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William James Reinhold Collection

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1 box

Contents
Press clippings, typescript articles, photographs, maps, correspondence, awards, citations, testimonials. The collection of papers, photographs and maps describes the construction of the Bulldog-Wau Road in New Guinea in 1943.

Biography
William James Reinhold (1889–1966) was a civil and military engineer born and educated in Brisbane. After graduating from the University of Queensland in 1914, he was selected with nine other Australian engineering graduates to serve with the Royal Engineers in World War I. After the war he returned to Queensland, serving simultaneously as Northern Engineer of the Public Estate Improvement Branch of the Department of Public Lands from July 1919 and the first Supervising Engineer for the Main Roads Board in North Queensland. In 1923, Reinhold commenced practice as a consulting engineer, his work closely linked with the Main Roads Board and many local authorities. In 1943 he directed construction of the 110km Bulldog-Wau Road over the Owen Stanley Range, described by the late General Sir Thomas Blamey as one of the greatest feats in army engineering history. Built between January and August 1943 under extremely difficult conditions, this road construction was described in detail by Reinhold in the John Thomson Lecture for 1945. Colonel Reinhold was awarded a military O.B.E. for his work in New Guinea. After being invalided out of the army in 1944, Reinhold returned to private practice where in the post-war years the backlog in water supply and sewerage schemes in country towns and the demand for improved roads ensured a continual supply of work. Reinhold died in 1966.

Notes
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Folder 1
Awards, citations

Folder 2
Biographical notes, testimonials

Folder 3
The Bulldog-Wau Road. [194?] With accompanying maps. A fuller account than the official report
Folder 4
Collection of photographs illustrating his report on the building of the Bulldog-Wau Road, New Guinea. Also some photographs taken in France during World War I.

Folder 5
Letters of congratulation sent to Reinhold, either on completion of the Bulldog-Wau Road, New Guinea, or on his being awarded the O.B.E.

Folder 6
Press clippings

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Folder 8
The Wau-Labu road. [194?]

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Folder 10
Bulldog - or bust; cover title of an album of photographs taken during a trans-island road walk, Sep 1978.