battalion, the engineers, artillary, naval construction battalion, JaSCO and many others contributed lectures along the same line.

On 3 July, 1945, two (2) men from each company attended a course in the operation and maintenance of the "Measel", conducted by the 5th Motor Transport Battalion. At the time it was believed that this battalion might be issued Weasels but such was never the case.

On 5 July, 1945, all whosled vehicle and half-track drivers attended a mud obstacle course conducted by the 12th Force Motor Transport Battalion. The obstacle course simulated rice paddis and afforded valuable training in driving over boggy terrain and field expedients helpful in such terrain.

Commencing 9 July, 1945, two (2) man per infantry platoon from all regiments were brought to the tank battalion to live and to work with this command during a regular two week period. The first week was spent almost entirely in lectures and demonstrations within the tallion area. The future tank guides were made thoroughly familiar with the tank including it's capabilities and limitations. Lectures were given on tank-infantry standardized operating procedure, visual and engine signals, the operation of the tank-infantry phone, tank mines and how to disarm them, tank markings and identification and necessary tank intelligence information. Also during the first week the guides spent a day in the field riding in the tanks where a practical demonstration of a tank's capabilities and limitations took place. During the second week the guides rode in the tanks as crow members throughout the whole weeks schedule.

The battelien continued it's practice of indectrinating all personnel into the employment of tanks over large land masses. Problems were conducted for the battalien efficers and men on the sand table and lectures were given by the Commanding Officer of this battalien.

During the week of 18 July, 1945, special emphasis was laid on defense of the bivouac in particular. Lectures and sand table demonstrations were held daily and problems were conducted utilizing one (1) tank company as enemy and demonstrating the demonstrating the defense of the bivouac against enemy mechanized attack.

On 3 August, 1945, the battalion parade was conducted on IWO JIMA Field. Decorations and Commendations were presented to man of this command by the Division Commender.

CONFIDENTIAL Subject: 5th Tank Battalion Operation Report, Occupation of Japan. (Contid) A Regimental Combat Team problem was conducted with the 28th Regiment on August 9-11 (inclusive). The Bautalion Command Post, most of Hoadquargers and Service Company and "B" and "C" Companies perticipated. The problem was conducted by Combat Team 28 and the tanks were used as a supporting arm. The period from 11 to 26 August (inclusive) was devoted to the Battalion Landing Team problems, inspections, and briefing and properation for the forthcoming amphibious Operation was continued. On 25 August, 1945, the battalion began to load aboard ship. During the voyage from HILO, HAWAII to SAS BO, KYUSHU a regular schedule of briefing and lectures on the pending operation and enforcement of surrender terms were conducted. The tank battalion was distributed over more than twenty (20) ships and the briefing had to be conducted by the senior tank officer present on each ship. Mormal attachment of Reconnaisance and Liaison Teams was affected prior to embarkation to Division and to each Regiment. A team of fiftoon (15) men and two (2) officers landed at the aircraft Factory (1280 .85-1110.90) 1/25,000 AMS 1872 which was the designated landing area for this unit. Reconnaisance proved that landing was imprecticable and the tanks were ordered ashore on the green beaches after a reconnaisance of these beaches were made. The Tank Battalion Command Post was set up in the administration Building of the Naval Air Station, (1278.99-1108.35 1/25,000 ANS 1872). No opposition of any kind was encountered and Japanese Liaison Officials were present to offer assistance to the occupying forces. The tanks could not be moved from the Naval air Station because of the poor roads and the Tank Battalion was ordered to remain. Lieutenant Colonel W. R. COLLINS was designated Commanding Officer of the Maval Air Station, Sascho. Surveillance and inventory of the Naval Air Station was begun on or about 25 Suptember and complete inventories were submitted to G-2. On or about 5 October, 1945, the Oita Occupation Group, consisting of "A" Company reinforced was formed by Division Order. An advance dotail consisting of two (2) officers and thirteen (13) men left for Oita by train on 12 October, 1945, to prepare the way for the main body. The main body arrived in Oita on 13 October, 1945. The Occupational Commend Post was extablished in the Kempei Tai building at (650.45-1120.39 aMS 1/250,000 Map of Control Japan). The troops were billetted at the 47 th Regiment barracks (650.35-1120.30 AKS 1/250,000) and a defense plan was formulated. COMFIDENTIAL 1475 Subject; 5th Tank Battalion Operation Report, Occupation of Japan. (Cont'd)

Cooperation on the part of the military services and the civilian population was excellent. The police proved to be of great assistance in collecting controlled items.

a meeting with the Liaison Committe proved very satisfactory and all requests were supplied promptly. For a time the cooperation of the Navy was not all that could be desired, but after a consultation with Japanese Naval Officers matters rapidly improved.

Six (6) man jeep patrols were dispatched regularly to outlying districts of OTTA KET to gather all possible information. Forty-seven (47) major installations were uncovered and maps, order of battle reports and inventories collected on each.

The Cita Waval Air Field was found to be operational and regular (OY) Flane courier runs were instituted between CITA and SASEBO on 16 October, 1945.

There were no incidents between men on liberty and civilians. At all times the highest degree of friendliness and hospitality was extended to our troops.

On 31 October, 1945; an advance detail and reconnaisance party of three hundred and fifty (350) men from the 126th Field artillery Battalion arrived by train and preparations were began to relieve the Oita Occupation Group.

all documents and records were turned ever to the relieving unit whose staff officers were indectrinated into their tasks by the men they were relieving. On 5 November, 1945. "A" Company reinforced loaded aboard the train and returned to their parent organization at SASEBO. The Group Executive Officer remained until 9 November, 1945, to assist the relieving unit.

During the period 12 October to 5 November, 1945, the remainder of the Tank Battalion at SaseBO conducted a schedule embracing close order drill, correnies and inspections, educational programs and athletics.

Boginning 8 November, 1945, the bettalion embarked on a regular fortyfour (44) hour weekly schedule entailing subjects strictly military in
nature, an extensive educational program, ceremonies, inspections, prectice marches and group athletics.

CONFIDENTIAL 5th Tank Battelion Operation Report, Occupation of Japan. (Contid) REMARKS AND RECOMMENDATIONS That a continuous study be maintained in peace time of tank employment and technological improvement of the vehicle itself. It is a prophotic and significant factor that the explosion of the first atom bomb and its offects was observed from a specially built lead lined tank. That tanks be considered, and treated as primary offensive weapon and arm rather than a secondary supporting unit. This has been recommended by Divisional Commanders as a result of actual combat. It should be suplomented by instruction and indoctrination of officers by Marino Corps Schools. That a suitable Table of Organization be drawn up for the Marine Tank Bartalion which can be skeletonized in peace time, but which is capable of furnishing the structure for an adequate Marine Tank Battalien in Combat. The Table of Organization now in effect weakened, rather than strongthened the Tank Battelion, and if it had been necessary for tank units to use this Table of Organization in combat, such weakening would have become obvious. That some allowance be made either in the Tank Battalian or as Division Troops to provide for a reconnaissance screen to insure the movement of troops and armored units over large land masses. The present Reconnaissance Company is not adequate, adequately equipped nor adequately trained to work with and for a mechanized unit. Such a unit must be highly mobile with sufficient armor and fire power to handle small skirmushes and small points of enemy resistance. That the tracked vehicle plateen of the Ordnance Company be abolished as such. Echelons of maintenance (so far as tank repair is concerned) has never functioned within the Marine Corns nor will it ever be feasible because of our size, commosition, and mission. However such a plateen should be included in each tank battalion to perform all necessary maintenance as is dictated by the situation. This too should function in peace time as well as during war. At least a cadre should be formed within each battalion. That more Communication Personnel be included in the Tank Battalion Table of Organization on the basis of having more radios than any other unit within a Marine Division. A definite increase in the number of radio maintenance and remain men is needed. CONFIDENTIAL 1477 - 7 -

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7. That there is at present no unit within a division directly responsible for mine clearance. Heretofor the Engineer Battalien has been made responsible, but after they have made their normal attachments to Regiments, Battaliens etc. there is only those men of Headquarters and Service Company remaining intact. Also there are no men specifically trained for these duties only, now is there any unit within the present Engineer Battalien charged specifically only with mine removal.

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ANNEX EASY OF ANNEX KING Appendix 1 - Transport Quartermaster Original plans for lifting the Tank Group, which includes the 1.7 Gun Carriages of the Infantry Regiments, called for fifteen (15) LS. 's. Fourteen (14) LSi's were assigned to the Tank Battalion with space reserved on each of the fourteen (14) for one (1) Shore Party vehicle. The fifteenth (15th) LSh was assigned to the Shore Party but was under the control of the Tank Imbarkation Group Commander. The plan proved to be not feasible because of the amount of Shore Party equipment to be lifted. Final plans assigned twelve (12) LSM's to the Tank Battalion and three (3) LSM's to the Shore Party. With the twelve (12) LSM's, the following vehicles were lifted: Forty-three (43) medium tanks, three (3) medium tanks with bulldozer, nine (9) flame tanks, four (4) tank recovery vehicles, twelve (12) 105mm gun carriages, four (4) ...3 personnel carriers, nineteen (19) 2 -ton 6x6 trucks, eighteen (18) -ton 4x4 trucks, five (5) 6x6 shop trucks, and fourteen (14) assorted trailers. In addition to the vehicles, forty thousand (40,000) """ rations were loaded. Appendix 2 - Quartermaster On 12 may, 1945, the 4-Section of this organization began preparations for an assault operation. All equipment and supplies were inventoried and requests for additional equipment and supplies to bring the battalion up to authorized allowances were submitted. Re-supply began almost immediately and by the time this organization departed from the Hawaiian Area, all equipment and supplies were one hundred per cent (100%) of authorized allowance. During the period 12 may, 1945, to 15 August, 1945, numerous requests for unauthorized equipment and supplies were submitted, of which approximately fifty per cent (50%) were acted upon. Recommendations were made for additional equipment such as POA-CVS Flame Tanks, tenk mounting bulldozers, extended flame hose, T-18 periscopes, flails for tanks, weasels, and equipment for ad itional protection of tanks. The additional flame tanks were received two (2) days prior to departure. The tank mounting bulldozers were received by the Rear Echelon. The flame hose, T-18 periscopes, and additional protective equipment were received in time to be applied for use. Prior to departure from the Hawaiian Area, excess items of all types and classes were turned in to the nearest supply agency. On 12 August, 1945, ten (10) days prior to departure from the Hawaiian Area, TO G-76, G-79 and G-80 became effective for this organization. Numerous changes in rolling stock and tracked vehicles affected current allowances, necessitating changes in allowances of approximately fifty per cent (50%) of all authorized items. Division uartermaster Transfer Orders were issued to adjust equipment to authorized allowances. The change from operational to occupation mission made only negligible changes in types of equipment and supplies to be lifted by the forward echelon.

From 22 September, 1945, the landing date of this organization, to the present time, re-supply has been adequate and sufficient.

Appendix 3 - Hedical

(a) Gear

Medical supplies were assembled for combat. Sufficient stocks of plasma, morphine, battle dressings and the like were divided between the Battalion Aid Station and the three (3) two- (2) man teams of corpsmen allocated to each tank company, so that each might act independently, if necessary. It was planned that the Battalion Aid Station would be be the mobile and independent of supply for week or more. The material of the aid station was loaded aboard a one-half (4) ton trailer so that it could be easily moved and rapidly set up in a new position.

(b) Personnel

Medical personnel received intensive training in first aid for casualties, first aid for chemical werfare c ses and daily field exercises in working with tanks. Three (3) field bivouacs were held during the training period.

(c) Troms

The troops received repeated lectures on first aid for injuries and chemical warfare agents, on tropical diseases and their prevention and on venereal diseases and how to avoid them.

The medical supplies were altered to increase the stores for the

Sick Bay As much DDT as possible was procured.

- (d) Installations at the Sasebo Naval Air Station were inspected. The barracks were sprayed with DDT prior to billeting the troops. Heads were erected, water samples taken, the Sick Bay set up and a Pro Station established.
- (e) Occupation of Oita, 13 October, 1945, to 5 November, 1945.

 A portion of the Medical Department was attached to the forces composing the Oita Occupation Group. At Oita, all buildings were sprayed with DDT prior to occupation by the troops, a Sick Bay was erected, two (2) Pro Stations were established and water samples were taken and sant to Sasebo for analysis. The Japanese military hospitals in the Ken were inspected, and a questionnaire submitted to them.

(f) Return to Sasobo Naval Air Station

Since return to the Sasebo Mavel Air Station, the regular routine of the administration of the Sick Bay has prevailed.

Appendix 4 - Ordnance

When rehabilitation of this organization began, upon the return from Iwo Jima, twenty-five (25) tanks and three (3) tank recovery vehicles were on hand. New or rebuilt engines were placed in these tracked vehicles, new track was put on all tanks and all armement and turret mechanism was overhauled. During the period 1 June to 25 August, twenty-seven (27) new tanks, one (1) new recovery vehicle and nine (9) flame

tanks were received. All new tanks were thoroughly checked and modifications of local manufacture were installed. Forward echelon combat vehicles consisted of twenty-three (23) old and rebuilt tanks, nine (9) new flame tanks, three (3) old recovery vehicles and one (1) new recovery vehicle. Since arriving in the Sasebo Area all tanks have been given a fifty (50) hour check and notified storage procedure has been carried Winterization of all vehicles has been completed. Individual weapons of all personnel were inspected by the Division Ordnance Company prior to departure from the Hawaiian Area and all unserviceable weapons were replaced. Appendix 5 - Disposition of surrendered material and equipment Inventories of all surrendered materiel and equipment were submitted to Division. Disposition of all surrendered material and equipment in the Sasebo Waval Air Station Area was undertaken by VAC and is now in progress. Assistance was furnished by the 5th Tank Battalion with the use of flame throwing tanks. These tenks were used to ignite piles of planes and other inflammable material. . Disposition of surrendered material and equipment in Oita Ken by this organization consisted of collection and shipment to the 5th Marine Division of twenty-three thousand nine hungred and seventy-five (23,975) articles appearing on the Controlled Items and War Trophies List. Plans for destruction of surrendered aircraft and other war meteriel were effected and steps were taken f r the assembly of such items. Land and sea transportation for the dis osal of surrendered ammunition was requested from the Home Minister of the Prefectural Government. This transportation was not furnished prior to departure from the Oita Ken area. Appendix 6 - Procurement Procurement of serviceable surrendered material has been satisfactory. Many items in the local area were put to use for the inprovement of living conditions and appearances. For example, the 10cal Fire Department is made up of surrendered vehicles. Appendix 7 - Motor Transport Motor Transport equipment landed with this or anization has been sufficient for all purposes. Haintenance of notor vehicles has been difficult at times due to lack of parts and equipment. Parts should be more plentiful and available, and should not consist of sets of parts, but rather parts which have a high fatality rate. Ammendix 8 - Shore Party . . 1481 Inasmuch as this organization does not have sufficient personnel or equipment for shore party work, no training or planning, except unloading of LSE's, was undertaken. Upon arrival at the Sasebo Waval air Station, this battalion took over control of all beaches in the invediate area. Supervision of unloading, assignment of ships to beaches, assignment of storage area and temporary billating of personnel were controlled by this or anization. Navy SP Control Teams were not sufficient in personnel to lend assistance other than directing ships to the beaches. At least fifty per cent (50%) of all ships landing at the Sasebo Naval air Station beaches did not have sufficient personnel to unload. The Officer-In-Charge of Troops did not know what to do or where to go and in most cases was unable to contact power to reading at the location of temporary lestinations should be made known to all concerned.

Ammendix 10 - Periodic Reports

During the period May to August, 1945, the followin, reports were submitted:

(a) Lonthly readiness report to Division.

(b) Nonthly report reflecting status of material of this organization to G-4.

Reports submitted by this organization since arrival in Sasebo Neval air Station are as follows:

(a) S-4 Daily Periodic Report to U-4. This was discontinued on 3 October, 1945.

(b) Daily armunition Report to G-4. Thi was discontinued on 3 October, 1945.

(c) Daily Notor Vehicle Report to notor Transport Officer.

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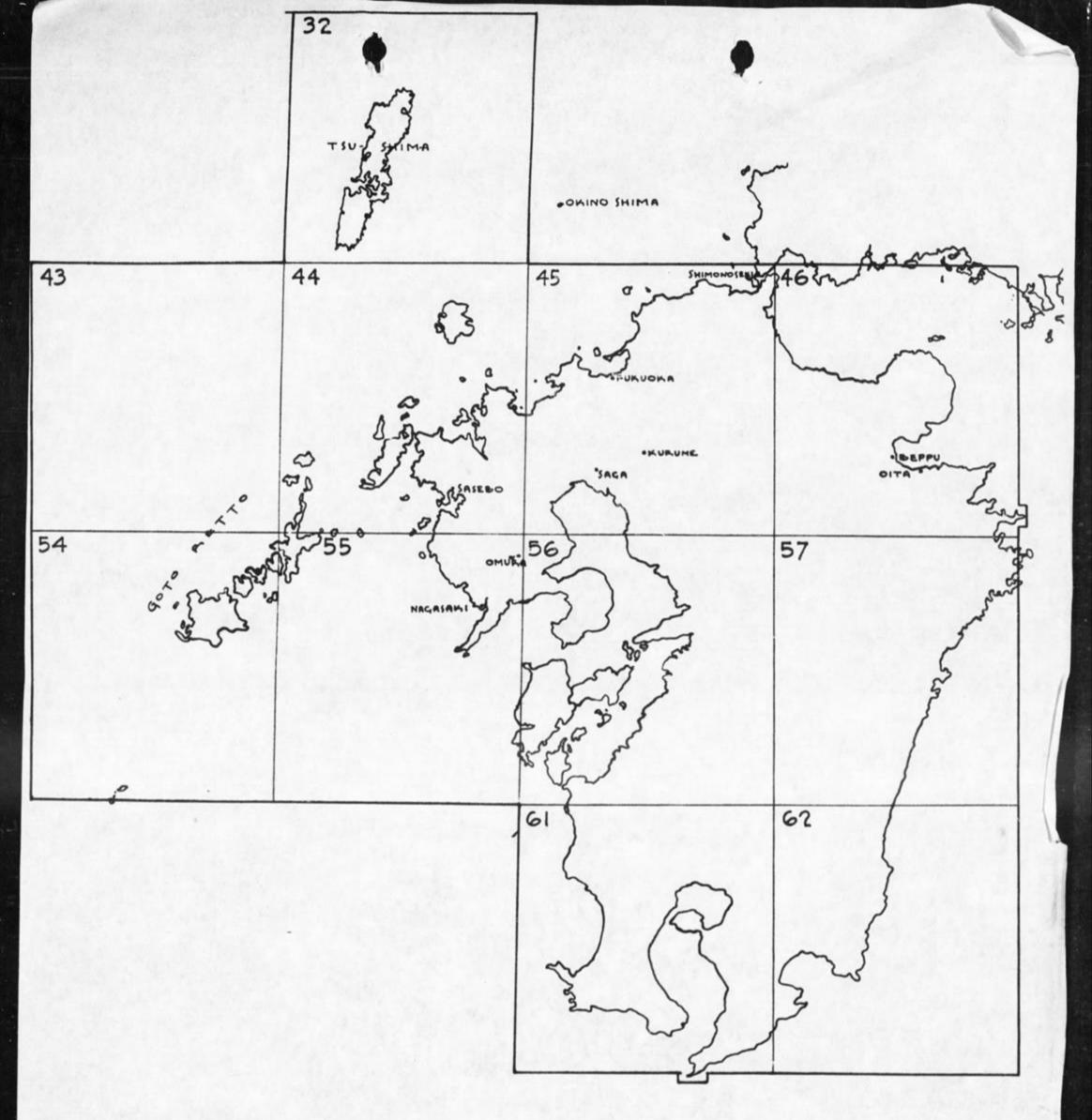
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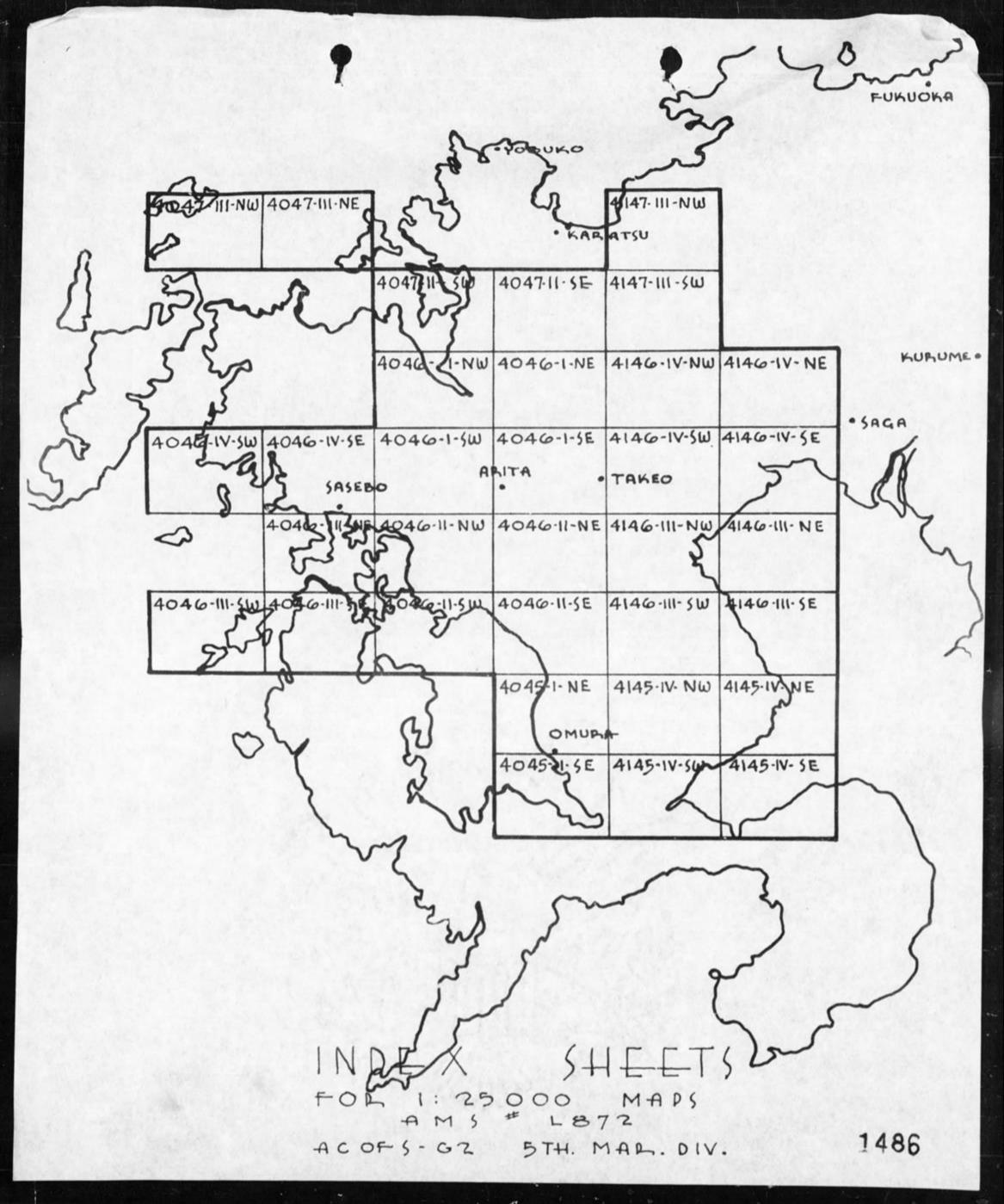
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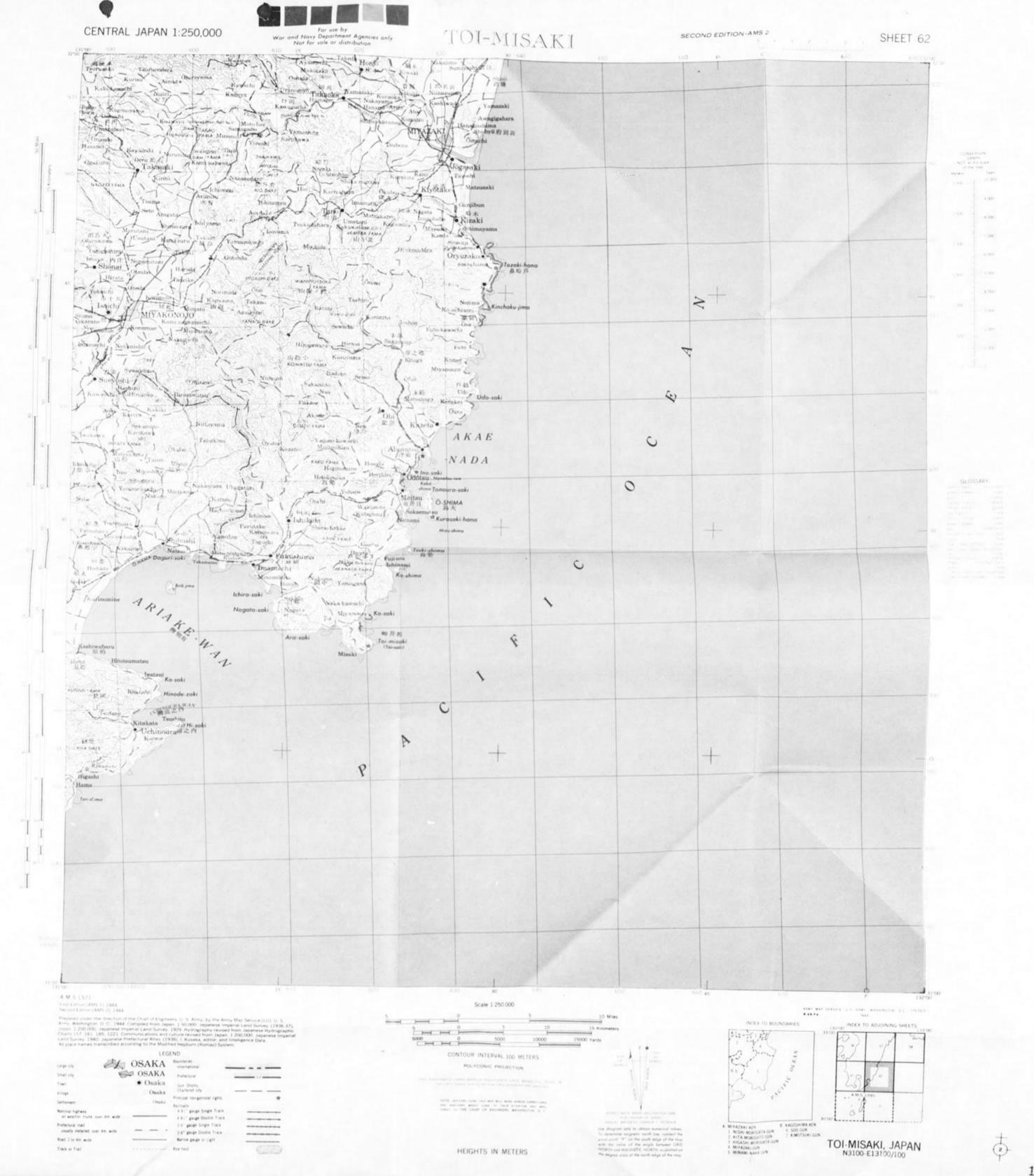
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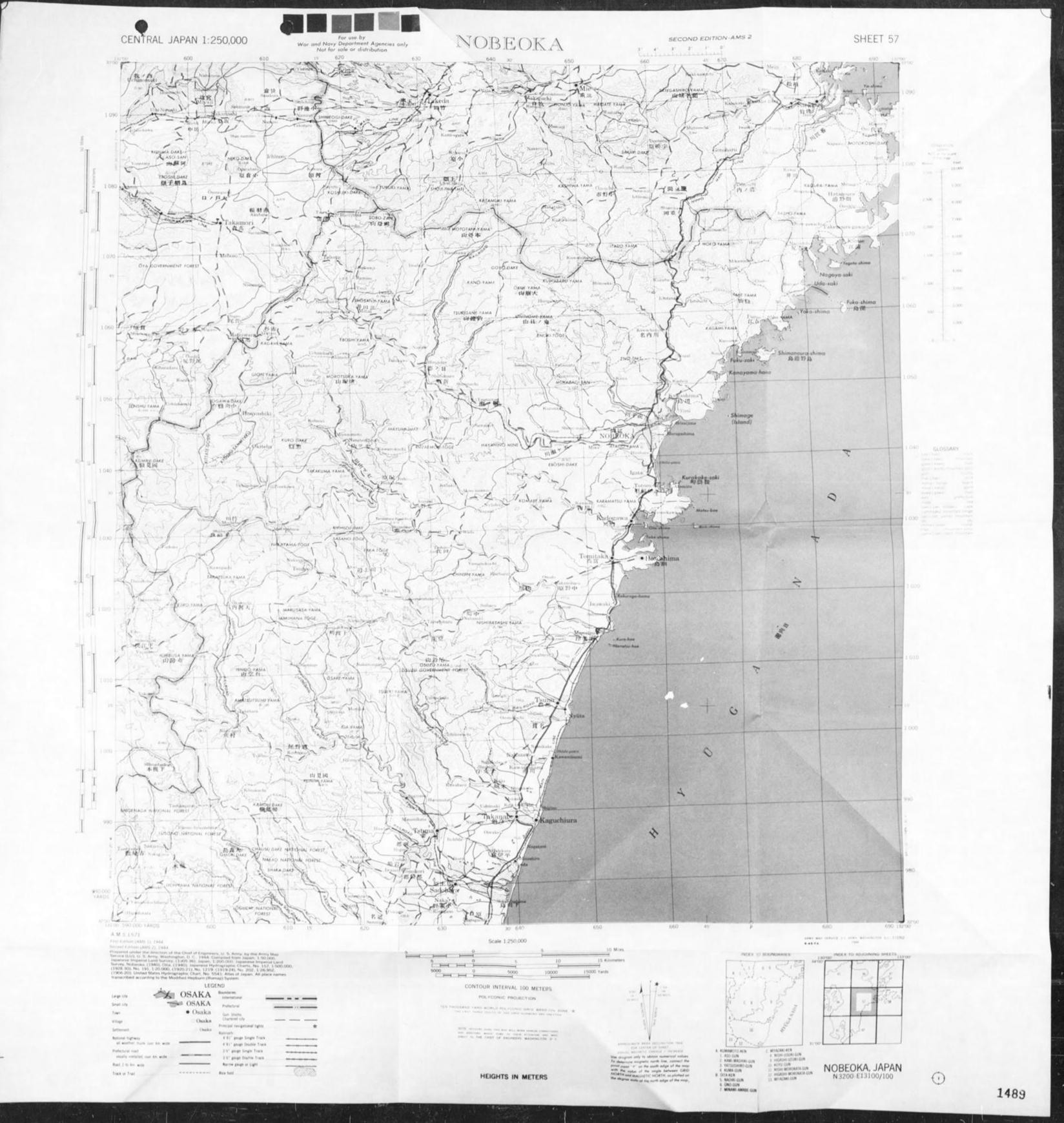
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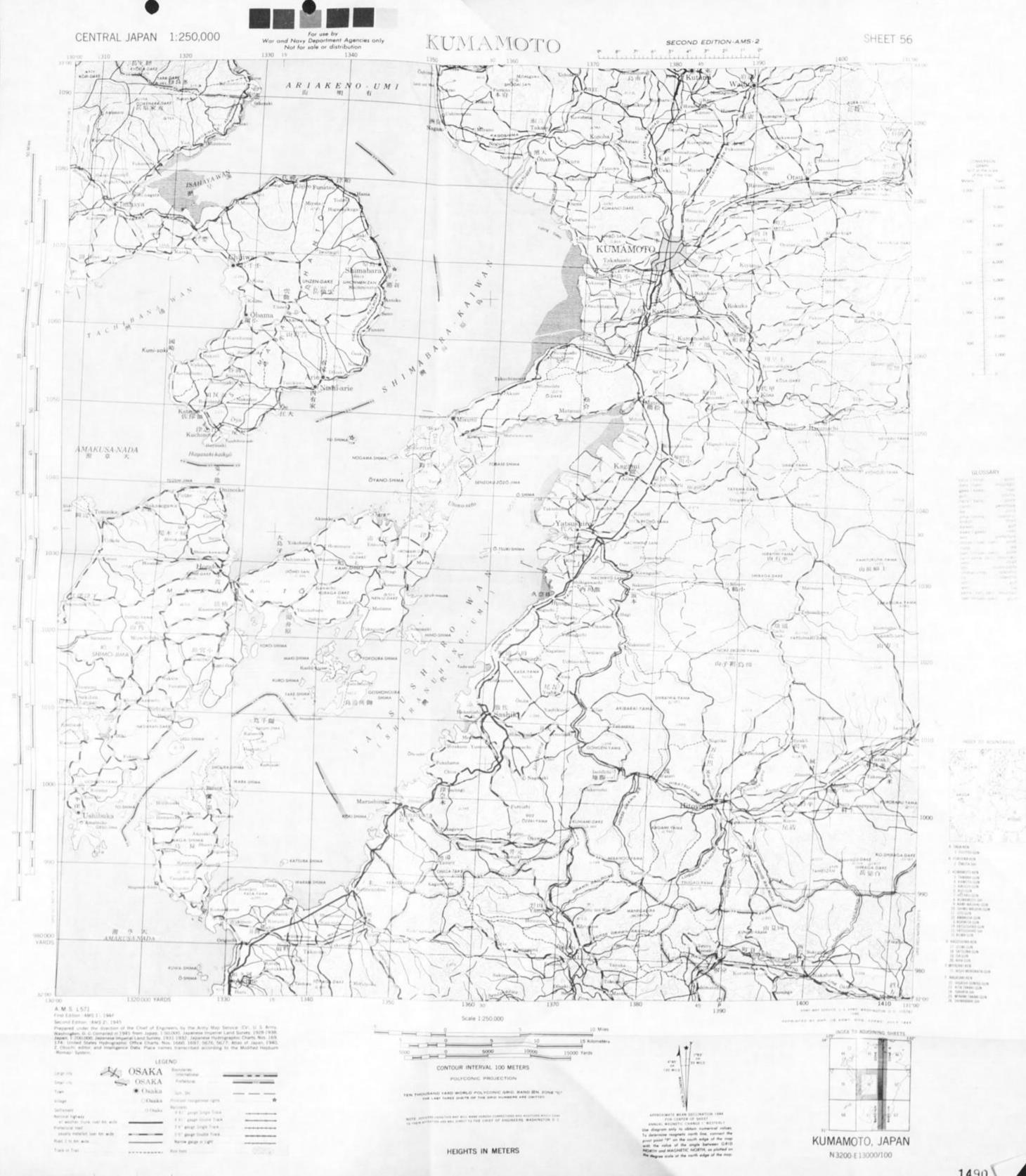
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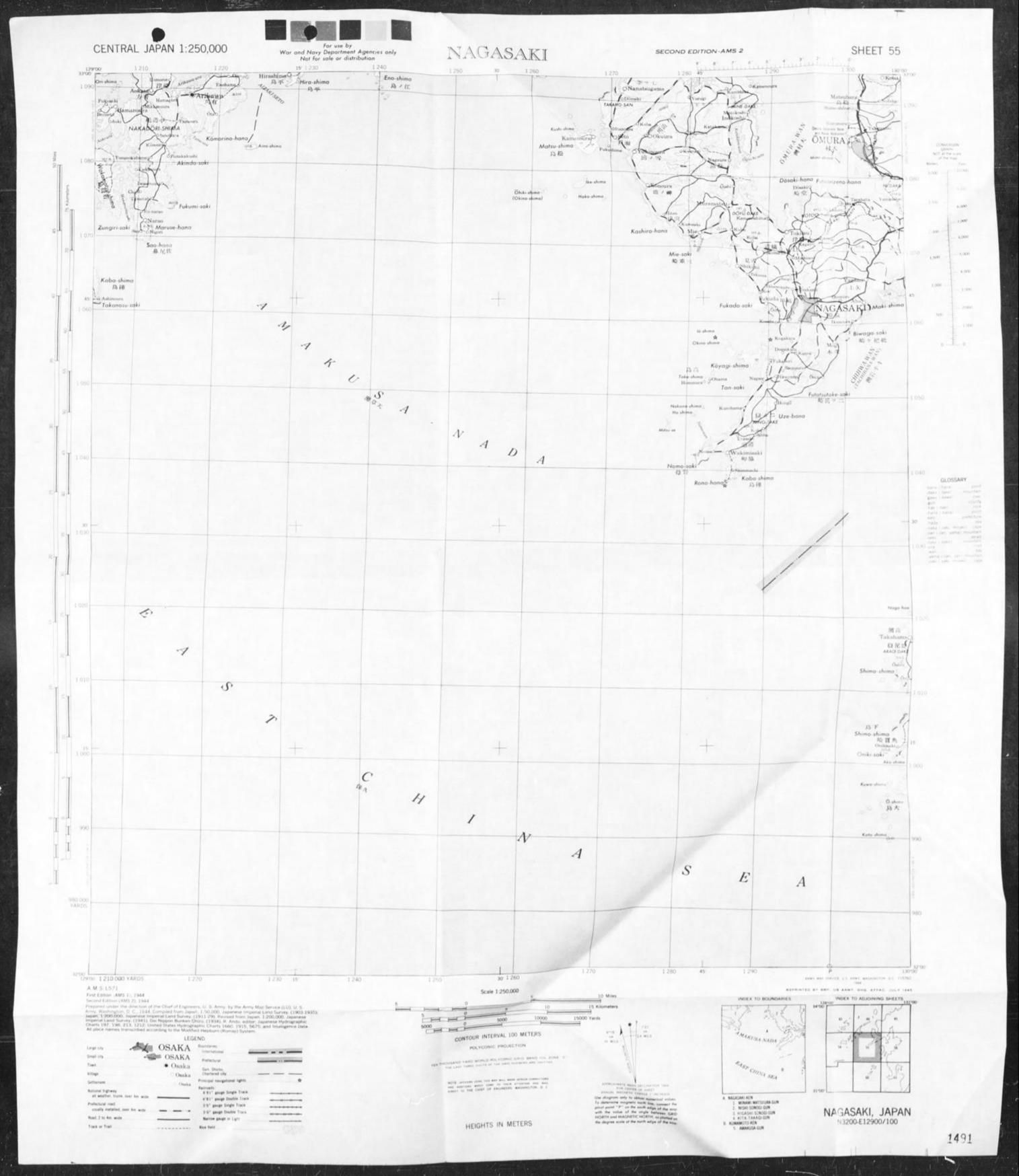


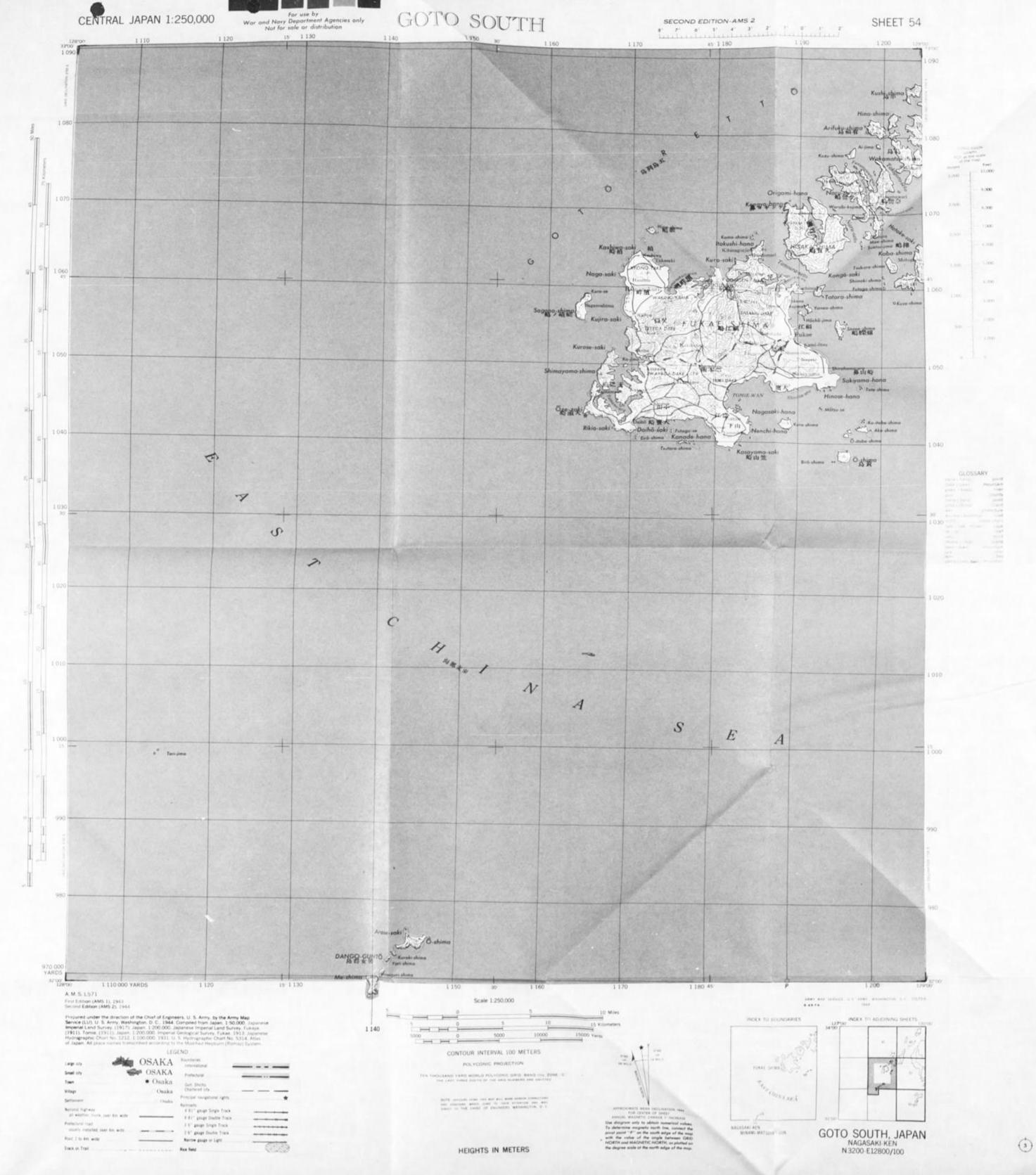








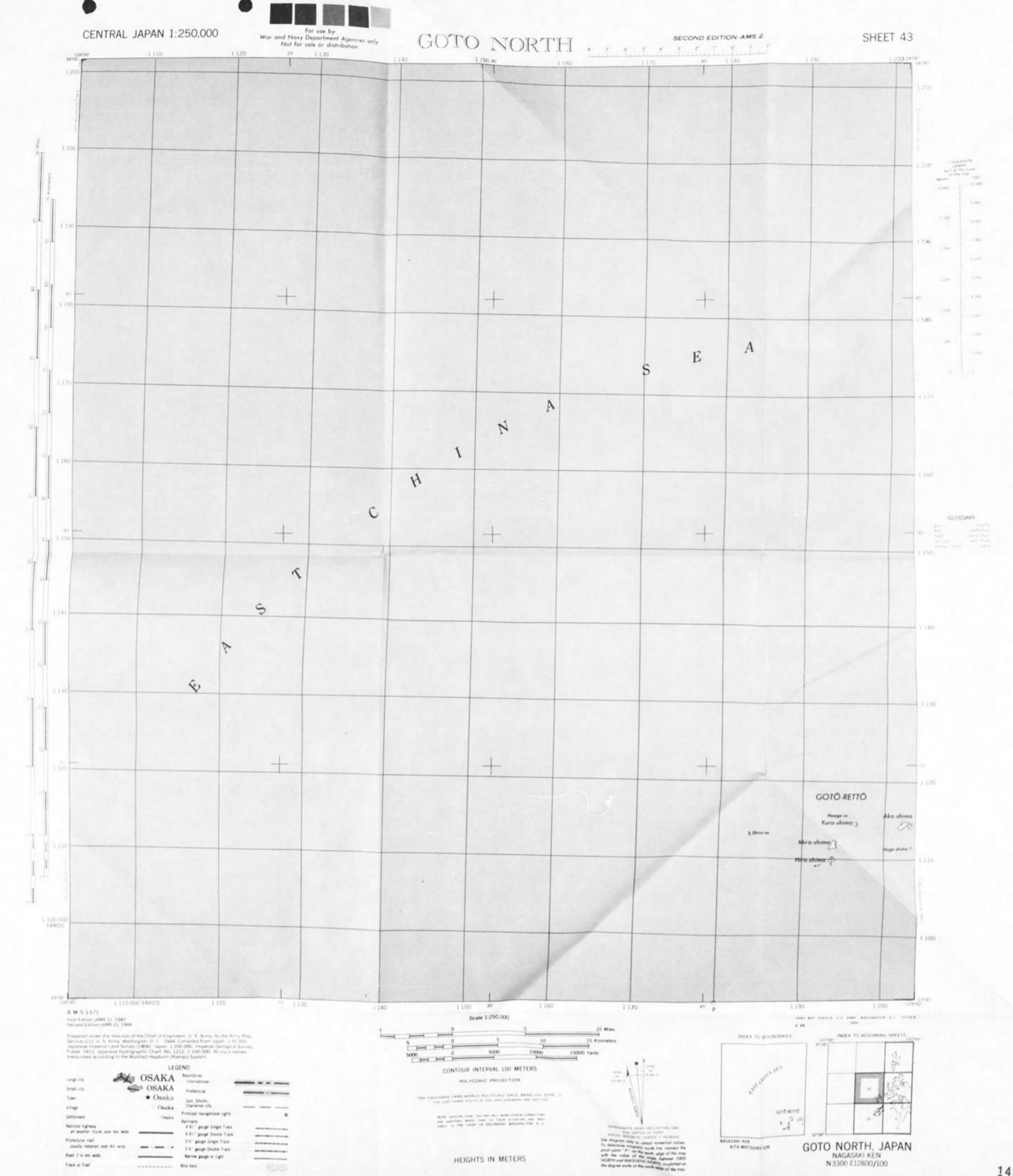


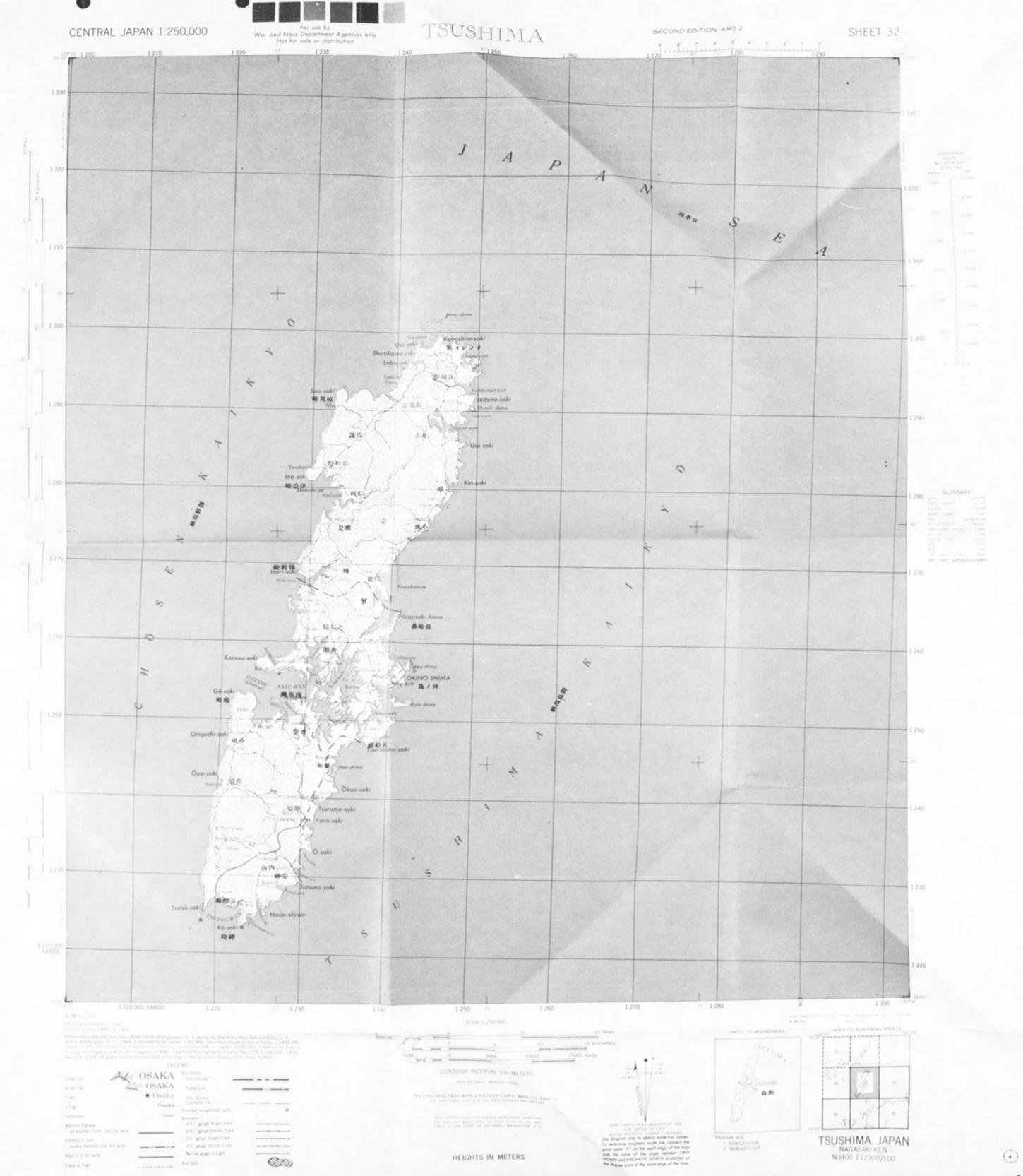




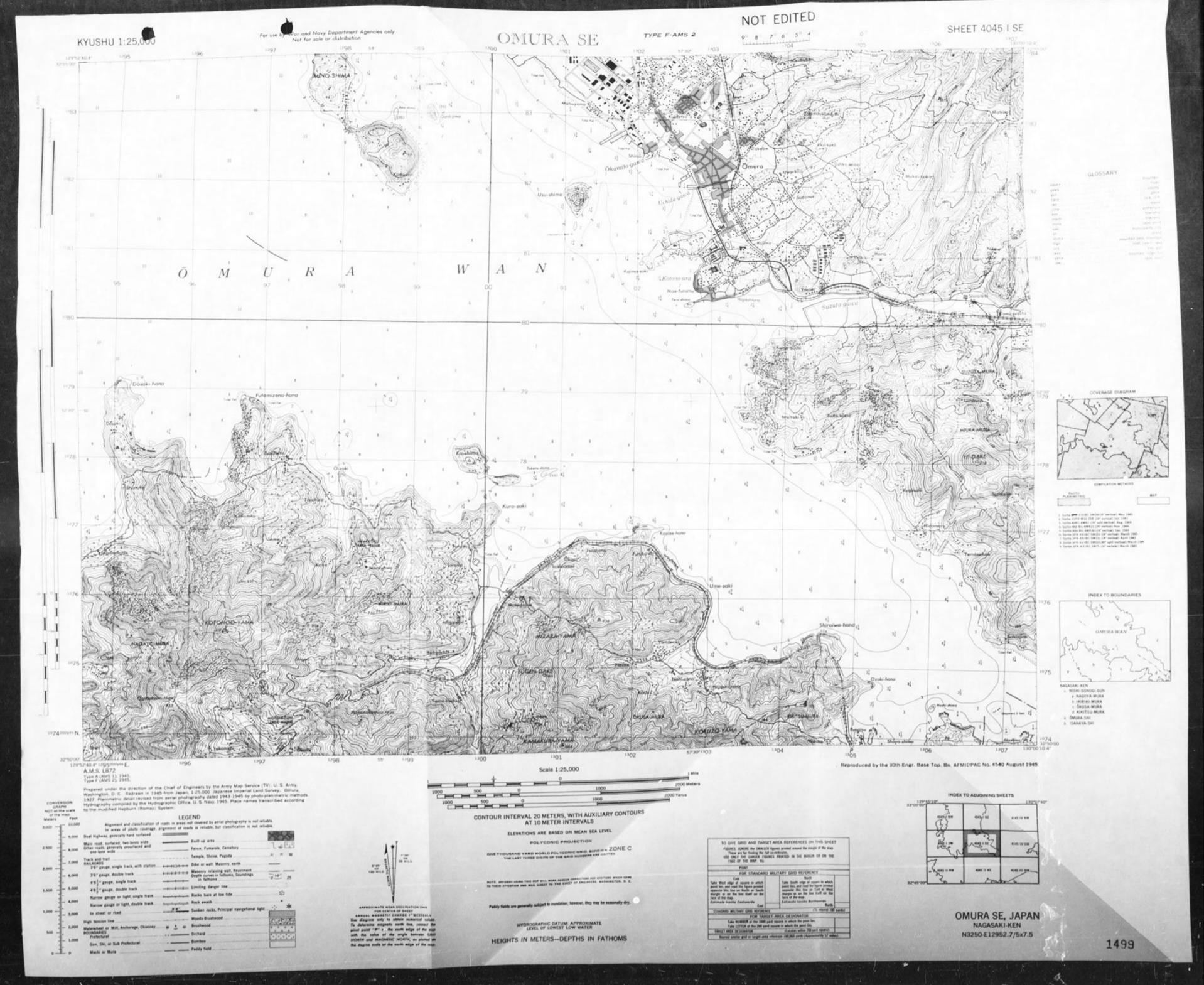


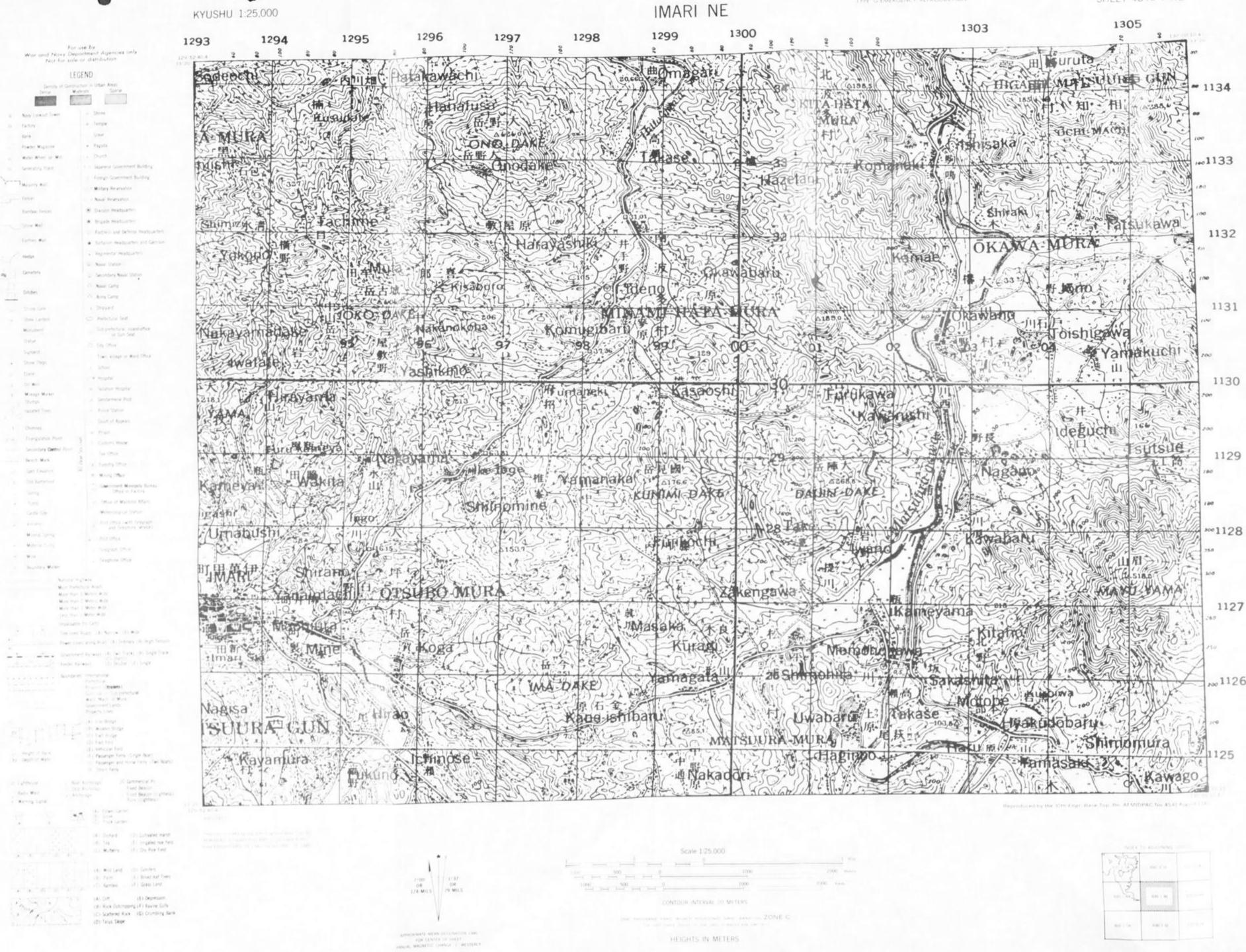






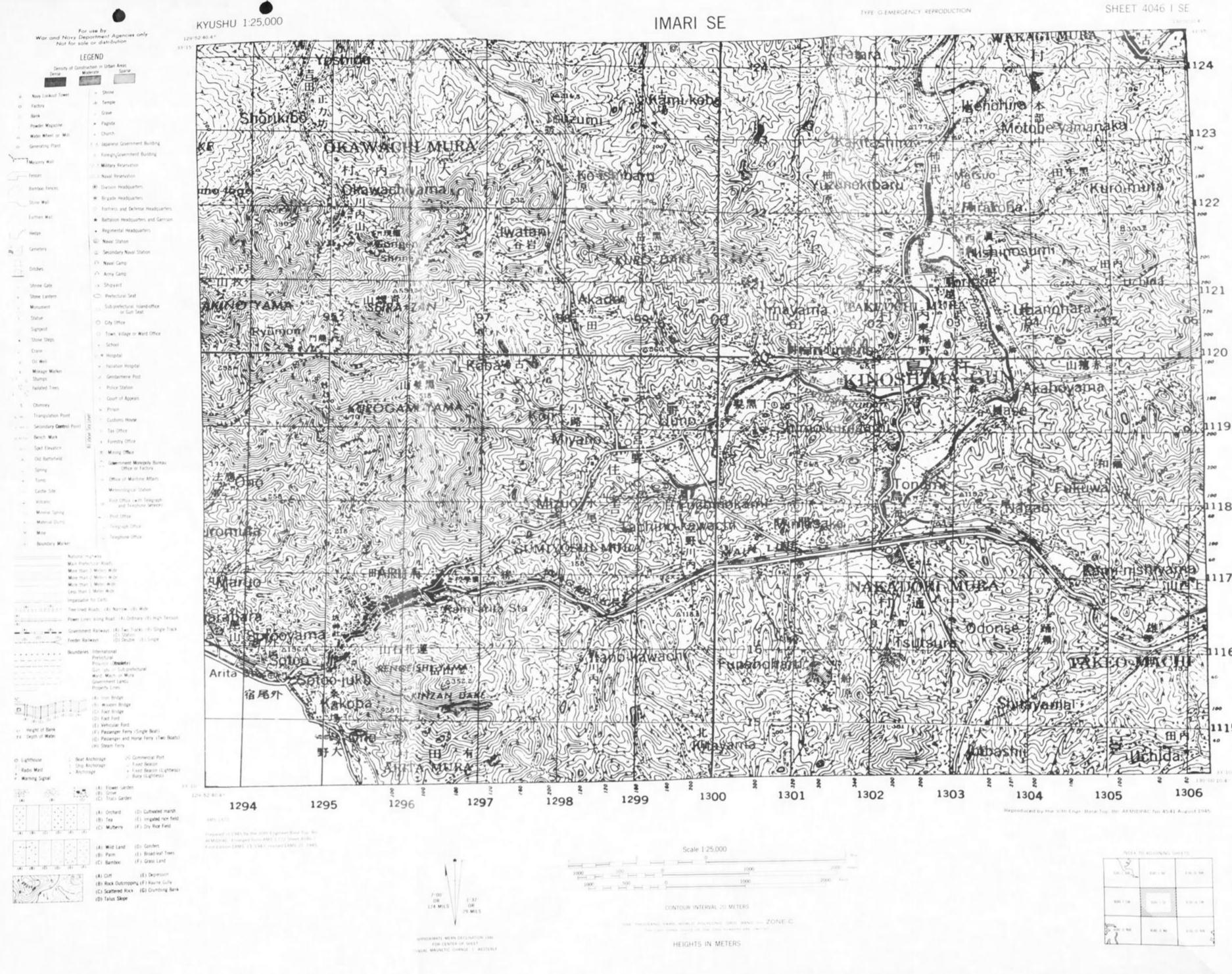


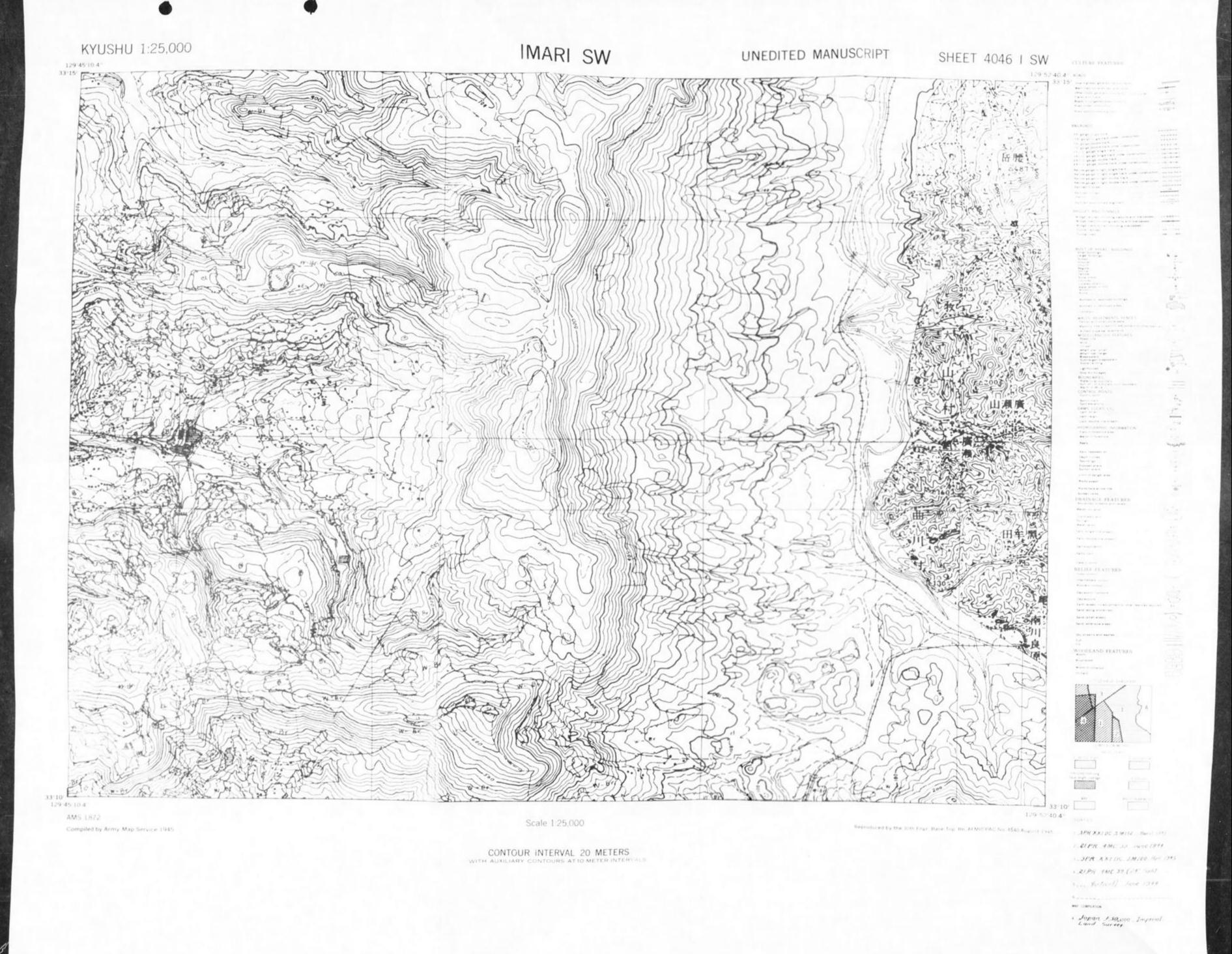


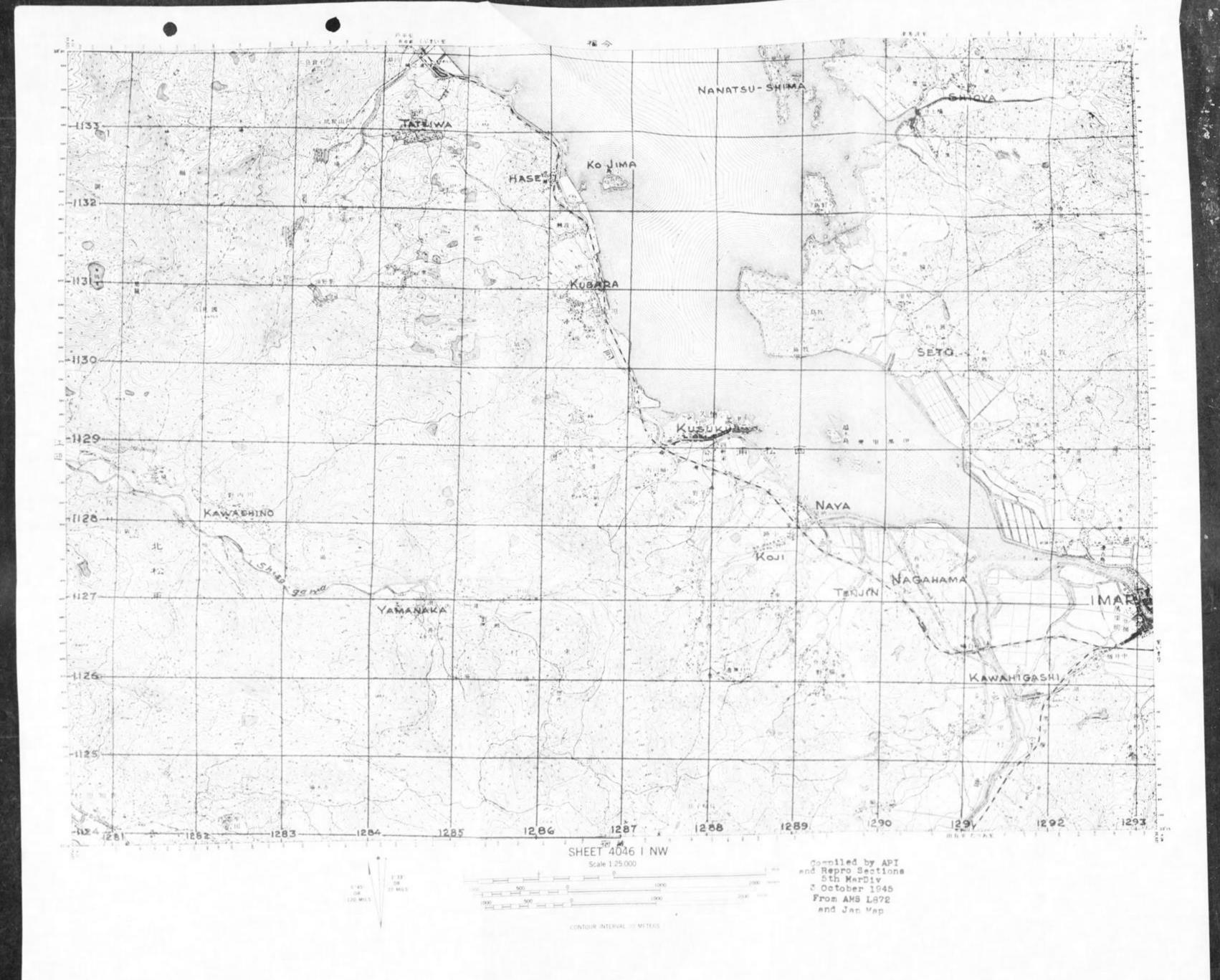


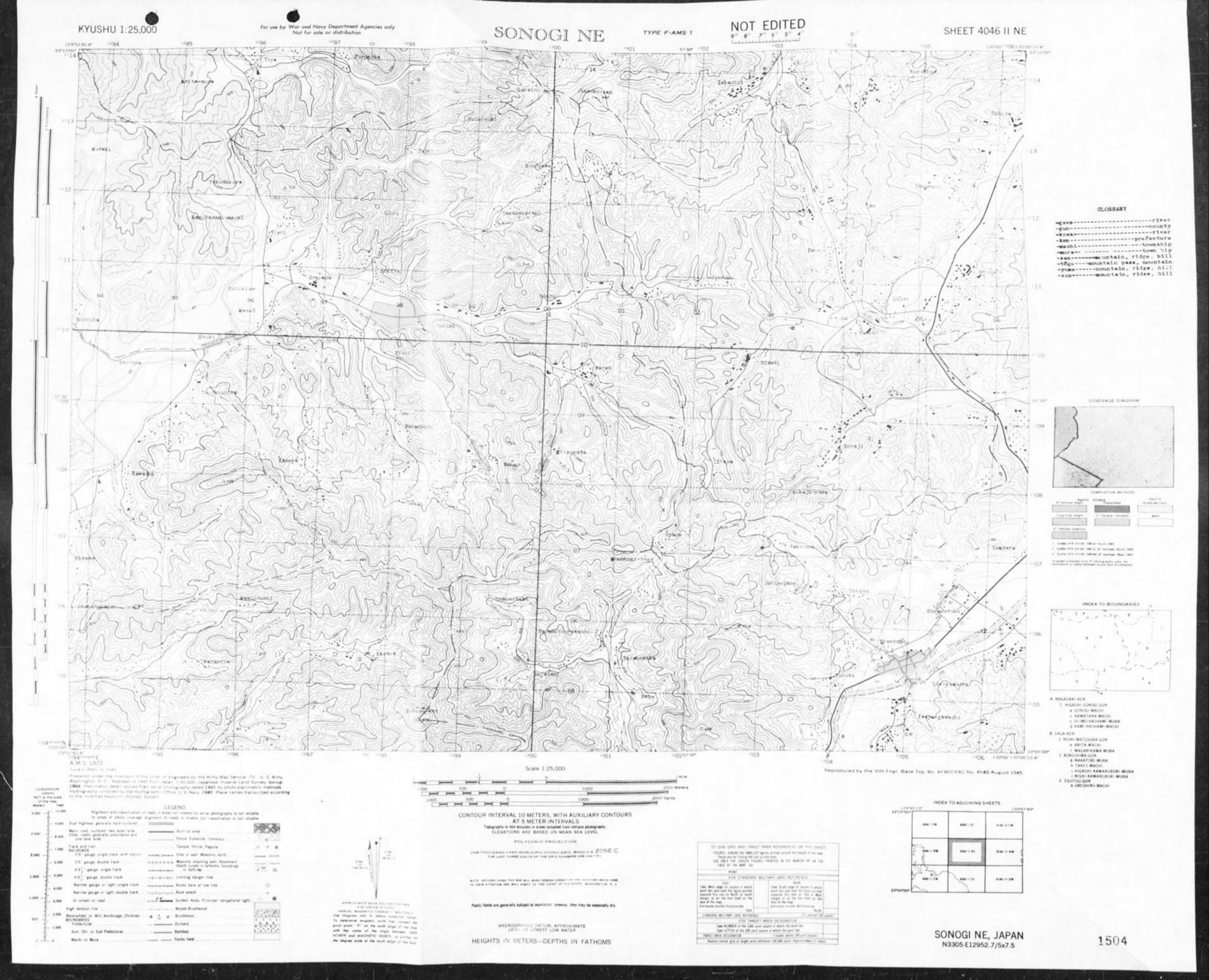
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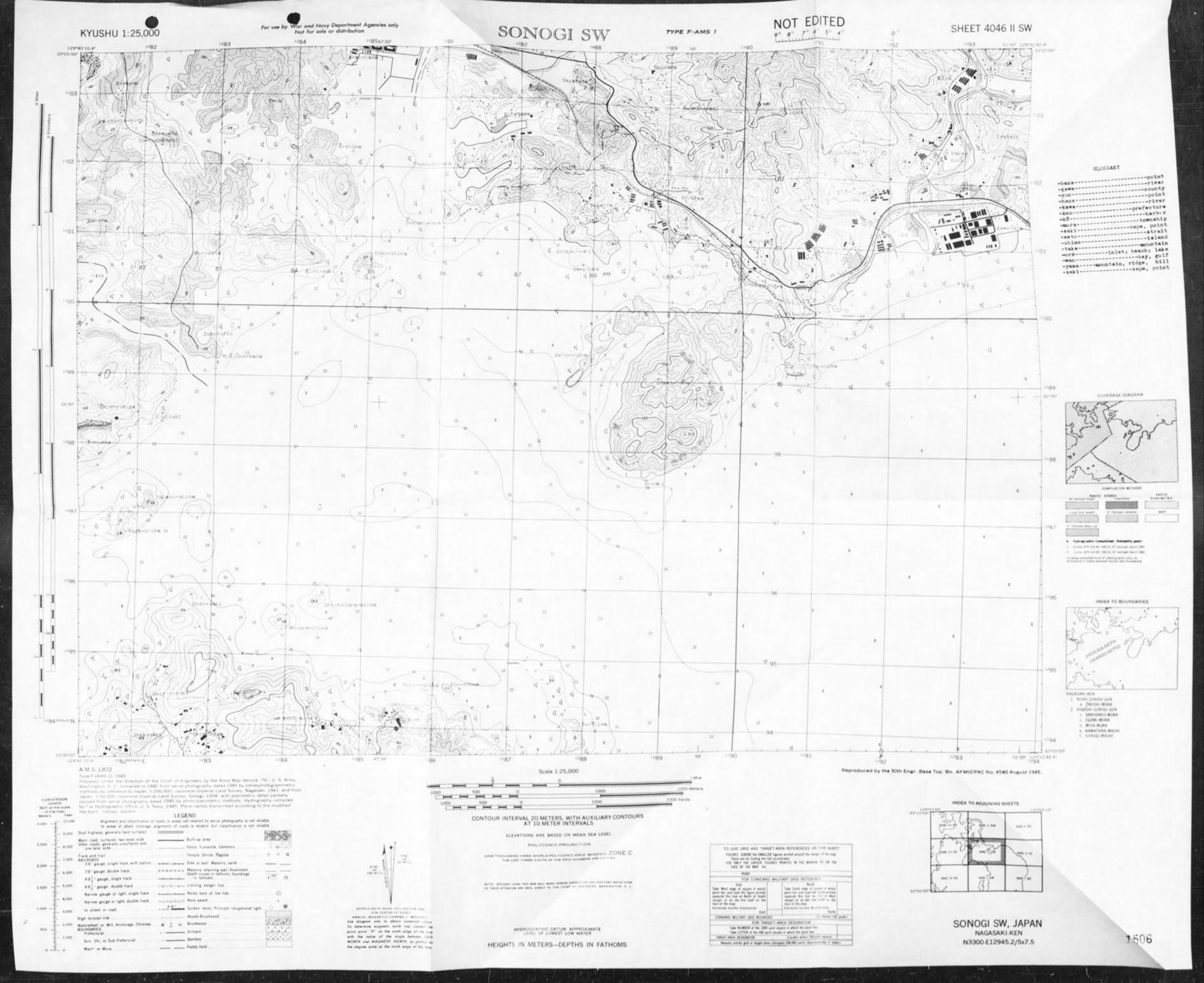




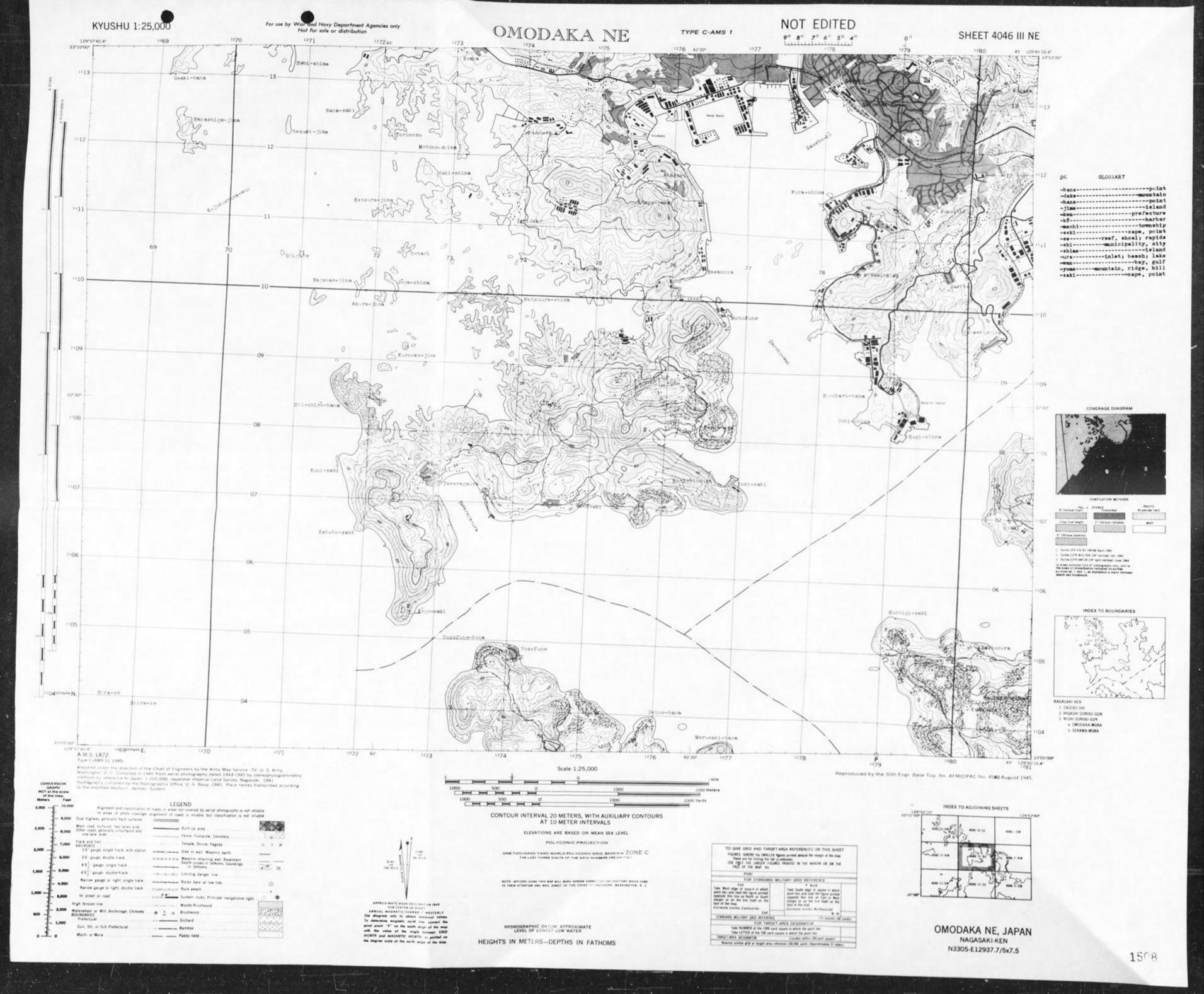


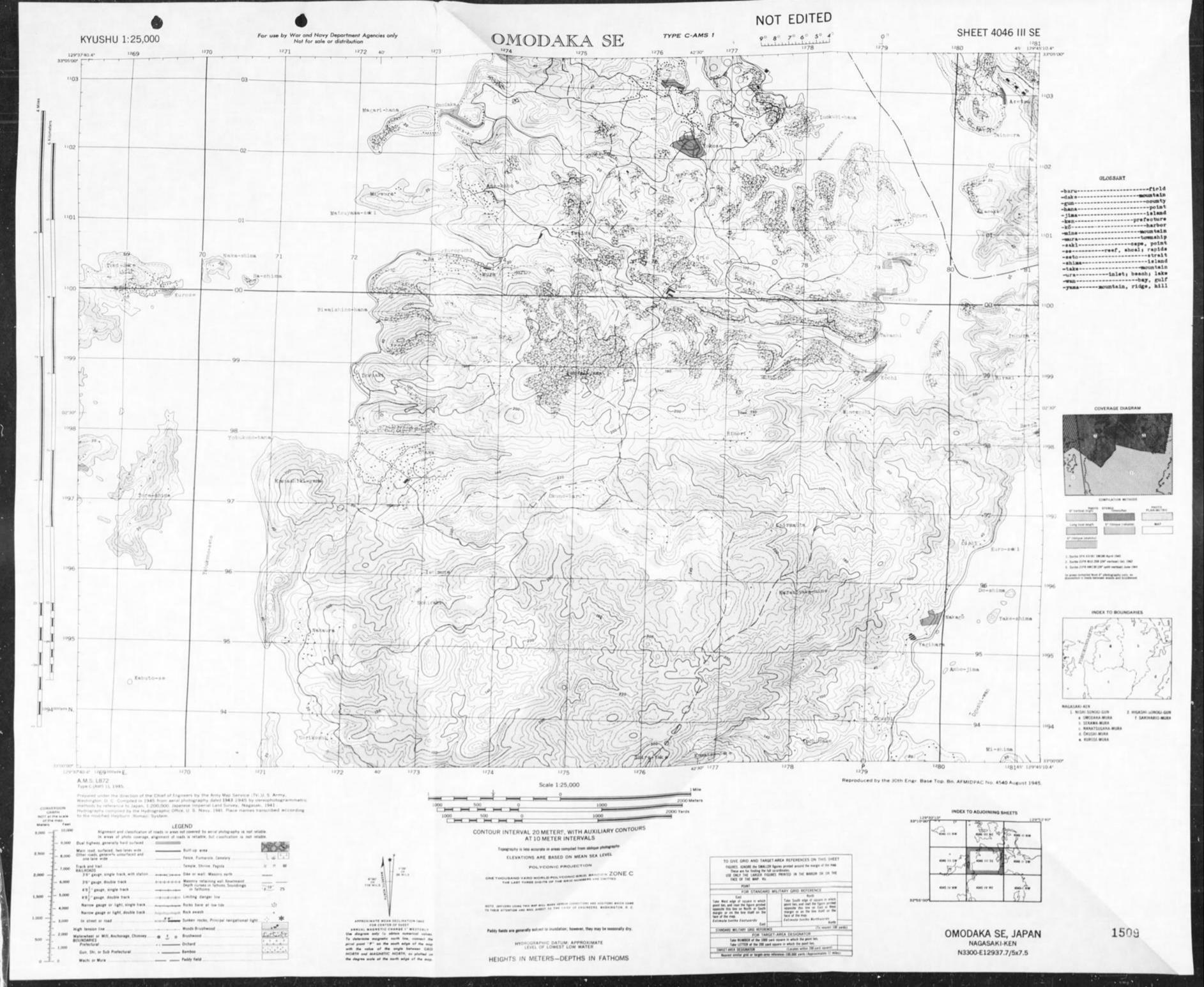
















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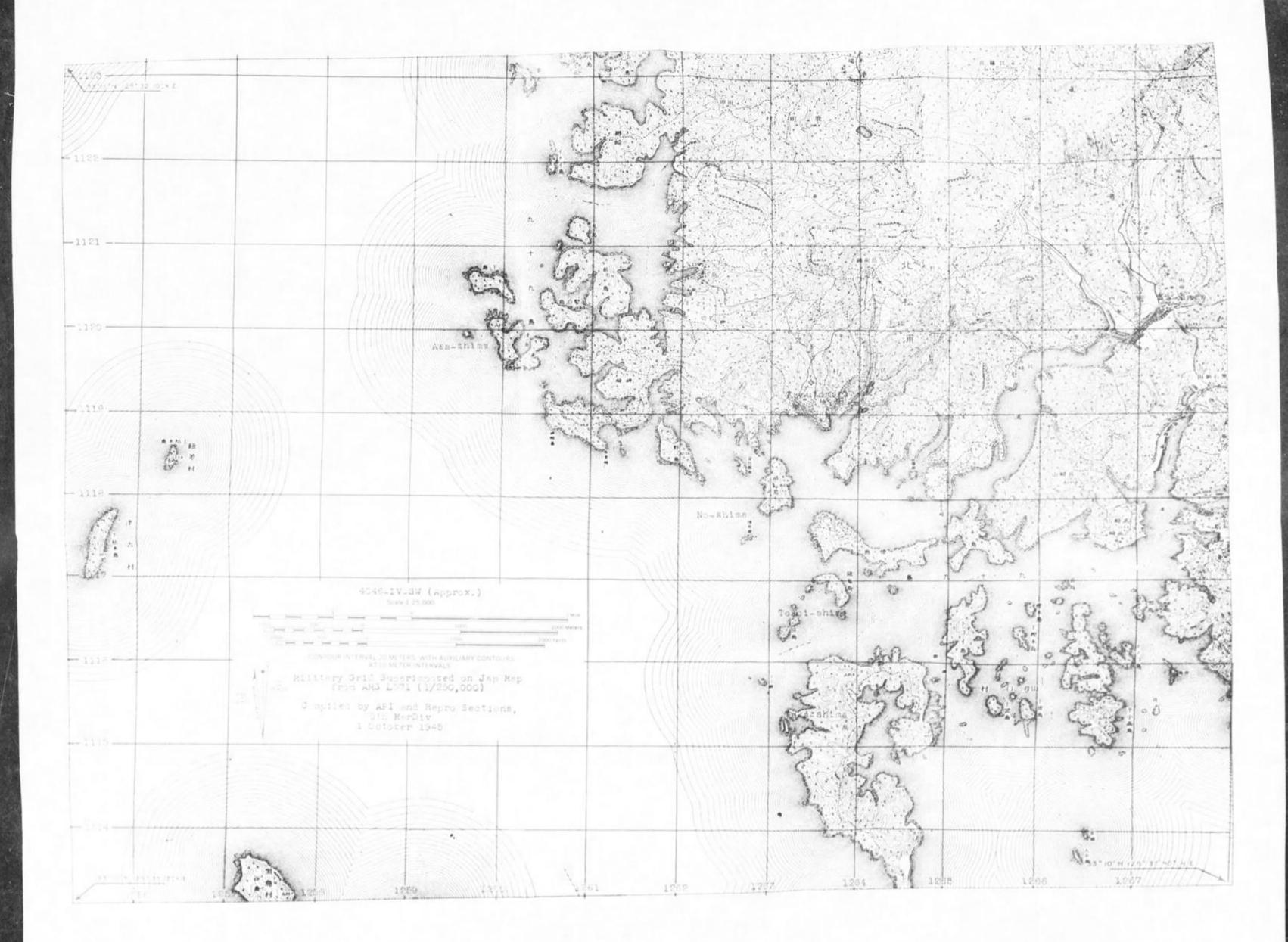
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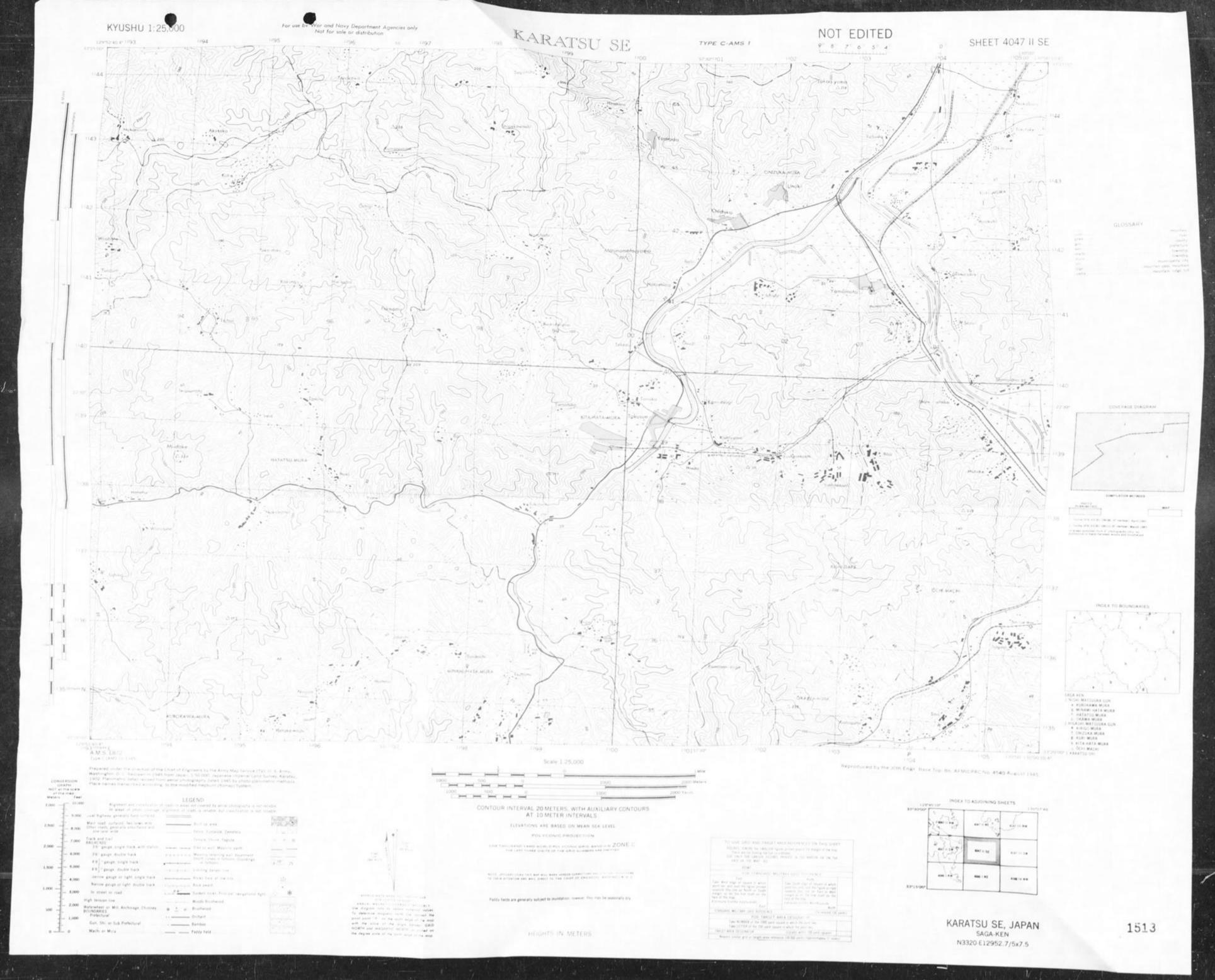
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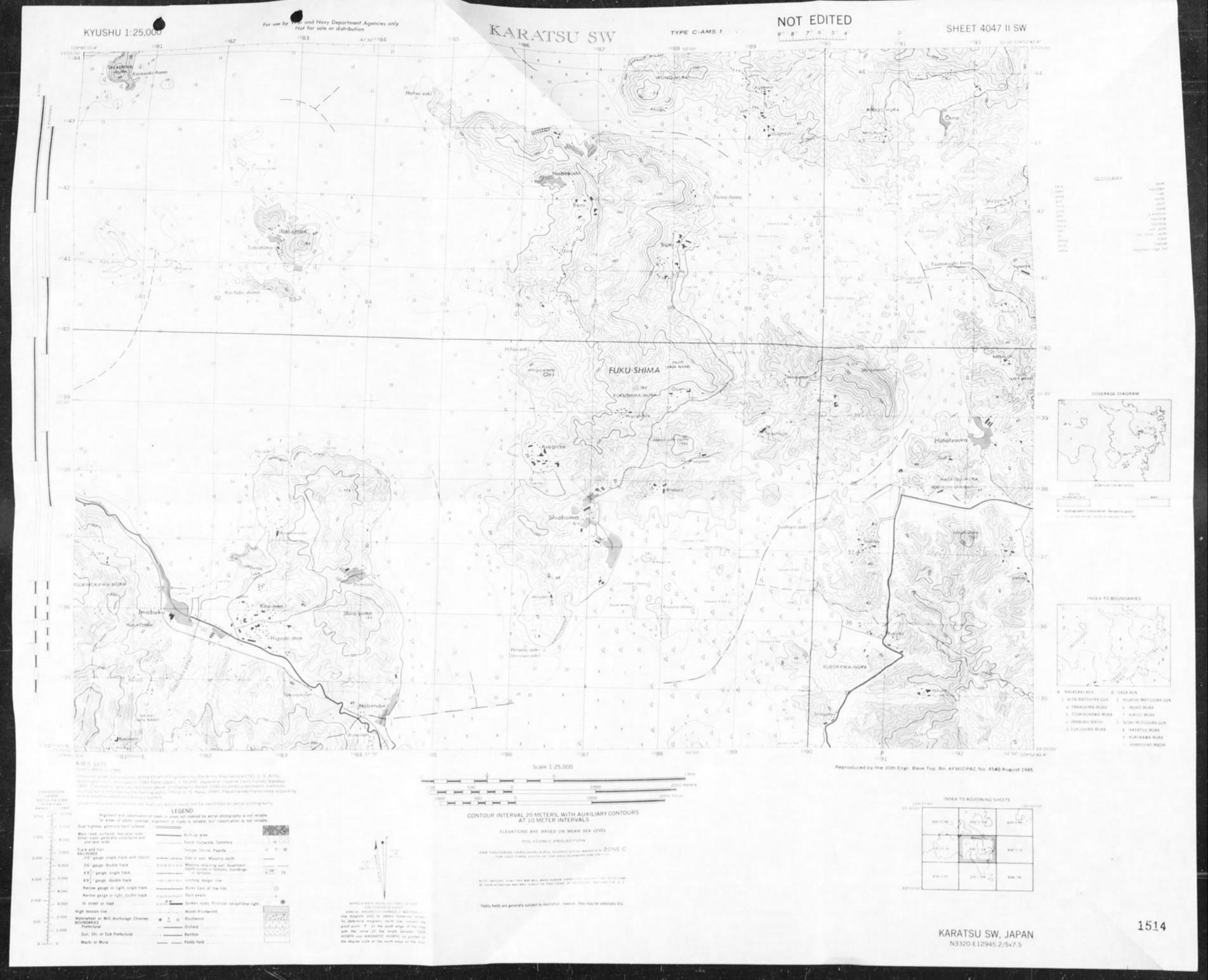


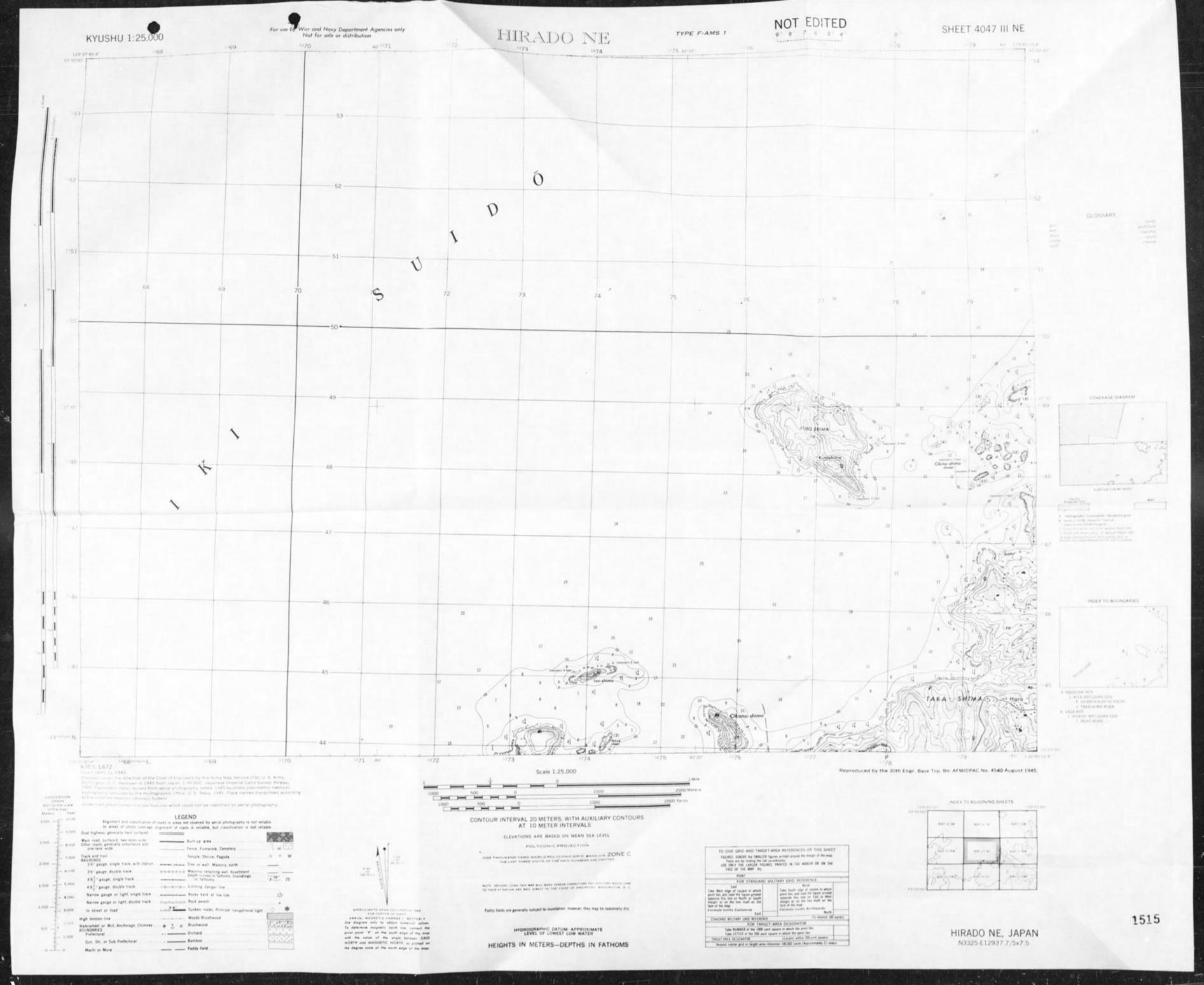


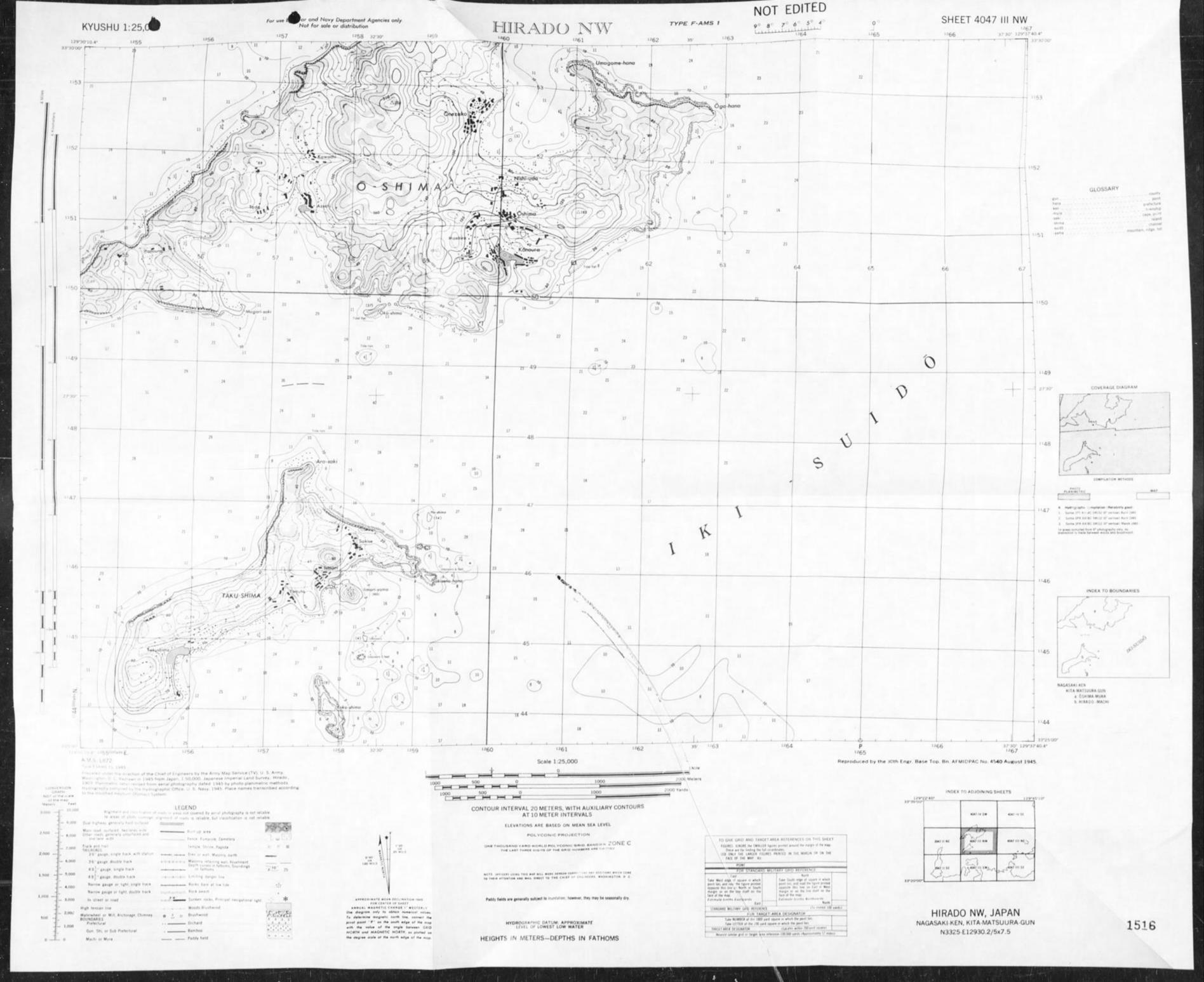
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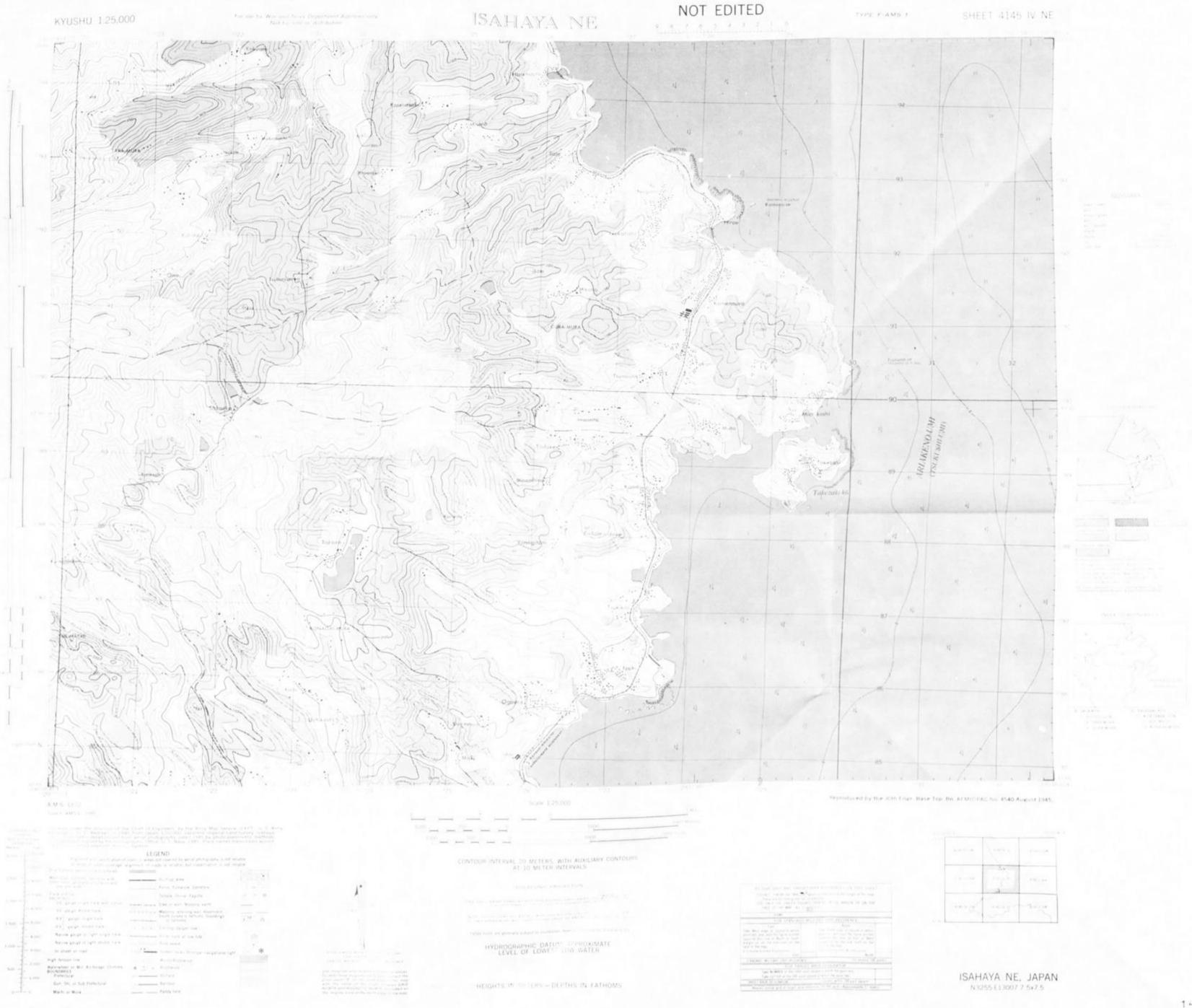












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