Expeditionary Warfare School

ARCHIVES & SPECIAL COLLECTIONS BRANCH, LIBRARY OF THE MARINE CORPS
OBJECTIVES

1. Function of the Archives
2. Materials available at the Archives
3. Accessing these materials
FUNCTION OF THE ARCHIVES

- Collect, preserve and provide access to primary source items pertaining to the history of the United States Marine Corps.
WHAT DOES THAT MEAN?

- Primary sources are documents created:
  - at the time of an event
  - by an authoritative source

- Reports, orders, photographs, correspondence, diaries, maps, interviews, and film and video
MATERIALS IN THE ARCHIVES

• 6 categories of USMC Archives’ materials
  1. Personal papers
  2. Command chronologies
  3. MCU materials
  4. USMC records, documents and publications
  5. Maps and drawings
  6. Special collections
PERSONAL PAPERS

- Correspondence, diaries, photographs, drawings, scrapbooks, and interviews

- Range in service from privates to general officers

- Range in dates from the American Revolution to current operations
Tuesday, 28 November 1950.

The attack against the 6th and 7th Marines has proved to be a serious attack. Some ground has been lost, but it will be regained. The Chinese have established a roadblock between Yudam-ni and Hagaru-ri, and also between Hagaru-ri and Koto-ri. Bridges at various places have been blown.

Just when we need the road between Chinnung-ri and the top of the mountain the Army Engineers, who have taken over the road maintenance, stopped some heavy equipment on that part of the road and it was reported that the road would be blocked for from 4 to 8 hours.

Puller, who is at Koto-ri with 2/1, is trying to open up the road between Koto-ri and Hagaru-ri, using artillery and air support. The 7th Marines is also making an effort to open the road between Yudam-ni and Hagaru-ri. In the west, the 5th Army front is crumbling, but no word has been received from Corps regarding discontinuance of the attack or withdrawal. Under the circumstances I felt it was rash to have Murray attempt to push on and I directed him to consolidate on the positions he has held west of Yudam-ni. The 7th reports its casualties, exclusive of 7 Company which is isolated halfway between Yudam-ni and Hagaru-ri, as 97 KIA, 150 WIA, and 16 MIA.

At 1615 I left Hungnam by helicopter for Hagaru-ri, where I established an operational CP. The movement was made by helicopter in view of the fact that the MSR had been cut. Fortunately we had been able to get some vehicles and working personnel into Hagaru-ri before the road was cut.

Liddel's efforts to clear the MSR were unsuccessful. He reported:

Puller has been unsuccessful in opening up the MSR between Koto-ri and Hagaru-ri. He reports that he is organizing two forces: a force which will attempt to open up the MSR tomorrow. This force will be under the command of Colonel Crystal. He will consist of: 3/3, 0 Company of 7/2, coming north to join its parent unit at Hagaru-ri; and a rifle company of the 1st Infantry, which is moving north to join its parent unit east of the Chosin reservoir. The 7th Infantry Division had pushed north of Hagaru-ri as the 1st, a battalion of the 124, and a field artillery battalion to relieve the 5th Marines on the east side of the Chosin reservoir. In addition to the units enumerated, the column will include 2 companies of our M-26 tanks, each less a platoon, and a truck convoy.

At about 2110 the Chinese launched a heavy attack against our perimeter at Hagaru-ri. The attack first came in from the south and then shifted to the west.
COMMAND CHRONOLOGIES

- Paper copies of command chronologies of all units from 1976 to present
- Electronic copies of command chronologies of deployed units from 1965 to 1975
# Command Chronologies

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### SECTION 1

### ORGANIZATIONAL DATA

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MCU MATERIALS

- Select syllabi, reading lists, and course requirements
- Select instructors’ and professors’ research materials
- Student papers from all the MCU schools
ARMOR/ANTIARMOR OPERATIONS IN SOUTHWEST ASIA

MARINE CORPS RESEARCH CENTER
RESEARCH PAPER # 92-0002
USMC RECORDS, DOCUMENTS & PUBLICATIONS

- After-action reports, and accompanying photographs, maps, and blueprints
- Tables of organization and tables of equipment
- Studies and analyses
D-S ESTIMATE OF THE ENEMY SITUATION

Maps:  
(1) Tactical map Southern OKINAWA, 1:25,000.  
(2) Attached overlay showing disposition.

1. Summary of the Energy Situation

(a) Enemy strength

(1) Estimate of troops on OKINAWA GUNTO as of 21 February, 1945.

SOUTHERN OKINAWA

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TOTAL ON OKINAWA GUNTO

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(2) Units presently identified are:

Combat

- 24th Inf Div
- 44th Ind Mixed Brig
- 15th Ind Mixed Regt (1 Rn on Ie SHIMA)
- 27th En Regt
- 1st Art Mort Regt

TOTAL 25,000-27,000
## Estimate of Mobile Artillery on Okinawa

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(1) Some reports indicate that Med Arty armament is being replaced with 75mm Guns or a high velocity 47mm.
(2) Many standard Divs have from 36 to 48 - 75mm Mttn Guns in lieu of 75mm Field Guns.
(3) Host AA Regts encountered to date indicate 1 Btry of 2 - 75mm Guns (16).
(4) In lieu of (or in addition to) 70mm Inf Guns, some Divs may have 36 - 81mm Mortars.
(5) Div Arty is very flexible. 7/0 of a standard Div lists 3 Bns of 3 - 75mm Ccs each. However, a study of the 1944 mobilization plan for the Japanese Army indicates that the Div Arty of a standard Div probably consists of 1 Bn of 75mm Hows, and 1 Bn of 150mm Hows as shown above.
(6) Some Med Arty Regts have 1 Bn of 150mm Hows (12) and 1 Bn of 105mm Guns (8). The presence of this Regt on OKINAWA is considered very doubtful.
MAPS AND DRAWINGS

• Maps and overlays from Marine Corps campaigns and operations

• Diagrammatic materials of early Marine Corps amphibious landing craft, machinery, equipment, and facilities.
SPECIAL COLLECTIONS

• Rare and unique published materials of value to the Marine Corps and military history research.
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