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L.A. RESTALL PENSION NO. 1279679

JUNE 2-1941	JOINED R.C.V. ESQUIMALT B.C.
OCT 31	MARRIED TO ALRIAN BAYES
NOV 3	SHIPPED TO HALIFAX FOR RADAR TRAINING.
DEC	JOINED HMCS EVEBRIGHT AS RADAR OPERATOR.
JAN 2-1942	SAILED TO ST JOHN'S NEWFOUNDLAND, REFUELED AND ESCORTED 1ST CONVOY TO IRELAND
	CONTINUE CONVOY DUTY WITH MANY DEPTH CHARGE ATTACKS ON SUBMARINES.
JUNE 1942	TRANSFERRED TO HMCS WETASKWIN, CONVOY DUTY.
JULY 1942	TRANSFERRED TO HMCS MORDEN
	DETECTED SURFACED ^{U756} SUB ATTEMPTING TO BREAK INTO CONVOY AT NIGHT, WAS ON AFTER GUN CREW DURING ACTION STATIONS FIRING AT SUB WHICH DIVED.
	WE ATTEMPTED TO TRAM BUT SUB WAS ABLE TO SUBMERGE, PAST OVER SUB AND DROPPED A PATTERN OF DEPTH CHARGES, ACCORDING TO GERMAN RECORDS THE SUB NEVER REPORTED AGAIN.
	PICKED UP 194 SURVIVORS FROM TORPEDGED LINER SS WINNEPEG, IN 13 LIFE BOATS
	PICKED UP TWO GUNNERS FROM TORPEDGED SHIP.
	PICKED UP ONE MAN COMPLETELY SOAKED IN BLACK OIL WITH ONLY HIS (VISABLE) EYES VISABLE
DEC 1942	RETURNED TO HALIFAX FOR HIGHER TRAINING.
1943	DRAFTED TO ESQUIMALT FOR A NEW FRIGATE HMCS NEW WATER FORD
	DID THREE DAY STRENUOUS WORK UP AT BERMIUDA WHICH CONSISTED OF: ABANDONING SHIP AT SEA, COXAIN OF THE SEA BOAT, RADAR EXERCISES ETC.
	ARRIVED IN HALIFAX, FITTED A NEW RADAR SET.
	REPORTED TO "SICK BAY" WITH SEVERE BACK PAINS. NO TREATMENT RECEIVED, PAINS DECREASED.
	BACK ON CONVOY DUTY

JUNE 1944 NEW WATERFOOD ASSIGNED TO ESCORT GROUP EGG BASED IN PORTSMOUTH.

GRAND ADMIRAL DONITZ ASSIGNED 36 UBOATS TO THE CHANNEL FOR ANTI INVASION DUTIES.

HAD THE EXPERIENCE OF WATCHING BATTLESHIPS, CARRIERS, CRUISERS, LANDING BARGES, MULBERRY DOCKS, BOMBERS, FIGHTERS HEADING FOR THE BEACHES.

JUNE 13 WATCHED 1ST VJ FLYING BOMBS PASS OVER FOR LONDON HAS BLACKWOOD AND HAS MODRNE SUNK

WE ARE NOW ON "WATCH AND WATCH" 4 HOURS ON DUTY 4 HOURS OFF DUTY.

NEXT ESCORT SHIP TO US TORPEDOED, TIED UP ALONGSIDE AND TOOK OFF MANY INJURED, SOME SERIOUSLY INJURED TREATED IN SICK BAY BY SURGEON LT. GALPIN.

SEPT 1ST VZ ROCKETS FIRED AT LONDON

HMS GREENA SANK U247

HMS LOCKRACKAVULT AND HAS LOCKMORLICK JOINED OUR GROUP EGG.

OCT 16 PATROLLING EAST OF FAERO ISLES, DETECTED A U1006 U-BOAT

HMS ANNON DROPPED CHARGES, SUB SURFACES AND OPENS FIRE, NOW EVENING, WE FIRE STAR SHELLS AND 20MM GUNS WITH RED TRACERS, SUB USES GREEN TRACERS, 8 MEN INJURED ON HMS ANNON, 18 SURVIVORS PICKED UP FROM SUB, MANY INJURED INCLUDING SUB C/O BROUGHT TO OUR SHIP FOR MEDICAL TREATMENT.

HMS ANNON'S GUNNERY OFFICER WOUNDED AND LOST A KIDNEY, W/T OPERATOR BLINDED IN ONE EYE, RADAR OPERATOR WOUNDED IN GROW.

GERMAN PRISONERS LANDED NEXT DAY IN GRENOK AND WERE BOOED BY LOCALS AS THEY WERE MARCHED AWAY.

- DEC 44 ON CONVOY ESCORT DUTY TO MURMANSK RUSSIA.
VERY COLD, STEAM LINE ON FORWARD GUN TO PREVENT
FREEZING, MUCH CONTINUOUS ACTION FROM SUBS AND
AIRCRAFT. NOT ALLOWED ASHORE IN MURMANSK.
- DEC DRAFTED ASHORE FOR TRANSFER BACK TO CANADA FOR
RADAR PLOT COURSE FOR CRUISERS, SLEPT ON COT IN
HALLWAY OF BOMBED OUT BARRACKS
- DEC 10 DRAFTED TO HMCS EYEBRIGHT FOR RETURN TO CANADA.
ESCORTEDED A SLOW CONVOY TO HALIFAX - 21 DAYS -
- JAN 2 1945 DRAFTED TO HMCS ST HYACINTHE QDE. FOR TRAINING.
- FEB 13 DRAFTED TO HMCS UGANDA FOR JAPANESE WAR.