



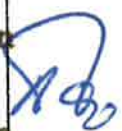




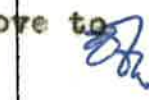


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Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks.
Camp Borden	1 NOV	0900	<p>3 Princess Patricia's Canadian Light Infantry. Nov 51</p> <p>The battalion now has a long-awaited RSM. Authority was granted today for WO1 MacDonell, DCM, to become WO1. This unit has been without the services of an RSM for some time and this welcome bit of news was hailed as a sign that the 3 PPCLI is becoming full-fledged.</p> <p>Weather: mild.</p>	<p>JPW</p>
Camp Borden	2 NOV	1000	<p>Major CEC MacNeill, 2/1/c, attended a garrison commanders conference in place of the CO who was unable to be present due to a bad cold.</p> <p>The move of the officers into their new mess has been delayed due to a shortage of kitchen facilities.</p> <p>An extra effort is being made to fill ammunition requirements for training, recent schemes and exercises have been held up by the lack of ammunition.</p> <p>Weather: The first heavy snow of the winter season fell during the evening and most of the night.</p>	<p>JPW</p>
Camp Borden	3 NOV	0900	<p>2/Lt RG Graham returned to the unit from a pioneer course at Chilliwack, B.C., operated by the RCME.</p> <p>A sure sign of the approaching winter was noted today when a meeting of all ranks interested in playing hockey on the regimental team was held. 2/Lt G.A. Holmes, sports officer is organizing the team.</p> <p>2/Lts PR Churchill, NC Rhodes, WM Caldwell and JR Fowlie reported to the unit today from the RCS of Infantry. 2/Lt Churchill is an old member of the unit, having been a corporal in the Intelligence Section before gaining his commission.</p> <p>Weather: Snow continued to fall. Officers living at Wasaga Beach, 18 miles away were not able to reach camp.</p>	<p>JPW</p>
Camp Borden	4 NOV		<p>The day passed without incident on Sunday routine.</p> <p>The weather remained bitterly cold with high winds prevailing.</p>	<p>JPW</p>
Camp Borden	5 NOV	0900	<p>The weekly Monday conference was held in the CO's office with seven officers and the RSM attending. The wearing of greatcoats due to the premature severe weather was authorized. The problem of lack of lecture room space was discussed and it was decided that through necessity the barrack rooms will be used until proper rooms are available.</p>	<p>JPW</p>

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Camp Borden	5 NOV	0900	<p>The PPCLI will now be required to share the drill hall in use by this unit with elements of the 27th Brigade now at Camp Borden.</p> <p>Major H.G. Munro and 2/Lt R.H. Acheson have been attached to the RCAC School RCS of Infantry respectively.</p> <p>Weather: Remaining cold.</p>	
Camp Borden	6 NOV	0900	<p>The heavy snows and cold weather of recent days have considerably hampered training and created some discomfort among the troops. The QM reports an acute shortage of stores and is unable to issue badly-needed gloves, and in some cases, greatcoats.</p> <p>The PPCLI basketball team suffered a 46-37 defeat at the hands of the RCAF players but kept up the Patricia tradition by giving the winners a hard battle.</p> <p>The unit has now officially entered a team in the Camp Borden Garrison Hockey League.</p>	
Camp Borden	7 NOV	1200	<p>An example of careless enlistment procedure was unearthed today at this unit. A man who had previously been discharged from the army was found to have re-enlisted under an assumed name. He has 14 civil convictions and a bad military record.</p> <p>Weather: The cold spell seems to have broken and the days are milder.</p>	
Camp Borden	8 NOV	0900	<p>An event which has been postponed several times to the disappointment of the officers of the unit was finally realized today. The new officers mess has been taken over by the Patricias. Some inconvenience is being experienced, however, due to the lack of proper facilities.</p> <p>Since the battalions inauguration, there has been a shortage of training pamphlets and stationery. The CO directed that a renewed effort be made to obtain the full complement of such articles for the battalion.</p>	<p>of th</p> 

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Camp Borden.	9 NOV	0900	<p>The influx of recruits has increased considerably and, while the new men are welcomed, the already complicated accommodation problem has become worse. Coy quarters are scattered about the north end of the camp.</p> <p>Most of the unit personnel went on the monthly 72 hr pass. This has been coupled with a special holiday commemorating Remembrance Day, 12 Nov 51.</p> <p>Weather: Sunny and warm, a welcome change from the recent cold and storms.</p>	
Camp Borden	10 NOV	1100	<p>Lts A Donald and ER Knight have been notified for draft to the Korean war theatre.</p> <p>The officers officially opened their new mess with a lively "at home".</p> <p>WOLL Lee GE reported to the unit from the RCS of Infantry, he is slated to become the CSM of Able Coy which will form in the near future.</p> <p>Weather: Sunny and warm.</p>	
Camp Borden	11 NOV	0900	<p>The day was spent quietly on Sunday routine.</p> <p>The weather continues warm and the snow has almost completely disappeared.</p>	
Camp Borden	12 NOV	0900	<p>Most of the unit are still away on extended week end leave, however limited training was carried on in some companies.</p> <p>Weather: Warm and sunny.</p>	
Camp Borden	13 NOV	0900	<p>Training within the unit resumed at full stride today after the long week-end.</p> <p>The weekly conference was held in the CO's office with nine officers and the ESM in attendance. It was announced that Brig JAC Pangman would again visit the unit on 13 NOV and that the Chief of General Staff would arrive in camp the same day.</p> <p>The CO stressed the necessity of the troops to be on their good behaviour while in the canteens of other units in camp.</p> <p>Lt AE Anderson, manager of the hockey team, attended a planning meeting of the garrison league. The league will commence its schedule on 25 NOV 51.</p> <p>Weather: Warm and Overcast.</p>	
Camp Borden	14 NOV	1100	<p>At a conference with the CGS the CO heard the first news of a proposed move to of the battalion to Camp Ipperwash. The CGS said that the move would eliminate the overcrowded conditions now existing in Camp Borden.</p> <p>Camp Ipperwash was said to be an ideal place for the 3 PPCLI. The CO agreed and the machinery to implement the move was set into motion immediately.</p> <p>The CO and the 2 i/c attended a luncheon at the RCAC School after a</p>	




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Camp Borden	14 NOV	1230	<p>lecture by Lt Gen Simmonds on current events to all officers of the camp.</p> <p>At a conference with the camp commandant, the CO drew up tentative plans for the new move subject to the approval of Brig Pangman.</p> <p>At a mess meeting of the unit officers, the CO briefed them on the plans for the move. He stressed strict security to stop rumours until the plans were firm.</p> <p>A recce party has been formed to visit Camp Ipperwash.</p> <p>Nine officer cadets reported to the unit from the RCS of I for assessment in phase III of their officer training.</p>	<p>Bob</p>
Camp Borden	15 NOV	0900	<p>The inevitable rumours broke out today in the battalion regarding the move to Camp Ipperwash. It was found that the rumours had started from other units and not in the battalion.</p> <p>Weather: Becoming colder.</p>	<p>Bob</p>
Camp Borden	16 NOV	0835	<p>A recce party, left consisting of Brig JAC Pangman, DSO, the unit CO, 2 i/o, and Intelligence Officer left for Camp Ipperwash to survey its possibilities as a winter camp for the 3 PPCLI.</p> <p>The party landed ^{landed} at Forest, Ont., near the camp, and proceeded to the camp. An inspection was made with the camp Orderly Officer and the Camp Engineer. The camp was found to be in excellent condition and, with the extension of communications and services, will make an ideal location for the battalion.</p> <p>Brig Pangman accompanied the party on the return trip as far as Toronto. The party continued on back to Camp Borden and arrived late at night.</p> <p>Capt JH Meisner arrived from CJATC, Rivers Man. today. He will command the proposed Able company.</p>	<p>Bob</p>
Camp Borden	17 Nov	51 1045	<p>Lt Col Campbell, 3 RCR, visited the unit.</p> <p>The CO made plans to go to London and Ipperwash 19 Nov 51 with the DAA&QMG.</p> <p>Capt TA Ball left the unit to attend a Quartermaster course at the RQOC School in Montreal.</p> <p>Weather: Cold with snow.</p>	<p>Bob</p>
Camp Borden	18 Nov		<p>The unit spent the day on a Sunday routine</p> <p>Weather: After a brief mild spell the Camp Borden is again experiencing heavy winter weather. The day was cold and a heavy snow fell the night before.</p>	<p>Bob</p>

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Camp Borden Ont.	19 NOV	0900	<p>25 CIBRG units have a priority on new recruits and this unit is getting new men in a steady stream. The recruits on arrival are documented, given blankets ect, and outfitted as soon as possible. The CO speaks to the new men telling them what is expected of them. They are posted to HQ Coy where they undergo pre-basic training. They are confined to barracks for the first three weeks after their arrival. They cannot wear unit flashes or badges until the end of this time, when it is felt they possess the rudiments of good soldiering.</p> <p>Lt's ER Knight and A Donald have been posted to 25 CIBRG for draft to Korea.</p>	Row
Camp Borden Ont	20 Nov	0900	<p>At the weekly conference, the CO reported on his visit to London and Ipperwash. A number of problems will have been solved, among them heating of certain buildings, storing of rations, improved communications, ambulances, medical and dental services and padres.</p> <p>He directed that an officer from the unit would be attached to HQ, West Ont Area, in London, as a Liaison Officer. He would work out problems developed by the move, such as the date when the recruits would stop being sent to Camp Borden, dates of indents for rations, notify the local police of the move, and arrange for the inclusion of the unit hockey team in the local league.</p> <p>The CO also directed that Company Commander's day would be resumed to give Basic Trainees an idea of advanced training.</p> <p>An effort is to be made to encourage Special Force men now with the unit awaiting discharge to re-engage in the Active Force.</p> <p>Weather: Sunny and Cold.</p>	Row
Camp Borden, Ont	21 Nov	0900	<p>Although training has been carried on steadily, the move to Camp Ipperwash is now foremost in everyone's mind. Over-all conditions at Camp Borden do not tend to improve training and the move will be a welcome relief.</p> <p>The move to Ipperwash is divided into three parties, The advance party, the main body and the rear party. They will leave successively on 22 Nov, 29 Nov and 6 Dec. All travel will be by road.</p> <p>Lt A E Anderson, Intelligence Officer, has left for London Ont, to act as Liaison Officer with HQ Western Ont Area.</p> <p>Brigadier J A C Pangman was the guest of honour at the officers' November mess dinner.</p>	Row

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Camp Borden	22 NOV	0900	The advance party left today for the new camp. There are seven officers and 112 other ranks, mainly from Support Company, in the party under the command of Major DOR Kearns. This group will ready the new camp for the arrival of the main body.	<i>Don</i>
Camp Borden	23 NOV	0900	Twenty-six recruits arrived today. It is expected that the establishment for private soldiers will be exceeded soon at the rate the trainees are being sent here. The weather has turned bitterly cold and outdoor training, such as range work and tactical schemes, has been hampered.	<i>Don</i>
Camp Borden	24 Nov	0900	Major H G Munro has gone on 30 days leave prior to taking a new post as O/C of the I and A Cadre at HQ Eastern Command, Halifax. He had previously been attached to the RCAC School at Camp Borden.	<i>Don</i>
Camp Borden	25 NOV	0900	The day passed quietly on Sunday routine. Weather: The weather has remained cold with much snow.	<i>Don</i>
Camp Borden	26 Nov	1200	Capt. AV Robbins has returned to the unit from the Royal Canadian School of Infantry where he was taking the Captain to Major qualifying course. Capt. - Robbins is being posted immediately to HQ 27 CIB at Valcartier, Que., as Captain liaison officer.	<i>Don</i>
Camp Borden	27 NOV	0900	All battalion and company officers are beginning to pack and crate all equipment and papers in preparation for the move to Camp Ipperwash. All are enthusiastic about the move as the new camp will see all the officers centralized into one large building, at present all officers in the unit are in different buildings.	<i>Don</i>
Camp Borden	28 NOV	1200	The eagerly-awaited move to Ipperwash has been postponed from 29 NOV 51 until 3 DEC 51. It is a short delay but everyone is disappointed. The officers at the unit were host to all Patricia officers in this area at a buffet supper in the Officers Mess. Weather: Continuing cold.	<i>Don</i>

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Camp Borden	28XXXX 29 NOV	0900	Letters have been sent by the Commanding Officer to 23 Tapt Coy., RCASC, RCAC School, RCASC School, RCAMC School, The Royal Canadian School of Infantry and to Colonel EC Clark, ESC, Camp Commandant, thanking them for the help we received during the Patricia's stay in Camp Borden. Without the close co-operation of Col Clark and these other units, the PPCLI would have had a great difficulty in settling at this camp.	
Camp Borden	30 NOV	0900	The entire battalion is now packed and ready to leave Camp Borden. Nothing is left in the buildings assigned to this unit but great boxes of equipment, stores and documents. Weather: Cold with slight wind.	
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LIST OF APPENDICES FOR WAR DIARY MONTH OF NOVEMBER, 1951

ApX No. 1	Part I Orders 276702109/50 <i>Rev 1</i>	original and duplicate
ApX No. 2	Part II Orders 7570819/50 <i>Rev 1</i>	duplicate only
ApX No. 3x	Officers' Training Agenda	original and duplicate
ApX No. 4	Warning Order	" and "
ApX No. 5	Movement Order	" and "
ApX.No. 6	Movement Order Amendment No. 1	" and " <i>missing</i>
ApX No. 7	Movement Order Amendment No. 2	" and "
ApX No. 8	Advance Party Account	" and "
ApX No. 9	Letters to: 06 23 Transport Coy, RCASC Commandant, RCAC School Commandant, RCASC School Commandant, RCAMC School Commandant, RCS of I Commandant, Camp Borden	duplicate only " " " " " " " " " "
ApX No. 10	Training Syllabi	originals and some duplicate
ApX No. 11	Camp Borden Citizen. 9 Nov Edition 16 Nov Edition 23 Nov Edition	duplicate only " " " " " "
ApX No. 12	Walwright Warrior	" "