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Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks, references to Appendices and initials
			OF THE PERTH REGIMENT, C.A. for month ending 30th June 1945	
M.R. 220150 Sheet MI. West Groningen	1st		The carrier platoon under command of Capt. R. White moved to Winschoten (M.R. 535056 Sheet 52, Winschoten to be additional guards along the route the German P.W.'s are taking back home. Able and Baker Companies spent the day in preparation to receive the prisoners. In the afternoon the day was spent on Sports. Weather - Unsettled Strength - 32 Offrs, 988 O.R.s.	<i>[Handwritten initials]</i>
M.R. 220150 Sheet MI. West Groningen	2nd		The P.W. transport started to pass through Baker Company at Oude Pekela (M.R. 516013, Sheet 52, Winschoten about 0745 hrs. and the first marching troops appeared at 0900 hrs. Routine for the rest of the bn. was the usual trg. Weather - Fine and Warm Strength - 32 Offrs, 987 O.R.'s.	<i>[Handwritten initials]</i>
M.R. 220150 Sheet MI. West Groningen	3rd		In the A.M. Lieut. Hood went to Beerta (M.R. 567083, Sheet 52, Winschoten) to supervise Able Company personal in voting in the Ontario Provincial Election. Marching P.W.'s started through the area at 0815 hrs. and finished about 1115 hrs. There was no trouble with Civilians. Lieut. T.B. Harris T.O.S. X4 List. Weather - Fine Strength - 33 Offrs, 987 O.R.'s	<i>[Handwritten initials]</i>
MR 220150 Sheet MI West, Groningen.	4th		Lieut. Hood went to Beerta (MR 567083, Sheet 52, Winschoten) and Winschoten (MR 535056, Sheet 52 Winschoten) to finish up the voting for personnel who were away the previous day. At Groningen (MR.220150, Sheet MI West, Groningen) Lieut. Dooley gave a lecture on rehabilitation to all available Officers in the Mess. No. P.W. passed through the forward companies to-day. Gen. Hoffmeister came to say Good-Bye to the bn. Weather - Fine Strength - 33 Offrs, 973 O.R.'s.	Appendix # 3 Part 1 Orders No 115 <i>[Handwritten initials]</i>

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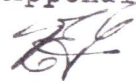
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MR. 220150 Sheet MI. West Groningen	5th		Capt. Cooper and Company C.B.M.'s went on a flight over Germany. P.W.'s started through at 0715 and finished at 1615 hrs. Everything went well and there were no hitches. Weather - Wet Strength - 33 Offrs. 972 O.R.'s	
MR. 220150 Sheet MI. West Groningen	6th		Capt. Robertson and O.R.'s left on C.F.E.F. draft. BFI issue came through at last. Prisoners passed through as planned. Baker Company held a dance in their billets. Weather - Fine and Warm Strength - 33 Offrs, 979 O.R.'s	
MR. 220150 Sheet MI. West Groningen	7th		Movement of prisoners was normal. The M.O. is at present giving a series of lectures on V.D. At the moment we have the lowest V.D. rate in 1101B. All available M.C.O.'s are being given a local course in this subject for one week. Weather - Unsettled. Strength - 31 Offrs, 976 O.R.'s.	Appendix # 3 Part 1 Orders No. 1B 6 
MR. 220150 Sheet MI. West Groningen	8th		Another C.F.E.F. draft left consisting of 1 Officer, Capt. Stewart and 31 O.R.'s. The C.O. went to Beerta (MR. 537083, Sheet 52, Winschoten) and Winschoten (MR. 535053, Sheet 52 Winschoten) to see the forward companies. Charlie Company left Groningen (MR. 220150, Sheet MI. West Groningen) to-day and went to Beerta (MR. 537083, Sheet 52 Winschoten) to change over with Able Company which is coming back here. Weather - Fine and warm Strength - 31 Offrs, 930 O.R.'s	
MR. 220150 Sheet MI. West Groningen	9th		C.O. inspected all Companies (see Part 1 Orders). Div Sports meet was held (appendix #4). Sgt. Murch went along to Belgium on a vehicle carrying S.U.S. to see if he could purchase beer for the Unit. Weather - Fine and warm Strength - 31 Offrs, 932 O.R.'s.	Appendix # 3 Part 1 Orders No. 115 & 116 Appendix # 4 

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MR. 220150 Sheet III. West Groningen	10th		voluntary Church Parade to-day. One Officer was present, Lieut. J. Fleming, Sports meeting at Rear Div. in the afternoon. Capt. Cooper attended this for the Unit. Other Officers went out to the lake at Eaterswolde (MR. 213083 Sheet III. West Groningen) for sailing. Capt. Bell, former Perth Officer and now employed at Paris paid us a visit. Weather - Unsettled. Strength - 31 Offrs. 901 O.R.'s.	
MR. 220150 Sheet III. West Groningen	11th		Normal training in the A.M. In the afternoon a Regt'l Officers' baseball team played a game of softball with an Officers' team from 11 CIB. We lost. The Unit received an issue of captured spirits released under Div authority. In the afternoon Sgt. Murch arrived back from Belgium with the Beer. Weather - Fine Strength - 31 Offrs, 927 O.R.'s	Appendix # 3 Part 1 Order No. 117 
MR. 220150 Sheet III. West Groningen	12th		C.O. went out to the forward Companies in the A.M. At noon a Mess meeting was held and arrangements were made to have a combined C.O.'s and Officers dinner on Friday night. Col. Doucette, formerly of this Unit and now with 2nd Echelon or Army arrived in the morning and spent most of the day interviewing personnel who had volunteered for C.O.F. They were to be reinforcements for 3 Bn, A.L.I.? C.O.F. 1000 litres of beer were purchased in Groningen for distribution to the men. Advice was received that our Unit might move to Sneek (MR. 606949 Sheet 10 east, Sneek) but there was nothing definite on it. Weather - Wet and Cold Strength - 31 Offrs, 925 O.R.'s	Appendix # 3 Part 1 Orders No. 118 
MR. 220150 Sheet III. West Groningen	13th		At 0830 hrs the C.O., the 2i/c and Company representatives left to recce billet areas in Sneek (MR. 606949 Sheet 10 East, Sneek). Marching out states were completed in the Groningen billets and an advance party from the 1st Hussars arrived to check the billets. They are to take over from us. Capt. Brook, who was our interim padre for over a month and who is now at Chaplains House, Groningen, dropped in for a visit. Weather - Wet and Cold Strength - 31 Offrs, 925 O.R.'s.	

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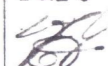


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MR. 220150 Sheet MI. West Groningen	14th		Advance parties this A.M. left for Sneek (MR. 606949, Sheet 10 East, Sneek) in order to prepare billets for the Unit move to-morrow. Everyday more and more men are signing up for C.F.B.F. and the chief attraction is of course the 30 days leave at home. Weather - Wet Strength - 31 Offrs, 923 O.R.'s.	
MR. 220150 Sheet MI. West Groningen (Moving)	15th		At 0830 hrs the Unit left Groningen (MR. 220150 Sheet MI. West Groningen) for Sneek (MR. 606949 Sheet 10 East Sneek). Capt. Thompson, the adjutant and Lieut. F. Metcalfe, the Quartermaster, remained behind as rear party. Capt. Baker T.O.B. X4 List. Weather - Wet and cold Strength - 32 Offrs, 925 O.R.'s	
MR. 606949 Sheet 10 East, Sneek	16th		Companies are getting settled in their respective areas. Our Regt'l volleyball team who are Bde. Champions, went to Groningen (MR. 220150 Sheet MI. West Groningen) to play against the Irish Regt. entry and came back winners. Weather - Fine Strength - 32 Offrs, (9240.R.'s	Appendix # 3 Part 1 Orders NO. 119 
MR. 606949 Sheet 10 East, Sneek	17th		A Church Parade was held in their morning and the march to and from church caused considerable interest among the populace for this was their first opportunity to see the Canadians who had moved into the town at first hand. An Officers' dance was held in the Amicitia dance hall in the afternoon and this was well-attended by the young ladies of the town. Capt. Baker returned to the Unit from Bde. to which he had been attached for some time. Weather - Fine Strength - 32 Offrs, 929 O.R.'s	Appendix # 3 Part 1 Orders No. 119 
MR. 606949 Sheet 10 East, Sneek	18th		Recreational facilities opened in Sneek (MR. 606949 Sheet 10 East Sneek). Lieut. Fryer went to Groningen (MR. 220150 Sheet MI. West Groningen) to attend a 5-day course at 5 Div Rehabilitation Trg Centre. A dance was held for the men in the Amicitia dance hall and this proved to be very successful. Weather - Fine and Warm. Strength - 32 offrs, 886 O.R.'s	

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MR. 606949 Sheet 10 East, Sneek	19th		C.O. went to Bde in the A.M. and aside from the normal routine trg in the morning and the commencement of sports on an organized scale in the P.M. the day was otherwise uneventful. There were one or two Dutch civilians invited to dinner in the Officers' Mess. Weather - Fine and warm Strength - 32 Offrs, 887 O.R.'s	Appendix # 3 Part 1 Orders NO. 120 
MR. 606949 Sheet 10 East, Sneek	20th		Major J.S. Whyte was appointed C.O. Bde entertainment with H.Q. in Leeuwarden (MR.135705 Sheet 6 West Leeuwarden) and Capt. Cooper was instituted as C.O. H.Q. Company in his place. This leaves the position of Chief Instructor open and it is thought that Major P.F. Fisher will take this over. There is some discontent among certain of the men in that they have been placed on COF drafts without volunteering. Even the fact that a dance was held for the O.R.'s did not assuage their displeasure on this turn of events. Weather - Fine and warm Strength - 32 Offrs, 886 O.R.'s	
MR. 606949 Sheet 10 East, Sneek	21st		Drafts for COF and COEF left to-day taking along those who had been placed there against their will. A Bn Parade was held in the morning and the normal inspection carried out. Lieut. Hood proceeded to Groningen (MR.220150 Sheet MI. West Groningen) to purchase beer for the various messes and canteens that have been established. Weather - Fine and warm Strength - 32 Offrs, 818 O.R.'s	Appendix # 3 Part 1 Orders NO. 121 
MR. 606949 Sheet 10 East, Sneek	22nd		An Officers' dance was held in the Amicitia dance hall. There was an exchange of Officers in the Mess insofar as Capt. Hutchinson, who had been visiting the Unit since the 20th of the month, departed and Lieut. V.E. Fryer returned from his course in Groningen (MR. 220150 Sheet MI. West, Groningen). Normal morning parades and the usual sports activity in the afternoon completed the day. Mobile Bath arrived Capt. H.I. Mainman S.O.S. to (COF) H.L.I. of C. Weather - Warm Strength - 31 Offrs, 817 O.R.'s	

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MR 606949, Sheet 10, East, Sneek.	23rd		<p>Aside from the normal routine of the morning parades and afternoon sports the only item of variety was in the Officers' baseball game with the Sgts. which they won by a score of 6 to 4. No personalities did anything out of the ordinary excepting Capt. H.I. Wainman who left the unit to-day to proceed on COF draft. This leaves a vacancy in the appointment of O.C. Charlie company. All ranks are showing extreme interest in the sports of Boating, Swimming and Tennis.</p> <p>Weather - Very warm.</p> <p>Strength - 31 Officers, 817 O.R.'s</p>	<p>Appendix No. 3 Part 1 Order No. 122</p> <p><i>[Signature]</i></p>
MR. 606949, Sheet 10, East, Sneek.	24th		<p>To-day saw another Unit Church Parade held at the Clock Tower Church. The parade formed up as usual in the Sports Field (now renamed the O.N.R. Stadium) and was led on the march by the Signal Corp Band. Once again the civilians turned out in masse to watch the Unit march by and they are beginning to join us in greater force in the actual church service. In the afternoon vehicles were sent to Groningen (MR. 220150 Sheet 11. West Groningen) to bring back reinforcements. Also, open house was held in the Officers' Mess for the Officers and their lady friends.</p> <p>Weather - Warm</p> <p>Strength - 31 Officers, 816 O.R.'s</p>	<p>Appendix No. 3 Part 1 Order No. 121</p> <p><i>[Signature]</i></p>
MR. 606949, Sheet 10, East Sneek.	25th		<p>Normal trg in the A.M. Lieut. Max Storey returned from leave in the U.K. whilst Lieut. Fraser Metcalfe left for the 3/H.L.I. of C. in the Army of Occupation. Lieut. Hood went to Groningen (MR. 220150 Sheet 11. West Groningen) for beer while the Officers' Ball team proceeded to Delfzil (MR. 461265, Sheet 31, Delfzil) to play against the C.B. They won. List of recreational facilities distributed.</p> <p>Weather - warm</p> <p>Strength - 31 Officers, 748 O.R.'s.</p>	<p>Appendix No. 3 Part 1 Order No. 123 Appendix No. 5</p> <p><i>[Signature]</i></p>
MR. 606949, Sheet 10, East, Groningen.	26th		<p>Day uneventful with only the usual training. Boating and Tennis constituted the P.M. activity. Lieut. Metcalfe S.O.S. to (COF) H.L.I. of C.</p> <p>Weather - Warm</p> <p>Strength - 30 Officers, 748 O.R.'s</p>	<p><i>[Signature]</i></p>

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MR. 606949, Sheet 10, East Sneek.	27th		Bn. Parade was held in the C.N.R. Stadium and despite the shower which dispersed it to the stands for a few minutes was carried out as planned. The C.O. remarked upon the smart turn-out and this was what prompted him to allow the parade to break off and take cover from the shower. Certainly the men did their utmost to march on the following drill movements to show their appreciation of his gesture. Early in the morning, at 0700 hrs. 2 Officers went to Groningen (IR.220150 Sheet MI. West Groningen) on the 1-day V.D. Course being held there and later Lieut. Hood followed them, once more to buy spirits. Weather - Fine Strength - 30 Offrs, 789 O.R.'s	Appendix #3 Part 1 orders Nos. 123 & 124 <i>[Signature]</i>
MR. 606949 Sheet 10 East, Sneek.	28th		This day held nothing of importance in it from a battalion standpoint. The morning parades were held and the lectures on Canadian Citizenship delivered as usual. The companies are adhering to the Educational Syllabus laid down for them and this in spite of the sometime-difficult lectures. Weather - Unsettled. Strength - 30 Offrs, 783 O.R.'s	<i>[Signature]</i>
MR. 606949 Sheet 10 East, Sneek.	29th		Another comparatively dull day from the standpoint of activity. Parades and lectures held in the A.M. with a general exodus of personnel from their billets towards the Sports Field and the Lake for Baseball, Swimming and Boating. There does not appear to be any decrease in the enthusiasm held for these sports. The boating in particular is a good thing for the Dutch people place a high regard on competent yachtsmen and Unit's interest in sailing helps to bring it closer to them. Weather - Warm and Breezy. Strength - 30 Offrs, 785 O.R.'s	<i>[Signature]</i>
MR. 606949 Sheet 10 East, Sneek.	30th		Aside from morning parades and lectures the only event of importance was the Officers Party which was held in the Mess in the afternoon. All gathered in the Mess for Tea and sandwiches and then set out for the lake for sailing. There were a few parties returns for supper and remained as guest of the Mess throughout the greater part of the evening. Weather - Fine and Warm Strength - 30 Offrs, 790 O.R.'s	Appendix No. 3 Part 1 Order #1 <i>[Signature]</i>