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SUPLARY OF WARTS AND INFORMATION HOUR LOCATION DATE 1 Sep 52 The fighting patrol that "B" company sent out last night had no contact with the enemy, but suspected that the Italy feature is an enemy layup position at times. All ambush and standing patrols were withdrawn without incident. 1425 Some 76mm SP rounds fell in the area of "B" company, and some 81mm mortars in "D" company area. There was no damage nor casualties, the last shelrep in daylight hours being at 1725 hours.

Normal patrols were established and no contact was reported, the ambush did not follow the route laid down, nor did the ambush notify the Patrol Master of the change, but they reached their position without incident. No contact with the enemy today. Scattered clouds and moderate temperature.

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SUPLARY OF TUNETS AND INTORPATION LOCATION DATE HOUR plans were arranged however, due to the incliment weather 3 Sep 52 the General insisted that no soldier be made uncomfortable on his part. Due to heavy rain, vehicle movement has been severely restricted. Brigade was most concerned over the state of our bunkers and roads, they held out fairly well today. Normal standingpatrols today. no contact with the enemy today. An anti-tank course on 75mm Recoiless Rifles started at "F" 4 Sep 82 0900 echelon today. Commanding Officer attended a Brigadier's Conference where 1600 LINE KANSAS dispositions and patrol activity were on the agenda. We received thirty armoured vests from the RCR for the "C" 1605 company fighting patrol tomaght.

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	5 Sep 52		of forty in "C" company and "B" company. The fighting patrol went out to its objective, swept the position and returned, with nothing to report by 2.05 hours. All patrols returned by first light with nothing to report	Las .
		1910	A pioneer party went out to Point 118 in the early hours of the morning under the cloak of the early morning fog. "D" company received 2 - 76mm and 6 - 122mm, one landed in a crawl trench of eleven platoon. All patrols were out in time with no unusual occurences. Scattered showers and cloudy	1/(/)
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DATE HOUR SUMMARY OF MYENTS AND INFORMATION LOCATION 6 Sep 52! Major Bruce, Officer Commanding of "A" company entertained a number of officers, and Brigade Staff for dinner this evening. In attendance were Lt Col Cameron, Major Dymond, Major Williams, Major Leach, (Brigade major) Major Baker, (DAA&QMG). The gathering lasted from 1715 hours to just about last light. Bunker State: - Forty-seven to be built ore rebuilt, fifty-seven under repair. Sandbaggand waterproof roofing are in great demand. A good supply of timber has been made available by RASC. We understand that the Third Battalion will arrive here with deficiencies in specialists and trained personnel for the support platoons. To remedy this deficiency before they are committed to operations, First Battalion will conduct the training of sufficient men, who are not yet due for rotation, to fill these

vacancies. Third Battalion will have all the skilled personnel

they require in order to operate as an infantry battalion should.

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SHARARY OF RYENTS AND INFORMATION DATE HOUR LOCATION 6 Sept 52 Courses of instruction are now being conducted for signallers and driver operators. A course is about to commence on 75mm recoiless rifle (the infantry anti-tank weapon). The pioneer and mortar platoons have absorbed in their ranks, a goodly number of NCOs and soldiers who are training on the job, and who have considerable time to spend here after the First Battalion leaves. Patrolling:- To date our patrols have been 100% effective defensively. Two gate guards on standing patrols one each from "B" and "D" companies secure the only gates through our wire each night. A contact patrol from "C" company meet a similiar patrol from the unit on our right, and lay up in the valley until first light every day. These three are calssified as anti-infiltration precautions. A standing patrol is despatched WAR DIARY

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LOCATION DATE HOUR SUMMARY OF EVENTS AND INFORMATION Crete feature). This patrol is supplied by a different 6 Sep 52 company each night. The ambush and fighting patrols whose sole object is to take a PW have gone quite far afield. All have reached their objective and returned without encountering or sighting the enemy. In accordance with the policy, if we are not successful in our purpose soon, more aggressive and subtile patrolling will be necessary. A word or two on the conduct of our patrols may be in order here. The majority of them have been carried out with despatch and deliberation, however there have been a few, if through ignorance or contempt, broke all the rules of good patrolling. Members of a fighting patrol were seen to go out wearing trousers which due to

regular scrubbing and washing, were bleached almost white.

Ambush members were seen to light cigarettes and smoke them

out in No Man's Land. Another night, members, of the patrol

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were boisterous and jocular whilst proceeding to a position at the foot of a suspected enemy position. With no stretch of the imagination can we expect patrols conducted in this manner to succeed. To continue on this same trend, patrol leaders, for more than one occasion) took it on themselves to change their routes without first notifying the patrol master. Some patrol Commanders have failed to report by wireless or telephone when they have crossed or arrived at a report line. To relate one incident a patrol reported it was returning. Prior to this we had no report of its progress after it had left the FDLs. Neither the firm base nor the patrol master had any idea of the patrol situation until after the objective had been reached, exploited, and the patrol assembled for the return trip. It would pose somewhat of a problem if supporting fire was necessary to extricate

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Preparation for rotation: - Now that the unit has become rotation conclous, preparations are underway so that the relief of First Buttalion by Third Battalion may be throughly effected to the benifit of the two mits concerned. First Battalion is expecting/around 20 Sept 52. a draft of one hundred and fifty all ranks from the Third Battalion, PRILI. These soldiers will be considered purely as reinforcements and will be absorbed in the four rifle companies. However in the other sense us replacements, a similiar number of First Battalion will be rotated on their arrival. Since those for rotation will mostly come from "A" and "C" companies (the first two companies to be taken on strength Far East last year) there will be a shuffle of personnel within the battalion so that a balance

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in each rifle company, strength may be maintained. Each of the rifle companies will receive thirty-five to forty of new people, but "B" and "D" companies have very few for rotation at this time, they will post men to other sub units within the battalion. Hence on Third Battalions' arrival there will be these men in the companies who will be familiar with operational duties. The overall picture as it stands now, Third Battalion will inherit from us approximately three hundred and fifty all ranks variously skilled and nowskilled plus the one hundred and fifty men mentioned above.

Since the relief of the 1st Royal Norfolk, 10 Aug 52, there has been little change in the disposition of the unit. "D" company left forward company, "B" company centre company, "C" company actually the right forward company, but its position places it behind and between "B" company and the American Battalion on our

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right. It does have a goodly portion of the valley to cover; "A" company in the reserve position.

The mortar platoon has moved one section forward to a position behind a low feature in the "B" company area. From here targets on features occupied by the enemy are brought into range. A serious problem has arisen with the mortar ammunition. The light bombs are in short supply, but there is no shortage of the heavy, or phosphorous types. The problem is that, with other than the light bombs, range is reduced to less than 2000yards. Therefore the use of the 81mm is an harassing role is restricted.

The anti-tank guns (including 75mm recoiless and 17 pounder) are sited in forward areas, their role being strictly defensive. As yet they have not engaged enemy targets, as there is no need. The tanks of the LdSH(RC) with their

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The trades section of the pioneer platoon is kept at "B" echelon where material and working space allow it to give better service to the unit. The assault group of the pioneer platoon occupies a defensive position in the vicinity of Main Headquarters. To date their tasks have included checking, marking, maintaining roads, building and repairing large bunkers, for example, the Regimental Aid Post and the Command Post, and supplying guides and scouts for all patrols going forward of our FDLs. To date the pioneer platoon! has proved itself an extremely efficient and determined group,

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end under the capable guidance of 2/Lt Robertson has gained

Normal standing patrol were established shortly after last light. The one and nine on the Crete feature reported noises on their defensive wire. A party of three or four enemy were reported on the north slope of the feature. They did not come close enough to make contact, sixty-five minutes later at 0200 hours noises were heard at the base of the Italy feature.

Aside from this there were no other reports from the patrol.

the confidence and respect of those they work with and serve.

There is still much work and materials required for the repair and rebuilding of bunkers. Timbers are in good supply from RASC. An acute shortage of snadbags, and steel pickets exists.

Metal and wooden ammunition boxes are being made use of in their stead. Greater care is being taken in the construction and water proofing.

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one in reserve. Captain Dudley while driving forward

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BULLARY OF TABLES AND INFORMATION HOUR LOCATION DATE 8 Sep 52 Drainage is being installed where possible. An appreciation is also being made of the strata and site in respect to possible weakness, if found weakening these bunkers are being reinforced. Enemy shelling of the area for the period had been slight and sporodic. A total of twenty being received, all of them 122mm variety. They were scattered throughout the area. The only damage reported, as a result, was a telephone wire to "D" company. Again the American unit on our right is being relieved this time by the 67th Regiment, from Puerto Rico. It appears that the policy is, each battalion spends two weeks in an advance position and one week out. After two such tours the regiment or combat team is taken into a reserve position. Through the division there are two units or sub-units up and

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HOUR LOCATION DATE OFFICER'S INITIALS 8 Sept 52 to "C" company on the American main supply road, was stopped by an American Negro who was on traffic duty at the top of camouflage hill, which at this time was being shelled. From his wet but secure place in the ditch the soldier informed Captain Dudley of the situationm and asked his destination. On receiving the answer he replied "Youhs is the pleasure suh". and settled behind the comforting bank of the ditch. 9 Sept 52 The country of the "Morning Calm" has been well named. The early mornings are perfectly still and fresh. These pat few days the nights are cool, and the fog becomes quite dense in the valley during the pre dawn hours. The fog usually dissipates or rises by 0900 hours. Creating a heavy haze on the high features. The broken high and low clouds, with the temperatures between 60 and 80 degrees makes for very pleasant weather. fresh and

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2100 and 2300 hours a fire fight involving an American patrol

was in the progress in the vicinity of Little 317. A great many

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Bunker hill allowed themselves to be shown, and in general to give the impression that we occupied the position. This was an attempt to arouse the enemy's curiesity. He did not bite.

It was decided tonight to postpone heavy patrolling for the next few nights. This decision was reached because of a story that enemy deserter told after surrendering to the Americans. He stated that his battalion would attack the American battalion on out right and since his battalion front extended in front of us, it was decided not to take the chance of sending our mad out in the unprepared position thus weakening our FDLs.

For the period 165 shells of the 122mm size were received in the battalion area. A good percentage of these were aimed at the tanks on "D" company hill and not without success.

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At 1125 hours a fire was started around one, ammunition was on fire, and exploded, thereby not allowing anyone to approach and secure the tank. Eventually the fire burnt itself out and the tank was found to be serviceable, no repairs being necessary. However at 1250 hours another tank of the same troop was hit. It brewed and what was left was classified as junk.

Due to the accurate fire on the Camouflage Hill on the American main supply road, our vehicles to "C" and "B" companies now to prefer to take the narrow route to "B" company. However if caution is not taken this road also may also be subject to enemy guns. For a 300 yard stretch it is in view of several enemy held hills, and we are depending on camouflage nets to keep // it from his view.

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R22eR and or PRCLI.

The standing patrol of 1 NCO and 9 on (THE PENN) the eastern most knob on the Crete feature (MR CT 18452030) had somewhat of an interesting night. Lights and flares were seen on 317 and United. Enemy movement was detected around their positions. three groups of three or four each were believed to be in the vicinity. The defensive wire around the position was disturbed and noises indiciated that it was being cut.

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Assured that we were happy he went forward to see the "C" company road. He is not happy with it. Approximately 100 yards from the top, the road is within enemy observation. Not a healthy situation. A representative of RE arrived and arranged to borrow one of flame throwers, evidently they use them to burn underbrush, and explode mine fields. Very effective we are told.

The four element ambush was again established in the same positions as before. At 2225 hours a storm warning was issued by Brigade. At 2400 hours the storm struck from the morth.

Heavy rain accomanganied with cold air made things uncomfortable and the patrol was ordered in. The Commanding Officer did not wish the patrol to be stranded on the other side of the stream as had happened before. The night was so dark, wet and slippery that it required two hours and twenty-five minutes for the patrol to come in where it is normally takes about one hour.

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On one occasion Lt Bell took his patrol out in just over forty minutes.

The summer weather is with us no more. In the first few minutes this morning a storm from the north reached us, bringing with it high winds, rain and cold air. For a period of 40 minutes and the rain came as deluge driven fiercely by high winds. After the rain passed on its way south, cold air engulfed the area. It has a tenacious quality which promsies to persist, and reminds us of that winter is on its way. A four element ambush of five Officers and ninety other ranks was postponed due to the inclement weather. During the rain; weather the stream between our FDLs and the Crete feature rises to a depth of 6 to 8 feet of swift water and at a width of 25 -30 feet.

The four normal standing patrols were established, nothing to report.

Shealing was heavy again, 83 being received in the battalion area.

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could be seen flushing bunkers and marching back PWs.

During the conflict our lateral communication with the

US Forces remained in and all communication and information

back was relayed through our mortar platoon's switchboard,

even to their Regimental Headquarters.

Due to the shelling that the Brigade has been subjected to in the present position the other two battalions and our left forward company have been c. bred to wear steel helmets whilst outside their bunkers. We are now using British type helmets, familiar to those who served in 3rd Canadian Division during the last war. A bit lighter and more comfortable than our own issue.

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A quiet, cool day. With the enemy holding Kelly it appears that he is nursing his resources for its defense. Our patrols were established as normal.

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7+1	L	19 Sep 52		They reported nothing out of the oridinary.
2017. To		20 Sep 52		Again most of our activity due to the situation on Kelly. We
<i>i</i> ,				continue to pass and supply information to US Regt'l Headquarters.
				They were again unsuccessful in their attempt to regain the
				hill. The radio news broadcasts are following, the KELLY OPER7
				ATION very closely and everyone is interested. To keep people
		i	1	posted up to the minute "B" echelon have put up a sign KELLY
			1	HAVA YES, HAVA NO with an arrow for the appropriate HAVA.
		21 Sep 52	1	"A" and "B" companies botated durin the hours of darkness
			i	this morning. The relief was effected nicely just before first
		(!	light. Patrols were normal. Shelling was slight, weather
			1	continues cold dering the night.
			į	Another unsuccessful attempt to regain Kelly by our friends
	,	1	1	on our right. Their casualties up to now must be well over the
		1	1	300 mark. The expense of bombardment by the artillery, mortar and
				air must be tremendous.

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	21 Sep 52 22 Sep 52		The shortage appears to be in determination. Reinforcements arrived today (members of the 3 PPCLI) Personnel of "A" and "C" companies were despatched for rotation to "B" echelon for documentation and kitting. Maple Leaf fever is running high. Patrols normal. Shelling light and the weather is cool. Rotation of companies continues, "C" company relieving "B" comp" "B" company reinforced "A", headquarters and supporting groups brought up to strength. Kelly has not been recovered as yet. "A" and "C" companies becoming used to the forward positions as usual in the first two nights a few grenades were thrown in order for some unexperienced soldiers to maintain their confidience. All have settled down nicely. Shelling light, only seven mortar bombs and two 122mm HR were reported to have landed in the battalion area.	

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This morning Sgt Prentice and two snipers second the valley in front of the Crete feature. The extent of their exploration was the top of the Italy feature. Nothing more than familiarization of paths and minefields was gained.

Early this afternoon the Commanding Officer was called to Brigade for a conference. He returned at 1510 hours, had a patrol briefing at 1600 hours when the commander of the fighting patrol and its elements were briefed. In attendance were the Commanders of all supporting arms, the Medical Officer, the Intelligence Officer and the Battle 2 I/C.

Again the US famces failed to regain Kelly. Their headquarters (BN and Regt) depended greatly on our lateral telephone lines for communications.

Shelling again light, 10 mortar bombs, 12 HE 122mm, mostly on the left forward company. No damage nor casualties reported.

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No contact with the enemy today.

More rain, a ream rising and standing patrol on Crete feature at the PENN was called in. Contact patrol (joint US and Canadian) spied an individual approaching them in the valley. Sentry duties, as they are, the patrol challenged whilst he was too far away. He ran, they fired and missed. He escaped into the darkness.

It rained all last night and today. The patrol for across
the valley was cancelled because of the depth of the stram.

It was a cold and a uncomfortable rain m however, most
of our bunkers remained dry. Gratifying for a great amount of
labor and materials went into them. Road traffic was restricted
to all but essential trips.

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casualties. They returned at 0840 hours.

DATE HOUR LOCATION Rain ceased, Sky clear, air cold. Patrols returned to hormal. 26 Sep 52 Shelling limited to 22 HE 122mm on "A" company. No damage nor casualties report. No contact with the enemy. Snipers reced routes from left forward company to Crete, 27 Sep 52 118 and Italy. This was done under cover of the morning

> Five mortar bombs and 20-122mm shells were reported to have landed in the Battalion area. "A" company as usual received most of them. Their company is very prompt in & sending in shelreps.

> fog with good results. There is no evidence that the enemy

occupies Italy even as an outpost. The new routes are shorter

and easily travelled, being ideal for evacuation of possible

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and the ferr of the Americans that they were to be attacked again. We made no contact.

General Van Fleet, General Kendall, General West, accompanied by Brigadier Bogert arrived via heliocopter at Main Head-quarters. The four craft landed shortly after 0900 hours. The occupants went to the tops of the hill, viewed the front and after twenty minutes or so they departed. The 3rd US Division on our right are being relieved by the 1st ROK Division. The relief began last night and is expected to be completed by 0600 hours tomorrow. To date the relief is being effected without incident. Again the fighting patrol was postponed for the same reason as it was yesterday. Activity on our area was slight though the RCR on our left had a light enemy probe on one of their outpost position.

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The road on our right again was subjected to considerable shelling. No damage was reported.

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