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WAR DIARY

OF

The Princess Louise Fusiliers (M.C.) Ser. No. 355-
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Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	P.L. Fus. (M.G.) C.A.S.F.	Remarks, references to Appendices and initials
HALIFAX N.S.	11SEP		OPERATION ORDER NO I. ##### . ISSUED CONFIRMING VERBAL INSTRUCTIONS ISSUED 2 SEP 39.		⑥ <i>bijan</i>
	12SEP		OPERATION ORBER NO.I.AMENDMENT NO.I.ISSUED.		⑦ <i>bijan</i>
		1527	PHONED COLONEL W.M.KING RE-USE OF LABOUR TEMPLE FOR USE OF TROOPS AFTER PARADE.COLONEL'S KINGS REPLY ATTACHED AS AN APPENDIX.		⑧ <i>bijan</i>
			LETTER FROM FORTRESS HEADQUARTERS GIVING PERMISSION FOR JEWISH SOLDIERS TO BE GIVEN LEAVE ON CERTAIN DAYS.WE HAVE NO JEWISH SOLDIERS.		<i>bijan</i>
			DREW LANTERNS FROM Q.M.STORES FOR USE IN BATTALION ORDERLY ROOM DURING BLACKOUTS.		<i>bijan</i>
	13SEP		RECEIVED A LETTER FROM FORTRESS HEADQUARTERS PLACING LT.COLONEL COLWELL R.J.E.D.(HALIFAX RIFLES)IN COMMAND OF WESTERN SECTOR.		⑨ <i>bijan</i>
	14SEP	0900	ONE SERGEANT AND TWENTY FUSILIERS PROCEEDED TO WELLINGTON BARRACKS FOR GAS DRILL .		<i>bijan</i>
		1700	ONE GAS MASK LOANED TO HALIFAX FIRE DEPARTMENT AS PER TELEPHONE INSTRUCTION FROM HALIFAX FORTRESS.		<i>bijan</i>
	15SEP	0900	BATHING PARADE AT HALIFAX Y.M.C.A.		<i>bijan</i>
	16 Sep		Normal Routine		<i>bijan</i>
	17SEP		MAJOR R.D.KING FROM MCNABS ISLAND TO DISTRICT HEADQUARTERS AS G.S.O.(III).		<i>bijan</i>

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HALIFAX N.S.	17SEP.	1500	VIOLENT HAILSTORM LASTING MORE THAN AN HOUR BROKE ALL WINDOWS IN SHELTERS AT McNAES ISLAND AND GENERALLY WRECKED THE TAR PAPER COVERING OF THE HUTS.		<i>bxian</i>	
		1530	36 ALL RANKS PROCEEDED TO FORTRESS WEAPON TRAINING CAMP AT BEDFORD. THIS CAMP HAS JUST COMMENCED AND THE MAJORITY OF THE STAFF IS SUPPLIED BY THIS UNIT, VIZ. CAMP COMMANDANT CAPT. J. MORRIS THREE MACHINE GUN INSTRUCTORS ONE GAS INSTRUCTOR AND SIX FATIGUE MEN.			<i>bxian</i>
	18SEP			EIGHT OTHER RANKS REPORTED TO 22ND, FIELD AMBULANCE R.C.A.M.C. FOR INSTRUCTION IN FIRST AID AND STRETCHER BEARER WORK.		<i>bxian</i> <i>bxian</i> <i>bxian</i>
				SENT TWO CANDIDATES TO PHYSICAL TRAINING CLASS AT MILITARY GYM. COGSWELL STREET.		
				RETREAT THIS WEEK BEING SOUNDED AT 1853 HRS.		
		19SEP	1207	PHONE MESSAGE FROM CAPT. CAREW -O.C., EASTERN PASSAGE POST -REPORTING THAT HE HAD SEEN A SUBMARINE.		⑩ <i>bxian</i>
	19SEP	A REGIMENTAL BARBER IS NOW AVAILABLE HAIRCUTS 15¢ EACH.			<i>bxian</i>	
	20SEP	0800	FUMIGATED THE MENS CANTEEN (SLEEPING PLACE FOR RESERVE MOBILE PLATOON)		<i>bxian</i> <i>bxian</i> <i>bxian</i> <i>bxian</i>	
		1100	FURNISHED A FATIGUE PARTY TO LOAD BLANKETS AND MATTRESSES AT WELLINGTON BARRACKS FOR FORTRESS WEAPON TRAINING CAMP. THE BAND PLAYED A CONCERT IN THE GRAND PARADE BARRINGTON STREET. BORROWED BAYONET FIGHTING EQUIPMENT FROM THE R.C.R.			

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HALIFAX N.S.	22 SEP	2228	TELEPHONE ORDER TO CEASE RECRUITING FROM THIS DATE.	11 <i>bixon</i>
	21 SEP		MAJOR H.R. CHIPMAN O.C., HERRING COVE POST TO COMMAND MC NAB ISLAND DETACHMENT.	<i>bixon</i>
	23 SEP	1100	THE BAND PLAYED A CONCERT IN THE GRAND PARADE BARRINGTON STREET.	<i>bixon</i>
		1300	ANNUAL CLOSING OF ROADS OVER MILITARY PROPERTY WITHIN THE HALIFAX FORTRESS AREA STARTED.	<i>bixon</i>
	24 SEP	1300	ROADS OVER MILITARY PROPERTY INCLUDING THE HALIFAX FORTRESS AREA AGAIN OPEN TO THE PUBLIC.	<i>bixon</i>
			SENT ONE FUSILIER TO DISTRICT PAYMASTERS OFFICE FOR PERMENANT DUTY AS ORDERLY.	<i>bixon</i>
		1400	CANADIAN ACTIVE SERVICE FORCE ATTESTATION PAPERS AND OTHER FORMS RECEIVED.	<i>bixon</i>
		1745	THIRTY TWO CANDIDATES RETURNED FROM FORTRESS WEAPON TRAINING CAMP.	<i>bixon</i>
		2359	ALL CLOCKS WITHIN THE HALIFAX FORTRESS AREA TURNED BACK ONE HOUR ¹⁰ 2359 HRS. I.E., A.S. TIME.	<i>bixon</i>
	25 SEP		RETURNED BAYONET FIGHTING EQUIPMENT TO THE R.C.R. RETREAT THIS WEEK WILL BE SOUNDED AT 1744 HRS. ORDERED BY FORTRESS H.Q. TO MOVE FROM OUR ORIGINAL LOCATION AT EASTERN PASSAGE TO A NEW POSITION THERE AT 946610. PRESENT POSITION TO BE HANDED OVER INTACT TO THE P.E.I. HIGHLANDERS.	<i>bixon</i>

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HALIFAX N.S.	26 SEP	0930	<p>ORIGINAL POSITION AT EASTERN PASSAGE HANDED OVER TO P.E.I. HIGHLANDERS .NEW POSITION TAKEN UP AT 946610.</p> <p>REPORT FROM MAJOR. LIDDELL O.C., WESTERN AREA DETACHMENT AT SPRYFIELD THAT A CAR BEARING QUEBEC LICENSE PLATES HAD STOPPED ON THE HERRING COVE ROAD ABOUT 3000 YDS. FROM SANDWICH BATTERY. THE OCCUPANTS OF THE CAR ATTEMPTED TO SET UP SOME KIND OF AN INSTRUMENT. A CIVILIAN RESIDENT OF THE DISTRICT STARTED TO GO OVER TO SEE WHAT THEY WERE DOING WHEREUPON THE MEN GOT INTO THE CAR AND DROVE OFF.</p> <p>A DRY CANTEEN WAS OPENED TO-DAY IN THE MENS CANTEEN.</p> <p>OPERATION INSTRUCTION NO I. ISSUED TO-DAY.</p>	<p>12 13 <i>bxon</i></p> <p>14 <i>bxon</i></p>
		1504	<p>RECEIVED COPY NO. II. OF HALIFAX FORTRESS OPERATION INSTRUCTION NO I. DATED 26. SEP. 39.</p> <p>Normal Routine</p>	<p>15 <i>bxon</i></p> <p>16 <i>bxon</i></p>
	27			<i>bxon</i>
	28 SEP	1047	<p>MESSAGE FROM HERRING COVE (CAPT. GEMMELL) SAYING THAT A PLANE IS CIRCLING AROUND AND FIRING A MACHINE GUN. CHECKED WITH FORTRESS HEADQUARTERS IT WAS FOUND TO BE A MACHINE FROM H.M.S. BERWICK .R.N.</p> <p>DETACHMENT MOVED FROM SPRYFIELD TO JUNCTION ST. MARGARETS BAY ROAD AND PROSPECT ROAD.</p> <p>RECEIVED COPY NO. 11. OF FORTRESS OPERATION INSTRUCTION NO. 11². DATED 27 SEP. 39</p> <p>COMMENCED MEDICAL BOARDING OF UNIT PERSONNEL.</p> <p>OPERATION INSTRUCTION NO. 2, ISSUED BY THIS UNIT .</p>	<p>17 <i>bxon</i></p> <p>18 <i>bxon</i></p> <p>19 <i>bxon</i></p>
	29 SEP	0900	<p>BATHING PARADE AT HALIFAX Y.M.C.A.</p>	<i>bxon</i>

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HALIFAX N.S.	30 SEP		<p>A GUARD HAVING BEEN INSTITUTED AT DISTRICT H.Q. THIS UNIT WILL SUPPLY , EVERY THIRD DAY TWO N.C.O'S AND SIX MEN.</p> <p>THIRTY SEVEN CANDIDATES RETURNED FROM FORTRESS WEAPON TRAINING CAMP.</p> <p style="text-align: right;"><i>Comitchell</i> COMMANDING — P.L. Fus. (M.G.) C.A.S.F. MAJOR.</p>	(20)