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Field	1 AUG	43	Sunday dawned slightly cooler and with a cloudy sky threatening rain. Major Dalton, OBE held R.C. Church Parade at the YMCA tent at 0900 hrs followed by the Protestant Parade under Capt. Cardy at 1000 hrs. Most of the Bn. spent Sunday as a day of rest, it being the first Sunday for some time that the Bn had not been on some type of trg. The exception was the carrier Pl which moved off to do specialist trg at Burpham. In the evening Capt. Cardy gave an interesting five minute talk entitled "Five Good Reasons Why I Do Not Go To The Movies". This was followed by a sing-song which included a number of fine hymns. The picture which followed was "All Through the Night" starring Humphrey Bogart.	JS
	2 AUG		Monday started out in rather a 'blue fashion for the officers because breakfast was only partly cooked. This was due to an oversight on the part of the cookhouse fireman. B & C Coys moved out to Malecounb Wood Area for trg. in Battle Drill. A Coy was duty coy for the week. BHQ & HQ coy personnel proceeded to the 25 yd range to finish up the qualifying of all members of the Coy. The music of the pipes was missed at reveille due to the fact that the Pipe Band is at Petworth Park. All pipe bands in the Cdn. Army are concentrated there to practise for the International Sports Meet to be held 7 AUG. An unfortunate accident took place in C Coy trg. when CSM Joyes, R.A. received a serious elbow injury when struck by the cap from a Piat bomb fired by Capt. R.J. Harris. Newly formed D Coy got under way with Lt. T.E. Steele A/O/C in the absence of Capt. F.A. Wansbrough. In the evening the picture "Twin Beds" starring Joan Bennett and George Brent was much enjoyed by all at the YMCA tent.	JS
	3 AUG		Tuesday dawned fine and clear for the 2 Cdn Div. Sports Meet. Transport was provided for all who wished to attend and moved off at 1245 hrs. The Meet was held at the Horsham Cricket and Sports Field. The Meet was well organized and the large crowd of both military and civilian spectators enjoyed every event. Athletes from the Essex Scots took part as members of the 4th Bde. team. (See att'd program) The big disappointment of the day was when the Div. Tps. (RCASC) tug of war team won the div championship by defeating the Essex Scots team which had won the 4 & 5 Bde championship previously. The final scores were as follows: Div Tps 61, 6 Bde 51, 4 Bde 50, 5 Bde 37, Arty 32. The prizes were presented by Mrs. McNaughton. A particularly	JS

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			pleasing sight was that of the massed Pipe Bands of 2 Cdn. Div. which marched onto the field about 1630 hrs. The applause which was given them clearly showed the appreciation of the large crowd. The meet ended about 1730 hrs with the playing of the National Anthem by the 2 CIRU Band.	
	4 AUG		Personnel of D Coy are getting their area into excellent shape. B Coy moved off at 0715 hrs for the Bde range and fired practices of Rifle and Bren until 2000 hrs. C Coy fired at the 25 yd range in the morning. Lt.W.C. Wilson, Bn.I.O. attended a conference of all Div. IOs. at Div HQ in the morning. At luncheon Capt. J.D. McFarlane (Essex Scots) attached to Public Relations Section, HQ 1st Cdn. Army and several members of the Staff of Pathe News were guests at the Officers' Mess. At 1400 hrs. a Bn Parade was held with Major Mingay A/o/c in the absence of Lt.Col. Macdonald. Movies were taken of the Bn being inspected and also of an interview with the officers. During the interview Major Mingay received the 'star' role and gave a short statement on behalf of all the Officers. This was also a day of courts of inquiry in the Regt there being no less than four going on at once. All were pleased to learn that CSM Joyes injury is not as serious as was at first believed. The second showing of "Twin Beds" took place at the YMCA tent in the evening.	FT
	5 AUG		Thursday dawned with rain falling heavily, in fact so heavily that P.T. was dispensed with, much to the disappointment(?) of all. Training consisted of Sports Parade for B coy while C coy spent the day at Bde ranges and D Coy personnel continued their efforts to get their lines in shape. Around noon a slight accident took place when a member of B Coy fell into an unguarded slit trench when found to be in possession of the wrong cap badge. Another amusing incident occurred during the night when Major Mingay awoke to find a very drunk sailor asleep on the floor of his tent. In the afternoon a draft of four officers including Capt. Burgess, Lt. McCormick, Lt. A.H.Stevens and Lt. T.C. Stewart and forty one ORs arrived from 3 CIRU. Around 1800 hrs. Lt.Col. B.J.S. MacDonald, ED arrived back at the Unit after spending three days on an OCTU Board for the selection of Infantry Officer Candidates at the new OCTU selection centre at Ash.	FT
	6 AUG		During the night of 5-6 AUG there was a special night convoy for all drivers in the Bn. It started around 2359 hrs 5 AUG and returned to camp at 0330 hrs. 6 AUG. The convoy was in charge of Capt. Lund, Capt. Cohen and Sgt. Allen, Tpt Sgt. Training for	FT

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			the day consisted of Bde. Ranges in the morning for C Coy while D Coy continued work in their area. In the afternoon the Padre and M.O. gave lectures. All officers left the camp at 0930 hrs on a TEWT on Defence of Cobden Farm Wood. Coy cmdrs. picked out Coy defence positions and then when Pl. cmdrs. arrived they divided the area into Pl locations. In the afternoon detailed 6" to 1 mile enlargements of the positions were made. About 1400 hrs Major General R.O. Alexander, Inspector General of Eastern Canada made a short inspection tour of the camp. In the evening all officers went to Highden Hill Area for a TEWT on a Bde. Defensive Position. The Bn baseball team defeated 3 FDS by a score of 12 to 3. The Regtl Entertainment Committee put on a very successful P.W. Bingo and collected £2-0-0 for our fund.	
	7 AUG		Training for the morning consisted of a speed march for all coys (9 miles). At 0830 hrs. all officers and NCOs in the Bn, except one off and one NCO per coy went to Harrow Hill Area to see a demonstration of infantry cooperating with tanks in an attack through a mine-field on an enemy position. The demonstration was very well carried out and the large number of offrs and NCOs from 2 Div had an excellent vantage point from which to view the various phases of the attack. In the afternoon Capt. Tilston, Capt. Lund, Lt. Wilson and Lt. Taylor went to Bde. for special instructions in R/T procedure involving the use of Slidex Key Code. Capt. F.A. Wansbrough, sub PMC returned from a 2 wk course in "Night Fighting" and Capt. A.R. Johnston, TO returned from a 4 wk Carrier Course. In the evening E.N.S.A. provided excellent entertainment at the YMCA tent which was packed to capacity. After the program the artists were entertained at the Officers' Mess.	FS
	8 AUG		R.C. Church Parade was held at 0900 hrs when Father Dalton said Mass. At 1000 Capt. Cardy held a voluntary Protestant Parade at the YMCA tent. Capt. Roy Lund was seen to have a decided limp and was moving about with the assistance of a cane. At 0915 hrs Col. Macdonald held a meeting of all Pl Comds. at the Officers Mess to discuss matters pertaining to Platoon personnel. At 1100 hrs. the C.O. held a second meeting for all officers. The approach and contact phase of battle was reviewed as was the infantry - tank trg. The signal officer reviewed R.T. procedure and Capt. Laird spoke on river crossings. All these are expected to be encountered during "Pickaxe". The meeting broke up at 1900 hrs. because the C.O. had to go to Bde for a meeting. He returned at 2130 hrs to meet his coy comds once again. The latest information was passed around and all retired after 2300 hrs. During the evening it was reported that	FS

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	9 AUG		<p>Pte. Chapman has been moved to No.1 Cdn. Gen. Hosp. Court of Inquiry has been convened consisting of Capt. R.H. Lund, Lt. S. Jones and Lt. S.B. Macdonald.</p> <p>At 0745 hrs in the officers lines a pistol shot was heard. Not much attention was paid to it until A 23275 Pte. Woofenden, R.J. returned to Lt. J.A. McCormicks tent to find Mr. McCormick suffering from a gun shot wound in the head. The M.O. was called and 'Mac' was taken to No.1 Cdn. Gen. Hosp. He never regained consciousness and died at 1006 hrs. A court of inquiry was convened consisting of Major J.D. Mingay, Capt. H.W. Thomson and Lt. S.H. Bull. The evidence brought before the court indicated premeditated suicide. He had left his effects in good order, written letters to friends and then shot himself the following morning. It is unfortunate that no one knew he was in a depressed state of mind, for someone could surely have changed his outlook. He had been a keen and capable officer, liked by his men, NCOs and brother officers. The C.O. inspected the rifle coys before they moved off on exercise "Pickaxe" at 1015 hrs. The remainder of the Bn does not move until tomorrow. During the day we learned that Pte. Chapman of the carrier pl had been moved to No.1 Neuro Hospital. His condition is still dangerous.</p>	FT
	10 AUG		<p>The tpt pulled out at 1230 hrs for "Pickaxe". The C.O. followed at approx 1400 hrs but did not locate his Bn until 1630 hrs. The 2 i/c was at Bde and returned shortly with orders. All officers were briefed. C Coy was moved for the protection of Bde HQ and the remaining coys conducted patrol activities throughout the night. Supper was at 1700 hrs. The C.O. went to Bde at 2030 hrs. returning after everyone was settled for the night. Then orders were given to move to area Southwich Hill and take up a defensive posn. At 2300 hrs the marching troops moved off, followed by the Tpt a minimum of which was lost. The new area although better tactically was equal in discomfort to the former position.</p>	FT
	11 AUG		<p>Exercise "Pickaxe" is not a very interesting scheme. Perhaps it is because we are reserve Bn. In any case all we get over the wireless is what the RHLI are doing. A ech is still with us so we eat well and on time. The rations are "Compo-pack" but CQMS Kalen of HQ Coy adds a few onions and potatoes and turns out a good meal. Kalen was promoted to CQMS from L/Cpl. last week. It's like going from Lt. to Lt. Col. all at once but he can carry the rank and is doing a good job. Around 1600 hrs. the C.O. was almost a casualty. He went on a recce and came under enemy fire but scuttled out and away before the umpires could count him out. All coys and BHQ</p>	FT

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			moved forward at approx 2000 hrs to Area Slonk Hill.	
	12 AUG		0200 hrs and all are up. The Bn is to cross the river Arun under cover of darkness. The C.O. and rifle coys got across in assault boats but the river could have been waded. It was crossed at low tide and was not over 3 ft deep. C Coy tpt got lost but showed up about 0800 hrs. The Bn was on the move most of the day. Left vicinity of Lancing Hill about noon, were preparing to attack Blackpatch Hill according to orders when the FMRs from the 6 Bde stepped in and did the job. Then on to Harrow Hill which was free of enemy and finally to Coombe Ivy which was being held. The Bn was held up at 2030 hrs and did not finally clear the hill until 1110 hrs when a night attack was made. The delay was due to apparent confusion on the part of director and umpires. The C.O. was called to Bde just as the attack was to go in and was ordered to halt until the confusion could be clarified. He was finally given permission to proceed and the attack went in quite successfully. Bde was congratulated the following day on this attack. Supper was served an hour or so after midnight. The funeral of Lt. J.A. McCormick was at Brookwood Cemetary today. Capt. Lund was the only officer able to attend from the field Unit. The pall bearers were Capt. D. Campbell, Lt.F. Chauvin, Lt. W. Hogan, Lt.G. Milne, Lt. A. Hodges, and Lt. Jackson, all from the R.U. Piper Burns and Bugler Powers were also in attendance. So ended the life and promising career of Lt. J.A. McCormick.	FD
	13 AUG		To the troops "Pickaxe" is becoming most involved. We wer moved from Coombe Ivy back to Harrow Hill before 0600 hrs after chasing the enemy away only a few hours previously. The troops don't understand and it is difficult to keep them in the picture. Cease fire came about 1200 hrs bringing to a close exercise "Pickaxe". The rifle coys started marching for home at 1330 hrs. Last coy arrived in at 1900 hrs. Time was good and casualties from marching few. The men are in good condition but were firty and tired when they got home.	FD
	14 AUG		Saturday was general clean-up for the entire camp with the exception of A Coy which went to Bde ranges to complete the qualifying of all personnel. In the afternoon all the other coys paraded to the ECASC ball diamond near Goodwood House to see a ball game between the RHLI and Essex Scots teams. It was a good game but our lads came out on the short end of the score. However we hope for better luck next time. One of our officers, Lt. T.E. Martin today received word that he is the father of	FD

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			a son, Thomas E. Martin Jr. Congratulations Tom! In the evening the usual recreational tpt was provided for men and offrs, the men going to Chichester and the officers to the Sports Club at Middleton-on-Sea.	
	15 AUG		Sunday morning there was the usual R.C. Church Parade in charge of Father Dalton. C Coy spent the day at Kithurst Ranges. In the afternoon a double-header softball session was held between the RHLI and Essex Scots teams in our Sports ground. When our lads took the first game, interest ran high so that a considerable number of pound notes were placed behind each team. It was an excellent game and Essex Scots won by a score of 4 to 3 to take the Bde. championship. Sunday evening there was a display of fire works along the coast when about 25 enemy planes came over. It has since been learned that six were shot down during their visit here.	FF
	16 AUG		C Coy was duty coy for the week, while A was given a holiday because they had worked the three previous Saturdays. B Coy spent the day at Kithurst ranges while D Coy spent the day in admin. work. In the morning a party of officers i/c of Capt. H.W.P. Thomson including the I.O. and one offr per coy travelled to Portsmouth and Southampton on a recce for Scheme Harlequin, which is to start within the next week.	FF
	17 AUG		Coy trg was as follows: D Coy at Kithurst ranges and moving to trg area 7 in evening. B Coy has a special day for admin and clean-up. A Coy went to trg are 7 for Coy battle drill. A Court of Inquiry was held to enquire into the fire in one of the sig pl tents. Capt. Al Cohen is on a Handover Board at the R.R.C. while the Adj. (Capt. Tilston) and the I.O. (Lt. Wilson) were given a 48 hr pass to visit London for various reasons. The 2 i/c Major Mingay went to 3 CIRU to check on reinforcement situation with particular reference to NCOs. In the evening the Essex Scots softball team were again winners, this time defeating the R. de Mais. champions of 5 Bde. team at Petworth. This gives our team admittance to the finals of 2 Cdn Div.	FF
	18 AUG		Three rifle coys, A B & D are working on Battle Drill at trg area 7. During the Carrier Pl trg an unfortunate accident occurred when Cpl. S. Stanton received a cerebral concussion and fractured skull. The 2 i/c Major Mingay travelled to Southampton to recce are for Harlequin. A new filing system is being installed in the Orderly Room by the Bde. Sgt. and it should prove to be quite an improvement over the former system. In the evening a picture "Katina" was shown at the YMCA tent.	FF

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	19 AUG		<p>During the night Cpl. Stanton passed away as the result of the accident when he sustained injury the previous day during Carrier Pl Trg. In the morning the C.O. and I.O. went out to trg area 7 where two attacks on a Bn scale were carried out, the first on the spur S-W of Highden Beeches Wood and the Second on Cobden Farm. Regular procedure was used with the Bn advancing, coming under enemy fire, the C.O. making his recce and orders being passed down to Coy Cmdrs, Pl Cmdrs and Sec Leaders. The attacks went quite well and afterward the three coys AB&D gathered at Cobden Farm where the C.O. reviewed the attack and offered constructive criticism. In the afternoon the Carrier Pl returned to camp after a period of 2 weeks concentrated trg at Burpham. After lunch the rifle coys at Area 7 marched to Arundel where the Essex Scots ball team met the 4 Fd Regt Team in the first game of the playoffs for the championship of 2 Cdn Div. The Essex Scots again came through with flying colours winning by a score of 8 to 5. Around 2200 hrs the two rifle coys B & D which marched from Arundel arrived back at camp, tired but showing that they are rapidly getting into excellent physical condition.</p>	FD
	20 AUG		<p>During the morning all coys worked on admin and clean-up preparations, for the forthcoming scheme Harlequin. A meeting of all offrs was held in the Mess at 0830 hrs and all were put in the picture concerning Harlequin, by the 2 i/c Major Mingay. In the afternoon coys had showers for all personnel after a quick scramble over the scrambling net. Throughout the day there has been much activity in all coys as kits are being sorted out and reduced to battle order and large pack. At 1600 hrs the second game in the softball playoffs between 4 Fd Regt and Essex Scots was played on the Essex Scots sports field. It was an excellent game from start to finish and the ending was in doubt throughout the entire game. At the end of the 9th inning the score was 3 - 3 so that it was necessary to continue the game. In the tenth the 4th Fd Regt was successful in bringing in a run so that the series is now tied. At 1845 hrs offrd held their weekly mess dinner. The meal was excellent and not overburdened with speeches. After the toast to the king, Lt.Col. Macdonald in a few well chosen words paid fitting tribute to those members of our regt who had taken part in the raid on Dieppe just a year ago yesterday. In the evening a very successful regt'l dance was held at the Hollyrood School in Bognor Regis. The Tangmere R.A.F. Orchestra supplied the music, and Capt. D. Mackenzie and his committee are to be complimented on their good work.</p>	FD

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	21 AUG		Saturday dawned with heavy sky and showers. Reveille was a little later than usual because of the Regt'l Social Activities the previous evening. Early in the morning the A/Tk Pl in charge of Lt. J. McIellan and Lt. C. Havill returned from a week of firing practise at Lydd. An average score of 72.3 was attained. Throughout the morning coys were put in the picture on Harlequin and preparations were carried out for the exercise. In the afternoon there was a Court of Inquiry to ascertain the causes of injuries sustained by Pte. J.R. Baillargeon when struck by a vehicle while walking home from Chichester the previous evening. The advance party for Harlequin with Capt. H.W.P. Thomson in charge left early in the afternoon. When the blue sheets came through it was found that congratulations were in order for Major H.W.P. Thomson and Major F.A. Wansbrough. At 1600 hrs the final game in the playoff for 2 Cdn Div was played. The fates were not with our team, and in a very ragged game 4 Rd Regt took the title by winning the game 18 to 9. Brig. Tees presented medals to both teams on behalf of Div Comd. In the evening several of the offrs helped Major Wansbrough celebrate his newly acquired crown.	FF
	22 AUG		The R.C. Parade was held at the usual hour and at 1000 hrs Protestant communion service was held by Capt. Cardy. At 1030 hrs. a meeting of all offrs was held at the Mess and final instructions for the move to the first area in exercise Harlequin were given. At 1430 hrs. a special Bn Parade was held to commemorate those of our regt who took part in the raid on Dieppe on 19 AUG 42. Those who returned from that raid and are still with the regt, some 25 NCOs and men along with Lt.Col. Macdonald took the salute in a march past, the saluting base being at Halnacker Corner. The remainder of the afternoon was spent in storing luggage in the YMCA tent and completing preparations for the move on Harlequin.	FF
	23 AUG		Reveille was at 0430 hrs with breakfast at 0500 hrs. At 0600 hrs the leading tps of the marching personnel consisting of ABCD and SP coys left for Chichester. The troop train pulled out at 0753 and Exercise Harlequin was under way. Transport left the Halnacker Camp at 0800 to proceed to the Harlequin concentration area. The camp was rather quiet throughout the remainder of the day as only BHQ, HQ coy and 2 plns of C coy remained besides the small rear party of approx 25 personnel. At noon several members of the Carrier Pl, a bugler and piper with Lt. P. Grandjean as offr i/c, left for Brookwood to attend the funeral of Cpl. S.Stanton. In the evening Capt. R. Lund	FF

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	24 AUG		<p>went to Corps HQ for interview being the 2nd Cdn Div. nomination for A.D.C. to the Corps Comd.</p> <p>Reveille at Hainackers Camp was at 0430 hrs and the tps consisting of BHQ, HQ Coy, and 2 Pl of C coy moved off at 0615 hrs for Chichester. The train pulled out at 0753 hrs and arrived at Eastleigh around 0905 hrs where the tps disembarked. It was about a 4 mile march to Hiltingbury Camp which was the Concentration Area for Harlequin. The camp is a new one, well organized but the canvas is rather limited and as many as 10 men are allotted to a tent. Route marches and muster parade constituted the trg for the remainder of the day. A total of 783 all ranks were found to be present on the muster roll call. At 1400 hrs Lt.Col. Macdonald attended a Bde "O" Gp. A Bn "O" Gp was held at 1630 hrs. In the evening the YMCA presented two showings of "The Plainsman", one at 1800 hrs, the second at 2000 hrs.</p>	<p>FF</p>
	25 AUG		<p>The day dawned with cloudy sky and several members of the Unit found P T a pleasant change from the intermittent showers which had disturbed their slumbers. Sp and C coys marched to Winchester where parade ground drill was practised at the Hampshire Regt Barracks. HQ Coy and BHQ spent a profitable afternoon on drill and lecture periods. D Coy was duty coy while those personnel not employed were given Rifle and Bren TsoET. A & B coys spent the day practising village clearing and street fighting in a section of Southampton. Scheme Harlequin is progressing fairly favourably for all concerned. So far it seems an entirely A & Q scheme. The main criticism seems to be that the rations supplied are not up to our usual standard, either in quality or quantity, especially the latter.</p>	<p>FF</p>
	26 AUG		<p>The Bn again took full advantage of the lull in exercise Harlequin to get as much trg as possible. A&B Coys marched to Winchester and there carried out Pl and Coy drill. C coy spent the day on weapon trg and interior economy, while D coy spent the morning at squad drill and TsoET and the afternoon at Sports. Sp coy trg consisted of weapon trg and maintenance. The "I" Sec spent the morning attending special lectures on German Army given by Div I.O. In the afternoon Lt. R.S.Bradley and 46 O.R.reinforcements arrived at the unit. Lt. A. McGrimmon arrived back from a flame-throwers course at 6 C.T.S. In the evening the Y.M.C.A. showed the picture "First of the Few". The rifle coys practised embarking and disembarking on a mock-up L.C.A. constructed by the Pioneer Pl.</p>	<p>FF</p>

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	27 AUG		Reveille was at the usual time but P T for the rifle coys was shortened to 10 min. Approx 400 personnel of A B C & D coys and the Pioneer Pl paraded in battle order at 0800 hrs and moved off to pier 40 of Southampton docks for assault landing trg. Trucks were used to speed up the move so that all were at the dock at 1030 hrs. Troops then went on board H.M.S. Duke of Wellington which carried 6 LCAs. These were loaded and launched. C & D Coys moved ahead in the first 6 LCAs while A & B followed in the next 6 LCAs provided from another ship. The craft moved south through Southampton Water into the Solent and landed on the shore of Stanswood Bay. C&D Coys rushed the beach and A & B moved through and captured Stone Fm to establish the beach head. Haversack lunches were eaten on the beach and the Bn reembarked at 1415 hrs arriving at the dock around 1615 hrs. All personnel enjoyed the trg, noone was sea sick and all look forward to more trg of a similar nature. Sp coy spent the day trg in street fighting and sports. Six officers from the Unit attended a vehicle waterproofing demonstration. BHQ and HQ Coy spent the day at the ranges and a marked improvement inscores was noticed.	FS
	28 AUG		Saturday dawned dull and damp so that all were glad of the fact that this was not a P T morning. C & Sp coys spent the morning at street fighting and village clearing trg in Southampton, while the other rifle coys trg consisted of weapon trg, ABGA lecture and TsOET. In the afternoon there was a pay parade and a bath parade for all coys. At 1500 hrs Capt. R.H.Lund left for a 2 wk course in Vehicle Mastership at Borden. At the same time Lt. L. Courtin and Lt. L. Bond left for a 4 wk tactical Pl and Coy Cmdrs course at Alton. Lt.Col. B.J.S. Macdonald was absent most of the day on a Div. TEWT. In the evening many of the personnel not on duty enjoyed recreational activity in Southampton.	FS
	29 AUG		Reveille at 0700 hrs. At 0900 hrs the 2 i/c, Major D. Mingay held a meeting of offrs to discuss loading of Transport on the Assault Scale. At 1030 hrs. the Sig offr., I.O. and Adjt attended a meeting at Bde to practise R/T procedure and Syllabic Key. Approx 300 men were moved by transport for church parade (voluntary) at Winchester Cathedral. Reports afterward were to the effect that the service and sermon were dull and uninteresting. Dinner was taken to the men at Winchester and the trucks returned, half at 1630 hrs, the remainder at 2130 hrs. A party of men toured the cathedral with guides. For the officers it was a day of relaxation, only those having to work on loading scales being around camp.	FS

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	30 AUG		Monday again and back to P T. Cpts. Johnston, Cohen, Heffernan and Lts Steele & Wilson left to see the 6th Bde demonstration (skeleton), a run through of exercise Harlequin. They are to be away two days. At 0900 hrs the C.O. had an "O" Gp for the purpose of further discussion of loading vehicles. This problem is providing a lot of work for the 2 i/c who is preparing the tables. Documentation for the move forward was brought up by the adjt. who in the afternoon gave the coys their first batch of "bumph" to begin this important work. Speed marches were the order of the day for training. A report received from Fd Security was quite favourable to our Regt. It read as follows: "ESSEX SCOTTISH REGT: Good security. Unit very busy on schemes which were much enjoyed despite rainy conditions. Food and general condition are praised. No complaints. Men appear to be in good health." Capt. R.J. Harris returned to the Unit after a 2 wk course (C.M.H.Q. serial 38) in Driving and "aintenance.	JJ
	31 AUG		Trg for the morning consisted of a 12 mile speed march for B, Sp and HQ coys. Lectures on the German Army were given by Sgt. Francis of the "I" Sec to A & B coys. In the afternoon A coy did its speed march, while D, SP and HQ coys held Sports Parades. At noon the five officers representing the Bn returned after seeing the procedure to be followed in Harlequin, as the troops pass through the Marshalling Sub Area, Transit Area, Embarkation Pt. and on board the ships.	JJ

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