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# WAR DIARY

OF

THE PERTH REGIMENT C.A. (C.M.F.)

FROM 1 December 1944 TO 31 December 1944

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## WAR DIARIES, C.A.S.F.

### Instructions for Compilation and Despatch

1. A War Diary is **SECRET**.

2. The War Diary takes the place of the Historical Record when on active service. (K.R. Can. Para. 1530). Its objects are: to supply authentic material for the history of the unit, and of the force; to furnish a historical record of operations; and to provide data upon which to base improvements in training, equipment, organization and administration.

3. Unless otherwise ordered, the original and duplicate copies are sent on the first day of the succeeding month, through the usual channels, to the A.G., 2nd Echelon, wherever that office may be. The triplicate copy may be held by the unit for three months and then forwarded, also through the usual channels, to A.G., 2nd Echelon.

4. Post-war disposal will be as under:

Original—retained at Ottawa for historical purposes.

Duplicate—to British Record Office for historical purposes.

Triplicate—to unit for custody with unit records.

5. The War Diary will be entered up daily on M.F.M. 11 and rendered monthly in triplicate (Mobn. Instr. for C.M. 1937. App. "C"). Each entry will be initialled by the officer detailed to keep the War Diary, which will be signed at the end of each month by the commander. (F.S.R. Vol. II, Sec. 35, para. 3 iii).

6. The following should be recorded daily as events occur:

(i) Important orders, instructions, reports, messages or despatches received and issued, and decisions taken. *Original documents* should be attached as appendices to the Original copy of the War Diary.

(ii) Daily map location, employment, movements and dispositions of unit headquarters and of batteries, companies, etc. March tables should be attached as appendices.

(iii) Important movements of officers and matters relating to the duties of each branch of the staff. A complete set of the *routine orders and instructions, Part I Orders*, issued by the unit during the month should be attached as an appendix to the original copy.

(iv) Detailed account of operations—to include:—  
Exact hour, location and circumstances of important occurrences. Movements and names of neighbouring units. Commanders of batteries, companies, etc., names of Officers and number of O.R. (i) engaged and (ii) battle casualties. Dispositions, activities and identity of enemy forces. Prisoners and trophies captured. Ammunition expended. Factors affecting operations, topographical and climatic. *Maps and sketches* showing dispositions of batteries, companies etc., at important phases. The record of *communications, both written and verbal*, received or despatched during active operations as an appendix. A complete set of the *operation orders and instructions* issued during the month. Notes on conferences and *reports* rendered to higher formations, or received from lower formations, as appendices to the original copy.

(v) Nature and description of trenches, field works or accommodation occupied or constructed. Meteorological notes.

(vi) Changes in establishment or strength. Names and ranks of officers and number of O.R. Attachment of units and individuals. Reinforcements. *Copy of Part II Orders and Weekly Field Returns of Officers and O.R.* should be attached as appendices to the original copy. Changes in organization, stores, transport, etc.

7. It is essential that all copies of both text and appendices are legible. Appendices will be numbered and referenced to the text in the last column of the form. Current issues of any regimental publication should be attached.

8. It will be found convenient at the end of each month, when the War Diary is being completed and the correspondence in unit files for the month is being reviewed and distributed (F.S.R. Vol. I, sec. 171, para. 3) if the material considered to be of historical value in the light of the above is attached as appendices to the original copy of the War Diary.

9. A good war diary makes possible the accurate and detailed reconstruction of circumstances, conditions and action.

NOTE: If monthly diary is more than one inch thick, use a second folder. If appendices are bulky, tie folder up with tape or string to make a firm package.

**PRESERVE IMPORTANT ORIGINAL DOCUMENTS FOR POSTERITY: INSERT THEM AS APPENDICES IN ORIGINAL COPY OF WAR DIARY**

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## UNIT OFFICE FILING SYSTEM AND RECORDS

"Every office will arrange for the filing and custody of its own correspondence." (F.S.R. Vol. I. Sec. 171.3.)

### 1. *Titles and Numbering of Files.*

A simple filing system adaptable for use in any military office at home or in the field is illustrated by the "List of File Titles" overleaf.

All documents handled by a unit fall into one or other of the nine categories enumerated, 1 to 9. The titles of the nine main divisions are based on British army operations, organization, administration and the regulations governing. Each title may be broken down into ten component parts or sub-titles, by adding a dash and subsidiary numbers 0 to 9. In turn each of these may be further broken down by adding a second dash and a third digit, and if necessary a third dash and a fourth digit. Thus 4-7-3 might be "Cooking Course at Kingston." According to circumstances, a fighting unit would expand the 1-3 prefix to accommodate all arms and services with which it may be concerned.

### 2. *Date reference.*

In giving communications a reference number, it is convenient to use the date system of four figures indicating day and month, e.g. 0102 for 1st February; 3010 for 30th October.

### 3. *Combined Numeration.*

If the systems outlined in paras 1 and 2 are combined, by placing the four date figures under the subject file numbers, a simple and informative method of reference results, thus

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might be immediately identified as a communication dealing with replacement of gas masks, dated 8th April.

NOTE.—This method is not applicable to signal messages, A.F.C. 2128, which bear serial numbers 1 to 9999. The use of dashes eliminates confusion between serial numbers and file numbers.

### 4. *Documents for Preservation.*

The monthly review of correspondence (F.S.R. Vol. I, sec. 171.3) is facilitated and future confusion avoided by jacketing the material in "Category ii" (i.e., "no longer required", etc.) to conform with the system.

### 5. *Correspondence in the Field.*

The functioning of the office of a formation or unit during active operations may be simplified by keeping a log or register of all orders and messages, written or verbal, received or sent during the action. This may conveniently be done by extending the use of the "Field Register of Communications Received or Despatched", (Army Form 2040, F.S.R. Vol. I. sec. 171) to include verbal as well as written orders and messages in chronological order as received or sent.

Time of sending and of receipt are of importance second only to time of event, and should be entered both on the office copy of every field message or other document, and in the log or register. A carbon copy for contemporary reference of the commander or others concerned is desirable.

A brief précis of written orders, reports and messages, with the sender's number, is sufficient, for they will be kept on file. But particular care is necessary in making entries of times of moves and of verbal orders, reports or conversations, by telephone or otherwise, which in the stress of action, may not otherwise be recorded on paper. In battle, operations messages dealt with by one officer may number over twenty-five per hour for several hours on end.

The record should be kept convenient to the telephone. Entries may be made by a clerk, or by the officer on duty at the telephone.

Such a record is invaluable to the commander in making appreciations of the situation during the action, and in compiling his report on the action afterwards. It is contemporary evidence of the highest quality, and therefore is of the highest historical value, and should be attached as an appendix to the original copy of the War Diary, together with the original documents sent and received.

(Appendix to Routine Order No. 147 C.A.S.F.  
22 Nov. 39).

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## LIST OF FILE TITLES

1. *Operations (G.S.) (or Technical Functioning).*

- 1-0. General.
- 1-1. Orders.
- 1-2. Instructions.
- 1-3. Co-operation and Liaison.
- 1-4. Intercommunication, sigs, etc.
- 1-5. Working Parties.
- 1-6. Scheme of Work.
- 1-7. } Available for allotment.
- 1-8. }
- 1-9. }

2. *Protection. (G.S.)*

- 2-0. General.
- 2-1. Guards and Patrols.
- 2-2. Alarm Posts.
- 2-3. Field defences.
- 2-4. Against air attacks.
- 2-5. Against A.F.V.
- 2-6. Gas.
- 2-7. Defence Schemes.
- 2-8. } Available for allotment.
- 2-9. }

3. *Intelligence.*

- 3-0. General.
- 3-1. Secrecy. Codes.
- 3-2. Censorship.
- 3-3. Enemy forces, Prisoners of war.
- 3-4. Reports and sketches.
- 3-5. Maps.
- 3-6. War diary.
- 3-7. Weather.
- 3-8. } Available for allotment.
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4. *Training. (G.S.) (or Technical).*

- 4-0. General.
- 4-1. Drill.
- 4-2. P.T.
- 4-3. Technical: Musketry, Gun Drill, etc.
- 4-4. Route Marches.
- 4-5. Tactical Schemes.
- 4-6. Courses and Schools.
- 4-7. Lessons learned and Pamphlets.
- 4-8. } Available for allotment.
- 4-9. }

5. *Organization and Administration (A.G.).*

- 5-0. General.
- 5-1. Establishments.
- 5-2. Medical and Sanitation. Dental.
- 5-3. Inspections. Ceremonial. Visitors.
- 5-4. Discipline. Police.
- 5-5. Office.
- 5-6. Routine Orders.
- 5-7. } Available for allotment.
- 5-8. }
- 5-9. }

6. *Personnel (A.G.).*

- 6-0. General.
- 6-1. Officers.
- 6-2. Strengths, Casualties, Reinforcements.
- 6-3. Part II Orders.
- 6-4. Chaplains and Welfare.
- 6-5. Pay. Financial.
- 6-6. Burials. Effects.
- 6-7. Honours and Rewards.
- 6-8. Demobilization and discharge.
- 6-9. Available for allotment.

7. *Movements and Quarters. (Q.M.G.)*

- 7-0. General.
- 7-1. Moves by road, rail, water, air.
- 7-2. Employment of transport.
- 7-3. Reliefs.
- 7-4. Barracks, Billets, Camps.
- 7-5. Baths and Laundry.
- 7-6. Boundaries and areas.
- 7-7. Traffic.
- 7-8. } Available for allotment.
- 7-9. }

8. *Supplies and Maintenance. (Q.M.G.)*

- 8-0. General.
- 8-1. Rations, forage, water, disinfectants.
- 8-2. Petrol and lubricants.
- 8-3. Fuel and Light.
- 8-4. Engineer Stores.
- 8-5. Postal.
- 8-6. Remounts and Veterinary.
- 8-7. Canteens, Comforts, and small consignments.
- 8-8. Printing and Stationery.
- 8-9. Available for allotment.

9. *Stores. (M.G.O.)*

- 9-0. General.
- 9-1. Arms and armament.
- 9-2. Ammunition.
- 9-3. Clothing and Necessaries.
- 9-4. Personal Equipment.
- 9-5. Unit equipment.
- 9-6. Vehicles.
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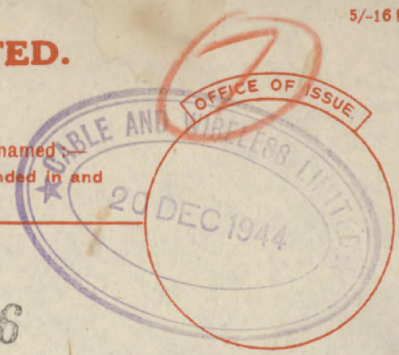
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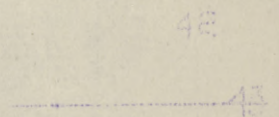
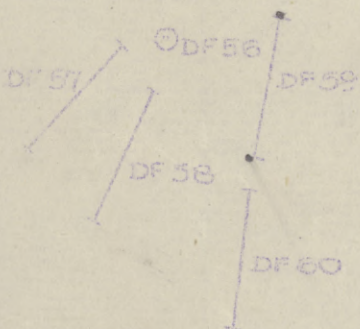
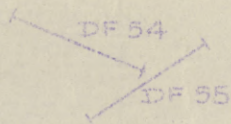
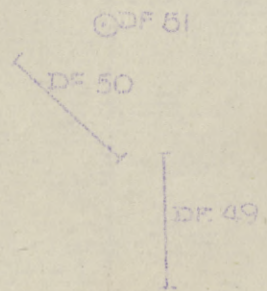
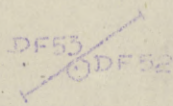
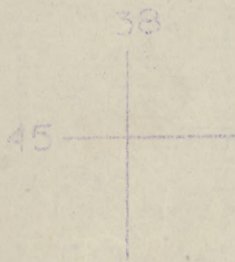




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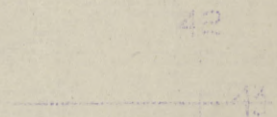
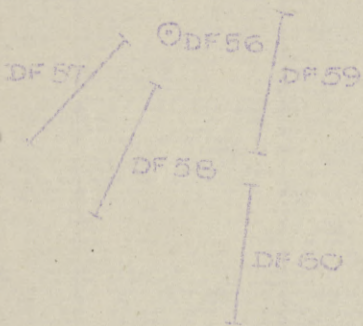
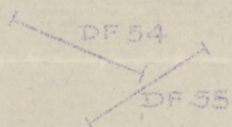
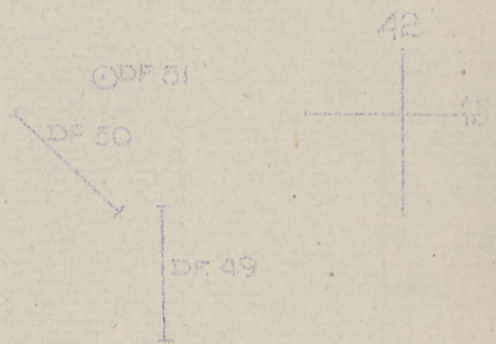
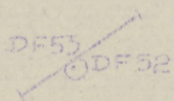
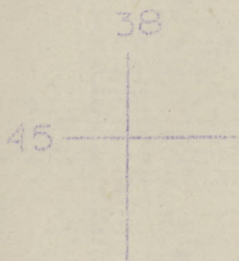




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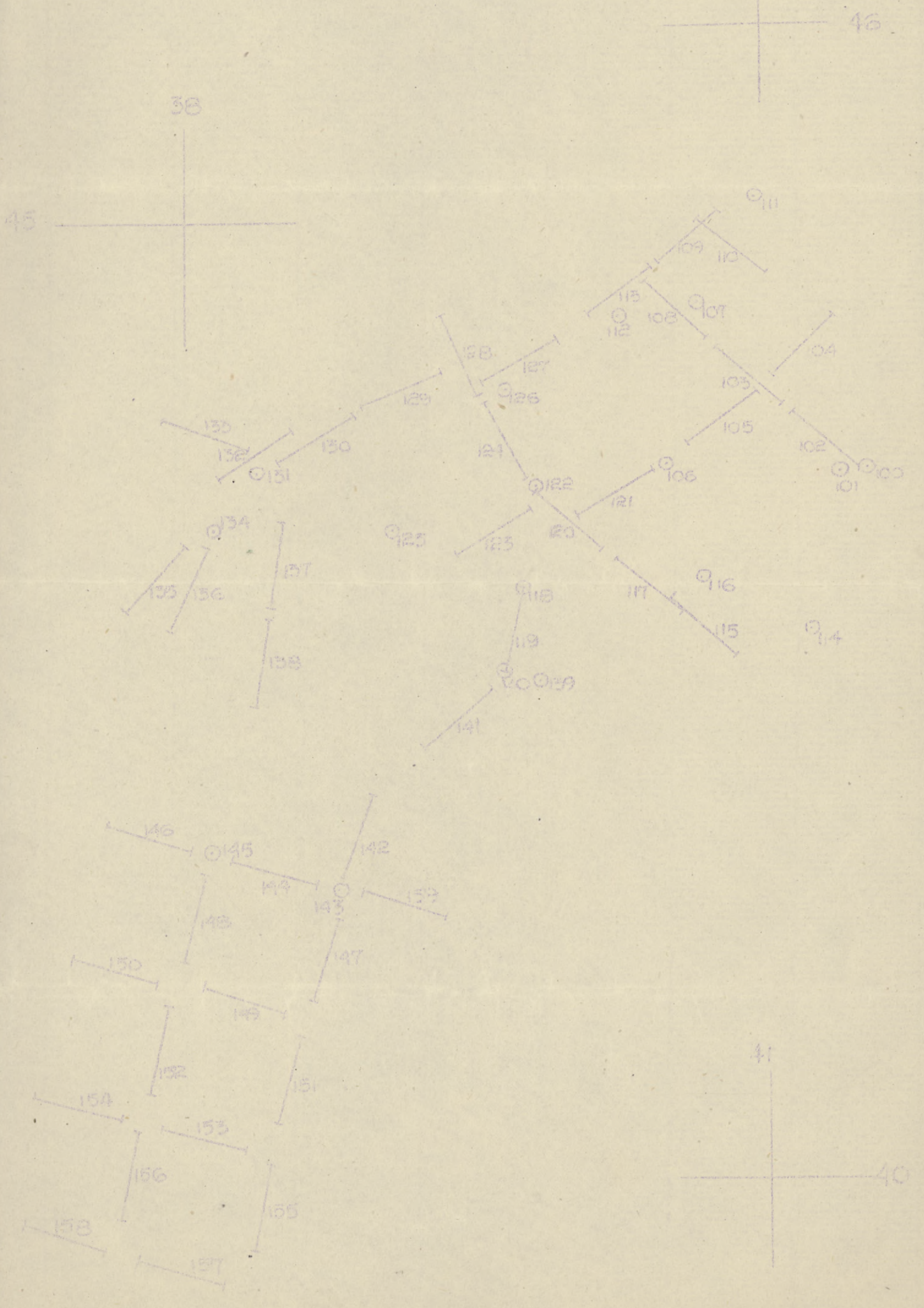




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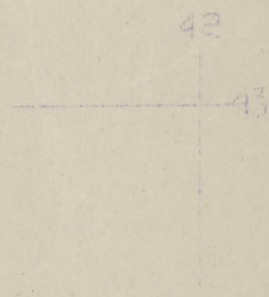
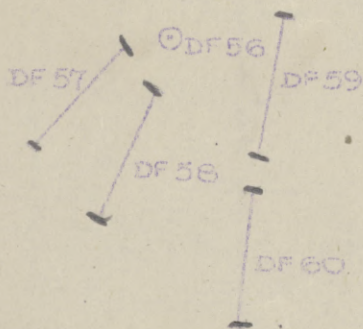
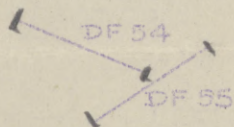
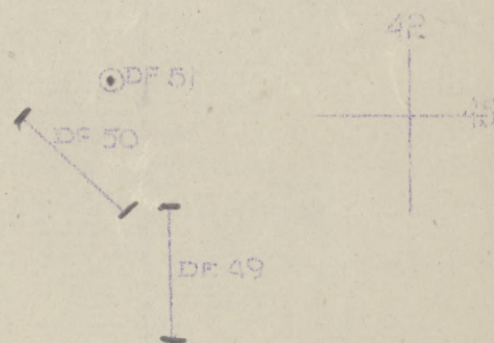
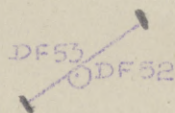
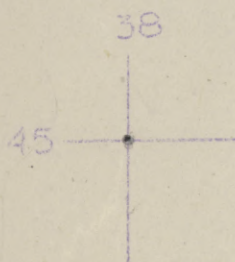
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## ~~INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY~~

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Title pages will be prepared.

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Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks, references to Appendices and initials
Ravenna MR 690230 Sheet 89 1/100000	1/12/44		<p style="text-align: center;">OF THE PERTH REGIMENT <u>FOR THE MONTH OF DECEMBER</u></p> <p>The Bn moved from Urbino at 0800 hrs and reached Cervia at 1340 hrs without incident or accident, where Capt. Swartz had arranged billets in the B.C.D. area at MR 690230. All the vehicles were in the area by 1600 hrs. Lieut. F. Metcalfe had been left in Urbino in charge of "X" Ech. The majority of the troops were able to attend the C.W.A.C. Army Show No. 5 that night.</p> <p>Weather - Fair Strength - 34 Offrs. 810 O.R's.</p>	<p style="text-align: right;">D.</p>
Ravenna MR 690230 Sheet 89 1/100000	2/12/44		<p>At 0900 hrs a recce party under Capt. Swartz left for San Stefano MR 522252. Later an advance party consisting of one Sgt. from each company joined the recce party. The Bn was on one hours notice to move but this was later cancelled. The leave party from Florence, Maj. A. Binnington, Capt. P.J.F. Baker and Capt. P.J. Fisher arrived bringing Capt. McKnight back from hospital with them.</p> <p>Weather - Fair Strength - 34 Offrs. 810 O.R's.</p>	<p style="text-align: right;">D.</p>

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Ravenna MR 490271 Sheet 89 1/100000	3/12/44		<p>The Bn made final preparations to move and after having lunch at 1100 hrs "F" Ech moved off at 1400 hrs. At 1700 hrs all companies were in their areas and Tac H.Q. was established at MR 490271. Orders came thru at 2300 hrs putting the Bn on 2 hrs notice to move to Gode MR 463353 Sheet 89 Ravenna 1/100000.</p> <p>Weather - Unsettled Strength - 34 Offrs. 810 O.R's.</p>	SP.
Ravenna MR 490271 Sheet 89 1/100000	4/12/44		<p>The C.O. Lt. Col. M.W. Andrew with his I.O. went forward to brigade and received orders from Brig. I.S. Johnston for their move to Gode and for possible action. At 1130 hrs the C.O. held his "O" group and at 1230 hrs the troops moved off on foot to Gode. The plan was for the Perth Regt. to follow the Irish thru the Westmr. Regt. and to pass thru them if they were held up. The Bn concentrated at Gode and the C.O. and I.O. went forward to Westmr. Regt. Tac H.Q. where Brig. I. Johnston gave a change in the plan. The Irish Regt. were to cut west from Piangipane MR 47738 and move to Mezzano while the Perth Regt. passed thru the Westmr. Regt. and cut Highway 16 at Osteria MR 497422. The C.O. held a short "O" group and the plan was for "C" Coy. followed by "A", "B", and "D" companies to pass thru Westmr. Regt. at Piangipane and push on. If the lead Coy. bumped into opposition the remaining companies were to bypass it on the left and continue on. At 1800 hrs the companies began to move and Tac H.Q. moved forward to the Westmr. Tac H.Q. thru to the Irish Tac H.Q. and finally to MR 482387. Communication broke down and the last report was to the effect that "C" Coy. had met enemy opposition at MR 485394 and were going to deal with it.</p> <p>Weather - Unsettled Strength - 34 Offrs. 810 O.R's.</p>	? SP.

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Ravenna MR 482387 Sheet 89 1/100000	5/12/44		<p>At 0315 hrs "D" Coy. reported they were consolidated on their objective and shortly afterwards "A" and "B" companies also reported their success. Wireless communication had broken down early in the night and the companies had actually obtained their objectives by 2359 hrs. "A" Coy. followed by "B" and "D" Coys. had bypassed "C" Coy. when they encountered enemy and had pushed on to Osteria with only slight opposition. "C" Coy. completed their task and moved onto the objective. Tac H.Q. moved forward to MR 489405. The Brig. visited Tac H.Q. and gave further intentions which were to mop up the area where a large group of the enemy were cut off. At 1630 hrs a patrol under Lieut. G. Levie captured 38 O.R's and 1 officer after a sharp fight. In the twenty four hours period we had been operating we had taken a total of 45 prisoners and had killed at least 2 while we had suffered only 5 wounded and 1 killed. Capt. N.C. Root and Lieut. V. Hicks were S.O.S. to N.E.T.D. from where they would go to England for a change of employment. Lieuts. Robertson and Egner were taken on strength from 4 Bn at Fano.</p> <p>Weather - Unsettled Strength - 34 Offrs. 810 O.R's.</p>	A.P.

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Ravenna MR 469401 Sheet 89 1/100000	6/12/44		<p>At 1000 hrs Brig. I.S. Johnston held an "O" group at Bde. H.Q. and gave the new plan which was to cross the River Lamone that night on a two Bn front with the Perth Regt. left and the C.B.H. right and the Irish in reserve. Capt. C. Swartz recce'd an area around Santerno MR 456404 and Maj. R. Cole and Maj. Ridge and their platoon Cmdrs recce'd an approach to the river and crossing sites. By 1400 hrs the colonel had given his orders and the Bn began the move which was completed by 1600 hrs. Tac H.Q. was established at MR 469401. Our plan was for "A" Coy. to cross on the right and "D" Coy. on the left and consolidate, then the two reserve companies would push thru them to the next lateral road. Due to reported heavy rains in the mountains the crossing was postponed for 24 hrs. Routine patrols were carried out at night and there was some shelling and mortaring in the forward positions.</p> <p>Weather - Unsettled Strength - 34 Offrs. 810 O.R's.</p>	<p><i>[Handwritten initials]</i></p>

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Ravenna MR 469401 Sheet 89 1/100000	7/12/44		<p>The Bn completed their preparations for the attack and at 1530 hrs Lt. Col. Andrew held an "O" group to tie in any loose ends. Mr. G. Curtis the R.S.M. had the boats ready at a forward point and at 1800 hrs the troops began to move to the F.U.P. and were in position ready to cross when at 1900 hrs Bde called the operation off again due to reports of floods from the mountains. Tac H.Q. had moved forward to "A" Coy. position at MR 463403 and after the operation was cancelled all coys and Tac H.Q. returned to their areas. Standing patrols were maintained and recce patrols by the scout platoon were sent forward to try and ascertain the rise of the water. During the day our snipers had killed one of the enemy on the far bank and we had suffered one casualty from mortar fire.</p> <p>Weather -- Fair Strength -- 34 Offrs. 810 O.R's.</p>	<p><i>SP.</i></p>

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Ravenna MR 469401 Sheet 89 1/100000	8/12/44		<p>The colonel visited the coys in the morning then went to see the Brig. at Bde. A personal note from the Brig. explaining the delay was passed to all coys. There was no sign that the attack would go in today as the weather had not improved. The snipers continued to annoy the enemy during the day and were credited with 4 kills today. Capt. Swartz recce'd an area in Ravenna where it was thought the Bn might spend Christmas. Information came thru informing us that Lieut. G. Downham had been awarded the M.C. for his action during the Coriano attack. Pte. J. Mills was awarded the M.M. for his action during the same operation. It brought our list of awards up to 7 for the Gothic line and Coriano operations.</p> <p>Weather - Fair Strength - 37 Offrs. 800 O.R's.</p>	<p>SP.</p>
Ravenna MR 469401 Sheet 89 1/100000	9/12/44		<p>There was still no indication that the attack would go in today. Cpl. Cote and his snipers increased their bag of enemy to 7 accounting for two more during the day. Three officers were taken on strength from 4 Bn., Lieut. I.E. Jones who went to "B" Coy., Lieut. J.P. Flemming who took over the scout platoon, and Lieut. W.C. Fleming who remained in "A" Ech. Lieut. R.W. Patterson returned from the Mine Warfare course at Capua and took over his old platoon in "C" Coy. Patrol activity was stronger at night and Lieut. H. Cree was in command of the patrols. The enemy had been quiet during the day but the previous night they caught with their mortar fire one of our patrols from "B" Coy. changing over killing three and wounding three.</p> <p>Weather - Fair Strength - 37 Offrs. 800 O.R's.</p>	<p>SP.</p>

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Ravenna MR 446409 Sheet 89 1/100000	12/12/44		<p>Maj. A. Binnington led his coy. forward at 0200 hrs to seize the bridge at MR 432419. At 0330 hrs "C" Coy. reported the bridge was blown and there was no enemy in area. Capt. Chamberlain sent one platoon from "B" Coy. forward to recce the crossing over the Fosse Vecchie at MR 486424 which was also blown. Later in the day "B" Coy. firmed up around the crossing. During the day the Coys. cleared the area in their immediate vicinity, "C" Coy. getting 2 prisoners from the 721 Jaeger Regt. In "B" Coy. movement was almost impossible as the area was dominated by the high dykes of the Naviglio. Patrols were sent out to recce the Naviglio and find if possible a suitable crossing. During daylight this proved to be impossible and one man was wounded. Word was received that the 12 Bde. were going to pass thru and attempt to force a crossing of the Naviglio at night. We were to supply flank protection for the attack and a strong force under Lieut. T. Cooper was to undertake this task on the right of the centreline, Via Cocchi, and another force under Lieut. Levie on the left.</p> <p>Weather - Fair Strength - 37 Offrs. 809 O.R's.</p>	<p><i>SA</i></p>

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

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Ravenna MR 446409 Sheet 89 1/100000	13/12/44		<p>Lieut. Cooper was called back as the P.L.D.G's. were crossing in his area. Lieut. Levie ran into trouble from the house at MR 421415 but later the enemy withdrew. The Lanarks and Renfrew Scottish passed thru to the Naviglio but were forced back with very heavy losses. During the day the coys. remained in their positions and were subject to heavy shelling and mortaring.</p> <p>Weather - Unsettled Strength - 36 Offrs. 789 O.R's.</p>	
Ravenna MR 446409 Sheet 89 1/100000	14/12/44		<p>Maj. Snelgrove and Mr. Curtis the R.S.M. reced billets in Borgo di Villanova for "B" and "C" Coys. who moved back later in the day. "A" and "D" Coys. remained in their positions. The Bn was now in a reserve role and getting a well deserved rest. A beer issue and mail and parcels were brought up. The rear area was still subjected to shellfire but no casualties were reported.</p> <p>Weather - Unsettled Strength - 36 Offrs. 789 O.R's.</p>	



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Ravenna MR 446409 Sheet 89 1/100000	15/12/44		<p>Orders from Bde put the Bn on two hours notice to move and after a discussion with Brig. I.S. Johnston the colonel held his "O" group. The plan was for "D" Coy. to move forward on carriers in support of the tanks and seize a bridge at MR 409399 with the remainder of the Bn following. This plan was later cancelled. Word was received that Maj. C.B. Arrell had gone to hospital after finishing his course at Benevento.</p> <p>Weather - Unsettled Strength - 35 Offrs. 786 O.R's.</p>	<p><i>SA</i></p>
Ravenna MR 446409 Sheet 89 1/100000	16/12/44		<p>The Bn remained in the same position during the day. There was still some shelling which caused damage to the vehicles. The men were having an opportunity to go to Ravenna for 24 hrs rest but this proved unsatisfactory. Facilities were very poor for seeing a show or getting a hot shower.</p> <p>Weather - Unsettled Strength - 35 Offrs. 787 O.R's.</p>	<p><i>SA</i></p>

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

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Ravenna MR 446409 Sheet 89 1/100000	17/12/44		<p>Once again the Bn was placed on a half hours notice to move at 0700 hrs but at 0815 hrs the order to stand down was given for all except "C" and "D" Coys. At 1330 hrs the colonel held an "O" group outlining plans for the forthcoming operation. "C" and "D" Coys. were to relieve two coys. of the Westminster Regt. who had crossed the Naviglio very successfully.</p> <p>Weather - Fair Strength - 35 Offrs. 787 O.R's.</p>	
Ravenna MR 446409 Sheet 89 1/100000	18/12/44		<p>The pending operation was again cancelled for 24 hrs as the situation had not taken the expected trend. Reinforcements arrived from 4 Bn which brought the Coys. almost up to strength.</p> <p>Weather - Unsettled Strength - 35 Offrs. 812 O.R's.</p>	

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Ravenna MR 446409 Sheet 89 1/100000	20/12/44		<p>Two regt's of artillery, the P.L.F. M.M.G's. and our own 3" mortars brought down fire on enemy positions and at 0050 hrs Maj. R. Cole was ready to lead "A" Coy. forward to seize the objective of "B" Coy. Maj. Cole had selected a route thru the fields to the right of the road and progress was slow but steady. At 0140 hrs Maj. Binnington was ordered to move "C" Coy. around following the Fossa Munio and seize the crossing at MR 403425 and the house at MR 405425. "A" Coy. had stopped at an intermediate objective but pushed on and at 0300 hrs they had overcome the enemy resistance and seized their objective capturing 2 P.O.W's. and killing or wounding nearly 30 of the enemy. Their own casualties were fairly light. At 0430 hrs the engineers started work preparing a crossing for tanks at MR 413424. Maj. Binnington had lost contact with his two leading platoons and did not think they had obtained their objective. Information received later told that Lieut. R.W. Patterson had reached his objective but due to heavy mortar and M.G. fire was unable to hold it. Lieut. Patterson was later killed trying to take out an M.G. post. The Irish Regt. on our right had been unable to get ahead and the situation on our left was obscure. "A" Coy. had beaten off a heavy counterattack inflicting several casualties on the enemy. Their position was not a happy one, but they were holding firm. At 0615 hrs the engineers reported the arc bridge was ready and our tanks and A/Tk guns moved forward to cross. The Medical carrier trying to reach "A" Coy. were unable to cross the bridge and it was found that the bridge had been placed in at an angle to the road, making it useless. The engineers began to prepare another crossing.</p>	

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Ravenna MR 446409 Sheet 89 1/100000	20/12/44		<p>Maj. Binnington reported "C" Coy. had been unable to hold their objective and had pulled back. By this time "A" Coy. had beaten off another counter-attack and had increased their P.O.W's. to 20. They were calling for ammunition as the situation became more desperate. At 0900 hrs the R.S.M. Mr. Curtis set out with a carrying party to take ammunition to "A" Coy. He was taken prisoner after crossing the Fossa Munio by enemy who had infiltrated between "A" Coy. and the Munio. Later in the day he escaped while his captors were being heavily shelled by our own guns. By 0930 hrs the crossing was ready for the tanks but already one tank had been knocked out by an S.P. gun firing from the house at MR 405426. Arty concentrations were called down on the house and 4.2 mortars fired. Maj. Ridge contacted the officer in charge of the troop of tanks and completed plans for their advance and Maj. Binnington was ordered to return to MR 416423 and await further orders. "C" Coy. had sent 10 P.O.W's. back and 2 wounded P.O.W's. had been evacuated. At 1130 hrs "D" Coy. were ordered to move forward with a troop of tanks to relieve "A" Coy. while one platoon of "B" Coy. under Lieut; W.C. Fleming was to clear out the enemy who were harassing "A" Coy. from the rear. The tanks were unable to cross the obstacle due to the accurate firing of the S.P. gun at MR 405426 and it was decided to smoke the gun position off while the tanks made a dash for "A" Coy. position. The Desert Air Force made a sweep over "A" Coy. positions at 1345 hrs and strafed the enemy who were forming up for another counterattack. At 1400 hrs the tanks made an effort to cross the obstacle and two were successful but the tank armed with the 17 pounder turned over while crossing. However the two tanks contacted "A" Coy. and relieved the tension of the situation. Due to extremely heavy mortar fire Maj. Ridge had been unable to get forward with "D" Coy. Finally at 1830 hrs Maj. Ridge</p>	

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
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Ravenna MR 446409 Sheet 89 1/100000	20/12/44		<p>led his coy. across the Munio and proceeded to "A" Coy. area where they firmed up at 2000 hrs without incident. The R.S.M. Mr. Curtis turned up suddenly at Tac H.Q. having made his escape and brought back information that along with other indications led the Brig. to reason that the enemy were withdrawing across the Senio. Acting on this information a recce patrol was sent from "A" Coy. by Lieut. Cooper to the T junction at MR 399435 and "C" and "D" Coys. were standing to ready to push on. Maj. R. Cole returned to Tac H.Q. from "A" Coy. position at 2230 hrs having been slightly wounded by a grenade in one of the counterattacks. The recce patrol from "A" Coy. returned and reported that there were still a few enemy in the vicinity of the T junction so at 2325 hrs Maj. Binnington with one troop of the tanks under command moved forward to secure the T junction. Lieut. I.E. Jones and Lieut. Irving had both been wounded. Irving having just returned from Bde H.Q. where he had been acting as L.O.</p> <p>Weather - Fair Strength - 34 Offrs. 740 O.R's.</p>	

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Ravenna MR 446409 Sheet 89 1/100000	21/12/44		<p>Moving forward without opposition or incident "C" Coy. were on their objective by 0030 hrs and in mopping up the area captured an enemy Coy. H.Q. a battery of 28cm Nebelwerfers and 18 P.O.W's. "D" Coy. now proceeded forward and occupied the area MR 396435 with "C" Coy. at MR 401435. There was no further activity that night except the Irish Regt. passing thru and pushing up onto the Via Rosetta. An officer from the Italian Army was sent to Tac H.Q. to observe. From here he went forward to "D" Coy. and later another officer was sent to "C" Coy. Tac H.Q. moved forward to MR 417418 at 1215 hrs. The pioneers collected the dead from the action and assisted the Padre Capt. D.C. Smith in their burial. There was very little shelling or mortaring in the area during the day and that night.</p> <p>Weather - Fair and cold Strength - 34 Offrs. 745 O.R's.</p>	<p><i>S</i></p>
Ravenna MR 417418 Sheet 89 1/100000	22/12/44		<p>An enemy S.P. gun sited across the Senio fired on our forward positions at 0410 hrs but no damage was caused. Later in the morning the roof of Tac H.Q. caught fire providing a certain amount of humour to the situation. At 1130 hrs the Colonel having contacted the Brig. held an "O" group and gave orders for the mopping up of the area and the relief of the Irish Regt. Late in the afternoon Tac moved forward to MR 402436. "C" Coy. commanded by Capt. L. Wettlaufer who had relieved Maj. Binnington and "D" Coy. commanded by Capt. P.J. Fisher who had relieved Maj. Ridge moved forward and relieved the Irish Regt. who were moving over to our right. "A" Coy. now led by Capt. Hider and "B" Coy. moved forward to the old position of "C" and "D" Coys. respectively. The Coy. positions were now "A" Coy. MR 396435 "B" Coy. MR 401435, "C" Coy. MR 396439 and "D" Coy. MR 396443.</p>	

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Ravenna MR 417418 Sheet 89 1/100000	22/12/44		<p>The Irish Regt. had informed us that the dyke on our side of the Senio was still held by the enemy in considerable strength so one platoon of "A" Coy. were sent out to patrol our area.</p> <p>Weather - Fair Strength - 35 Offrs. 739 O.R's.</p>	<i>A</i>
Ravenna MR 402436 Sheet 89 1/100000	23/12/44		<p>The remainder of the scout platoon reported to Tac H.Q. and were sent forward to act as snipers and observe the enemy. The scout platoon had suffered heavily during the night of the 19th and 20th. The platoon of "A" Coy. that had been acting as standing patrol was replaced by a platoon from "B" Coy. Mopping up operations continued during the day and active patrolling during the night as the enemy still held positions on our side of the dyke.</p> <p>Weather - Fair and cold Strength - 35 Offrs. 727 O.R's.</p>	<i>A</i>

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Ravenna MR 402436 Sheet 89 1/100000	24/12/44		<p>During the early morning the forward area was subjected to shell and mortar fire but there were no casualties. The enemy were still on our side of the dyke and the colonel decided to improve our positions, by occupying the houses at MR 392440. Supported by one troop of tanks Lieut. T.J. Cooper led his platoon forward and seized the houses. There was much enemy M.G. fire and mortar but no casualties were suffered. One section worked onto the dyke and reported it to be mined with anti-personnel mines. Our patrols were active again during the night and reported the dyke in front of "D" Coy. and "C" Coy. positions to be free of enemy.</p> <p>Weather - Cold with snow Strength - 35 Offrs. 723 O.R's.</p>	<p style="text-align: right;">D.</p>
Ravenna MR 402436 Sheet 89 1/100000	25/12/44		<p>Maj. Gen. Hoffmeister 5 Cdn Div. G.O.C. and Brig. I.S. Johnston visited Tac H.Q. and after discussing the action with Lt. Col. Andrew they went forward to visit the coys. The coy. quartermasters did an excellent job of preparing the hot Christmas dinner for the men. Roast pork, potatoes, salad, mince pie, pudding, christmas cake and coffee made up an excellent dinner. The M.O. Capt. Statten had a typical Christmas dinner, his entire staff sat down to a chicken dinner with all the trimmings prepared by the Italians. During the afternoon Lieut. W.C. Fleming of "B" Coy. attempted to occupy a house at MR 388439 but was unsuccessful coming under M.G. fire from the dyke and heavy mortar fire.</p>	

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Ravenna MR 402436 Sheet 89 1/100000	25/12/44		<p>Lieut. Cooper's platoon of "A" Coy. supplying flank protection suffered several casualties from the mortar fire. Later on "A" Coy. sent a platoon under Lieut. Hood and took positions left of Lieut. Cooper's platoon at the Senio facing Fusignano. This secured our side of the river. The night proved to be very quiet with no shelling or mortaring. Capt. D.A. Cook and Lieut. G.A. Gallagher had returned from leave and Lieuts. Cooper and Thompson with Capt. McKnight left for Rome. Capt. Cook went up to "C" Coy. and Lieut. Gallagher relieved Lieut. Cooper's platoon.</p> <p>Weather - Cold and fair Strength - 35 Offrs. 723 O.R's.</p>	<p><i>S.</i></p>
Ravenna MR 402436 Sheet 89 1/100000	26/12/44		<p>With the exception of light spasmodic shelling the morning proved to be uneventful. Lt. Col. Andrew paid a visit to Main H.Q. at Berge di Villanova. In the afternoon the forward area was subjected to heavy shell and mortar fire but fortunately we suffered no casualties.</p> <p>Weather - Fair Strength - 35 Offrs. 730 O.R's.</p>	<p><i>S.</i></p>



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

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Ravenna MR 402436 Sheet 89 1/100000	27/12/44		<p>The morning again proved to be uneventful and in the afternoon reps. from the 4 P.L.D.G's. arrived to recce our positions preparatory to relieving the Bn. The coys. spent the afternoon preparing to move and at 1730 hrs the leading troops left for the embussing positions where the T.C.V's. took them to Ravenna. The change over was completed without incident and Tac H.Q. moved off at 2330 hrs. Lt. Col. Andrew remained till all our troops had moved back. Maj. Ridge left for 3 Bn. to take over command of our reinforcement coy. and to relieve Maj. H. White.</p> <p>Weather - Fair and cold Strength - 35 Offrs. 724 O.R's.</p>	
Ravenna MR 5637 Sheet 89 1/100000	28/12/44		<p>The day was spent in cleaning up and resting. Capt. McCabe paid the troops and there was an issue of beer which helped to raise the men's morale. Entertainment had been laid on for the troops. Maj. R. Cole returned to the unit after a short time in the hospital.</p> <p>Weather - Fair Strength - 36 Offrs. 719 O.R's.</p>	

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Ravenna MR 5637 Sheet 89 1/100000	29/12/44		<p>The Bn. continued to wash away the mud and stains of battle. Clothing parades were held and the men began to take on the smart clean appearance that is characteristic of a soldier who is proud of his regiment and himself. At 1045 hrs the officers attended a talk given by Brig. I.S. Johnston relating to the apparent let down of the troops due to the failure of events to conform with previous statements made by the G.O.C. Circumstances had altered the larger plan and so the soldier had been let down and that feeling must be wiped out as there was hard fighting ahead. Lieut. Robertson returned from hospital while Lieut. F. Prangley was S.O.S. to hospital. Our padre Hon. Capt. D.C. Smith was awarded an M.C. for the grand work he had been doing.</p> <p>Weather - Fair Strength - 36 Offrs. 716 O.R's.</p>	<p><i>SA</i></p>
Ravenna MR 5637 Sheet 89 1/100000	30/12/44		<p>The Bn. was treated to a belated Christmas dinner of turkey, chicken, vegetables, mince pies etc. But in spite of the excellent food the spirit of Christmas was lacking. Lt. Col. Andrew attended an "O" group at Bde. where Brig. Johnston gave orders for the forthcoming operation. Lieuts. J. Child and D. Dooley were T.O.S. from 4 Bn. The officers held a dinner that evening which was attended by Maj. Morton a previous M.O. of the Bn. and Maj. E. Tate of the 17th Field Regt.</p> <p>Weather - Fair Strength - 38 Offrs. 712 O.R's.</p>	<p><i>SA</i></p>

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Ravenna MR 5637 Sheet 89 1/100000	31/12/44		<p>A church parade was held in the morning by Capt. D.C. Smith. The colonel held an "O" group and gave orders for the operation after which Capt. Wettlaufer went forward to recon the area where the Bn. would concentrate before the action. Maj. C.B. Arrell the 2i/c of the Bn. returned to the unit after a spell in hospital.</p> <p>Weather - Fair Strength - 38 Offrs; 710 O.R's.</p> <p style="text-align: right;"><i>M.W. Andrew</i> (M.W. Andrew) Lt. Col. <sup>AT Col</sup> Officer Commanding The Perth Regiment</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">D.</p>

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## Order of Service

held by the 2nd (Reserve) Battalion, Perth Regiment,  
to Commemorate the Sacrifices of the Officers,  
Non-Commissioned Officers and Men of

# THE PERTH REGIMENT

who have given their Lives  
in Defence of the Empire



ST. JAMES' CHURCH, STRATFORD, ONTARIO  
SUNDAY, 3RD DECEMBER, 1944



## ORDER OF SERVICE

ORGAN PRELUDE: *Solemn Melody* .....(Schriener)

### PROCESSIONAL HYMN

<p><b>T</b>HE Son of God goes forth to war, A kingly crown to gain; His blood-red banner streams afar, Who follows in His train? Who best can drink His cup of woe, Triumphant over pain; Who patient bears His cross below, He follows in His train.</p>	<p>A glorious band, the chosen few, On whom the Spirit came: Twelve valiant saints, their hope they knew, And mocked the cross and flame. They met the tyrant's brandished steel, The lion's gory mane; They bowed their necks the death to feel: Who follows in their train?</p>
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A noble army—men and boys,  
The matron and the maid;  
Around the Saviour's throne rejoice,  
In robes of light arrayed.  
They climbed the steep ascent of heaven  
Through peril, toil, and pain:  
O God, to us may grace be given  
To follow in their train.      Amen.

### A GENERAL CONFESSION, to be said by all, kneeling.

Almighty and most merciful Father, We have erred and strayed from Thy ways like lost sheep; We have followed too much the devices and desires of our own hearts; We have offended against Thy holy laws; We have left undone those things which we ought to have done, And we have done those things which we ought not to have done; And there is no health in us; But Thou, O Lord, have mercy upon us miserable offenders; Spare Thou them, O God, which confess their faults, Restore Thou them that are penitent, According to Thy promises declared unto mankind in Christ Jesu our Lord; And grant, O merciful Father, for His sake, That we may hereafter live a godly, righteous and sober life. To the glory of Thy holy Name.      Amen.

### THE ABSOLUTION, to be pronounced by the Priest alone.

### THE LORD'S PRAYER, to be said by all.

Our Father Who art in heaven, Hallowed be Thy Name, Thy Kingdom come, Thy will be done, in earth as it is in heaven, Give us this day our daily bread: And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive them that trespass against us: And lead us not into temptation, But deliver us from evil. For Thine is the kingdom, the power and the glory, For ever and ever.      Amen.

### Then shall the Priest say:

O Lord, open Thou our lips.  
*Answer:* And our mouth shall shew forth Thy praise.  
*Priest:* O God, make speed to save us.  
*Answer:* O Lord make haste to help us.  
*Priest:* Glory be to the Father, and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost.  
*Answer:* As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be; world without end.  
*Priest:* Praise ye the Lord.      Amen.  
*Answer:* The Lord's Name be praised.

### PSALM 23

The Lord is my shepherd: therefore can I lack nothing.  
He shall feed me in a green pasture: and lead me forth beside the waters of comfort.  
He shall convert my soul: and bring me forth in the paths of righteousness, for His Name's sake.  
Yea, though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I will fear no evil: for thou art with me; thy rod and thy staff comfort me.  
Thou shalt prepare a table before me against them that trouble me: thou hast anointed my head with oil, and my cup shall be full.  
But thy loving-kindness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life: and I shall dwell in the house of the Lord for ever.  
Glory be to the Father, and to the Son: and to the Holy Ghost;  
As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be: world without end.      Amen.



## MEMBERS AND FORMER MEMBERS OF THE PERTH REGIMENT WHO HAVE GIVEN THEIR LIVES

### Major

R. B. Gage	Stratford
R. A. MacDougall	Stratford

### Captain

F. B. Kennedy	Stratford
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### Lieutenant

F. J. Culliton	St. Marys
G. S. Hall	Stratford
J. R. Henderson	St. Marys
L. E. Paff	Stratford
L. J. J. Rochon	Sturgeon Falls

### Company Sergeant Major

R. A. Johnston	Oakville
R. O. Marquis	Hamilton
J. Ross	Toronto

### Sergeant

K. S. Beckner	Stratford
C. Benner	Stratford
C. Cottell	Centralia
P. D. Dempsey	Stratford
S. Jessop	San Antonio, Texas.
R. M. Livock	Kitchener
P. M. McRorie	Chesley

### Corporal

R. J. Adair	Windsor
J. J. Casson	Dauphin, Manitoba
F. G. Doxey	Stratford
W. A. Doyle	Sullivan Twp.
A. J. Dube	Tecumseh
J. G. Martell	Montreal, Quebec
J. R. McRobb	Toronto
J. Redfern	Stratford
J. K. Rudolph	Weston
F. F. Sapwell	Stratford
A. Simpson	London
C. G. Stone	Stratford

### Lance Corporal

C. W. A. Daymond	Westmount, Quebec
L. J. Lyons	Owen Sound
J. A. Pain	London
R. D. Smith	Sydney Mines, N.S.
S. W. Tilley	Wiaraton
F. R. Wells	Toronto

### Private

G. Allen	Bowmanville
E. Alm	Veteran, Alberta
J. E. Anderson	St. Catharines
J. E. Bailey	Stratford
J. W. Bartlett	Toronto
W. S. Bell	Tavistock
G. E. Bellrose	Tobermory
A. E. Blackwell	Toronto
W. Bolton	Hamilton
W. A. Bowers	R.R. 2, Auburn
I. H. Bowles	Vancouver, B.C.
E. A. Boyd	London
R. B. Calkins	Rocky Mt. House, Alta.
G. H. Cameron	Black River Br., N.B.
N. A. Cameron	Rockey Rapids, Alta.
C. A. Carey	Lumley, Alta.
A. W. Cartland	Montreal, Que.
A. J. W. Cartledge	Guelph
J. F. Casey	Summerside, P.E.I.
N. W. Clark	Peterborough
W. Collins	Big River, Alta.
G. G. Cooper	Toronto
D. G. J. Cordell	Stratford
R. G. Dahmer	Galt
G. A. Day	Windsor
G. N. Debaere	Chatham
H. H. Denstedt	Stratford
L. L. Dorion	St. Andrews, Que.
H. J. Drouillard	Maidstone
J. W. Durham	Windsor
R. Eickler	Lizard Lake, Sask.
J. B. Ellwood	Toronto



THE LESSON, *Revelation, 7: 9-10, 13-17*

Read by LIEUTENANT COLONEL W. S. RUTHERFORD

O.C., 1st Battalion, The Perth Regiment, 2nd Dec., 1943—17th May, 1944.

The Lesson ended, all the people shall stand, and THE LAST POST shall be sounded.

Then, all reverently standing, Silence shall be kept for a space, while each in his heart shall secretly offer praise to God for the lives and service of our brethren who have died that we might live.

After the Silence, REVEILLE shall be sounded.

Then shall be sung

O VALIANT hearts, who to your glory came  
Through dust of conflict and through  
battle flame,  
Tranquil you lie, your knightly virtue proved,  
Your memory hallowed in the land you  
loved.

Long years ago, as earth lay dark and still,  
Rose a loud cry upon a lonely hill,  
While in the frailty of our human clay,  
Christ our Redeemer passed the self-same  
way.

Splendid you passed, the great surrender  
made,  
Into the light that never more shall fade;  
Deep your contentment in that blest abode,  
Who wait the last clear trumpet call of  
God.

These were His servants; in His steps they  
trod,  
Following through death the martyred Son  
of God.  
Victor He rose; victorious too shall rise  
They who have drunk His cup of sacrifice.

O Risen Lord, O Shepherd of our Dead,  
Whose Cross has bought them and Whose  
Staff has led,  
In glorious hope, their proud and sorrowing  
land,  
Commits her children to Thy gracious  
hand. Amen.

THE APOSTLES' CREED, to be said by all, standing

I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth:  
And in Jesus Christ His only Son our Lord, Who was conceived by the Holy  
Ghost, Born of the Virgin Mary, Suffered under Pontius Pilate, Was crucified,  
dead, and buried: He descended into hell: The Third day He rose again from the  
dead; He ascended into heaven, And sitteth on the right hand of God the Father  
Almighty: From thence He shall come to judge the quick and the dead.  
I believe in the Holy Ghost; the holy Catholick Church; The Communion of Saints;  
The Forgiveness of sins; The Resurrection of the body, And the life everlasting.  
Amen.

Then shall be said

The Lord be with you.

Answer: And with thy spirit.

Priest: Let us pray.

O Lord, shew Thy mercy upon us.

Answer: And grant us Thy salvation.

Priest: O Lord, save the King.

Answer: And mercifully hear us when we call upon Thee.

Priest: Endue Thy Ministers with righteousness.

Answer: And make Thy chosen people joyful.

Priest: O Lord, save Thy people.

Answer: And bless Thine inheritance.

Priest: Give peace in our time, O Lord.

Answer: Because there is none other that fighteth for us, but only Thou, O God.

Priest: O God, make clean our hearts within us.

Answer: And take not Thy Holy Spirit from us.

Then shall be said the MEMORIAL COLLECTS

THE ANTHEM ..... (T. T. Noble)

Souls of the righteous in the hand of God: nor hurt nor torment cometh them  
anigh. O holy hope of immortality—souls of the righteous in the hand of God. To  
eyes of men unwise they seemed to die: they are at peace. O fairest liberty!  
Souls of the righteous in the hand of God. On earth as children chastened by  
love's rod, as gold in furnace tried, so now on high they shine like stars, a golden  
galaxy—souls of the righteous in the hand of God.

Here follow the Prayers — for the King's Majesty, the Queen and all the Royal  
Family, and the Parliaments of the Empire and the United Nations; for the  
Forces of the King and of his Allies; for the Suffering, the Sorrowing, and the  
Anxious; and for a speedy and just Victory and a righteous and lasting Peace.

Then shall be sung this Hymn

O GOD of love, O King of peace,  
Make wars throughout the world to cease;  
The wrath of sinful man restrain,  
Give peace, O God, give peace again.

Whom shall we trust but Thee, O Lord?  
Where rest but on Thy faithful word?  
None ever called on Thee in vain,  
Give peace, O God, give peace again.

Remember, Lord, Thy works of old,  
The wonders that our fathers told,  
Remember not our sin's dark stain,  
Give peace, O God, give peace again.

Thou callest us to battle sin,  
And givest strength the war to win;  
Be with us as we strive for Thee,  
And grant a mighty victory.

Where saints and angels dwell above,  
All hearts are knit in holy love;  
O bind us in that heavenly chain,  
Give peace, O God, give peace again. Amen.

THE SERMON

HON. MAJOR THE REV. F. GWYNNE LIGHTBOURN, E.D.

Chaplain, 2nd (Reserve) Battalion, The Perth Regiment

OFFERTORIUM: *Andante* ..... (Mozart)

THE NATIONAL ANTHEM

THE BLESSING

RECESSIONAL HYMN

RISE up, O men of God!  
Have done with lesser things;  
Give heart and soul and mind and strength  
To serve the King of Kings.

Rise up, O men of God!  
The Church for you doth wait:  
Her strength unequal to her task;  
Rise up, and make her great!

Rise up, O men of God!  
His Kingdom tarries long;  
Bring in the day of brotherhood  
And end the night of wrong.

Lift high the Cross of Christ!  
Tread where His feet have trod,  
As brothers of the Son of Man,  
Rise up, O men of God!

Amen.

ORGAN POSTLUDE: *Chorale* ..... (Bach)



Private

J. Elowates	North Devon, N.B.
E. J. English	Windsor
G. G. C. Evans	Toledo, Ohio
J. M. Evans	Guelph
W. S. Faircloth	London
G. R. Fasken	Port Credit
C. S. Felton	Toronto
R. L. E. Fletcher	Stratford
D. C. Fraser	Pugwash, N.S.
P. Gallagher	St. Alphonse, Man.
J. E. Gallant	Charlottetown, P.E.I.
F. F. Gardiner	Fort Erie
N. J. Garland	Vernon River, P.E.I.
M. Geize	Yorkton, Sask.
A. Gibel	Windsor
I. W. Gregory	
T. I. Haley	Windsor
F. W. Hardy	Chatham
S. Haresign	Moose Jaw, Sask.
R. Harris	Port Stanley
C. W. Henderson	Blenheim
E. J. Hewings	Brantford
J. D. G. Hill	Hull, Que.
F. Hirtle	Halifax, N.S.
N. L. Hurcell	Chatham
J. E. A. Hurlock	Stratford
T. N. Jack	Heaslip
K. J. Jordin	Three Rivers, Que.
M. P. Jones	Toronto
L. G. Kirk	East Linton
W. Krawetz	Honeymoon, Sask.
Z. Kulemowski	Queen's County, N.B.
L. G. Lake	London
G. D. Landers	Stratford
V. Lavallee	Cornwall
I. H. Littlejohn	Mitchell
S. E. Ludwig	Listowel
J. J. Marrs	Brockville
A. J. Martin	Granton
— Mayhoff	Montreal
A. Melville	Galt
W. J. Miller	Seaforth
T. G. Mills	Sarnia
C. Milson	Guelph
R. E. Mohlman	Kitchener

Private

G. G. Monro	Toronto
S. Morgan	Montreal
H. D. Murchison	Windsor
W. A. MacKeigan	Dunnville
A. F. McLeod	Wiarton
W. T. McMillan	Palmerston
D. L. Neal	Courtright
C. F. Nicholson	Belleville
R. Orth	Stratford
N. J. Parent	Riverside
C. V. Park	Chatham
A. Phillips	Carlingford
Gunner G. Pigeon	Stratford
Private	
A. W. Prior	London
G. D. Purcell	London
C. G. Radtke	Kitchener
J. Revill	Newmarket
E. J. Rhodeniser	Lunenburg, N.S.
G. F. Richards	Dresden
L. Ritchie	New Richmond, Que.
J. Robertson	Hawkesbury
J. S. Robertson	Stratford
R. E. Salisbury	Chatham
M. Schaster	Montreal
D. W. Schmidt	Harriston
C. B. Settington	Leamington
C. C. Sim	Georgeville, Que.
R. P. Simard	Tecumseh
— Simons	Hilton Beach
W. P. Simpson	Stratford
E. J. Smith	Arkona
W. R. Stewart	St. Marys
A. B. Walker	London
D. W. Smith	Lindsay
F. G. N. Waterfield	London
R. H. Wheatley	Toronto
H. A. White	Orangeville
E. E. Widdis	Hillsburg
F. A. Wilmore	St. Marys
R. Wilson	Winona
J. Windover	Toronto
H. W. Woodcock	Newmarket
W. C. Woodgate	Montreal

The above list contains all the names of which advice has been received at the Headquarters of the 2nd (Reserve) Battalion, in Stratford.

The Officer Commanding and members of the 2nd Battalion greatly regret any unavoidable omissions, which may have occurred.



**FIELD RETURN OF OTHER RANKS.**

Serial No. ....  
(Repeat at Part D)

**Perth Regiment, C A (CMF)** Unit.

For week ending **29 Dec 44**

To be made up to mid-day on Saturday in each week by all units of Foot Guards, Infantry of the Line, Reconnaissance Corps, R.A.V.C., A.E.C., R.A.P.C., C.M.P., Pioneer Corps, Intelligence Corps, A.C.C. and Non-Combatant Corps, and 1 copy rendered to G.H.Q. 2nd Echelon, and 1 copy to Reinforcement Section, G.H.Q. 2nd Echelon (until instructed by G.H.Q. 2nd Echelon to discontinue rendering).

**Part A. Strength, Surplus or Reinforcements required.**

1. Rank or Appointment.	2. W.E. less 1st Rfts.	3. Strength counting against W.E. less 1st Rfts.	4. Surplus to W.E. less 1st Rfts.	5. Reinforcements required (i.e., deficits on W.E., less 1st Rfts.)
W.Os. Class I.	1	1		
W.Os. Class II.	7	7		
Company Quartermaster - Serjeants OR Colour-Serjeants	6	5		
Staff Serjeants				
Serjeants	52	45		7 (None reg'd)
Corporals	60	54		6 " "
Privates, Guardsmen, Fusiliers, etc.	686	605		81
Buglers, Trumpeters, etc.				
<b>TOTALS</b>	<b>812</b>	<b>717</b>	*	* <b>94</b>

\* These Totals should agree with the details shown in Part D on page 2.

**Part B. Other ranks attached in excess of W.E. less 1st Rfts.**

Rank or Appointment.	Unit and Corps to which they belong.	Rank or Appointment.	Unit and Corps to which they belong.
1 Cpl, 1 L/Cpl 3 Signmn	RCCS "J" Tp 5 Can	Arm'd Div Sigs	
1 Cpl, 1 Pte	8 Cdn Aux Serv Sec	(YMCA)	
1 Cpl	8 Cdn Fd Educ Sec.		

**Perth Regiment, CA (CMF)** Unit Week ending **29 Dec 44** 19 *A.F.W.3009E. (Ft. Gds., Inf., etc.)*

**Part C. Description of other ranks whose return to the unit is particularly requested.**

Army No.	Rank.	Name and Initials.	Regiment or Corps.	Remarks, (e.g. present whereabouts if known).
A-49883	Pte	Barnes, H J	Perth R	Bn Orderly Room Clerk "B"
H-8018	Pte	Mills, T G	Perth R	Regt'l Stretcher Bearer
<b>Note:</b>		<b>All available Stretcher Bearers &amp; Signallers <u>REQUIRED URGENTLY.</u></b>		



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Last Pt I Order 73 d/30 Nov 44

Sheet 1

No. 74

1. LOOTING

Hereunder is reproduced a letter from Lieut-Gen R.L. McCreery, G.O.C., Eighth Army:

Cases of looting have been recently brought to my notice. Although I have no reason to believe that there is any general increase in the number of cases occurring, I consider that it would be as well for all ranks in the Army under my command to know my views in regard to this offence.

Looting is no more or less than 'stealing' aggravated by the ease with which thefts can be made under active service conditions in the forward area. It would be, I know rare for any of the men who loot in the forward area to steal in their own townships or countries. Moreover, it is the duty of any citizen to prevent thefts if within his power, or alternatively to report them at once to the appropriate authority. I feel sure if it were realized by all ranks that they were stealing when they take articles from damaged or deserted houses, or livestock from wrecked or deserted homesteads, that they would not loot. It is the duty of every officer to see that the men under his command realise they are stealing if they take articles, etc, however small, and to impress on them that it is their duty to stop if they can, or report if they cannot, any cases that they may see.

The Italian people are poor and many of them have been reduced to beggary by the tide of war that has swept over their homes. In many cases, particularly in the country, they have saved the lives of men of the Allied Armies by giving information, and, in addition, they have harboured in the towns and villages escaped Allied prisoners of war, at the risk of their own lives, and have fed them out of their meagre food stocks for long periods.

The food situation in Italy is deplorable, and to steal or loot food stocks is tantamount to taking it out of the mouths of a hungry people.

To loot sewing machines, household utensils and furniture which cannot be moved for lack of transport is not only criminal, but is wanton waste.

Until the tide of war engulfed Italian towns and countryside the Italian people in most districts had had little experience of the German Army under operational conditions; nor had they suffered the inevitable discomforts inherent in the occupation of a country by large forces. In addition the Italian people do not neglect such opportunities as present themselves of paying off old scores, such opportunities are legion in the wake of an advancing army.

It is not, therefore, surprising that the local inhabitants when they return to their devastated and looted homesteads levy unjustified complaints of looting against the troops they find in occupation. This renders it all the more imperative if the reputation of the Army under my command is to remain unsullied that we see to it that we are blameless and that there is no justification for such allegations.



(LOOTING- Cont'd)

I therefore direct that all Formations and Unit Commanders will by their personal example and by constant watchfulness ensure that cases of looting are reduced to a minimum, and that cases that do occur are dealt with with the utmost severity. TXX

2. EMPLOYMENT OF JEEPS

(a) Personnel will NOT be carried in the trailer, either singly, or as part of a tp move.

(b) Jeeps and Trailers will not be used for:

- (i) Normal DR Duties.
- (ii) Tn of rubble, etc.
- (iii) As staff cars for offrs.
- (iv) For general duties in relief of a unit's domestic vehs.

3. ONE-WAY TRAFFIC

One way traffic routes will be strictly adhered to. Provosts have authority to impound offending vehs. Tks will move on tk routes only.

4. BLACKOUTS

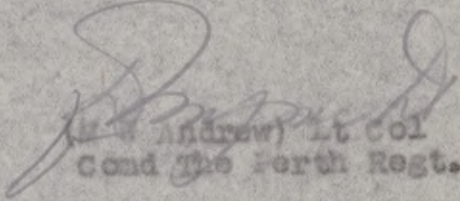
Blackout regulations will be strictly observed in this area.

5. REMOVAL OF POWER POLES

Wooden poles erected to carry power lines are being removed by tps in this area. This will cease forthwith. Army Provosts are arranging line patrols, and offenders will be severely dealt with.

6. CHURCH PARADE

R.C. Church Parade will be held at 1000 hrs Sunday, 3 Dec 44, at church in Main Square.

  
H. W. Andrew) Lt Col  
Comd The Perth Regt.



Regimental Part I Orders  
by  
Lt Col H W Andrew  
Commanding the Perth Regiment  
Canadian Army Overseas 29 Dec 44

Last Pt I Order No. 74  
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No. 75

1. DUTIES

Bn Orderly Officer	30 Dec 44	Lieut J.S. Lilburn
Bn Orderly Officer	31 Dec 44	Lieut GFS Davis
Next for Duty	1 Jan 45	Lieut G.S. Levie

Duty Coy	30 Dec 44	'B' Coy
Duty Coy	31 Dec 44	'C' Coy
Next for Duty	1 Jan 45	'D' Coy

Duty Coy will have 15cwt and driver available between 0800 hrs and 2000 hrs.

2. BOUNDS

'X' Echelon area is OUT OF BOUNDS, except on duty.

3. CURFEW

Curfew in RAVENNA is 2100 hrs. Coy roll calls will be held in Coy area at that time.

4. SICK PARADE

Sick parade daily at 0900 hrs at MIR on road to Sp Coy.

5. BARBER SHOPS - RAVENNA

All ranks will adhere to the prices posted in approved barber shops in RAVENNA. These prices are published below for convenience. Lavish tipping will lead to price inflation therefore the maximum tip will be 5 lire.

Shave	--	5 Lire
Haircut	--	10 Lire

5. LEAVE - HOME

All parties proceeding on leave to HOME will be in possession of the telephone number shown below. In event of veh breakdowns or accidents, info and assistance can be obtained from Cdn Sec CIG 1 Ech by telephoning:

Up to 1730 hrs	-	496504 Extn 9.
After 1730 hrs	-	496504 Duty Offr.

6. COLLARS AND TIES - GR

Notwithstanding Overseas RC authorizing the wearing of Collar and Black Tie with Shirts Flannel, shirts with collars and ties will NOT be worn under any circumstances, pending arrival in this theatre of sufficient supplies of these items to make general issue.

7. JEWISH CHURCH SERVICE

Jewish Church Service will be held at 1000 hrs Sunday 31 Dec 44 at the CEDON Theatre.



7. (Cont'd)

R.C. Service - Mass for RC personnel of all units billeted in RAVENNA will be held at CANUTI CHURCH, 100 yds SE of Rear Corps HQ car pk, at 0900 hrs Sun 31 Dec 44, and also on Mon, New Year's Day.

8. WATER & SEWAGE SYSTEM - RAVENNA

The sewage system in RAVENNA is still intact, but it will be some time before the water system can be repaired. In the meantime if lavatories in the town are used, Coy Comds will see that water is available for flushing down, and that all personnel are instructed to flush the lavatories after using.

9. WET CANTEN - MEN

Wet Canteen for members of the Perth Regiment will be opened 1800 hrs 29 Dec 44 at 53 Via Dkaz, near C Coy Billets - the street back of B.O. R. Canteen will close at 2000 hrs.

Price - 15 Lire for large cup. BRING YOUR OWN MUGS.

10. LOOTING

The following story, written by a Canadian Major who has received great assistance from Italian partisans in liberating important territory, ~~which has repeated~~ is repeated so that all ranks may appreciate the hardships that may be caused to a valued assistant by wilful looting:

"CIRILLI, Gaetano and his son, aged 16, decided some time ago to fight the Germans. They stored their personal belongings in the house of a man named BUGGI, in the hamlet of S GIACOMO, near RUSSI, moved Mrs CIRILLI and her infant daughter to the house of a friend at 17 Via BACCARINI, RAVENNA and then joined the partisans. I met the son and the father in the marshes NW of RAVENNA where they had been leading a precarious existence for over a month, often in contact with the enemy.

After the liberation of RAVENNA, the Partisans were ordered to concentrate there, to rest and refit. CIRILLI, Gaetano went "home" to 17 Via BACCARINI. On 14 Dec a boy came from S GIACOMO on a bicycle to tell them that Canadian soldiers had robbed him of all he possessed. He came to me for help. I obtained a travelling permit for CIRILLI and went to S GIACOMO.

The scene was one of complete desolation and destruction. The looters had broken into the house with weapons in hand, had stolen everything of any value and carried it away in their truck. What they did not consider worth carrying off they destroyed on the spot.

CIRILLI, Gaetano picked up a few things which were lying on the floor, a pair of his wife's slippers, a torn table napkin, a shawl and some baby clothes. These he put in my vehicle.

I made many inquiries but could not discover anything about the looters. The two Italians who were present when they arrived had taken fright when threatened and had gone to a house some 250 yards away. They could tell me nothing. So many troops had been through the area that it will be impossible to trace the thieves.

The results are that a brave and good man, his wife and two children are now destitute. The little they had left is gone and there is no way of compensating them because linen can no longer be obtained, warm clothing and bedding have long since vanished from the market. They are left with the clothes they stand in."



11. MUSTER PARADE

There will be a Muster Parade by Companies held at  
0900 hrs 30 Dec 44.

An officer will be nominated by the Coy Comd from Coys shown  
below, to act as Mustering Officer for Coy shown opposite:

'A' Coy officer	to muster	'B' Coy
'B' Coy officer	" "	'C' Coy
'C' Coy officer	" "	'D' Coy
'D' Coy officer	" "	Sp Coy
Sp Coy officer	" "	HQ & BHQ
HQ Coy officer	" "	'A' Coy

*for* *Cliff Swartz Capt*  
(M W Andrew) Lt Col  
Comd The Perth Regt.





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# Personal Message from the Army Commander

Today we celebrate the sixth Christmas Day since the outbreak of war. Many of us in Eighth Army have spent the majority of these away from home and this Christmas is no exception. But now two things dominate our minds. First we know that victory is assured, and secondly we have every reason to believe that next Christmas we shall look back on the end of the war with Germany.

Great successes have been achieved on all fronts during the past year. The Eighth Army has again fought decisively in the great struggle. With the assistance of our gallant American Allies you have accomplished memorable feats of arms by breaking through the Gustav Line, the Hitler Line and the Gothic Line. These great defensive positions were sited in country which favoured the defence to a remarkable degree, and in addition the enemy employed every device of modern war to strengthen the natural obstacles. In spite of these great difficulties you, by your gallantry, determination and endurance, drove a determined enemy from his defences and pursued him for many hundreds of miles through some of the most difficult campaigning country in Europe.

Above all you have rendered incalculable assistance to your comrades fighting on the Western Front by compelling the enemy to keep a large number of good divisions in Italy. The Eighth Army is playing a decisive part in hastening the final collapse of the enemy.

These are achievements of which the Empire and you yourselves may well be proud.

I congratulate and thank you all. I wish you and your families a Happy Christmas, and I hope with you that the coming year will bring the final overthrow of Germany.

*R. L. McCreery*

ITALY,  
Christmas Day, 1944.

Lieut.-General,  
G.O.C., Eighth Army.

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Personal Message from the Corps Commander

Today we are spending yet another Christmas away from home, for many of us the sixth. Christmas Day is traditionally the day when families and friends gather together, and no Christmas away from home can be truly happy. I can only wish you and your families the happiest Christmas possible under the circumstances, and join with you in hoping that all of us may be able to celebrate next Christmas at home in Canada.

A year ago, the end of the war with Germany seemed remote. Today, the fight has been carried into Germany itself, and we can feel reasonably certain that on Christmas Day 1945 the war with Germany will be over. You who have been fighting for a year and a half in Italy may think that your part in bringing a certain victory within sight has been overshadowed by more spectacular fighting on the Western front. I can assure you that your comrades in Belgium and Holland realize how much you have contributed to the defeat of the Hun. The Fifth and Eighth Armies are containing more than twenty-five German divisions, divisions which Hitler desperately needs to defend Germany itself. Since the bitter Christmas Day at Ortona, you have smashed through two strong prepared German defence lines, the Hitler and the Gothic Lines, and have carried the fighting onto the plains of Lombardy, making it possible for allied aircraft to bomb Germany from Italian bases.

You have now completed your part in the first phase of the present operation, under adverse weather conditions and over water-logged terrain. Since 1 Dec you have cleared the enemy from more than 145 square miles of Italian territory - sufficient for a two and one-half acre allotment for each Canadian soldier in Italy. You have forced the enemy from three strong natural defence lines, liberated a city, Ravenna, four towns, thirty villages and nearly one thousand smaller inhabited places, and you have materially assisted 5 Corps in the capture of Faenza. You have forced the enemy commander to withdraw a division from another part of the front in order to reinforce this sector and you have now severely mauled this new division.

You have taken more than 1600 prisoners and have killed or wounded probably twice that number of enemy. All arms and services have done their part in this task. The gunners have smashed the enemy's defences with over 1200 3-ton lorry-loads of shells -- 184,000 rounds -- and on more than one occasion have broken up enemy counterattacks. In addition to opening more than 200 miles of road, the sappers have erected more than a half a mile of bridging. Many of the twenty-nine bridges were completed under hostile mortar and artillery fire. The Signals have laid some 2600 miles of field cable, providing communications without which control of the battles would have been impossible. Despatch riders have delivered since 1 Dec

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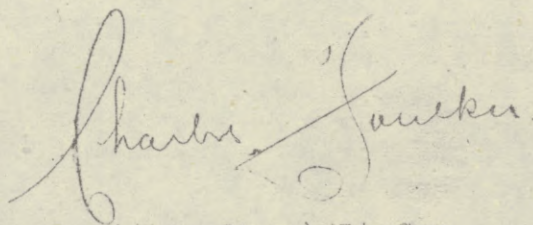
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no less than 28,000 packets.

I fully appreciate that the going has been hard, the tempo fairly fast and tough but your determination, skill at arms and guts has again seen the Hun off. I am more than ever confident that you and I will see the next short stage of the operation to a successful conclusion.

I congratulate you all on the fine job you have done and will, I am certain, continue to do, and once again I extend to you and to your families my wishes for a happy Christmas and Victory in the New Year.



(C Foulkes) Lt Gen  
Comd, 1 Cdn Corps.

Italy,  
Christmas Day, 1944.

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Army Form W. 3008 (Revised)

Serial No. \_\_\_\_\_

(Repeat at Part D.)

**FIELD RETURN OF OFFICERS.**

Perth Regt., C.A. (CMF) (Unit) For Week Ending 1 Dec 44

**PART A.—STRENGTH, SURPLUS OR REINFORCEMENTS REQUIRED**

1 Ranks.	2 W.E. less 1st Rfts.	3 Strength counting against W.E. less 1st Rfts.	4 Surplus to W.E. less 1st Rfts.	5 Reinforcements required (i.e., deficits on W.E. less 1st Rfts.).	
				No.	Any Specific Qualifications.
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Lieut.-Colonels ..	1	1			
Majors .. ..	5	6	/		
Captains .. ..	13	12		1	
Lieutenants ..	18	16		2	
2nd Lieutenants ..					
Quartermasters ..					
District Officers ..					
<b>TOTALS ..</b>	<b>37</b>	<b>35</b>	<b>/</b>	<b>3</b>	

\*Insert details of higher ranks as necessary (e.g., Major-General, Brigadier, etc.).

**PART B.—PARTICULARS OF OFFICERS JOINED OR QUITTED DURING WEEK.****(i) Officers JOINED during week.**

Rank.	Name.	Regt. or Corps.	Date.	Unit from which joined.
Lieut	Egener, F T	Perth R	28/11/44	From X-4 List (4-Bn).
Lieut	Robertson, A W B	Perth R	26/11/44	From X-4 List (4-Bn)

**(ii) Officers QUITTED during week.**

Rank.	Name.	Regt. or Corps.	Date.	Cause or Unit to which proceeded.
A/Capt	McKnight, J F	Perth R	25/11/44	SOS Perth R to X-3 List on adm to Hosp (Sick)

Perth Regiment, C.A. (CMF) (UNIT) week-ending 1 Dec 44 A.F.W. 3008 (Revised)

**PART C.—DESCRIPTION OF OFFICERS WHOSE RETURN TO THE UNIT IS PARTICULARLY REQUESTED.**

Rank.	Name and Initials.	Regt. or Corps.	Remarks (e.g., present whereabouts, if known).



**FIELD RETURN OF OFFICERS.**

Serial No. \_\_\_\_\_

Unit Perth Regiment, C.A. (CMF)For Week Ending 1 Dec 44**PART D.—NOMINAL ROLL OF OFFICERS.**

(i) OFFICERS ON STRENGTH COUNTING AGAINST W.E. LESS 1st RFTS. (Total to agree with column 3 of Part A.)

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Personal Number.	Substantive Rank.	Higher Acting or Temporary Rank if held.	Name and Initials.	Parent Corps or Regiment.	Date taken on Strength.	Whether present with Unit.	Appointment held.	Date Assumed present Appointment	Remarks including how employed if absent from unit.	
1	Major	Lt-Col	Andrew, M W	Perth Regt	24/10/44	Yes				
2	Major		Arrell, C B (ED)	"	2/9/39	Yes	2-1/c			
3	Major		Snelgrove, H A	"	25/2/44	Yes				
4	Major		Walker, F S (ED)	"	4/9/39	Yes	QM			
5	Capt	A/Maj	Ridge, W J	"	9/6/43	Yes				
6	Capt	A/Maj	Binnington, A	"	15/1/43	Yes				
7	Capt	A/Maj	Cole, R	"	27/9/44	Yes				
8	Capt		Baker, P J F	"	26/9/41	Yes				
9	Lieut	A/Capt	Chamberlain, RS (MC)	"	2/10/44	Yes				
10	Lieut	A/Capt	Dent, J M	"	16/9/44	Yes				
11	Lieut	A/Capt	Fisher, P F	"	27/9/44	Yes				
12	Lieut	A/Capt	Hider, W C	"	2/10/44	Yes				
13	Capt		McCabe, W J	RCAFC	15/1/41	Yes				
14	Capt		Statten, P	RCAMC	4/11/44	Yes				
15	Capt		Root, N C	Perth Regt	20/1/44	Yes				
16	Capt		Swartz, C H	"	18/10/44	Yes	Adj't			
17	Capt		Wainman, H I	"	1/4/41	Yes				
18	Capt		Wettlaufer, L H	"	18/10/43	Yes				
19	Lieut		Cooper, T	"	24/8/44	Yes				
20	Lieut	A/Capt	Cook, D A	"	18/10/44	Yes				
21	Lieut		Cree, W A H	"	11/10/44	Yes				
22	Lieut		Davies, G F S	"	6/9/44	Yes				
23	Lieut		Drummond, N S	RCCS	2/9/44	Yes				
24	Lieut		Gallagher, G A	Perth Regt	4/9/43	Yes				
25	Lieut		Getty, G A	"	2/6/44	Yes				
26	Lieut		Egener, F T	"	23/11/44	Yes				
27	Lieut		Hicks, V G	"	5/8/43	Yes				
28	Lieut		Hood, C D	"	2/10/44	Yes				
29	Lieut		Levie, G F	"	24/10/44	Yes				
30	Lieut		Metcalfe, F F	"	21/7/44	Yes				
31	Lieut		Patterson, R W	"	3/8/44	Yes				
32	Lieut		Prangley, W F	"	3/8/44	Yes				
33	Lieut		Robertson, AWB	"	26/11/44	Yes				
34	Lieut		Thompson, D L	"	27/4/44	Yes				
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Substantive Rank.	Higher Acting or Temporary Rank if held.	Name and Initials.	Regt. or Corps.	Date of attachment.	Nature of attachment.
	H/Capt	Smith, D C	HQ 11 CIB	9/11/44	Padre (CCS)
	Capt	Rinski, S	8 Coy CDC	12/10/44	Dental
	Supvr	Stephens, G R	Aux Serv	13/9/44	YMCA

1 December 1944

(Date of Despatch)

*W J McCabe*  
(W J McCabe) (Signature of Commander.)

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(Bde., Divn., Area, etc., with which Unit is serving.)



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Army Form W. 3008 (Revised)

Serial No. (Repeat at Part D.)

# FIELD RETURN OF OFFICERS.

Perth Regt., C.A. (CMT) (Unit) For Week Ending 8 Dec 44

## PART A.—STRENGTH, SURPLUS OR REINFORCEMENTS REQUIRED

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### (i) Officers JOINED during week.

Rank.	Name.	Regt. or Corps.	Date.	Unit from which joined.
A/Capt	McKnight, J F	Perth R	3/12/44	TOS Perth R from X-4 List (4-Bn) wef 3 Dec 44.
Lieut	Fleming, J F	Perth R	8/12/44	TOS From X-4 List
Lieut	Fleming, W C	"	"	"
Lieut	Jones, I E	"	"	"

### (ii) Officers QUITTED during week.

Rank.	Name.	Regt. or Corps.	Date.	Cause or Unit to which proceeded.
Capt	Root, N C	Perth R	1/12/44	SOS Perth R to X-9 List
Lieut	Hicks, V G			
Capt	Riskin, S	C D C	2/12/44	ceases to be att wef 2 Dec 44

Perth Regt., C.A. (CMT) (UNIT) week-ending 8 Dec 44 A.F.W. 3008 (Revised)

## PART C.—DESCRIPTION OF OFFICERS WHOSE RETURN TO THE UNIT IS PARTICULARLY REQUESTED.

Rank.	Name and Initials.	Regt. or Corps.	Remarks (e.g., present whereabouts, if known).
Capt	Henley, J R	Perth R	Attached as Trg
Lieut	Cruse, C H	TRG INCR	Incr Offrs from
Lieut	Lilburn, J S	OFFRS	X-4 List (4-Bn) wef 8 Dec 44.



**FIELD RETURN OF OFFICERS.**

Serial No. \_\_\_\_\_

Unit Perth Regiment, C.A. (CMF)For Week Ending 8 Dec 44**PART D.—NOMINAL ROLL OF OFFICERS.**

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4	Major		Walker, F S (ED)	"	4/9/39	Yes	QM			
5	Capt	A/Maj	Ridge, W J	"	9/6/43	Yes				
6	Capt	A/Maj	Binnington, A	"	15/1/43	Yes				
7	Capt	A/Maj	Cole, R	"	27/9/44	Yes				
8	Capt		Baker, P J F	"	26/9/41	Yes				
9	Lieut	A/Capt	Chamberlain, RS (MC)	"	2/10/44	Yes				
10	Lieut	A/Capt	Cook, D A	"	18/10/44	Yes				
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	Supvr	Stephens, G R	Aux Serv	13/9/44	YMCA

(W J McCabe) For (Signature of Commander.)

8 December 44

(Date of Despatch)

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**FIELD RETURN OF OFFICERS.**

Serial No. ....

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15	Lieut	A/Capt	McKnight, J F	Perth Regt	3/12/44	Yes				
16	Capt		Swartz, C H	"	18/10/44	Yes	Adj't			
17	Capt		Wainman, H I	"	1/4/41	Yes				
18	Capt		Wettlaufer, L H	"	13/10/43	Yes				
19	Lieut		Cooper, T	"	24/8/44	Yes				
20	Lieut		Cree, W A H	"	11/10/44	Yes				
21	Lieut		Davies, G F S	"	6/9/44	Yes				
22	Lieut		Drummond, N S	RCCS	2/9/44	Yes				
23	Lieut		Fleming, J P	Perth Regt	8/12/44	Yes				
24	Lieut		Flemming, W C	"	8/12/44	Yes				
25	Lieut		Gallagher, G A	"	4/9/43	Yes				
26	Lieut		Getty, G A	"	2/6/44	Yes				
27	Lieut		Egener, F G	"	28/11/44	Yes				
28	Lieut		Hood, C D	"	2/10/44	Yes				
29	Lieut		Jones, I E	"	8/12/44	Yes				
30	Lieut		Levie, G F	"	24/10/44	Yes				
31	Lieut		Metcalf, F F	"	21/7/44	Yes				
32	Lieut		Patterson, R W	"	3/8/44	Yes				
33	Lieut		Prangley, W F	"	3/8/44	Yes				
34	Lieut		Stewart, C E	"	21/11/44	Yes				
35	Lieut		Thompson, D L	"	27/4/44	Yes				
36										
37										
38										

(ii) OFFICERS ATTACHED IN EXCESS OF W.E. LESS 1st RFTS.

Substantive Rank.	Higher Acting or Temporary Rank if held.	Name and Initials.	Regt. or Corps.	Date of attachment.	Nature of attachment.
	H/Capt	Smith, D C	HQ 11 CIB	9/11/44	Padre (CC)
	Supvr	Stephens, G R	Aux Serv	13/9/44	YMCA

15 December 44

(Date of Despatch)

*W J McCabe*  
 (W J McCabe) RCR (Signature of Commander.)

11 Cdn Inf Bde - 5 Cdn

(Bde., Divn., Area, etc., with which Unit is serving.)







# FIELD RETURN OF OFFICERS.

Serial No. \_\_\_\_\_

Unit Perth Regiment, C.A. (CMP)For Week Ending 22 Dec 44

## PART D.—NOMINAL ROLL OF OFFICERS.

(i) OFFICERS ON STRENGTH COUNTING AGAINST W.E. LESS 1st RFTS. (Total to agree with column 3 of Part A.)

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11
Personal Number.	Substantive Rank.	Higher Acting or Temporary Rank if held.	Name and Initials.	Parent Corps or Regiment.	Date taken on Strength.	Whether present with Unit.	Appointment held.	Date Assumed present Appointment.	Remarks including how employed if absent from unit.	
1	Major	Lt-Col	Andrew, M W	Perth Regt	24/10/44	Yes				
2	Major		Snelgrove, H A	"	25/2/44	Yes				
3	Major		Walker, F S (ED)	"	4/9/39	Yes	QM			
4	Capt	A/Maj	Ridge, W J	"	9/6/43	Yes				
5	Capt	A/Maj	Binnington, A	"	15/1/43	Yes				
6	Capt		Baker, P J F	"	25/9/41	Yes				
7	Lieut	A/Capt	Chamberlain, RS (MC)	"	2/10/44	Yes				
8	Lieut	A/Capt	Cook, D A	"	18/10/44	Yes				
9	Capt		Dent, J M	"	16/9/44	Yes				
10	Lieut	A/Capt	Fisher, P F	"	27/9/44	Yes				
11	Lieut	A/Capt	Hider, W C	"	2/10/44	Yes				
12	Capt		McCabe, W J	RCAPC	15/1/41	Yes				
13	Capt		Statten, P	RCAMC	4/11/44	Yes				
14	Lieut	A/Capt	McKnight, J F	Perth Regt	3/12/44	Yes				
15	Capt		Swartz, C H	"	18/10/44	Yes	Adjt			
16	Capt		Wainman, H I	"	1/4/41	Yes				
17	Capt		Wettlaufer, L H	"	18/10/43	Yes				
18	Lieut		Cooper, T	"	24/8/44	Yes				
19	Lieut		Cruse, C H	"	22/12/44	Yes				
20	Lieut		Cree, W A H	"	11/10/44	Yes				
21	Lieut		Davies, G F S	"	6/9/44	Yes				
22	Lieut		Drummond, N S	RCCS	2/9/44	Yes				
23	Lieut		Fleming, J P	Perth Regt	8/12/44	Yes				
24	Lieut		Fleming, W C	"	8/12/44	Yes				
25	Lieut		Gallagher, G A	"	4/9/43	Yes				
26	Lieut		Getty, G A	"	2/6/44	Yes				
27	Lieut		Egener, F G	"	28/11/44	Yes				
28	Lieut		Hood, C D	"	2/10/44	Yes				
29	Lieut		Lilburn J S	"	22/12/44	Yes				
30	Lieut		Levie, G F	"	24/10/44	Yes				
31	Lieut		Metcalfe, F F	"	21/7/44	Yes				
32	Lieut		Prangley, W F	"	3/8/44	Yes				
33	Lieut		Stewart, C E	"	21/11/44	Yes				
34	Lieut		Thompson, D L	"	27/4/44	Yes				
35	Lieut		Till, G S	"	22/12/44	Yes				
36										
37										
38										

(ii) OFFICERS ATTACHED IN EXCESS OF W.E. LESS 1st RFTS.

Substantive Rank.	Higher Acting or Temporary Rank if held.	Name and Initials.	Regt. or Corps.	Date of attachment.	Nature of attachment.
	H/Capt	Smith, D C	HQ 11 CIB	9/11/44	Padre (CCS)
	Supvr	Stephens, G R	Aux Serv	13/9/44	YMCA.

22 December 1944

(Date of Despatch)

*W J McCabe*  
(W J McCabe) FOR (Signature of Commander.)

11 Cdn Inf Bde - 5 Cdn  
Arm'd Div

(Bde., Divn., Area, etc., with which Unit is serving.)



TO BE MADE UP TO MIDDAY ON SATURDAY IN EACH WEEK.

Army Form W. 3008 (Revised)

Serial No. \_\_\_\_\_  
(Repeat at Part D.)**FIELD RETURN OF OFFICERS.**Perth Regt. C A (CMF) (Unit.) For Week Ending 29 Dec 44

## PART A.—STRENGTH, SURPLUS OR REINFORCEMENTS REQUIRED

1 Ranks.	2 W.E. less 1st Rfts.	3 Strength counting against W.E. less 1st Rfts.	4 Surplus to W.E. less 1st Rfts.	5 Reinforcements required (i.e., deficits on W.E. less 1st Rfts.).	
				No.	Any Specific Qualifications.
*					
*					
*					
*					
Lieut.-Colonels ..	1	1			
Majors ..	5	5			
Captains ..	13	12			
Lieutenants ..	19	18			
2nd Lieutenants ..					
Quartermasters ..					
District Officers ..					
TOTALS ..	38	36			

\*Insert details of higher ranks as necessary (e.g., Major-General, Brigadier, etc.).

## PART B.—PARTICULARS OF OFFICERS JOINED OR QUITTED DURING WEEK.

## (i) Officers JOINED during week.

Rank.	Name.	Regt. or Corps.	Date.	Unit from which joined.
A/Major	Cole, R	Perth R	28/12/44	TOS Perth R from X-4 List.
Lieut	Robertson, A W B	Perth R	28/12/44	TOS Perth R from X-3 List (Auth 5 LO/1186).

## (ii) Officers QUITTED during week.

Rank.	Name.	Regt. or Corps.	Date.	Cause or Unit to which proceeded.
Lieut	Prangley, W F	Perth R	25 Dec	SOS Perth R to X-3 List (Sick)

Perth Regiment, C A (CMF) (UNIT) week-ending 29 Dec 44 A.F.W. 3008 (Revised)

## PART C.—DESCRIPTION OF OFFICERS WHOSE RETURN TO THE UNIT IS PARTICULARLY REQUESTED

Rank.	Name and Initials.	Regt. or Corps.	Remarks (e.g., present whereabouts, if known).
Lieut	Child, J H	Perth R	Attached as Trg
Lieut	Dooley, D J	TRG INCR Offrs	Incr Offrs from X-4 List (4-Bn) wef 25 Dec 44.



# FIELD RETURN OF OFFICERS.

Serial No. \_\_\_\_\_

Unit Perth Regiment, C A (CMF)For Week Ending 29 Dec 44

## PART D.—NOMINAL ROLL OF OFFICERS.

(i) OFFICERS ON STRENGTH COUNTING AGAINST W.E. LESS 1st RFTS. (Total to agree with column 3 of Part A.)

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11
Personal Number.	Substantive Rank.	Higher Acting or Temporary Rank if held.	Name and Initials.	Parent Corps or Regiment.	Date taken on Strength.	Whether present with Unit.	Appointment held.	Date Assumed present Appointment	Remarks including how employed if absent from unit.	
1	Major	Lt-Col	Andrew, M W	Perth Regt	24/10/44	Yes				
2	Major		Snelgrove, H A	"	25/2/44	Yes				
3	Major		Walker F S (ED)	"	4/9/39	Yes	QM			
4	Major		Ridge, W J	"	9/6/43	Yes				
5	Capt	A/Major	Binnington, A	"	15/1/43	Yes				
6	Capt	A/Major	Cole, R	"	28/12/44	Yes				
7	Capt		Baker, P J F	"	26/9/41	Yes				
8	Lieut	A/Capt	Chamberlain, RS (MC)	"	2/10/44	Yes				
9	Lieut	A/Capt	Cook, D A	"	18/10/44	Yes				
10	Capt		Dent, J M	"	16/9/44	Yes				
11	Lieut	A/Capt	Fisher, P F	"	27/9/44	Yes				
12	Lieut	A/Capt	Hider, W C	"	2/10/44	Yes				
13	Capt		McCabe, W J	RCMFC	15/1/41	Yes				
14	Capt		Statten, P	RCAMC	4/11/44	Yes				
15	Lieut	A/Capt	McKnight, J F	Perth Regt	3/12/44	Yes				
16	Capt		Swartz, C H	"	18/10/44	Yes	Adjt			
17	Capt		Wainman, H I	"	1/4/41	Yes				
18	Capt		Wettlaufer, L H	"	18/10/43	Yes				
19	Lieut		Cooper, T	"	24/8/44	Yes				
20	Lieut		Crase, C H	"	22/12/44	Yes				
21	Lieut		Cree, W A H	"	11/10/44	Yes				
22	Lieut		Davies, G F S	"	6/9/44	Yes				
23	Lieut		Drummond, N S	RCCS	2/9/44	Yes				
24	Lieut		Fleming, J P	Perth Regt	8/12/44	Yes				
25	Lieut		Fleming, W C	"	8/12/44	Yes				
26	Lieut		Gallagher, G A	"	4/9/43	Yes				
27	Lieut		Getty, G A	"	2/6/44	Yes				
28	Lieut		Egener, F G	"	28/11/44	Yes				
29	Lieut		Hood, C D	"	2/10/44	Yes				
30	Lieut		Lilburn, J S	"	22/12/44	Yes				
31	Lieut		Levie, G F	"	24/10/44	Yes				
32	Lieut		Metcalf, F F	"	21/7/44	Yes				
33	Lieut		Robertson, AWB	"	28/12/44	Yes				
34	Lieut		Stewart, C E	"	21/11/44	Yes				
35	Lieut		Thompson, D L	"	27/4/44	Yes				
36	Lieut		Till, G S	"	22/12/44	Yes				
37										
38										

(ii) OFFICERS ATTACHED IN EXCESS OF W.E. LESS 1st RFTS.

Substantive Rank.	Higher Acting or Temporary Rank if held.	Name and Initials.	Regt. or Corps.	Date of attachment.	Nature of attachment.
	H/Capt	Smith, D C	Hq 11 CIB	9/11/44	Padre(CCS)
	Supvr	Stephens, G R	Aux Serv	13/9/44	YMCA

29 December 1944

(Date of Despatch)

*W J McCabe*  
(W J McCabe) FOR (Signature of Commander.)

11 Cdn Inf Bde - 5 Cdn  
(Bde., Divn., Area, etc., with which Unit is serving.)







For week ending 1 Dec 44

Serial No. ....

**Part D. Detail of trades and duties of Surplus or Reinforcements required as shown in Part A.**

DETAIL OF SPECIALISTS, TRADESMEN, ETC.	SURPLUS TO ESTABLISHMENT.								REINFORCEMENTS REQUIRED.							REMARKS.		
	W.Os. Class I.	W.Os. Class II.	C.Q.M.S. or Colour-Serjeants.	Staff-Serjeants.	Serjeants.	Corporals.	Privates, Guardsmen, Fusiliers, etc.	Buglers and Trumpeters.	TOTAL.	W.Os. Class I.	W.Os. Class II.	C.Q.M.S. or Colour-Serjeants.	Staff-Serjeants.	Serjeants.	Corporals.		Privates, Guardsmen, Fusiliers, etc.	Buglers and Trumpeters.
<b>SPECIALISTS AND TRADESMEN</b>																		
Blacksmiths .. .. .																		
Boot Repairers .. .. .	1																	
Bricklayers .. .. .	1																	
Carpenters and Joiners .. .. .	6																	
Carrier Personnel .. .. .																		
Concreters .. .. .																		
Cooks .. .. .	15																	
Chiropody Orderlies .. .. .																		
Clerks .. .. .	12														4		4	
Drivers I.C. (Tracked) .. .. .																		
"    "    (Wheeled) .. .. .																		
"    "    (M/Cyclists) .. .. .																		
Driver Mechanics .. .. .	42																	
Driver Operators .. .. .	18														5		5	
Electricians .. .. .																		
Equipment Repairers .. .. .	1																	
Farriers .. .. .																		
Fitters, M.V. .. .. .	5																	
Masons .. .. .	1																	
Mortar Personnel .. .. .																		
Motor Mechanics .. .. .	2																	
Painters and Decorators .. .. .																		
Plumbers and Pipe Fitters .. .. .																		
Push Cycle Repairers .. .. .																		
Saddlers .. .. .																		
Signallers .. .. .																		
Storemen T. & D. (other than Rly. and R.A.O.C.)	3																	
Tailors .. .. .																		
<b>SPECIALISTS AND TRADESMEN NOT SPECIFIED ABOVE.</b>																		
<b>RCFME Armd "B"</b>																		
<b>NON-SPECIALISTS AND NON-TRADESMEN.</b>																		
<b>Riflemen</b>																		
Totals (to agree with Columns 4 and 5 of Part A.)															9		9	

*W J McCabe* Capt  
 (W J McCabe) FOR Signature of Commander.  
 11 Cdn Inf Bde - 5 Cdn Armd Div.  
 Bde., Divn., Area, etc., with which unit is serving.

Date of Despatch 1 December 1944







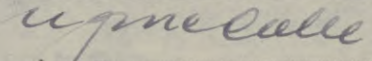
8 Dec 44

For week ending

Serial No.

**Part D. Detail of trades and duties of Surplus or Reinforcements required as shown in Part A.**

DETAIL OF SPECIALISTS, TRADESMEN, ETC.	SURPLUS TO ESTABLISHMENT.								REINFORCEMENTS REQUIRED.								REMARKS.		
	W.Os. Class I.	W.Os. Class II.	C.Q.M.S. or Colour-Serjeants.	Staff-Serjeants.	Serjeants.	Corporals.	Privates, Guardsmen, Fusiliers, etc.	Baggers and Trumpeters.	TOTAL.	W.Os. Class I.	W.Os. Class II.	C.Q.M.S. or Colour-Serjeants.	Staff-Serjeants.	Serjeants.	Corporals.	Privates, Guardsmen, Fusiliers, etc.		Baggers and Trumpeters.	TOTAL.
<b>SPECIALISTS AND TRADESMEN</b>																			
Blacksmiths .. .. .	1																		
Boot Repairers .. .. .	1																		
Bricklayers .. .. .	6																		
Carpenters and Joiners .. .. .																			
Carrier Personnel .. .. .																			
Concreters .. .. .	15																		
Cooks .. .. .																			
Chiropody Orderlies .. .. .	12														4		4		
Clerks .. .. .																			
Drivers I.C. (Tracked) .. .. .																			
"    "    (Wheeled) .. .. .																			
"    "    (M/Cyclists) .. .. .	42																		
Driver Mechanics .. .. .	18														1		1		
Driver Operators .. .. .																			
Electricians .. .. .	1																		
Equipment Repairers .. .. .																			
Farriers .. .. .	5																		
Fitters, M.V. .. .. .	1																		
Masons .. .. .																			
Mortar Personnel .. .. .	2																		
Motor Mechanics .. .. .																			
Painters and Decorators .. .. .																			
Plumbers and Pipe Fitters .. .. .																			
Push Cycle Repairers .. .. .																			
Saddlers .. .. .																			
Signallers .. .. .																			
Storemen T. & D. (other than Rly. and R.A.O.C.) .. .. .																			
Tailors .. .. .																			
<b>SPECIALISTS AND TRADESMEN NOT SPECIFIED ABOVE.</b>																			
<b>RCEME ARMOR "B"</b>																			
<b>NON-SPECIALISTS AND NON-TRADESMEN.</b>																			
<b>Riflemen</b>																			
Totals (to agree with Columns 4 and 5 of Part A.)															5		5		
															4		4		

  
 (W J McCabe) FOR Signature of Commander.  
 11 Cdn Inf Bde - 5 Cdn Armd Div.  
 Bde., Divn., Area, etc., with which unit is serving.

Date of Despatch 8 December 1944



**FIELD RETURN OF OTHER RANKS.**

Serial No. ....  
(Repeat at Part D)

Perth Regt., C.A. (CMF) Unit.

For week ending 15 December 44

To be made up to mid-day on Saturday in each week by all units of Foot Guards, Infantry of the Line, Reconnaissance Corps, R.A.V.C., A.E.C., R.A.P.C., C.M.P., Pioneer Corps, Intelligence Corps, A.C.C. and Non-Combatant Corps, and 1 copy rendered to G.H.Q. 2nd Echelon, and 1 copy to Reinforcement Section, G.H.Q. 2nd Echelon (until instructed by G.H.Q. 2nd Echelon to discontinue rendering).

**Part A. Strength, Surplus or Reinforcements required.**

1. Rank or Appointment.	2. W.E. less 1st Rfts.	3. Strength counting against W.E. less 1st Rfts.	4. Surplus to W.E. less 1st Rfts.	5. Reinforcements required (i.e., deficits on W.E., less 1st Rfts.)
W.Os. Class I.	1	1		
W.Os. Class II.	7	7		
Company Quartermaster - Sergeants OR Colour-Sergeants	6	5		1
Staff Sergeants				
Sergeants	52	51		1 (None Req'd)
Corporals	60	62	2	
Privates, Guardsmen, Fusiliers, etc.	686	662		24
Buglers, Trumpeters, etc.				
<b>TOTALS</b>	<b>812</b>	<b>788</b>	<b>* 2</b>	<b>* 26</b>

\* These Totals should agree with the details shown in Part D on page 2.

**Part B. Other ranks attached in excess of W.E. less 1st Rfts.**

Rank or Appointment.	Unit and Corps to which they belong.	Rank or Appointment.	Unit and Corps to which they belong.
1 Cpl, 1 L/Cpl 3 Signn	RCCS "J" Tp 5 Cdn Armd Div Sigs		
1 Cpl, 1 Pte	8 Cdn Aux Serv Sec (YMCA)		
1 Cpl	8 Cdn Fa Educ Sec		

Perth Regt. CA (CMF) Unit

Week ending 15 Dec 44 19

A.F.W.3009E. (Ft. Gds., Inf., etc.)

**Part C. Description of other ranks whose return to the unit is particularly requested.**

Army No.	Rank.	Name and Initials.	Regiment or Corps.	Remarks, (e.g. present whereabouts if known).
A-49883	Pte	Barnes, H J	Perth R	Bn Orderly Room Clerk "B"
A-11081	Sgt	Murray, W J	Perth R	Pay Clerk Sgt. Gp "C"
H-8018	Pte	Mills, T G	Perth R	Regt'l Stretcher Bearer



For week ending **15 Dec 44**

Serial No. ....

**Part D. Detail of trades and duties of Surplus or Reinforcements  
required as shown in Part A.**

DETAIL OF SPECIALISTS, TRADESMEN, ETC.	SURPLUS TO ESTABLISHMENT.								REINFORCEMENTS REQUIRED.								REMARKS.	
	W.Os. Class I.	W.Os. Class II.	C.O.M.S. or Colour-Serjeants.	Staff-Serjeants.	Serjeants.	Corporals.	Privates, Guards- men, Fusiliers, etc.	Buglers and Trumpeters.	TOTAL.	W.Os. Class I.	W.Os. Class II.	C.O.M.S. or Colour-Serjeants.	Staff-Serjeants.	Serjeants.	Corporals.	Privates, Guards- men, Fusiliers, etc.		Buglers and Trumpeters.
<b>SPECIALISTS AND TRADESMEN</b>																		
Blacksmiths .. .. .																		
Boot Repairers .. .. .	1																	
Bricklayers .. .. .	1																	
Carpenters and Joiners .. .. .	6																	
Carrier Personnel .. .. .																		
Concreters .. .. .																		
Cooks .. .. .	15					2		2										
Chiropody Orderlies .. .. .																		
Clerks .. .. .	12														3		3	
Drivers I.C. (Tracked) .. .. .																		
"  "  (Wheeled) .. .. .																		
"  "  (M/Cyclists) .. .. .																		
Driver Mechanics .. .. .	42																	
Driver Operators .. .. .	18																	
Electricians .. .. .																		
Equipment Repairers .. .. .	1																	
Farriers .. .. .																		
Fitters, M.V. .. .. .	5																	
Masons .. .. .	1																	
Mortar Personnel .. .. .																		
Motor Mechanics .. .. .	2																	
Painters and Decorators .. .. .																		
Plumbers and Pipe Fitters .. .. .																		
Push Cycle Repairers .. .. .																		
Saddlers .. .. .																		
Signallers .. .. .																		
Storemen T. & D. (other than Rly. and R.A.O.C.) .. .. .	3																	
Tailors .. .. .																		
<b>SPECIALISTS AND TRADESMEN NOT SPECIFIED ABOVE.</b>																		
<b>CREME Armr "B" 1</b>																		
<b>NON-SPECIALISTS AND NON- TRADESMEN.</b>																		
<b>Riflemen</b>																		
Totals (to agree with Columns 4 and 5 of Part A.)															3		3	
															21		21	

*W J McCabe Capt*  
(W J McCabe) FOR Signature of Commander.

Date of Despatch **15 December 1944**

**11 Cdn Inf Bde - 5 Cdn Arm'd Div.**  
Bde., Divn., Area, etc., with which unit is serving.



**FIELD RETURN OF OTHER RANKS.**

Serial No. ....  
(Repeat at Part D)

Perth Regt., C.A. CMF Unit.

For week ending 22 Dec 44

To be made up to mid-day on Saturday in each week by all units of Foot Guards, Infantry of the Line, Reconnaissance Corps, R.A.V.C., A.E.C., R.A.P.C., C.M.P., Pioneer Corps, Intelligence Corps, A.C.C. and Non-Combatant Corps, and 1 copy rendered to G.H.Q. 2nd Echelon, and 1 copy to Reinforcement Section, G.H.Q. 2nd Echelon (until instructed by G.H.Q. 2nd Echelon to discontinue rendering).

**Part A. Strength, Surplus or Reinforcements required.**

1. Rank or Appointment.	2. W.E. less 1st Rfts.	3. Strength counting against W.E. less 1st Rfts.	4. Surplus to W.E. less 1st Rfts.	5. Reinforcements required (i.e., deficits on W.E., less 1st Rfts.)
W.Os. Class I.	1	1		
W.Os. Class II.	7	6		1
Company Quartermaster - Sergeants OR Colour-Sergeants	6	5		1
Staff Sergeants				
Sergeants	52	50		2
Corporals	60	54		6
Privates, Guardsmen, Fusiliers, etc.	686	623		63
Buglers, Trumpeters, etc.				
<b>TOTALS</b>	<b>812</b>	<b>739</b>	*	* <b>73</b>

\* These Totals should agree with the details shown in Part D on page 2.

**Part B. Other ranks attached in excess of W.E. less 1st Rfts.**

Rank or Appointment.	Unit and Corps to which they belong.	Rank or Appointment.	Unit and Corps to which they belong.
1 Cpl, 1 l/Cpl 3 Signn	RCCS "J" Tp 5 Cdn	Armd Div Sigs	
1 Cpl, 1 Pte	8 Cdn Aux Serv Sec (YMCA)		
1 Cpl	8 Cdn Fd Educ Sec		

Perth Regt C A (CMF) Unit Week ending 22 Dec 44 19 A.F.W.3009E. (Ft. Gds., Inf., etc.)

**Part C. Description of other ranks whose return to the unit is particularly requested.**

Army No.	Rank.	Name and Initials.	Regiment or Corps.	Remarks, (e.g. present whereabouts if known).
A-49883	Pte	Barnes, H J	Perth R	Bn orderly Room Clerk "B"
H-8018	Pte	Mills, T G	Perth R	Regt'l Stretcher Bearer.



For week ending **22 Dec 44**

Serial No.

**Part D. Detail of trades and duties of Surplus or Reinforcements required as shown in Part A.**

DETAIL OF SPECIALISTS, TRADESMEN, ETC.	SURPLUS TO ESTABLISHMENT.								REINFORCEMENTS REQUIRED.								REMARKS.	
	W.Os. Class I.	W.Os. Class II.	C.Q.M.S. or Colour-Serjeants.	Staff-Serjeants.	Serjeants.	Corporals.	Privates, Guardsmen, Fusiliers, etc.	Buglers and Trumpeters.	TOTAL.	W.Os. Class I.	W.Os. Class II.	C.Q.M.S. or Colour-Serjeants.	Staff-Serjeants.	Serjeants.	Corporals.	Privates, Guardsmen, Fusiliers, etc.		Buglers and Trumpeters.
<b>SPECIALISTS AND TRADESMEN</b>																		
Blacksmiths .. .. .																		
Boot Repairers ..	1																	
Bricklayers .. ..	1																	
Carpenters and Joiners	6																	
Carrier Personnel ..																		
Concreters .. .. .																		
Cooks .. .. .	15					2		2										
Chiropody Orderlies																3		3
Clerks .. .. .	12																	
Drivers I.C. (Tracked)																		
"    "    (Wheeled)																		
"    "    (M/Cyclists)																		
Driver Mechanics ..	42																	
Driver Operators ..	18															2		2
Electricians .. .. .																		
Equipment Repairers	1																	
Farriers .. .. .																		
Fitters, M.V. . . .	5																	
Masons .. .. .	1																	
Mortar Personnel ..																		
Motor Mechanics ..	2																	
Painters and Decorators																		
Plumbers and Pipe Fitters																		
Push Cycle Repairers																		
Saddlers .. .. .																		
Signallers .. .. .																		
Storemen T. & D. (other than Rly. and R.A.O.C.)	3																	
Tailors .. .. .																		
<b>SPECIALISTS AND TRADESMEN NOT SPECIFIED ABOVE.</b>																		
<b>CREME Armr "B" 1</b>																		
<b>NON-SPECIALISTS AND NON-TRADESMEN.</b>																		
<b>Riflemen</b>																		
Totals (to agree with Columns 4 and 5 of Part A.)						2		2								5		5
																68		68

*W J McCabe Capt*  
 (W J McCabe) For Signature of Commander.  
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	W.Os. Class I.	W.Os. Class II.	C.Q.M.S. or Colour-Serjeants.	Staff-Serjeants.	Serjeants.	Corporals.	Privates, Guardsmen, Fusiliers, etc.	Baggers and Trumpeters.	TOTAL.	W.Os. Class I.	W.Os. Class II.	C.Q.M.S. or Colour-Serjeants.	Staff-Serjeants.	Serjeants.	Corporals.	Privates, Guardsmen, Fusiliers, etc.		Baggers and Trumpeters.
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<b>SPECIALISTS AND TRADESMEN NOT SPECIFIED ABOVE.</b>																		
<b>CREME ARMR "B"</b>	1																	
<b>NON-SPECIALISTS AND NON-TRADESMEN.</b>																		
<b>Riflemen</b>																		
Totals (to agree with Columns 4 and 5 of Part A.)															5		5	
															89		89	

Date of Despatch 29 December 1944

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