



**War Diaries**  
**85<sup>th</sup> Heavy Battery**  
**Royal Canadian Artillery**

A sub-unit of  
**15th (Vancouver) Coast Brigade**  
**Royal Canadian Artillery**  
**Canadian Active Service Force**

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15th Field Artillery Regiment, RCA in Vancouver, B.C.*

**August 1940**

SECRET

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**ORIGINAL**  
(Strike out where not applicable)

# WAR DIARY

OF

85th. Heavy Battery RCA (CASF) *(Details)* ser. no. 390  
YORK ISLAND, B. C.

FROM AUG 1 1940 TO AUG 31 1940

VOLUME XII

APPENDICES A TO D

Title pages will be prepared.

WAR DIARY

OR

INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY

(Erase heading not required)

ORIGINAL

Original, duplicate and triplicate to be forwarded to O. i/c 2nd Echelon for disposal.

Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks, references to Appendices and initials
	1940			
York Island	Aug. 1		One O.R. T.O.S. on transfer from 5th Hvy. Bty. RCA CASF Weather: raining	
	" 2		Letter re tractor driver sent to Vancouver Area Weather: cloudy	B-1 5-0
	" 3		Hon. Capt. A. Greene, CCS, arrived. Lieut. D. R. Learoyd, 12th Fd. Amb. arrived as O.C. Station Hospital. 19 O.R.'s returned for duty - "Z" Force draft. Letter re life boats sent	
	" 4		H.Q.M.D.XI. Letter re Japanese Activity Weather: Clear and strong winds Capt. A. L. Cornish, 13th Fd. Amb. returned for duty to Esquimalt, B.C. Letter re clinometer sent to D.O. Weather: cloudy	3-0 9-1
	" 5		Hon. Capt. A. Greene, CCS, left. Vancouver Area wired asking for a brief report on existing field defences at York Island, also recommendations for wiring (see our tel. #643 for reply) Waterboats condemned as insanitary by M.D. Letter re mooring buoy sent Works Officer	8-4
	" 6		22 O.R.'s S.O.S. on transfer to D.D. M.D. No. 11. 22 O.R.'s D.D. M.D. No. 11 attached to 85th Hvy. Bty. Weather: cloudy. One O.R. T.O.S. One O.R. returned from compassionate leave. 3 O.R.'s proceeded on leave Letter re Crew Shelter and Parapet Walls, 4.7" ammunition, S.A.A. ammunition, food reserve and water reserve. Letter re clothing, boxes soldier and barrack stores sent ordnance office Letter re Hospital paint sent Vancouver Area Letter re Field Defences sent Vancouver Area No. 2 gun fired one "Bring to" round. Weather: cloudy.	2-0 8-4 2-0
	" 7		One O.R. S.O.S. on transfer to C.F.C. Weather: cloudy.	

PART I ORDERS

65th Heavy Battery, R.C.A. C.A.S.F.  
York Island, B.C.

1st August, 1940.

by  
Major J. F. Pickroy, O.C.

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1. DUTIES:

Officer of the Watch Next for duty	- Lt. J. H. Bricker - Lt. P.F. Deckerill
To be Orderly Officer Next for duty	- Lt. P.F. Deckerill - Lt. J.H. Bricker
To be Orderly Sgt.	- Sgt. Cartwright
" " " Bdr.	- L/Bdr. Hannell

2. DUTY WATCHES from 0730 hrs. 2-8-40 to 0730 hrs. 3-8-40

<u>Detachment No. 1</u>	<u>Right Section</u>	<u>Detachment No. 2</u>
Sgt. Cox and 12 O.R.'s as detailed		L/Sgt. Thackeray and 12 O.R.'s as detailed

3. STAND BY WATCHES from 0730 hrs. 2-8-40 to 0730 hrs. 3-8-40

<u>Left Section</u>		<u>Right Section</u>
L/Sgt. Cartwright and 12 O.R.'s as detailed		L/Sgt. Cuddeford and 12 O.R.'s as detailed

4. MANNING PARADE 0830 hrs. 2-8-40 Right Sec. & H.C. Party.

5. SANITARY PATROLS - Friday

CNR. Willoughby  
" King  
Pte. Witaker

6. SPERRY DUTY from 1800 hrs. 2-8-40 to 0600 hrs. 3-8-40.

Ptes. Legg, Shearer, Hayes.

7. PARADES:

- i) The duty watches will parade at the Fort at 0730 hrs. and clean guns and equipment until 0830 hrs. daily.
- ii) Manning Parade at 0830 hrs. daily.
- iii) Stand by watches will parade at the Fort at 0900 hrs.
- iv) H.C. personnel and infantry will parade on the dock at 0830 hrs. Paraded by the orderly sgt. and orderly officer.

8. LIGHTS OUT AND CANTEN HOURS

All lights will be put out at 2245 hrs. The canteen will close at 2145 hrs.

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PART I ORDERS

85th Heavy Battery, R.C.A. C.A.S.F.  
York Island, B.C.

1st August, 1940.

by  
Major J.E. Pierce, O.C.

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9. MAIL

All O.R.'s are warned that insufficient postage is being put on personal mail addressed to this Island. This difference has in the past been made up by Hqs. Vancouver Area. In future this practice will cease and mail not having sufficient postage will be returned to postal officials.

10. ENTERTAINMENT.

On Sunday, the M.S. "Columbia" will take all ranks not on duty for a cruise in the afternoon. At 1900 hrs. there will be moving pictures in the recreation hut to be followed by a church service at 2130 hrs. Rev. A.D. Green will officiate.

11. LAYING TEST.

The results of the recently held laying test are as follows:

	<u>85th Hvy. Bty. RCA CASF</u>	<u>Total</u>
1.	K17052 L/Sgt. Thackeray	186
2.	K17078 Cnr. Hansen, A. L.	182
3.	K17003 L/Bdr. Burgess, J.M.	181
4.	K17056 Bdr. Cox, H.G.	179
5.	K17085 Cnr. Catenby, G.S.	172
6.	K17021 Cnr. Johns, H.F.	171
7.	K17057 Cnr. Knight, J.F.	167
8.	K17057 L/Sgt. Cuddeford, E.	164
9.	K17059 Cnr. McGeagle, J.L.	164
10.	K17012 Cnr. Ramsden, D.	161
11.	K17016 Cnr. Waddy, R.V.	160

The highest possible mark was 200.

D.R.F. SPECIALISTS' TEST

1.	K17042 Bdr. Jones, D. D.	116.5
2.	K17057 Cnr. Knight, J.F.	111.0
3.	K17052 Cnr. Ungelen, A.D.D.	105.5
4.	K17053 Cnr. Poote, J.K.	105.0

The highest possible mark was 125.



85th HEAVY BATTERY, R.C.A., CASB  
YORK ISLAND, B.C.

Aug. 1st 1940

DAILY STRENGTH STATE

		(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)
		Offrs.	O.R.s	Total	Total at York Island
85th Hvy. Bty. RCA	On Parade	2	62	64	
	Employed		11	11	
	Stn. Hosp.		2	2	77
	On Leave		1	1	
	On Furlough		1	1	
	Att. to 58th	1		1	
	On Command		1	1	
H.Q.			30	30	
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5th Hvy. Bty. RCA	Stn. Hosp.		1	1	1
-----					
31st. Hvy. Bty. RCA	On Parade	1		1	1
-----					
1st. S/L Regt. RCA	On Parade	1		1	
	Employed		1	1	2
-----					
2nd. Bn. (MG) C.S.R.	On Parade		14	14	14
-----					
R.C.C.S.	On Parade		3	3	3
-----					
R.C.A.M.C.	Employed	1	3	4	4
-----					
Naval personnel attached		1	7	8	8
-----					
Civilian personnel attached			15	15	15
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Grand Total		7	151	158	125



PART I ORDERS

85th Heavy Battery, R.C.A. C.A.S.F.  
York Island BC

2nd August, 1940

by  
Major J.V. Piracy, O.C.

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1. DUTIES: Saturday

Officer of the watch	- Lt. P.F. Dockerill
Next for duty	- Sgt. J.H. Bricker
To be Orderly Officer	- Lt. J.H. Bricker
Next for duty	- Lt. P.F. Dockerill
To be Orderly Sgt.	- L/Sgt. Cartwright
Next for duty	- Mr. Hammell

2. DUTY WATCHES from 0730 hrs. 3-8-40 to 0730 hrs. 4-8-40

Left Section  
Detachment No. 3

Sgt. Cartwright and  
12 O.R.'s as detailed

Detachment No. 4

L/Sgt. Cuddeford and  
12 O.R.'s as detailed

3. STAND BY WATCHES from 0730 hrs. 3-8-40 to 0730 hrs. 4-8-40

Right Section

Detachment No. 1

Sgt. Cox and  
12 O.R.'s as detailed

Detachment No. 2

L/Sgt. Thackeray  
12 O.R.'s as detailed

4. MAINTENANCE PARADE 0830 hrs. 3-8-40. Left. Sec. & R.C. Party

5. SANITARY FATIGUE - Saturday

Cnr. Willoughby  
" Tully  
Pte. Wilkin

6. SENTRY DUTY from 1800 hrs. 3-8-40 to 0600 hrs. 4-8-40

Ptes. Witaker, Cameron, Robbins

7. HUT ORDERS

Hut No. 2	- Cnr. Jenkins
" No. 3	- " Larson
" No. 4	- Pte. Gerrill
" No. 5	- Cnr. Harn n
" No. 6	- " Young
" No. 7	- " Desmaris



2nd August, 1940.

Officer Commanding,  
Vancouver Area,  
323 Federal Building,  
Vancouver, B.C.

R. C. A. TRACTOR

Reference your letter 30th July, 1940, file 1-18.

1. Reference your para. 2, Gnr. Smith, L., was sent up to operate the tractor, not to instruct others. We have one or two men who can operate the levers and make the tractor move but this is a very different thing to being an expert tractor driver.
2. An expert tractor driver should be able to make minor repairs and adjustments which are essential to keeping a tractor in good condition. If this is not done, a very heavy bill of expense will be incurred for new parts and repairs.
3. We have no properly qualified tractor driver on the Island and if you do not wish to send one up, I beg to advise you that I will not be responsible for the condition of the machine, nor for any expense in repairs, which will certainly be heavy when handled by unskilled men.
4. This tractor is a new machine, supplied only three months ago by the D.E.O. at a cost of the Dept. of National Defence of about \$4000.00.

(J. E. Piercy) Major, R.C.A.  
Officer Commanding  
York Island

JEP/JS



85th Hvy. Bty. R.C.A. C.A.S.F.  
York Island, B.C.

Aug. End 1940

DAILY STRENGTH STATE

		<u>Offrs.</u>	<u>C.S.</u>	<u>TOTAL</u>	<u>TOTAL AT</u> <u>YORK ISLAND</u>
85th Hvy. Bty. RCA	On Parade	2	60	62	75
	Employed		11	11	
	Hospital Stn.		2	2	
	On Leave		1	1	
	On Furlough		1	1	
	H.Q.		30	30	
	On Command		1	1	
Att. 58th	1		1		
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5th Hvy. Bty. RCA	Stn. Hosp.		1	1	1
-----					
31st. Hvy. Bty. RCA	On Parade	1		1	1
-----					
1st. S/L Regt. RCA	On Parade	1		1	2
	Employed		1	1	
-----					
2nd. Bn. (MG) C.S.E.	On Parade		11	11	14
	Stn. Hosp.		3	3	
-----					
R.C.C.S.	On Parade		3	3	3
-----					
R.C.A.M.C.	Employed	1	3	4	4
-----					
Naval personnel attached		1	7	8	8
-----					
Civilian personnel attached			14	14	14
-----					
<b>GRAND TOTAL</b>		<b>7</b>	<b>149</b>	<b>156</b>	<b>122</b>



PART I ORDERS

85th Heavy Battery, R.C.A. C.A.S.F.  
York Island, B.C.

3rd August, 1940

by  
Major J. F. Piercy, O.C.

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1. DUTIES: Sunday

Officer of the Watch	- Lt. J. H. Bricker
Next for duty	- Lt. P. F. Dockerill
To be orderly Officer	- Lt. P. F. Dockerill
Next for duty	- Lt. J. H. Bricker
Orderly Sgt. for week	
ending Saturday, Aug. 10	- L/Sgt. Thurlwell
Orderly Bdr. for week	
ending Aug. 10	- Bdr. Parker

2. DUTY WATCHES: from 0730 hrs. 4-8-40 to 0730 hrs. 5-8-40.

Right Section

Detachment No. 1

Sgt. Cox and 12 O.R.'s  
as detailed

Detachment No. 2

L/Sgt. Thackeray and  
12 O.R.'s as detailed

3. STANDBY WATCHES from 0730 hrs. 4-8-40 to 0730 hrs. 5-8-40

Detachment No. 3

L/Sgt. Cartwright and  
12 O.R.'s as detailed

Detachment No. 4

L/Sgt. Cuddeford and  
12 O.R.'s as detailed

4. MANNING PARADE 0930 hrs. 4-8-40. H.C. and duty watches.

5. SANITARY FATIGUE - SUNDAY

Gnr. King  
" Johns, H.E.  
Pte. McCulloch

6. ENTRY DUTY from 1800 hrs. 4-8-40 to 0600 hrs. 5-8-40

Ptes. Wilkin, Gerrill, English

7. STANDING ORDERS - Attention of all ranks is directed to revised orders for parades and hours. See appendix I to these orders.



Secret

Aug. 3, 1940.

Headquarters,  
M.D. No. 11,  
Victoria, B.C.

Japanese Activity

1. HMCS "Van Isle" was returning to York Island from Kelsey Bay this morning with a number of troops on board and about 1100 hrs. the skipper pointed out two Japanese cod fishing vessels anchored in Nicholls Bay (Map Johnstone Strait 1" - 1 mile co-ordinates 983575) about 1200 yds. from York Island.
2. From ring contour 100 a good view can be obtained of York Island. He stated that he had seen these two vessels in Kelsey Bay earlier in the morning.
3. The C.X.O. sent one of the examination vessels out and they found two Japanese without naturalization papers in their possession. The vessels were ordered to leave the Bay. C.X.O. has reported names and official numbers of vessels to Esquimalt.
4. Suspicion was aroused because while codfish can be caught in Johnstone Strait, there are insufficient quantities of codfish to justify commercial fishing. Further, Nicholls Bay is not used to any extent as an anchorage by other fishermen.

(J.E.Piercy) Major, R.C.A.  
Officer Commanding  
York Island

DEPARTMENT OF NATIONAL DEFENSE  
YORK ISLAND B.C.

AUG 3rd 1940

DAILY STRENGTH STATE

		(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)
		Offrs.	C.S.R.	TOTAL	TOTAL AT YORK ISLAND
65th Hvy. Bty. RCA	On Parade	2	78	80	
	Employed		11	11	
	Stn. Hosp.		1	1	92
	On Command		1	1	
	Att. 65th	1		1	
	On Leave		1	1	
	On Furlough		1	1	
	Att. H.S.		11	11	
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5th Hvy. Bty. RCA	On Parade		1	1	1
-----					
51st Hvy. Bty. R.C.A.		1		1	1
-----					
1st. S/L Regt. RCA	On Parade	1	1	2	2
-----					
2nd. Bn. (M) C.S.R.	On Parade		12	12	
	Stn. Hosp.		2	2	14
-----					
R.C.C.S.I.	On Parade		2	2	2
-----					
R.C.A.M.C.	Employed	2	2	2	2
		2	3	5	5
-----					
Naval personnel Attached		1	7	8	8
-----					
Civilian personnel Attached			16	16	16
-----					
GRAND TOTAL		8	149	157	142

Chaplain

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9 149 158 143



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PART I ORDERS

85th Heavy Battery, R.C.A. C.A.S.F.  
York Island, B.C.

4th AUGUST, 1940  
by  
Major J.F. Piercey, O.C.

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1. DUTIES: Monday

- To be officer of the watch - Lt. J.H. Bricker
- Next for duty - Bt. P.F. Dockerill
- To be orderly officer - Lt. P.F. Dockerill
- Next for duty - Lt. J.H. Bricker
- Orderly Sgt. - L/Sgt. Thurlwell
- Orderly Bdr. - Bdr. Parker

2. DUTY WATCHES from 0730 hrs. 5-8-40 to 0730 hrs. 6-8-40

<u>Detachment No. 1</u>	<u>Left Section</u>	<u>Detachment No. 2</u>
L/Sgt. Cartwright and 12 O.R.'s as detailed		L/Sgt. Cuddeford and 12 O.R.'s as detailed

3. MANNING PARADE 0830 hrs. - H.Q. and duty watches  
*(1930 hrs.)*

4. SANITARY PATROL - Monday

- Cnr. Willoughby
- King -
- Pte. Shearer

5. SENTRY DUTY from 1800 hrs. 5-8-40 to 0600 hrs. 6-8-40

Ptes. English, McCulloch, Johnstone  
2nd Bn. C.S.R.



Aug. 4, 1940.

District Officer,  
Bessborough Armouries,  
Vancouver, B.C.

Watkins Clinometer

1. The drum on the one Watkins Clinometer that we have here is very loose and makes readings uncertain.
2. May another be sent up to release it so that it may be forwarded to Ordnance for adjustments.

(J.E.Piercy) Major, R.C.A.  
Officer Commanding  
York Island

86th Heavy Battery, R.C.A.C. C.A.S.F.

YORK ISLAND, B.C.

AUG 4th 1940

DAILY STRENGTH STATE

		(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)
		<u>Offrs.</u>	<u>C.S.F.</u>	<u>TOTAL</u>	<u>TOTAL AT YORK ISLAND.</u>
86th Hvy. Bty. RCA	On Parade	2	78	80	
	Employed		11	11	
	Stn. Hosp.		1	1	92
	On Command		1	1	
	Att. 50th	1		1	
	On Leave		1	1	
	On Furlough		1	1	
	Att. to H.C.		11	11	
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5th Hvy. Bty. RCA	On parade		1	1	1
-----					
1st. Hvy. Bty. RCA	On Parade	1		1	1
-----					
1st. S/L Regt. RCA	On Parade	1		1	
	Employed		1	1	2
-----					
2nd. Bn. (MB) C.S.F.	On Parade		12	12	
	Stn. Hosp.		2	2	14
-----					
R.C.C.S.	On Parade		5	5	5
-----					
R.C.A.M.C.	Employed	5	5	5	5
-----					
Chaplain		1		1	1
-----					
GRAND TOTAL		9	149	158	145
					<u>145</u>



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85th Heavy Battery, R.C.A. C.A.S.F.  
York Island, N.C.

5th August, 1940

by  
Major J.P. Piercey

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EXCLUDED

1. DUTIES - Tuesday

To be Officer of the Watch - Lt. P.F. Deckerill  
Next for duty Lt. J. H. Bricker

Orderly Officer - Lt. J. H. Bricker  
Next for duty - Lt. P.F. Deckerill

Orderly Sgt. - L/Sgt. Thurlwell  
Next for duty - Mr. Parker

2. DUTY WATCHES from 0730 hrs. 6-8-40 to 0730 hrs. 7-8-40

Right Section

Detachment No. 3

Sgt. Cox and  
12 O.R.'s as detailed

Detachment No. 4

Sgt. Ramsden and 12 O.R.'s  
as detailed

3. MANNING PARADE 0830 hrs. - H.Q. party & Duty Watches.

4. SANITARY PATROL - Tuesday

Cnr. Willoughby  
" King  
Pte. Robbins

5. SENTRY DUTY from 1800 hrs. 6-8-40 to 0600 hrs. 7-8-40

Ptes. Legg, Shearer, Hayes  
2nd Bn.C.S.R.

6. SECURITY OF MILITARY INFORMATION

All ranks of the C.A.S.F. are warned against communicating either verbally or in writing, any item of information respecting Naval, Army, or Air Force matters which may be of value to the enemy.

In particular, private correspondence should make no mention of the following:

- (a) The disposition, movement, or projected movement of warships, merchant ships, troops or aircraft.
- (b) Details as to numbers, armament, equipment or condition of ships of all kinds, troops or aircraft.
- (c) Any measures which have been taken or which are projected for the defence of any place.

7. CABLES - C.A.S.F.

PERSONNEL

With reference to Routine Order No. 454, the Canadian National and Canadian Pacific Telegraphs have arranged for special rates on message-free messages with a minimum of six words in the combined text and signature to be available for messages exchanged with members of the Canadian Armed Forces Overseas.

Union and Commercial Cables respectively have agreed to this.

Members of the Canadian Armed Forces overseas may now avail themselves of this service. The P.L.E. service which for longer periods allows for much cheaper rate is still available.



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5th August, 1940

by

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8. REDUCED RAILWAY FARES, C.A.S.F.

Routine Order No. 191, having to do with reduced railway fares for the C.A.S.F. is hereby cancelled.

Effective immediately, all personnel of the C.A.S.F. (including Matrons and Nursing Sisters of the Royal Canadian Army Medical Corps) when proceeding on leave may receive reduced railway fares under the following conditions:-

(a) In uniforms, upon presentation (not surrender) of a leave pass or letter from their commanding officer showing they are on leave.

(b) In mufti, upon surrender of Canadian Passenger Assn. certificate form 95, properly completed and bearing personal signature of Transport Officer or Officer Commanding together with presentation (not surrender) of leave pass or letter from their Commanding Officer showing they are on leave.

(c) The fare will be one-way fare for the round trip in the case of first class, intermediate class (where in effect) coach class, or special coach class (where in effect), with the proviso that the minimum fare will be twenty-five cents (25¢) in each case.

(d) First class tickets are valid for passage in coaches; also in sleeping cars or in parlor cars on payment of proper extra charge for accommodation in such cars.

Intermediate class tickets are valid for passage in coaches also in tourist cars, where operated, on payment of proper extra charge for accommodation in such tourist cars.

Coach class (not special coach class) tickets are valid for passage in coaches; also in tourist cars, where operated, on payment of proper extra charge for accommodation in such tourist cars.

Special coach class tickets are valid for passage in coaches only.

(e) The return limit for tickets obtained at reduced fares is 30 days from the date of sale.

(f) The reduced railway fares will only apply in Canada.

9. WEARING OF COLOURED FIELD SERVICE CAPS BY WARRANT OFFICERS, NON-COMMISSIONED OFFICERS AND MEN OF THE C.A.S.F. DURING THE PERIOD OF THE WAR.

With reference to para. 2(f) of Routine Order No. 516, authority is hereby granted for the coloured field service cap to be worn by Warrant Officers, N.C.O.'s and Men of all units for which a coloured field service cap has been authorized.

The occasions on which the coloured field service cap may be worn by the personnel referred to above are as follows:

(a) With undress uniforms in the evening, when not on duty. Personnel now in possession of the undress forage cap may continue to wear it with undress uniform, instead of the coloured field service cap.

(b) With service dress and battle dress, when not on duty. The regulation headdress will invariably be worn with service dress and battle dress, on duty.

The use of this alternative headdress will be entirely optional and no compulsion will be placed on any individual to provide it.

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85th Heavy Battery, R.C.A. C.A.S.F.

5th Aug. 1940.

by  
Major J. T. Pierson, O.C.

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9. WEARING OF COLOURED FIELD SERVICE CAPS, ETC. (CONT'D.)

In the case of regiments and corps for which a coloured service cap has already been authorized for officers, the cap for other ranks will follow the design approved for officers except that in cases where officers wear gold braid other ranks will wear worsted braid or no braid at all, as may be decided.

Regiments and corps for which a coloured field service cap has not been authorized should follow the procedure specified in para. 2 (e) and Appendix I, R. O. No. 516, if they now desire to adopt this pattern of headdress, which will not be taken into wear until National Defence Headquarters' approval has been obtained.

10. PERMISSION TO MARRY:

K17048 Gnr. Conroy, E., is granted permission to marry.



# GOVERNMENT OF CANADA



CANADA

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DEPARTMENT OF NATIONAL DEFENCE—OTTAWA, CANADA

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NIGHT LETTERS

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AND RADIO  
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THE WORLD

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SEND THE FOLLOWING MESSAGE SUBJECT TO THE TERMS ON THE BACK HEREOF:—

YORK ISLAND  
~~XX~~ AUG 5/1130

O C VAN AREA

643 Your 477 PERIMETER OF ISLAND 3000 YDS EXISTING LOCA DEFENSES  
2 MAXIM ONE A A LEWIS 98 RIFLES INSUFFICIENT AMMUNITION NO BARBED  
WIRE PERSONNEL AVAILABLE 14 O.R.S INFANTRY 20 O.R.s RELIEF GUNNERS  
STOP REQUIRE ADDITIONAL ANTI AIRCRAFT GUNS 16 LIGHT OR HEAVY  
MACHINE GUNS WITH PERSONNEL HAND GRANADES SANDBAGS BARBED WIRE  
STOP REQUEST SEND EXPERIENCED SENIOR INFANTRY AND ENGINEER  
OFFICER ADVISE DEFENCE NECESSARY LEAVING PER CANADIAN NATIONAL  
STEAMER 2100 HOURS TONIGHT ARRIVING 0800 HRS TUESDAY  
O C YORK ISLAND

5th August, 1940.

R.C.E. Works Officer,  
41st Ave. & Willow St.,  
Vancouver, B.C.

Mooring Buoy

1. Reference your letter 15th July, 1940, file Va 2-1, para. 1 and 2.
2. The concrete moorings has been made but the Navy authorities insist that the 3/8" galvanized cable is far too light on these strong tides and would carry away in a few months. They insist that chains are the only mooring that will hold.
3. I have taken the chain off the floats at the wharf and shackled them to the concrete mooring and buoy which is now in position.
4. To replace these chains and also to replace the other fastening which have worn out, will you please send up about 200 lin. ~~ft~~ of 1/2" galvanized chain and 6 - 1/2" galvanized couplings.

(J.E.Piercy) Major, R.C.A.  
Officer Commanding  
York Island

Diary

85th Heavy Battery, R.C.A., C.A.S.F.

York Island, B.C.

Aug. 5th 1940

DAILY STRENGTH STATE

		(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)
		Offrs.	O.R.s	TOTAL	TOTAL AS YORK ISLAND
85th Hvy. Bty. RCA	On Parade	8	78	86	
	Employed		19	19	
	Stn. Hosp.		2	2	92
	On Command		1	1	
	On Leave		1	1	
	On Furlough		1	1	
	Att. B.C.	1		1	
	Att. H.Q.		11	11	
-----					
5th Hvy. Bty. RCA	On Parade		1	1	1
-----					
51st Hvy. Bty. RCA	On Parade	1		1	1
-----					
1st. S/L Regt. RCA	On Parade	1		1	
	Employed		1	1	2
-----					
2nd. Bn. (MG) CBR	On Parade		11	11	
	Stn. Hosp.		3	3	14
-----					
R.C.C.S.	On Parade		2	2	2
-----					
R.C.A.M.C.	Employed	1	3	4	4
-----					
Chaplain		1		1	1
-----					
Naval personnel attached		1	7	8	8
Civilian personnel attached			10	10	16
Grand Total		8		8	
		8	149	156	161



PART I ORDERS

85th Heavy Batta. W. R.C.A. C.A.S.F.  
YORK ISLAND, B.C.

6th August, 1940.

by  
Major J.K. Flanagan, O.C.

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1. DUTIES: Wednesday

To be Officer of the Watch	- Lt. J.H. Bricker
Next for duty	- Lt. P.F. Dockerill
Orderly Officer	- Lt. P.F. Dockerill
Next for duty	- Lt. J.H. Bricker
Orderly Sgt.	- 1/Sgt. Thurlwell
Orderly Bdr.	- Bdr. Parker

2. DUTY WATCHES from 0730 hrs. 7-8-40 to 0730 hrs. 8-8-40

Left Section

Detachment No. 3

1/Sgt. Cartwright and  
12 O.R.'s as detailed

Detachment No. 4

Sgt. Davidson and  
12 O.R.'s as detailed

3. MORNING PARADE - 0830 hrs. H.Q. Party and duty watches

4. SANITARY FATIGUE - Wednesday

Cnr. Willoughby  
" King  
Pte. Gorrill

5. ENTRY DUTY from 1800 hrs. 7-8-40 to 0600 hrs. 8-8-40


Ptes. Witaker, Robbins, English  
2nd Bn. C.S.R.



Aug. 6, 1940.

SecretHeadquarters,  
M.D.No. 11,  
Victoria, B.C.Attention G.S.O. 1Crew Shelter and Parapet Walls

1. I understand that approval has been obtained from N.D.H.Q. for the above, but todate no work has been done on same. I request that the D.E.O. be instructed to complete this as soon as possible because in the event of attack by a vessel with guns ranging over 9,000 yds. a bombproof shelter would be essential to keep the men alive until the enemy came within range.
2. Ammunition for 4.7 guns. Apparently no more tubes will be available for some time, so we have ammunition available for about 30 minutes action. In view of the threatening Japanese attitude, I suggest that consideration be given to the possibility of the Navy leaving us temporarily 2 or more 6 in. or 4.7 guns with naval ammunition from their stores. These could be mounted on temporary mountings on top of the island and returned when the tension is over, or new tubes tubes can be supplied for the 4.7 guns.
3. S.A.A. Ammunition. The D.O.O. advises that additional ammunition is being supplied but it has not yet arrived.
4. Food reserve. D.S. & T.O. advises that N.D.H.Q. has been requested to approve food reserve for York Island in view of the possibility it may be cut off in case of attack.
5. Water Reserve. No steps have been taken to increase the reserve storage of water on York Island.

  
(J. B. Piercy) Major, R.C.A.  
Officer Commanding  
York Island

6th August, 1940.

Officer Commanding,  
Vancouver Area,  
323 Federal Building,  
Vancouver, B.C.

Attention R.C.E. Works  
Officer

PAINT

1. Referring to my conversation with Lt. Barrett, R.C.E., in which he stated that the D.E.O. would consent to supplying paint for the Hospital, the following is the requirements estimated by a professional painter in the Bty.:

HOSPITAL

300 lbs. white lead  
30 gals. boiled linseed oil  
20 " turpentine  
5 lbs. colouring see foam green  
3 brushes 4 $\frac{1}{2}$ " wide  
2 " 2 $\frac{1}{2}$ " "  
1 brush 1 $\frac{1}{2}$ " "

2. The above should give two coats and can be mixed by our own painter and applied by him.

(J.E.Piercy) Major, R.C.A.  
Officer Commanding  
York Island

J&amp;P/JS



Aug. 6, 1940.

Secret

Officer Commanding,  
Vancouver Area,  
Vancouver, B.C.

Field Defences

1. Replying to your telegram 477 and our reply 643, re the a/m.
2. For mobile defence there is the following equipment:
  - 2 Maxim guns
  - 1 A.A. Lewis LMG
  - 98 rifles
  - Insufficient ammunition (SAA)
  - No barbed wire.
3. I have no official information from H.Q. as to likely size of attack, but am informed that there are at least 400 Japanese living north of York Island and about the same number south, all within 12 hours sailing distance using the ordinary Japanese Fish packer. These are men of military age, most of them trained in the Japanese army or navy, and it is stated that most of them are equipped with serviceable rifles, which are not often registered. This information has been obtained from members of the Fishermen's Reserve, the Fisheries Inspector, Capt. of M.S. "Columbia" of the Columbia Coast Mission and other reliable local residents.
4. We will require for Field Defense of the Island:
  - (a) Additional A.A. Guns.
  - (b) 16 light or heavy machine guns.
  - (c) Handgrenades
  - (d) S.A.A. Ammunition
  - (e) Sandbags
  - (f) Barbed wire.
5. The perimeter of the island is about 300 yds. and it is estimated that there will be available for field defense 14 O.R.'s 2nd Bn. (MG) Can.Scots. Regt. and 20 O.R.'s 85th Hvy.Bty. RCA as the remainder of the 85th Hvy.Bty. will be occupied manning the 4.7 guns; so it is evident that personnel for field defense is insufficient and will have to be radically increased.
6. I request that an experienced senior infantry and an experienced engineer officer be sent up to inspect and recommend what additional field defenses are necessary.

*J. E. Piercy*  
(J. E. Piercy) Major, R.C.A.  
Officer Commanding  
York Island

85th HEAVY BATTERY, R.C.A., C.A.S.F.  
YORK ISLAND, B.C.

AUG. 6th 1940

DAILY STRENGTH STATE

		(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)
		OFFICERS	SERVANTS	TOTAL	TOTAL AT YORK ISLAND
85th Hvy. Bty. RCA	On Parade	2	75	75	
	Employed		11	11	
	Stn. Hosp.		5	5	89
	On Command		1	1	
	On Leave		5	5	
	On Furlough		1	1	
	Att. 88th Att. H.Q.	1		1	
			11	11	
-----					
5th Hvy. Bty. RCA	On Parade		1	1	1
-----					
31st. Hvy. Bty. RCA	On Parade	1		1	1
-----					
1st. S/L Regt. RCA	On Parade	1		1	
	Employed		1	1	2
-----					
Eng. Im. (MG) C.S.R.	On Parade		11	11	
	Stn. Hosp.		3	3	14
-----					
R.C.C.S.	On Parade		2	2	2
	On Leave		1	1	
-----					
R.C.A.M.C.	Employed	1	3	4	4
-----					
Naval personnel attached		1	7	8	8
-----					
Civilian Personnel attached			16	16	16
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GRAND TOTAL		7	148	155	157



85th Heavy Battery, R.C.A., C.A.S.F.  
York Island, B.C.

Aug. 7th 1940

DAILY STRENGTH STAFF

	(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	
	Offrs.	C.R.S	TOTAL	TOTAL AT YORK ISLAND	
85th Hvy. Bty. RCA	On Parade	2	75	75	
	Employed		11	11	
	Stn. Hosp.		5	5	89
	On Command		1	1	
	On Leave		5	5	
	On Furlough		1	1	
	Att. 58th Att. H.Q.	1	11	11	
5th Hvy. Bty. RCA	On Parade	1	1	1	
31st Hvy. Bty. RCA	On Parade	1	1	1	
1st. S/L Regt. RCA	On Parade	1	1		
	Employed		1	2	
Inf. Bn. (M) C.S.R.	A.W.I.		1		
	On Parade Stn. Hosp.		10 5	15 15	
R.C.C.S.	On Parade	2	2	2	
	On Leave	1	1		
R.O.A.M.C.	Employed	1	4	4	
Naval personnel attached	1	7	8	8	
Civilian Personnel attached		20	20	20	
		<del>21</del>	<del>22</del>	<del>22</del>	
GRAND TOTAL	7	158	165	160	



Title pages will be prepared.

# WAR DIARY OR INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY

*(Erase heading not required)*

# ORIGINAL

M.F.M. 11.  
\* F. 118.  
1 M.L. 4 (3738)  
H.Q. D.C. 48, 18

Original, duplicate and triplicate to be forwarded to O. i/c 2nd Echelon for disposal.

Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks, reference to Appendices and initials
	1940			
York Is-land	Aug. 8		1 O. <sup>A</sup> , proceeded on leave. Letter re Field Defences & Camouflage sent H.Q. M.D.11 Letter re drag saw sent Works Officer Letter re verticality of pivot #2 gun sent D.O.      Weather: cloudy	2-0 8-4 9-1
"	9		Weather: cloudy	
"	10		Hon. Major A. Madden CCS arrived. 1 O.R. granted compassionate leave Letter re accommodation sent Bde. H.Q. Letter re paint for guns sent D.O.O. Letter re coal sent D.D.S. & T.O. Weather: fair	5-1 8-4 8-1 7-3
"	11		Weather: bright	
"	12		No. 1 gun fired one "bring to" round. Letter re Training Manual & Pamphlets on hand sent to Bde. H.Q. Weather: bright.	
"	13		3 O.R.'s proceeded on leave Hon. Major A. Madden, CCS, departed. No. 1 gun fired 2 "bring to" rounds. Weather: bright	
"	14		Waterboat tested with full load and found unseaworthy. Weather: bright	
"	15		1 O.R. proceeded on leave. Letter re cook for Station Hospital sent Weather: bright.	6-0-1
"	16		No. 1 gun fired one "bring to" round. Weather: fair with moderate winds.	
"	17		1 O.R. proceeded on leave. Capt. R.H. Jorgensen, proceeded on leave. Weather: cloudy	
"	18		Lt. F. Wingert, D.O. arrived from Prince Rupert to carry out calibration. No. 2 gun fired 2 "bring to" rounds at a fish packer. Letter re respirators. One O.R. S.O.S. on transfer to Dist. Depot. Weather: fair, cloudy evening.	

PART I ORDERS

85th Heavy Battery, R.C.A. C.A.S.F.  
York Island, B.C.

8th August, 1940

by  
Major J.V. Picrey, O.C.

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1. DUTIES: Friday

To be officer of the watch  
Next for duty

- Lt. J. H. Bricker  
- Lt. P. F. Dockerill

Orderly Officer  
Next for duty

- Lt. P. F. Dockerill  
- Lt. J. H. Bricker

Orderly Sgt.

- L/Sgt. Thurlwell

Orderly Bdr.

- Bdr. Parker

2. DUTY WATCHES: from 0730 hrs. 9-8-40 to 0730 hrs. 10-8-40

Left Section

Detachment No. 1

L/Sgt. Cartwright and  
12 O.R.'s as detailed

Detachment No. 2

Sgt. Davidson and  
12 O.R.'s as detailed

3. MANNING PARADE 0830 hrs. H.Q. party and Duty Watches

4. SANITARY DETAIL - Friday

Gnr. Willoughby  
King  
Pte. Gorrill

5. SENTRY DUTY from 1800 hrs. 9-8-40 to 0600 hrs. 10-8-40

Ptes. Witaker, Flamonden, English

2nd Bn. S.C.R.



8th August, 1940.

Headquarters,  
M.D.No. 11,  
Victoria, B.C.

Field Defence and Camouflage  
Coast Defence Generally

1. Reference your letter 2nd August, 1940, file V5-36-1-13.
2. Vancouver Area wired us for our requirements in field defence, on August 5th, and we forwarded copy of our letter, 6th August, file 2-0, to you.
3. I asked that an experienced engineer officer should come up and inspect the Island especially with regard to barbed wire.
4. There is no barbed wire on the Island and a landing from a small boat can be made anywhere. The perimeter is about 3,000 yds., so I recommended that about 20,000 lin. yards be sent up, and a corresponding amount of angle wire pickets.
5. If possible, I request that Lt.-Col. J.H.Jenkins, R.C.E., be allowed to proceed here to advise on the amount of wire required. He has never been up here and his advise would be very valuable.

(J.E.Pieroy) Major, R.C.A  
Officer Commanding  
York Island

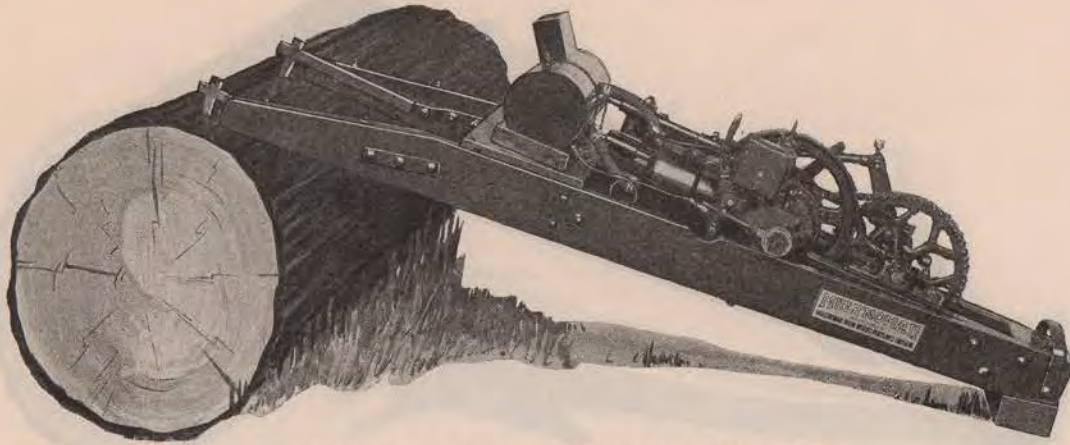
8th August, 1940.

R.C.E.Works Officer,  
41st & Willow,  
Vancouver, B.C.

DRAG SAW

1. The drag saw arrived safely and appears to be in good working order.
2. Would you please send us up an additional 6 foot saw for cutting large logs as the saw you sent is too short for a number of the logs on the Island.
3. Also please send up one can of cup grease for lubricating.
4. The make of the saw is Multnomh, Model YK.

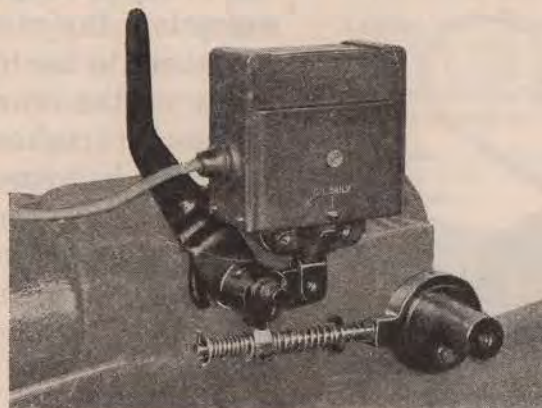
(J.E.Piercy) Major, R.C.A.  
Officer Commanding  
York Island



STANDARD MAGNETO IGNITION MODEL YK

## MAGNETO IGNITION

THE majority of the Drag Saws that we manufacture today are Magneto equipped and we strongly recommend the use of this type. Batteries, timer, coil and wiring system are eliminated and that means the removal of one of the greatest and most annoying of all motor troubles. A study of the cut below, showing the magneto installation, will explain the main reason for the success of magneto drag saw ignition. Note that the magneto is rigidly attached to the motor and becomes an integral part of that unit; consequently regardless of any spring, straining or warping of the wood frame, cannot get out of line or adjustment. The fact that 90% of the stationary gas engines are magneto equipped is the main argument in favor of that method of ignition.





8th Aug. 1940.

District Officer,  
Bessborough Armouries,  
Vancouver, B.C.

Verticality of Pivot No. 2 Gun.

1. At the present time No.2 gun is slightly more than two minutes off vertical. This deviation has been gradually increasing during the past few weeks. Please arrange to supply a sufficient quantity of suitable shim metal so that we can level the pedestal.

(J.E.Piercy) Major, R.C.A.  
Officer Commanding  
York Island

DIARY

85th Heavy Battery R.C.A., C.A.S.F.  
York Island B.C.

AMB, 8th, 1940

DAILY STRENGTH STAFF

		(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)
		<u>Offrs.</u>	<u>O.R.s</u>	<u>Total</u>	<u>Total at York Island</u>
85th Hvy Bty. RCA	On Parade	2	72	74	
	Employed		11	11	
	Sta. Hosp.		3	3	88
	On Command		1	1	
	On Leave		4	4	
	On Furlough		1	1	
	Att. 58th. Att. N.C.	1	11	11	
-----					
5th Hvy. Bty. RCA	On Parade		1	1	1
-----					
31st. Hvy. Bty. RCA	On Parade	1		1	1
-----					
1st. S/L Regt. RCA	On Parade	1		1	
	Employed		1	1	2
-----					
2nd. Bn. (M) C.S.R.	A.W.L.		1	1	
	On Parade		10	10	
	Sta. Hospital		3	3	13
-----					
R.C.C.S.	On Parade		2	2	2
	On Leave		1	1	
-----					
R.C.A.M.C.	Employed	1	3	4	4
-----					
Naval Personnel attached		1	7	8	8
-----					
Civilian Personnel attached			20	20	20
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GRAND TOTAL		7	152	159	159



PART I ORDERS

85th Heavy Battery, R.C.A. C.A.S.F.  
York Island, B.J.

9th August, 1940.

by  
Major J.W. Piracy, O.C.

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1. DUTIES: Saturday

To be Officer of the Watch	- Lt. P.F. Dockerill
Next for duty	- Lt. J.H. Bricker
Orderly Officer	- Lt. J.H. Bricker
Next for duty	- Lt. P.F. Dockerill
Orderly Sgt.	- L/Sgt. Thurlwell
Next for duty	- Sgt. Davidson
Orderly Bdr.	- Bdr. Parker
Next for duty	- Bdr. Box

2. DUTY WATCHES from 0730 hrs. 10-8-40 to 0730 hrs. 11-8-40

Right Section

Detachment No. 1

Sgt. Cox and  
12 O.R.'s as detailed

Detachment No. 2

Sgt. Ramsden and  
12 O.R.'s as detailed

3. MANNING PARADE 0830 hrs. H.Q. Party and duty watches.

4. SANITARY DETAIL - Saturday

Cmr. King  
" Atkins  
Pte. Legg

5. SENTRY DUTY from 1800 hrs. 10-8-40 to 0600 hrs. 11-8-40

Ptes. Gorrill, McCulloch, Johnstone  
2nd Bn.C.S.R.

6. RIFLES LONG ROSS Mk III RW/CHAMBERED:

On no account is a rifle to be stripped except by a qualified instructor or an Armourer. Magazines cannot be removed without stripping rifle.

It may be necessary to remove the bolt for cleaning, in which case very great care must be taken to ensure the bolt being assembled correctly to body when replacing.

The correct position for inserting bolt into body is in the cocked position; that is, the head drawn forward about one inch out of the sleeve, lugs horizontal, gas escape hole uppermost.

Extractors frequently break, or become lost, when by manipulation the bolt can be got into a position where it can be wrongly assembled to the body, and cannot, without force, be again removed.

On no account shall the bolt be assembled to body in any other position than that set out above, and care taken to ensure the guideways of the bolt sleeve correctly engage the guides on the body.

PART I ORDERS

85th Heavy Battery, R.C.A. C.A.S.F.  
York Island, B.C.

9th August, 1940

by

Major J. M. Pirovets, C.

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7. CHANNELS of COMMUNICATION:

At great many communications from serving soldiers are received at National Defence Headquarters addressed to the Minister of National Defence, to the Secretary and other officers at Defence Headquarters.

Quite apart from the irregularity of this procedure, delay ensues in dealing with the questions raised in these communications as, in nearly every case, the matter has to be referred back to the District or Unit concerned to obtain the requisite information.

In nearly every case, the subject of the communication could more readily be dealt with locally.

Communications received have in no way been confined to complaints, but have included ideas to assist in the conduct of the war.

All ranks, are, therefore, to be informed of the correct procedure for bringing to notice of higher authority any matters whether it be complaint or otherwise.

It is to be impressed upon Officers and N.C.O's. that it is their duty to give proper attention and careful consideration to all matters brought to their notice by those under their command, and in the case of complaints that the officer or other rank concerned is duly paraded in accordance with Sections 42 and 43 of the Army Act and notes thereto.

Officers and other ranks are to be informed that direct communication with higher authority except through the immediate superior concerned is forbidden.

8. SUMMER DRESS:

Summer dress issue will be made immediately, and the following points must be adhered to so that there will be uniformity in the Bde.

- (a) Puttees will be rolled artillery fashion - viz. from the top down.
- (b) The drill tunic will not be worn without the proper buttons when walking out. (It is expected that regulation buttons will be issued shortly).
- (c) The leather waist belt will be worn on all occasions when walking out.

The attention of all Officers is drawn to C.A.S.F. Routine Order No. 413, dated 10th April, 1940.



1 DAIRY

85th HEAVY BATTERY R.C.A., C.A.S.F.  
York Island, B.C.

Aug. 9th, 1940

DAILY STRENGTH STATE

		(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)
		<u>Offrs.</u>	<u>C.S.S.</u>	<u>TOTAL</u>	<u>TOTAL AT York Island</u>
85th Hvy. Bty. RCA	On Parade	2	55	55	
	Employed		11	11	
	Sta. Hospital		2	2	68
	On Command		2	2	
	On Leave		4	4	
	On Furlough		1	1	
	Att. 80th.	1		1	
Att. H.C.		8	8		
Detention		1	1		
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Ho. Hl. Dist. Depot	On Parade		15	15	
	Sta. Hospital		1	1	
	On Leave		1	1	
	Att. Sde. H.C.		5	5	16
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85th Hvy. Bty.	On Parade	1		1	1
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1st. S/L Regt. R.C.A.	On Parade	1		1	
	Employed		1	1	2
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2nd. Bn. (M) C.S.R.	A.W.L.		1	1	
	On Parade		10	10	
	Sta. Hospital		5	5	15
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R.C.C.S.	On Parade		2	2	
	On Leave		1	1	3
<hr/>					
R.C.A.M.C.	Employed	1	2	3	
	On Furlough		1	1	3
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Naval Personnel Attached		1	7	8	8
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Civilian Personnel Attached			80	80	80
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		7	152	159	152
GRAND TOTAL					



*Orderly*

PART I ORDERS

85th Heavy Battery, R.C.A. C.A.S.F.  
YORK ISLAND, B.C.

10th August, 1940

by  
Major J.E. Piorey, O.C.

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Next for duty	- Lt. P.F. Dockerill
Orderly Officer	- Lt. P.F. Dockerill
Next for duty	- Lt. J.H. Bricker
Orderly Sgt.	- Sgt. Davidson
Orderly Bdr.	- Bdr. Cox

2. DUTY WATCHES from 0830 hrs. 11-8-40 to 0730 hrs. 12-8-40

Left Section

No. 3 Detachment

L/Sgt. Cartwright  
and 12 O.R.'s as detailed

No. 4 Detachment

L/Sgt. Cuddeford  
and 12 O.R.'s as detailed

3. MORNING PARADE 0930 hrs. H.Q. Party and duty watches  
and 1930 hrs.

4. SANITARY PATROL - Sunday

Cnr. Willoughby  
" Richmond  
Pte. Witeker

5. SENTRY DUTY from 1800 hrs. 11-8-40 to 0600 hrs. 12-8-40.

Ptes. Wilkin, Legg, Shearer  
and En. CSR

6. CONFESSIOn will be heard tonight (Saturday) at 1900 hrs.,  
in the Power House by the Hon. Major A. Madden.

MASS will be celebrated at 0730 hrs. Sunday morning in the  
Power House.



NOTICE

ANY MEN WHO CAN SPEAK OR WRITE JAPANESE ARE TO  
REPORT TO THE ORDERLY ROOM.

10th August, 1940.

Officer Commanding,  
15th (Van.) Coast Bde. R.C.A. CASF  
Vancouver, B.C.

Accommodation

Reference your letter 9th August, 1940.  
File 6-2-2, para. 10.

1. The accommodation available for 85th Hvy.Bty. RCA CASF at present is 108, which is about the present strength of the battery.
2. There is no accommodation unused except temporary accommodation in the unused power house which could accommodate 10 O.R.'s.
3. If you wish to send more than 10 men, it will be necessary to build more sleeping huts. It takes about a week to build a sleeping hut, after the materials have been received.
4. We can accommodate 10 O.R.'s immediately, and could use more men if extra huts were built.

(J.E.Piercy) Major, R.C.A.  
Officer Commanding  
York Island

10th August, 1940.

District Ordnance Officer,  
Victoria, B.C.

Paint for Guns

1. Reference indent your # 539, dated 26-4-40, for the following:

<u>Brushes</u> , paint $\frac{1}{2}$ " flat	2
1"	2
2"	2
3"	2
4"	2
5"	1

Paint.P.F.U.

Black flat	- 1 gal.
Green #1F	- 3 "
Green, emerald	8 "
Red, bright	- 1 "
Red, primary	4 "
White	2 "

2. This paint is for the guns which are in a deplorable condition with the paint worn off in places.
3. I have written you many times about this with no result.
4. The District Officer and Master GUNner have asked also with no result.
5. I understand that the Inspector General will shortly be inspecting York Island and the paint on the guns will undoubtedly catch his eye, and call for his severe reprimand.
6. My only excuse can be that we have your approved indent, dated 26th May, 1940, but have not received the paint; so cannot be responsible for the bad state of the guns if Ordnance takes longer than 4 months to supply paint for the most important part of our defences.
7. I would request that in order to avoid reprimand for both of us, you instruct your storeman to ship this immediately so that we can make an effort to get the guns in shape for this inspection.

(J.E.Piercy) Major, R.C.A.  
Officer Commanding  
York Island



August 10, 1940.

D.D.S. & T.O.,  
Immigration Bldg.,  
Vancouver, B.C.

Coal - York Island

Replying to your letter of 8th August, 1940.  
File STV 3-2-1

1. Please refer to my letter of July 30th, 1940, our file 8-3, which deals with the above, copy enclosed.
2. The D.E.O. has issued instructions to build a coal bin to hold 50 tons and has authorized me to indent for material for same, which is being done.
3. Owing to the size of the wharf, and the difficulty of moving such a large quantity, it is much better for us to handle quantities of not more than about 20 tons at a time, as with our limited transportation facilities it takes us nearly a week to move 20 tons.
4. I suggest that the existing arrangements whereby S.S. "Border Prince" calls in at Nanaimo and loads about 20 tons in bulk is the cheapest and most economical way of handling this material.

(J.E.Piercy) Major, R.C.A.  
Officer Commanding  
York Island

DIAR

88th Heavy Battery R.C.A., C.A.S., B.  
York Island, B.C.

Aug. 10th, 1940

		(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)
		Offr.	C.S.R.s	TOTAL	TOTAL AT YORK ISLAND
88th Hvy. Bty. RCA	On parade	2	56	58	
	Employed		11	11	
	Stc. Hospital		1	1	70
	On Command		2	2	
	On Leave		4	4	
	Att. 88th	1		1	
	Att. H.C.		6	6	
Detention		1	1		
A.W.L.		1	1		
-----					
Sq. 1 Dist. Depot	On Parade		17	17	
	Stc. Hospital		1	1	
	On Leave		1	1	
	Att. Bde. H.C.		5	5	18
-----					
31st Hvy. Bty. RCA	On Parade	1		1	1
-----					
1st S/L Reg. RCA	On Parade	1		1	
	Employed		1	1	2
-----					
Snd. In. (10) CBR	A.W.L.		1	1	
	On Parade		12	12	13
-----					
R.C.C.S.	On Parade		5	5	5
-----					
R.C.A.M.C.	Employed	1	2	3	
	On Furlough		1	1	5
-----					
Naval Personnel Attached		1	7	8	8
-----					
Civilian Personnel Attached			20	20	20
-----					
		7	158	159	<u>159</u>
		GRAND TOTAL			



PART I ORDERS

85th Heavy Battery, R.C.A. C.A.S.F.  
York Island, BC

11th August, 1940  
by  
Major J.E. Piercy, OC

DIARY

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1. DUTIES: - Monday

To be Officer of the watch	- Lt. P.F. Dockerill
Next for duty	- Lt. J.H. Bricker
Orderly Officer	- Lt. J.H. Bricker
Next for duty	- Lt. P.F. Dockerill
Orderly Sgt.	- Sgt. Davidson
Orderly Bdr.	- Bdr. Cox

2. DUTY WATCHES from 0730 hrs. 12-8-40 to 0730 hrs. 13-8-40

Right Section

No. 1 Detachment

Sgt. Cox and  
12 O.R.'s as detailed

No. 2 Detachment

Sgt. Ramsden and  
12 O.R.'s as detailed

3. MANNING PARADE 0830 hrs. and 1930 hrs. H.Q. Party and duty watches

4. SANITARY FATIGUE - Monday

Cnr. Willoughby  
" King  
Pte. English

5. SENTRY DUTY from 1800 hrs. 12-8-40 to 0600 hrs. 13-8-40

Ptes. Witaker, Hamdon, Cameron  
2nd Bn. CSR

6. ORDERS FOR DRESS - PARADES:

1. Manning Parades:

Headress: Helmet, sun, except in wet weather when caps, P.S., will be worn.

Blouses: Serge battle dress over shirts-K.C.S.S. or shirts service (sleeves rolled above elbow)

Trousers: B.D. Denim or trousers service

Boots: Boots ankle

2. H.Q. Parade:

Headress: as for Manning parade

Shirt: Shirts K.C.S.S. or jackets, drill when ordered

Trousers: trousers, drill, short

Boots: Boots ankle, with putties, serge.



85th Heavy Battery, R.C.A., C.A.S.F.  
York Island, B.C.

Aug. 11th, 1940

		(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)
		<u>Offrs.</u>	<u>O.R.S</u>	<u>TOTAL</u>	<u>TOTAL AT York Island</u>
85th Hvy. Bty RCA	On Parade	2	56	58	
	Employed		11	11	
	Sta. Hospital		1	1	70
	On Command		2	2	
	On Leave		4	4	
	Att. 50th	1		1	
	Att. H.Q.		6	6	
	Detention		1	1	
A.W.L.		1	1		
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No. 11 Dist. Depot	On Parade		17	17	
	Sta. Hospital		1	1	
	On Leave		1	1	
	Att. 360. H.Q.		5	5	18
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81st Hvy. Bty. RCA	On Parade	1		1	1
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1st S/L R.C. RCA	On Parade	1		1	
	Employed		1	1	2
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2nd Bn. (250) OBR	A.W.L.		1	1	
	On Parade		15	15	15
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R.C.C.S.	On Parade		3	3	3
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R.C.A.M.C.	Employed	1	2	3	
	On Furlough		1	1	5
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Naval Personnel Attached		1	7	8	8
<hr/>					
Civilian Personnel Attached			20	20	20
<hr/>					
		7	158	165	158
GRAND TOTAL					



PART I ORDERS

85th Heavy Battery, R.C.A. C.A.S.F.  
York Island B.C.

12th August, 1940

by  
Major J.V. Pierce, O.C.

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1. DUTIES: Tuesday

To be officer of the watch	- Lt. J.H. Bricker
Next for duty	- Lt. P.F. Deckerill
Orderly Officer	- Lt. P.F. Deckerill
Next for duty	- Lt. J.H. Bricker
Orderly Sgt.	- Sgt. Davidson
Orderly Bdr.	- Bdr. Cox

2. DUTY WATCHES from 0730 hrs. 13-8-40 to 0730 hrs. 14-8-40

Detachment No. 3 Left Section

L/Sgt. Cartwright and  
12 O.R.'s as detailed

Detachment No. 4

L/Sgt. Cuddeford and  
12 O.R.'s as detailed

3. MORNINE PARADE - 0830 hrs. and 1930 hrs. H.C. party and duty watches

4. SANITARY DETAIL - Tuesday

CNR. Willoughby  
" - King  
Pte. Johnstone

5. SENTRY DUTY from 1800 hrs. 13-8-40 to 0600 hrs. 14-8-40

Ptes. English, Gorrill, McCulloch  
2nd Bn. C.S.E.



85th Heavy Battery R.C.A., C.A.S.F.  
York Island, B.C.

AUG. 18th, 1940

DAILY STRENGTH STATE

	(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)
	<u>OFFRS.</u>	<u>C.R.S</u>	<u>TOTAL</u>	<u>TOTAL AT YORK ISLAND</u>
85th Hvy. Bty. R.C.A.				
On Parade	2	56	58	
Employed		11	11	
Sta. Hospital		1	1	70
On Command		2	2	
On Leave		4	4	
Att. 85th	1		1	
Att. R.C.		6	6	
Detention		1	1	
A.W.L.		1	1	
-----				
No. 11 Dist. Depot		17	17	
On Parade		1	1	
Sta. Hospital		1	1	
On Leave		1	1	
Att. Bde. H.Q.		3	3	10
-----				
51st Hvy. Bty. R.C.A.	1		1	1
-----				
1st S/L Reg. R.C.A.	1		1	
Employed		1	1	2
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2nd. En. (MB) CSR		15	15	
A.W.L.		1	1	15
-----				
R.C.C.S.		3	3	3
-----				
R.C.A.M.C.	1	2	3	
On Furlough		1	1	3
-----				
Naval Personnel Attached	1	7	8	8
-----				
CIVILIAN Personnel Attached		20	20	20
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	7	152	159	138
GRAND TOTAL				<u>138</u>



PART I ORDERS

85th Heavy Battery, R.C.A. C.A.S.F.  
York Island, B.C.

15th August, 1940

by  
Major J.F. Piercy, O.C.

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1. DUTIES: Wednesday

To be Officer of the Watch	- Lt. P.F. Deckerill
Next for duty	- Lt. J.H. Bricker
Orderly Officer	- Lt. J.H. Bricker
Next for duty	- Lt. P.F. Deckerill
Orderly Sgt.	- Sgt. Davidson
Orderly Mr.	- Bdr. Cox

2. DUTY WATCHES from 0730 hrs. 14-8-40 to 0730 hrs. 15-8-40

Right Section

Detachment No. 1

L/Sgt. Thurlwell and  
12 O.R.'s as detailed

Detachment No. 2

Sgt. Ramsden and  
12 O.R.'s as detailed

3. MANNING PARADE 0630 hrs. and 1930 hrs. H.Q. & Duty watches,

4. SANITARY FATIGUE - Wednesday

Gnr. Willoughby  
" King  
Pte. Wilkin

5. ENTRY DUTY from 1800 hrs. 14-8-40 to 0600 hrs. 15-8-40

Ptes. Johnstone, Legg, Shearer

2nd Bn. C.S.R.



85th Heavy Battery R.C.A., G.A.S.F.  
York Island, B.C.

Aug. 15th, 1940

DAILY STRENGTH STATE

		(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)
		OFFRS.	O.R.s	TOTAL	TOTAL AT YORK ISLAND
85th Hvy. Bty. R.C.A.	On Parade	2	56	58	
	Employed		11	11	
	Sta. Hospital		1	1	70
	On Command		2	2	
	On Leave		4	4	
	Att. 50th	1		1	
	Att. H.Q.		6	6	
	Detention		1	1	
	A.W.L.		1	1	
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No. 1 Dist. Depot	On Parade		17	17	
	Sta. Hospital		1	1	
	On Leave		1	1	18
	Att. Bde. H.Q.		3	3	
<hr/>					
1st. Hvy. Bty. RCA	On Parade	1		1	1
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1st. S/L Reg. RCA	On Parade	1		1	
	Employed		1	1	2
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2nd. Bn. (HQ) CSR	On Parade		13	13	
	A.W.L.		1	1	15
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R.C.G.S.	On Parade		3	3	3
<hr/>					
R.C.A.M.C.	Employed	1	2	3	
	On Furlough		1	1	3
<hr/>					
Naval Personnel Attached		1	7	8	8
<hr/>					
Civilian Personnel Attached			20	20	20
<hr/>					
		7	152	159	
		GRAND TOTAL			<u>159</u>





*Duty*

PART I ORDERS

85th Heavy Battery, R.C.A. C.A.S.F.,  
York Island, B.C.

14th August, 1940.

by  
Major J.F. Finney, O.C.

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1. DUTIES: Thursday

- |                            |                      |
|----------------------------|----------------------|
| TO be Officer of the Watch | - Lt. J.H. Bricker   |
| Next for duty              | - Lt. P.F. Dockerill |
| Orderly Officer            | - Lt. P.F. Dockerill |
| Next for duty              | - Lt. J.H. Bricker   |
| Orderly Sgt.               | - Sgt. Davidson      |
| Orderly Bdr.               | - Bdr. Cox           |

2. DUTY WATCHES from 0730 hrs. 15-8-40 to 0730 hrs. 16-8-40

Left Section

No. 3 Detachment

L/Sgt. Cartwright and  
12 O.R.'s as detailed

No. 4 Detachment

L/Sgt. Cuddeford and  
12 O.R.'s as detailed

3. HANDLING PARADE - 0830 hrs. and 1930 hrs. H.Q. Party and duty watches

4. SANITARY DETAIL - Thursday

- Cnr. Willoughby
- " King
- " McKay

5. SENTRY DUTY from 1800 hrs. 15-8-40 to 0600 hrs. 16-8-40

Ptes. Wilkin, Witaker and Plausendon  
2nd Bn. C.S.R.

6. BARRACK ROOM INSPECTION:

Henceforth barrack rooms occupied by the off duty gun crew will be inspected at 12:35 hrs daily. A hut orderly to be present.

7. LAUNDRY

Henceforth laundry must be picked up at 8 A.M. stores the day it is returned clean. It will be the responsibility of the hut orderly to see that all laundry for his hut is taken to the hut.



88th Heavy Battery, R.C.A., C.A.S.F.  
York Island, B.C.

Aug. 14th, 1940

		(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)
		<u>Offrs.</u>	<u>O.R.S.</u>	<u>TOTAL</u>	<u>TOTAL AT YORK ISLAND</u>
88 Hvy. Bty. R.C.A.	On parade	2	56	58	
	Employed		12	12	
	Sta. Hospital		1	1	71
	On Command		1	1	
	On Leave		5	5	
	Att. 88th.	1		1	
	Att. H. . .		5	5	
	Detention		1	1	
A.V.L.		1	1		
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No. 11 Dist. Depot	On Parade		17	17	
	Sta. Hospital		1	1	
	On Leave		1	1	
	Att. Bde. H.C.		3	3	18
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81st Hvy. Bty. RCA	On Parade	1		1	1
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1st S/L Reg. RCA	On Parade	1		1	1
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Sgt. Mm. (MD) C.S.R.	On Parade		12	12	
	Sta. Hospital		1	1	
	A.V.L.		1	1	13
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R.C.C.S.	On Parade		3	3	3
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R.C.A.H.C.	Employed	1	2	3	
	Furlough		1	1	3
<hr/>					
Naval Personnel Attached		1	7	8	8
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Civilian Personnel Attached			20	20	20
<hr/>					
		7	151	158	158
		GRAND TOTAL			158



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85th Heavy Battery, R.C.A. C.A.S.F.  
York Island, B.C.

15th August, 1940.

by  
Major J. P. Piercy, O.C.

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227-1 DUTIES - Friday

To be Officer of the Watch	- Lt. P.E. Deckerill
Next for duty	- Lt. J.H. Bricker
Orderly Officer	- Lt. J.H. Bricker
Next for duty	- Lt. P.E. Deckerill
Orderly Sgt.	- Sgt. Davidson
Orderly Bdr.	- Bdr. Cox

227-2 DUTY WATCHES from 0730 hrs. 16-8-40 to 0730 hrs. 17-8-40

Right Section

No. 1 Detachment

L/Sgt. Charlwell and  
12 O.R.'s as detailed

No. 2 Detachment

Sgt. Ramsden and  
12 O.R.'s as detailed

227-3 MARCHING PARADE - 0830 hrs. & 1930 hrs. R.C. Party & Right sec.

227-4 SANITARY DETAIL - Friday

Cnr. Willoughby  
" King  
" McKay

227-5 SENTRY DUTY from 1800 hrs. 16-8-40 to 0600 hrs. 17-8-40

Ptes. English, Corvill and McCulloch

2nd In. C.S.R.

227-6 WEARING OF SUN HELMETS

Sun helmets are to be worn only while in the Ports and on duty. They are not to be worn while walking out.

227-7 DIVINE SERVICE

DIVINE SERVICE WILL BE HELD ON SUNDAY, 16th AUG. at 2000 hours in the Mess Hall.

227-8 SECURITY OF MILITARY INFORMATION

1. All ranks of the CASF are warned against communicating either verbally or in writing, any item of information respecting Naval, Army, or Air Force matters which may be of value to the enemy.

2. In particular, private correspondence should make no mention of the following:  
(a) The Disposition, movement, or projected movement of warships, merchant ships, troops or aircraft.  
(b) Details as to numbers, armament, equipment or condition of ships of all kinds, troops or aircraft.  
(c) Any measures which have been taken or which are projected for the defence of any place.



15th August, 1940.

Officer Commanding,  
Vancouver Area,  
323 Federal Building,  
Vancouver, B.C.

K80029 - Pte. Cummings, W.A.  
Cook - 12th Fd. Amb. RCAMC

1. The above mentioned was cook at the Station Hospital. He was sent down to Shaughnessy Hospital on 30th June and has not yet returned. In consequence I have to loan a man from 85th Hvy. Bty. to act as cook who is not qualified.

2. Please instruct 12th Field Ambulance to send up another cook for this Hospital.

(J.E.Piercy) Major, R.C.A.  
Officer Commanding  
York Island

85 Heavy Battery, R.C.A., C.A.S.F.  
York Island, B.C.

Aug. 15th, 1940

DAILY STRENGTH STATE

		(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)
		<u>Offr.</u>	<u>O.R.s</u>	<u>TOTAL</u>	<u>TOTAL AT YORK ISLAND</u>
85th Hvy. Bty. R.C.A.	On Parade	2	60	62	
	Employed		12	12	
	Sta. Hospital		1	1	75
	On Command		1	1	
	On Leave		5	5	
	Att. 58th	1		1	
	Att. H.Q. Detention		2	2	
			1	1	
No. XI Dist. Depot	On Parade		17	17	
	Sta. Hospital		1	1	
	On Leave		1	1	
	Att. Bde H.Q.		3	3	18
31st. Hvy. Bty. RGA	On Parade	1		1	1
1st. S/L Reg. RGA	On Parade	1		1	1
2nd. Bn. (HQ) C.S.R.	On Parade		12	12	
	Sta. Hospital		1	1	
	A.W.L.		1	1	13
R.C.C.S.	On Parade		3	3	3
R.C.A.M.C.	Employed	1	2	3	3
	Furlough		1	1	
Naval Personnel Attached		1	7	8	8
Civilian Personnel Attached			20	20	20
		7	151	158	
		GRAND TOTAL			<u>142</u>



PART I ORDERS

85th Heavy Battery, R.C.A. C.A.S. Co.  
York Island, B.C.

16th August, 1940.

by  
Major J.E. Pacey, O.C.

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228-1 DUTIES - Saturday

To be Officer of the Watch Next for duty	- Lt. J.H. Bricker - Lt. P.F. Deckerill
Orderly Officer Next for duty	- Lt. P.F. Deckerill - Lt. J.H. Bricker
Orderly Sgt. Next for duty	- Sgt. Davidson - L/Sgt. Cuddeford
Orderly Bdr. Next for duty	- Bdr. Cox - L/Bdr. Burgess

228-2 DUTY WATCHES from 0730 hrs. 17-8-40 to 0730 hrs. 18-8-40

Left Section

No. 3 Detachment

L/Sgt. Cartwright and  
12 O.R.'s as detailed

No. 4 Detachment

L/Sgt. Cuddeford and  
12 O.R.'s as detailed

228-3 MARCHING PARADE 0830 hrs. and 1930 hrs. H.Q. party & Left Sec.

228-4 SANITARY DETAIL - Saturday

Cnr. Willoughby  
" McKay  
" Emerson

228-5 SENTRY DUTY from 1800 hrs. 17-8-40 to 0600 hrs. 18-8-40

Ptes. Wilkin, Witsker, Plamondon  
2nd Bn. CBR

228-6 REFUSE PAILS - Each hut and certain other buildings have been provided with refuse pails to be used for the deposit of candy and cigarette proppers. Use of these will reduce the number of fatigues. The hut orderly will be responsible that they are emptied each day and papers burned.

228-7 FIRE BUCKETS - All ranks are warned that these are to be used for fire fighting purposes only.



Diary

85th Battery, R.C.A., C.A.S.F.  
York Island, B.C.

Aug. 16th, 1940

DAILY STRENGTH STATE

		(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)
		<u>Offrs.</u>	<u>C.R.s</u>	<u>TOTAL</u>	<u>TOTAL AT YORK ISLAND</u>
85th. Hvy. Bty. R.C.A.	On Parade	2	60	62	
	Employed		11	11	
	Sta. Hospital		1	1	74
	On Command		1	1	
	On Leave		5	5	
	Att. 85th	1		1	
	Att. H.Q.		3	3	
	Detention		1	1	
No. 11 Dist. Depot	On Parade		17	17	
	Sta. Hospital		1	1	
	On Leave		1	1	
	Att. Bde H.Q.		3	3	18
31st. Bty. R.C.A.	On Parade	1		1	1
1st. S/L Regt. RCA	On Parade	1		1	1
2nd. Bn. (MG) C.S.R.	On Parade		9	9	
	Sta. Hospital		1	1	
	Att. H.Q.		3	3	
	A.W.L.		1	1	10
R.C.C.S.	On Parade		3	3	3
R.C.A.M.C.	Employed	1	2	3	3
	Furlough		1	1	
Naval Personnel Attached		1	7	8	8
Civilian Personnel Attached			20	20	20
		7	151	158	
		GRAND TOTAL			138



PART I ORDERS

85th Heavy Battery, R.C.A. C.A.S.F.  
York Island, B.C.

15th August, 1940.

by  
Major J. R. Piercey, OC

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229-1 DUTIES: SUNDAY

To be Officer of the Watch - Lt. P.F. Dockerill  
Next for duty - Lt. J.H. Bricker

Orderly Officer - Lt. J.H. Bricker  
Next for duty - Lt. P.F. Dockerill

Orderly Sgt. - Sgt. Davidson  
Orderly Sdr. - L/Cdr. Burgess

229-2 DUTY WATCHES from 0830 hrs. 18-8-40 to 0730 hrs. 19-8-40

Right Section

No. 1 Detachment

L/Sgt. Thurlwell and  
12 O.R.'s as detailed

No. 2 Detachment

Sgt. Ramsden and  
12 O.R.'s as detailed

229-3 MARCHING PARADE 0930 hrs. and 1930 hrs. H.C. party and Right Sec.

229-4 SANITARY DETAIL - Sunday

Cnr. King.  
" Drayton

229-5 BATTERY DUTY from 1800 hrs. 18-8-40 to 0600 hrs. 19-8-40

Ptes. English, McCulloch and Legg

2nd Bn. CBR





DIARY

85th Heavy Battery, R.C.A., C.A.S.F.  
York Island, B.C.

Aug. 17th, 1940

DAILY STRENGTH STATE

		(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)
		Offrs.	C.R.C	TOTAL	TOTAL BY YORK ISLAND
85th Hvy. Bty. R.C.A.	On Parade	1	88	89	
	Employed		11	11	
	Sta. Hospital		2	2	72
	On Command		1	1	
	On Leave	1	6	7	
	Att. 85th	1		1	
	Att. H.Q.		3	3	
	Detention		1	1	
No. XI Dist. Depot	On Parade		15	15	
	Sta. Hospital		2	2	
	On Leave		1	1	
	Att. H.Q.		3	3	18
32nd Bty. R.C.A.	On Parade	1	1	1	
1st S/L Reg. R.C.A.	On Parade	1	1	1	
2nd. Bn. (HC) C.S.R.	On Parade		9	9	
	Sta. Hospital		1	1	
	Att. H.Q.		5	5	
	A.W.L.		1	1	10
R.C.C.S.	On Parade		3	3	3
R.O.A.N.C.	Employed	1	2	3	
	Parloagh		1	1	3
Naval Personnel Attached		1	7	8	8
Civilian Personnel Attached			20	20	20
		7	151	158	136
		GRAND TOTAL			<u>136</u>



RAISE I ORDERS

88th Heavy Battery, R.C.A. C.I.B.F.  
York Island, B.I.

18th August, 1940

by  
Major J. E. Flacey, DC

No. 230

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230-1 DUTIES:

Officer of the Watch	-	Lt. J.H. Bricker
Next for duty	-	Lt. P.F. Deckerill
Orderly Officer	-	Lt. P.F. Deckerill
Next for duty	-	Lt. J.H. Bricker
Orderly Sgt.	-	Sgt. Davidson
Next for duty	-	Sgt. Stilwell
Orderly Bdr.	-	L/Bdr. Burgess

230-2 DUTY WATCHES from 0730 hrs. 19-8-40 to 0730 hrs. 20-8-40

Left Section

No. 50 B. establishment

L/Sgt. Cartwright and  
12 O.R.'s as detailed

No. 4 Detachment

Mr. Cuddeford and  
12 O.R.'s as detailed

230-3 MANNING PARADE - 0830 hrs. and 1930 hrs. H.Q. Party & Left Sec.

230-4 SANITARY DETAIL - Monday

Cmr. King  
" Willoughby  
" McKay

230-5 BATTERY DUTY from 1800 hrs. 19-8-40 to 0600 hrs. 20-8-40

Ptes. Witaker, Plamondon, Wilkin

2nd Bn. C.S.R.



Diary

85th Heavy Battery, R.C.A., C.A.S.F.  
York Island, B.C.

Aug. 18th, 1940

DAILY STRENGTH STATE

		(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)
		<u>Offrs.</u>	<u>C.R.s.</u>	<u>TOTAL</u>	<u>TOTAL AT YORK ISLAND</u>
85th Hvy. Bty. R.C.A.	On Parade	1	60	61	
	Employed		11	11	
	Sta. Hospital		2	2	74
	On Command		1	1	
	On Leave	1	6	7	
	Att. H.Q.		4	4	
Att. 85th.		1		1	
	Detention		1	1	
No. 11 District Depot	On Parade		16	16	
	Sta. Hospital		2	2	
	On Leave		1	1	
	Att. Bie. E.Q.		3	3	18
31st Hvy. Bty. R.C.A.	On Parade	1		1	1
1st. S/L/Regt. R.C.A.	On Parade	1		1	1
2nd. Bn. (HQ) C.S.R.	On Parade		9	9	
	Sta. Hospital		1	1	
	Att. H.Q.		3	3	
	A.W.L.		1	1	10
R.C.S.S.	On Parade		3	3	3
R.C.A.M.C.	Employed	1	2	3	
	Furlough		1	1	3
Naval Personnel Attached		1	7	8	8
Civilian Personnel Attached			20	20	20
		7	154	161	<u>138</u>

GRAND TOTAL



Title pages will be prepared.

# WAR DIARY

OR

## INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY

(Erase heading not required)

# ORIGINAL

M.F.M. 1.  
I.F.C. 211A.  
I.M.D.-4-30 (17/08)  
H.Q. 1772-45-18

Original, duplicate and triplicate to be forwarded to O. i/c 2nd Echelon for disposal.

Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks, references to Appendices and initials
York Island	1940 Aug. 19		Weather: raining.	
"	" 20		2 O.R.'s proceeded on leave. 2 O.R.'s returned from leave. Weather: raining Letter re trade testing of clerks	5-6
"	" 21		1 O.R. T.O.S.	
"	" 22		Weather: cloudy 3 O.R.'s proceeded on leave. 1 O.R. returned from leave. Lt.F.Wingert, D.O., left for Vancouver without carrying out calibration due to wind. No.1 gun fired one "bring to" round.	
"	" 23		Weather: clear and strong wind.	
"	" 24		2 O.R.'s proceeded on leave. 1 O.R. returned from leave. No.1 gun fired one "bring to" round.	
"	" 25		Weather: clear and strong wind. 2/Lt.W.J.Jeffrey posted to 85th Bty. (att. 31st) 2/Lt.H.V.N.Bankes " " " " No.1 gun fired one "bring to" round. Letter Major Rycroft re ammunition	
"	" 26		Weather: clear Lumber for additional hut for infantry personnel arrived.	
"	" 27		Weather: clear, cloudy at night 3 O.R.'s returned from leave Letter re Gas Protection Letter re dental work sent H.Q.M.D.11.	2-0 5-2
"	" 28		Weather: raining. No. 1 gun fired one "bring to" round.	
"	" 29		Weather: cloudy. 7 O.R.'s proceeded Vancouver for dental treatment. 3 O.R.'s " on leave. 3 O.R.'s returned from leave. Recommendation for increased establishment forwarded Bde.H.Q. Weather: clear.	5-1

PART I ORDERS

85th Heavy Battery, R.C.A. CASE  
YORK ISLAND, B.C.

19th August, 1940

BY  
Major J. R. Piercy, O.C.

No. 231

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231-1 DUTIES - Tuesday

To be officer of the watch	- Lt. P.F. Deckerill
Next for duty	- Lt. J.H. Bricker
Orderly Officer	- Lt. J.H. Bricker
Next for duty	- Lt. P.F. Deckerill
Orderly Sgt.	- Sgt. Stilwell
Orderly Bdr.	- L/Cdr. Burgess

231-2 DUTY WATCHES from 0730 hrs. 20-8-40 to 0730 hrs. 21-8-40

Right Section

Detachment No.1

L/Sgt. Thurlwell  
and 12 O.R.'s as detailed

Detachment No.2

Sgt. Ramsden  
and 12 O.R.'s as detailed

231-3 MARCHING PARADE - 0830 hrs. and 1930 hrs.

231-4 SANITARY DETAIL - Tuesday  
Cmr. Willoughby  
" King  
" McKay

231-5 BATTERY DUTY from 1600 hrs. 20-8-40 to 0600 hrs. 21-8-40

Ptes. English, McCulloch, Legg

2nd Bn. C.S.R.

231-6 PERMISSION TO MARRY

K17120 Cmr. Sayer, L. is granted permission to marry  
(Auth. Bde. Part I Orders, Aug. 8, 1940, No. 175)



DIARY

85th, Heavy Battery, R.C.A., C.A.S.F.  
York Island, B.C.

Aug. 19th, 1940

		(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)
		Offrs.	O.R.s	TOTAL	TOTAL AT YORK ISLAND.
85th. Hvy. Bty. R.C.A.	On Parade	1	61	62	
	Employed		11	11	
	Sta. Hospital		1	1	74
	On Command		1	1	
	On Leave	1	6	7	
	Att. H.Q.		4	4	
	Att. 38th. Detention	1		1	
			1	1	
No. XI Dist. Depot	On Parade		15	15	
	Sta. Hospital		2	2	
	On Leave		1	1	
	Att. Me H.Q.		3	3	17
31st. Hvy. Bty. RCA	On Parade	1		1	1
1st. S/L. Regt. RCA	On Parade	1		1	1
2nd. Bn. (MG) C.S.R.	On Parade		9	9	
	Sta. Hospital		1	1	
	Att. H.Q.		3	3	
	A.W.L.		1	1	10
R.C.C.S.	On Parade		3	3	3
R.C.A.M.C.	Employed	1	2	3	
	Purlough		1	1	3
Naval Personnel Attached		1	7	8	8
Civilian Personnel Attached			20	20	20
		7	163	160	137
GRAND TOTAL					



PART I ORDERS

85th Heavy Battery, RGA, CASF  
YORK ISLAND, B.C.

20th August, 1940

by  
Major J.E. Pierson, O.C.

NO. 232

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232-1 DUTIES - Wednesday

To be Officer of the Watch	- Lt. J.H. Bricker
Next for duty	- Lt. F.F. Dockerill
Orderly Officer	- Lt. F.F. Dockerill
Next for duty	- Lt. J.H. Bricker
Orderly Sgt.	- Sgt. Stilwell
Orderly Bdr.	- L/Bdr. Burgess

232-2 DUTY WATCHES - from 0730 hrs. 21-8-40 to 0730 hrs. 22-8-40

Left Section

No. 3 Detachment

L/Sgt. Cartwright  
and 12 O.R.'s as detailed

No. 4 Detachment

Bdr. Parker and  
12 O.R.'s as detailed

232-3 MARCHING PARADE - 0830 hrs. and 1930 hrs. H.Q. party and  
Left Section

232-4 SANITARY DETAIL - Wednesday

Cnr. King  
" McKay  
" O'Malley

232-5 SENTRY DUTY from 1800 hrs. 21-8-40 to 0600 hrs. 22-8-40

Ptes. Wilkin, Witaker and Plandoon  
2nd Rn. C.S.R.



Aug. 20, 1940.

Officer Commanding,  
Vancouver Area,  
Vancouver, B.C.

TRADE TESTING CLERKS CASE

1. Will you please advise me when the next examination for the above will be held as I have several men who wish to sit for the examination.
2. Also please advise what arrangements will be made regarding transportation to the examination for candidates from York Island.

(J.E.Piercy) Major, R.C.A.  
Officer Commanding  
York Island



DIARY

85th Heavy Battery, R.C.A., C.A.S.P.  
York Island, B.C.

Aug. 20th, 1940

		(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)
		Offrs.	C.R.s	TOTAL	TOTAL AT YORK ISLAND
85th. Hvy. Bty. R.C.A.	On Parade	1	64	65	
	Employed		11	11	76
	On Command		1	1	
	On Leave	1	5	4	
	Att. H.Q.		5	5	
	Att. 85th. Detention	1		1	
			1	1	
No. XI Dist. Depot	On Parade		15	15	
	Sta. Hospital		2	2	
	Att. H.Q.		3	3	
	A.W.L.		1	1	17
31st. Hvy. Bty. RCA	On Parade	1		1	1
1st. S/L. Reg. RCA	On Parade	1		1	1
2nd. Bn. (MG) C.S.R.	On Parade		9	9	
	Sta. Hospital		1	1	
	Att. H.Q.		3	3	
	A.W.L.		1	1	10
R.C.G.S.	On Parade		3	3	3
R.C.A.M.C.	Employed	1	2	3	
	On Furlough		1	1	3
Naval Personnel Attached		1	7	8	8
Civilian Personnel Attached			21	21	21
		7	154	161	140
			Grand Total		



*Diary*

PART I ROTAS

85th Heavy Battery, R.C.A. C.A.B.F.  
York Island, B.C.

21st August, 1940.

by  
Major J. R. Massey, R.C.

No. 233

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233-1 DUTIES - Thursday

- |                            |                      |
|----------------------------|----------------------|
| To be Officer of the Watch | - Lt. P.F. Dockerill |
| Next for duty              | - Lt. J.H. Bridger   |
| Orderly Officer            | - Lt. J.H. Bridger   |
| Next for duty              | - Lt. P.F. Dockerill |
| Orderly Sgt.               | - Sgt. Stikwell      |
| Orderly Bdr.               | - L/Mr. Burgess      |

233-2 DUTY WATCHES from 0730 hrs. 22-8-40 to 0730 hrs. 23-8-40

Right Section

Detachment No. 1

L/Sgt. Thurlwell and  
12 O.N.'s as detailed

Detachment No. 2

Sgt. Barnston and  
12 O.N.'s as detailed

233-3 MORNING PARADE - 0600 hrs. and 1900 hrs. R.C. party and Right Section

233-4 SABBATH DUTY - Thursday

Cnr. King,  
" O'Halley  
" Hokey

233-5 NIGHT DUTY from 1800 hrs. 22-8-40 to 0600 hrs. 23-8-40

Ptes. English, McCulloch, Legg  
2nd Bn. C.A.B.



85th HEAVY BATTERY, R.C.A., C.A.S.P.

York Island, B.C.

Aug. 31st, 1940

DAILY STRENGTH STATE

		(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)
		<u>Offrs.</u>	<u>C.A.S.</u>	<u>Total</u>	<u>Total at York Island</u>
85th Hvy. Bty. RCA	On Parade	1	60	60	
	Employed		11	11	72
	H.C.		7	7	
	Att. 85th	1		1	
	On Command		1	1	
	Detention		1	1	
	On Leave	1	6	6	
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No. XI Dist. Depot:	On Parade		15	15	
	Str. Hosp.		2	2	15
	Att. to Bde. H.C.		2	2	
	A.W.A.s		1	1	
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81st. Hvy. Bty. RCA	On Parade	1		1	1
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1st. S/L Regt. RCA	On Parade	1		1	1
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2nd. Ban. (MO) CBR	On Parade		9	9	
	Str. Hosp.		1	1	10
	Att. to H.C.		5	5	
	A.W.A.s		1	1	
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R.C.C.S.	On Parade		5	5	5
-----					
R.C.A.M.C.	Employed	1	2	3	3
	On Furlough		1	1	
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Naval personnel attached		1	7	8	8
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Civilian personnel attached			20	20	20
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GRAND TOTAL		7	153	160	133
			157	160	133



PART I ORDERS

85th Heavy Battery, R.C.A. C.A.S.F.  
York Island, B.C.

22nd August, 1940

by  
Major J. V. Pieray, O.C.

No. 234

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234-1 DUTIES - Friday

TO be Officer of the Watch	- Lt. J.H. Bricker
Next for duty	- Lt. P.F. Dockerill
Orderly Officer	- Lt. P.F. Dockerill
Next for duty	- Lt. J.H. Bricker
Orderly Sgt.	- Sgt. Stillwell
Orderly Bdr.	- L/Bdr. Burgess

234-2 DUTY WATCHES from 0730 hrs. 23-8-40 to 0730 hrs. 24-8-40

Left Section

No. 3 Detachment

L/Sgt. Cartwright  
and 12 O.R.'s as detailed

No. 4 Detachment

Bdr. Cuddeford  
and 12 O.R.'s as detailed

234-3 MORNING PARADE - 0830 hrs. and 1930 hrs. H.C. party and Left Sec.

234-4 SANITARY DETAIL

Cmr. King  
" O'Malley  
" McKey

234-5 SENTRY DUTY from 1800 hrs. 23-8-40 to 0600 hrs. 24-8-40

Ptes: Wilkin, Wiltaker, Plamondon  
2nd Bn. C.S.R.

234-6 DONATED SOCKS

Any personnel who have worn out socks that were donated to them, are asked to wash them and turn them in to the C.M. Stores. These will be sent to the Lions Gate Riding Club for whatever use can be made of them.



Diary

85th HEAVY BATTERY, R.C.A., C.A.S.F.

YORK ISLAND, B.C.

AUG. 22nd 1940

DAILY STRENGTH STATE

		<u>OFFRS.</u>	<u>O.R.S.</u>	<u>TOTAL</u>	<u>TOTAL AT YORK ISLAND</u>
85th Hvy. Bty. ROA CASF	ON PARADE	1	58	59	
	EMPLOYED		10	10	70
	H.C.	2	5	7	
	On Command		1	1	
	Att. 85th	1	-	1	
	On Leave	1	0	0	
	On Furlough		1	1	
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No. XI Dist. Depot.	ON PARADE		15	15	
	SEN. HOSP.		5	5	15
	H.C.		5	5	
	A.W.S.		1	1	
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31st. Hvy. Bty. ROA	ON PARADE	1		1	1
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1st. S/L Dept. R.C.A.I.	ON PARADE	1		1	1
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2nd. Bn. (HQ) C.S.R.	ON PARADE		9	9	
	SEN. HOSP.		1	1	10
	H.C.		5	5	
	A.W.S.		1	1	
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R.C.C.S.	ON PARADE		5	5	5
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R.C.A.M.C.	EMPLOYED	1	5	4	4
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Naval personnel attached		1	7	8	8
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Civilian personnel attached			20	20	20
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GRAND TOTAL		9	161	160	152

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PART I ORDERS

85th Heavy Battery, R.C.A. GASF  
York Island, B.C.

23rd August, 1940

by  
Major J. A. Piercy, O.C.

No. 235

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235-1 DUTIES: Saturday

To be Officer of the Watch	- Lt. P.F. Dockerill
Next for duty	- Lt. J.H. Bricker
Orderly Officer	- Lt. J.H. Bricker
Next for duty	- Lt. P.F. Dockerill
Orderly Sgt.	- Sgt. Stilwell
Next-for-duty	-
Orderly Bdr.	- L/Bdr. Burgess

235-2 DUTY WATCHES from 0730 hrs. 24-8-40 to 0630 hrs. 25-8-40

Right Section

No. 1 Detachment

L/Sgt. Thurlwell and  
12 O.R.'s as detailed

No. 2 Detachment

Sgt. Ramsden and  
12 O.R.'s as detailed

235-3 MANNING PARADE - 0830 hrs. and 1930 hrs. H.Q. party & Right Sec.

235-4 SANITARY DETAIL +

Gnr. O'Malley  
" McKay  
" Schofield

235-5 SENTRY DUTY from 1800 hrs. 24-8-40 to 0600 hrs. 25-8-40  
Ptes. Wilkin, Witaker, Flanagan  
2nd Bn. C.S.R.

235-6 MUSTER PARADE

All ranks, including employed men will parade at 0800 hrs., Saturday, Aug. 24th, with rifles, oil bottles and pull-throughs. Gunners on watch will parade at 0900 hrs. at the Fort as usual, with rifles, oil bottles and pull-throughs, for inspection.



85th Heavy Battery, R.C.A. C.A.M.F.

York Island, B.C.

August 25, 1940

DAILY STRENGTH STATE

	Offrs.	O.N.'s	Total	Total at York Island
85th Hvy. Bty. RCA CASF	On Parade	1	58	59
	Employed		11	11
	H.C.	2	6	8
	Att. 50th	1		1
	Leave	1	0	9
On Furlough		1	1	
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No. 11 Dist. Depot	On parade		13	13
	Stn. Hospital		2	2
	H.C.		5	5
	A.W.L.		1	1
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51st Hvy. Bty. RCA CASF	On Parade	1	1	1
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1st S/L Regt. RCA CASF	On Parade	1	1	1
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End Sn. (NS) C.S.R.	On Parade		9	9
	Stn. Hosp.		1	1
	H.C.		5	5
	A.W.L.		1	1
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R.C.A.M.C.	Employed	1	2	4
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Naval personnel attached		1	7	8
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Civilian Personnel attached			20	20
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R. C. C. S.			3	3
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	9	152	161	152



PART I ORDERS

85th Heavy Battery, R.C.A. C.A.S.F.  
York Island, B.C.

24th August, 1940.

by  
Major J. E. Piercy, O.C.

No. 236

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236-1 DUTIES- Sunday

To be Officer of the Watch	- Lt. J.H.Bricker
Next for duty	- Lt. P.F.Dockerill
Orderly Officer	- Lt. P.F.Dockerill
Next for duty	- Lt. J.H.Bricker
Orderly Sgt.	- Sgt. Cox
Orderly Bdr.	- L/Bdr. Nagelen

236-2 DUTY WATCHES from 0830 hrs. 25-8-40 to 0730 hrs. 26-8-40

Left Section

Detachment No. 3

L/Sgt. Cartwright and  
12 O.R.'s as detailed

Detachment No. 4

Sgt. Davidson and  
12 O.R.'s as detailed

236-3 MANNING PARADE - 0930 hrs. H.Q. Party and Left Section

236-4 SANITARY DETAIL - Sunday

Cnr. King  
" Dickinson

236-5 SENTRY DUTY from 1800 hrs. 25-8-40 to 0600 hrs. 26-8-40

Ptes. Hayes, Wilkin, Witaker

2nd Bn. C.S.R.





85th Heavy Battery, R.C.A. CAMP

York Island, B.C.

AUG. 24, 1940.

DAILY STRENGTH STATE

		<u>OFFRS.</u>	<u>O.R.'s</u>	<u>Total</u>	<u>Total</u> <u>York Is.</u>
85th Hvy. Bty. RCA CAMP	On Parade	2	57	59	
	Employed		11	11	70
	R.C.	1	7	8	
	Att. 85th Bty.	1		1	
	On Leave	1	0	9	
	" Furlough		1	1	
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No. 11 Dist. Depot	On Parade		15	15	
	Stn. Hospital		2	2	17
	R.C.		5	5	
	A.W.S.		1	1	
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Dist Hvy. Bty. RCA	On Parade	1		1	1
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1st S/L Regt. R.C.A.	On Parade	1		1	1
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2nd Bn. (MG) C.S.R.	On Parade		9	9	
	Stn. Hosp.		1	1	10
	R.C.		5	5	
	A.W.S.		1	1	
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R.C.C.S.	On Parade		3	3	3
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R.C.A.M.C.	Employed	1	3	4	4
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Naval personnel attached		1	7	8	8
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Civilian personnel attached			20	20	20
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		9	152	161	134



PART I ORDERS

85th Heavy Battery, R.C.A. C.A.S.F.  
York Island, B.C.

25th August, 1940.

by  
Major J. E. Flacey, O.C.

NO. 237

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257-1 DUTIES - Monday

To be Officer of the Watch	- Lt. P.W. Dockerill
Next for duty	- Lt. J.H. Bricker
Orderly Officer	- Lt. J.H. Bricker
Next for duty	- Lt. P.W. Dockerill
"	- Lt.
Orderly Sgt.	- Sgt. Cox
"	- Bdr.
"	- L/Bdr. Englen

257-2 DUTY WATCHES from 0730 hrs. 26-8-40 to 0730 hrs. 27-8-40

Right Section

No. 1 Detachment

L/Sgt. Thurlwell and  
12 O.R.'s as detailed

No. 2 Detachment

Sgt. Ramsden and  
12 O.R.'s as detailed

257-3 MARCHING PARADE - 0830 hrs. and 1930 hrs. H.Q. party and Rt. Sec.

257-4 SANITARY DETAIL - Monday

Gnr. King  
" O'Malley  
" McKay

257-5 SENTRY DUTY from 1800 hrs. 26-8-40 to 0600 hrs. 27-8-40.  
Stos. Plamondon, English, McCulloch  
End Bn.C.S.R.



PART I ORDERS

85th Heavy Battery, R.C.A. C.A.S.F.  
York Island PBC

25th August, 1940.

by  
Major J. F. Piercy, O.C.

NO. 257

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257-3 DUTIES - Monday

To be Officer of the Watch - Lt. P.F. Deckerill  
Next for duty - Lt. J.H. Bricker

Orderly Officer - Lt. J.H. Bricker  
Next for duty - Lt. P.F. Deckerill  
" ~~Sgt.~~ - L  
Orderly Sgt. - Sgt. Cox  
" Bdr. - L/Bdr. Anglen

257-2 DUTY WATCHES from 0730 hrs. 26-8-40 to 0730 hrs. 27-8-40

Right Section

No. 1 Detachment

L/Sgt. Thurlwell and  
12 O.W.s as detailed

No. 2 Detachment

Sgt. Ramsden and  
12 O.R.'s as detailed

257-3 MARCHING PARADE - 0830 hrs. and 1930 hrs. H.Q. party and Rt. Sec.

257-4 SANITARY DETAIL - Monday

Cnr. King  
" O'Malley  
" McKay

257-5 BATTERY DUTY from 1900 hrs. 26-8-40 to 0600 hrs. 27-8-40.  
Ptes. Flanndon, English, McCulloch  
2nd En. C.S.R.



85th. Heavy Battery (CA)  
YORK ISLAND, B. C.

Aug. 25, 1940.

DAILY STRENGTH STATE

8		Offrs. O.R.'s		Total	Total York Is.
85th Hvy. Bty. RCA CASF	On parade	2	58	60	
	Employed		11	11	71
	Att. H.Q.	1	7	8	
	Att. 58th on Leave	2		2	
	Furlough		8	8	
			1	1	
No. 11 Dist. Depot	On parade		14	14	
	Stn. Hosp.		2	2	16
	H.Q.		3	3	
	A.W.L.		1	1	
31st Hvy. Bty. RCA CASF	On Parade	1		1	1
1st S/L Regt. RCA CASF	On Parade	1		1	1
2nd Bn. (MG) C.S.R. CASF	On Parade		9	9	
	Stn. Hosp.		1	1	10
	H.Q.		3	3	
	A.W.L.		1	1	
R.C.C.S.	On Parade		3	3	3
R.C.A.M.C.	Employed	1	3	4	4
Naval Personnel att.		1	7	8	8
Civilian personnel att.			20	20	20
		9	152	161	154



PART I ORDERS

85th Heavy Battery, R.C.A. C.A.S.F.  
York Island, B.C.

26th August, 1940.

by  
Major J.E.Piercy, O.C.

NO. 238

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238-1 DUTIES: Tuesday

To be Officer of the Watch	- 2/Lt. H.V.N.Bankes
Next for duty	- Lt. P.F.Dockerrill
Orderly Officer	- Lt.P.F.Dockerrill
Next for duty	- 2/Lt. H.V.N.Bankes
Orderly Sgt.	- Sgt. Cox
Orderly Bdr.	- L/Bdr.Engelen

238-2 DUTY WATCHES from 0730 hrs. 27-8-40 to 0730 hrs. 28-8-40

Left Section

No. 3 Detachment

L/Sgt. Gartwright  
and 12 O.R.'s as detailed

No. 4 Detachment

Sgt. Davidson  
and 12 O.R.'s as detailed

238-3 MANNING PARADE 0850 hrs. and 1950 hrs. H.Q. and Left Sec.

238-4 SANITARY FATIGUE - Tuesday

Gnr. McKay  
" O'Malley

238-5 SENTRY DUTY from 1800hrs. 27-8-40 to 0600 hrs. 28-8-40

Ptes. Legg, Hayes, Wilkin  
2nd Bn. C.S.R.



85th. Heavy Battery RCA (CASE)  
YORK ISLAND, B. C.

Aug. 26, 1940.

DAILY STRENGTH STATE

		<u>Offrs.</u>	<u>O.R.'s</u>	<u>Total</u>	<u>Total</u>
					<u>York Island</u>
85th Hvy. Bty. RCA CASF	On Parade	2	58	60	
	Employed		11	11	71
	Att. H.Q.	1	8	9	
	Att. 88th Bty.	2		2	
	On leave		8	8	
No. 11 Dist. Depot	On Parade		14	14	
	Stn. Hosp.		2	2	16
	H.Q.		3	3	
	A.W.L.		1	1	
1st Hvy. Bty. RCA CASF	On Parade	1		1	1
1st S/L Regt. RCA CASF	On Parade	1		1	1
2nd Bn. (MG) C.S.R. CASF	On Parade		9	9	
	Stan. Hosp.		1	1	10
	H.Q.		3	3	
	A.W.L.		1	1	
R.C.C.S.	On Parade		3	3	3
R.C.A.M.C.	Employed	1	3	4	4
Naval Personnel att.		1	7	8	8
Civilian Personnel			20	20	20
		<u>9</u>	<u>152</u>	<u>161</u>	<u>134</u>



PART I ORDERS

85th Heavy Battery, R.C.A. C.A.S.F.  
YORK Island, B.C.

27th August, 1940.

by  
Major J. R. Piercy, B.C.

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259-1 DUTIES - Wednesday

To be Officer of the Watch	- Lt. P.F. Dockerill
	- 2/Lt. H.V.H. Bankes
Orderly Officer	- 2/Lt. H.V.H. Bankes
Next for duty	- Lt. P.F. Dockerill
Orderly Sgt.	- Sgt. Cox
Orderly Bdr.	- L/Bdr. Engelen

259-2 DUTY WATCHES from 0730 hrs. 28-8-40 to 0730 hrs. 29-8-40

Right Section

No. 1 Detachment

L/Sgt. Thurlwell and  
12 O.R.'s as detailed

No. 2 Detachment

L/Sgt. Thackeray  
and 12 O.R.'s as detailed

259-3 MANNING PARADE - 0830 hrs. and 1930 hrs. H.C. Party and Rt. Sec.

259-4 SANITARY DETAIL -

Cnr. O'Malley  
" McKay

259-5 SENTRY DUTY from 1800 hrs. 28-8-40 to 29-8-40

Ptes. Witaker, Plamondon, English

2nd Bn. C.S.R.



NOTICE

It is noted that some of the O.R.'s have taken the initiative and made themselves barrack boxes out of scrap short lengths of lumber. It is hoped that more will follow their example. Boxes to achieve uniformity and ease of freighting should be approx. 28" long x 16" wide x 13"-deep outside measurement. Rings, hinges and padlocks can be bought wholesale by the Canteen. Those interested in obtaining same, please leave names at office.

27th August, 1940.

Officer Commanding,  
15th (Van.) Coast Bde. R.C.A. CASF,  
Vancouver, B.C.

Protection Against Gas

1. Reference your letter August 17th, 1940.  
File 4-6-1.
2. Any men with liquid mustard gas in eyes to have eyes rinsed with clear water and be taken to M.O.
3. Contaminated personnel removed from the area, contaminated clothing removed and placed in containers (say spare garbage cans) and marked with warning signs. Men bathed under showers using soap and plenty of water. (Heavily contaminated personnel might be treated with bleach paste made up from Chloride of Lime kept in Q.M. stores for sanitary purposes and then showered.)
4. Personnel down wind should be warned and the bomb crater sealed with earth by men wearing respirators, rubber boots and raincoats.
5. Guns and platforms swabbed off with gasoline and guns re-oiled.
6. Since it is necessary to man the guns, the ground between cannot be left to weather, but would have to be sealed with a 3 inch layer of earth and marked with warning signs. If portions of this area must be traversed, planks or a proper walk could be laid over it. Men carrying out the decontamination work to wear respirators and rubber boots; the boots to be later ~~swabbed~~ decontaminated by boiling.
7. Reference para. 2 of above mentioned letter. After swabbing off guns with petrol they should be treated with bleach paste, then wiped off and oiled but sufficient bleach powder is not available. Also there is no bleach ointment available for personal decontamination, so the men could only swab off spots of liquid gas on the skin, remove clothing and scrub with soap and water under the showers.
8. After an attack of this nature, a supply of Anti-Gas Ointment, Eyeshields, bleach powder, and decontamination clothing and equipment would be requested immediately.

(J.E.Piercy) Major, R.C.A.  
Officer Commanding  
York Island



27th August, 1940.

Headquarters,  
M.D. No. 11,  
Victoria, B.C.

2nd Bn. (MG) Can. Scot. Regt. Detachment.

1. Reference your letter 20th Aug. 1940, file V13F - 2 -36 para. 1.
2. Will you please issue instructions that all men of this platoon have a thorough dental overhaul before leaving Victoria. Of the present detachment (14) now at York Island. 20% are now in Vancouver or Victoria at the dentist and some of the others should go but are being held back. Apparently no dental inspection was made before leaving Victoria.
3. Will you also please issue instructions that the men be fully equipped with clothing, etc., before leaving Victoria. The present detachment are short of clothing and we have been unable to obtain it from the Bn. Q.M. As all troops on the Island are supplied by their own Q.M. we cannot do much for them.

(J. E. Piercy) Major, R.C.A.  
Officer Commanding  
York Island

Aug. 27, 1940.

DAILY STRENGTH STATE

	Offrs.	O.R.'s	Total	Total York Island
85th Hvy. Bty. RCA CASF	On Parade	2	61	63
	Employed	1	11	11
	Att. H.Q.	1	8	9
	Att. 58th Bty. 2			2
	On leave		5	5
-----				
No. 11 Dist. Depot	On Parade		13	13
	Stn. Hosp.		3	3
	H.Q.		3	3
	A.W.L.		1	1
-----				
31st. Hvy. Bty. RCA CASF	On Parade	1		1
-----				
1st. S/L Regt. RCA CASF	On Parade	1		1
-----				
2nd. Bn. (M.G.) CSR CASF	On Parade		9	9
	Stn. Hosp.		1	1
	H.Q.		3	3
	A.W.L.		1	1
-----				
R.C.C.S.	On Parade		3	3
-----				
R.C.A.M.C.	On leave		1	1
	Employed	1	2	3
-----				
Naval Personnel att.		1	7	8
-----				
Civilian Personnel			20	20
-----				
	9	152	161	136



Part I Orders

85th Heavy Battery, R.C.A. C.A.S.F.  
York Island, B.C.

28th August, 1940.

by  
Major J. T. Pacey, O.C.

NO. 240

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240-1 DUTIES - Thursday

To be Officer of the Watch	- 2/Lt. H.V.H. Bankes
Next for duty	- Ident. P.F. Deckerill
Orderly Officer	- Lt. P.F. Deckerill
Next for duty	- 2/Lt. H.V.H. Bankes
Orderly Sgt.	- Sgt. Cox
Orderly Bdr.	- L/Bdr. Angolen

240-2 DUTY WATCHES from 0730 hrs. 29-8-40 to 0730 hrs. 30-8-40

Left Section

No. 3 Detachment

L/Sgt. Cartwright  
and 12 O.R.'s as detailed

No. 4 Detachment

Sgt. Davidson  
and 12 O.R.'s as detailed

240-3 MANNING PARADE - 0830 hrs. and 1900 hrs. H.Q. party & Left Sec.

240-4 SANITARY DETAIL - Thursday

Cnr. O'Malley  
" McKay

240-5 SENTRY DUTY from 1800 hrs. 29-8-40 to 0600 hrs. 30-8-40

Ptes. McCulloch, Legg and Hayes

2nd Bn. C.S.R.

240-6 COURT OF ENQUIRY:

A Court of Enquiry will be held to investigate and report on the alleged desertion of K28609 Pte. Robbins, W., 2nd Bn. (MG) C.S.R. C.A.S.F. Members of the Court are Lt. Bricker, Lt. Deckerill and 2/Lt. Bankes.

240-7 LIGHTS OUT:

Henceforth lights will be out at 2230 hrs.



85th. Heavy Battery RCA (CASF)  
YORK ISLAND, B. C.

Aug. 28, 1940.

DAILY STRENGTH STATE

	Offrs.	O.R.'s	Total	Total York Is.
85th Hvy Bty RCA CASF				
On Parade	2	60	62	
Employed		11	11	
Stn.Hosp.		1	1	74
Att. H.C.	1	8	9	
Att.58th Bty	2		2	
On leave		5	5	
-----				
No. 11 Dist. Depot				
On Parade		13	13	
Stn. Hosp.		2	2	15
H.C.		4	4	
A.W.L.		1	1	
-----				
31st. Hvy Bty RCA CASF	On Parade	1	1	1
-----				
1st. S/L Regt. RCA CASF	On Parade	1	1	1
-----				
2nd. Bn.(MG) CSR CASF	On Parade	9	9	
	Stn. Hosp.	1	1	10
	H.C.	3	3	
	A.W.L.	1	1	
-----				
R.C.C.S.	On Parade	3	3	3
-----				
R.C.A.M.C.	On leave	1	1	
	Employed	1	2	3
-----				
Naval Personnel Att.	1	7	8	8
-----				
Civilian Personnel		20	20	20
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	9	152	161	135



PART I ORDERS

85th Heavy Battery, R.C.A. C.A.S.F.  
York Island, B.C.

29th August, 1940

by  
Major J. E. Piercy, O.C.

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241-1 DUTIES - Friday

To be officer of the Watch - Lt. P.F. Dockerill  
Next for duty - 2/Lt. H.V.N. Bankes

Orderly Officer - 2/Lt. H.V.N. Bankes  
Next for duty - Lt. P.F. Dockerill

Orderly Sgt. - Sgt. Cox  
Orderly Bar. - L/Bar. Engelen

241-2 DUTY WATCHES from 0730 hrs. 30-8-40 to 0730 hrs. 31-8-40

Right Section

No. 1 Detachment

L/Sgt. Thurlwell and  
12 O.R.'s as detailed

No. 2 Detachment

L/Sgt. Thackeray and  
12 O.R.'s as detailed

241-3 MANNING PARADE - 0830 hrs. and 1900 hrs. H.Q. party and Rt. Sec.

241-4 SANITARY DETAIL

Cnr. O'Malley  
" McKey

241-5 SENTRY DUTY from 1600 hrs. 30-8-40 to 0600 hrs. 31-8-40

Ptes. Wilkin, Plamondon, English  
2nd Bn. C.S.R.

241-6 PERMISSION TO MARRY -

X17016 Cnr. Waddy, R.V. is granted permission to  
marry.



29th August, 1940.

Officer Commanding,  
15th (Van.) Coast Bde. R.C.A. CASF,  
Vancouver, B.C.

ESTABLISHMENT

1. Reference your letter 28th August, 1940.  
File: 5-1
2. I have no record of the interim manning table of 85 O.R.'s mentioned in your letter, neither have we a copy of pamphlet No. 1, 1939, page 8 and 9.
3. Enclosed is recommendation in two columns, one the present establishment as understood by us, which was handed on to me by my predecessor, and is probably extracted from the pamphlet No. 1 mentioned above; the other is recommended establishment.
4. On the recommended establishment I would make the following observations.

Officers. This battery has to do a considerable amount of office work which would in Vancouver be done by personnel of H.Q. 15th (Van.) Coast Bde., hence it is necessary to have a Captain and Adjutant, and an additional subaltern to handle pay, etc.

O.R.'s Telephonists. Increased to allow a 24 hour service. Three men on eight hour shifts.

Signallers. Admiralty instructions lay down that the Fort must have two signallers on duty at all times.

Gun Detachment. Firing Case II require 11 men per gun.

Cooks. This battery has to cook for attached personnel from R.C.N., infantry, R.C.C.S., Searchlights and others, which accounts for increase in establishment.

Ammunition Numbers. Increased on account of distance from magazine to guns.

Sanitary. Camp requires at least two men. Too large for one man to handle.

Electrician. I am informed 85th Battery has to operate electric light plant, consequently need three electricians.

Storemen. The D.O. informs me two storemen are necessary in Q.M. stores as our stores are more numerous than any other Battery,

P.T.O.

15% Addition. Our experience is that with one week leave every three months, and men going down for dental and hospital treatment, etc., 15% of the garrison is always away from York Island. If the garrison is to be kept up to strength, 15% is not too much.

Specialists' Pay. I request that tradesmen's pay be allowed for the following:

Cooks - 4  
Clerks - 3  
Tractor Driver - 1  
Electricians - 3  
Pumpman - 1  
Artificer - 1  
Dragsaw operator - 1

(J. S. Piercy) Major, R.C.A.  
Officer Commanding  
York Island

DUTIES OF RANK AND FILE

Range Finders	3	3
Relief Range Finders	3	3
Telephonists	2	3
Signallers	3	6
Relief Signallers	0	2
Gun Detachments	16	22
B.C.A.	1	2
Cooks	2	4
Batmen	4	6
Ammunition numbers	8	16
Casualties	3	6
Sanitary	1	2
Clerks	2	3
Relief Gun Detachments	20	22
Tractor Driver	0	2
Relief Tractor Driver		
Electrician to man the electric plant	0	3
Pump man and water boat operator	0	2
Storeman	0	2
Artificer	0	1
Canteen and recreation hall caretaker	0	1
Dragsaw operator and assistant	0	2
15% to cover leave and sickness in Vancouver		16
	68	129



ESTABLISHMENT

Officers	<u>Present Establishment</u>	<u>Recommended Estab.</u>
	1 Major	1 Major
	1 Captain	1 Captain
	1 Subaltern	1 Subaltern and Paymaster
Total	<hr/> 3	<hr/> 3
W.O. Class II and N.C.O.	1 B.S.M.	1 B.S.M.
	1 B.Q.M.S.	1 B.Q.M.S.
	4 Sergeants	4 Sergeants
	8 Bdrs.	9 Bdrs. including cook
	<hr/> 14	<hr/> 15
Trumpeters	2	2
Gunners	60	129
	<hr/> 76	<hr/> 145

Included in Establishment 2 L/Sgts.  
4 L/Bdrs.

3 L/Sgts.  
1 to be L/Sgt.cook  
6 L/Bdrs.

85 HEAVY BATTERY R.C.A.

Aug. 29, 1940.

DAILY STRENGTH STATE

		<u>Offrs.</u>	<u>O.R.'s</u>	<u>Total</u>	<u>Total York Is.</u>
85th. Hvy Bty RCA CASF	On Parade	2	64	66	
	Employed		11	11	
	Stn Hosp.		1	1	78
	Att. H.Q.	1	4	5	
	Att. 58th. Bty.	2		2	
	On leave		5	5	
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No. 11 Dist. Depot	On Parade		13	13	
	Stn. Hosp.		2	2	15
	H.Q.		4	4	
	A.W.L.		1	1	
-----					
31st. Hvy Bty RCA CASF	On Parade	1		1	1
-----					
1st. S/L Regt RCA CASF	On Parade	1		1	1
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2nd. Bn. (MG) CSR CASF	On Parade		11	11	
	Stn. Hosp.		1	1	12
	H.Q.		1	1	
	A.W.L.		1	1	
-----					
R.C.C.S.	On Parade		3	3	3
-----					
R.C.A.M.C.	Employed	1	2	3	3
	On leave		1	1	
-----					
Naval Personnel Att.		1	7	8	8
-----					
Civilian Personnel			20	20	20
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			152	161	141



Instructions regarding preparation of War Diaries: (which will be kept from first day of mobilization, creation or embodiment), are contained in F.S. Regs. Vol. 1.

Title pages will be prepared.

# WAR DIARY

OR

## INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY

(Erase heading not required)

### ORIGINAL

M.F.M. 11.

F.C. 2118.

1 M.L.-9-39 (1768)

H.Q. 177245-18

Original, duplicate and triplicate to be forwarded to O. i/c 2nd Echelon for disposal.

Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks, references to Appendices and initials
York Is- and	1940 Aug. 30 31		<p>Weather: raining. Hon. Capt. A. Greene, CCS, arrived 3 O.R.'s granted 7 days leave of absence. No. 1 gun fired 2 "bring to" rounds four hours apart Battery strength return Aug. 31st - 90 Officers and men, attached 5 officers, 47 O.R.'s 13 civilians. Weather: raining.</p>	1-0



PART I ORDER

88th Heavy Battery, R.C.A. C.A.S.F.  
York Island, N.O.

30th August, 1940

by  
Major J. E. Piercey, OC

No. 242

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242-1 DUTIES - Saturday

To be Officer of the Watch	- R/Lt. H.V.N. Bankes
Next for duty	- Lt. P.F. Deckerill
Orderly Officer	- Lt. P.F. Deckerill
Next for duty	- R/Lt. H.V.N. Bankes
Orderly Sgt.	- Sgt. Cox
Next for duty	- L/Sgt. Thackeray
Orderly Bdr.	- L/Bdr. Engelen
Next for duty	- Bdr. Cuddeford

242-2 DUTY WATCHES from 0730 hrs. 31-8-40 to 0830 hrs. 1-9-40

Left Section

No. 3 Detachment

Bdr. Peter and  
12 O.R.'s as detailed

No. 4 Detachment

Sgt. Davidson and  
12 O.R.'s as detailed

242-3 MANNING PARADE 0830 hrs. and 1900 hrs. H.C. party and Left Sec.

242-4 SANITARY DETAIL - Saturday

Cmr. McKay  
" McGeagle

242-5 SENTRY DUTY from 1800 hrs. 31-8-40 to 0600 hrs. 1-9-40  
Ptes. McCulloch, Johnstone, Shearer  
and En. C.S.R.

242-6 BARRACK BOXES:

Barrack boxes will be painted gray.

242-7 PARADE: All personnel except those on duty and off duty gun watches and duty signallers, will parade with rifles on the wharf at 0830 hrs. Saturday, August 31, 1940. Dress - drill.



85th HEAVY BATTERY, R.C.A., C.A.S.F.

YORK ISLAND, B.C.

AUG 30th 1940

DAILY STRENGTH STATE

		<u>Offrs.</u>	<u>O.R.S</u>	<u>Total</u>	<u>Total at YORK ISLAND</u>
85th Hvy. Bty. RCA CASF	ON PARADE	2	63	65	
	EMPLOYED		11	11	
	STN. HOSP.		1	1	77
	Att. Bde. HQ	1	5	6	(6)
	Att. 58th	2	-	2	
	On Leave		5	5	
No. 11 Dist. Depot	ON PARADE		12	12	14
	STN. HOSP.		13	13	15
	H.Q.		2	2	
	Vancouver Hospital		54	54	
	A.W.L.		1	1	
51st. Hvy. Bty. RCA CASF	On Parade	1	-	1	1
1st. S/L Regt. RCA CASF	On Parade	1	-	1	1
2nd. Bn. (MG) CSR CASF	On Parade		9	9	
	Stn. Hosp.		1	1	10
	Bde. H.Q.		3	3	
	A.W.L.		1	1	
R.C.C.S.	On Parade		3	3	3
RCAMC (DETAIL)	Employed	1	2	3	3
	On Leave		1	1	
Naval personnel attached		1	7	8	8
Civilian personnel attached			13	13	13
GRAND TOTAL		9	145	154	150



PART I ORDERS

85th Heavy Battery, R.C.A. C.A.S.F.  
YORK ISLAND

August, 31, 1940

by  
Major J. S. Pioray

No. 243

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243-1 DUTIES: Sunday

To be officer of the Watch	- Lt. P.F. Dockerill
Next for duty	- 2/Lt. H.V.H. Bankes
Orderly Officer	- 2/Lt. H.V.H. Bankes
Next for duty	- Lt. P.F. Dockerill
Orderly Sgt.	- L/Sgt. Thackeray
Orderly Bdr.	- Bdr. Cuddeford

243-2 DUTY WATCHES - from 0830 hrs. 1-9-40 to 0730 hrs. 2-9-40

Right Section

No. 1 Detachment

Sgt. Cox and 12  
C.R.'s as detailed

No. 2 Detachment

L/Sgt. Thurlwell and  
12 C.R.'s as detailed

243-3 MARCHING PARADE - 0830 hrs. and 1900 hrs. H.Q. party & Right Sec.

243-4 SANITARY DETAIL - Sunday

Gnr. Willoughby  
" O'Malley

243-5 SENTRY DUTY - from 1800 hrs. 1-9-40 to 0600 hrs. 2-9-40.

Ptes. Wilkin, Flanndon, English  
2nd Bn. C.S.R.

243-6 PARADES - Off duty watch will fall in each afternoon at 1330 hrs.

243-7 HOLIDAY - Monday, 2nd Sept., Labor Day, will be observed as a holiday.

243-8 DISCIPLINE - No Officer or soldier of the C.A.S.F. is permitted without the sanction of the Minister, to accept a directorship (except as a nominee of the Government of Canada) in any public, industrial, or other company or firm, or to assist or advise any such company or firm in questions relating to their plant, processes, or products. They are also forbidden to act either directly or indirectly as agents for any company, firm or individual engaged in trade, or themselves engage therein. (Authority R.R. (Can.) para. 427 (a).)

243-9 RIFLES - All ranks are warned that rifles are to receive daily attention. Sufficient care is not being taken in many cases to ensure gas escape holes being clean and free from grit and grease. Care must also be taken to see that the leaf of the backslight is clean in all respects.



(COPY)

File 1-0

DEPARTMENT OF NATIONAL DEFENCE  
85th Heavy Battery, R.C.A., C.A.S.F.  
York Island, B.C.

Aug. 31st 1940

Headquarters,  
M.D. XI,  
Victoria, B.C.

BRING TO ROUND

1. About 0340 Hrs. on 30th Aug. 1940, the X.V. proceeded to examine three vessels proceeding down Sunderland Channel. Two vessels were stopped but the third proceeded so a round was fired by No. 1 gun. The vessel stopped and was dealt with by the X.O. I am informed the vessels name is M.V. "NORAH"

2. At 0750 Hrs. on 31st Aug. 1940, No. 1 gun fired a round to stop a vessel proceeding along Sunderland Channel which did not stop on signal of X.V., H.M.C.S. "MACDONALD". The vessel turned towards York Island, and proceeded along the shore where the port could not fire. The H.M.C.S. "MARAUDER" pursued it and eventually overtook it. While engaged in the chase H.M.C.S. "WEST COAST" took over the examination service, I am informed the vessels name is "ANNE" of Steveston.

(J. E. Piercy) Major, R.C.A.  
Officer Commanding, York Island

3<sup>rd</sup>  
August 1940

DAILY STRENGTH STATE

		<u>Offrs.</u>	<u>O.R.S</u>	<u>Total</u>	<u>Total at York Island</u>
85th Hvy. Bty. RCA CASF	On Parade	2	63	65	
	Employed		11	11	76
	On Leave		6	6	
	Bde. H.Q.		5	5	
	Attd. 58th	2	-	2	
	Attd. 31st.	1	-	1	
No. 11 Dist. Depot	On Parade		13	13	
	Stn. Hosp.		1	1	14
	Shaughnessy Hosp.		1	1	
	H.Q.		4	4	
	A.W.L.		1	1	
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31st. Hvy. Bty. RCA CASF	On Parade	1	-	1	1
1st. S/L Regt. RCA CASF	On Parade	1	-	1	1
2nd. Bn. (MG) CSR CASF	On Parade		9	9	
	Stn. Hosp.		1	1	10
	Bde. H.Q.		3	3	
	A.W.L.		1	1	
R.C.C.S. 10th Fort. Sig.	On Parade		3	3	3
R.C.A.M.C. (Detail)	Employed	1	2	3	3
	On Leave		1	1	
<u>EXPIRING</u>					
Hon. Capt. A. Greene CCS		1	-	1	1
Naval personnel attached		1	7	8	8
Civilian personnel attached			13	13	13
Total		10	145	155	
					<u>Ration Strength</u>
					180

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