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Guillemon Barracks.	1-3-40	0800 2000 1200	<p>Training as per schedule.</p> <p>The Army Physical Training Staff from school of Physical Training, Aldershot, rendered an exhibition of training and gymnastics, which included boxing, floor work and horse work. This was conducted by Capt Smith, G.O. for P.I. About 500 troops were present also Brig. Price, Lt. Col. Gregg and Col. Houston G.S.O. for P.I.</p> <p>Brig. Crawford, Commandant of A.G.S., gave lecture to 3 Bde Officers & P.S.M.'s on gas at the Officers Mess.</p> <p>On Parade - 21 O's 702 O.R.s. Sick 48 Total Strength 798</p>	<p>App't I</p> <p>H.P.F.</p> <p>H.P.F.</p> <p>H.P.F.</p> <p>App't V</p>

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Guillemeot Barracks.	2-3-40	0800	<p>Training as per schedule</p> <p>Lt. R.H. Beck proceeded on command to Inf. Transport Officers Course London and Whitwick</p>	<p>Appx I</p> <p>Appx IV, no. 65</p> <p>H.B.J.</p>
			<p>On Parade 2205 703 OK</p> <p>Sicks 46</p> <p>Total 798</p>	<p>H.B.J.</p>

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Guilleumont Barracks.	3/-3/40	0945 1045	<p>R.C. Church Parade Naafi Hut.</p> <p>S. of E. Church Parade.</p> <p>Lt. G. F. Johnston returns off command from Whitebourne Gen. School.</p> <p>On Parade 22 Os 680 ORs.</p> <p>Sick - 46</p> <p>Total. 798</p>	<p>Appx IV, no. 65</p> <p>H.B.F.</p> <p>H.B.F.</p> <p>Appx V <u>✓</u></p>

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Guellenont Barracks.	4-3-40	0800.	<p>Training as per schedule.</p> <p>Lt. E. M. Brown proceeds to P. J. Bourne at Command Gymnasium, Aldershot.</p> <p>Mjr. W. J. Worth went on seven days sick leave ^{after} being discharged from Cambridge Hospital.</p> <p>Capt. P. H. Stehelin began to carry on the work of Adjutant.</p> <p>On Parade 20 O's 683 OVRs.</p> <p>Sick — 53</p> <p>Total 798</p>	<p>Appendix I</p> <p>Append. IV, no. 64.</p> <p>H. P. J.</p> <p>Append. IV. no. 64</p> <p>H. P. J.</p> <p>Append. IV.</p> <p>H. P. J.</p> <p>H. P. J.</p> <p>Append. V</p>

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<i>Guillemont Barracks.</i>	<i>5-3-40</i>	<i>0800</i>	<i>Training as per schedule</i>	<i>Append I H.B.G.</i>
			<i>On Parade 2005 677 ORs Sick - 46 Total 798</i>	<i>H.B.G. Append V</i>

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Guillemont Barracks.	6-3-40	0800	Training as per schedule.	Appx I
		0745	Lt. H. J. Parker proceeds to Simpson Barracks at Hythe	Appx. IV, no. 66 H.B.J.
			<p>On Parade. 20⁰⁰</p> <p>Sick - 50</p> <p>Total 798</p>	<p>675 ORs H.B.J.</p> <p>Appx V</p>

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Guellemont Barracks	7-3-40	0800	Training as per schedule	Cp/pt I
		1800	<p>St. R.J. Armand returned from Hythe School of Musketry</p> <p>Capt. P.H. Stehelin took over duties of Adjutant.</p> <p>Letter from Wjn. B.M. Faulkes ordering W.N.S. Regt to select a team of a.c. heavy gunners to be used for the protection of shipping. This team will embark on a small ship based on the port of London.</p> <p>Major A.W. McKenzie was discharged from Cambridge Hospital where he had been since 28-2-40. & has been granted 10 day sick leave.</p> <p>Our Parads. 2105 663 ORs Sick - 58 Total 798</p>	<p>Appx. VII</p> <p>H.P.J.</p> <p>Appx. IV, no. 68</p> <p>H.P.J.</p> <p>Cp/pt V</p>

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<i>Guillemonst Barracks.</i>	<i>8/3/40</i>	<i>0800</i>	<i>Training as per schedule</i>	<i>Appx I</i>
		<i>2000</i>	<i>Maj. O.B. Berringer is appointed to supervise the voting by soldiers in this Bn. in the forthcoming election</i> <i>The combined Sgt's Mess. held their bi-monthly dance in Mess. rooms.</i>	<i>Appx. VI.</i> <i>N.B.J.</i>
			<i>On Parade 2000 664 ORs</i> <i>Sick - 58</i> <i>Total 798</i>	<i>N.B.J.</i> <i>Appx V</i>

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Guillemont Barracks	9/3/40	0800	<p>Training as per Schedule.</p> <p>By an innovation in this Bn, W.O.s are henceforth to act as Orderly Officers.</p> <p>C.S.M. Garber, W.S. is the first W.O. named for this duty. The use of W.O.s as Orderly Officers will ease the pressure of duties on the few Officers now with the Bn.</p>	<p>Appx I</p> <p>Appx III No. 527</p> <p>N.B.J.</p>
			<p>On Parade. Co. 20 669 ORs</p> <p>Sicks - 51</p> <p>Total 798</p>	<p>N.B.J.</p> <p>Appx V</p>

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Guillemont Barracks.	10/3/40	0800	Training as per schedule.	Appx I
		1300	Capt. W. L. Gummel proceeded on board to inspect Coy. Board's course at Lahrsheds. The first team of A.A. gunners for the protection of shipping proceeded to Aldershot to their duties on ship sailing out of London. The personnel of this team was Capt. F. J. Stephenson + Lt. O. H. Sullivan.	Appx IV, No. 70 Appx. VII. IV, No. 72 H.P.F.
		0845	R. L. Linnard Parade to Naafi Hut.	
		1045	C. of G. " " " " " "	
			On Parade 200: 670 OR.	H.P.F.
			Sick - 50	Appx V
			Total 798	

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Guillemin Barracks.	11/3/40	0800	<p>Training as per schedule.</p> <p>This morning the parade ground took on an unusually war-like appearance. The little field serois caps which had for so long adorned the right ears of the troops have given way to steel hats. The martial appearance of the ranks of soldiers was, however, somewhat tinged with the ludicrous, owing to the fact that all tin hats issued by Q. M. were of the same size—(7.)</p> <p>On Parade 2000 680 ORs Sick - 50 Total 798</p>	<p>Appx I</p> <p>Appx III No 530</p> <p>N.B.J.</p> <p>Appx V</p>

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Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks, references to Append. & Initials.
Guellemont Barroche	12/3/40	0800	Training as per schedule.	Appx I Y.B.F.
			On Parade 20 Os 670 ORs Sick - 61 Total 798	Y.B.F. Appx V

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Guillemont Barracks.	12/3/40	0800	Training as per schedule.	Appx I
		1100	<p>Today Mjn. Berringer opened a polling booth in the Instructional hut next door to the Intelligence Office. Voting was not very brisk. The troops do not seem to be taking much interest in this election.</p> <p>On Parade 1705 666 O.K.'s Sick - 60 62 Total 798</p>	<p>Appx III 76.56 H.B.G.</p> <p>9. P.J.</p> <p>Appx V</p>

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<i>Guillemont Barracks.</i>	<i>14/3/40</i>	<i>0800</i>	<i>Training as per schedule.</i>	<i>Append I W.B.F.</i>
			<i>On Parade 17 05. 666 ORs. Sick - 63 Total. 798</i>	<i>W.B.F. Append V</i>

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Scullemont Barracks.	15/3/40	0800	Training as per schedule.	Appx I H.B.F.
			<p>On Parade 17 Co. 665 ORS Sick - 63 Total 798</p>	<p>H.B.F. Appx V</p>

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Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks, references to Append. & Initials.
Guillemon Barracks.	16/3/40	0800 1200	Training as per schedule Lt. H.P. Cuskins, 13th I.O., returned to duty from Int. Course at Minley Manor.	Appx I Appx IV 76.81 v.p.f.
			On Parade 2000 Sick — 57 Total 798	v.p.f. appx V

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Gullemont Barracks.	17/3/40	0845	R.L. parade (church) to Naafi Hut.	
		1045	Prot. " " " "	
			Mjr. K.P. Harris & Capt. J.A. Heth. proceeded to Pythe to attend Senior Officers' Staff Course, Small Arms School.	Appx. IV, No. 78. H.B.F.
			On Parade 20 Os. 654 O.R.s. Sick - 56 Total 798	H.B.F. Appx V

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Guillemont Barracks.	18/3/40	0800	Training as per schedule.	Appx I
		0800	Lt. E. W. Brown returns from P.T. course. Cond. Centre Syon.	Appx IV 14.80 H.P.J.
			<p>On Parade 20^{0s} 675 ORs</p> <p>Sick - 59 59</p> <p>Total 798</p>	<p>H.P.J.</p> <p>Appx V</p>

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Guillemont Barracks.	19/3/40	0800	<p>Training as per schedule</p> <p>The following Officers were transferred to 1st Inf. Base Depot:</p> <p>Maj. D.G.F. Burgoyne. Capt. J.H. Mason. Capt. R.C. Elliott.</p> <p>On Parade 17 05 675 O.Rs</p> <p>Sick — 59</p> <p>Total 791</p>	<p>Appx I</p> <p>Appx IV No. 82 H.P.J.</p> <p>H.P.J.</p> <p>Appx V</p>

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Guillemont Barracks	20/3/40	0800	<p>Training as per schedule</p> <p>As a further measure of relief for the over-worked Officers on duty with the Para. our P.S.M.s are to perform Orderly Office duties. P.S.M. Richardson, A.S.M. ^{Rhodiniger, A.S.M.} is the first P.S.M. appointed for this duty.</p> <p>On Parade 20.05. 678 OR. Sick - 55 Total 791</p>	<p>Appendix I</p> <p>Append. III no. 589 and 593 H.B.F.</p> <p>H.B.F. Append V</p>

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General meeting 21/3/40 0800 Training as per schedule.
Barracks.

appx I

0900 Rehearsal for the coming inspection of the Bn. by the G.O.C. 1 Cdn. Div. For many of us this was the first Bn. parade for two months. Bn. Hdqrs. paraded with one Officer + three O.Rs. on foot — the rest on bicycles + m.c.s.

appx III
No. 60
N.P.J.

2100 Mjr Berringer's polling booth closed down and the voting by overseas troops in our first khaki election in this war, is finished.

N.P.J.

1200 Lecture on co-operation with the Airforce. This lecture was given by an R.A.F. Officer in our Officers' Mess.

N.P.J.

On Parade 21⁰⁰ 652 O.Rs.

N.P.J.

Sick — 54

appx I

Total 791

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Guillemont 22/3/40
Barracks.

0800 Since this is Good Friday the troops are having
a holiday and Capt. J.A. Hebb returned from Coy. Cmdr.'s course.

APPX IV, 1940

1700
0830

Mjr. K.P. Harris and Lt. J.A. Hebb returned from Coy. Cmdr.'s course.
Lt. Col. Gregg took the Officers, C.S.M.s & P.S.M.s out on a J.E.W.G. We "defended" a section of the BASINGSTOKE CANAL near ODIHAM. Chief points of interest arising out of this J.E.W.G. were, 1st, the question of whether the first consideration in locating the Pls. of a Coy. is to locate them so that all three Pls. can cover the tank obstacles with fire, or whether the primary consideration is to dispose the Coy in depth; 2nd. The question of the size, tasks and armament of outposts ahead of the tank obstacles. These problems were not settled.

H.B.J.

Capt. J. Sedford is attached to us as our M.O. in place of Major G.H. Ryan. Capt. Sedford belongs to No. 5. Gen. Hosp. R.C.A.M.C.

H.B.J.

On Parade 20⁰⁵ 695 ORs
Sick - 57
Total 791

APPX V
H.B.J.

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Guillemont Barracks 23/3/40 0800 Training as per schedule.

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1100 Another rehearsal for the General's inspection.

Lt. H. F. Parker returns from Scipus Coors at Hythe. Appx. IV, 1941
no. 86

1300 A few of cleaners has struck the Barracks. Cleaning of grounds, rooms and equipment is taking place of the usual Saturday half holiday. N.B.J.

On Parade	18 ⁰⁵	627 OKs
Sick -	53	
Total	786	

Appx II
N.B.J.

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Guillemont 24/3/40
Barracks

Easter Sunday. Church parades.

REMARKS
REF. INITIALS

N.P.J.

On Parade	17 ⁰⁵	636 OR.
Sick	— 50	
Total	786	

appx ✓
N.P.J.

Orig

Guantanamo 25/3/40 0800 Training as per schedule
Barracks.

Appx I

1100 As soon as the "Van Doo's" cleared the parade ground, we held our final rehearsal for tomorrow's inspection. N.P.J.
During the rest of the day, the swish of mops and brooms, the scrape of brushes applying blanches to equipment and the clicks of Barber clippers was heard all over the Barrack area. The Bn. cap badge and a Maple Leaf were laid out in white-washed stores in front of Bn. H.Q. hut. By night-fall the W.N.S.R. lines and personnel showed no trace of dust, rubbish or surplus hair.

1205 Lecture by Mjr Faulkes to the Bde Officers on the attack.

On Parade	190's	697 OKs
Sick -	46	
Total	789	

Appx II
N.P.J.

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- Buller's Barracks 26/3/40
- 0600 Rain
0700 Rain
0800 More rain, very cold rain
0815 The Whitewash has been washed off the stones in front of the Bn. Orderly rooms, leaving only a few rows of stones sunk in the sand, as a pathetic remnant of the gay decorations of yesterday.
- 0900 The G.O. held the first conference of Officers & P.S. Mr. He warned us to have our men pile on as possible epaulettes under the battle dress, since kindly Authority has forbidden the wearing of Great coats on the Great Day. One wonders what great coats were issued for!
- 0950 Hurrah! Orders have come for us to wear great coats. The rain is still falling heavily.
- 1100 Boys begin to march on parade grounds for inspection, still raining.
- 1130 In spite of the rain and the fact that the G.O. did not stand in place we had picked out for him, the Inspection went Appx. VIII off without untoward incident. The rain was very cold and
- 1215 the men's hands were cold & stiff by the time we got off the parade ground. After the march part, details were selected to go to the range to fire rifle & Bren and the remainder returned to their spidery to carry on training by fls. N.B.J.
- 1300 Dinner. Remainder of day was holiday for the troops.
- Capt. G.K. Blecks from No. 5 Gen. Hosp. R.G.A.M. Co. has been attached to this Regt. as our M.O. in place of Capt. J. Deaford who entered Cambridge Hosp. as a patient Appx. IV, 2087.
N.P.J.
Appx. V
N.P.J.
- On Parade 2000 O.R. 704
Sick - 46
Total 789

Irish

Guilleminat
Barracks.

27/3/40 0800

~~Training as per schedule~~ The troops had a morning's rest.

1300

Sports were in order this afternoon and a three mile cross country run and about 50 men participated. C. Coy. won over B. Coy. at soccer football. Final score 1-0. Many other boys indulged in an hour's practice. Each boy had a soft ball game during the afternoon. The inter-boy games will start on Thursday April 4th, as will also soccer competition. Many volley ball games were played during the week. Only one court is now available, a second will be ready shortly. A lack of sports equipment is the main drawback at present.

On Parade	210 ⁰⁰
Sick	— 47
Total	789

705 OKs

April 2
H.B.P.

Orig

Guantanamo 28/3/50
Barracks

- 0800 Training as per schedule.
- 1930 Bde dinner in the Officers mess. Principal guests were the Rt. Hon. R. B. Bennett and Sir Henry Page-Croft. Other guests were the G.O.C. & Brig, and other Officers from 1 Div. H. Q. and other units & formation in 1 Cdn. Div. A number of English Officers were also guests. The W.N.S.R. band provided the music. Brig Price proposed the Toast to the guests. He remarked that from the battle of the Plains of Abraham to Confederation, a total of 105 units of the British Army had served in Canada. Sir Henry, in his speech, praised "the greatness of spirit" of the Canadians who had come 3000 to 7000 miles to fight "so early in the day".
- 2135 Lt. Smeltzer W.N.S.R., sang "On the road to Mandalay". Hearty applause.
- 2220 The Rt. Hon. R. B. Bennett, stressed the idea that 1 Cdn. Div. is "Canada on Parade". He declared that Canada's purpose in the war is "freedom & self-government".
- 2227
- 2245 Mr. Folds of the Y.M.C.A. told two funny stories.
- 1900 The W.N.S.R. boxing contest (elimination) was held tonight in the Gym. The winners were: Left Hand, J. M. (126 lbs) Steele, R. (135 pounds) Olmstead, C. (147 lbs) Embree (160 lbs) Okhandley S.B. (175 lbs) Falls, J. (Heavy weight)

On Parade	21	05	706	OKs
Sick	—	43		
Total		789		

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Guilleminet 29/3/40 0800
Barrades. 0800

Training as per schedule.

The second team of A.A. Lewis gunners for A.A. protection of shipping left the Bn. today. This team consisted of Capt. C.M. Byrne and Plt. J.S. Roy. It is interesting to reflect that while the "Van Dots" are parading for visiting notables and "changing guards at Buckingham Palace" the W.N.S.R. is helping to guard British ships in the Channel and North Sea.

1630 At an "official" meeting of the W.N.S.R. officers, Lt. Col. Gugg informed us that a Regimental Fund in the name of W.N.S.R. had been located in the bank in Bridge-water, N.S. This fund has been transferred to ~~the~~ ^{Branch of the Bank of Montreal} London ~~Bank~~ and is available for the use of the Bn. Amount transferred is £190 or \$851.49. Another account has been opened in Lloyds Bank, Fleet, for use in paying small bills.

1900 Bde. boxing finals in the Gym.

On Parade	200's	706	Oks
Sick	—	44	
Total		750	

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Guillemont 30/8/40 0800 Training as per schedule
Barracks

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1900 The Bde boxing finals, held in the W.N.S.R. Gym, was finished tonight. The results were as follows:

118 lbs.	Lt Col Seguin	R 22 R
126 "	Le Blanc, J.N.	W.N.S.R.
135 "	Steele, R.	W.N.S.R.
147 "	Miller,	R 22 R
160 "	Judeau	R 22 R
175 "	Prison	Carl. + York.
Heavy	Falls, T.	W.N.S.R.

N.B.J.

On Parade	210 ¹⁵	672 Oks
Sick	— 39	
Total	789	

Appx II
N.B.J.

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WAR DIARY
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INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY

PLACE	DATE	HOURS		REMARKS REFERENCES
Gullemont Barracks.	3/3/40	0845	R.C. Church parade. Naafi 1st Lt.	N.B.J.
		1045	Prot. " " " "	
			Kit and clothing inspection of the Unit to check shortages and to find missing pieces of kit.	N.B.J.
			On Parade 210 ¹⁵ 706 Oks	N.B.J.
			Sick — 43	Appx. I
			Total 789	