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Forthcoming Anniversaries

3 November 1918: Armistice with Austria Hungary
5 November 1900: New South Welshmen in operations against Boers in Bothaville, South Africa
7 November 1940: Mines off Wilson's Promontory sink British freighter Cambridge
9 November 1914: HMAS
Sydney sinks German raider
SMS Emden at Cocos Island
10 November 1950: 3 RAR patrols to Pakchon and captures
25 North Korean prisoners

RUSIA Defence Update

A weekly e-newsletter relating to our security & defence

Service Newspapers in the Second World War



News and information – particularly from 'home' is an essential in war. Australian service personnel had several newspapers and magazines issued during the war and for the period afterwards as troops were repatriated. They included *AIF News, Guinea Gold* (shared with US troops in PNG), *Table Tops* and *Army Magazine*.

Printing was done by the First Australian Army Press Unit in Atherton, Qld. Distribution wasn't one per person – most copies were put on bulletin boards and often did not survive

further.

The 8th January 1946 copy of *Table Tops* shown here was read in Morotai, still a large Australian base in the Halmaheras. It had articles on the judicial enquiry on the controversial escape from Singapore by Lt Gen Gordon Bennett, repatriation of the nearly 28.00 troops on the island and many other topical issues.

Key: (M) - magazine or website; (N) - newspaper; (F) - film; (P) - podcast

Strategy

The long war: fighting beyond the first battle: (M)RUSI

Defence

Five Eyes A4 collaboration forum: (F)Defence

Why South Korea wanted an SSN deal with the US—and what it may mean for Australia: (M)AspiStrategist

Australian public and institutional responses to Taiwan Strait crises: (M)Aspi

Navy

HMAS Stirling preps for submarine maintenance work: (M) Asia Pacific Defence Reporter

Air Force

Exercise Bushido Guardian 25: (F)RAAF

New Zealand

New Zealand Army wraps up largest South Island exercise with combat drills: (M)DefensePost

Indonesia

Adding a fighter type is not the answer to Indonesia's defence needs: (M) AspiStrategist

Southeast Asia

ASEAN's centrality will not hold: (M) AspiStrategist

Indo Pacific

The invisible siege: Securing the Indo-Pacific's telecom backbone: (M)AspiStrategist

UK

Boeing taps former defense procurement minister for president of its UK arm: (M)BreakingDefense

US

A combat aircraft that doesn't need vulnerable Western Pacific air bases: (M)AspiStrategist Should the Army bring back the Pentomic Division? (M)ArmyTimes

US will share tech to let South Korea build nuclear submarine: Trump: (M)DefenseNews

Trump says he'll sign order to direct Navy to use steam for aircraft carrier catapults: (M)BreakingDefense

NATO & EU

NATO praises nation's support for Ukraine: (M)Contact
Reduced US military presence in Europe an 'adjustment': NATO: (M)DefensePost

Middle East

Iran nuclear negotiations snap back to the past: (M)IISS

Palestinian factions agree to hand Gaza to technocrat committee: (M)DefensePost

From fragmentation to integration: prospects for security sector reform in post-Assad Syria: (M)IISS

Ukraine

Ukraine's Challenger tank strategy has UK stunned... it's pure genius: <u>(F)MilitaryShow</u> Ukraine picked the Gripen. Here's why — and where there may be challenges: <u>(M)BreakingDefense</u>

China & Taiwan

Trump's US can still defend Taiwan. But will it? (M) AspiStrategist

Russia

What's with Russia's crippled submarine? (M)Navalinstitute
Putin defies Trump with second nuclear weapons test in days: (M)DefensePost

Military History

Recommended: The Empire Air Training Scheme: (F)RAAF The bombing of Rabaul, November 11, 1943: (F)HistoryGuy Please pass this newsletter to your friends and invite them to join their state RUSI Some url's may be subject to an intermittent paywall