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| | 1Nov. | 1100 | R.C. Service was held in the N.A.A.F.I. This was a compulsory mass held by Chaplain Capt. Hickey. Protestant compulsory Service was held in the K. of C. Hut by Hon. Capt. J.C. Clough. | Rel |
| | | 2000 | A film was shown in the Officers' Mess. Capt; C. Sisson, Q.O.R. of C., now Staff Capt in 2 Bde, 4 Armd Div., visited the Mess after his recent return from Canada. | |
| | | 2030 | Maj. J. Pangman left to take his part in Exercise "Sawbones" as A/G.O.C. Starting this date fires are allowed in the huts. This will add to the men's comfort and morale will benefit. | Rel. |
| | 2Nov. | 0830 | Parades & training according to syllabus. | |
| | | 1100 | Exercise "Sawbones" commenced. This was a Corps Medical Exercise for which the Bn. supplied "casualties". | |
| | | 1400 | B.H.Q. Wing sports. | |
| | | 1930 | A film was shown for the men in the K. of C. Hut by arrangement of Mr. T. Monohan Canadian Auxiliary Services. | |
| | | | Exercise "Sawbones" Casualty Table. | Appx. 4 |
| | 3Nov. | 0830 | Parades & Training. | |
| | | 1345 | Lt.-col. J.G. Spragge attended a Bde. Conference. Major D.J. LeQuesne acting 2 i/c in the absence of Major J. Pangman called a meeting of Coy. Comds in connection with two short Exercise known as "Finding" and "Looking". | Rel. |
| | | 1700 | Lt.Col. Spragge called a meeting of Coy Comds, Adjutant, Quartermaster & I.O. to discuss plans for the two exercise. | |
| | 4Nov. | 0830 | Parades & Training. Preparations were being made for Exercise "Finding". This will be a Combined Operations Exercise primarily to practise Navy personnel in the handling of L.C.Ps., but at the same time to instruct troops in embarking & disembarking from Landing Craft. | Rel. |

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| | 4 Nov. | 0830 | The nature of the scheme presents a good opportunity to test Security. In consequence the utmost secrecy will be maintained before, during and after the Exercise. In the week following, hotels etc. will be tested for leakage of information on "Finding". All who take part in the Bn. will be warned that discussions & imparting of information in public will be looked for. | |
| | | 1700 | Lt.-col. Spragge called a meeting of Officers taking part in the Exercise & orders were issued. | |
| | | 1900 | Formal Mess Dinner. | |
| | | 2100 | A film was shown by the Auxiliary Services in the Officers Mess. | |
| WYKEHURST CAMP 6943 | 5 Nov. | 0500 | Reveille | |
| | | 0600 | Breakfast | |
| | | 0645 | Fall In | |
| | | 0725 | Embussed | |
| | | 0815 | Debussed | |
| | | 0840 | Entrained. | |
| | | 0845 | Train moved off. | |
| | | 1040 | Arrived Stanwick Station. | |
| HORSHAM STN. 617502 STANWICK 953287 | | 1043 | Started march to R.V. at Warsash. Weather - drizzle, low ceiling. Planes heard, bombs & A.A. quite close. Air Raid Warning. | |
| | | 1137 | Arrived at R.V. H.M.S. Tormentor. | |
| | | | This Exercise was undertaken by 300 men all ranks. The remainder remaining in camp. Dress - Battle Order plus 1 Blanket, Greatcoat and Anti-gas cape. | |
| | | | The 300 were divided in three composite coys X, Y and Z with Orderly Room staff, I personnel, Sigs and 1st Aid men attached to Pls. | |
| | | 1200 | Dinner. | |
| | | 1330 | Fall In. Dress - skeleton web, A/Gas Cape amo. G loves and Life Belts issued. | |
| WARSASH 928256 | | 1400 | Marched to L.C.Ps at the two pts of embarkation. Lining of Boat Parties 20 All Ranks each. Talk on L.C.P. procedure. | |

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| | 1430 | hrs. | Embarkation and Practice Exercise. | |
| | | 1620 | Debarkation. | |
| | | 1700 | Supper. | |
| | | 1800 | Issued 2 Haversack lunches and Rum ration. | |
| | | 1930 | Fall in. Dress-Battle Order, Haversacks containing 2 lunches, Toilet kit, extra socks, Cardigan worn., water bottle on right side. Blanket rolled & carried on belt. Cape anti-gas rolled and carried above haversack. NO respirators. NO Greatcoats. Owing to Bad Weather, Provisional Exercise only to be undertaken. Owing to the extreme darkness, heavy rain and the fact that coys were composite, some difficulty was experienced in lining up. During the afternoon the Bn had lined up in Pl. formation but were now ordered into Boat Party Formation. This was changed back to PL formation and order est. By now all were quite wet and capes were unrolled and worn. | |
| H.M.S. Tormentor 928256 - 2045 | | 2000 | Bn. marched off to Embarkation pt. Boat parties formed up. Rain was falling heavily and extremely dark but all were safely embarked by 2045 hrs. The separate L.C.P. detachment moved out into the river, formed up in convoy and moved down Southampton Water. | |
| Stanswood Bay 903195 - 2359 | | 2300 | Convoy arrived Stanswood Bay at approximately pt 903195. All tps were landed and attained their R.V. Men were given the opportunity to smoke. | Rat. |
| | | 2359 | Tps. commenced to re-embark. | |
| | 6Nov. | 0015 | The rear party of three boats were to re-embark at this time but no L.C.P. were left available. Two L.C.P. were signalled for and the third boat party were taken off on three separate L.C.Ps. already loaded and the additional personnel transferred to two M.Ls. By the time this was done the tide had dropped and those not in already wet through were given the opportunity to become so in the reembarkation. | |
| | | 0115 | Convoy moved off to anchorage. | |
| | | 0200 | Convoy anchored. | |
| | | 0700 | Convoy prepared to move to harbour. | |
| | | 0705 | Convoy moved. | Rat. |

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| 94260 H.M.S. Tormentor | 6 Nov. | 0800 | Convoy arrived in harbour. Tps. debarked. Considering the nature of the exercise, bad weather conditions and the Bn's first time out, the exercise could be considered successful. One L.C.P. became stranded on a sandbar and was towed off at 0700 hrs. Two L.C.P. were slightly damaged in collision. One of them had a hole stove in the side. A G. Steel Helmet was used to fill the gap. There were no accidents to personnel reported.. A few men suffered from sea-sickness. | |
| | | 0830 | Tea & rum issued and remainder of haversack rations eaten. Orders to clean all weapons, wash & shave. Weather clear & sunny. | |
| | | 1030 | Fall in. Marching Order. | |
| | | 1600 | Bn. march to Golf House about 400 yds south of H.M.S. Tormentor & billeted there. Fall in by platoons, no web or arms. Exercise to be carried out in full with smaller boatloads. These were detailed, life belts re-issued. Remainder to remain in camp area C.B. Dress as previous night plus Greatcoats. | |
| GOLF HOUSE BILLETS | | 1630 | Supper. | |
| | | 1730 | Issue of haversack rations. | |
| | | 1830 | Fall in - no greatcoat. Full 20 hours scheme deferred owing to bad weather reports. Weather still clear. Short scheme as previous night laid on with smaller boatloads. Air raid warning. | |
| | | 2000 | All L.C.P. loaded and convoy moved off. | |
| H.M.S. Tormentor | | 2030 | Fire broke out in roof of Golf House Kitchen due to overheating of stove and pipe being close against wooden roof and beam which were ignited. Fire was quickly extinguished. B64595 Rfn. Northfield E.S., 4 pl. Support Coy reported the fire to H.Q. of the rear party who were at H.M.S. Tormentor. His action was carried out promptly and quickly and he returned again at the double with fire extinguisher, followed by Fire Party from H.M.S. Tormentor. Fortunately the fire had been put by the men in the billets before it had made any appreciable advance. | |
| On board L.C.P. | | 2230 | Tps landed from L.C.P. at Pt. Z believed to be in the vicinity of CHALSHOT. Searchlights were up and Anti-raid light on the reflection of which relieved the darkness to some extent but sky was now clouded over and a slight rain falling. | |
| | | 2300 | Tps re-embarked, convoy assembled and moved back to harbour as WARSASH. | |

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| GOLF HOUSE | 7Nov | 0200 | Tps. landed and bedded down at Golf House billets for remainder of night. | |
| | | 0230 | Rum ration issued. | |
| | | | Three men were reported injured on the exercise.--Lieut. Blue - Leg, Lieut. Hiscott - Eye and C.S.M. Hartnell - Leg. Also one Bren Gun lost in the Harbour. | |
| | | 0830 | Tea served with Haversack ration already issued. | |
| | | 1000 | Coy. Inspection. | |
| | | 1200 | Lunch, soup & tea. Pack, blanket & Greatcoat on truck. | |
| | | 1340 | Movie show /"The Great American Broadcast" at H.M.S. Tormentor. | |
| | | 1600 | Tea. | |
| | | 1700 | Fall in. | |
| | | 1730 | March to Stanwick Stn. | |
| STANWICK | | 1910 | Entrained. | |
| 953287 | | 2107 | Arrived Horsham Station. | |
| | | 2120 | Embussed. | |
| WYKEHURST | | 2200 | Arrived Wykehurst Camp. | |
| Camp. | | 2230 | Soup, Bread & Cocoa served. | |
| | | | An accident to a D.R. (not Q.O.R. personnel) was reported on the journey from Horsham. The D.R. was not seriously injured as far as preliminary examination showed. The Exercise "FINDING" was found very interesting by all ranks taking part and it appeared noteworthy in the application and observation of Security measures. Of course this can be realized in full only after a period of time has elapsed and possible leakages of security observed. During the actual exercise security was good. Some mention should be made of the hospitality, co-operation and goodwill of all ranks stationed at H.M.S. Tormentor. The Q.O.R. were fortunate in operating from this station. | |
| | | | Exercise "Finding" Administration Instruction No. 1. | Appendix 5 |
| | | | Copy of 8 Cdn. Inf. Bde. Operation Instruction No. 2(Anti-raid Action). | Appendix 6 |
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| | 8 Nov | 1015 1100 | Voluntary Church Service was held in the K. of C. Hut by Hon. Capt. J.C. Clough. Voluntary R.C. Service was held in the K. of C. by Chaplain Capt. Hickey. Lieut. D.B. Hamilton, Bn. Educational Officer, Lieut. G.M. Paulin-Assistant Educational Officer, and Lieut. R.A. With - Intelligence Officer returned from a short A.B.C.A. Course from 6 - 8 Nov. at The Royal Institute of International Affairs, Chatham House, St. James Square, London. This Course for approximately 300 Canadian Officers was arranged by the Cdn. Army Educational Services and the Royal Edu. Institute of International Affairs. The opening address was given by Lieut.-General A.G.L. McNaughton, C.G., C.M.G., D.S.O. The purpose of the Course was to assist Regimental Officers in Bn. Education in International Affairs and the Use of Education Rooms in Bns. Lectures were on U.S.S.R., China, Japan and the Use of Education Rooms. | Rat. |
| | 9 Nov | 0830 | Parades and Training | GMP |
| | 10 Nov | 0830 1000 2030 | Parades and Training Practice Gas Alarm. In order to keep the troops gas conscious & familiar with wearing the respirator as well as to prolong the life of the respirator an alarm of half an hour's duration is held every Tuesday at the same time. A U.S. Army Training Film "Sex Hygiene" was shown in the Officers' Mess. | GMP GMP |
| | 11 Nov | 0830 1015 1900 | Lt.-col Spragge, Maj. J. Pangman and the R.S.M. went to the Reinforcement Unit at Aldershot. Parades & training. The Film "Sex Hygiene" was first shown to the men. The film was seen by all ranks in the Bn. Formal Mess Dinner. | GMP GMP |
| | | | A.B.C.A. Course Syllabus | Appendix 7 |
| | 12 Nov | 0830 | Parades & training. | GMP |
| | 13 Nov | 0830 2000 | Parades & training. An entertainment was given for the men in the K. of C. Hut | G.M.P. |

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| | 14Nov | 0800 | Lt-col Spragge with the Coy Comds and I.O. attended a Bde. T.E.W.T. This Exercise was to give practice in Appreciation & Verbal Orders for Infantry attacking with 'I' tanks and was the continuation of a previous T.E.W.T. A reserve Bn. having moved up through the two forward Bns was attacking an enemy force of equal strength situated on a line M.R. Sheet 134, 71238 to Rd Junct 724381. Brig. K.G. Blackader gave the D.S. solution and brought out some instructive points in his summing up. | GmP. |
| | | 2000 | A "Dance" was held in the Officers' Mess at which Maj-Gen. R.F.L. Keller, Brig. K.G. Blackader and other Officers were guests. | |
| | 15Nov | 1000 | Compulsory Church Parade. Hon. Capt. J.C. Clough took the Service. | GmP. |
| | | 1100 | A second C.Of E. Service was held owing to there being insufficient room for the whole Bn in the K. of C. Hut. | |
| | | 2030 | R.C. Service was taken by Hon. Capt. Hickey in the N.A.A.F.I. Hut. A film was shown for the Officers in the Mess. | |
| | 16Nov | 0830 | Parades & Training. B.H.Q. Wing went through the Mobile Gas Chamber followed by the Coys. The Chamber was available for the one day only. | GmP. |
| | | 1600 | A Demonstration was held for Officers & Sergeants. | |
| | | 1430 | Coy. Comds. meeting. | |
| | | 2145 | Lt.-col. Spragge went to Bde. H.Q. | |
| | 17Nov | 0830 | Parades & training. | GmP. |
| | | 1900 | A dance was held in the NAAFI Hut by arrangement of the Auxiliary Services Officer. A.B.C.A. Course Syllabus | |
| | 18Nov | 0830 | Parades & training. The Bde. I.O., Capt. A.I. Matheson with the three Bn. I.Os.--Lieuts R.With, of Q.O.R., R.Ross of the N.S.R. and G. Leroux of the R. de Chaud. visited the Bde. Battle Stations and Anti-Raid positions including gun positions of the 13 Cdn. Fd. Reg. in order to have the whole plan understood by all. | GmP. |
| | | 1900 | Formal Mess Dinner. | |
| | | 1800 & 2015 | A Concert Party gave an entertainment in the K.of C. Hut giving two shows | |
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| | 19 Nov | 0830 | Parades & training. The I.O. Lt. R. With was informed that he would return to Canada. Lt. G.M. Paulin was appointed to act as I.O. | G.M.P. |
| | | 1400 | Maj. D.J. LeQuesne proceeded on a recce of the Q.O.R. Anti Raid posns. | |
| | | 1800 | A Concert Party entertained in the K. of C. hut at 1800 and at 2015 hrs. | |
| | | 2100 | Sigs Practice Signal Alarm. | |
| | 20 Nov | 0830 | Parades and Trg. Details of Educational Plan published in appendix to Pt. 1 Orders - to commence next Thursday. School to be enrolled during this week. Work in Educational Room nearly completed. | G.M.P. |
| | | 1800 | Film on Canada shown in K. of C. Hut enthusiastically received. | |
| | | 2359 | A surprise roll call of the entire battalion took place; 3 men caught out of camp apart from those known to be A.W.L. | |
| | 21 Nov | 0830 | Parades and Training. A platoon of Lorne Scots from 8 C.I.B. arrived to be attached for Field Firing Exercise. No weekend passes allowed. Sunday trip to Brighton for those taking Technical courses cancelled. | G.M.P. |
| | 22 Nov | 1000 | A voluntary Church parade held in K. of C. Hut. | |
| | | 1100 | Part of B.H.Q., S. Coy, C & D Coy and at | |
| | | 1400 | Part of B.H.Q., A, D and attached troops paraded to K. of C. Hut. They were informed by Lt-col J.G. Spragge that the "Field Firing Exercise" was to be another exercise with L.C.Ps. and received a lecture on boats and landings from Lieut. Murray, R.N.R. In the afternoon a further lecture on Security was given. | G.M.P. |

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| | 22Nov | | <p>Organization of the Bn for the exercise was carried out in the afternoon as "X" Force, under command of Lt-col J.G. Spragge comprised A and B Coys, Pioneers and A/Tk pln and part of B.H.Q. Attached was a platoon of Lorne Scots from 8 C.I.B. "Y" Force under Major Lett included C Coy, Mortar platoon, attached groups from R.C.A.M.C. and a portion of B.H.Q. "Z" Force under Major Pangman included D Coy, the Carrier platoon and a portion of B.H.Q.</p> <p>Forces were organised in 'boat parties' of 20 with an officer in charge and a sergeant to each boat. This organization was adhered to throughout and for the purpose was quite successful.</p> <p>Officers attached from 8 C.I.B. were Capt. I. Matheson-I.O., 8 C.I.B., Lt. Penoyer--R.C.C.S., Lt. Webster-Lorne Scots, from R.C.A.M.C. Lt.-col. Gossage and from R de Chaud-Capt. Morin in addition to all regular attached personnel.</p> <p>Dress laid on -- greatcoats, F.S.M.O. (respirators slung)</p> | Cmp |
| SOUTHAMPTON | 23Nov | 0500 0600 0645 0730 | <p>Reveille</p> <p>Breakfast</p> <p>Y and Z forces fell in boat parties and embussed at the gate of Wykehurst Park, proceeding by T.C.V. to the railway station at HORSHAM. X force fell in at 0800 entrained at 0815 arriving at the station at 0895 and entraining at 0955. Haversack lunches were eaten on the train.</p> <p>On arrival the forces went to their several boats. X Force operating from the Prince Albert. Y Force operating from the Prince Leopold in conjunction with "Z" from the Princess J. Charlotte.</p> | Cmp |
| SOUTHAMPTON 1400-1500 924224 | 23Nov | 1235 | <p>"X" Force (16 boat parties of approx 20 all ranks)</p> <p>X Force embarked on L.S.I., were allotted quarters and supplied with a haversack meal for the evening. Boat drill followed by practise landing consumed the afternoon. The water was calm and landing was carried out over the sides of the L.C.P.(L). This meant that several were wet up to the waist and no drying facilities were available. It was cold comfort that in action one would not hesitate to do this. Transfer from L.S.I. and L.C.P.(L) was carried out by use of rope and rack ladders which was a good deal easier than it looked at first.</p> | Cmp. |

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| 923166 | 23 Nov 1930 | & 2030 | Casualties - a sprained knee, a stiff neck and a rifle and helmet overboard. In the evening a night landing was practised by all ranks. After reembarking, supper was served, hammocks and blankets drawn and everyone slept well tired after a busy but very interesting afternoon. Copy of Pt I orders for X Force is Copy of Ships Standing Orders of L.S.I. H.M.S. "Prince Albert" | <i>GmP</i> Appendix VIII Appendix IX. |
| EGYPTS POINT 120166 958153 | | 1400 to 2230 | <u>"Y" Force</u> Y force (10 boat parties of approx 18 all ranks) operated in two flights each of five boats. Practise landings in the afternoon and a night landing for the First Flight in the evening kept them busy. Y Force acted in conjunction with Z Force in the night landing and operated from L.S.I. 'Prince Leopold' in a similar manner to Z Force. Y Force Part I Orders H.M.S. Prins Leopold Ships Standing Orders to troops | <i>GmP</i> Appendix X Appendix XI |
| Approx. 935170 | | | <u>"Z" Force</u> "Z" Force (9 boat parties, each of approx 20 all ranks) operated in two flights of 4 boats each owing to the lack of L.C.P(L)s with H.Q. boat operating in both flights. At 1330 they embarked in the L.S.I. H.M.S. "Prinses J. Charlotte" and were attached quarters and issued 'Mae West' lifebelts. | |
| EGYPTS POINT 920166 | | 1400 | Practice landings began in the afternoon. On the second landing Rfn. Baxter(RAP) jumped as instructed straight ahead, result a weak knee and sprained ankle. The shock caused him to fall back in the water and swallow a good deal of salt water. (The writer followed him off the boat and helped him up) First aid was administered by the medical sergeant and he was taken back to the ship on a stretcher borrowed from a nearby L.A.A. Battery. It is noticeable that jumping off is a poor way of disembarking; it is better to roll off quietly and quickly giving oneself a spring with one hand. An 'O' Group, organising the night landing took place aboard the Prinses J. Charlotte. Major J.E.C. Pangman assumed direction of both Y & Z Forces., and Capt. S.C. Heyes the executive direction of Z force excluding H.G. Major Lett continued as O.C. Y Force. | <i>GmP</i> |

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| 953152 958152 | 23Nov | 2230 | Objective was an "RDF station" inland. Z Force landed first and proceeded to execute a right flanking movement on the objective. Shortly thereafter, Y Force landed and executed a left flanking movement. Control was carried over Y Force by #18 Set. The #18 Set with Z Force could not send; consequently messages were passed from Sunray through #38 Set. Capt. S.C. Heyes reported that the #38 Set was invaluable in securing control over his fighting parties. | G.M.P. |
| | | 2345 | Y and Z Forces each operated with the First Flight, giving the force operating strength of approx. 190 in 10 boats. Both returned to their respective ships. Cocoa was served on returning and the drying room opened for use. | |
| | | 2045 | Owing to the strangeness of certain Navy customs e.g. having Ships Rounds at night instead of in the morning as customary in the Army, there was some confusion the first night. This disappeared the following day. | |
| | 24Nov | 0630 | <u>"X" Force</u> Reveille 0730 Breakfast 0830 Cleaning up of quarters. | |
| | | 1000-1200 | Lectures. | |
| | | 1330-1430 | Lectures. | |
| | | 1500 | Embarked on L.C.P.(1)s for landing practise, in "Silent" landings and "Assault" Landings, returning at 1730 hrs for tea. | G.M.P. |
| | | 1830 | Fall in for night landing and attack on enemy H.Q. Surprise Landing exercise carried out successfully. Improvement noted. | |
| | | 2035 | Re-embarked and returned to L.S.I. Supper at 2100. | |
| Prinses J.Charlotte 935170 | | 0630 | <u>"Y" Force</u> Reveille 0730 Breakfast | |
| | | 0800 | Weapon Inspection. Generally speaking the weapons were good but a few had not realised the full effect of salt sea air. Rust comes very quickly. Weapon Inspection laid on one half hour after each landing practice. | |
| | | 1000 | Lecture by Bos'un, a sub-lieutenant R.N. on the Navy and its traditions. A ripe personality, his remarks were enjoyed by all. | G.M.P. |
| | | 1100 | Lecture by Lieut-comd. Bromleigh, R.N.R., First officer in the Navy. | |
| | | 1000 | Lieut. Buckie, R.N.R. of the Prinses J. Charlotte borrowed two 38 Sets and experimented with them on L.C.P.(L)s. They worked well with suppressors on the engine during passage by sea. | |

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| 953152 | 24 Nov | 1200 | Lunch. | Gmf |
| | | 1315 | First flight practise landing. Ignition trouble delayed H.Q. boat. Re-embarkation by rope ladders proved easier than it looked. | |
| | | 1430 | Second flight landed. Landings becoming more successful and efficient. | |
| | | 1830 | O group organising night landing scheme for second flights. Y force second flight under Lieut. J.C. Arber, Z force under Capt. Mills - both under Maj. J.E.C. Pangman to make a landing on the Spit and capture enemy H.Q. by Night. Z Force to land first as bridghead force; Y force to pass through and assault the enemy H.Q. | |
| | | 2130 | Boats hit the water, proceeded to destination arriving at Spit. The #38 Set with Force H.Q. failed to operate; the strain of the weight of the junction box on the soldered connection of the wire from the battery to the junction box was too great and the connection failed. The junction box is the weak point of the #38 Set. It was also noticed that on this beach, which was quite stoney, that landings were not as easy. One sprained ankle was the only casualty. | |
| | 25 Nov | 2330 | Returned to ship, inspected weapons, issued bedding and cocoa. <u>Y Force</u> | Gmf |
| | | 0600 | Reveille | |
| | | 0645 | Breakfast | |
| | | 0800 | All personnel not on fatiuges on deck. Rolls checked. Mae West life belts recalled. Boat weighed anchor for SOUTHAMPTON docking at 0900 hrs. | |
| | | 0930 | Debarked, entraining at 1000. | |
| | | 1225 | Arrived HORSHAM, embussed. | |
| | | 1330 | Arrived WYKEHURST PARK Set of suggestions re syllabus of training made by Lieut.-col. J.G. Spragge to Capt. Anderson, M.C. | |
| | | | <u>"Z" Force</u> | |
| | | 0600 | Reveille | |
| | | 0700 | Breakfast | |
| | | 0800 | Personnel not on fatigues on deck. Mae Wests turned in. Boat proceeded to SOUTHAMPTON, docking at 0900 hrs. | |
| | | 0935 | Entrained, arriving HORSHAM 1210 where embussed for WYKEHURST. | |

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| | 25 Nov | | Remainder of day concerned largely with reorganisation after the scheme. Everyone felt they had valuable experience; all had enjoyed excellent food and the genuinely interesting programme. Finally everyone was happy in the promise of coming events in this type of training. The platoon of Lorne Scots returned to camp with us. 9 Br. & German Tank models received. I Section received instructions - 4 Rz.K.Ws., 1 to 4 + Covenanter, Crusader, Valentine, Matilda and Churchill. | GMP |
| | 26 Nov. | 0830 | Parades and Training. Tank models allotted to Support Coy for the day. The G.O.C. 3 Cdn. Div., Major-Gen. F.J.L. Keller visited the C.O. First day of Educational Programme. 12 students represented 2 of the 6 coys present. Instruction given in French and German (elementary) by the U.E.O. 1800 Motion Picture "Holiday Inn" at K. of C. with Bing Crosby and Fred Astaire. | GMP |
| | 27 Nov. | 0830 | Parades and Training. Hockey team lost 9 - 0 to N. Shore R. | |
| | | 1800 | Revue in K. of C. Hut - Five In Accord. | |
| | | 1700 | C.Os. O group - all officers. Programme for smartening up to get rid of the idea that the good soldier is dirty - the result of battle drill. Two gunners of the local battery of R.C.A. were killed, hit first by a jeep driven by an R.C.O.C. s/sgt, then by a station waggon of the 7 Re cce Regt. They had been left lying on the road. As the gunners had been walking with the traffic an order (see Appx II D.O. 132) went out that all pedestrians walk facing oncoming traffic. | GMP |
| | 28 Nov. | 0830 | Muster Parade. | |
| | | 1000 | C.Os. parade and inspection of battalion. The Commando Dagger presented by the Mayor of Toronto to G.O.C. M.D.2 and by him to the Q.O.R. as senior infantry unit of M.D.2 overseas, displayed and the addressed read to the battalion by companies. In spite of a good deal of sheepiness and wise cracking the presentation was appreciated. | GMP |
| | | 1330 | Pay Parade. | |
| | | 1430 | Football team won from N.Shore R. 3 - 0. | |

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| | 29Nov | 1000 1100 | Church parade B.H.Q. & Support Coys. Church parade Rifle Coys. Another bunch off to 5 C.T.S. (Battle) Wing(!) "Holiday Inn" shown to Officers. | Gmp. |
| | 30Nov | 0830 | Parades & training. The security on "Field Firing" Exercise appears to have been good as far as this unit was concerned. Small incidents indicate that some others have not done so well. A Signalman remarked to a Queen's Own at a dance hall in Brighton on Saturday night, the 28th of November, that a Chaudiere had mentioned to him that his unit had just done A.L.C. training and that the Queen's Own had preceded them. Major V.A. Gianelli, the Q.O.R. of C. has been awarded the Canadian Efficiency Decoration, | |

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