

**IN WW1, 2 & VIETNAM, DIGGERS DIDN'T MIND STRIPPING
OFF TO WORK IN STREAMS AND RIVERS.**

**THEY ALSO
WORKED IN
SHORTS, SWIM
SUITS, AND FLIP-
FLOPS, IN THE
EXTREME HEAT.**





**Naked
unidentified
soldier
salving
limbers from
the Jordan
River at
Ghoraniyeh.
The limbers
were washed
into the river
after heavy
rain.
1917**

SARANG, NEW GUINEA. 1944-05-31. TROOPS AND STORES OF THE 37/52ND INFANTRY BATTALION BEING LANDED AT THE BEACH. THE AREA IS IN USE AS A FORWARD BASE IN PREPARING FOR THE ATTACK AGAINST KARKAR ISLAND. IDENTIFIED PERSONNEL ARE:- V255764 PRIVATE V.L. HENDRICKSON (1); VX132301 PRIVATE H.THOMAS (2); VX104196 LIEUTENANT F.E MCKELLAR, DETAIL ISSUE DEPOT, AUSTRALIAN ARMY SERVICE CORPS (3); VX137577 PRIVATE L.G. HUNTER (4); V129159 PRIVATE R.E. PEARCE (5); V285288 PRIVATE R.L. FORD (6).







**BOUGAINVILLE,
1945-07-31. TROOPS
OF 29 INFANTRY
BRIGADE WASHING
THE HEAVY MUD OF
THE BUIN ROAD OFF
THEIR VEHICLES IN
THE OGORATA RIVER
AND FINDING NO
SHORTAGE OF
WATER.**



**MILNE BAY, NEW
GUINEA. 1943-06-26.
DRIVERS OF
HEADQUARTERS,
5TH AUSTRALIAN
DIVISION WASHING
THEIR VEHICLES AT
HAGITI BRIDGE ON
THE KALOHI CREEK.**









WASHING CLOTHES IN RIVER

**Two soldiers rest
after a swim in
the Nacimientos
River on 9 March
1944**

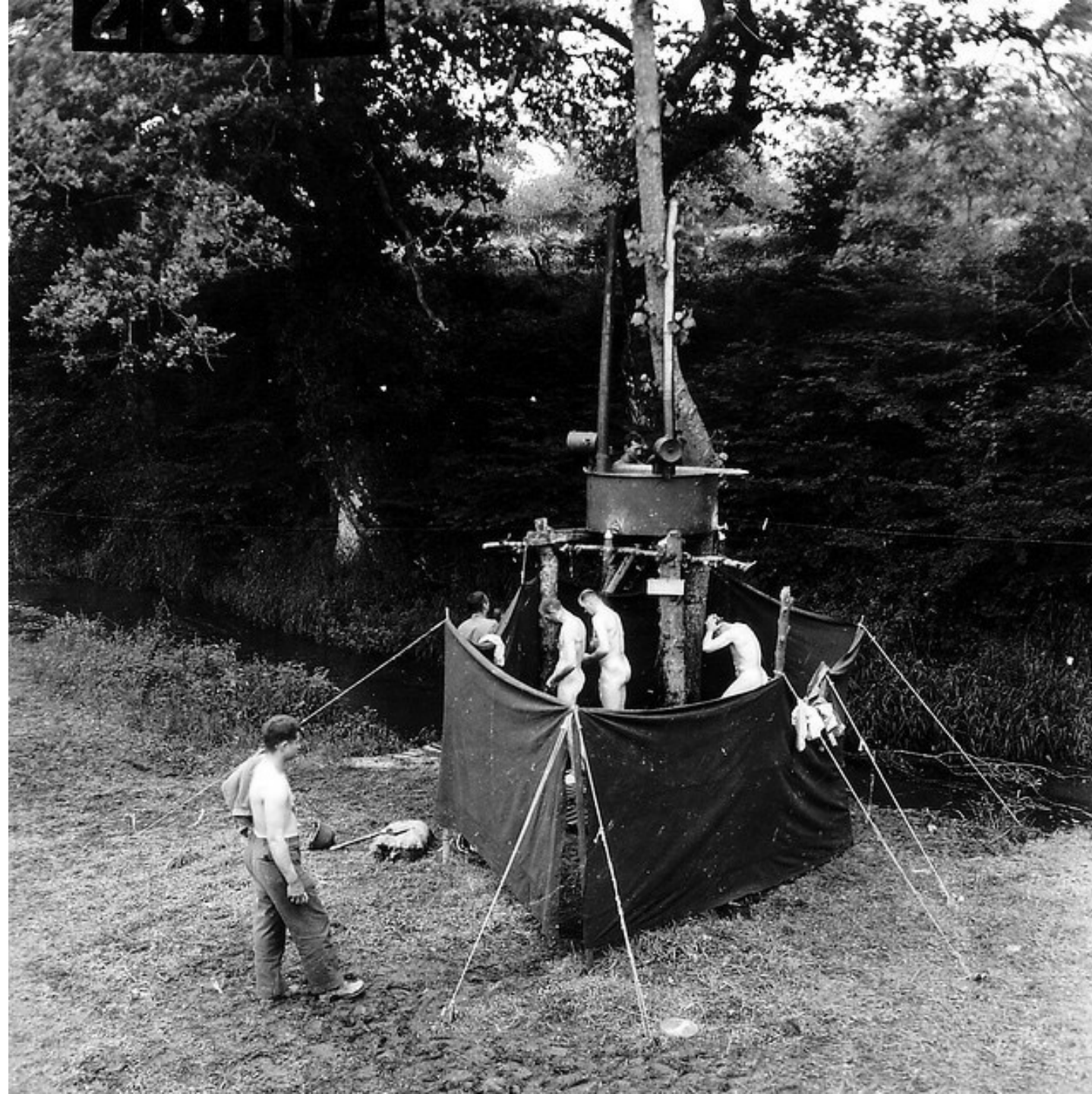
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Diggers bathing and washing their clothes in a body of water.





**SHOWER
TOPSIDE
ON A SUB**









AITAPE AREA, NEW GUINEA, 1944-11. TROOPS OF 22 FIELD COMPANY, ROYAL AUSTRALIAN ENGINEERS, USE WATER PRESSURE TO DRIVE PILES IN THE CONSTRUCTION OF A BRIDGE LOCATED APPROXIMATELY HALF WAY BETWEEN AITAPE AND THE DRINIUMOR RIVER TO CARRY MOTOR TRANSPORT ACROSS THE AKANAI RIVER.





Henry Reid Bay, New Britain, 20 March 1945. A jeep and trailer, laden with boxes of rations, are ferried across a jungle river on a pontoon floating on empty fuel drums as Australian troops move up to a forward area to attack the Japanese







Photos from the Horseshoe

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