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ARMY FORM C.2118

# WAR DIARY

or

Unit 2nd. Bn. The Royal Scots.

## ~~INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY~~

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Month and Year July. 1944.

Commanding Officer \_\_\_\_\_

Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	References to Appendices
GIBRALTAR.	1 Jul	1800	<p>Daily Location Bn. HQ. "HQ" Coy. ) BUENA VISTA BKS.  "Sp" "A" &amp; "B" Coys. ) SLAUGHTERHOUSE.  Intel. Sect. ) Manning Rock Gun O.P.  "C" Coy. ) G.T.C. NORTH AFRICA.</p> <p>Gen. Information Routine.</p> <p>Met. Report. Wind Easterly 10 m.p.h. Weather. Fair becoming cloudy after 2200 hours. Cloud. Nil increasing to 8/10 at 200-300 ft. Visibility. 10-20 miles.</p>	JTC
"	2 Jul	1800	<p>Gen. Information. Routine.</p> <p>Embarkation. R.S.M. Wright &amp; 8 Bn. Pipers embarked at Gibraltar for temporary outside Fortress.</p> <p>Met. Report. Wind. Lt. Variable becoming westerly 10-20 m.p.h. Weather. Fine apart from short period of fog between 0800-1000 hours. Cloud. Small amount. Visibility. 10-20 miles except during fog.</p>	JTC
"	3 Jul	1800	<p>Gen. Information. Routine.</p> <p>Embarkation. 6 drummers of Bn Pipe Band embarked at Gibraltar for temporary duty outside Fortress.</p> <p>Appointment. W/Lieut. H.K. Fraser. Assumed duty of Bn Fire Offr.</p> <p>Met. Report. Wind. Mod. Lt Westerly. Weather. Fine. Cloud. Small amount 3000 ft. Visibility. Over 20 miles.</p>	JTC

GIBRALTAR.	4 Jul	1800	Gen. Information. Pipe band & 1 pl of "C" Coy took part in Oran's 4th July Celebrations. Brig. Gen. F. Egmont Koenig. American Base Section Commandant took the salute.  Met. Report. Wind. Westerly 10-15 mph. Weather. Fine. Cloud. Small amount at 2000 ft. Vis. 20 miles.	JTC
"	5 Jul	1800	Gen. Information. A notice reporting on Bn's part in Oran's 4th July celebrations appeared in American newspaper "The Stars and Stripes".  Disembarkation. A/Lieut. Col. J.T. Campbell rejoined from G.T.C. North Africa on disembarking at Gibraltar.  Met. Report. Weather. Fine but fog to East in afternoon. Wind. 8-10 mph. Visibility. 20 miles.	APPENDIX "A"          JTC
"	6 Jul	1800	Gen. Information. Routine.  Command. A/Lt. Col. J.T. Campbell reassumed comd. of Bn.  Disembarkation P/Major & 2 pipers rejoined from temporary duty outside the Fortress.  Temporary Inter-Coy Transfers. Lt. R.G. Campbell transferred to "HQ" Coy. Lt. W.T. May ) " " "B" " Lt. J. Meikle ) Lt. J.H. Sunderland ) " " "D" " Lt. J.L. Cathcart )  Met. Report. Weather. Fine Wind. Westerly 5 mph. Cloud. 8/10 at 2500 ft. Visibility. Very Good.	JTC          JTC
"	7 Jul	1800	Gen. Information. Routine.  Promotion. Major (A/U/Lt Col) J.T. Campbell provisionally regranted the Temporary rank of Lt. Col w.e.f. 14 June 44 pending confirmation in W.O. orders (Appendix Serial No. 48 to Fortress orders dated 7th July 44 refers)  Disembarkation Bn Pipe Band disembarked at Gibraltar from temporary duty at G.T.C. North Africa.	

			Met. Report. Weather. Fine. Wind. Westerly 15 mph. Cloud. Small amount 2500 ft. Visibility. Very good.	JTC
"	8 Jul	1800	Gen. Information. Routine.  Disembarkation. Lieut. C. MacGregor rejoined unit from course of instruction at Douera North Africa.  Met. Report. Weather. Fair. Wind. South Westerly 15 miles per hr. Vis. 20 miles.	JTC
	9 Jul	1800	Gen. Information. Routine.  Met. Report. Weather. Fine Wind E. 15 m.p.h. Cloud. Small amount 2500 ft. Vis. V. Good.	JTC
Gibraltar	10 Jul	1800	Gen Ifm. Routine.  Permanent Attachments- Cross posting Capt. J.C. Ballantyne R.A.M.C. posted from permanently att. strength of this Unit to Military Hospital Gib. w e f 20 Jun 44. Authy. CR/GIB38022/N dd 10 Jul 44.  Lt. A.B. Strachan RAMC posted to the permanently att. strength of this unit as R.M.O. from Mil Hosp. Gib. w.e.f. 20 June 44. Authy. CR/GIB38022/M of 10 July 44.  Inter-coy Transfer. Capt. J.R.B. Walker attd to "D" Coy F.A.P.  Met. Report. Weather. Fine. Wind Easterly 10 mph. Cloud. Variable. Vis. 20 miles.  Disembarkation. 4 members of Bn. Pipe Band disembarked at Gib. from temporary duty outside the Fortress.	JTC
"	11 Jul	1800	Gen. Information. Routine.  Result of Course of Instruction. Lt. W. May attended No 19 Rifle	

			Course and classified A.Y.	JTC
			Met. Report. Weather. Fine. Wind. E. 10 mph becoming lt after 2100 hrs. Cloud. Variable at 8000 ft.	JTC
"	12 Jul	1800	<p>Gen. Information. Bn Pipe band performed Ceremony of Keys. Outpost pln was formed from Indept. Coy.</p> <p>Daily Location. Bn "HQ" "HQ" Coy. "SP" Coy. )  "A" "B" "C" Coys. ) Buena Vista Bks.  "D" Coy &amp; A/T Pln. ) Slaughterhouse  Int. Section ) Manning Rock Gun O.P.</p> <p>Disembarkation "C" Coy with remainder of Bn Pipe Band and R.S.M. rejoined from G.T.C. North Africa.  T/Major T.H. Simpson )  T/Capt. G. Gilchrist ) Rejoined unit from G.T.C.  T/Capt. H.D.G. Taylor ) North Africa.  Lt. W.M.A. Steele )  Lt. R.S. Davidson )  Lt. J.A. Anderson )  Lt. W. Begg )</p> <p>Inter-coy Transfers. Capt. J.A. Dick attd to "HQ" Coy and assumed duties of P.R.I.</p> <p>Met. Report. Weather. Fine until fog at 1700 hours.  Wind. Lt. South Westerly. Small amt at 8000 ft.  Vis. 20 miles except during fog.</p>	JTC
		1800	Gen. Information. Major/Gen Hyland D.S.O. visited the Bn area to see Bn trg programme being carried out.	JTC
Gibraltar.	13 Jul	1800	<p>Gen. Information. Initial Instrs. for Bn's Move from Gib. (Deputy Fort. Comdrs. conference F.H.Q. (auth. CR/GIB/38091/1(G))</p> <p>Met. Report. Weather. Fine. Wind. Westerly 10-15 mph  Cloud. Small amount 3000 ft. Vis. 20 miles.</p>	JTC
"	14 Jul	1800	<p>Gen. Information. Routine.</p> <p>Daily Location. Rock Gun O.P. ceased to be manned from 1600 hrs. Personnel returned to Buena Vista Bks.</p>	

			<p>Promotion. A/Capt. J.H. Davidson regranted the Temp. rank of Capt. w.e.f. 9 Mar 44. Authy. W.O. Order No.23 Pt 11(b) dated 8 June 44.</p> <p>Result of Course of Instruction. Lt. MacGregor attended Int. Offrs. Course No 17 &amp; qualified.</p> <p>Inter-coy Transfers. Capt. J.R.B. Walker C.T.B.A. to "HQ" Coy and rejoins "D" Coy.</p> <p>Met. Report. Weather. Fine becoming cloudy. Wind 10-15 mph. Visibility. 8-15 miles.</p>	JTC
"	15 Jul	1800	<p>Gen. Information. Routine.</p> <p>Inter-coy Transfers &amp; Command. Capt. G. Gilchrist attd to &amp; assumed command of "S" Coy. Lieut. W.T. May attd to &amp; assumed comd. of "HQ" Coy.</p> <p>Promotions. A/Major R.R. Finlay to be T/Major &amp; W/Capt. w.e.f. 9th June 44. Authy. W.O. Order 24 dated 15.6.44.</p> <p>Met. Report. Weather. Fine. Wind. South Westerly. 10-15 mph Cloud. Nil Vis. Good.</p>	JTC
GIBRALTAR.		1800		JTC
"	16 Jul	1800	<p>Gen. Information. First Movement Order. Advance party embarked at Gib. for "destination unknown". Advance party of 31st Suffolk Regt. disembarked at Gib.</p> <p>Embarkations. T/Major D.B. Mackenzie ) Embarked at Gib for W/Lt. C. MacGregor ) "unknown destination". Authy. CR/Gib/38091/1/(G)</p> <p>Met. Report. Weather. Fine. Wind Lt. easterly 10 mph. Vis. Good.</p>	JTC
"	17 Jul	1800	<p>Gen. Information. Advance Party arrived at Naples.</p> <p>Attachments. Rev. L.B. McCarthy (C.F.) attd to this unit for rations and accom.</p> <p>Strength Increase. T/Capt. J.B. Michie posted to this unit from 1st Gib. Bde &amp; taken on this strength. Relinquishes appt. of Bde I.O. &amp; Gas Duties Offr. &amp; reverts to W/Lt. w.e.f. date of posting. Authy. CR/GIB/38126/1/A.</p> <p>Met. Report. Weather. Fair. Wind. Lt. variable becoming easterly 10-15 mph. Cloud. small amount 3000 ft. Vis. 20 miles.</p>	JTC

GIBRALTAR.	18 Jul	1800	<p>Gen. Information. Routine.</p> <p>Strength Decrease. W/Major F.M. Bucher struck off strength of this unit w.e.f. 1st May 44. Authy. W.O. Cable 51499 A.G. 2(O) dated 10/6/44</p> <p>Strength Increase. T/Capt. G.M. MacRae ) Joined from Indept. W/Lt. J.B. Cram ) Coy. &amp; re-absorbed into W/Lt. I.O.B. Allwright ) the W.E. of this unit W/Lt. A.F.C. Flett ) w.e.f. 18th Jul. Authy. CR/GIB/37073/7/A dated 16.7.44.</p> <p>Attachments. W/Lt. J.C. Young attd to this unit from 3rd S/L Regt. pending transfer to Royal Scots. Authy. 1 Gib/18/15/1/a.</p> <p>Promotions. Acting/Capt. I.F. Richardson relinquishes A/Rank of Capt. &amp; reverts to W/Lt on being surplus to W.E.</p> <p>Met. Report. Weather. Fine. Wind. Lt. Easterly 15 mph. Cloud. Nil. Vis. Good.</p>	JTC
"	19 Jul	1800	<p>Gen. Information. New War Roll of Offrs of the Bn issued.</p> <p>Disembarkation. T/Capt. W.J. Wood ) Rejoined the unit from W/Lt. I.O.B. Allwright ) temporary outside Fortress.</p> <p>Met. Report. Weather. Cloudy light showers. Wind. 10-15 mph. Visibility. 4-10 miles.</p>	<p>Appendix 1.</p> <p>JTC</p> <p>JTC</p>
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"	20 Jul	1800	<p>Gen. Information. Bn. Embarkation Instrs. issued. Farewell message to Bn from Lt/Gen. T.R. Eastwood K.C.B., D.S.O., M.C. delivered on H.E.'s behalf by Deputy Fortress Comdr. Maj/Gen HYLAND D.S.O.</p> <p>Met. Report. Weather. Fine. Wind. Lt. Easterly 4-8 mph. Vis. Good.</p>	<p>Appendix 2.</p> <p>JTC</p>
"	21 Jul	1800	<p>Gen. Information. Routine.</p> <p>Met. Report. Weather. Fine. Wind. Lt. South Westerly. Visibility. 20 miles.</p>	JTC

"	22 Jul	1800	Gen. Information. Bn embarked at Gibraltar for "unknown destination" in accordance with embarkation instrs.	Appendix 2.  JTC
"	23 Jul	1800	Gen. Information. Major B.J.A. McAulley M.C. Border Regt. O.C., Troops issued Ship's Orders Pt. 1.  Daily Location. At sea.	  JTC
At sea	24 Jul	1800	Gen. Information. Lt/Col J.T. Campbell assumed comd of all troops.	JTC
"	25 Jul	"	" " Routine.	JTC
"	26 Jul	"	" " Advance party took over Afragola Camp Ref. 725759	A.M.S. M592. Sheet 19. 1/200,000. JTC
"	27 Jul	"	" " Routine.	JTC
"	28 Jul	"	" " Routine. Met. Report. Weather during voyage - fine. Vis. " " - Good with exception of 27th when haze reduced visibility considerably.	  JTC
Afragola Camp	29 Jul	1800	Gen. Information. Bn disembarked at Naples at 14.30.  Daily Location. Bn occupy Afragola Camp. Ref. 725759.	A.M.S. M592. Sheet 19. 1/200,000. JTC
"	30 Jul	1800	Gen. Information. Routine.	JTC
"	31 Jul	1800	Gen. Information. Routine.  JT Campbell Lieut. Colonel. Commanding 2nd Bn. The Royal Scots (R.R.)	JTC