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# WAR DIARY

OF

*2<sup>nd</sup> Bn Argyllshire Regiment*

From *December 1943* To \_\_\_\_\_

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Proforma in lieu of Army Form G.2118.

Place.	Date.	Hour.	Summary of events and Information.	Remarks and reference to appendices.
Merley Park Camp.	1 Jan 43.		The Bn moved to Merley Park Camp, Wimborne Minster. Command was handed over to 2/J Welch at Abbotsbury and Bexington at 1200hrs.	
Wimborne.	4 Jan 43.		Lieut J.H. Middleton proceeded on a course at Army Gas School.	
	13 Jan 43.		The following officers were posted to the Bn from 161 (M.M.C.) O.C.F.O. :- 2/Lt. P.A. Eves.                      2/Lt. J.H.M. Weston.	
			The following officers were struck off strength on embarkation for service overseas :- Lieut. W. Metcalfe.    Lieut. J.H. Sales.    Lieut. P. Young.    2/Lt. D.C. McGarry.	
	14 Jan 43.		The following officers were posted to the Bn:- Lieut. R.G. Pope.                      2/Lt. F.W. Wilson.	
	16 Jan 43.		2/Lt. K.C.M. Miller struck off strength on embarkation for service overseas.	
	18 Jan 43.		Lieut E.C.P. Clee	
	26 Jan 43.		T/Capt A.F. Slatter posted to the Bn.	
	27/28 Jan 43.		Bn HQ took part in Div Exercise Osprey II.	
	29 Jan 43.		Lieut J.H. Middleton promoted Captain pending regrant of temporary rank.	
	1 Feb 43.		"Rouse" parades for all ranks at 0730hrs were instituted.	
	3 Feb 43.		T/Capt A.F. Slatter was posted to 2.K.S.L.I.	
	9 Feb 43.		The first of a series officers days called "Brasstacks" days was held. The object of these days is to give all officers training in the actual handling of all vehicles, weapons, etc.	
			Lieut. G.W. Hunt ceased to be attached to No. 2 W.O.S.B. Jaffa Lines and posted to 20 I.I.C. Shrewsbury and struck off strength. w.e.f. 20 Feb 43.	
	17 Feb 43.		Following the reorganisation of the Div in accordance with the new W.E. of rifle coys and 1 Support Coy for the inf Bn the following postings were made within the Bn. Major Gale from Y Coy to Bn HQ as Assistant Training Offr. Major K.T. Carver from HQ Coy to Supp Coy as O.C. Coy. Capt. J.H. Middleton from Z Coy to Supp Coy as 2.i/c. Lt. F.W. Quikney from HQ Coy to Supp Coy as O.C. A/rk Pl. Lieut J.A. Meddaway from HQ Coy to Supp Coy as O.C. 4 P l. 2/Lt. K.V. Hancock, from Z Coy to X Coy. Capt. G.M. Singleton assumed command of HQ Coy. Capt. A.B.W. Cooper assumed command of Y Coy. Z Coy - the former Bromyard and Ledbury Coy was disbanded the personnel being divided between S Coy and the 3 rifle Coys.	
	20 Feb 43.		Lieut G.W. Hunt posted to 20.I.I.C. Shrewsbury and struck off strength.	
	21/28 Feb 43.		The Intelligence Section attended 114 Bde Intelligence concentration at Dorchester.	
	22 Feb 43.		The Army Commander Lt. Gen H.C. Loyd C.B., D.S.O., M.C. visited the Bn to inspect training.	
	23 Feb 43.		Exercise "Brasstacks II" was held. This exercise dealt with the study of R.T. procedure and map reading.	
	28 Feb 43.		The C.O. carried out an inspection of the Bn - special attention was paid to clothing and equipment.	

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Merley Park	1 April 43		Capt. J.H. Riddington attached to 115 Inf Regt U.S. Army 1 - 15 April 43.	
Camp,	2 April 43		Lieut P.J.W. Cuckney attended 2 lectures given by the Div Comd in Dorchester.	
Wimborne.	15 April 43		Major A.S. Shaw Ball attended Senior Offrs Course No.2 at School of Infantry. "S" Coy beat "S" Coy K.S.L.I. in Bde Inter-Coy Competition. Result 4 - 1.	
	17 April 43		Bn Cross Country Team won The Divisional Competition. 2/Lt's L.F. Fitzey & P.G. Walters joined the Unit. Q.M. admitted to Bovington Hospital with damaged back the result of hockey game in Dorchester.	
	22 April 43		Major A.S. Shaw Ball rejoined the Unit.	
	23 April 43		Lecture and Demonstration given by personnel of Parachute Bn. Only two members of the Bn volunteered, as a result of recent successes in Div & Bde competition morale is very high & men do not want to leave the Bn. Letters from personnel recently drafted to other units express a <del>strong</del> wish to return.	
	27 April 43		Cpts P.E. Bamaley & J.F. Carver attended 2 day Wireless Course at Founsbury Barracks. Draft of 22 arrived. Capt. P.W. Tomlinson & Lieut. W.J. Elsey attended Course No. 16 at 38th(W) Inf. Div. Battle School. Capt. J.H. Riddington attended Mortar Pl. Comdrs. Course at Div. Battle School, together with 1 Mortar Det.	
	28 - 30 April 43		Capt. O.T. Bulmer attended 3 day Concentration of Div. <sup>A</sup> officers at Blandford.	
	29 April 43		Bn. Boxing Team won Div. Boxing Competition at Dorchester. Result 9 - 6.	
	30 April 43		Major A.S. Shaw-Ball left the Unit to join overseas pool of 2 i/c's. This was a great loss to all of us.	
	30 April 43		Bn. Exercise Day. Object to practice leadership by Junior Officers and N.C.O's.	



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Merley Park Camp, Wimborne.	2 May 43.		A demonstration of a br demolition was given by the A.Ss. at Canford Bridge. Several Officers attended.	
	5 May 43.		Lieut A. de W. Digley attended Course No. 13 at the School of Infantry, Barnard's Castle.	
	6 May 43.		Exercise SIMONS. Deliberate attack to practise battle procedure and junior commanders.	
	7/8 May 43.		Exercise BARBAROSSA. This took place on Canford Heath. Object to practice a Coy in a night attack. A composite Coy was formed from personnel of all rifle Coys. The exercise was a great success from a training standpoint but the weather was exceptionally vile.	
	8 May 43.		T/Capt Crutchley M.A. joined the Bn. He had been a Public Relations Officer at the War Office, but following the policy of returning junior staff officers to field force units he was posted to 2nd Bn the Herefordshire Regt. There were several similar instances throughout the Div.	
	9 May 43.		T/Major Roche U.S.S. posted to Bn as 2nd i/c.	
	10 May 43.		Film on Exercise SHAKES shown at Canford. It was not considered very interesting.	
	12 May 43.		Officers' Day. Field firing 3" Mortar and practice of carrier driving on Canford Heath. This was great fun.	
	13/14 May 43.		Bn Exercise HURONS. Objects (i) to practice Bn in hasty occupation of defensive posn, (ii) to practice digging by night (iii) to test organisation of security and adm after dark. There was considerable disorganisation during the exercise and points were noted for future reference.	
	14 May 43.		The adv party left for Hythe. The chief event en route was an encounter battle with the whole of the Canadian Div Arty near Farnborough. Agreement was eventually reached between Major M.A. Carver comd 2 Hereford adv party and a Canadian Major. The adv party were given a friendly welcome by 2/6 S.Staffs. The billets to be taken over were, however, very poor. Acute shortage of razor blades at the N.A.A.F.I. was beginning to cause great inconvenience. Lieut. A.M. Ford joined the Bn.	
	16 May 43.		Capt. M.J. Hereford returned from 38 (W) Inf Div Battle School after four months as instructor.	
	21/22 May 43.		Exercise HINDARON. This was the Div move to Kent. The Bn moved to Hythe, most personnel by train, with a M.A. coln of the Bn tpt. The road party bivouaced the night near Reigate and had a very pleasant time there.	
Hythe, Kent.			Locations in Hythe were as follows. Bn H.Q., HQ. & S.Coys in Hillcrest Road overlooking Hythe, W.Coy on the beach near Moyle Ravers, X.Coy in Reachfield and Y.Coy in Palmers area.	
	23 May 43.		Coast defence taken over from 1/6 and 2/6 S.Staffs. The Bn under comd of 177 Inf Bde for operations.	

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 23 May 43. The Bn front stretches from Dymchurch to Seabrook. On the right we have 3 S.Staffs, on the left 2 Pl B. Coy Home Guard. The operational role was an anti-raid one only, invasion being considered very unlikely. Draft of 130 men arrived. Coy Comds were pleased, but the men were rather young and untrained, having had only 6 weeks at a P.I.C.  
 27 May 43. Div order issued forbidding wives to come into the area for more than 12 hours every 3 months, and even then forbidding the granting of sleeping-out passes. This was a matter of great sorrow to the married men but was naturally accepted with that blend of resignation and humour which has typified the British attitude to similar war-time restrictions in the past.  
 31 May 43. ....

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*Pat Grey*  
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Place.	Date.	Hour.	Summary of events and information.	Remarks & reference to appendices
HYTHE, Kent.	1 Jun 43.		Capt. C.S. Lower M.A. ChD. attached to the Bn as Chaplain.	
	2 Jun 43.		2/Lt. G.G. Jones and 2/Lt. T.Llewellyn ceased to be attached to this Unit.	
	3 Jun 43.		Major R.T. Carver proceeded on Intermediate Staff Course at Staff College, Camberley, and was struck off strength accordingly. We were all very sorry to see this officer leave for he had been with Bn in T.A.	
	6/7/8 Jun 43.		Exercise "Thunderbolt". 2 Hereford provided enemy for 43 Div. The shelling by 2 Bns of Churchill tanks was most impressive.	
	9 Jun 43.		X. Coy stood to 1100 hrs due to the beach ranges being used by 1/b S.Staffs without any notification. There was great excitement at the time.	
	11 Jun 43.		Exercise "Tabbycat". To practice taking up defensive position. Capt. Singleton commanded the Bn. The weather was frightfully hot, but otherwise the exercise went well. There was some discussion afterwards about the tactical handling of A/Tk guns, 6pr.	
	14 Jun 43.		Composite Coy Exercise. Defensive position in area Westenhanger Racecourse. I. Sec manned O.Ps. near Lympne Aerodrome. Very successful but weather unbelievably vile in the afternoon.	
	17 Jun 43.		Div Skeleton Exercise "Peacock". To practice communications and security. Major Gale represented the C.O. and Capt. Bulmer the Adj. It was an appallingly dull exercise and very little happened at Bn level.	
			Evening discussion on defence at Moyle Towers. The Brigadier presided. Very interesting.	
	18 Jun 43.		Lieut. J.T. Lochran posted to 6 Dorset Bn H.G. as Adjutant.	
			2/Lts. L.F. Pizzey and P.A. Eves permanently attached to 7th Bn S.L.I. This was a great disappointment. 2/Lt. Pizzey was a very good athlete and would have strengthened the Bn Sports Team.	
	19 Jun 43.		Certificate of Good Conduct awarded to Capt. (QM) E.R. Brown.	
	21 Jun 43.		Exercise "Tomcat". To practice taking up defensive position in Bilsington area. This was again much discussion about the siting of A/Tk guns.	
	22 Jun 43.		Efficiency medals (Territorial) awarded to C.S.M. A. Jones and Cpl. T.R. Biggs.	
	23 Jun 43.		Bn Sports held at Hythe Cricket Ground. S. Coy won with W. Coy a very close second.	
	22/26 Jun 43.		Bde 3" Mortar concentration at Hythe.	
	25/26 Jun 43.		Exercise "Mole" set by Bde. To practice Bn in attack and consolidation. Major A.C. Gale commanded the Bn. This exercise involved a great deal of hard digging.	
	28 Jun - 1 Jul 43.		Bde 6pr A/Tk gun concentration at Lydd.	
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Proforma in lieu of A.F. C 211B.

Place.	Date.	Summary of Events and Information.
HYTHE, KEN.	1st.Jul.43	Lt/Cpl W.A. Grey took over command of the Brigade in the absence of the Brigade Commander. Major A.C. Gale assumed command of the Bn during his absence.
	2nd.Jul.43	2/Lts. Fox H. and Wheelock N.J. joined the Bn. The Bn received the news that the Division had been congratulated by the G.O.C. S.E. Command on the excellent condition in which they left their former locations in Dorset.
	3rd.Jul.43	The Bn had a practise Turnout and the recall of troops was practised. Everything went extremely well and all posts were manned in good time.
	6th.Jul.43	The Training Films, "Name, Rank and No.", "Camouflage", "Aircraft Recognition", were shown to the Bn.
	7th.Jul.43	Major U.E.B. Roche returned to the Bn from the Senior Officers School and assumed command of the Bn.
	8th.Jul.43	Exercise "SINGLOW". This was a Bn Exercise to practise the Bn in Night March and Dawn Attack. The exercise was a complete success and many lessons were learnt.
	11/14th Jul.43	S.E. Command Exercise "CASTOR". This exercise only included Skeleton Bn H.Q. which consisted of Major U.E.B. Roche, Capt. Ridlington, and Lt. Ford. Lt. Reddaway was in command of the T.C.Pl.
	14th.Jul.43	Bn took part in an Athletic Sports Meeting held by the 550 Coast Regt. for Units in the Folkestone Area. The Bn secured second place with a total of 59 points against the winners 66.
	15th.Jul.43	Exercise "MOLE 11". Bn Composite Coy provided enemy for the 5th Bn. K.S.L.I. in a replica of MOLE 1
	16th.Jul.43	Exercise "MOLE 111". Again the Bn provided enemy to the S.W.B.
	18th.Jul.43	Capt. O.T. Bulmer was attached to Bde H.Q. as I.O. during the absence of the Bde I.O. on a Course. Lt/Cpl W.A. Grey assumed command of the Bn on his return from leave.
	21st.Jul.43	A rehearsal was held by Day of the Drill for a Bn Night Attack (Silent). The entire Bn took part and the Exercise was successful.
	22/23rd Jul.43	Exercise "BARNACLE". This was to practise Night River Crossing and was very instructive.
	24th.Jul.43	An Inter Coy Recruit Competition was held which included Battle Drill, Drill and P.T. and a fine show was seen. The recruits worked well, and after a close finish "Y" Coy won the competition. There was very little to choose between the coy teams.
	29/31st.Jul.43	A Bde Mortar Concentration was held and Field Firing took place on Postling Range.

-8 AUG 1943

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PLACES	DATE	Summary of Events and information.	Remarks and references to appendices.
HYTHE Kent.	1st/6th Aug.43 4th/6th Aug.43	The A.Tk Platoon attended an A.Tk Concentration at LYDD. Ex. "STARLING" took place. This was a skeleton exercise only and was designed to practise the Bde in Overseas Operations. Bn H.Q. in skeleton took part in this exercise. Advance parties left to occupy the Camps in "C" Assembly Area, to prepare for Ex. "HARLEQUIN". Preparations were commenced for the dispersal of the Bn. to "C" Assembly Area for the above exercise.	
Field.	15th. Aug.43	The Bn moved out to man "C" Assembly Area. This was an entirely new role for the Bn. The various Static Staffs moved into their respective/ and by evening these were functioning normally. Lt/Col Grey W.A. assumed command of "C" Assembly Area.	
	16th. Aug.43	Work was begun on the various camps and this progressed satisfactorily with the stores already at hand. The painting of signboards needed quite a lot of improvisation, this was due to the non issue of stencils to Camps.	
	18th Aug.43	All Officers and senior N.C.Os of all Camps and Services attended a T.E.W.T. on Ex "HARLEQUIN". This was preceded by a lecture given by Major Thomas of Movement Control, on the working of his department, during an exercise of this kind. A conference was held at ASHFORD Sub District H.Q. to consider the progress and future details of work in "C" Assembly Area.	
	19th. Aug.43	Training began of all P.A.D. parties under the command of Lt Fox, 2 Herefordia. The T.E.W.T. which had ended early on the 18th was continued. Advance Parties of FIELD FORCE Units arrived in the Reception Camps and this caused great inconvenience as no official notification had been received by the Area Commander. But these difficulties were surmounted and everything went well ahead after this difficult start. Unit censorship was imposed on all outgoing mail. Although this was a new experience to the Bn it soon settled down to this routine job.	
	20th Aug 43 24th. Aug.43.	The Army Commander, Lt/Gen SWAYNE visited the Area and inspected all the Camps in the Area. Certain difficulties arose as to the correct Handover of Billets, etc. by the former Unit. Ashford Sub District directed that a normal handover was impossible under the circumstances. During the evening, the troops in the Reception Camp were startled to hear a voice in the woods, which threatened them with many dire things. A patrol was sent out and they found that the local village idiot was to blame.	
	25th. Aug.43	Work on the camps still in progress, and the training of Static Staffs in their duties was commenced.	
	27/28th. Aug.43	A two day Exercise was held to practise the movement of vehicles and vehicle parties, through the Reception Camps down to Transit Areas. Many lessons were learnt but no major	

Field. 27/28th Aug. 43  
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difficulties were encountered.  
2/Lt Trotter and Somerset joined the Bn.  
Instructions were received that an Information Room would be opened at Assembly Area H.Q. and these would be completed by the 5th Sept. This room was commenced under the supervision of the I.O. Lt. Crutchly, by the I. Sec with the help of a draughtsman from H.Q. Ashford Sub District. Heads of Departments and Services compiled files and charts. An Operations map was constructed to show the movement of all Units that passed through "C" Assembly Area. A Progress Chart was also made in conjunction with this map and showed the times, unit and craft serial nos of Units in each camp, so therefor at any given time all details could be found of any unit, in any camp. This was afterwards found to work extremely well under any conditions.

  
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Place.	Date.	Summary of events and information.	Remarks and references to appendices.
In the Field.	2nd Sep 43.	A second rehearsal for Ex HARLEQUIN was carried out.	
	6th Sep 43.	Final conference held at "C" Assembly Area HQ.	
	8th Sep 43.	Commander in Chief, 2nd Army, Lt.Gen E.A.N. Anderson, C.B., M.C., visited "C" Assembly Area.	
	9th Sep 43.	This was "B" Day. Commander in Chief 2nd Army, <sup>Op,</sup> Commander in Chief Home Forces, Gen. Sir Bernard C.P. Paget, K.C.B., D.S.O., M.C. and Lt.Gen. J.G. Des R Swayne, C.B., C.B.E. and Commander in Chief, U.S. Forces in Gt Britain, Gen. Devers visited "C" Assembly Area.	
	10th Sep 43.	F.P. Troops moved through Reception, Marshalling and Transit Areas. All services worked extremely well. When emergencies arose through rapid movement of priority troops straight into Spare Camps, the existing arrangements worked well and all difficulties were dealt with.	
	13th Sep 43.	Comd 38th(W) Inf Div, Major Gen. D.C. Butterworth, D.S.O. visited "C" Assembly Area.	
	15th Sep 43.	All censorship of mail ceased. New M.O. Lt.J.P. Sinclair attached to this Unit. Lt. R.H. Burroughs posted to 38th(W) Inf Div HQ.	
	17th Sep 43.	All static troops in "C" Assembly Area moved back to pre exercise locations.	
	18th Sep 43.	All Coys spent day settling in.	
	20th Sep 43.	Lt.Col. W.A. Grey gave the Battalion a days holiday and this was much appreciated by all ranks.	
	21st Sep 43.	A/Majors J.P. Carver and P.E. Barnsley to be Temp/Majors.	
	25th Sep 43.	2/Lt. H. Dixon, Border Bgdt, temporarily attached to the Unit.	

  
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WAR DIARY.

Pre-forma in list of A.F.C.2128.

Place.	Date.	Summary of events and information.	Remarks and reference to appendices
Hythe.	1st, 2nd, 3rd Oct.	Exercise Turnabout. The Bn acted as enemy in a prepared Defensive Posn for 59 Div.	
	5th Oct.	Lieut. Lightbody, J.C. joined the unit as M.O.	
	7th Oct.	Bn Discussion conducted by the Brigadier on Pursuit.	
	8th Oct.	Capt. Hereford, R.J. left the unit prior to embarkation for overseas.	
	9th Oct.	Lieut. Crutchley, R.L. attended medical board and was down graded.	
	11th Oct.	Capt. Lower, C.S. the padre left the unit and his place was taken by Capt. Atkinson, W.J.	
	14th Oct.	Commanding Officer's Administrative Inspection of the Battalion.	
	15th Oct.	The Bde Commander's Administrative Inspection fixed for this date was postponed.	
	16th Oct.	Advance Party moved to new area.	
	17 Oct.	Lieut. Chamberlain, A.F. returned to the unit from 38th (W) Inf Div Battle School where he had acted as instructor.	
	24th Oct.	Operation CREDULOUS. The Bn moved to Pipers Wood Camp, Nr Amersham, The M.T. move was very well organised and the Battalion was complimented by the Brigadier.	
	28th Oct.	2/Lt. Wheelock, M.J. left with Demonstration Pl for 38th (W) Inf Div Battle School.	

  
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Pro-forma in lieu of A.P.C. 2128

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Pipers Wood Camp, Nr Amersham.	1st. Nov.43	Exercise "Leopard". A 2 day Brigade exercise. This was a H.Q. exercise featuring an advance to contact and river crossing. Lt/Col. W.A. Grey commanded the Brigade.	
	5th. Nov.43	Lt. K.V. Hancock posted as instructor to 206 O.C.T.U. C in C Home Force. Lt. Gen. H. Franklin K.C.B., D.S.O., M.C. visited the the Bn. There was a demonstration of a Coy attack by "W" Coy, including breaching a minefield and wire with the help of a Bangalore Torpedo.	
	8th. Nov.43	Major J.J. Carey joined the Bn and took over command of "Y" Coy.	
	9th. Nov.43	Capt. A.B. Rogers and Lt. A. Wilkinson temporarily attached to the Bn from the Staff College.	
	10th. Nov.43	Travelling Wing of S.A.S. visited the Bn.	
	12th. Nov.43	Lt. H. Dixon ceased to be attached to this Unit.	
	13th. Nov.43	Lt. G. Fieldsend joined the Bn.	
	14th. Nov.43	Operation "Dilapidate". The Division moved to Northumberland.	
Shortridge Hall, Warkworth.	16th. Nov.43	2/Lt. B.G. Jones ceased to be attached to this Unit.	
	17th. Nov.43	T/Major. P.E. Barnsley relinquished temporary rank of Major.	
	26th. Nov.43	Capt. T.W. Peters was struck off the strength of the Bn. He had been Staff Captain at 114 Bde H.Q. for some time.	
	29th. Nov.43	Div. Signal Exercise "Taffy" This exercise lasted four days and was primarily to exercise H.Qs and Senior Commanders.	

  
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Army Form C. 2118.

Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices
Sandown I.O.W.	December	7	Capt A.B. Rogers left the unit and was attached to 20 ITC, Shrewsbury.	
		10	T/Major A.C. Gale proceeded on Course to S.O.S.	
		13	Capt C.E. Russell joined the unit. He came from 99 A.Tk Regt, R.A., and assumed command of HQ Coy. Lieut V. Mountford posted as instructor to No 1 Young Soldiers Training Centre. Ex Balimo. This was the first full-scale divisional exercise for a very considerable time. It lasted five days, and included a long approach-march, a river-crossing, an attack and rapid exploitation. The exercise went well, and although conditions were rigorous, all ranks stood up to them well and much enthusiasm was displayed.	
		24	Mrs Scholefield gave a magnificent party to the whole Bn. Every man received a Christmas present.	
		27	A sandtable exercise was held in the I. Office to practise the planning of a deliberate attack.	
		28	Bn Exercise on Almwick Moor to practise Bn attack through a minefield against a prepared enemy position. Many valuable lessons were learnt.	

  
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