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# WAR DIARY

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HALIFAX N.S NOVEMBER. 1939	1		DAILY ROUTINE.	Livan
	2	2000	LECTURE IN THE HALIFAX RIFLES OFFICERS MESS.SPEAKER FLIGHT.LIEUT.D.SMITH,R.C.A.F. SUBJECT"AIR FORCE ORGANIZATION AND FUNCTION".	Livan
	3		DAILY ROUTINE.	Livan
	4		DAILY ROUTINE.	Livan
	5	1045	CHURCH PARADE,R.C'S TO ST.MARYS CATHEREDERAL OTHER DENOMINATIONS TO ALL SAINTS CATHEDRAL.	Livan
	6		RETREAT DURING THE ENSUING WEEK WILL SOUND AT 1636 HRS.	Livan
	6	0800	COMMANDING OFFICER ON THREE DAYS LEAVE. R.O.82-(4).	Livan
	7		BLACK OUT DRILL CARRIED OUT THIS EVENING BETWEEN 1900 HRS.AND 2100 HRS.-PERIOD OF DARKNESS LASTED FOR THIRTY MINUTES.ALL LIGHTS IN ARMOURIES WERE TURNED OFF AND A CERTAIN AMOUNT OF WORK WAS CARRIED ON IN BATTALION ORDERLY ROOM, BY USING OIL LANTERNS.	Livan
	8	0830	COMMANDING OFFICER RETURNED FROM THREE DAYS LEAVE.	Livan

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NOVEMBER 1939	9		DAILY ROUTINE.		Lyon
	10		RECEIVED A LETTER FROM DISTRICT H.Q. AUTHORIZING THE CHANGE IN ORGANIZATION FROM FOUR PLATOONS PER COMPANY TO THREE PLATOONS EACH OF TWO SECTIONS OF TWO V.M.G.'S.	A	Lyon
	11		REGIMENTAL BAND AND ONE COMPANY ATTENDED THE REMEMBRANCE DAY SERVICES AT THE WAR MEMORIAL, GRAND PARADE. THE BAND PLAYED FOR ALL THE SINGING AT THIS SERVICE.		Lyon
	12		CHURCH PARADE AT HALIFAX ARMOURIES.		Lyon
	12		ADVISED COMPANY COMMANDERS OF AUTHORIZED CHANGE IN ORGANIZATION. SEE APPENDIX.	B	Lyon
	13	0900	SENT FOUR CANDIDATES TO PHYSICAL TRAINING INSTRUCTORS CLASS AT MILITARY GYM.		Lyon
	13		CERTAIN PERSONNEL BEING EXERCISED ON MINATURE RANGE IN HALIFAX ARMOURY.		Lyon
	13		TYPHOID -PARATYPHOID INOCULATIONS BEING CONTINUED IN W.O.'S AND N.C.O'S MESS.		Lyon
	14		COMMANDING OFFICER CALLED TO DISTRICT HEADQUARTERS. THIS UNIT WAS GIVEN THE HONOUR OF SUPPLYING AN ANTI-TANK PLATOON FOR THE FIRST DIVISION, ONE OFFICER ONE SERGEANT, THREE CORPORALS AND SEVENTEEN FUSILIERS.	C	Lyon
	15		NORMAL DAILY ROUTINE.		Lyon

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HALIFAX N.S.	16	2000	BOXING TOURNAMENT IN THE HALIFAX ARMOURIES .	November '39	[Handwritten initials]
NOVEMBER 1939	17	0800	LIEUT. COLONEL R.J. COLWELL E.D., HALIFAX RIFLES, ASSUMES COMMAND OF THE FORTRESS VICE COL. C.S. CRAIG, D.S.O., M.C.		[Handwritten initials]
	17	2000	BOXING TOURNAMENT -FINALS -IN HALIFAX ARMOURIES.		[Handwritten initials]
	18		ALL SENTRYS , EXCEPT THOSE AT DISTRICT H.Q., ORDERED TO CARRY THEIR RIFLES AT THE SLING.		[Handwritten initials]
	19		CHURCH PARADE.		[Handwritten initials]
	20		RETREAT DURING ENSUING WEEK WILL BE SOUNDED AT 1623 HRS.		[Handwritten initials]
	20	2150	COL. C.S. CRAIG D.S.O., M.C., RESUMES COMMAND OF THE FORTRESS, VICE LIEUT. COL. R.J. COLWELL E.D.		[Handwritten initials]
	21		DAILY ROUTINE.		[Handwritten initials]
	22		DAILY ROUTINE.		[Handwritten initials]
	23		MAJOR. GENERAL C.F. CONSTANTINE D.S.O., ASSUMES COMMAND OF MILITARY DISTRICT NO. 6.		[Handwritten initials]
	23		LETTER FROM FORTRESS ASKING IF WE HAD COMPLETED WITHDRAWAL OF GUARD AT CABLE LANDING.		[Handwritten initials]

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<p>HALIFAX N.S. 20</p> <p>NOVEMBER 1939</p>			<p style="text-align: right;">November 30</p> <p>RECEIVED A LETTER FROM FORTRESS H.Q., AUTHORIZING THIS UNIT TO WITHDRAW THE GUARD FROM CABLE LANDING. GUARD WITHDRAWN AND "HUT LOCKED AT 1605 HRS".</p> <p>LETTER FROM DISTRICT H.Q. DATED 23, NOV, 1939, RE THE TRANSFER OF ANTI-TANK PLATOON TO WEST NOVA SCOTIA REGIMENT.</p> <p>SENT LETTER TO FORTRESS H.Q. ADVISING THEM OF THE WITHDRAWAL OF THE GUARD AT CABLE LANDING.</p> <p>RECEIVED COPY NO. 13, OF HALIFAX FORTRESS OPERATION INSTRUCTION NO. 4, DATED 4TH, NOV. 1939.</p> <p>CHURCH PARADE .</p> <p>RETREAT DURING THE ENSUING WEEK WILL BE SOUNDED AT 1620 HRS.</p> <p>NOCTURNAL PROWLER AT HERRING COVE SEE REPORT ATTACHED AS APPENDIX.</p> <p>RECEIVED A LETTER FROM DISTRICT H.Q. TO HAVE TEN FUSILIERS DETAILED FOR ATTACHMENT TO EMBARKATION STAFF -TO BE READY BY 3 DEC. 1939.</p> <p>DAILY ROUTINE.</p>	<p>(E) Nixon</p> <p>(F) Nixon</p> <p>(H) Nixon</p> <p>(D) Nixon</p> <p>(I) Nixon</p> <p>(J) Nixon</p> <p>(K) Nixon</p>
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