

Arisaig Police Station 1938-1940  
R91/D/C/5/5/5 at Fort William Archives

The first entry is by P.C. P. Logan on Wednesday July 20th 1938. The last entry is still by P.C. P. Logan made on December 21st 1940.

1938

- July 22 Attended Sheriff Court where I gave evidence at Public Enquiry with death of William Paterson. Jury found that he met his death through an explosion which occurred on or near his person. (See June 9th on R91/D/C/5/5/4)
- July 23 Serious motor accident at Lochabuidh.
- July 26 Made enquiry on alleged Deer Poaching at Glenmamie on 20th inst.
- August 8 Travelled to Beasdale and Cuildarach Camp and charged Donald Dewar Carmichael (32), storeman, residing Lochailort Hotel with Con. Road Traffic Act 1900 Sec 11.
- September 9 to September 26. Granted Annual Leave.
- October 10 Received telephone message from Hugh Cameron, Station Master Lochailort, that a waterproof coat belonging to him was stolen from the Railway Station by a workman at Cuildarach Camp.
- October 11 Coat was returned to the station and no action taken,
- November 7 At 1.30am received phone message from John Cameron, Gamekeeper, Arnipol, that at 1.10am motor car KS4415 passed him in public road at Arnipol travelling towards Arisaig and he suspected that the occupants of same had been poaching. I left station and observed a motor car coming towards me from direction of Lochailort. I signalled the driver to stop, but he swerved to right and went back towards Lochailort. I then awaited its return as I noticed it had no red rear light and the number was KS4415 at 2.30am. At 2.50am KS4415 returned and within 40 yards of me I again signalled him to stop, but he drove right into me striking me with left front wheel and wing on my left leg. I fell over the wing of car and was carried thereon for several yards before driver stopped car. With aid of electric torch I was able to identify driver as James MacVey, Butcher, Craighlas, Mallaig. Searched car but found no firearms or game. Observed Deer Hair on back seat. Accused was alone in car. I charged him with Con. Road Traffic Act 1930 and Con. Road Transport Lighting Act. He replied "I was out for a run with Katie the Post and I did not know that you wanted me to stop the first time, when I was going there with her. I did manage to stop in time just now as I am not up to the gears of this car and I did not know that I had no rear light". I then allowed accused to continue on his way home. Waited with witness Murdo MacMillan till 5am in case accused should return.
- November 8 At 9am left station and patrolled by way of Carnoch and Glen in company with witness Murdo MacMillan and about 12 noon called at The Glen, Arisaig and interviewed Catherine Macdonald (24), domestic servant, residing there, re James MacVey. She informed me that accused called on her this date about 1.30am and told her he was doing a spot of poaching and was caught by Arisaig policeman but did not stop and asked me to tell the police if they called to say she was out with him then, and also that he asked permission to put the deer he had poached into the Byre belonging to her father. She said that he could do so provided he took them away before her father got up in the morning. He then left her and proceeded to put deer into Byre and she went inside and went to bed.  
Went to station at 12.30 when I phoned Insp. Macdonald re same and he informed me that deer poaching had nothing to do with Police but to have accused reported for other offences.
- November 14 Sheep dipping.
- November 25 I interviewed James Savage (37), labourer, residing Auldaroch Camp re theft of window strap from window of railway carriage. He admitted to having cut and

stolen it. He then produced strap from under mattress of his bed and I took possession of same and brought it to my station and labelled it. Charged Savage with this offence. December 8 at Sheriff Court Fort William he was fined £1 or given 5 days in prison.

Calum Morrison (27), blacksmith, residing at Cuiladarach Camp, reported stealing of a pocket book containing £7 single notes, a 10-shilling note and a Post Office Savings Bank Book with total of £142, from a locked suitcase of his in one of the cubicles of the camp.

December 28 Proceeded to Inverailort where I called on Reginald Cox, Gamekeeper, and collected his Firearms Certificate for renewal along with fee of 2/6.

## 1939

January 1 Off duty.

January 7 Noted complaint from Christine Helen Jane Cameron-Head re Arthur Austin Bulor (33), Chauffeur in her employ, whom she stated assaulted her and injured her second finger on right hand and stole and destroyed a document belonging to her on Wednesday 4th January 1939 about 1pm. Noted statement from witness Francis Someville Cameron-Head (42) of Independent Means and Elsie Parry (48), Housemaid, both residing at Inverailort Castle. Formally charged accused with these offences and he made no reply. He afterwards stated that he wished to make a counter charge against said Mrs Cameron-Head for using one of her motor vehicles on public road without Insurance in respect of Third Party Risks and having no Road Fund License. The offence he stated took place on 2nd January 1939 and that he drove the vehicle concerned.

January 9 Proceeded to Inverailort Castle where I interviewed Mrs Cameron-Head and her son Francis re motor vehicle ST9748 Certificate of Insurance. Interviewed them at 3pm.

January 12 Thursday. Attended Cinema Exhibition Arisaig Hall till 10.30pm.

January 14 Called on C.H.J. Cameron-Head at Inverailort Castle and warned, cautioned and charged her with Cont. Road Traffic Act 1930 to which she replied "I quite admit using the car on 2nd January without an Insurance Policy, but the matter escaped my memory and I am prepared to pay any fine although the offence was not intentionally admitted".

January 18 PC Logan attended five A.R.P. Lectures (Air Raid Precautions) given by PC Anderson in Astley Hall 8.15 till 9.15. Three were on January 18th to 20th and two on January 25th and 26th,

February 10 Arrested Anthony Mitchell Henry, waiter Cuiladarach Camp, who was committing Breach of the Peace and conveyed him by car to Mallaig where he was searched and locked up in the Police Cells.

February 15 Instructed to inform ARP Wardens of meeting at Astley Hall 7.30pm.

March 14 Returned Fire Arms Cert. for Peter Blackburn, Roshven, to Divisional Insp. as this person is still living in London,

March 18 Received phone message from Miss MacRae, Lochailort Hotel to effect that two men of navvy class were causing her alarm and threatening to blow up her Hotel and had assaulted her barman. She phoned three times in ten minutes and demanded Police assistance. I hired a car and proceeded to Lochailort and on arrival at 10.15, men had gone and the place was quiet. Noted Miss MacRae's statement and complaint from witnesses Margaret MacAskill, Jack Robertson and Duncan McBeth.

March 25 Monday. Proceeded to Cuiladarach where I saw Thomas Howie (29), labourer, James Hurkins (37), labourer, and Duniff Colmony, Donegal, and charged them with Breach of the Peace at Lochailort Hotel on night of 18th and also charged Howie with assaulting Duncan MacBeth, Barman in said hotel.

March 24 Collected Census Forms from Rev. Mr Logan in connection with A.R.P. (Air Raid Precautions).

- March 29 Interviewed William Scott (26), labourer, Cuildarach Camp Lochailort, and he admitted having travelled without a ticket from Lochailort to Beasdale and of stopping the train by pulling communication cord approximately 3 miles north of Lochailort Station. Charged him with Fraud to which he replied "I did not mean any harm".  
David Boyle (23), labourer, who broke window of First Class carriage and travelled without ticket. William Scott and Daniel Boyle convicted of Malicious Mischief and Breach of the Peace. Scott fined £2 or ten days. Boyle fined £3 or ten days.
- April 1 I did duty in vicinity of Lochailort Hotel till 9.15 and found all was quiet and orderly. Eight workmen from the camps visited bar of hotel.
- May 16 Joseph Graham (26), labourer Loch Dhu , breach of the Peace. £2 or 2 days.
- May 21 Message from Hugh Cameron, Stationmaster, Lochailort, informing of assault on James Stewart (24), labourer, Inverailort, by Joseph Graham, Lochalur, Lochailort.
- May 22 Proceeded to Lochailort where I made enquiry into case of assault and B of P committed by Joseph Graham (26), labourer, Cuildarach Camp. Noted statements from Complainer James Stewart (24), labourer, Inverailort; Lachlan MacPherson (35), Roadman, Glenshian, Lochailort; Alistair MacGregor (20), under Gardener, Inverailort; and Donald Macdonald (22), labourer, Polish. At 10am phoned Div. Insp. who informed me that he would send Patrol car to Lochailort to convey accused to Police Cells Fort William. At 1pm arrested accused and charged him with these offences. He made no reply to the charges. He was then conveyed by Patrol car to Fort William. Returned to station at 2.45pm.  
At 10pm received phone message from Div, Insp. to inform Foreman MacAlpine with A.M. Carmichael Cuildarach that an attempt was made previous night to steal explosives from magazine at Kintallen, Argyllshire, and to keep a sharp watch on magazines at Cuildarach. Proceeded to Keppoch but did not see MacAlpine. 20 miles. 20 hours.
- May 30 Gave evidence in Sheriff Court in case against Arthur Austin Bulow - assault. Accused to be convicted on evidence of theft and destruction of property belonging to Mrs Cameron-Head, Inverailort Castle and fined £2 or 10 days.
- June 2 Bella Cameron, Arnipol, handed in a lost suitcase she found on the roadway. Loser put in query and suitcase was returned to him at Perth Theatre, Perth. Postage return 1/0. Case valued at £3.
- June 5 At 12 noon I was severely bitten by a dog belonging to Mary Macdonald Bunacaimbe and my hand and arm swelled up very much and I was unable to use my right hand. My wife attended to my wound as Dr. Macdonald was at Glenuaig. On his return he attended to my wounds and had them cauterized.
- June 7 Proceeded to Bunacaimb where I saw Mary Macdonald (71) and charged her with Con. Dogs Act 1871. She stated she would destroy the dog as soon as she got someone to do so. See June 27th.
- June 26 Called at Lochailort Railway Station and learned that two men, Ronald Macdonald, Polish and Joseph Graham, Lochdhu, caused trouble on passenger train between Glenfinnan and Lochailort on 124th inst. Noted this statement from Hugh Cameron, Station Master Lochailort. Also noted statement from Angus MacNaughton, Postman, Station House , Lochailort, and noted statement and complaint against the men concerned from Duncan Wallace (51), Passenger Guard, residing Mallaig.
- June 27 Noted statement and complaint from Uillimina MacRae (46) Hotelkeeper, Lochailort, re Elizabeth MacGachan or Harper (34) residing in a tent about a mile West of Lochailort Hotel. Also statements from witnesses, Margaret MacAskill (35), Bookkeeper Lochailort Hotel and Jack Robertson, Barman at Lochailort Hotel. Later saw said Harper and formally charged her with B of P at Lochailort Hotel on night of 26th inst. later saw Joseph Graham (26), labourer ,

Lochdhu, Lochailort and Ronald Macdonald (20), storeman, Polish and formally charged them separately with assault and Breach of the Peace on 8.30pm passenger train ex Fort William to Mallaig on 24th inst. between Glenfinnan and Lochailort.

Learned that Mary Macdonald Crofter Bunacaimb had not yet destroyed her dog. See June 7th.

- June 28 Proceeded with 12.25 passenger train to Fort William. Arrived 1.30pm. Along with other members of the Force received instructions in Traffic Drill and afterwards was inspected in new Uniform by C.C.
- June 29 Proceeded along the railway line to Craigmhor where I saw Kenneth Chisholm (26), Railway Surfaceman residing at 2 Kinsaddle and noted his statement re Ronald Macdonald and Joseph Graham, B. of P. on 8.30 passenger train ex Fort William to Mallaig on evening of 24th inst.
- July 1 Mary Macdonald, Crofter, Bunacaimb, had destroyed her dog for which she was to appear in JP Court Fort William on 3rd inst.
- July 6 Served copy of complaint on Ronald Macdonald, Polish; Joseph Graham, Lochdhu Lochailort and Elizabeth MacGachan or Harper in tent at Lochailort. Served notes of intended prosecution on Malcolm Johnstone, Culdarach Camp. Lochailort.
- July 24 Received phone message re Richard MacPherson (3), Death of (accidental Scalding) at Glenshian, Lochailort on 10th inst. while I was on leave of absence. Received Complaint from Hugh Cameron, Station Master Lochailort, re alleged malicious breaking of Rhone pipe at station.
- July 25 Interviewed Lachlan MacPherson (35), Road Glenshian and his wife Margaret Baxter or MacPherson (26) re Death of their son Richard (3) through accidental scolding. Noted statement on this matter from Isabella Campbell (30), District Nurse, Woodend, Arisaig.
- July 29 Received message from Alfred Stewart McQueen, Camp Boss, Cuiladarach Camp, that a waterproof coat was stolen from the camp and Coat belongs to Christopher Saw, labourer, whose home is in Arisaig. Proceeded by train to Lochailort and learned that suspect joined the train on the line side and had no ticket. He was not carrying a coat. Made enquiries at Lochailort Hotel and learned that this man had sold a coat to James Macdonald, Surfaceman, Polish. Hired Hotel car and proceeded to Polish where I interviewed Macdonald and he handed me the coat bought of this man. I took possession of same and took it to my station. Received information that Complainer did not wish Police to pursue the matter further.
- August 8 I interviewed Duncan McBeth (25), barman, Lochailort Hotel, and took possession from him of bicycle owned by Robert Mather, Carnoch, and sold to him by Kenneth Macdonald.
- August 12 Received phone message from Richard McCourt (27), Lorry Driver, Cuiladarach Camp, to effect that he found the body of a man on the Railway line at Lochdhu, Lochailort. Received phone call from Camp Boss, Cuiladarach, informing me that there were two men killed by train on the line at Lochdhu, Lochailort. They were identified by their clothing etc. as Thomas John Scullin and Daniel Scullin, Irishmen from Lurgan, Co. Armagh. Thereafter had their bodies removed to the Store at Cuiladarach Camp.
- August 13 Proceeded to Cuiladarach Camp Lochailort and examined men killed. Found £1/10/- on Thomas and £1/4/0½ on Daniel.
- August 14 Proceeded to Mallaig on Engine of 11.24am train and noted statements from William Lethaw (?) (42), Engine Driver and John Archibald Gillies (39).
- August 28 Received phone message from Div. Insp. instructing me to inform persons in charge of Shops, Halls, Hotels etc. to take immediate steps to have all lights obscured and at moment's notice to have them extinguished.
- September 1 Received wire re "Lighting". On receipt opened Secret Envelope marked Lighting and proceeded to post up notices in the village. At 11pm received wire

- per telephone from C.C. re "Mobilize" Mobilize Territorial Army and Mobilize Air Force Reserve. Immediately opened Envelopes marked "Mobilize" and envelopes Nos. 2 and 4 and posted them up at Police Station, Parish Church Arisaig, Store Arisaig, Railway Station Arisaig and Traigh Farm.
- September 2 Posted up notices at Lochailort after 7.30am train there.
- September 3 (The day when war was declared against Germany). Received wire re "Aliens Trolley". Immediately opened Secret Envelopes marked "Aliens Trolley" and afterwards visited all Boarding houses, Hotels etc. and delivered Forms re Aliens Registration to persons in charge of them.
- September 4 Posted out notices re Air Raid Warnings.
- September 5 Recd. phone messages from Div. Insp. re Alien talking on phone No. 42 to someone in Edinburgh and conversation carried on in German.
- September 6 Interviewed Maurice Deitrich, Austrian Alien, re her conversation with Mrs Holt her mistress who is meantime in Edinburgh. She informed me she would like to return to Austria where her father and mother still reside as she hopes Austria will soon be freed from German rule.
- September 8 Antionette Lucie Redlion (19), French Alien, called on me for Registration. Collected her Passport, issued at Rouen, France no 958 and fee of 1/0, and asked her to get photographs of herself (recent ones) and bring same to me. Delivered five copies of ARP Scheme (Air Raid Precautions) to William Grant, Borrodale, Sargent of Special Constabulary in my district.
- September 9 Delivered copies of memos re Lighting to Special Const. Hugh Cameron, Allan MacVarish, Lachlan Gillies and Duncan MacMillan. Read C.C. Hamilton Registration Card and Transfer Card in respect of Cacilie Frey, Enemy Alien, residing c/o Singleton, Bunacaimbe.
- September 15 Collected Reg. Cert. from Maurice Dietrich, Enemy Alien residing with Mrs Holt, Mains, Arisaig.
- October 2 Called on Carlotta Gertrude Astley Nicholson and charged her with Con. Petroleum (Consolidation) Act 1928, Storing 200 gallons Petrol without License. Inspected store where Petrol is kept at Borrodale Gardens. I later took statements on this case from Duncan Macdonald (28), Hotel Manager and Archibald Macdonald, Medical Student, both residing there.
- October 20 Patrolled with ARP Warden (Air Raid Precautions).
- October 21 Patrolled with ARP Warden, Simon Macdonald till 11pm.
- November 7 A whole whale came ashore at Bunacaimbe. I take it to be a Pilot Whale, 19 feet long.
- November 9 RAF airplane "Blenheim" No. 4848 may have landed crashed in this County. If machine located, report at once to HQ. Machine should be strictly guarded and no interference with equipment allowed. Found no trace.
- November 17 On duty at Dance Hall till 1.20am.
- November 23 Collected Petrol License from Miss MacRae (now Mrs Graham) Lochailort Hotel.
- November 30 Received per Goods Train seven Steel Helmets and seven Civilian duty Respirators for Special Constables in my beat.
- December 1 Delivered Steel Helmets and Respirators to William Grant and Angus McEachan, Special Constables.
- December 2 Delivered Steel Helmets and Respirators to Lachlan Gillies, Duncan MacMillan, Hugh Cameron and Allan MacVarish.
- December 7 To Reginald Cox I delivered Steel Helmet and Respirator for duties in connection with his being Special Constable.
- December 10 8.15pm lights were seen on Loch-na-nuagh. Proceeded with Simon MacKinnon and saw flashes of light opposite Ardnamurchan coast and moving Westwards.
- December 11 Kept Loch-na-nuagh under observation. Saw lights near Glenuaig 8.15pm till 8.45pm.

December 20 Interviewed Mrs Holk and Maurice Dietrich, Enemy Alien, re being a day late returning to Arisaig from Inveresk. Explanation was that after receiving dental operation she was too late getting connection back.

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January 1 Patrolled vicinity of Astley Hall where Dance was held.

January 3 Told to advise 4th Cameron Highlanders re alteration in time of return train on 16th January at 1.30pm.

February 1 At Lochailort I met Dugald MacPherson, Postman, Glenuig, where I interviewed him re lights in Loch-na-nuagh etc. and also re Wendy Wood and her male companion MacAndrew.

February 8 Proceeded to Lochailort where I saw Joseph J.H. Sim, Railway Surface man, and handed him for to be completed re his application to become Special Constable. Attended meeting and demonstration of use of Anti-gas Helmets for Babies.

February 14 Posted up all my station Poster Notices re Compulsory Training Act 1939.

March 16 Challenged John Millar McEwan (30), Clark, Glasgow, stayed in Arisaig Hotel on his arrival from Salaman, Glenuaig (lit.). Found he had no permit to be in the area. Identity card SEA2419, last space blank.

April 1 William Gillies, Haulage Contractors, Glen House, Glenfinnan reported that about 35 gallons Petrol were stolen from a Steel Drum belonging to him at Polish, Lochailort.

April 2 Re theft of petrol made enquiry to suspected theft by Archibald McEachan, Kinsaddle, and James Hanratly, Ingal, Morar.

April 20 10.30pm observed Ardnish hills were alight and phoned Mr. H. Grant, Manager, Borrodale, who informed me that he saw this fire and that it was in ground tenanted by Donald McLeod, Laggan.

April 24 Patrolled to Polish where I saw Joseph Sculhon at work on premises owned by Mrs Wedderburn. Made enquiries re alleged Malicious Muir fire there on Saturday 20th. Suspect Nellie Macdonald (26), Penmeanach of having caused the fire. No direct evidence obtained.

April 27 Examined Hotel Register and Alien's Forms. All in order.

May 3 Served citation on Dietrich Maria, Austrian Alien, to attend sitting of Regional Advisory Committee in Lesser Sheriff Court, Perth of 8th May 1940.

May 6 Delivered Travel Permit to Maria Dietrich. Got her to sign same in my presence and informed her that she was to return same to me on her return.

May 16 Received phone message from DW Inspector re Broadcast to take place at 6pm re Rifles and Ammunition for L.D.U. No such broadcast took place.

May 29 3.25am received phone message from Reginald Cox (52), Gamekeeper, Inverailort, that a motor boat with four men were poaching salmon in River Ailort during the night. One of them he recognised as a man MacIntosh who owned a Garage in Mallaig. The other two he thought were Henderson's Motor Hirers Mallaig. The fourth he thought was James McVey, motor driver with Bruce Butcher, Mallaig. They left Lochailort at 3.15 to return to their homes. PC Ross challenged the men referred to and took possession of eleven trout from them.

June 1 Attended meeting in connection with L.D.U. and enrolled several wishing to volunteer.

June 12 (Photocopy). Received information that Roshven House, Lochailort, was broken into between 6th and 11th inst. Proceeded there immediately to make enquiry. On arrival there at 6pm found that house had been entered by window in Gun room at front of house and that all the rooms were searched including cupboards, table drawers etc. Many finger prints were visible on the furniture. Noted Statements from Witness John MacMaster (58), ploughman, Roshven, his wife Margaret Stalker or MacMaster (46) and his daughter, Margaret Stalker MacMaster. MacMaster then informed me that on 7th inst. two Soldiers were

about the district and that he now missed £28 from his own house and that the evening of 7th was the only time anyone could have entered and taken this money. Returned to Lochailort where I visited Army Camp and interviewed two Soldiers Cyril Alderson and Harold Cunningham 7th Border Regiment Stationed at Glenshian Lochailort. They admitted being in neighbourhood of the houses concerned. Suspect these two men of being the offenders. Returned to station at midnight and at 12.15 phoned particulars to Divisional Inspector.

- June 13 Proceeded to Lochailort where at 11am I met P.S. Boa with whom I was continuing enquiry re Theft by H.B. (House Breaking) at Roshven. Interviewed Privates C. Alderman and H. Cunningham who admitted entering house occupied by John MacMaster, Roshven. Later proceeded to Roshven where we further examined Roshven house. Returned to station at 11pm where I was engaged writing report re Theft by H.B. at Roshven. Off at 4am 36miles and 18 hours on duty.
- June 15 Delivered schedule of particulars for Police War Reserve for Glasgow City Police to Lachlan Gillies and asked him to fill in same and get two certificates of Character and hand same to me along with any discharge papers from HM Forces.
- June 17 Proceeded to Inverailort where I continued enquiry into case of theft by H.B. (House Breaking) at Roshven. No further trace.
- June 19 Reported re men employed by W. Torse & Co. public Works Contractors now engaged on construction of Army huts at Inverailort. Learned that boat houses owned by Mrs Cameron-Head of Inverailort were broken into and one boat about 22 feet long was missing and worth £20.
- June 21 The boat was found hidden in a wood near the boathouse from which it was removed. Reginald Cox, manager Inverailort was informed by Francis Cameron-Head that he did not wish the Police to make further enquiries into the matter.
- June 26 Proceeded to Lochailort where I made cautious enquiry re Mr Knapinan (?). Learned that her was agent for W. Torse & Co. Public Works Contractors engaged in Erection of Army Huts at Inverailort.
- June 28 I received a phone message from Division Inspector Macdonald re duty at Lochailort and he informed me that he was sending a man from Fort William tonight and Saturday night for duty owing to five hundred troops having come to Arisaig this date. Inspected Hotel visitors book.
- June 30 Made enquiries into theft and called on Major Peddie, Borrodale House, who is in charge of troops there. No trace of stolen property so far.
- July 5 Proceeded in direction of Borrodale and saw the sentry there.
- July 6 Proceeded to Traigh Military Camp. Interviewed several of the men including Cook Sargt. Jones.
- July 16 11pm received phone message from Military Camp Lochailort re theft of three motor cycles.
- July 17 Learned that the motor cycles returned to the Camp this morning.
- July 24 Called on W. MacRae, The Inn Lochailort and received complaint from her re Donald and Ian Macdonald for malicious mischief. Phoned hotel from Kiosk for about half an hour without speaking etc. Saw both and charged them with this offence and both admitted same.
- July 25 Foreman with AM Carmichael Road Contractor - re material missing from road near Lochailort - Timber, Corrugated Iron and Iron skip pipes.. Interviewed Major Peddie re same, which he stated was to be requisitioned by the Military. Patrolled Bunacaimbe to Traigh where I found some missing timber and corrugated iron at Military Camp and interviewed Major Newman on the matter which he stated would be paid for as the military required it.
- July 31 I called on Uilliamina or Graham (54), Inn keeper Lochailort and charged her with Con. Aliens Order (Inverness case).

12.30am observed unidentified aircraft passing over my station in a North East direction with navigation lights showing. Was of the opinion that same was an enemy. Off duty 3am.

- August 1 Bunacaimhe, Traigh, I learned from Lieut. Rees 3rd Independent Co, Traigh Military Camp, that he saw circling between Traigh and Morar without lights. It later went off over Loch Morar and dropped a flare which then exploded and he saw three white objects leave the aircraft like small parachutes.
- August 11 Received a message re man on Hiking Tour in Glenuaig and proceeding in direction of Lochailort. Proceeded to Lochailort in search of this man and at 11pm found him in a tent between Lochailort and Arienskill. Examined his Identity Card and Permit which I found in order. His name is George Ed. Meaton /Meston (?), Airdrie.
- August 20 A motor cycle collided with PO Van ESD564 between Beasdale and Lochailort opposite Telegraph Pole No. 150. Injured man John Cameron (26), Gamekeeper, Arnipol, was then removed by ambulance to Belford Fort William. Van driver Alexander Gray Cameron (24), residing Achnaskia gave evidence .
- August 27 Proceeded to Lochailort and Inverailort where I interviewed Captain John Gilbert Maxwell Wybergh Adjutant at Inverailort Military Training Centre. Noted his statement and complaint re Motor Lorry US628 Com. Motor Vehicle (Control)? 1960. Noted statement from witness Ashley Martin Greenwood (28) Secd. Lieut. R.A. stationed at Inverailort Training Centre. Later saw accused William Sillies (29), Motor Haulage Contractor, Glen House, Glenfinnan and charged him with this offence.
- August 28 I was photographed for Identity Cards.
- September 16 Delivered Periscopic Sight to Adjutant at Inverailort Training Camp and obtained his receipt on label attached.
- October 4 Made enquiry re O Hughes, D. Gear, James Stewart and McGonigal believed to have failed to Register under The National Service (Armed Forces) Act 1939. No trace of them here. Believed to have gone to Ireland.
- October 18 Delivered Firearms Cert. to Lachlan MacPherson, Glenshian.
- October 29 Proceeded to Inverailort Military Training Centre and made further enquiry re Angus MacLeod, knocked down and injured by Motor Lorry (Army) on 26th inst. Noted statement from William Charles Wade, Army Driver at said Centre.
- November 21 I called on Mrs Uilliamina MacRae or Graham (54), Hotelkeeper, the Inn Lochailort who reported alleged theft of electric Torch valued at £1 from a shelf in the kitchen of her Inn.
- November 27 At Lochailort made enquiry re Motor Lorry ST9328 collision with passenger train at Lochailort Station on 26th inst. at 12.14pm. No person injured but slight damage to lorry concerned.
- December 2 Proceeded to Inverailort where I served notice of Intended Prosecution on Robert Wright, Soldier No. T47553R.A.S.C.. Served same personally. Later made enquiry re Con. Road T.A. 1930 at Kinlocheil on 27/11/40 about 5.30pm. and noted statement from 2S.M. James Edward Jackson No. 551171 stationed at Inverailort Special Training Centre, Driver of Motor Truck No. 6489710. Concerned was at Fort William and I was unable to see him.
- December 3 Called at Military Training Centre, Inverailort and interviewed Stephen Barker, Army Motor Driver (30), residing there and then warned, cautioned and charged him with Con. RJA 1930 Secs. 12,12, and 22.
- December 9 Duncan Macdonald, Bunacaimhne (no. 4) reported that on Sunday 8th he and his brother Angus Macdonald located a mine ashore on the north end of Luiga Bheag Island at the North Channel to Arisaig Bay. The anchor appeared to be still attached. Phoned divisional Inspector re same.
- December 10 Received phone call from Commander of Admiralty Boat Base at Dorlin re mine washed ashore at Lingo Island and gave position of same. Proceeded to Beach of Keppoch, with a view to proceeding by boat to Linga Bheag Island, but owing to heavy sea running was unable to go there.



December 14 (Photocopy available)

Proceeded to Military Training Centre Lochailort where I served copy of complaint containing a charge of Con. Road Traffic Act 1930 Sec 12 on Robert (?) Wright, Soldier, by handing same to his R.S. Mr. J. Royle. At station at 6.35pm I heard a violent explosion coming from direction of West of Arisaig Village. Later learned that several people in village saw bright flash come from direction of Lingo Island, Arisaig, at that time a moment or two before they heard the explosion. Formed opinion that mine washed ashore on this island and reported by phone to Divisional Headquarters on 9th inst. had struck rocks with high tide and exploded. Phoned HQ at 11pm on this matter.

December 15 Patrolled along foreshore to Back of Keppoch to ascertain cause of explosion. Saw nothing and sea was too rough to attempt to go by small boat to Linga Bheag Island where mine came ashore.

December 17 Proceeded to Lochailort where I met PF (Procurator Fiscal?) and with him and Dr MacDonald and Sanitary Inspector proceeded to Smirisary to examine body found there 13th inst. Noted statements from witnesses Amblaibh MacAindreis (50), crofter, Ault Rhua and his wife Swendolene Meacham or Cuthbert or MacAindreis (46) and John MacPherson (38). Samalaman, Glenuaig.

December 22 Sunday. The last entry in the book