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H.Q. 1772-45-18

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Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks, references to Appendices and initials
Nfld. Airport	1 Oct		Men moved to hutments from tents, officers remaining in tents. Training in accordance with syllabus.	<i>A. H.</i> Appendix B
Botwood Det.	1 Oct		Training in accordance with Syllabus.	
Nfld. Airport	2 Oct		Canvas struck in mens lines. Rear-Admiral Boham-Carter, R.N. visited Airport leaving for St. John's by train. C.O. "W" Force left for St. John's to arrange accommodation for Victoria Rifles at request of D.O.C. with view of obtaining Report of temporary quarters. Recce of GANDER RIVER.	<i>A. H.</i> Appendix C
Botwood Det.	2 Oct		S.S. Rothermere with all crew aboard, sailed at 0700 hrs. Bound of Great Britain with cargo of news print.	
Nfld. Airport	3 Oct		Two officers arrived from M.D. 6 to act as Judge Advocate and President of Court-martial convening 4 Oct.	<i>A. H.</i>
Botwood Det.	3 Oct		S.S. San Andres, Norwegian, arrived, inspected by Intelligence Section and docked at 0850 hrs. In ballast to pick up newsprint for U.S. ports.	
Nfld. Airport	4 Oct		Training conducted in accordance with Syllabus.	
Botwood Det.	4 Oct		R.M.A. Clyde, commanded by Capt. J. Kelly-Rogers from Foynes, Ireland, arrived at 0707 hrs. Among the passengers were Air M. W.A. Bishop, V.C. returning from England and a Major of the U.S. Army. Took off at 0850 hrs.	<i>A. H.</i>
Nfld. Airport	5 Oct		Major J.W. MacMahon, President of the Court-Martial complimented 2/Lt. D.A. Keith and Lieut. I.R.F. Wilson, Defending Officer on the manner in which they conducted their cases.	
Botwood Det.	5 Oct		U.S. Navy plane 54-P-8 arrived at 1605 hrs. Plane commanded by Lt.-Com. A.J. Isbell, U.S.N. Commanding 54th Squadron and accompanied by Ensign Hogan. Came to make arrangements for re-fuelling at Botwood of two planes which were coming up to do survey at Argentia for U.S. naval base.	<i>A. H.</i>
Nfld. Airport	6 Oct		Voluntary Divine service was held in what will be Quartermasters Hutment.	
Botwood Det.	6 Oct		S.S. San Andres, inspected, all crew aboard and sailed at 0610 hrs. S.S. Kirsten B. reported at 1155 hrs. by Point May. boarded at 1230 hrs. Norwegian from New York with general cargo for Buchans Mines. Inspected by Intelligence Section and docked at 1510 hrs. Major G.W. McMahon, 2 i/c The Halifax Rifles and Capt. C.W. Clark, D.A.P.M., M.D. #6 visited Botwood.	<i>A. H.</i>

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Nfld. Airport	7 Oct		Mens Mess moved to hutments. Court-Martials completed.	Adm.
Botwood Det.	7 Oct.		U.S. Navy plane took off at 0730 hrs. for Argentina.	
Nfld. Airport	8 Oct.		Col. Earnshaw appointed O.C. "W" Force arrived by plane from Halifax. The general as well as the local situation was discussed by Col. Earnshaw and Lt.-col. MacKendrick.	Adm.
Botwood Det.	8 Oct.		S.S. Evenelza, Latvian, arrived in ballast to load concentrates. Was inspected and docked at 0730 hrs. S.S. Esmond, owned by A.N.D. Co. reported sighted by Point May at 1720 hrs. Arrived, was inspected and docked at 2030 hrs.	
Nfld. Airport	9 Oct.		Col. Earnshaw and Lt.-col. MacKendrick left on tour of inspection to Botwood and thence to St. John's.	Ch.
Botwood Det.	9 Oct.		Col. P. Earnshaw, Officer Commanding "W" Force and Lt.-col. H.C. MacKendrick arrived from Norris Arm at 1130 hrs. Col. Earnshaw left at 1500 hrs.	
Nfld. Airport	10 Oct.		Training carried out in accordance with Syllabus. Squadron Leader Paul arrived from Ottawa to make arrangements for accommodation of Trans Atlantic civilian flyers for C.P.R. Group Captain Murphy landed from Halifax.	Ch.
Botwood Det.	10 Oct.		S.S. Evenelza inspected by Intelligence Officer, all crew aboard and sailed at 0715 hrs. with concentrates to New Orleans. R.M.A. Clyde landed at 1445 hrs. eastbound from Montreal to Foynes. Passengers given lunch in Officers' Mess. Passengers included Maj.-Gen. R.P. Pakenham-Walsh, Capt. H.W. Faulkner, R.N. and Major R.V. Mayo.	
Nfld. Airport	11 Oct.		C.O. returned from Botwood. Battalion parade inspected by C.O. Col. P. Earnshaw returned from St. John's and inspected partially finished hutments with C.O. before returning by plane to Halifax.	Ch.
Botwood Det.	11 Oct.		Training in accordance with Syllabus.	
Nfld. Airport	12 Oct		Training conducted in accordance with syllabus. Instructions issued for Rifle Range.	Appendix D Ch.
Botwood Det.	12 Oct.		S.S. Havmoy, Norwegian, sighted by Point May at 0907 hrs. Inspected and docked at 1130 hrs. In ballast to load paper.	

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Nfld. Airport	13 Oct.		Anglican Communion by Rev. Mr. Bishop of Grand Falls in Recreation Hut 0745 hrs. Divine service by Regt. Chaplain at 0930 & 1030 hrs. Bn. gave concert at Grand Falls to people who have entertained troops on their week-end leaves. C.O. expressed the thanks of the Bn. Programme. Training in accordance with Syllabus.	Appendix K
Botwood Det.	13 Oct.		Examination in Map reading given N.C.O.'s by Training Officer	Appendix E
Nfld. Airport	14 Oct.		Appreciation made responsibility of Training Coy. in Defence of Airport by Capt. G.F.C. Pangman Standing Orders of "D" Coy. and Hints to N.C.O.	Appendix F. Appendix G1 Appendix G.2 attached
Botwood Det.	14 Oct.		S.S. Northton, Canadian from Toronto, sighted by Point May at 0917 hrs. Inspected and docked at 1245 hrs. Cargo of coal from Sydney N.S. to load paper for Toronto. U.S. Navy plane 54-P-3 landed, refueled and left at 1530 hrs.	
Nfld. Airport	15 Oct.		Movement orders for "E" Coy. to come to AIRPORT from BOTWOOD relieving "D" Coy. and "D" Coy. to proceed to BOTWOOD. Sketches showing Western Defense Position. and Defenses of AIRPORT drawn. Weekly programmes of movies, company shows, boxing and wrestling shows, fairs drawn up by Entertainment Officer and Sports Officer in conjunction with Coy. in training. Posts warned of Telegram received re escape of 2 Germain internes from St. John's.	Appendix H Attach. Appendix J 1 Appendix J 2
Botwood Det.	15 Oct.		U.S.N. plane 54-P-3 refuelled at 1500 hrs. "E" Coy. moved into new hutments. No water available and no latrines. Beds had not arrived making huts overcrowded.	
Nfld. Airport	16 Oct.		Training in accordance with syllabus. R.A.P. moved to new R.A.P. building. Lt. Lee R.C.A.S.C. arrived by plane from HALIFAX with regard to establishing food depots at BOTWOOD, AIRPORT, and ST. JOHN'S.	
Botwood Det.	16 Oct.		S.S. Esmond inspected, all crew found aboard and sailed at 0345 hrs. carrying newsprint for Great Britain.	

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Nfld. Airport	17 Oct.		Coy. representatives on Mens Canteen Committee voted to increase amount for Mens Extra Messing. Training in accordance with syllabus.	Bh.
Botwood Det.	17 Oct.		U.S.N. plane 54-P-5 refuelled at Botwood at 1500 hrs. S.S. Havmoy inspected, all crew found aboard and sailed at 1840 hrs.	
Nfld. Airport	18 Oct.		Lt.-col. H.C. MacKendrick having been granted leave on compassionate grounds left by train for TORONTO. Major W. L. Bryan being left in command. Due to snow storm, lectures were given in hutments.	Bh.
Botwood Det.	18 Oct.		Training in accordance with syllabus.	
Nfld. Airport	19 Oct.		"B" Coy. and Signal Detachment arrived by train from BOTWOOD, relieving "D" Coy. which then took special train to BOTWOOD to replace "B" Coy. there.	Bh.
Botwood Det.	19 Oct.		"B" Coy. left for Airport at 0904 hrs. "D" Coy. arrived from Airport at 1640 hrs. Col. C.S. Craig, Fortress Commander, Halifax, arrived to make further general reconnaissance for gun positions in Bay of Exploits.	
Nfld. Airport	20 Oct.		Voluntary Divine service held at 0930 hrs. Bn. Orderly Room moved to new building which was nearly completed. U.S. Army plane arrived, commanded by Major Clark, U.S.A. Air Corps.	Bh.
Botwood Det.	20 Oct.		Col. Craig and Lieut. E.A. Dunlop made reconnaissance around Bay of Exploits.	
Nfld. Airport	21 Oct.		U.S. Army and civilian engineers. Major Clark and Mr. Merrick arrived by plane for aerial survey of district. Training conducted inside hutments in morning due to severe storm. Several section posts flooded. Training outside in afternoon.	Bh.
Botwood Det.	21 Oct.		U.S.N. plane 54-P-3 refuelled at Botwood at 1530 hrs.	
Nfld. Airport	22 Oct.		Training out of doors in accordance with syllabus. Meteorological summary for Nfld. Airport received for month of Sept. 1940. Pipes leading to men's temporary showers burst and as there is no water in hutments men are unable to wash. Drinking water is obtained from tap in open, over 100 yards from nearest hutment. Miss Wilson, Canadian Red Cross Commissioner for Nfld. visited the hutments and was taken over them by the Adjutant, Major W.T. Barnard. Training in huts due to inclement weather.	Appendix L Bh.

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Botwood Det.	22 Oct.		Col. Craig left for Halifax at 2000 hrs. Former U.S. Plane (Consolidated PBY) landed on way to England.	
Nfld. Airport	23 Oct.		Men still without water for washing. Arrangements being rushed to put in covered pipe line to shower room. Due to snow storm and gale, training in huts in morning. Resumed outside in afternoon. The Battalion now completely housed in hutments.	Ph.
Botwood Det.	23 Oct.		Major W.L. Bryan, O.C. Botwood Detachment left for Airport.	
Nfld. Airport	24 Oct.		Transatlantic flyers housed in Nfld. Rly. cars on siding by hutments. Training in accordance with syllabus. First show held in new Recreation Hut.	Ph.
Botwood Det.	24 Oct.		Training according to syllabus.	
Nfld. Airport	25 Oct.		Transatlantic flyers returned to Montreal after arranging administrative details at AIRPORT. Crew former Imperial Airways flyers. Arrangements drawn up for inspection by the Governor Sir Humphrey Walwyn on Tuesday 29 Oct. Work being rushed with regard to drains in kitchen and pipes for showers. Work also being done on Officers' Mess which is unfinished and has no heating arrangements. Mess Hall Routine drawn up by 2/Lieut. A.J. Greathed, Unit Messing Officer.	Ph. Appendix M
Botwood Det.	25 Oct.		Former U.S. plane now bearing British markings took off for England at 1730 hrs.	
Nfld. Airport	26 Oct.		Fourteen second lieutenants Serial 753 received Certificates of Qualification as lieutenants. Lt. A.G. Cherrier qualified as Quartermaster. Instructions issued for visit of His Excellency the Governor of NEWFOUNDLAND. Improvised showers are nearly completed and work being rushed on drains for kitchens. Lack of water facilities has necessitated large fatigues, interfering with training.	Ph. Appendix N
Botwood Det.	26 Oct.		Practice Fire Alarm held at 0725 hrs. Snowed heavily at night - approximately 4 inches.	
Nfld. Airport	27 Oct.		Parade to Divine Service 0930 hrs. Service held in New Recreation Hut. Snow storm kept U.S. Army flyers grounded at Airport.	
Botwood Det.	27 Oct.		S.S. Kronoborg, Finnish, in ballast, arrived, was inspected by Intelligence Section and landed at 0710 hrs.	Ph.

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Place	Date	Hour		
Nfld. Airport	28 Oct.		Blizzard caused training to be continued indoors. Snow several feet deep. Some trucks stuck. Extra rations sent to Outposts. Men on Airport posts now serving 4 hours on and 8 off instead of 24 hour tour of duty necessitating sleeping out at posts. All land telephone and telegraph lines out of commission. Trains 6 to 12 hours late.	Ph.
Botwood Det.	28 Oct.		Train 5 hours late owing to snow. Major W. L. Bryan arrived back from Airport. Orderly Room moved in afternoon from Follies Camp to new hutments.	
Nfld. Airport	29 Oct.		Snow continued changing to rain. Slush over one foot deep. Only a portion of men have rubber boots. Earth ditch latrines flooded. The temporary showers were put in operation for the first time. Sir Wilfred Woods, Commissioner of Public Utilities, who arrived 28 Oct and stayed on Railway cars here for Transatlantic flyers left for GRAND FALLS. Sir Wilfred provided a temporary solution for supplies held up by Nfld. Customs due to lack of documents. His Excellency the GOVERNOR of Nfld Sir Humphrey Walwyn and Lady Walwyn arrived at 11.45 were received by the officers, had lunch, inspected the hutments and were entertained by a band concert put on by the other ranks. His Excellency spoke complimenting the regiment on its showing. The first Hudson bound for England landed at the AIRPORT. It was held up two days at Montreal by bad weather. Information received regarding advance party of Victoria Rifles proceeding to St. John's.	Ph.
Botwood Det.	29 Oct.		Officers quarters and Officers Mess moved into new hutments.	
Nfld. Airport	30 Oct.		Second and third transatlantic Hudson Bombers arrived at AIRPORT from Montreal. U.S. Navy flying boat landed at GANDER LAKE from ARGENTIA, returning in a very short time to its base. U.S. army plane left after being storm bound several days. Sir Wilfred Woods Nfld. Commissioner of Public Utilities inspected hutments with C.O. Water for washing only turned on in officers quarters. Slush and lack of rubber boots hampered training.	Ph.
Botwood Det.	30 Oct.		His Excellency, Sir Humphrey Walwyn, KCSI, MCMG, CB, DSO, Governor of Newfoundland, accompanied by Lady Walwyn inspected the Detachment. The Guard of Honour was furnished by "D" Coy. under command of Capt. G.F.C. Pangman. The Governor complimented the Guard on their smartness and spoke to them for a few minutes. Later they took lunch with the officer's in the Officer's Mess and spoke to the Officers. They left at 1430 hrs. for Bishop's Falls.	

Appendix N 2

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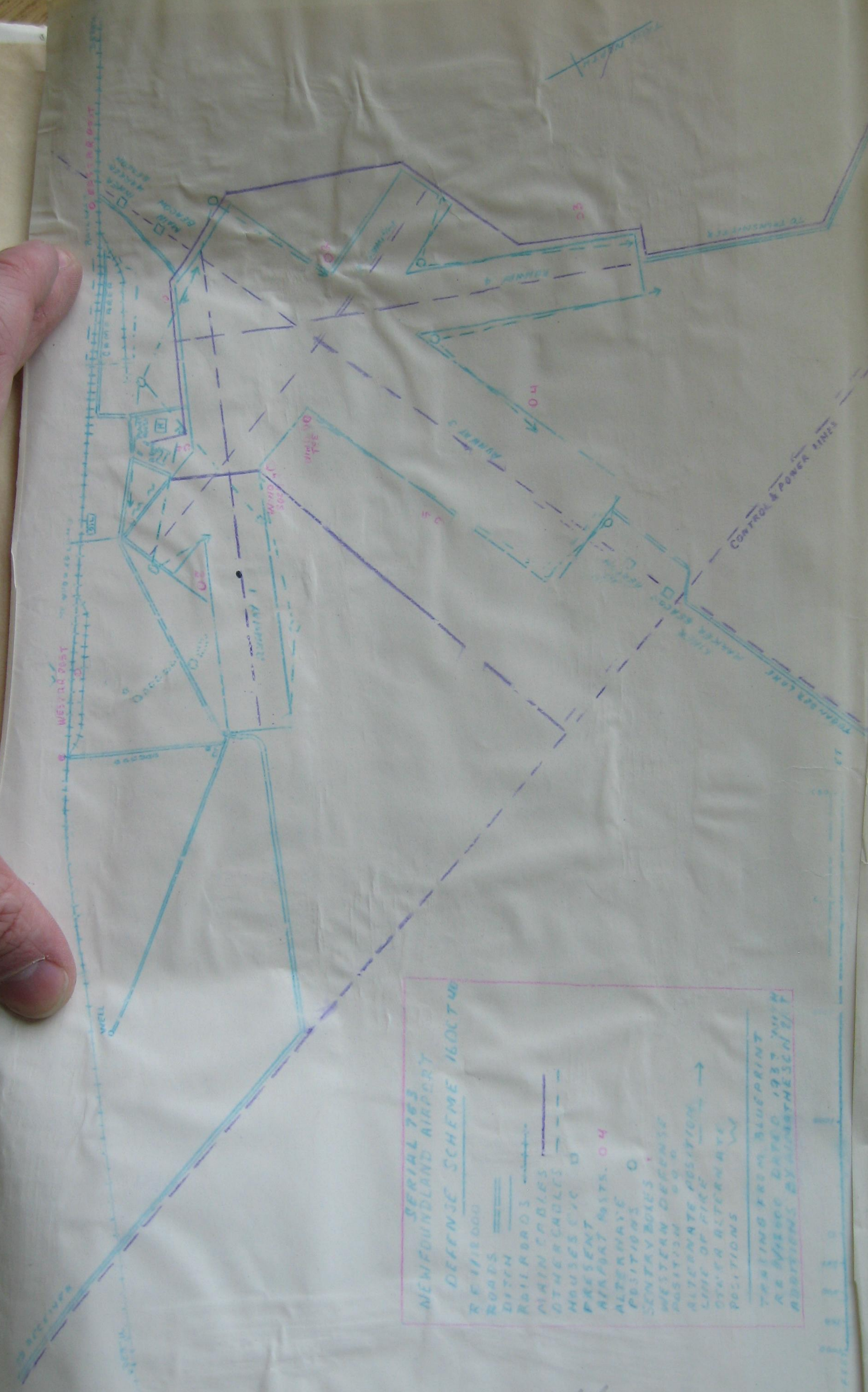
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Place	Date	Hour	Summary
Nfld. Airport	31 Oct.		<p>Telegram sent to M.D. 6 regarding unsatisfactory situation existing due to fact we have not a Medical Officer of our own for 600 men, but have to use the R.C.A.F.'s M.O.</p> <p>"CANADA" badges received.</p> <p>Telegraph line to ST. JOHN'S repaired after being out of commission for four days.</p> <p>Outdoor training still hampered due to fact several hundred pairs of men's shoes not yet repaired and there is snow and slush on ground.</p>
Botwood Det.	31 Oct.		<p>Training according to syllabus.</p>

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