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"OVERLORD"

May 1944.

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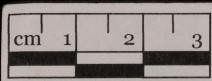
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40 M.M.
Sgt. Davis
Bdr. Kirby
Gnr. Hale
Gnr. Harr
Gnr. Tuck
Gnr. Boo
Gnr. Paul
4/30 ~~Gnr. Kim~~
Gnr. Hart
Gnr. Ben



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Empire Bunting — 410.

THQ. St. A.J. Holladay R.A.

Gov. Smith H.F.

Gov. Gibb

Gov. Cullimore

40 M.M.

Sgt. Longden
Bdr. Kirby
Gov. Hutchinson
Gov. Harris J.R.
Gov. Foster
Gov. Book
Gov. Poullier
L/B Frank King
Gov. Harris H.J.
Gov. Bernstein.

20. M.M.

Sgt.-Major Phillips
Gov. Goodman
Gov. Myers
L/B Hartley.
Sgt. Irish
Gov. Evans H.G.
Gov. Morgan M.
Gov. Key.

20 M.M.

Bdr. Harper 4
Gov. McCloskey 5
Gov. Maguire
Gov. Bennett 6
L/B Smith H.H. 7
Gov. Cobley 8
Gov. Nicholson 9
✓ < Gov. Moore >¹⁰

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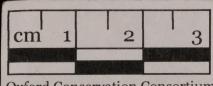
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$$\begin{array}{r} \underline{28} \\ 480 \\ 192 \\ \hline 672 \end{array}$$

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500 Ball
~~Tracer~~ } 672.
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Operation Orders.

Information British & Allied Armies are concentrated for invasion.

Intention. 63/20 will man 40 & 20 H.H. equipments in seven merchant ships to be grounded off 1 Corps Beach sectors for protection of ships & craft, and as an extension of Beach defences.

Method. Six ships at OBAN — Empire Defiance, Empire Bunting, Empire Tamar, Panas, Beachville, Manchester Spinner

One ship at PLYMOUTH — old French battleship Courbet.

Manchester Spinner (Capt. Ballantine)

Empire Bunting (St. Holliday) and Panas (St. Lindsay) constitute No. 4 Gooseberry which will be beached off 102 Beach Sub-area. Each ship has one Bofors and anti-aircraft armament. Each Gooseberry has additional block ships to a total of ten. Remaining ^{named above} craft constitute No. 5 Gooseberry under Captain Guild which will be beached off 101 B.S.A.

L.A.A. will be under operational control of —

101 B.S.A.	A.A.D.C.	St.-Col Johnston	103 HAA
	Lt. A.A. Cmdr.	St.-Col Armstrong	73 LAA
102 B.S.A.	A.A.D.C.	St.-Col G.H. Chappell	86 HAA
	Lt. A.A. Cmdr.	St.-Col N.W. Hoare	114 LAA

No. Naval or Merchant Service personnel will remain on board after the ships have been grounded.

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Intercommunication.

O.C. 63 Bty. will establish skeleton BHQ with 73 LAA RHQ as soon as ferry service permits. He will travel with Command Ship No. 5 Gooseberry (Capt. Guild).

Each AA ship will have a 109 set and a 38 set, and the command ships will also have a 22 set and a 208 set.

The 38 will be used for intercommunication within the Gooseberry. It will operate at minimum power compatible with good reception. Wire aerials will not be used.

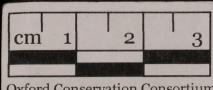
The 109 will be netted in the first place to HQ Ship Force "S" for early warning: when beach-head is sufficiently organised, and AAORs functioning, they will be netted to LAA O.P. net which filters AAOR broadcasts.

(Note 208 set - AAOR net. 22 set LAA Cmdr's net.)

Wireless Silence: — will be observed on all army nets until H hour. 38s will be netted immediately on embarkation, then shut down. 109s will be tuned to correct frequency & also shut down. At H hour sets will be switched on, tuned accurately, & listening watch maintained. This only applies to sets within 6 miles of coast. Beyond that limit silence will be maintained.

Tuning Call: — will be last letter of station's code sign.

* This will be notified in SLIDE over 38 net.



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w/t Priority.

208s & 22s Priority One

109s Priority Eight

38s No Priority.

7860

Frequencies { HQ Ship Force S 7860 kilocycles
109 { 114 LAA O.P.S 5892 " (F16)

38. 7637 kilocycles (Intercom.) (F24)
or nearest silent band, notified
by visual signal.

Code Signs. These will be changed at 0200 hrs. every
day. They have been issued in advance for 28 days.

MAY 25 | 26 | 27 | 28 | 29 | 30 | 31
SRV | TAX | UBB | BGQ | CSM | UPC | WPO

JUNE 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 | 8 | 9 | 10 | 11 | 12 | 13 | 14 | 15 | 16 | 17 | 18 | 19 | 20 | 21 | 22 | 23 | 24 | 25 | 26 | 27 | 28 | 29 | 30 | 31
HSE | ITK | KKR | OLO | ZNC | WSI | ADB | D+L
D+2 D+3 D+4 D+5 D+6 D+7 D+8
JULY 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 | 8 | 9 | 10 | 11 | 12 | 13 | 14 | 15 | 16 | 17 | 18 | 19 | 20 | 21 | 22 | 23 | 24 | 25 | 26 | 27 | 28 | 29 | 30 | 31
GZQ | ZNC | KPR | GYZ | MEO | MSE | JCR
D+9 D+10 D+11 D+12 D+13 D+14 D+15
AUG 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 | 8 | 9 | 10 | 11 | 12 | 13 | 14 | 15 | 16 | 17 | 18 | 19 | 20 | 21 | 22 | 23 | 24 | 25 | 26 | 27 | 28 | 29 | 30 | 31
JND | KPO | FFB | JWC | DMK | BIZ | WPO

All numbers are { MOTO - 1 JOHN - 3 BUB - 5
PADDY - 2 PIP - 4 US - 6 KEN 7.

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JUNE	D+16	D+17	D+18	D+19	D+20	D+21	D+22
SUL	7001	715	24	25	26	27	28
			W10	UQ0	LKK	UME	EGB

D+23 D+24.

JUNE	29	30
	EGG	XLQ

No code sign documents
will be taken ashore on D day.

Slidex. Keys will be issued to cover period D-1 to
D+10. Fixed or sliding key may be employed.

Unit cards will be standard and Card 5 need
not be used to prefix messages. RA Keys will be used.
Fixed key by R/T. Prefix with "SLIDEX.. OR RA SO".
SLIDEX - " " " Send Message "I shall send SLIDEX NO"
get O.K. from receiver then continue GB RA SO without any
further preamble.

Journal Code. 2 copies held by Dr. Ops.

- Netting.
- All stations will be adjusted to freq. before time for netting.
 - At time for netting control will radiate tuning call in
morse for one minute. MCW if possible - if not, CW.
 - Pause of 15 secs.
 - Netting call steady carrier for 30 secs.
 - Pause of One minute for final adjustment.
 - Control calls for report of signals
 - Outstations reply.

Renetting

~~Control station~~ Control station will order check your net for
slight inaccuracy. For bad inaccuracy order Panel
→ repeat initial netting procedure.

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Method of giving Time.

10.30 p.m. 7th June — 072230 B. [JUN 44]

All Times for operation will be in British D.S.T. — "B"

References to H Hour will be given as follows:

H + 3 mins H - 2 hours.

Time will be taken from BBC (6th pip) and Joint R.T. Bdct.

Joint R.T. Bdct.

HQ Ship Force S will broadcast information of all types at 20 and 50 mins past clock-hour. This can be picked up on Receivers BP 412 (RHQ.)
(Force S HMS Langs J. Hilary G. Dulolo)
(Call Signs Wildcat "Backline" "Headlight")

Daily Returns. First returns on D + 2

Casualty returns in message form showing position at 0600 daily. Serially numbered and prefixed CS. No change returns are required.

C — Actual Strength at 0600 e.g. One and Twenty-Nine

X — Killed e.g. One and Four. Particulars of officer to be sent on as soon as possible if not available.

Y — Wounded as per killed

Z — Missing as per killed

ZR — Missing, rejoined as per killed.

N.B. (1) In all cases particulars of O.R.s will also be sent eventually.

(2) If men are detached particulars of men's detachment will be given.

(3) No man will be reported killed unless dead body is seen.

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Administration.

Each ship carries rations for 28 days from time of embarkation, over 200 quls. water, stores of petrol, oils and lubricants. After grounding additional stores incl. food and water may be available on ship. Large supplies of ammo. are also carried. After grounding admin will be conducted by Capt. Davis + two 63 BHQ + 7 Reme + 1 3-tonner who will land on evenin, 3 day on 102 B.S.A. He will operate for G 5.

139 CAA Rest will find a similar admin. party for G 4. The officer i/c will obtain a craft from R.N. + Beach Control + institute a ferry service with ammo. rations water reports + returns mail casualties etc. Probable duration of task is at least 10 weeks. Some men may be taken off gooseberries to supplement admin. party if 20 H.H. cannot all be spliced. 139 Rest party will be attached to HQ 114 CAA Rest.

The admin. parties will cater for LBSF and gooseberries in beach sub-area.

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1 CORPS BEACH SECTORS

101 B.S.A.

103 HAA Regt.
73 AAA Regt.
63 944 Q (skelton)
under Maj. Davies
63 Admin Staff
under Capt. Davies

102 B.S.A.

HQ 80 BDE.
155 AA OR
86 HAA Regt.
114 LAA Regt. X
321 AAA Bty (20 M.M.)
474 S.L. Bty (1½ TPs)
112 Pn (SM) Coy.

139 LAA Admin Party X
(3 84.6 REME 1x Staff.)

104 B.S.A.

HQ 76 BDE
113 HAA Regt.
120 AAA Regt.
20 AAA W/Shop
Admin Party

A / 139

B / 139
Lbs F.

C / 139
HAA V 139.

Foweyton 5 (OUISTREHAM)
(Capt. Gandy)

C / 139.

CARROUANCHES
Gouyette 3
(Capt. Colas)

30 CORPS BEACH SECTORS.

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- 3.) Part of 146 HAA Regt. was deployed in a ground
holding role W. of Zeebrugge canal. 20 LAA Regt less one
Bty. deployed in an inf. role North & N.W. of Maldegem
Towns. Both these units acted in sup of 18 Cdn
Armoured Car Regt. (12 Manitoba Dragoons), 4 Cdn Arm'd Div.

G.H.Q. A.A. Tps.
BRUSSELS

Xmas Message from C.O. 12 Manitoba Dragoons.

1. I wish to express on behalf of all ranks under my command our very best wishes for Xmas and the New Year to officers and men of the 20th LAA Regt.
2. We also wish to express our obligation for the invaluable assistance that your ^{regiment} gave us in clearing the Scheldt pocket. In spite of your modesty we cannot agree that you were such "amateur infantry" as you claimed to be, and certainly your enthusiasm and steadfastness went a long way to compensate for lack of experience.
3. If the necessity of war brings us together again we shall welcome you as comrades in battle with the greatest of enthusiasm.

Signed.

Mr J.T. Col

A.C. 12 MANITOBA
DRAGOONS

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1942

Edinburgh MARCH
Bude
Stirling
Crombie
St. Andrews
Kinross
Inverary
Archerfield
Nott. Berwick
Dovey Hill

1944

Havant
Portsmouth
Long Eaton
Derby
Nottingham
Cark
Scocking
Preston

1943

Munster
Tambrough
Aldershot
Chichester
Fonthurst
Aldingbourne
Towleigh H.ill
Brighton
Downton
Berechurch
Colchester
Bournemouth
Parkstone
Poole
Boscombe
Leeds

1943

Great Glen
Clacton
Ex. "Broomes"
Husband's Bosworth
Ramsgate
Clacton
Oban
Courceles - S. Mer JUNE 7 D + I
Heswall JULY
Colville AUGUST
Ostend SEP
Bruges, Syssels SEP - OCT
Damme (deafold Canal) OCT
Brussels OCT
Lembeke NOV
Breskens (Scheldt) NOV

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