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Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks, references to Appendices and initials
Hainaker Camp	1 Jun 43		<p>Two Courts of In uiry convened. Absence of A.2444 Lte. Smith, F.I. and damage to 2 pr gun 30 May 43. A/Lt. Col. Macdonald returned (by request) from leave. 'M' trg carried out at ranges (HAINAKER) under Lieut. G.A. Ran. 2" Mortar personnel and res to be fired. Gas trg carried out under Lieut. MacLellan - muster parade conducted by Lieut. T.C. Wilson. Two G.Hs. S.O.S. Inf Coy. Rear Party still at MIDDLETON. Major Beade expresses difficulty of obtaining G.E. personnel to facilitate hand-over. Captains Campbell and Harris proceeded on leave. A fire occurred in 'A' Coy stores which completely destroyed the G.1098 and stores as well as the tent in which it was stored. It occurred when A.2319 L/Cgt. Wilson, A/C.O.M.S. inadvertently threw a lighted match on an open petrol tin. Court of In uiry to be convened by Bde. The fire caused some excitement as about 6000 rds of .303 went off and no one could do a great deal about putting it out. Most concerned - Lieut. S.B. Macdonald the Unit Fire Officer - least concerned - Lt. Col J.H. Mothersill whose regimental worries are over.</p>	FF
	2 Jun 43		<p>P.O.C.M. Lts. Wyper, P. at 0900 hrs this date. Waiting member Lieut. R. Taylor (B208), under instr Lieut. T.S. Martin, Capt. J.C. Cottrell (B208), Pts, Lieut. G.A. Ponsford, Def. Capt. P.A. Fansbrough. Convened at the T.M.C.A. (Capt. H.C. Laird out for Lieut. Taylor). Weather wind and rain. Capt. H. P. Thomson has been acting as 2 i/c temporarily and has carried out his duties in an energetic manner. Trg: 'A' Coy - ranges, 'B' Coy - Duty Coy, 'C' Coy - Battle Drill, 'Sp' Coy: 3 pl - Battle Drill 4 pl - Carrier Course, No tar 11 - Gun Drill, 6 pl - On course at B. F. C.O. interviewed the officers of the unit. Weather very poor and the tabloid sports had to be postponed until Fri. 8 O.Hs. S.O.S. (4 unsuitables and 3 O.C.T.T. candidates (Sgt. Collie, Sgt. Scobie and 1/3pl. Jardine), Sgt. Horn to C.T.S. as an instr. Captain Fansbrough moved up from rear party. A Major Beade recommended for confirmation of rank. Shortly before midnight a message dreamed up by Div was received URGENT - BRIGHT is contained a wrong M.F. and an incorrect telephone number. NOT BAD. It pertained to liaison with the 199 Inf Bde as this unit would act in support role, as a res bn. 199 Inf Bde located at J. TOWN HQ 594317 and as liaison was to be immediatel, the Adj. and the I.O. made efforts to do so - result - English, when the correct phone was finally unearthed by Div, and sent to us, stated, it would be much more convenient after breker!</p>	FF

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Helmaker Camp	3 Jun 43.		Weather lousy - result muddy roads, dirty shoes! All sub comds busy checking C.O.s and stores preparatory to "handing over", between Lt.Col Mothersill to Lt.Col. Macdonald. Many gray hairs and furrowed brows amongst the sub-comds. Trg: 'Sp' Coy - Spec and Maintenance, a 20 mile march, 'B' Coy - Duties, 'C' Coy - Rifle range. New C.O. visited the Bde Comd 199 Inf Bde to whom the unit is to play the support role. In view of Div's unintelligible message of last night, the situation is still clouded - C.O.s. visit will clear the air. Mess dinner held in the evening - Lt.Col Macdonald's first. Col Pawle was a guest from Div an old friend of the units and always welcome. Capt. D. Macken a/c, 'C' Coy Comd and Lieut. J.A. McCormick returned from Coy Comds Course and Pl Comds Course respectively. 6 C.O.s. also reverted back from various courses.	FJ
	4 Jun 43.		Fairly large attendance or should I say increase in the A.W.L.s., it is thought that 'Boys' do not like having to rough it, however, they'll have to get used to it. 1st offence min - 2nd offence max - 3rd offence F.O.C.M. is the C.O.'s Policy. Tabloid Sports very successful won by the Signal Pl runners up 'B' Coy (scratch team). Col. Macdonald and the I.O. accompanied by the 199 Bde Offrs, all arty, made a recon in new counter attack role of the unit. This incl recon at TANGMAN GR and FORD GR. Visit by Div Personnel Offr and P.R.O. General mess meeting held by the officers and considerable ground was covered on a large number of points cleared up - in fact the air was cleared up considerably. An 'C' Coy meeting and Coy Comds meeting was held afterwards. It only lasted three hours but a great deal was accomplished. The C.O. put everyone into the picture re the units role and then trg and gen adm were discussed. Weather good up to 1900 hrs, 'A' Coy beat 'Sp' Coy at volley ball.	FJ
	5 Jun 43.		Submission of team entries to Bde for the Tabloid Sports, 13 Jun 43. En..O. very busy, more A.W.L. offenders put into the picture. L/Cpl. Burdett promoted to A/Sgt. and Pte. Young to A/L/Cpl in the regimental police. L/Cpl. Balgileish, J.O. of the En.O.B. to A/Cpl. C.S.M. Atkins reverted to the rank of confirmed Sgt, at his own request. C.O. made an inspection of the lines and found them in good shape, inspite of the rain and mud. 2 C.O.s. left for the B.U., Gen and Ordnance respectively, (Ptes. Welch and Kannan). Lieut. MacLellan took over "presidency" of the Pipe Band following Major Esade. The band is proving very popular and will assist greatly in putting the unit right on its feet. Volley Ball Team took the B.W.L.T. 2 - 1 in a hard fought match. C.O. and I.O. attended an "AV HOME" at HAZELTON.	FJ

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Halsaker Camp	6 Jun 43.		375 all ranks to fire at the ASH RANGES 924 targets) proceeded this date will return 8 Jun 43. Captain, P.J. Hunden returned from Night Fighting Course at No. 5 Wing C.T.S. Good reports of the course. In future will be confined to Majors and above. H/Capt. Cardy held a voluntary church parade for a few of the faithful. C.O. and 2 i/c attended a trg conference at Bde. Capt. Laird left for Coy Comds short course on weapons from 6 - 11 Jun 43. Col Macdonald called a Coy Comds meeting at which he passed on information received at Bde Comds meeting. Information relating to things in general, maintenance of trg syllabus, dress, counter attack roll to be taken over by R. REGT C. during absence at ASH RANGES. C.O. Carrier Pl and his Sgt.s attended an army course for a month at the C.T.S. Weather not good.	JFJ
	7 Jun 43.		C.O. and 2 i/c were to report to G.T.S. evening of 7 Jun 43 for a demonstration but this was postponed. C.O. reported alone to Bde at 0800 hrs, 8 Jun 43. Col Macdonald proceeded to ASH RANGES to organize the shoot. He also called at 3 C.I.B.W. and had discussions with Senior Officers as well as Major Mothersill in charge of the Trg Coy there. Authority received to despatch Lieut. G.A. Ponsford to Bde as L.O. on the 10 Jun and 3 Spec Inc officers, Lieut. G.A. Pau, P.W. McIntyre, W.A. Sovereign to return to 3 C.I.B.W. C.O. returned from ASH RANGES and proceeded to work, assisted by the L.O., on the Bn Counter Attack Role. At 2145 hrs when it was still fairly light he proceeded on a recon of local air-ports. Lieut. Wilson had during the day proceeded on a recon but did not accomplish much, ran into "Brass Hats" at TANKHURST.	JFJ
	8 Jun 43.		C.O. attended demonstration of latest Inf Tactics, 5 (PW) C.T.S. 2 days, Col. Ansell to be attached from 3 C.I.B.W. until 12 Jun 43 to observe trg. He reports on the 9 Jun 43. I.O. an Col reported to 2nd Div on 'I' Course. Authority to despatch Maj for Reade to M.B.T.D. received. He will act as a P.C.W. escort in an administrative capacity. Major Reade's loyalty, assistance and knowledge will be greatly missed. Always a willing and cheerful worker his services have been invaluable to the unit. Handover board still checking - they are not too quick - apparent lack of knowledge of field conditions and modern equipment part of the president noticeable. However, he can be commended for his thoroughness. Col Mothersill who is still attached, proceeded to Army on an appointment with Bde Genet (R.C.C.S.). Party back from the ASH RANGES. Shoot considered a success with Capt. H.W.P. Thomson in charge of the party and Lieut. MacLellan in charge of the shooting.	JFJ

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Halnaker Camp	9 Jun 43.		C.O. at demonstration of Inf tactics at No. 5 Wing, C.T.S. Capt. H.S.P. Thomson and Cpt. D. MacKenzie attended lecture on German mines and booby traps given by a Sgt recently back from N. Africa at 7 Can Fd Bk Coy at 2100 hrs. Reveille was delayed so as to give the boys a rest, because of late return last night. Rifle Coys did some battle drill and 'Sp' Coy separate trg along the specialists lines. The mobile bath was present. What a job it has to do! The T.O. proceeded to pick up new Morton and Harley Bikes in the afternoon. Tabloid Sports were run off and were very successful. Nearly 400 took part. The weather changed to bright and warm. The officers played the sgts at ball during the evening but took a terrific beating (cricket score) 25-15. There were plenty of free hitting. Batteries: Cohen & Land for the officers with Hussy and Wraight for the Sgts. The unit lost two games of Volley Ball to the U.H.L.I. The sports run to-day were to decide entries for the Bde meet, 19 Jun 43. Included in the tabloid sports were 100 yd dash, broad jump, running high jump, hop, skip and jump and a good rowdy soccer, game. 10 teams completed (2 from each coy). The 2 best teams were allowed to enter the Bde Test, and had the privilege of strengthening their team by getting stronger representatives from the remaining eight teams.	FT
	10 Jun 43.		A very busy day started with the trg syllabus being closely followed. Rifle Coys resultingly got in some Fd Trg together. 'Sp' Coy continued with Special Trg. Visit by Army P.F.O. cancelled. The bn paraded nearly 500 strong under Col. Macdonald, as a farewell to Col. Mothersill. It was very effective. Parade formed in mass and marched by in column of route led by Col Macdonald after the salute. After forming mass again Col. Mothersill spoke a few words in farewell. He expressed regrets but asked all ranks to get behind their new C.O. and support him to the full. Col. Macdonald replied on behalf of all ranks and wished Col. Mothersill the best of luck at his new work. After Col. Mothersill had moved off the Bn. marched back to the Camp Area. Immediately after the parade the C.O. spoke to all the N.C.Os. of the bn. He told them what he expected of them, the need to improve discipline, pride of unit, asked them for their deepest co-operation and whole hearted support. Col. Macdonald's words were nicely chosen and well expressed and should be effective. The hand-over board which has been taking care of the handover from Col. Mothersill to Col. Macdonald, met with them to discuss the situation. Major Finlay from Canada placed the boards finding (generally) in front of them. Everything is apparently in pretty good shape, tools, always a "bug-bear" seems to be the only outstanding item, and both Cols were in accord that it was a pretty good handover. The B.O.W., W.O.I Sub Conductor Castleman was of the opinion that the condition was quite satisfactory.	FT

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Hainaker Camp			<p>Next the preparation for the regimental dinner and the dinner party. A brief description of the affair follows. Guests of honour. Lt.Col. J.H. Mothersill and Major S.C. Reade who is returning to Canada as P.O.W. Offr. Guests were Col. A.S. Pearson, CEF, KB, Lt.Col. C.E. Hadley, Major E.J. Mothersill, MC, Lt.D.R. Eggle from Div. and Major J.C. Kingsay from Bde, and all unit offr were present (att offr taking over the camp). The party went into full swing in the Unicorn Hotel in Chichester. After Grace and the King a presentation was made to Lt.Col Mothersill from his ex-offrs. Col. Mothersill replied to Major Reade who made the presentation to him, and gave a toast to the regiment, which in turn was replied to by the old and new C.O. Col. A.S. Pearson spoke and proposed a toast to the officers, N.C.s. and men who were left at DIEPPE, either dead or as P.O.Ws. Lt.Col. Ansell, whilst employed as an C.O. of No. 14 C.A.(B)T.C. had a number of Essex Scot officers pass through his hands spoke next on his associations. Most of the words spoken by all the speakers alluded naturally to the regiment, it's traditions the grand spirit of pride of unit and the loyalty that the bn had prior to DIEPPE. Major S.C. Reade acted most capably and with dignity in his last official capacity as President of the Mess. Capt. F.A. Wansbrough spoke on behalf of the offr, words of farewell and of good luck on his return to Canada. The "party" adjourned to the mess at camp when the "wind" had died down, at 2300 hrs. There was no time left for a sing-song, this was made up by a great get together in the mess afterwards. The noise was heard as far as Bde W. . . Pipe-Major Stoker who had pipers at the dinner kept up his good work until mid-night. (Acopy of the seating arrangements showing the names of the offr present is attached as an Appendix). Other important changes during the day was the loss, and it is a loss in my respects, of Lieut. G.A. Ponsford, 2 1/c A.Tr Pl to 4 Can Inf Bde where he is going as L.O. Lieut. S.A. Bands will return to the unit via 3 C.I.B.U. All the officers had a group picture taken before proceeding to the regimental dinner. 3 O.R. from the R.U. arrived to-day. The Holmes Brothers (twins), David and Walter returned to Canada on instructional duties. Two fine N.C.s., both Sgt., both wounded at DIEPPE and both original members of this unit. These two lads are well deserving of the break and will do a good job for the unit back home.</p>	
	11 Jun 43.		<p>A lovely day, but strange to say the air is scented with alcohol? A ground haze was only visible to some officers. The C.O. grumbled off to a conference at Bde. In his absence Major S.C. Reade left for H.E.T.D., a sad disconsolate ----- Lt.Col J.H. Mothersill accompanied him to WITLY. Major S.C. Reade loyal and faithful service is going to be missed by the unit, but none would hesitate to wish him God Speed and good luck! Lieut. G.A. Rau, Lieut. D.W. McIntyre and Lieut. S.A. Sovereign, spec in c officers returned to the R.U. and were as</p>	J.S.

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1st BR., ESSEX SCOTTISH REGIMENT
CANADIAN ARMY (OVERSEAS)

1 M.O. 2115 (1944)
11.Q. 1172 (1944)
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Hainaker Camp			<p>sorry to go as the unit was to see them go. Bau and McIntyre were particularly good officers. Trg for the day consisted of a route march for 'A' Coy - ranges for 'E' Coy - duty coy for 'C' Coy - 'Sp' Coy Pls were as follows: 3 pl - Mortar drill, 4 pl - carrier course, 5 pl - gun drill, 6 pl - fixing up camp. Col "Mac" attended a conference at TANGMERE AIRPORT, for the purpose of discussing the anti-invasion role, 199 Inf Bde the Essex Scot take part in. The unit soft ball team took on the Bation Column (R.C.A.S.C.) and trimmed them in an exhibition game 10 - 6. The C.O. called a Coy Comds meeting to discuss the trg of personnel etc., C.O. race discussed and Coy Comds received route.</p>	
	12 Jun 43.		<p>A rather hectic night. Col. Macdonald paved the way for a practice of the unit C.O. role with respect to defence of TANGMERE AIRPORT. The receipt of the code word 'WAPLE' caused a great deal of movement to say the least. The duty officer, Lieut. T.E. Martin set the wheels in motion and soon everything was rolling. The bugle sounded general alarm and fall in which everyone tried to do. In spite of errors and weaknesses which will be ironed out, the Combat Team ('C' Coy had under Comd 2 sec of carriers and 2 det of mortars(3")), led by Capt. B. Mackenzie arrived at H.N.R. TANGMERE inside of 42 minutes, practically whole. The remainder of the bn came after in a column of lump but got on the scene in reasonable time if not in order. The Senior Officers remained behind to "fish and chips" upon the kind invitation of the C.O. of the R.A.F. Regiment. Lieut. Col Mothersill left the field for 3 C.I.B.V. It is felt that he did a good job and although he wouldn't admit it the regiment owes him a great deal. The chief teg was done by 'A' Coy who went out to the 200 yd ranges at 0900-000. The other coys put things into shape. 'C' Coy was duty coy. The unit soft ball team took a game from the 4 Can Inf Bde by the score of 9 - 2.</p>	F.T.
	13 Jun 43		<p>A voluntary church parade was held by Major Dalton in the 'Y' Tent. There was not a Protestatin Parade as Capt. Card took a long deserved week-end. To all ranks came an unexpected opportunity. The C.I.B.V. travelling weapons circus put on a demonstration which proved to be very interesting and well worth while. At mid-day Col. Macdonald paid a visit to Div. Coy Comds meeting was called for 1900 hrs, shielding the C.O.C. the Col went on to discuss the new slate of officers and the operational role. Capt. R.J. Harris proceeded to Bernard's Castle to attend C.M.H. Course 325 ser 14 (Coy Comds Tactical). The base ball diamond was busy during the day, the coys started friendly (?) games. The weather was fair and warm.</p>	F.T.

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Malnakor Camp	14 Jun 43.		<p>The day started otunormally with 'A' Coy Duty Coy. 'B' Coy proceeded to the KINGSTY VAIN RANGES to practice tactics and firing with coy exercises included. This was carried out with the use of live amm. 'C' Coy went to the GOODWOOD RANGES to practice with the rifle and bren. Word was recived late in the morning that Major General Burns would pay a visit to the unit. In addition the Brigadier called to say that he wanted to come too. Some "window dressing", was done as would be expected. In the afternoon accompanied by Col. Macdonald they proceeded to visit 'B' & 'C' Coys on the ranges as Bn.H.Q. and H.Q. Coys were carrying out normal duties and 'Sp' Coy was doing Spec Trg as per usual. The C.O. reported that they were quite happy as they found something wrong to talk about. In the evening the officers had a dinner followed by lectures, given by the Padre on A.B.C.A. and by Captain Hunden on the Night Fighting Course he had attended, at C.T.S. A very good many points of information was picked up by the officers and it is felt tha this is a worth while way of spending an evening. At the present time the C.O. is busy drawing up his slate of officers. Changes to date have been Lieut. J.B.R. MacLellan to be O.C. A.Tk Pl and 2 i/c will be Lieut. C.J. Havill from 'C' Coy. Lieut. Washer goes to 'C' Coy as a pl comd. Lieut. S.A. Sands back from Pde is posted to 'C' Coy as a pl comd. Capt. Harris inter changes with Capt. Hunden of 'C' Coy as 2 i/c. Arrangements are being made to have all pls of 'Sp' Coy brought up to strength. Weather this date is variable.</p>	FD
	15 Jun 43.		<p>The morning started with a practice stand-to for the O.P. Role, all coys participat- ing. Rifle coys practiced ambussing and debussing to speed up their get away, in the event of a real code word being passed. In the midst of the above Brigadier Seger, the B.M. and 2 L.Os. dropped in to see what they could find wrong. They proceeded to the 30 yd ranges to see what was being done. Work was underway bu the Brigadier was not happy. However, the range will be soon completed. 'A' Coy started out the day with regimental duties. 'B' Coy was on the 200 yd ranges. 'C' Coy carried out "wt" practices on the KINGSTY VAIN RANGES. 'Sp' Coy had a deversified trg in that No. 3 Platoon have carried out practice drills, No. 4 Pl D & M Course, No.3 stowed guns in preparation for proceedin gen course with 2 Cdn Div A.Tk Coy, R.C.A., No. 6 pl are attached to 2 Cdn Pz Coy for 3 days for more min-lifting practice. First class in D & M for the officers was given by the T.O., Capt Johnston, it consisted of a lecture on maintenance of vehicles generally, and forms used for reporting road accidents. All ranks were entertained by a show at the Y.M.C.A. called "BIG BEN" and it was good fun for all those who attended.</p>	FD

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1st BN, 100th BATTALION, CANADIAN ARMY (OVERSEAS)

1 M.O. - 8-20 (1708)
H.Q. 1172-53

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Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks, references to Appendices and initials
Hainsaker Camp	16 Jun 43.		Coys in turn paraded to the 'Y' Tent to see trg films. Amongst these films were two films on the recognition of the Fortress and the Dornier 217. There was also a security picture called "How Your're Talking" and on on Water Duties. They were good films and worth seeing. After this the coys continued with duties and trg. 'B' & 'C' Coys took battle drill while down at 'Sp' Coy the Pnr Pl returned from attachment to 2 Cdn Div, RCH, where they have gained some considerable experience in mine-laying, and lifting. Lieut. S.A. Bands was incharge of the party in the absence of Lieut. MacCrimmon. No. 4 pl stowing their guns moved to join the 2 Div A.Tk School at COMBEWOOD for a 3 week course on the 6 pdr A.Tk Gun. Officers i/c were Lieut. MacLellan and Lieut. C.J. Havill. No. 3 pl trained with the mortar while no 4 pl was away on course. Six carrier personnel proceeded to 2 Div Ord Depot as a work party. The afternoon was taken up with tableid sports. A well organized, well run schedule was carried out. 'B' Coy again garnered the most points, followed by 'A' Coy, then H.C. Coy. Outstanding competitors were Cpl. Shanko, C.W.M. Bristow, Cpl. Lucas from 'B' Coy, Ptes. Ostopavich and St. Denis from 'A' Coy. All ranks enjoyed the sports and the events were keenly contested. A copy of the schedule is attached as Appendix. Lieut. Taylor (R303) gave the officers of 'A', 'B', 'C' & H.C. Coy a lecture on R/T. The show at the 'Y' was "Across the Pacific with Humphrey Bogart". (Bogart again won out single-handed).	FS
	17 Jun 43.		Weather fine the bn was able to put in a good days trg. 'B' & 'C' Coys spent the morning on Pl. Battle Drill and Fieldcraft. Col. Macdonald spent the day with the Coys. During the afternoon 'B' & 'C' Coys went on a 12 mile forced march. 'Sp' Coy carried on with Spec Trg minus the A.Tk Pl. In the evening an officers mess dinner was held with Captain, F.A. Wensbrough acting as C.O. and Mess President. Col. Macdonald having been invited to a mess dinner at the R. REGT C. After the dinner the officers were given a lecture by Sgt. Hickson of the R.C.F., who gave a very interesting talk on Mine-Laying and Lifting. He also spoke for a very few minutes on German mines and booby traps. At 1830 hrs 112 reinforcements arrived from 3 C.I.F.U., under the command of Lieut. F.A. Tilton assisted by Lieut. E.J. Heffernan and Lieut. P.M. Grandjean who were posted to the P.E. of this unit. Dvrs included 25 of the best and although the class of reinforcement was not good, with respect to trg, time and advanced work will tell. Most have only one weeks basic trg on t is side of the ocean. They are a likely lot but their trg will have to be concentrated upon to improve their standard. With them came much to everybody's chagrin a couple of real "Southern Highlander" (negroes).	FS

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CANADIAN ARMY (OWNERS)

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1 M.O. 1118
1 M.O. 1118-20 (1708)
H.Q. 1772

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18 Jun 43. Halsaker Camp			<p>At 0100 hrs, the second practice 'MAPLE' was held. Practice counter attack on TANGHEE AIRPORT. C.O. found that there was a decided improvement over the first practice. All boys were good. Weather terrible. To-day's trg came under the heading of Officers and N.C.O.s. day. Instituted by Col. Macdonald for the trg of the aforementioned this day proved to be a very successful one, although curtailed somewhat by the weather. 'C' Coy laid out a TEST for the officers and all of them participated. In the morning in spite of the rain, all officers were present on the horse and ground. During the afternoon a discussion was on the TEST and a Quiz Programme followed. In the afternoon the C.O. spoke on a variety of subjects to all the N.C.O.s. The subjects were: trg, system of promotion, care of person, etc. The signal officer gave a lecture on R/T. The officers rounded off the afternoon by a five mile run. No casualties reported! Other trg during the day was composed of lectures by the W.O. on V.B. and gas trg for all ranks in which COMBUC was demonstrated. 4 O.Bs. returned from Bde. regiment now only supplying 1 N.C.O. and 6 other ranks, altogether. In the afternoon in spite of the rain N.C.O.s. were busy cleaning equipment for the next parade. Coy Comds meeting at 1900 hrs, chief topic of discussion was the trg of the new draft. It was decided to form a trg coy made up from one pl of each coy, composed of entirely of "ZEPHYRS", 'Sp' Coy personnel to be divided amongst the three pls. Personnel for trg of the Trg Coy will be selected from each coy under the direction of Lieut. W.J. Hefferman. Two things would be concentrated on in the unit, first for classifying every man as a first or second shot, and where possible, battle drill.</p>	
	19 Jun 43		<p>Change in the time of reveille from 0630 hrs to 0600 hrs. This will be continued until further notice. A.82209 Pte. BLACK, J.A. had an accident whilst cleaning his rifle and was shot through the foot. Bn. Parade will be the C.O.'s. inspection, and march past was held at 0830 hrs, for 19 officers and 298 O.Bs. After this the C.O. and the 2 i/c inspected unit lines and A.B.C.A. was given to most coys. In the afternoon the parade of 230 all ranks proceeded to the 4 Cdn Inf Bde Tabloid Sports Meet in which the team from this unit, composed of ten other ranks, placed a good third, putting up a very fine show considering the limited amount of trg they have had on the ground. Lieut. S.H. Bull was in charge of the teams. (A copy of the schedule is attached as an Appendix) The show "Another Thin Man" starring Wm. Powell and Myrna Loy was shown at the 'Y' Canteen at 2030 hrs to-night.</p>	FD

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1st CANADIAN ARMY (OVERSEAS)

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A.F.C. 2118
1 M.L. 1708
H.Q. 1-18-18

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Hainaker Camp	20 Jun 43		<p>A fine June day, bn paraded to church in BONGRAVE to attend a service by the H/Capt. J. Cardy. The church was a most interesting and beautiful building, was ideal for the church parade. All ranks singing as they havent done for a long time. Due to the short period of time available, Capt. Cardy was not able to give a sermon. (Maybe this was why the singing was so good). Capt. P.A. Wansbrough proceeded on a Coy Comds Course, Lieut. I. Macdonald on pl comds course and Lieut. T.E. Martin attending a C.T.S. Battle Drill Course and Lieut. P.M. Grandjean a Carrier Battle Drill Course. Numerous other ranks are attending course such as P Weapons, Carrier D & M, Aircraft Recognition, D & M instructors and many other course.</p>	FT
	21 Jun 43.		<p>Weather fine, good day for trg and a good day was put in. 'A' Coy performed at Battle Drill and 'C' Coy at mine-lifting and laying the morning. 'A' Coy had a 12 mile speed-march in the afternoon. 'C' Coy still mines but finished with a 2 mile run. 'Op' Coy carried on with assisting 'B' Coy as duty coy. Away on regimental duties, A.Tk Pl att to 2 Cdn A/Tk Coy. Major J.D. Mingay officially took over duties as 2 i/c of the unit. Major Mingay's long tour of duty as a staff officer will enable him to perform most valuable service to the unit in this respect and in his present capacity he should be a great assistance on trg and re-organizing the bn. Major A.L. Saunders also arrived from 1 Cdn Corps to be att as spec inc for fd trg. He too, in view of the experience he has had, should be invaluable to this unit and should be able to re-organize 'A' Coy, the command of which he has been given. The new trg coy started work by taking elementary battle drill, fd craft and weapons. These recruits seem enthusiastic and very keen. Four pre-O.C.T.U. cadets arrived from P.W. to be att for a period of two mos trg in the field. Major Mingay has instituted a trg conference of Coy Comds and Adjts at 1700 hrs each day, the first took place to-day. The officers had a "work" night listening to a lecture by Captain Laird and Major Mingay. Capt. Laird spoke on his recently attended weapons course and the latter on Exercise 'OUTPOST', with particular regard to the new method for movement of tps.</p>	FT
	22 Jun 43		<p>Fine weather continues allowing 'A' Coy to carry out min-lifting and laying. 'C' Coy to perform advanced battle drill and field craft. 'B' Coy to carry on with trg and regimental duties. A number of personnel from 'Sg' Coy and Bn.H.Q. who had never shot before for various reasons proceeded to the new 30 yd range. Each man from each coy went up to the Bde 2" mortar range. Capt. Burgess proceeded to 2 O.C.S. to take a summary of evidence on Pte. Black, J.A. 30 cut sent up to LONDON for cigarettes (purchased from Aux</p>	FT

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Hainsaker Camp	23 Jun 43.		<p>Services) returned with 40 cases for the tps also carried liquid refreshments for offrs new canteen, arranged for by the PAV, Capt J.C. Cottrell. In the evening the officers attended the N.T. School and the trg coy took Night Trg Work under Lieut. Heffernan. "The Immortal Sergeant" (Henry Fonda) was shown at the 'Y' Canteen.</p> <p>Trg films shown in the morning was a picture called "Sex Hygiene", which was seen by all ranks after coys had been mustered and the picture finally arrived from Div. After the showing of the picture coys continued with trg. The unit was to-day much surprised to hear that they were to be issued with the new Mk.4 No.1 .303 Lee Enfield together with grease. Work will commence immediately with regard to zeroing of all rifles and it is intended to use the ranges all day and evening for this purpose. During the afternoon tableid sports were featured and 'B' Coy again distinguished themselves by winning the event. The same entries being outstanding, however, 'A' Coy improved immensely to place second taking practically all the points for first place in the long distance events. Outstanding contestants being: Ptas. Coll, Bruce, Thomas and Ostapovich. Lieut. L.J. Courtin is acting as umpire on the Bde Op Exercise 'COMBUST'. The Pipe Band proceeded to FETWORTH PARK for rehearsal of the mass pipe band to play at the 2 Div Sprts Meet, 24 Jun 43. In the afternoon they played for the people of SLIPSON in their annual fete. Pipe Major Stoker reported that everything went satisfactorily.</p>	J.F.
	24 Jun 43.		<p>'A' Coy proceeded to the Bde Rifle Range, 'C' Coy went to the 30 yd range with the exception of Lieut. Steele and his pl which took Battle Drill under the C.O's. experienced eye. During the afternoon 'C' Coy went on a 12 mile forced march, 'Sp' Coy did very little actual trg most of the personnel being on fatigues with 'B' Coy. 11 O.R.s. reinforcements were posted from 3 C.I.B.V., 1630 hrs another trg conference. Selection committee sat to decide the fate of A.21881 C.S.M. Campbell, J.B., A.3041 C.S.M. Bristow, A.B., A.21159 CQM Duignan, P.J., A.21161 Sgt. Musson, G.J. and A.76057 L/Cpl. Rozell, as applicants for COTU. The two C.S.M.s. were recommended for inf, C.M.S. to ROASS, Sgt. Musson as a Record's Officer, and L/Cpl Rozell as an Arty Offr. Applications will be passed to C.M.H.A. A party of offrs and C.P.s. proceeded to FETWORTH PARK to attend 2 Div Tableid Sports Finals. The offrs incl Capt. Thomson, Lieut. Tilston, Lieut. Jones, Capt. Johnston (att), Major Thornton (att), Capt. Cottrell and Capt. Aherns. The other ranks were competitors on the unit team in the Bde Sports Finals, won by the N.H.L.I. The Pipe Band attended and joined with other unit bands to form a massed band, one that received much favourable comment. Event won by the</p>	J.F.

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Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks, references to Appendices and initials
Hainaker Camp	25 Jun 43.		<p>8 Boose with the P.H.L.I. second. A party of officers attended an R/T lecture (W/T) security at PETWORTH. Unit lecture given to the officers on R/T by Capt. Norrell of Bde Sigs. The weather holds fine and clear.</p> <p>Officers and N.C.Os. day for the officers a lecture on "Advance to Contact" and "Movement of Marching Personnel" by the 2 i/c and "Defence" by the C.O. These took practically all morning. These were not the only lectures as coy comds gave the N.C.Os. talks on various subjects. All Cops listened to a lecture by the Par, Capt. J.C. Cottrell on pay matters that should be familiar to all ranks. Because of a meeting of the C.O., 2 i/cs and Coy Comds of each unit that was called by the Brigadier, the TENT at HAINAKER arranged for by Capt. Laird had to be postponed. Armed with map boards the party proceeded to higher run to discuss a forthcoming exercise, and they got it, an Exercise 'OUTBURST'. Lessons learned - from all accounts - questionable. All were informed, amongst other things, that all ranks must be able to cut a bull with 10 shots on the 30 yd range before proceeding to the 100 yd range. No, they weren't told how??? Some of the officers took in the 4 mile run. All took in the M.T. lecture by Capt. Johnston. Three Essex Scot officers, Lieut L.C. Bond, B.S.C. Williams and J.B. Patterson arrived as posting s to Special Increment. Essex Scot won the ball game from the 11 Rd Amb by 25 - 3 score. Lieut. F.B. Walton proceeded on leave.</p>	FT
	26 Jun 43.		<p>The originally planned Bn Parade was cancelled because of lack of soldiers to go on it. However, a sufficient number were found to proceed on a 15 mile route march which was very neatly broken up so as the marching wouldn't become monotonous, by a 2 hrs digging exercise. Tps dug weapon slits one per two soldiers in very good time in spite of the chalk. Hot meal served, slits filled and return made at approx 1600 hrs. Major Mingay marched back with 'C' Coy. Staff took a beating as both Major Mingay and Major Saunders have been doing nothing but staff work for a long time. Lt.Col. Macdonald & Capt Lund proceeded to Bde for an "At Home" for the benefit of the new Bde Major, Major Iillie. Picture shown at the Y.M.C.A. for the past two nights "Road to Morocco" with Bing Crosby, Bob Hope and Dorothy Lamour.</p>	FT

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Halsaker Camp	27 Jun 43.		Weather lovely! Church parade voluntary - both R.C. and Protestant. Camp bare except for the "brains" who worked overtime. The C.O. has given considerable thought to the holding of a regimental re-union for as many officers of the regiment in England, who could possibly attend and all will be informed by a letter. (A copy of the letter sent and programme is incl as an Appendix). It is felt that it is particularly necessary to have all the rft officers up from the U.S. so as they may become acquainted to all the field officers and so they may get into the picture. Capt. D. Mackenzie and Lieut. P.A. Tilston proceeded as observers on the Arty Exercise 'PORTERCOUR'. Lieut Taylor is back after enjoying a long leave.	FF
	28 Jun 43.		Battle Drill trg was carried out by 'A' & 'B' Coys with particular attention being paid to the frontal attack. Trg was carried out under the watchful of the C.O. '30' Coy carried very little Spec Trg due to the absence of the pla. Some personnel went to the 30 yd range to fire and zero rifles. Sgt. Dixon 'A' Coy, proceeded to Wales to attend an Adv Handling and Field Craft Course. Weather has been of great assistance to trg as it has been fine for nearly 10 days. In the evening the officers and N.C.Os. had a lecture on Battle Drill from Lt. Col. Macdonald who is endeavouring to standardize trg in the unit. This was the first night to prepare the officers and N.C.Os. for Exercise 'OUTBURST'. The picture "Silver Fleet" was shown at the 'Y'. 'C' Coy duty coy for the week.	FF
	29 Jun 43.		C.O. up bright and early to proceed to Ede and thence to attend Exercise 'PORTERCOUR' an arty shoot with the Brigadier and other in comds in the Ede. C.Os. remarks on the value of the demonstration weren't too complimentary. The padre and Capt. H.W.P. Thomson took a party (20 in all) of C.Os. to CANTERBURY an educational tour of the Cathedral and the town. This was one "church parade" that was appreciated by all ranks. Trg for the day: 'C' Coy - Battle Drill, 'A' Coy - Duty Coy, 'B' Coy - Duties and the 30 yd range. Range work and battle drill still the most necessary type of trg, ought to be carried out all the time and concentrated upon. Preparation for the regimental re-union is underway and it will take over the coming week-end. A lecture in the evening was given by the C.O. and Major Mingay to all officers and N.C.Os. on the Advance Guard and Composition of the Van Guard. The forage caps put on a good show for the benefit of the unit at the 'Y' Ten at 1930 hrs. Weather still continues to be fine.	FF

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Halsaker Camp	30 Jun 43.		<p>All Coys with the exception of 'C.' & 'D.' attended a showing of the film at the 'Y' Tent called "Recognition of Aircraft", "Know Your Enemy" and "J.U.52". 'E.' Coy had most of their personnel on the 30 yd ranges while 'A' & 'B' Coys went on with Battle Drill trg. 'p' Coy also sent some people to the ranges. Most important trg at the present time, rifle trg. The C.O. has drawn up a pro forma which will be invaluable in assisting coaches. Capt. D. Mackenzie attended lecture of the "Use of Smoke" at HAYWARDS HEATH - given by the D.S.W. Home Forces. C.O. proceeded with the Brigadier and Bde Comds to a 6 pr demonstration by 2 Div A.Tk at COOMBEWOOD at 1930 hrs. At 2000 hrs Bde Comd's conference at Bde to discuss amongst other things 'OUTBURST' and again movement of tps and marching personnel. In the meantime the unit ball team with a battery of Ingalls - Coulson took the Royals into camp by a 6 - 4 score. It was an exceedingly good game with both teams putting up a good brand of ball. This puts the ESSEX into the (Bde) finals. Offrs took veh driving lessons and a rather doubtful picture "Silver Fleet" was shown at the 'Y'. Lt. Cols. Macdonald's remarks on the 6 pr shoot were to the effect that it was a good show. He was pleased to hear that the unit's A.Tk pl was doing well under Lieut. J.B.B. MacLellan and was so far the best at the school and in the Bde.</p>	<p>FO</p>

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