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THE HAGUE MR 648947 Sheet 372 Holland 1:25,000	1	0430 1200 1500 1700		Tao
	2	0400 0900 1100 1200	8 other ranks proceeded on leave to United Kingdom. 3 other ranks proceeded on re-patriation draft. "B" Coy starts to move from No 4 German Staging Camp to former Coy area 634947. Two platoons now in the area. They will move again tomorrow to area 643951. Capt C.H. Smith is now Bn polling booth Officer. Weather today, fine and warm.	Fal
	3	0915	"B" Coy now in area 643951. Church Parades as per pt1 Orders. Lieut JJ MacDonald is now Bn Sports Officer. Weather today, fine and warm.	Appx 1 Fal
· - 2	4	0430 0830 1400		Appx 5 Hab
	5	1000 1100 1100	Training as per syllabus 2IC, Major WW Mair attended a conference on rehabilitation at ROTTERDAM. The topic of discussion was the training of the soldier during the coming period prior to his discharge. The CO and IO proceeded on a visit to Div HQ. H/Capf LF Wilmot (MC) and Sgt Dempster gave a talk on rehabilitation to Bn HQ.	Appx 5
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THE HAGUE MR648947 Sheet 372	5	1600 2025	39 other ranks arrived as reinforcements and were alloted to Coys. No 3 and 4 Dutch Coys are no longer under command of this Unit. Weather today, fine and warm.	Fal
Helland 1:25,000	6	0400 1030	Graining as per syllabus 15 other ranks proceeded on short leave to BRUSSELS. The Co held a Bn Parade and march past at ALEXANDER VELD MR647934, THE HAGUE. Dress was web belt, anklets and personal weapons Before the march past the CO gathered th men around him and gave them a short talk on what was going on and the expectancies of the future.	e
		1030 1530	The IO attended a conference at Ede HQ to receive instructions on the Ceremoniel Parade to be held at ROTTERDAM on Sunday, 10 Jun. Message received from AA&QMG, 3 CIB: It is intended to turn over enemy naval stores	
		1530	and naval installations (including coast defences) to the Royal Mavy. Advise locatio and nature of all stores and installations soonest.	n Fab
		1700	Unit took second place in the Bde Championship. The CO held a conference at the officers mess attended by all Coy Comds. Points	
		1800	discussed were discipline, generally, and the coming parade to be held in ROTTERDAM. The Control Post at 630956 has been removed. Perimeter responsibility now completel in the hands of No 3 and 4 Dutch Coys, who are no longer under command of this Unit Weather today, fine and warm.	y.
	7	0600	Training as per syllabus Major HM Eisenhauer and 20 other ranks proceeded on a tour of the RUHR and North We GERMANY from the air. The air trip lasted for two hours and proved to be an educati as well as interesting one.	Appx 5 st ve
		0800 1130	이 정말 이 것 같아요. 그 같아요. 전에 가장 같아요. 전 가지, 특히 가지가 한 것 같아요. 이 가지는 것 같아요. 이 가지는 것 같아요. 이 가지 않는 것 이 가지 않는 것 않는	tab
			Lieut-Col JA Nesbitt has taken over command of 3 Cdn Inf Bde and Major WW Mair assumes command of this Unit.	

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THE HAGUE MR648947 Sheet 372 Holland 1:25,000	7	1700	2IC held a conference attended by Adjt, IO and all Coy Comds. At this conference three committees were appointed as follows :- (1) Committee of education, Capt RJ McNeil Educational Officer with Lieut Clements and Lieut Gillis as assistants. (2) Sports Committee, Capt CH Smith Chief Sports officer with Lieut JJ MacDonald in charge of boxing and Lieut AE MacDonald assisting in other sports. (3) Recreational Committee made up of the MO and Capt DR Bews with the Padre H/Capt Wilmot as an honorary member. Weather today, fine and warm.	Fab
	8	1400 1500 1700	Training as per syllabus Parade was held for all personnel who had not previously voted. A practice parade was held in the area between "A" and "D" Coy for the ceremonial parade to be held in ROTTERDAM Sunday. This Bn is to send 4 Coys of 96 men each to take part. The parade was identical to instructions laid down for tomorrows show. A/CO, Major WW Mair held a conference in the Officers Mess attended by the Coy Comd IO and QM. Points of discussion were administrative difficulties, how they could be corrected and further details of the parade in ROTTERDAM tomorrow. Weather today, fine and warm with exceptionally high wind.	
	9	0430 0810 1030 1100 1100 1330	Training as per syllabus 3 other ranks proceeded on 60 hour leave to PARIS 11 other ranks proceeded to join the Pacific Draft. A/CO,Major WW Mair and IO proceeded to 3 CIB to attend a covordinating conference Re§ Div March Past in ROTTERDAM, tomorrow, 10 Jun 45. Major HM Eisenhauer has taken over the duties as 2IC of this Bn. 1 other rank proceeded on compassionate leave to United Kingdom. A/CO held a conference in the officers mess attended by the four Rifle Coy Comds and one officer from each of their Coys, Sup Coy Comd, Hq Coy Comd, Padre, Adjt,IO and 5 Here he passed down the latest instructions on the parade tomorrow which he received this morning. Immediately following the conference the CO, 2IC, IO, Adjt and the four Rifle Coy Comds proceeded to ROTTERDAM and made themselves acquainted with the SP, line of march and the DP. Weather today, Fine and warm.	CO 1 from Bde

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THE HAGUE MR648947 Sheet 372 Holland 1:25,000	10	10900	As many personnel to be held this mo Church parades, se The Divisional Mar Bde Conference 103 Warning Order rece guards from 443 Bt Relief to be compl		Appx 1 Appx 6 Hac
	11	0430 0900 1000	Capt RE Campbell I IO and 1 officer f Bn will take over Each post will be South MR609938,She position, SCHEVENI	Deceded on leave to United Kingdom. Ceft for CANADA this morning to take over duties as an SPO. (Selection From "B", "C" and "D" Coys proceeded on a recce of positions this from the Lt AA this evening. The following is the proposed plan:- manned by Platoon strength. (a) Costal defence position, SCHEVENIN Set 372, Holland to be taken over by "B"Boy. (b) Costal defence INGEN North, MR649978, Sheet 372, Holland to be taken over by "C" ad telephone exchange SCHEVEVINGEN MR638948, Sheet 372, Holland to	GEN Coy.
		1420 1500 1510	Lieut Smith, /B" C Lieut Murray repor Bde informs this H exchange at VOORBU CO and IO proceed exchange at 700918 Lieut Smith, /B" C from finds no acco The remainder will	to y report\$his Platoon is on the way to take over guard at 609938. The his platoon on the way to take over guard at 638948 ("D" Coy) NQ that 443 Bty, Lt AA will be moving from Old German HQ and Telep RG MR700918, Sheet 372, Holland. 1:25,000. to VOORBURG to recce for the taking over of Old German HQ and Tel	ephone

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THE HAGUE IR648947 Sheet 372 Holland	11	1950	The Lt AA of their MR638948, sheet 3	his HQ that one Officer and 32 Other ranks of their Coy relieved r duties at the dump at SCHEVENINGEN(radar and telephone exchange) 22, Holland. warm with rain later in the evening.	Hal
1:25,000	12	1700	, Adjt and IO. Mai programmes. At the the men be kept bu Today NB" Coy move SCHEVENINGEN South 1 officer and 36 of Weather today, fir	held a conference at the Officers Mess attended by the Coy Comds in points discussed were the educational, sports and recreational e meeting the CO stressed that it was of primary importance that usy. ed the remainder of their platoon to the costal defence position h, MR609938, Sheet 372, Holland making the strength of the post	Appx 5 Face
	13	0400 0800 0830 0900 1400 1400 1800	1 other ranks prod 19 other ranks prod Capt GG Taylor pro UTRECHT MR227904, 19 other ranks pro The CO and 2IC pai It is the intentio (coast defence pos dumps and installs "C" Coy now have a	ceeded on short leave to BRUSSELS. ceeded on compassionate leave to CANADA. odeeded to join Pacific Draft. ceeded with the DAA&QMG on a preliminary accomodation recce to , Sheet 376, Holland, 1:25,000. ceeded to join the Canadian Odcupational Forces. id a visit to the guard positions at SCHEVENINGEN. on that "C" Coy will move the remainder of their platoon to the pos- sition \$49978) at 1730 hours today, making the guards on all German ations platoon strength. a full platoon (1 officer and 33 other ranks) at the costal defence NGEN North, 649978, Sheet 372, Holland, 1:25,000.	2

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THE HAGUE MR648947 Sheet 372 Holland 1:25,000	14	1345	CO, Major WW Mair paid a visit to "B" Coy guard position MR609938, Sh 372,1:25,000 The Padre, H/Capt IF Wilmot gave a talk on rehabilitation to all personnel with 150 service points and all those who have volunteered for service with the Cdn Far East Forces.	Appx 5
	-	1′400 1430	Lieut EJ McConnell and 29 other ranks proceeded on an advance party to Army concer area MR227904, Sheet 376, Holland, 1:25.000. (Utrecht) It is expected that this Bn will move to the army concentration area 16 or 18 Jun 4 Capt RJ McNeil conducted a tour of the Peace Palace, THE HAGUE. It was attended by 15 other ranks from the Bn. Major WW Mair and IO proceeded to 443 Bty, Lt AA re the taking over of German HQ and telephone exchange MR53842 MR 700918, Sheet 372, Holland, 1:25;000. It is now learned that this relief is unlikely to take place. Warming order received from 3 CIB :- 74 AA Bde will relieve 3 CIB of all guards etc forthwith (.) Rep from 74 AA Bde expected to report this afternoon (.) Further deta later (.) 3CIB expected to move to concentration area UTRECHT on or about 17 Jun 45 Weather today, fine and warm.	taba
	15	1000 1330 1400 1430 1700	Training as per syllabus 2IC, RSM and 1 officer from each coy proceeded on a recce to UTRECHT concentration area. Bn tabloid sports were held this afternoon at the sports field near BHQ. It was won by the Signal Platoon from HQ Coy with 60 points. "A" Coy were a close second with 58 points. Lieut LL Clements proceeded on a rehabilitation course to the United Kingdom. The CO and IS proceeded to the sports field and then to the Bn Guard positions. Capt Edgar, Bde Educational Officer gave a talk to the Officers of the Bn in the Officers Mess on the rehabilitation educational programme.	Appx 5 Fab
	16	0400	Weather today, fine and warmy Training as per syllabus 2 officers and 61 other ranks proceeded on leave to the United Kingdom.	Appx 5 Hab

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THE HAGUE MR648947 Sheet 372 Holland 1:25,000	16	0830 0900 0930 1000 1200	Lieut LN Gervais gave a lecture on rehabilitation to Bn Hq and Hq Coy. The IO paid a visit to the Bn guard positions Lieut HN Lash has replaced Lieut NVK Wylie as LO at 3CIB. Lieut Wylie proceeded to the United Kingdom on leave.	Eabo
	17	0800	Trainingransport 1 other rank proceeded to join the Cdn Far East Forces. Church parades as laid down in PtL Orders This afternoon the officers of the Bn played softball to decide upon a team to play the men. Weather today, fine and warm.	Appx 1 Fab
	18	0700 1000 1025 1055 원-	a platoon of RCRs to be used as a demonstration Platoon in THE HAGUE. This Platoon will go to each of the Units of 3CIB and give a demonstration of drill, guard mount etc. Representatives from 2CIB, 3CIB and Sask Lt Inf attended a meeting held at this HQ to discuss Infantry Weapons and equipment problems. Message to all Coys : All available personnel, less those on courses will attend a demonstration on foot drill, guard mounting, etc to be put on between 1430 and 1530 hours today by a platoon from the RCRs. Place to be made known later.	Appx 6 Tabo

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THE HAGUE MR648947 Sheet 372 Holland 1:25,000	18	1600	Message to platoons German dumps and ins completed by 1400 hr Weather today, fine		Fab
	19	1330 1415	Capt RJ McNeil, Unit Works. About 45 other "D" Coy report the r "B" Coy report the r "C" Coy report the r Bn Parade was held of have offered their s the Pacific Draft to IO proceeded to UTRH concentration area.	eded to join the Canadian Occupational Forces t Educational Officer conducted a tour of DELFT Museum and Potte er ranks from this Bn attended. relief of their guard at 638948, Sheet 372, Holland ,1:25,000 co relief of their guard at 609938, Sheet 372, Holland, 1:25,000 co relief of their guard at 649978, sheet 372, Holland, 1:25.000 co on the Bn parade square. The parade was held in honor of those w services in the Pacific. Major CF Whynacht, Officer in charge of bok the salute from the Bn. ECHT to recce the route laid on by 3CIB for the coming move to t issued, on the move to the Concentration area UTRECHT on 21 Jun	mplete mplete ho <i>Add</i>
	20	0430 0800 0910 1430 1500 1700	1 officer and 4 other 25 other ranks proce A demonstration of of platoon on the En par The IO with 3 dispat dispatch riders when 100 other ranks proc The CO held a confer	ther ranks proceeded on leave to the United Kingdom er ranks proceeded to join the Canadian Far East Forces. eeded to join the Canadian Occupational Forces. drill, guard mounting, etc was given by the RCR demonstration arade square. All available personnel were in attendance. tch riders proceeded to the Bde SP, VOORBURG. He instructed the re their convoy control points would be through THE HAGUE. beeded to join the Canadian Occupational Forces. rence in the officers mess attended by Coy Comds. Final details e move to the concentration area MR227904, Sheet 376, Holland, 21 Jun 45.	Appx 5

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THE HAGUE MR648947 Sheet 372 Holland 1:25,000	20	4	K of C activities.: During the period spent in THE HAGUE a Bn canteen was organize with reading and writing rooms, a theatre and a dance hall. Numerous films were sh and other entertainment provided, including stage shows by Dutch Entertainment Unit Dances were held twice a week and the canteen was open daily for cigatettes, cand	nown its. Igla
	21	0800 0915 1500 1600 1830	Training as per syllabus 1 officer and 23 other ranks proceeded to join the Canadian Far East Forces Bn moved as per movement order and arrived in area UTRECHT at 1125 hours. The move proceeded very welland was completed without the loss of a meal, breakfast being : TWE HAGUE and dinner in UTRECHT. BHQ was established at 22459030, sheet 376,Holland 1:25,000. 10 other ranks proceeded to join the Canadian Occupational Forces. The CO attended a conference at 3CIB HQ where details were laid on for General Crew visit tomorrow, 22 Jun, also rules and regulations for the Bde camp were discussed Immediately following dinner the CO held a conference in the officers mess and dis the plans for General Crerar's visit tomorrow. It is expected that the General and his party as well as the Bde Staff will have coffee with the CO and his Coy Comds at 1005 hours. At this conference the CO also made known the policy to be followed in the present location. Major WE Garber is now at BHQ in preparation for taking over the position of 2IC when Major HM Eisenhauer the present 2IC assumes the acting command of the Bn. Major WW Mair the present Bn Commander will be leaving on 23 Jun on repatriation draft to Canada. Weather today, fine and warm.	in nd, All erar's 1. scussed 1
	22	0800 1000 1900	Training as per syllabus 2 officers and 2 other ranks proceeded to join the Canadian Occupational Forses. General Crerar and his party along with Lt'Col JA Nesbitt, A/Bde Comd paid a visit and observed the training of this Unit. Tonight the CO, Major WW Mair attended a mess dinner at his old Unit Hq the Saskatoon Light Infantry. Show at the K of C - Between Two Women. Weather today, fine and warm.	Appx 5 Fall

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UTRECHT MR224903 Sheet 376 Holland 1:25,000	23	0830 0830 1800	Major WE Garber, who for the past few days has been at Bn HQ in preparation for tak over as 2IC in the event of Major WW Mair returning to CANADA on repatriation draft has mesumed command of "D" Coy. It became known today that Major WW Mair falls under the classification of key personnel and will remain in command of this Bn with Major HM Eisenhauer as 2IC.	in guy
		1800 1800 2000	and West NSR officer personnel serving with 3 CIB. Show at the K of C "Between Two Women".	
	24	0800 1400 1800 2000	Church parades as per Pt 1 Orders Major CF Whynacht (MBE) proceeded to England to receive his MBE decoration from the King. Show at the K of C "Nahate Knights"	Appx 1
	25	0800 0800 1800 2000	9 other ranks proceeded on repatriation Draft to funder CANADA. Lieut NPE Fox has taken over the duties of Unit Sports Officer and Unit Fire Office: Show at the K of C "Keys Of The Kingdom"	Appx 5
	26	0800 0900	Training as per syllabus 7 other ranks proceeded to join the Canadian Occupational Forces. Major WE Garber proceeded to 2 Echelon to inquire into the Canadian Far East Drafts. Also he is proceeding to the Refinfocement Unit in an attemp to acquire berets, Divisional patches and Unit Titles for the Bn.	Appx 5

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UTRECHT MR224903 Sheet 376 Holland 1:25,000		1900 2000	Same show,	C - The Thin Man Goes Home. ne and warm changing to cloudy with light showers in the late eveni	ng. Ala
		2430 0800 1900 2000	1 Sgt and 14 men there as long as a Approximately 500 Show at the K of a Same show	yllabus oceeded on leave to the United Kingdom. proceeded as a guard to 1 Cdn Inf Div Vehicle Park. They will remain we are in this area. all ranks will attend a parade in AMSTERDAM tomorrow C Blondie On A Budget oudy with showers.	Appx 5
		0700 1000 1900 2000	was to do point d The parade consist 1 Recce Regt, 1 T the parade was th a massed brass bas of AMSTERDAM and Wilhelmina of the estimated at 180, 29 other ranks ar Show at the K of Same show	rived as reinforcements and were alloted to Coys.	ts Ma
	29	1130 1900 2000	Show at the K of Same show	yllabus Commander of the 2nd British Army paid a visit to this En. C Girl In Overalls ne and warm turning to cloudy with light showers later in the evening	lppx 5

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UTRECHT MR224903 Sheet 376 Holland 1:25,000	30	0800 1800 2000	Show at the K of ( Same show Weather today, fin <u>General</u> The beginning of a SCHEVENINGEN. Empl the inevitable fee Tactical training afternoon sports b toursto points of	ceeded to join the Canadian Occupational Forces. C Double Indemnity ne and warm turning cloudy in the evening. June saw the West NSR settling down to "Peace Time" routine in hasis <b>first</b> therefore fell entirely on relieving as much as possible eling of boredom, which would follow the Units long period in action was abandoned, and hardening training and smartening drill with became the syllabus of the day. Every advantage was taken of organis interest. Hours of training were short and snappy to maintain inter-	Appx 5
			of rehabilitation training of all Co Canadian Far East discipline with We Bde. Cases of disc the disfavor of hi good. The VD rate "Stamp-It-Out" can The short training friendliness of th at a high level. T	to educational courses and return to civil life, three weeks period lectures, including vocational information, was included in the bys. In spite of constant change of personnel due to repatriation, Forces, and Canadian Occupational Forces Drafts the standard of est NSR was in most respects higher than that of any Bn within the ciplinary action were very limited, and at no time tid the Unit incli- igher formation or the civil authorities. General health remained which rose following VE day was more than cut in half by a <b>interm</b> - naigne in which lectures by Platoon Commaders played a large part. I hours, complete freedom in the evenings until 2300 hrs and the he Civilian Population assisted in keeping the morale of the men the excellent work by the K of C Supervisor Mr AH Chivers, in and cinema for other ranks, is well worthy of praise.	ur Mar

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