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Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks, references to appendices and initials
Wainwright Alta	1 Sep 51		<p>3 Princess Patricia's Canadian Light Infantry - September 1951</p> <p>Majors W.G. Harris, H.G. Munro, Cpts T.A. Ball, E.R. Isenor, E.D. McPhail, A.V. Robbins and C.S. Shawcross were appointed delegated officers.</p> <p>An excellent example occurred today of the situation under which the entire battalion has been struggling for months. The constant indecision and lack of concrete plans, everchanging policy and sudden alterations have made an adverse effect on the moral of every man in the unit. The draft which was preparing to leave 3 Sep 51 for Calgary was suddenly cancelled at 0900 hrs today by the group commander. It had been decided to send the first battalion to Korea under strength as the number of men in Korea eligible for rotation was very small. When the CO arrived at Group HQ a half hour later to go into the implications of this decision, he was informed that 1 battalion would proceed at full strength as before and the draft from this unit would not be cancelled.</p> <p>WEATHER intermittant rain</p>	<p>WJ</p> <p>WJ</p>
Wainwright Alta	2 Sep 51		<p>Battalion on Sunday routine. Weather Clady and mild</p>	
Wainwright Alta	3 Sep 51	0900	<p>Draft of 69 trained men left for Calgary to reinforce 1 battalion. The balance of the 100 men requird for this draft are to be sent as they return from leave. Most of the battalion personnel are on 96 hour passes; a monthly pass of 72 hours combined with the labour day holiday. The day in camp passed quietly with the battalion on Sunday routine.</p>	
Wainwright Alta	4 Sep 51	0900	<p>The CO held an "O" Group to outline the reorganization planned within the battalion. All trained men are to be cross-posted to SP Company. "B" and "C" Coys are to be of equal strength and of mixed stages of training.</p>	
		0915	<p>The CO received word that the plan to retain the 3rd battalion PPCLI at Wainwright till late in October to be quartered in permanent barracks was cancelled. The date for the move to Camp Borden was still not set but it will be any time after 17 Sep 51.</p>	
			<p>Most of the officers of the battalion attended the tank demonstartion put on by the LASH (RC).</p>	
		1000	<p>The CO informally addressed the men in the obstacle course area. He confirmed what was hitherto a rumour of the unit's move to Camp Borden.</p>	<p>....2....</p>

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Wainwright Alta	4 Sep 51		(Cont )  The announcement was greeted with a great deal of enthusiasm from the men. The CO also stressed the policy of the unit regarding men who go AWL: that no soldier with a black record will be allowed to go on draft. WEATHER : Sunny and warm High 65.	W
Wainwright Alta	5 Sep		Reorganization continued in the unit. Men who have been AWL are returning to the unit evidently expecting to be posted to 1 Bn for Korea. However the CO is standing by his policy of not sending men with long periods of absence until they have proved themselves good soldiers. WEATHER: Sunny and warm high 75	W
Wainwright Alta	6 Sep		Maj W C Harris and Capt A V Robbins moved off to participate in the four day LRCHA exercise "Guerre de Feu". They will represent a company of a skeleton-staffed Infantry battalion which will direct fire for the artillery regiment. A number of unoccupied tents are being struck during the continuing warm weather. Many tents were left empty when the First Battalion drafts departed. WEATHER: Sunny and hot High 80	W
Wainwright Alta	7 Sep 51		Maj C E C MacNeill was appointed Acting Commanding Officer for the period 24 Aug 51 to 3 Sep 51 when Lt/Col H F Wood was absent on various trips to Calgary and Edmonton. The Commanding Officer announced the times for the unit's departure for Camp Borden. The advance party is to leave 15 Sep, the Main body on the 22nd Sep and the Rear Party 26 Sep 51. WEATHER: Sunny and hot high 80	W
Wainwright Alta	8 Sep		Weather continued sunny and hot.	W
Wainwright Alta	9 Sep		Maj W C Harris and Capt A V Robbins returned wearily from the artillery exercise 'Guerre de Feu' The CO and 2i/c attended a dinner at B Mess to bid farewell to Brig Megill and to welcome Brig. Pangman WEATHER: Sunny and warm.	W



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Wainwright Alta	10Sep 51	1900	<p>The battalion was advised that the date for the move to Camp Borden had been changed from 22 Sep to 26 Sep. Later in the day the date was again changed to the 22nd.</p> <p>The officers held a mess dinner in Building 37 to honour Brigs. McGill and Pangman. Cocktails were served before the dinner which lasted from 2000 hrs to 2230 hrs. The Brigadier said the dinner was one of the most successful he had ever attended.</p> <p>The Commanding Officer left for Camp Borden by POMC. He will be on hand to meet the advance party when it arrives.</p> <p>Weather: Partly cloudy and cooler.</p>	
Wainwright Alta	11Sep 51	1400	<p>The Acting Commander Maj MacNeill held an 'O' Group and announced the Battalion would move at 1830 hrs 22 Sep 51. He outlined the preparations to be made and dress regulations for the trip.</p> <p>Weather: Cloudy and fairly cool.</p>	
Wainwright Alta	12Sep 51		<p>The CO, at a Group Commander's conference, heard an outline of the role of 25CIBRG for the winter. Winter training will emphasis the training of NCO's and Junior Officers and the training of recruits as rapidly as possible to be available for draft. The Replacement Group will supply reinforcements and rotation personnel for the 25 Cdn Inf Bde in Korea. Group HQ will move to Edmonton the first week in October, but the Brigadier and his staff will visit units throughout the winter.</p> <p>Packing of stores is nearing completion.</p> <p>Weather: Sunny and warm.</p>	
Wainwright Alta	13Sep 51	0900 2000	<p>The CO held an 'O' Group to pass on to the officers the points outlined by the Brigadier the day before and to give instructions on the preparations for the coming move.</p> <p>The Senior Protestant Chaplain, Col Stone, visited the Officer's Mess for an informal chat.</p>	
Wainwright Alta	14Sep 51	1000	<p>Members of the advance party made preparations for their move to Camp Borden.</p> <p>The Battalion paraded as a group for pay parade.</p>	
Wainwright	15Sep	0105	<p>The Advance party left for Camp Borden. The party consisted of Maj H G Munro, Officer Commanding, Lt G E Anderson, Sgt Steele J E, Sgt Doyle J F and 20 OR'S.</p>	

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Wainwright Alta	16 Sep	51	Packing and loading of stores continued. WEATHER: Sunny and warm.	
Wainwright Alta	17 Sep	0900 51	The A/CO Major C.E.C. MacNeill ED held the weekly training conference. He dealt with the move from Wainwright. Nine officers and the RSM were present.	
Wainwright Alta	18 Sep	51	Loading stores onto the freight cars was handicapped by difficulty in getting the cars spotted. RCASC overcame the difficulty and loading continued.	
Wainwright Alta	19 Sep	51	Packing of stores and kit continued. WEATHER: cold and wet.	
Wainwright Alta	20 Sep	51	Last minute packing of stores was carried out. WEATHER: cold and raining very hard.	
Wainwright Alta	21 Sep	51	Packing and final preparations for move were completed, the was cold and cloudy.	
Wainwright Alta	22 Sep	51	The morning was spent by the troops returning bedding and loading kit bags on the train.	
Wainwright Alta	22 Sep	1530 1600	The battalion paraded in the drill hall. Equipment was removed and left there.	
Wainwright Alta	22 Sep	1600	The men paraded to kitchen 31 for supper returning to the drill hall to recover their gear.	
Wainwright Alta	22 Sep	1700	The battalion marched to the train led by the band. Brig J.A.C. Pangman, D30 was on hand to take the salute.	
Wainwright Alta	22 Sep	1745	The main party entrained.	
Wainwright Alta	22 Sep	1815	The troop train left Buffalo siding, starting on the long journey to winter quarters.	
Enroute CNR train	23 Sep	51	The conduct of the troops was excellent. Meal parades functioned efficiently. No obstreperous conduct was reported.	
Enroute CNR train	24 Sep	51	Travel through Northern Ontario was uneventful. Snow was encountered during the day.	
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Camp Borden Ont	25 Sep 51	0945   1350	<p>The troop train arrived at Camp Borden twin stations. The battalion disentrained and formed up quickly. They marched past the Camp Commander and the CO lead by the unit band to the unit lines, forming up on the unit parade square. All TAT equipment was unloaded from the train before noon. The railway reported no damages to the train and commended the conduct and efficiency of the troops.</p> <p>The battalion marched to the drill hall where they were addressed by the CO. He pointed out the cramped quarters the battalion must occupy and stressed the fact that the unit is a guest of the camp and the men must act accordingly. He particularly stressed proper conduct toward the women working in the kitchen and offices.</p> <p>The CO also outlined the role of the unit for the next year. The battalion will train all winter to supply reinforcements for Korea. In the spring the battalion will start training as a unit and will replace the 1st battalion next fall.</p> <p>The men marched back to the parade square where their kit bags were distributes. The remainder of the day was spent doing interior economy.</p> <p>At an "O" Group held in the CO's officer, the CO stated that town patrols in Barrie will be maintained to enforce dress and deportment. Fatigues are to be kept to a minimum and only a certain number of men are to be allotted each day for fatigue duties.</p>																	
Camp Borden Ont	26 Sep 51		<p>The men spent the greater part of the day on the parade square reviewing drill in anticipation of the trip to Toronto for the arrival of Princess Elizabeth and the Duke of Edinburgh on Oct 6.</p> <p>Office staffs were busy unpacking and setting up their offices.</p> <p>The men were informed they could travel to points within a 20 mile radius of the camp without a pass with the exception of Barrie where a pass will be required.</p> <p>Daily routine was published in Part 1 Orders as follows.</p> <table><tr><td>Reveille</td><td>0630 hours</td><td>Breakfast</td><td>0700 hours</td></tr><tr><td>Morning parades</td><td>0830 - 1145 hours</td><td>Lunch</td><td>1200 hours</td></tr><tr><td>Afternoon Parades</td><td>1330 - 1630 hours</td><td>Dinner</td><td>1700 hours</td></tr><tr><td>Staff Parade</td><td>1800 hours</td><td>Lights out</td><td>2300 hours</td></tr></table>	Reveille	0630 hours	Breakfast	0700 hours	Morning parades	0830 - 1145 hours	Lunch	1200 hours	Afternoon Parades	1330 - 1630 hours	Dinner	1700 hours	Staff Parade	1800 hours	Lights out	2300 hours	
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Camp Borden Ont	27 Sep 51		<p>The CO attended an accomodation conference at Camp Headquarters with a view to finding suitable facilities for transport.</p> <p>The signal platoon was busy setting up a unit exchange.</p> <p>.....6.....</p>																	

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Camp Borden Ont	28 Sep 51	0930n	Col R.C. Clark, DSO Commander Camp Borden, payed a visit to the battalion. The object was to view the accomodation situation in the unit.	
			Maj O.W. Oxley of D Pers Inf visited the unit to discuss first hand personnel problems in the unit.	
		1500	The CO held an "O" Group in hisoffice attended by all company commanders. The object of the "O" Group was to pass on instructions to tighten up interior economy and hurry the changeover from tent camp to barrack room life.	
		1530	The battalion paraded for a unit pay parade. WEATHER: War with scattered showers.	
Camp Borden Ont	29 Sep 51		"HQ" and "Sp" Companies were given weekend passes but "B" and "C" Companies were required to stay behind to work on web equipment.	
Camp Borden Ont	30 Sep 51		The Bugle Band led a church parade of Camp Borden Army Cadets. The band and Cadet Group were inspected at 1000 hours in Drill Hall No 41 by Col R.C. Clark, DSO Camp Commander. At 1100 hours they paraded to the Protestant Church and afterwards marched past Col Clark who took the salute. This was the first public appearance of the band outside the unit. The band is shaping up rapidly under the direction of Sjt Prest L.M. WEATHER: Cloudy and warm.	
			During the month a total of 69 recruits were sent to the unit, 37 of which reported to the unit in Camp Borden. .....7.....	



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