

## THE QUEEN'S ROYAL REGIMENT O.C.A.

### TO ALL WHO HAVE LEFT THE REGIMENT

If you are a Life Member or a regular subscriber to The Old Comrades Association the committee are very grateful for your past help, and so are all those who have been assisted through your support.

If you are NOT a subscriber DO PLEASE CONSIDER MEMBERSHIP. After a careful study of the objects of the O.C.A., particulars of which may be obtained from the Secretary, Stoughton Barracks, Guildford, the committee are confident you will, as an old Queen's man, do your share towards helping your less fortunate comrades by becoming a member. The happiness of knowing that, by subscribing the sum of 2s. per year, you are giving someone a helping hand is surely worth this small sacrifice. Think it over carefully, and we feel sure you will take up membership.

Those who have lost touch with the Regiment, and there are many, are urged to make connection again, through the Old Comrades Association, which is the "connecting link" between the individual and his old Regiment.

Come along to the all ranks' dinner and garden party, both, if possible, and meet old pals. If you have not been in the habit of attending these functions, the realization of what you have missed will become apparent when you renew old friendships, and you will, we feel sure, look forward to the next meeting.

Look on the O.C.A. as your friend and write to the Secretary at any time you need help or advice.

If you are seeking employment, let the Association help you; it cannot do so unless you keep in touch. Always remember if you are in a good position yourself do not miss the chance of placing a comrade, should the opportunity come your way. Send a notification to the Secretary if you hear of any possible vacancies.

Finally, always notify your change of address.



1st Battalion Officers

*Standing.*—2/Lieut. D. W. Dare; 2/Lieut. D. G. F. Mans; 2/Lieut. W. D. J. Roscoe; Capt. L. W. L. Standford; 2/Lieut. C. M. H. Hutchinson; Lieut. A. Donaldson; 2/Lieut. R. B. Johnson; 2/Lieut. M. L. Teale; 2/Lieut. The Hon. A. T. Montagu; Lieut. P. H. Clayton; 2/Lieut. M. F. Reynolds; 2/Lieut. R. B. White.  
*Seated.*—Capt. G. B. Curtis, M.C.; Capt. D. C. Snowdon, T.D.; Major P. R. H. Kealy; Major P. R. D. Hill, M.B.E.; Major R. P. Mangles, M.C.; Capt. S. R. G. Scott-Gall; Lieut.-Colonel J. Sykes-Wright, D.S.O.; General Sir George Giffard, G.C.B., D.S.O.; Major M. V. Fletcher; Major C. F. Cole; Major S. W. Peet, M.C., T.D.; Major (Qmrt) R. W. Jackson, M.B.E.; Capt. P. R. Swanson; Capt. K. R. Thompson; Capt. D. H. Foskett.



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## FOREWORD

BY GENERAL SIR GEORGE J. GIFFARD, G.C.B., D.S.O.  
*Colonel of the Regiment*

WHEN the Regimental JOURNAL was first started, it was decided that the standard of production should be as high as possible so that the deeds of the Regiment might be worthily recorded for future generations and for the writing of its history.

I think that everyone will agree that under the first-rate direction of Colonel G. N. Dyer, who was the Editor of the JOURNAL from its beginning until the end of the last war, the JOURNAL fulfilled the objects of its founders and grew steadily in reputation and excellence. The Regiment owes him a great debt of gratitude for all his work.

Since the war the Regiment has lost one Regular battalion, two Territorial battalions have been diverted to other roles, and subscribers have, in consequence, fallen greatly. With the steady rise in prices, the JOURNAL has been produced at a rapidly increasing loss. This reached such an amount last year that it was decided, after careful investigation by a committee of officers, that the JOURNAL must be confined to one issue a year, its size be reduced and the illustrations fewer in number. The standard, however, should be maintained, so that the objects of the JOURNAL might still be achieved.

This issue of the JOURNAL is the first of the new type. I should like to take this opportunity of thanking all those who advertise in the pages of the JOURNAL for their generous assistance over many years.

## EDITORIAL

THE first JOURNAL was published just over twenty-five years ago, and during those years it suffered little change in form or size.

With this number, for reasons set out by the Colonel of the Regiment in a Foreword, the JOURNAL appears in its new size, but at present-day costs it is still an expensive production. From our distribution lists we know that a number of members of the Regiment have allowed their subscriptions to lapse, and we hope that the occasional subscriber will become a permanent supporter.

For the second time in the life of the JOURNAL, a change of Editors takes place with the issue of this number, Major R. C. G. Foster having given up, and is now busily engaged in writing the 1924-1948 Regimental History. We wish to express our appreciation of his management of the affairs of the JOURNAL during the difficult post-war years.

All members of the Regiment will be delighted to learn that the Depot is again fulfilling its proper role of training recruits, and the visitor entering the barracks today will at once recognize the familiar atmosphere so sadly absent in recent years.

This year, H.M.S. *Excellent* is being entertained at Stoughton Barracks, and as well as the two-day cricket match on 1st and 2nd June, there is to be an all ranks' dance on the night of 1st June.

Under "Events, 1951," we publish a notification of the Officers' Garden Party on 14th July. This is the only intimation that officers will receive, as no separate notices are being circulated.

The next News-letter will be issued at the end of August, and news items should reach us by 31st July. In this connection we ask Assistant Editors of units

to send their notes in a more abbreviated form than has been the practice in the past, reserving a full report of the year's activities for inclusion in the JOURNAL each year. For the News-letters we would like more information regarding the accomplishments, appointments and movements of individual, serving and former members of the Regiment.

We thank our contributors for their items of news and photographs they sent in, but, unfortunately, space does not permit the inclusion of all of them, and we hope that they will not be discouraged from further efforts.

Contributions for the next JOURNAL should reach us not later than 15th March, 1952.

## EVENTS, 1951

### OFFICERS' REUNION GARDEN PARTY

The Officers' Reunion Garden Party will be held at Stoughton Barracks, Guildford (by kind permission of Major F. A. H. Ling, D.S.O., Commanding the Depot), from 3.30 p.m. to 6.30 p.m. on Saturday, 14th July, 1951.

Tickets will be free to members of the Officers' Club. Tickets for additional guests, which will include teas, will be 5s.

Will you please notify the Hon. Secretary by 1st July, 1951, the number of tickets required and if transport from the station is needed?

Coaches have been arranged to be at Guildford main station at 3.15 p.m. and 3.45 p.m. and at Stoughton to take members to catch the 6.20 and 6.52 p.m. trains to Waterloo.

### ALL RANKS' GARDEN PARTY AND CHURCH SERVICE

This will take place on Sunday, 15th July, 1951. Parade at Tunsgate, Guildford, at 12 noon. Medals should be worn. Service in the Cathedral Church of Holy Trinity at 12.15 p.m. The Band and Drums of the 1st Battalion will attend. Families and friends will be welcomed at the service. Lunches will be provided in barracks on payment. Will members wishing to attend please inform the Secretary by 30th June, 1951, stating the number of lunches required? The Garden Party will commence at 2.30 p.m.

### ANNUAL DINNERS

*Officers*.—On 2nd November, 1951, at the Junior United Service Club, King Charles II Street, S.W.1, at 7 p.m. for 7.30 p.m. Dress: dinner jackets.

Will members dining please inform the Secretary by 20th October, 1951?

*All Ranks*.—On 3rd November, 1951, at the Porchester Hall, Paddington, W. Doors open at 6.15 p.m. A charge of 4s. will be made in addition to normal subscriptions. Will members wishing to attend kindly inform the Hon. Secretary by 15th October, 1951?

### REGIMENTAL CRICKET

Regimental cricket fixtures for 1951 are as under:

1st and 2nd June.—v. H.M.S. *Excellent*, at Stoughton.  
19th June.—v. The East Surrey Regiment, at Kingston.

### Regimental Cricket Week

24th June.—v. Grasshoppers, at Stoughton.  
25th June.—v. The East Surrey Regiment, at Stoughton.  
26th June.—v. Reigate Priory, at Stoughton.  
27th June.—v. Q.O.R.W.K. Regiment, at Stoughton.  
28th June.—v. Charterhouse Masters, at Charterhouse.

## REGIMENTAL HISTORY, 1924-48

THE rough draft of the history compiled from the war diaries, battalion history and official despatches has now been completed. The work has now started of rewriting it in the final form, incorporating all personal accounts that can be obtained.

The more such accounts can be received the more vivid and accurate the history will be.

Will anyone who can call up personal recollections of any of the operations of battalions of the Regiment or of outstanding personalities please send them to the editor of the History:

MAJOR R. C. G. FOSTER, M.C.,  
c/o O.C. DEPOT,  
STOUGHTON BARRACKS, GUILDFORD.

Accounts of the following are specially asked for:

- 1940. 1st/5th and 1st/6th Battalions—R. Escaut. Pradelles.  
1st/7th Battalion—Ninove. La Bassee Canal.  
1st/5th, 1st/6th and 1st/7th Battalions—Dunkirk.  
2nd/5th, 2nd/6th and 2nd/7th Battalions—Abbeville and subsequent retreat.
- 1940/42. 2nd Battalion—Western Desert, Syria, Tobruk.
- 1942. 1st/5th, 1st/6th and 1st/7th Battalions—Alamein Battles, Pursuit to Tripoli.
- 1943. 1st/5th, 1st/6th and 1st/7th Battalions—Advance to Mareth Line. Medenine. Enfidaville, Tunis, Salerno. The Advance up Italy. Volturno. Mt. Massico.  
2nd/5th, 2nd/6th and 2nd/7th Battalions—Enfidaville, Salerno. Advance up Italy. Camino.  
1st Battalion—Arakan.
- 1944. 1st Battalion—Kohima and Ukhru.  
2nd Battalion—Chindit Force.  
2nd/5th, 2nd/6th and 2nd/7th Battalions—Garigliano. Anzio. Vis Gothic Line.  
1st/5th, 1st/6th and 1st/7th Battalions—Normandy. Advance to Ghent. Clearing North-West Holland.
- 1945. 1st/5th Battalion—Final Campaign in Germany.  
2nd/5th, 2nd/6th and 2nd/7th Battalions—Final Campaign in Italy.  
1st Battalion—Final Campaign in Burma.

If it will assist participants' memories the rough drafts of the chapters concerned will willingly be sent.

It is hoped the whole work will be finished by next year.

### “GOLDEN ARROW”

The History of the 7th Indian Division is to be published shortly. It will be called, “Golden Arrow,” the story of the 7th Indian Division.

Registration for copies should be addressed to: Brigadier Mainprise King, “Three Ways,” The Ridgeway, Pyrford, Woking, Surrey.

## 1st BATTALION

THE past year has been one of constant change and it has seen a great reduction in the strength of the Battalion.

Without warning the Battalion was ordered in August to dispatch a draft to join the 1st Bn. The Middlesex Regiment in Korea. The composition of the draft was one Major, one Warrant Officer, four Sergeants, nine Corporals, forty-five Regular Privates and ninety National Service men. Volunteers were asked for, and the response was most heartening. They left on 27th August after a great send-off and took with them all the good wishes the rest of the Battalion could give.

They left the United Kingdom by air on 18th September and arrived in the line on 30th September, and so the transition from “cold” war to “hot” on the other side of the world was indeed rapid. The draft became “C” Company, 1st Bn. The Middlesex Regiment, and was commanded by Major B. K. Favelle (The East Surrey Regiment), who left the Battalion with them. Several letters have been received from Lieut.-Colonel A. M. Man, D.S.O., O.B.E., reporting very favourably on the spirit and enthusiasm of the Queen's draft.

A further draft of one Sergeant and eight was sent out in March.

This drain on N.C.O.s., specialists and riflemen has made the organization and training of the Battalion difficult. Platoon training started at the end of February at Sennelager and was followed by company and battalion training at Vogelsang. Vogelsang, which means “Bird Song,” is an enchanting place, perched high above an extensive lake system amongst the tumbled wooded hills and looks westwards to the frontier and the Siegfried Line.

It is a modern brick-built camp and it was at one time during the war the Headquarters of 16 S.S. Group, and later is reported to have become a “Strength Through Joy” establishment.

Throughout the spring and summer months training continued at an ever-increasing pace and reached its climax at the Rhine Army/Air Force exercise “Broadside” at the end of September. It was all intensely interesting, and by the end the Battalion was very fit and had learnt a great deal. We must consider ourselves lucky to be in probably the most highly trained and modern of the Infantry Divisions and within easy reach of such extensive and varied training areas.

The Brigade Commander's exhaustive administrative inspection took place in November on much the same lines as last year. The report was again good, and the Battalion continues to be “above average.”

The Glorious First of June was celebrated in traditional fashion. Seven officers, two petty officers and five ratings came over from H.M.S. *Royal Prince* (R.N. Rhine Flotilla) and were the guests of the Battalion from 31st May to 2nd June. In a not entirely serious cricket match, the Battalion won by seven wickets. This was followed by beating “Retreat,” a cocktail party, and the Sergeants' Mess Ball.

The Colonel of the Regiment, General Sir George Giffard, G.C.B., D.S.O., visited the Battalion from 8th to 11th September. On Salerno Day he took the salute at a Battalion parade which, because of our circumstances, was necessarily a small one. He conveyed a special message from H.M. Queen Mary and presented the Infantry Prize to 2/Lieut. M. F. Reynolds, who had passed out second from R.M.A. Sandhurst.

Through the good offices of Colonel L. C. East, D.S.O., O.B.E., on 17th December the Band and Drums were invited to beat “Retreat” at Bad Oeynhausen before Lieutenant-General S. Charles F. Keightley, K.B.E., C.B., D.S.O., C.-in-C. Rhine Army, and the officers of the staff at H.Q., B.A.O.R. This was followed next day by a similar performance for the general public and members of the German civil administration. In spite of bitterly cold weather and a ten-

dency to snow, it went off very well and the C.-in-C. congratulated the Band and Drums on their smartness, drill and precision.

The details of our sporting activities are given elsewhere. Considering our small numbers we have been reasonably successful. The outstanding success was the winning of the Army Basket-ball Championship at Aldershot in December. In football, hockey and rugby football our standard has improved and we expect great things next winter. The cricket season was, as usual, very disconnected. It is very difficult to produce a good side because of all the interruptions of training.

There has been again a great changeover of officers. This year, unfortunately, the number of senior officers who have left or will be leaving us is high, and there is little sign of sufficient replacements for them. Major R. P. Mangles, M.C., was medically down-graded and returned to the United Kingdom. Major B. K. Favelle (The East Surrey Regiment) joined the 1st Bn. The Middlesex Regiment in Korea. Major M. V. Fletcher has been appointed G.S.O.1 Operations, H.Q., Rhine Army. Major H. R. D. Hill, M.B.E., has gone to the R.N. Staff College, preceded by the spring cruise in H.M.S. *Indomitable*. Major S. W. Peet, M.C., T.D., goes to a M.S. appointment in the autumn. Major P. R. H. Kealy leaves in July to command the Depot. This year will see another great change. The Quartermaster, Major R. W. Jackson, M.B.E., changes places in April with Capt. S. W. J. Sharp. We have a great deal for which to thank him. It has been largely due to his wisdom and experience that the administrative reputation of the Battalion is high.

#### OFFICERS

The following officers have joined the Battalion (up to 28th February, 1951):

Majors R. P. Mangles, M.C., P. R. H. Kealy and D. L. Lloyd-Owen, D.S.O., M.C.; Capts. D. C. Snowdon, T.D., P. R. Swanson, M. R. H. Stopford and G. B. Curtis, M.C.; Lieuts. A. G. Jones, I. W. Morley-Clarke and W. H. Turnock; and 2/Lieuts. R. B. Johnson, M. F. Reynolds, T. R. Wallen, T. A. M. Stedman, A. S. Day, The Hon. A. T. Montagu, M. L. Teale, D. G. F. Mans, W. D. J. Roscoe, R. B. White, D. W. Dare, C. M. H. Hutchinson, J. R. Pralle, B. G. Cartledge, R. M. H. Smith and R. C. Rolls.

The following officers have left the Battalion:

Major M. V. Fletcher (Queen's) to H.Q., B.A.O.R.; Major R. P. Mangles, M.C. (Queen's) to H.C.B.T.C.; Major B. K. Favelle (East Surreys) to 1st Middlesex; Major H. R. D. Hill, M.B.E. (Queen's) to R.N. Staff College; Major A. J. Francis, M.C. (R.F.) to H.Q., B.A.O.R.; Capt. C. R. C. Elverson (Queen's) to K.A.R.; Capt. M. J. Hackford (Queen's) to C.R.M.P. Depot; Capt. S. R. G. Scott-Gall (Queen's) to the Depot; Capt. K. R. Thompson (Queen's) to H.Q., B.A.O.R.; Capt. B. S. Burns, M.C. (Queen's) to Malay Regiment; Capt. D. W. L. Palmer (Queen's) to Malay Regiment; Capt. W. J. F. Sutton (Queen's) to 6th Queens; Capt. D. H. Foskett (Queen's) to Brigade of Gurkhas; Capt. R. D. T. Fletcher (Queen's) to H.Q., B.A.O.R.; Capt. J. F. Hancocks (Queen's) to 5th Infantry Brigade; Lieut. G. A. Farnside-Speed (Queen's) to Rumanian Language Course; Lieut. P. A. W. G. Durrant (Queen's) to Serbo-Croat Language Course; 2/Lieut. L. E. B. Bjorkstrand (Queen's) to N.S. release; 2/Lieut. J. V. M. Gordon Clark (Queen's) to N.S. release; 2/Lieut. T. A. M. Stedman (Queen's) to N.S. release; 2/Lieut. Wallen (R.W.K.) to N.S. release; 2/Lieut. B. G. Cartledge (Queen's) to 1st Middlesex.

#### HONOURS AND AWARDS

Major R. W. Jackson awarded M.B.E.

Major S. W. Peet, M.C., awarded Territorial Decoration.

Capt. D. C. Snowdon awarded Territorial Decoration.

Capt. D. C. Snowdon, T.D., admitted as an officer (brother) of The Grand Priory in the British Realm of the Venerable Order of the Hospital of St. John of Jerusalem.

#### SERGEANTS' MESS NOTES

Soon after the issue of the last Regimental magazine came 1st June, celebrated in the Sergeants' Mess by a fun fair for all ranks on our palatial lawns. Ringmaster C.S.M. Wickens officiated, ably assisted by Sergt. Hedges and Sergt. Adkins. The evening's grand ball was a great success. Our visitors were many, among them Colonel East and Lieut.-Colonel Duncombe.

Late in August the Mess suffered a sad blow—the loss of five members on the Korea draft—C.S.M. Wickens, and Sergts. Saxby, Humphries, Jessup and Drew. We have since had news of them and congratulate Sergt. Humphries on his promotion to Colour-Sergeant.

Salerno Day, 9th September, was celebrated in the customary way. A parade was held in the morning, the inspection being carried out by the Colonel of the Regiment, who afterwards visited the Mess. In the evening a ball was held, attended by the Colonel of the Regiment, Colonel East, Lieut.-Colonel Duncombe, the Commanding Officer, the officers and their ladies, and this provided a grand social evening for all.

The Christmas celebrations started with the Christmas draw on the evening of the 23rd, beginning at 8 p.m., and ending at 1 a.m. on the morning of Christmas Eve. Some excellent prizes were won and all present seemed well satisfied with the results. The afternoon's event was the children's party held in the Mess. Games were played by young and old to start the ball rolling, and judging by capers cut it was difficult to say who were the young and who were the old. After tea, the gifts were, as usual, presented by Santa "Elkins" Claus who, during the course of his "duty," lost his moustache and one eyebrow.

On Christmas Day the members waited on the other ranks at Christmas dinner, and in the evening "waits" from the Mess toured the married families' quarters.

On Boxing Day a dance was held in the evening, attended by the Commanding Officer and officers and their ladies. On the night of the 27th the Mess attended the cocktail party held in the Officers' Mess.

The Sergeants' Mess has entered into its sports with whole-hearted enthusiasm. At the time of going to press the Mess team has passed into the semi-finals of the Brigade Sergeants' Mess Soccer Knock-out Competition by a smashing win of 9-0.

We have had to say good-bye to C./Sergt. Atkins and Sergts. Weston, Manuel, Hinde (R.A.E.C.), Hargreaves (R.A.E.C.), Gill and Duffy. Many new faces have appeared: C.S.Ms. Coupland and Strudwick, C./Sergt. Bohm and Sergts. Gibbs, Piper, Taylor, Lampard, Baker, Bennett, Morris and Rump, and Allen, Harrison and Hurst (R.A.E.C.). We congratulate Drum-Major Bennett on his appointment.

We are pleased to see that our friend at the Depot, Sergt. White, has excelled himself at snooker and not, as expected, at darts.

We congratulate Lieut.-Colonel Fletcher on his promotion. We were sorry to hear of Major Favelle's mishap on active service in Korea and wish him a speedy recovery.

#### CORPORALS' MESS NOTES

##### PROMOTIONS

Congratulations to Cpls. Lampard, Morris, Taylor, Rump and Bennett on their promotion to the rank of Sergeant.

##### SPORT

Our activities on the sports field have been curtailed owing to the pressure of training and the weather. The Corporals' Mess have been well represented in the Battalion fixtures. Of special note is the effort of the Battalion basket-ball team in winning the Army Championship. Our heartiest congratulations to the team, which included Cpls. Dunkeld and L./Cpls. Mabey and Travers.

## SOCIAL

At last we can report that the social activity during the past year has improved. On 9th September we held a Salerno Day dance. This was attended by the Colonel of the Regiment, the Commanding Officer, and officers and members of the Sergeants' Mess. The bar was in the very capable hands of Cpl. Wilmhurst. The catering was ably supervised by the Cook-Corporal. Another dance of a similar nature was held on 23rd December.

We have enjoyed some lively socials with Corporals' Messes of other units within the Brigade. We, in our turn, have done our best when inviting other Messes to ensure that our guests enjoyed themselves. We have had two dart matches with the Sergeants' Mess. The score to date is Sergeants, 1; Corporals, 1.

## ARRIVALS AND DEPARTURES

We welcome all new members to the Mess. Several of our members left us this year to join the United Nations' forces in Korea, and we wish them the very best of luck, wherever they may be.

Congratulations to L./Cpl. Whitelaw on passing his W.O.S.B.

## MARRIAGES

Congratulations to Cpl. Bernstein and Holdman on their recent marriages.

## REGIMENTAL BAND NOTES

These notes open on a "royal" note, the Band having the honour of playing on the occasion of the visit to B.A.O.R. of H.R.H. The Duke of Gloucester to inspect a representative detachment of the Royal Army Service Corps. This parade was held at Mulheim on 15th May, and the Band were complimented on the hard work they put in to enable the parade to be the success that it was. Our next item was the celebrations on the "Glorious First of June," on which day the full Band and Drums beat "Retreat" in front of Brigade Headquarters. This was watched by the Battalion and a large crowd of guests, all of whom seemed impressed. Afterwards the Band played at the Commanding Officer's cocktail party and, wearing full dress uniform, lent an impressive splash of colour to the scene.

On 5th June we moved to England for eight weeks' tour and leave. This tour commenced with the reunion and Depot garden party, 10th and 11th June; then Brighton, 17th and 18th June; Leatherhead, 20th June; Depot cricket week, 24th to 28th June; Guildford Castle Grounds, 25th June; a fortnight at Scarborough, 1st to 15th July; Whale Island, 19th July; Stag Hill Cathedral service, 21st July; B.B.C. broadcast, 19th August. This ended a small but very pleasant tour, and after a spot of well-earned leave the Band returned to B.A.O.R. on 24th August. In connection with this tour we would like to thank the Depot staff for all their help and kindness during our stay.

For the next three months we have nothing out of the ordinary to report, bar the normal Officers' Mess night, church duty, dance or military band programme in the troops' dining hall. During November we went for a few days on local leave, most of the Band renewing acquaintances in Berlin. Six sturdy members went to Bad Harzburg to learn the intricacies of ski-ing. As they all returned with limbs intact we presume the snow was soft and plentiful.

On 7th and 8th December the Band and Drums were invited to beat "Retreat" at Rhine Army Headquarters. Although this performance was given under very adverse conditions of snow and wet, both the British and German spectators were much impressed by the high standard of marching and playing.

The next fortnight was taken up with preparations for the Christmas concert and festivities. The Christmas concert on the 31st was a full Regimental performance organized by Mr. Dare. Although it is rumoured he nearly came to blows with the Bandmaster over the position of Overture "1812," the concert was rated

first-class by all who saw it, and our thanks must go to Mr. Dare for all the hard work he put in when organizing the varied items.

And so to January and the New Year. This started well with leave in England. After leave, routine duties and preparation for the forthcoming tour. For the benefit of members of the Regiment who may be able to hear the Band in England, here is the list of engagements for 1951: 16th June, Brighton; 17th June, Watford; 24th June to 7th July, Scarborough; 14th and 15th July, annual reunion and garden party; 22nd July, Kingston; 28th July, Brighton; 29th July to 4th August, Hastings; 5th August, Richmond; 6th August, Guildford Castle Grounds.

We would like to close with a few social and sporting notes.

## DEPARTURES

Bdsn. Russell to civilian life, but we hear now that he has been recalled and is serving in the Band of The East Surrey Regiment. Congratulations to Sergt. Drayton and Bdsn. White and O'Leary on their marriages, and to L./Cpls. Jameson and Culligan on the addition to their families of baby girls. Congratulations are also offered to Cpl. Critcher on his promotion to Sergeant.

Drum-Major Harman also left during the year to become a policeman in Guildford and we wish him all the very best.

Bdsn. Boynton, Collins and Matlock left us for a course at Kneller Hall; whilst Bdsn. M. Arnold returned to the fold from Kneller Hall. We welcome also Bdsn. Barrowcliffe and Boys Storey and Cavell, who enlisted from civil life.

## SPORT

For the third year in succession H.Q. team have won the Inter-Company Hockey Shield with the aid of seven members of the Band, S./Sergt. Northey, Sergt. Drayton, Cpl. Allard, L./Cpls. Snashall and Jameson, and Bdsn. Stafford and Inwards.

In football, Bdsn. Nicholson represented the Battalion in a football match against a Belgian Army unit. We have also featured a Band team in the platoon matches and have held our own.

We would like to close wishing all ex-Bandmen, wherever you may be, all the very best of luck.

## SPORT

### ASSOCIATION FOOTBALL

The 1950-51 season has been quite successful. In the Army Cup we had a hard fight in the preliminary round with the 1st Bn. The King's Regiment, whom, I think, we were lucky to beat 2-1. In the first round we met the 42nd Field Regiment, R.A. This was a first-class ding-dong battle which the team deservedly won 6-4. The 1st Bn. The Norfolk Regiment were our next opponents. We beat them fairly easily 2-0. The game versus the 5th Bn. The Royal Tank Regiment in the third round was undoubtedly the best. The team played brilliant football to win 3-1. This took us to the semi-final of the B.A.O.R. section of the Army Cup, and we were drawn to play the 23rd Field Engineer Regiment at Dortmund Stadium on 3rd January, 1951. The pitch was covered with snow and conditions were not good. The sappers had a first-class side which not only beat us by team work but also by individual play they were certainly a better side, and we were by no means disgraced by losing 0-5.

Results of matches played by the 1st Battalion in the Army Cup are as follows:

Preliminary Round.—v. 1st King's Regiment, won 2-1.

First Round.—v. 42nd Field Regiment, R.A., won 6-4.

Second Round.—v. 1st Norfolk Regiment, won 2-0.

Third Round.—v. 5th Royal Tank Regiment, won 3-1.

Semi-final.—v. 23rd Field Engineers, lost 0-5.

The Battalion also entered the 5th Brigade League Competition. We were, unfortunately, bottom. This was probably due to the fact that we were never able to play our full team in a Brigade match and that our two stalwarts of the left wing, L./Cpls. Mabey and Travers, were away for most of the time with the basket-ball team.

#### HOCKEY

The 1950-51 season has so far seen the Battalion meet with only average success. This has been due in the main to the fact that only once has the side been at full strength, courses and leave having been the main causes of this. In the Army Cup Competition, however, the Battalion succeeded in reaching the third round, and were perhaps a little unlucky to lose by the odd goal to the 1st Foresters. Fresh talent is gradually coming to light, and thus the prospects for the forthcoming 1951-52 season can be considered bright. The matches and results played to date are as follows :

#### 1ST XI

- v. 1st King's Regiment, lost 1-2.
- v. 40th Field Regiment, R.A., drew 3-3.
- v. 1st D.L.I., lost 1-3.
- v. 23rd Field Engineer Regiment, won 3-1 (preliminary round, Army Cup).
- v. 19th Field Regiment, R.A., won 2-0 (first round, Army Cup).
- v. 22nd L.A.A. Regiment, R.A., drew 0-0.
- v. 22nd L.A.A. Regiment, drew 0-0.
- v. 22nd L.A.A. Regiment, R.A., won 3-1 (replay, second round, Army Cup).
- v. 1st Foresters, lost 0-1 (third round, Army Cup; quarter-finals, B.A.O.R. Cup).
- v. 10th Hussars, 2-3 (first round, 2nd Infantry Division Cup).
- v. 1st Royal Fusiliers, lost 0-1.
- v. Iserlohn H.C., won 3-0.
- v. H.Q., 5th Infantry Brigade, won 4-1.

#### 2ND XI

- v. 1st Royal Fusiliers, won 3-1.

##### Teams:

1st XI.—Lieut.-Colonel Sykes-Wright, Major Hill, Capt. Thompson, Lieut. Morley-Clarke, Lieut. Millman (captain), A.Q.M.S. Stone, Clr./Sergt. Kingsland, Clr./Sergt. Biles, Sergt. Bedford, Sergt. Hedges, Clr./Sergt. Dodson, L./Cpl. Jameson.

2nd XI.—Major Kealy, Capt. Standford, 2/Lieut. Pralle (captain), Clr./Sergt. Northey, Bdsn. Stafford, L./Cpl. Snashall, Pte. Cullen, W.O.II Davis, Bdsn. Drake, Bdsn. King, Sergt. Drayton, Bdsn. Inwards.

Further matches have yet to be played by both the 1st and 2nd XIs and these will be reported in the next JOURNAL.

#### RUGBY FOOTBALL, 1950-51

After two very poor seasons we have done much better, the results to the end of February, 1951, being : played, 16; won, 10; drew, 1; lost, 5.

When it is realized that last season we won only one match, it will be seen how great the improvement has been.

We have suffered, like all unit sides, through leave and courses, but when we were able to field our best XV we were quite strong. We won our first round of the Army Cup against the 1st Royal Scots Fusiliers, after a very thrilling game, but were defeated in the second round by the 1st Wireless Regiment. The basis of the outside play has been two sound half backs, 2/Lieut White and L./Cpl. George. At threequarter we have perhaps lacked thrust and have not scored as many tries as we should have done. In addition, we have had unaccountable lapses in defence which have allowed our opponents to score tries which could have been prevented.

2/Lieut. Day has been our best threequarter, and the two wings, Lieut. Wright and 2/Lieut. Teale, have scored a good number of tries between them. We made a discovery at full back in Pte. Grant, who started the season as a centre. As he improved at full back, so did his goal kicking, and he had a most excellent day against the 22nd L.A.A. Regiment, when he converted two tries and kicked two

penalty goals. The forwards have been very sound and hard working. We have been lucky in finding experienced players to bind and shove, and we have not lacked for weight and height. We had difficulty in finding a satisfactory hooker, and when we did, he immediately went on leave!

At wing forward, also, we were not very strong until the end of the season, when 2/Lieut. Pralle arrived. L./Cpl. Jackson has been our best forward, and he and Capt. Swanson, who led the pack, have played in every match and kept the forwards together.

2/Lieuts. Johnson and Smith are two other forwards of note.

We have been fortunate this season in having good reserves, and I would particularly like to thank those who cheerfully played, after being called on at the last minute on Saturday or Wednesday morning.

#### Detailed results :

- v. 1st King's Regiment, won 18-12.
- v. H.Q., 4th Guards Brigade, lost 3-8.
- v. H.Q., 5th Infantry Brigade, won 12-8.
- v. 1st King's Regiment, won 17-3.
- v. 1st D.L.I., lost 6-9.
- v. 10th Hussars, won 10-3.
- v. 40th Field Regiment, lost 5-9.
- v. 1st Royal Scots Fusiliers, won 10-8.
- v. 23rd Field Engineer Regiment, won 17-3.
- v. 1st Wireless Regiment, lost 3-17.
- v. 22nd L.A.A. Regiment, drew 6-6.
- v. 1st Royal Fusiliers, won 11-3.
- v. 40th Field Regiment, won 9-5.
- v. 22nd L.A.A. Regiment, won 16-0.
- v. 40th Field Regiment, lost 3-6.
- v. 23rd Field Engineer Regiment, won 8-3.

The following have played in more than half the matches :  
Full Back.—Pte. Grant.

Threequarters.—Lieut. Wright, 2/Lieut. Teale, 2/Lieut. Day, Pte. Daly and Major Peet.

Half Backs.—L./Cpl. George and 2/Lieut. White.

Forwards.—L./Cpl. Jackson, L./Cpl. Comfort, 2/Lieut. Roscoe, Cpl. Last, 2/Lieut. Johnson, Capt. Swanson, 2/Lieut. Mans, Lieut. Donaldson and Lieut. Jones.

The following have also played a number of times : 2/Lieuts. Hastie-Smith, Pralle and Reynolds, and Sergt. Shaw.

#### CRICKET, 1950

It was a great pity that the Battalion was too occupied to play much cricket during the summer, as we had what could have been a really good side. Indeed, in the end we played only four matches, one very enjoyable match on 1st June against the Rhine Flotilla and three in the 5th Infantry Brigade Knock-out Competition which ended most unsatisfactorily with ourselves and the 40th Field Regiment, R.A., being disqualified after two drawn games.

The batting of the side was exceptionally strong. With Major Fletcher and 2/Lieut. Day as the leading scorers, we batted respectably right down the list. Our bowling was steady, and with more support in the field, which would have come with more practice, it would have achieved considerable results.

The Company Competition was held in July, and was played as a knock-out. In the semi-finals, "A" Company beat "D" Company, and H.Q. Company beat "B" Company. The final was perhaps the most exciting match of the season, and H.Q. Company emerged as the winners after defeat had seemed probable.

#### SHOOTING

The Battalion Rifle Meeting was held at Menden Ranges from 27th to 29th April, 1950. Monsoon-like conditions prevailed throughout, reducing the range to a veritable morass. However, despite the fact that the novelty events had to be cut out, an enjoyable time was had by competitors and a very satisfactory standard of shooting was attained. "B" Company, with victories in nearly all the Company team events, won the Company Shield, and Major H. R. D. Hill, M.B.E., scored a personal triumph by winning the Individual Championship, the Pistol Championship, the Officers' Challenge Cup and the Officers' Pistol Cup. The "Pink Column" was retained by the Sergeants for the second year running.

After the Battalion Rifle Meeting the teams were selected for the 2nd Infantry Division Non-Central Meeting, and during the short time available before and after Battalion training at Vogelsang the teams practised hard. In the competition the Battalion was placed fourth and thus qualified for the first time since arrival in B.A.O.R. to enter a complete team for the B.A.O.R. Meeting. In between bouts of digging the defensive position at Sennelager, practice continued for the B.A.O.R. Meeting, in which the Battalion was placed eighth out of the twenty-five qualifying teams. The Meeting was held at Sennelager between 19th to 22nd June, and an enjoyable time was had in ideal weather. Major M. V. Fletcher qualified for the Rhine Army Hundred, and in the final shoot-off was placed thirty-fourth.

With the completion of the outdoor meetings, .22 shooting began in earnest. Numerous competitions have been entered for and run within the Battalion. The results of these to date are as follows:

*The Army Small-Bore Championship, 1950.*—The Battalion entered one team and was placed thirty-eighth out of the 164 entries.

*The Rhine Army Small-Bore Championship, 1950-51.*—H.Q. Company and "B" Company were placed second and third in the 2nd Infantry Division Section, thus qualifying for the final stage at Sennelager between 15th and 17th March, 1951.

*The Commanding Officer's Christmas Competition.*—Winner, A.Q.M.S. Stone.

*The All Ranks' (Knock-out) Competition.*—Winners, Corporals' Mess.

*The Inter-Platoon (Knock-out) Competition.*—Winners, "B" Company Permanent Staff.

The Inter-Company Competition is due to be held at the end of March and the Battalion Rifle Meeting has been fixed for 2nd to 4th May. With the basis of the Battalion teams already in being and with practice for the forthcoming meetings under way the Battalion should have an even more successful season before it.

#### BASKET-BALL

The Battalion Basket-ball team finished a very successful season by winning the Army Championship at Aldershot on 20th December, 1950. In the final they defeated the R.A.E.C. Depot team by 26—24 in a game that proved to be the most exciting and closest of the tournament. In all, the team played eight games, winning seven and losing one. These were played over a period of three days, demanding a high standard of skill and physical fitness. Credit is also due to the team as they had only eight players throughout the tournament.

Prior to the Army games the team enjoyed a wonderful season in B.A.O.R., losing only one game and that to the Belgian Army champions; unfortunately, this game took place in the B.A.O.R. Championships, otherwise the team would have been proud possessors of another trophy. However, in B.A.O.R. we have yet to lose to a British team.

The season's results are as follows:

Played, 30; won, 27; lost, 2; drawn, 1; points for, 1,156; points against, 577.

Throughout the season a high standard of skill was set, and it is hoped that this standard will be maintained and, if possible, improved in the coming year. The team consisted of: Sergt. Harrison, R.A.E.C., S.I. Kirkham, A.P.T.C., Sergt. Morris, Cpl. Dunkeld, L./Cpl. Mabey and Travers, Ptes. Barrance and Gray.

#### Results of games played at Aldershot for the Army Championship:

- 1st Battalion, 22; Highland Brigade T.C., 21.
- 1st Battalion, 44; Northern Irish Brigade T.C., 16.
- 1st Battalion, 51; 17th/21st Lancers, 30.
- 1st Battalion, 33; 17th Training Regiment, R.A., 20.
- 1st Battalion, 67; 60th H.A.A. Regiment, R.A., 25.
- 1st Battalion, 26; R.A.E.C. Depot, 44.
- 1st Battalion, 46; East Anglian T.C., 27.
- 1st Battalion, 26; R.A.E.C. Depot, 24 (final).

#### BOXING

The team entered for the B.A.O.R. Cup was drawn against the 22nd L.A.A. Regiment, R.A., in the first round, and in spite of their fine effort, were defeated in an exciting finish by five matches to six. The team to represent the Battalion and the results are shown below:

- Bantam-weight.*—Pte. Lyons, lost.
- Feather-weight.*—Pte. Smith, lost.
- Light-weight.*—L./Cpl. Collins, won; Pte. Freeman, lost.
- Light Welter-weight.*—Pte. Matcham, won.
- Welter-weight.*—Pte. Tarling, lost.
- Light Middle-weight.*—L./Cpl. Parker, won; Pte. Barnard, won.
- Middle-weight.*—Pte. Best, lost.
- Light Heavy-weight.*—L./Cpl. Ruffle, lost.
- Heavy-weight.*—Sergt. Redford, won.

One of the most decisive wins of the match was by Pte. Matcham. Pte. Matcham fought a southpaw and for the first round was obviously puzzled by his opponent, who was punching very heavily. The second round brought a change in Pte. Matcham's tactics and after inflicting upon his opponent a series of heavy rights and lefts to the head he was able to dictate the fight. After flooring his opponent three times in the third round, the fight was stopped in favour of Pte. Matcham.

In the 2nd Division Individual Championship Pte. Tarling was runner-up in the welter-weight, losing narrowly in the finals in the light welter-weight. He met a most experienced boxer in this match and received very heavy punishment throughout the fight. However, right to the finish he hit back gamely and was rewarded, after the decision was given against him, by a tremendous ovation from the spectators.

Pte. Tarling entered and won the B.A.O.R. Individual Championship in the light welter-weight. In the preliminary rounds he stopped his opponents in both bases by a knock-out, and in the finals he fought an inspired battle to beat Dvr. Fields, of the R.A.S.C., on points.

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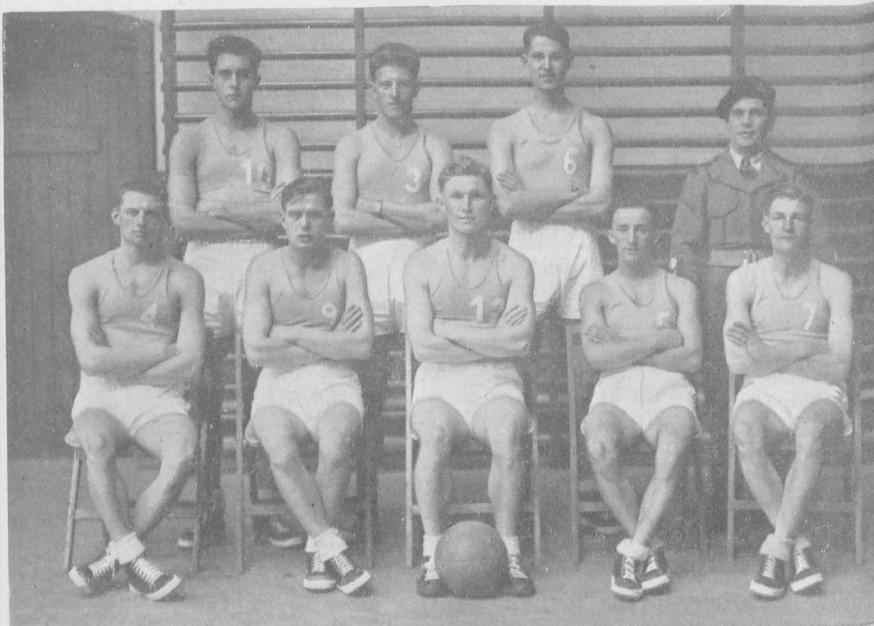
## 1st BATTALION



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Field-Marshal The Viscount Montgomery talking to Pte. Black,  
Lieut.-Colonel J. Sykes-Wright, D.S.O., in the centre

## BASKET-BALL



Winners Army Championships at Aldershot, December, 1950

Standing.—Pte. Barrance, L/Cpl. Mabey, Sergt. Harrison (R.A.E.C. attached).  
Sitting.—Pte. Gray, Cpl. Dunkard, Sergt. Kirkman, L/Cpl. Travers, Sergt. Morris.

## JOURNEY TO KOREA

BY MAJOR B. K. FAVELLE

**I**N August, 1950, instructions were received ordering reinforcements to join the 1st Bn. The Middlesex Regiment (D.C.O.) and the 1st Bn. The Argyll and Sutherland Highlanders, and a draft for each was gathered together in the United Kingdom and flown out to Korea in September by R.A.F. Transport Command.

The majority of the draft for the Middlesex came from the 1st Bn. The Queen's Royal Regiment serving in B.A.O.R. As a Company Commander of this Battalion, it was a bitter blow to us to see so many men leave, but we knew they would do well in their new unit, as we had just completed company and battalion training and were satisfied with their efficiency.

The draft assembled at Shorncliffe at the beginning of September, and prior to their departure were inspected by General Sir George Giffard, G.C.B., D.S.O., Colonel of The Queen's Royal Regiment, and Colonel M. Browne, M.C., Colonel of The Middlesex Regiment (D.C.O.).

The draft left Lyneham, Wiltshire, in five R.A.F. Hastings transport aircraft between 15th and 18th September, each party in charge of an officer.

The following officers, warrant officers and senior N.C.O.s. were included in the draft:

Major B. K. Favelle (East Surreys), Capt. J. Mathews (Middlesex), Lieuts. Bishop and Burgess (East Surreys), Lieut. Sharpe (Middlesex), C.S.M. Wickens, and Sergts. Jessop, Humphries and Saxby (all from the 1st Queen's). Lack of space prevents me from mentioning the remainder by name.

I will describe the journey of No. 1 aircraft, piloted by Flight/Lieut. Weller, R.A.F., in which I travelled. The remaining planes followed the same schedule, although one or two had engine trouble and stayed for one or two days at a staging place.

We took off from Lyneham at 0845 hrs. on a typical English rainy morning, and flew at 9,500 feet, passing over Cherbourg, Marseilles, Sardinia, Sicily, and arrived at Luqa airport in Malta at 1430 hrs. Due to the fact that we were flying against the clock, and in order to fly in daylight, we had to get up very early in the morning, and at one place as early as 0300 hrs.

We left Malta at 0745 hrs. the following morning, having changed into tropical kit, and flew over Crete and Cyprus at 9,500 feet. During the flight over Cyprus, the pilot allowed me to view the island from the "office," and it was most interesting seeing the island from the air and picking out various landmarks that I knew so well, having spent a most enjoyable leave there in 1937 whilst serving with the East Surreys in Khartoum.

We flew at 12,500 feet over Syria, which was very cold indeed, and were very glad when we came down to 9,000 feet again over Iraq. We touched down at Habbaniya at 1445 hrs., which is the R.A.F. station north of Baghdad and is an R.A.F. township in the middle of the desert.

We left Habbaniya at 1015 hrs. the following morning and again flew at 9,500 feet over desert and sea until we landed at Mauripur at 1730 hrs., just outside Karachi. It was here that all our medical documents were examined very thoroughly and the plane sprayed with D.D.T. before we were allowed to deplane. The Pakistan rupee not having been devalued, the price of even a glass of beer was prohibitive, and lime-juice was the order of the day.

From Mauripur we flew down the coast of India and arrived at Negombo, in Ceylon, at 1330 hrs., having taken six hours for the trip. Upon deplaning we were given the traditional Ceylon cup of tea as a welcome to the island, and it was said that several members of the draft lost count of how many cups they drank.

It was at Negombo that we had our earliest rise, as we had to take off at 0530 hrs. for the long hop over to Changi, where we arrived at 1300 hrs.

Upon arrival at Changi I noticed a great change had come over the place, now a completely R.A.F. camp. The Army handed over Changi to the R.A.F. in early 1946, and the airstrip which was started by the Japanese with prisoner-of-war labour and completed by them working for us after VJ Day. It was most interesting to see what progress had been made since I was last there in May, 1946, whilst serving with H.Q., ALFSEA. The little war cemetery that had been constructed at Changi and in which many East Surreys were interred, was now no more and all had been removed to the big war cemetery in the centre of the island overlooking the mainland and was a very impressive sight.

We left Changi, after a couple of false starts due to engine trouble, at 1130 hrs. and flew over Borneo and Palawan and arrived at Clarke U.S. airfield, north of Manila, at 1800 hrs. The U.S. Social Services looked after the troops very well indeed and, strange to say, everyone was able to walk on board the following morning at 0430 hrs., although a few required assistance. Not a sound was heard in the passenger compartment until about 1000 hrs., when a cup of coffee was served and everyone came to life again, and we arrived at Ashiya, in northern Japan, at 1130 hrs.

We said good-bye to our R.A.F. friends at Ashiya, and thanked them for a very good trip and their excellent transit arrangements. The contents of the luncheon baskets that were produced with a hot and cold drink were excellent. All the staging camps contained canteen facilities and a cinema, and everyone quite enjoyed their brief nights on land.

From Ashiya we went by train to Sasebo, a four-and-a-half-hour journey, and were accommodated by the U.S. Reinforcement Battalion stationed at Camp Mower, just outside the town, in what had been Japanese Naval Barracks. We stayed at Sasebo for two days to sort ourselves out and carry out the necessary laundering to check up on kit.

The last two aircraft, both of which had had engine trouble at one stage or another on the journey, did not arrive on schedule and so the first three plane-loads left Sasebo on 27th September on the former Japanese liner, "Koan Maru," for Pusan, where we arrived early the following morning.

We travelled by train from Pusan to Taegu and joined the 1st Bn. The Middlesex Regiment (D.C.O.) at Songju on 30th September, twelve days after having left the United Kingdom.

I was at once given the task of forming a company from the draft, and "C" Company was duly formed and took its place in the battalion as such three days later.

The journey by air from the United Kingdom had been very interesting, but one soon gets bored sitting in one seat, which after a time becomes very hard as one's movements are restricted, but for getting from one place to another in a short time it is the ideal method of travelling.

The tasks of the battalion were many and various, and I am not going to attempt to write a regimental history, but I would like to conclude with a few items of interest about the country in question.

The country is generally mountainous, particularly in the northern half. The mountains are not high by Asian standards (few peaks reach over 6,000 feet), but they cover so much of the country that only a quarter of the total area lies below 300 feet elevation; of the northern half, only one-eighth is below this contour line. The rainfall is fairly high and the uplands are dissected by streams, so that travel is often difficult on foot, and road and rail building calls for many curves, cuttings, bridges and tunnels.

The general transport pattern of Korea was influenced to some degree by the lie of the land, but only after the pattern had been determined in outline by the strategic purposes of the Japanese. These purposes demanded, either for offence or defence, rapid communication between the ports nearest Japan and the northern frontiers with Manchuria and Siberia. The outline road and rail pattern is, therefore, in the shape of an X, the two lower legs being based on the ports of

Pusan and Mokpo, in the south-eastern and south-western extremities respectively, the central junction being at Seoul, and the upper legs running north-east to Naijin Dong and the Siberian border, and north-west to Shingishu and the Manchurian border. Feeder roads and railways drain into this X. The Japanese took full advantage of the Seoul-Wonsan depression; but, on the other hand, they were strategic and not topographic reasons that brought the main road and railway systems from Pusan over the southern end of the central mountain mass to Seoul.

The Korean is different from the Chinese and Japanese, though it may often be difficult to put the difference into precise words. Koreans are likely to be taller and lighter-skinned than most Mongoloid peoples, and the Mongoloid fold of the upper eyelid is rather pronounced in their case—even more so than in the case of either Japanese or Chinese.

Culturally, too, the Koreans are distinct from their neighbours. They have their own language, although most of them speak Japanese, and both Chinese and Japanese words have been included in the Korean tongue. And in spite of being exposed for long periods to the influence of Chinese culture, and of the recent period of "Japanization," Korean habits and customs are still distinctively Korean.

About 75 per cent. of the working population are engaged in farming. Many of these are extremely poor and even go short of food between harvests. They suffer the usual handicaps of eastern agriculture: the small amount of land per farmer, low output per farm worker, lack of capital, and a high degree of tenancy.

The houses of the common folks are small and low, single-storeyed dwellings with tiled or straw-thatched roofs. The rooms are small, usually being about six feet square, provided with a special heating system, called "ondol," which is peculiar to Korean houses. The floor is made of stones and clay and is finished with an oiled paper covering. Underneath the floor is the "ondol" hearth fed with fire from outside and horizontal winding passages running under the floor let the smoke out. Thus the rooms are warmed from the floor.

Farther in the interior of the house is a special room for women known as the inner apartment, and the old custom is still observed that no male is ever permitted to enter it, however closely related to the family he may be.

The Korean diet consists chiefly of staples like rice and millet eaten with vegetables and other dishes seasoned with large quantities of red pepper and garlic. Kimchi, Chinese cabbage, pickled with many ingredients, such as fish, meat, sesame, parsley, chestnuts and garlic, besides much red pepper, is one of the most characteristic dishes.

The North Korean is supposed to be more ambitious, daring, ingenious, capable, taller and robust than the South Korean.

South Korea has two crops of rice per year, due to the mild-to-warm winter temperature, and is predominantly agricultural, whereas the north contains most of the mineral deposits and is mainly industrial.

## KOREA

The following letter, dated 8th January, 1951, has been received by the Officer Commanding the Depot, from Lieut.-Colonel A. M. Man, D.S.O., O.B.E., Commanding the 1st Bn. The Middlesex Regiment (D.C.O.), in which Battalion over 150 men of the Regiment are serving:

"I want to tell you how much I appreciate not only the very welcome Christmas parcels which you sent to me for my soldiers (and which I have passed on), but also for the interest which you obviously take in those who are fighting their country's battles in this far-away and unpleasant spot."

"The conditions are bad—such as they have been out here and still are—though to a lesser degree, it is easy to think that nobody cares. That is not the case, however, in my battalion, for the newspapers, our letters, and parcels such as yours, prove to us that our fellow-countrymen take a great interest.

"With that knowledge we shall continue to do our best out here to further the cause of world peace—which we all desire—and with God's help, we shall win through.

"Thank you again for your very real contribution to our happiness this Christmas in Korea, and may 1951 be a peaceful and happy year for you.

"You have been very kind to us for many months now—and we are indeed grateful. I would appreciate it very much if you would let everyone know of our gratitude."

The following letter has also been received by General Sir George Giffard from the Colonel of The Middlesex Regiment:

"My dear General,

"I am sending you some remarks from O.C., 'C' Company, 1st Bn. The Middlesex Regiment, Major Bellers, who was my O.C., Depot, here. He speaks most highly of his men, who are almost entirely members of your Regiment:

"I took over 'C' Company from Shipster, who had just gone. The Company is mostly The Queen's draft you saw at Shorncliffe last autumn, and absolutely first-class, tough and self-sufficient, and each man *knows* his job.

"I had two peaceful days with them, and then we moved up into action north of Yaju, across the Han River. We cleared five miles of hills to the west of the road, and supported 'A' Company's attack on a ridge below in the centre of the valley—from high ground on the flank. We came on to the ridge later and had a disturbed night and dawn when 'A' Company had a banzai attack on them (you will have seen this in the Press), and killed fifty-one, ejecting them with the bayonet. We were then sent out with two platoons to count the dead and collect wounded. From then on I was prodded on by W. T. to search a village farther on, and finally to occupy a nasty-looking ridge another 700 yards on. We were only in light order with no 2-in. mortars, and had no food. We patrolled to within a short distance of the ridge, saw nothing, and prolonged study through field glasses revealed nothing either. I, therefore, went on with the platoons, less L.M.G. left to support us. We were well deployed when suddenly about 300 to 400 yards away the Chinks opened up with small arms and mortars. We hit the snow pretty quickly and were tied there for three to four hours while I tried to direct all kinds of fire on to Hill 121 (as we knew it). All rather trying, but we were rescued by our M.M.Gs. coming up. Another platoon also came up from my company on my right, and our New Zealand gunners (25-pdrs.) and American 4.2 mortars put down wonderful fire. Australian M.M.Gs. also came in, but started by firing at us, which made things even more awkward until I got it lifted.

"We withdrew eventually, still being shot up, with, most fortunately, only two wounded (L./Cpl. Walkley and Cpl. Cooper). With two casualties the night before we had four wounded that day.

"C.S.M. Wickens (Queen's) and my W.T. operators were splendid, and I heard the C.S.M. say, 'Well, the old Diehards certainly shaved them this morning.'

"My M.F.C. (Sergt. Sly) was first-class, and I have sent in some five names to Roly (Acting C.O.) as having done particularly well that morning."

He learnt one thing, namely, that the Hill 121 should have been covered by preparations to fire from artillery, M.M.Gs. and mortars before the party moved forward.

I thought you would like to see how well your men have done.

Yours sincerely,

(Signed) M. BROWNE.

## KOREA



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Sergts. Saxby and Humphries (1st Battalion, now serving with 1st Bn. The Middlesex Regiment) on leave in Japan



"C" Company, 1st Middlesex on U.S. tanks about to cross the Taedong-Gang north of Pyongyang in October, 1950



Typical Village South Korea

## PAKISTAN

THE following extracts are taken from a letter received from Brigadier A. P. Block, C.B., C.B.E., D.S.O., Military Adviser in Pakistan, and will interest many members of the Regiment:

"A few weeks ago I visited 4/15 Punjab Regiment at Malir, a cantonment near here. Against Dress Regulations I always wear a white on red "Queen's" on the top of my sleeves in battle dress and bush shirt. The reason I do this could not have been better justified than on this occasion. Immediately I arrived it came out that 4/15 Punjab and 1 Queen's had been in 33 Bde. in Burma.

"I had long talks with one or two Junior Commissioned Officers who served in Burma. They were then called Viceroy Commissioned Officers.

"Incidentally, they greatly value the Regimental Liaison. To go back a few years the 4/15 Punjabis were in the Haidari Kach battle in April, 1921. This was a small camp where 2 Queen's were in the winter of 1920-21 and had just left for Ladha before the battle. A Lewis gun mounted in the Officers' Mess bears the following inscription: 'Lewis gun used by Sepoy Ishar Singh, 4/15 Punjab Regiment, on the occasion of winning the Victoria Cross at Haidari Kach, Waziristan, 10th April, 1921.'

"It is interesting to record that they were brigaded with us in two wars, Tirah, 1897, and the Burma Campaign, 1943-45.

"Last July I visited Quetta for three weeks. This place is a shadow of its former self. White barracks are still kept up, being occupied by a Training Establishment. The Club is little used and the garden has reverted. During the summer a small race meeting is held every Saturday. The hunt has never been resurrected. The Brewery no longer brews. Sir Henry Holland's two sons continue to run the Mission Hospital with great efficiency and both deserve the gratitude of the locals. While there I made a tour of the Frontier from Nushki on the Zahidan road, to Chaman, then through Hindubagh to Sandeman, from where I went on to Ghul Kach, on the Gumal, the border of Zob with Waziristan. I had hoped last month to have come down from the North to Wana and, while completing the tour of the Frontier, would have visited most of 2 Queen's haunts of 1920-21. However, there was trouble (same sort as in 1920-21) in Waziristan, and I was not allowed in. I got no further than Kohat. I am to go soon and will send you some photos."

## NEWS IN BRIEF

Colonel B. E. L. Burton sends notes on the following serving in Malaya. He would be grateful if members of the Regiment posted to FARELF would communicate with him at G.H.Q., FARELF.

Colonel B. E. L. Burton is holding the appointment of Colonel (Manpower and Personnel Administration) at G.H.Q., in Singapore. Has been out here a year. Hopes to be in the United Kingdom in August for a short time to attend a conference at the War Office.

Major E. A. W. Lockye recently arrived for a second tour with The Malay Regiment. Was awarded the M.B.E. in 1950.

Captains B. S. Burns and D. W. L. Palmer both came out here in September, 1950, for a tour of duty with The Malay Regiment. Both are in the 3rd Battalion as Second-in-Command of Companies.

Capt. G. Mason. Short Service Commission. Rejoined the Queen's in June, 1950. Is now employed as P.R.O. at H.Q., South Malaya District. Is trying for a Regular Commission.

Capt. S. White. Short Service. Has recently returned for a second tour out here. Has been posted as Staff Captain in Johore.

Major T. E. G. Hand. Short Service. Is D.A.Q.M.G. (Movements) at G.H.Q. He handles air movements.

Lieut. D. A. Gospel. Short Service. Now serving with The Green Howards for six months with a view to getting a Regular Commission.

Capt. F. J. G. Moorat, 7th Gurkha Rifles. He was a Regular soldier in the Queen's from 1935 to 1941. Left the Queen's in India on being commissioned into the Gurkhas. Now at the Gurkha Record Office.

Lieut. M. A. Buckenham. Short Service, R.A.O.C. Is the son of ex-C.S.M. Buckenham, of the Queen's; was with his parents when they served with the 1st Queen's in Tientsin, Quetta and Allahabad. There being no vacancy in the Regiment, he got a commission in the R.A.O.C. and is now hoping to get a Regular Commission. At present is with an R.A.O.C. battalion in Singapore.

Colonel H. G. Duncombe, D.S.O.. has been appointed Commander, West Rhine Sub-Area, with the temporary rank of Colonel.

Major C. B. Gray, M.B.E., who recently did a tour of duty with the Buffs, is at the War Office.

Major F. Waspe represented the Regiment at the funeral of Lieut.-Colonel J. Rainsford-Hannay, D.S.O., which took place on 10th March, 1951, at Kirkdale, Gatehouse of Fleet, N.B. Buglers Davey and Fitchett, of the 2nd/5th (Cadet) Bn. The Queen's Royal Regiment, sounded "The Last Post" and "Reveille."

Pte. Sheffield's photograph, which appeared in the "Soldier Magazine" recently, has had wide circulation and has resulted in his receiving many letters from old members of the Regiment. One of these, W. Exell, writes from Bermuda and says that Hitchcock and Fountain are also there. These men took their discharge when the 2nd Battalion served there in 1912-13.

Major N. T. Lennan, M.C., is on a course at the United States School of Infantry, Fort Benning, U.S.A.

Capt. M. Lowry has been succeeded as Adjutant at the Depot by Capt. S. R. G. Scott-Gall, from the 1st Battalion. Capt. Lowry has gone to a staff appointment at H.Q., British Troops in Austria.

Major A. R. L. Mott is serving with the K.A.R.

## REGIMENTAL CHRISTMAS CARDS

A Regimental Christmas Card in colour will be available this year to all serving and ex-members of the Regiment, officers and other ranks, at approximately, in the United Kingdom, 1s., and for those ordered abroad, approximately 7½d.

A plain card with Regimental crest and greetings only can also be supplied at 4d.

Will those who wish to purchase cards please notify their requirements, stating type of card desired, by 15th July, 1951, to:

In the case of officers: The Hon. Secretary, Officers' Club, Stoughton Barracks, Guildford, Surrey.

Other ranks: The Secretary, Old Comrades' Association, Stoughton Barracks, Guildford, Surrey.

## DEPOT

THE Army Council have decided that the training of all infantry recruits will be carried out at Regimental Depots and not at Group Training Centres as at present.

By the time this appears in print the Depot will have reassumed its normal role of training recruits. They will undergo six weeks' basic training at the Depot before going on to continuation training of ten weeks elsewhere.

The group system will be continued in that the Depot will form part of the Home Counties Brigade, which will have in addition to the other Depots a Brigade Depot charged with the continuation training of recruits for overseas battalions other than B.A.O.R. The Brigade Depot will have in addition to its normal staff the Brigade Colonel and the Brigade Adjutant, whose primary duties will be that in matters of drill, training and procedure, uniformity is preserved in all Depots of the Brigade, in order that officers and men can move when required from one battalion to another in the Brigade without having to be instructed afresh in these matters.

Finally, to summarize briefly, the objects of the scheme are :

- To strengthen Regimental spirit and raise morale.
- To give the infantry officer and soldier every opportunity of starting his service in the regiment of his choice and to continue his service in a familiar environment.
- To make more obvious and to strengthen the ties between regiments and counties and between Regular and Territorial units.
- To encourage Regular recruiting.
- To foster a Brigade *esprit de corps* without prejudice to a man's rightful pride in his own regiment.
- To ensure a smooth mobilization and a proper training and drafting system by Brigades in war.

## THE ARMY CRUSADERS (ARMY OFFICERS) ASSOCIATION FOOTBALL CLUB

A meeting was held at the Royal Military Academy Sandhurst on 4th May, 1950, with the object of reviving the above club.

The objects of the Army Crusaders are :

- To give officers an opportunity of interesting themselves in Army football and of getting games of the type to which they are accustomed.
- To run a series of matches against as many soccer-playing public schools as possible.
- To play the officers of the Sister Services.
- To further the true amateur spirit of the sport.

Membership of the club is open to officers of the Regular Army (including National Service officers), Reserve of Officers and Territorial Army, and Officer Cadets of the Royal Military Academy Sandhurst.

The rates of subscription are as follows :

Life membership, £2 2s.; annual membership, 5s.

It is hoped to defray any match expenses incurred by individual players.

Applications for membership or for further information should be sent to :

Capt. N. W. Watson, R.A.E.C., Hon. Secretary, Army Crusaders Football Club, Royal Military Academy Sandhurst, Camberley, Surrey.

## REGIMENTAL CRICKET WEEK

THE details of last year's Regimental matches are included in this issue, as the matches were played after the publication of the JOURNAL.

### THE QUEEN'S ROYAL REGIMENT v. H.M.S. EXCELLENT

At Whale Island on 2nd to 3rd June, 1950.

#### THE QUEEN'S ROYAL REGIMENT

##### First Innings

Colonel Flint c Elkins b Boys	26	Cmdr. Hammond st Lowry b Bellord	75
Capt. Lowry c Fairweather b Boys	17	Lieut. Robinson b Bellord	0
O.-C. de Clive Lowe c Boys b Brain	0	Lieut.-Cmdr. Boys c Millard b Howlett	58
Sergt. Elkins lbw b Brain	5	Cmdr. Vavasour c Millard b Elkins	31
Capt. Sharp b Fairweather	9	Rear Admiral Lees st Lowry b Bellord	20
Lieut.-Colonel Kealy b Brain	21	Lieut. Garnons-Williams b Elkins	0
C.S.M. Millard b Hill	1	Cmdr. Sparks not out	7
J. Mansel b Fairweather	8	E.M. Brain not out	10
Pte. Bellord c Fairweather b Brain	2	Extras	7
Pte. Howlett b Fairweather	0		
Pte. Franklin not out	0		
Extras	16		
Total	105		

##### H.M.S. "EXCELLENT"

First Innings	
Cmdr. Hammond st Lowry b Bellord	75
Lieut. Robinson b Bellord	0
Lieut.-Cmdr. Boys c Millard b Howlett	58
Cmdr. Vavasour c Millard b Elkins	31
Rear Admiral Lees st Lowry b Bellord	20
Lieut. Garnons-Williams b Elkins	0
Cmdr. Sparks not out	7
E.M. Brain not out	10
Extras	7
Total (6 wkts. dec.)	208
Lieut. Hill, Capt. Elkins and P.O. Fairbrother did not bat.	
Bowling.—Bellord, 3 for 95; Elkins, 2 for 37.	

##### Second Innings

Colonel Flint c Boys b Vavasour	7	Second Innings	
Capt. Lowry c Hammond b Lees	69	Cmdr. Hammond c Mansel b Howlett	44
O.-C. de Clive Lowe st Hammond b Hill	23	Lieut. Robinson b Sharp	17
Capt. Sharp c and b Brain	58	Lieut.-Cmdr. Boys not out	36
Lieut.-Colonel Kealy b Hill	0	Cmdr. Vavasour not out	16
Sergt. Elkins c Robinson b Brain	5	Extras	1
J. Mansel c Garnons-Williams b Brain	12		
C.S.M. Millard b Boys	1		
Pte. Franklin not out	5	Total (2 wkts.)	114
Pte. Bellord c Robinson b Boys	0		
Extras	24		
Total (9 wkts. dec.)	204		
Pte. Howlett did not bat.			

##### Second Innings

Cmdr. Hammond c Mansel b Howlett	44
Lieut. Robinson b Sharp	17
Lieut.-Cmdr. Boys not out	36
Cmdr. Vavasour not out	16
Extras	1
Total (2 wkts.)	114
Rear Admiral Lees, Lieut. Garnons-Williams, Cmdr. Sparks, E.M. Brain, Lieut. Hill, Capt. Elkins and P.O. Fairbrother did not bat.	
Bowling.—Sharp, 1 for 34; Howlett, 1 for 22.	

H.M.S. *Excellent* won by 8 wickets.

### THE QUEEN'S ROYAL REGIMENT v. THE EAST SURREY REGIMENT

At Kingston on 22nd June, 1950.

#### THE EAST SURREY REGIMENT

Hoddinot b Ross-Ross	57	THE QUEEN'S ROYAL REGIMENT	
Tatton-Tatton not out	151	Capt. Lowry st, b Taylor	29
Morris lbw b Howlett	7	C.S.M. Millard b Tatton-Tatton	5
Nauman not out	20	Capt. Sharp c Branch	30
Extras	10	Lieut. Wallon c and b Branch	1
		Major Sandys b Hoddinot	1
Total (2 wkts. dec.)	245	Sergt. Ross-Ross c, b Taylor	0
Baker, Branch, Wreford-Brown, Taylor, Clarke, Pepperall and Horrott did not bat.		Sergt. Elkins c, b Taylor	6
Claire, Drayton b Tatton-Tatton		Sergt. Drayton b Tatton-Tatton	33
1 for 34.		Pte. Bailey c Branch b Tatton-Tatton	0
		Pte. Bellord not out	6
		Pte. Howlett b Tatton-Tatton	0
		Extras	6

#### THE QUEEN'S ROYAL REGIMENT

Capt. Lowry st, b Taylor	29
C.S.M. Millard b Tatton-Tatton	5
Capt. Sharp c Branch	30
Lieut. Wallon c and b Branch	1
Major Sandys b Hoddinot	1
Sergt. Ross-Ross c, b Taylor	0
Sergt. Elkins c, b Taylor	6
Sergt. Drayton b Tatton-Tatton	33
Pte. Bailey c Branch b Tatton-Tatton	0
Pte. Bellord not out	6
Pte. Howlett b Tatton-Tatton	0
Extras	6
Total	118

The East Surrey Regiment won by 127 runs.

## THE QUEEN'S ROYAL REGIMENT v. GRASSHOPPERS

At Stoughton Barracks on 24th to 25th June, 1950.

### THE QUEEN'S ROYAL REGIMENT

#### First Innings

Capt. Lowry c Brennan b Evans	19	Howland-Jackson b Bellord	13
Major Hall c Howland-Jackson b Strachan	2	B. W. Balls b Bellord	14
Colonel Freeland c Godsman b Strachan	21	N. M. Mischler b Syms	46
Lieut. Wallen c Howland-Jackson b Chatterton	20	J. C. Moss c Wallen b Syms	1
Capt. Sewell c Godsman b Balls	57	Brigadier Chatterton c Wallen b Hall	60
Capt. Sharp c Godsman b Strachan	29	Lieut.-Colonel Rimbault c Wallen b Hall	16
Capt. Syms b Strachan	1	R. M. Brennan c Lowry b Hall	16
C.S.M. Millard not out	3	D. A. Strachan c Lowry b Hall	49
Boy Howell b Strachan	2	H. K. Evans b Hall	8
Pte. Bellord b Strachan	5	A. Godsman st Lowry b Hall	0
Pte. Franklin b Strachan	0	A. J. Riley not out	9
Extras	27	Extras	28
Total	186	Total	260

#### Second Innings

Capt. Lowry b Strachan	10	Howland-Jackson c Bellord b Syms	1
Major Hall c Howland-Jackson b Balls	42	Balls c and b Syms	0
Colonel Freeland c Brennan b Chatterton	16	Mischler b Bellord	12
Lieut. Wallen st Mischler b Brennan	77	Moss c Lowry b Syms	15
Capt. Sewell c and b Strachan	0	Chatterton not out	63
Capt. Sharp st Mischler b Riley	53	Rimbault not out	58
Capt. Syms c Godsman b Brennan	6	Extras	5
C.S.M. Millard c Howland-Jackson b Brennan	3	Total (4 wkts.)	154
Pte. Franklin b Brennan	0	Brennan, Strachan, Evans, Godsman and Riley did not bat.	
Boy Howell not out	0	Bowling.—Syms, 3 for 46; Bellord, 1 for 57.	
Pte. Bellord c Rimbault b Riley	3		
Extras	16		
Total	226		

Grasshoppers won by 6 wickets.

## THE QUEEN'S ROYAL REGIMENT v. THE EAST SURREY REGIMENT

At Stoughton Barracks on 26th June, 1950.

### THE EAST SURREY REGIMENT

Hoddinot c Elkins b Bellord	18	Capt. Lowry b Branch	1
Tatton-Tatton b Elkins	27	Capt. Sewell c Gray b Branch	42
Morris c and b Bellord	17	Sergt. Drayton c Nauman b Branch	0
Nauman c Sewell b Howlett	42	Lieut. Wallen b Branch	0
Baker b Sharp	20	Brigadier Chatterton b Nauman	5
Branch c Chatterton b Elkins	20	Capt. Sharp b Hoddinot	10
Wreford-Brown run out	30	Sergt. Ross-Ross b Branch	2
Pott c Chatterton b Howlett	22	Sergt. Elkins b Branch	2
Gray b Chatterton	13	C.S.M. Millard b Branch	0
Hills c Drayton b Sewell	2	Pte. Bellord b Branch	2
Clark not out	6	Pte. Howlett not out	0
Extras	11	Extras	10
Total	228		

Bowling.—Elkins, 2 for 33; Howlett, 2 for 42; Sharp, 1 for 15; Sewell, 1 for 27; Bellord, 2 for 46; Chatterton, 1 for 43.

The East Surrey Regiment won by 154 runs.

## THE QUEEN'S ROYAL REGIMENT v. REIGATE PRIORY

At Stoughton Barracks on 27th June, 1950.

### REIGATE PRIORY

A. Wright b Kingsley	99
Hardwick hit wicket b Hall	88
Clark b Kingsley	11
Lindsay-Renton not out	60
Munday not out	41
Extras	15
Total (3 wkts. dec.)	314
Jennings, Moir, Gladstone, Gray, Bartley and Lambert did not bat.	
Bowling.—Kingsley, 2 for 43; Hall, 1 for 72.	

### THE QUEEN'S ROYAL REGIMENT

Capt. Lowry b Bartley	32
Major Hall c and b Gladstone	4
P. G. T. Kingsley b Gladstone	41
Lieut. Wallen b Bartley	11
Capt. Sewell c Hardwick b Gladstone	70
Capt. Sharp b Bartley	0
Sergt. Drayton b Bartley	1
Sergt. Ross-Ross c Hardwick b Gladstone	5
Sergt. Elkins c and b Bartley	7
Pte. Bellord not out	0
Pte. Howlett c Jennings b Gladstone	0
Extras	8
Total	179

Reigate Priory won by 135 runs.

## THE QUEEN'S ROYAL REGIMENT v. THE QUEEN'S OWN ROYAL WEST KENT REGIMENT

At Stoughton on 28th June, 1950.

### Q.O. ROYAL WEST KENT REGIMENT

Scott c Chatterton b Bellord	4
Crook run out	42
De Frater c Lowry b Bellord	0
Richard b Rowney	15
Turner c Sharp b Rowney	26
Keenlyside b Rowney	59
Buckall b Rowney	24
Dover c Elkins b Bellord	20
Burke c Bellord b Rowney	7
Thomas b Rowney	3
Godwin not out	1
Extras	5

### THE QUEEN'S ROYAL REGIMENT

Capt. Lowry b Scott	0
Major Hall b Scott	10
Lieut. Wallen b Scott	15
Brigadier Chatterton lbw b De Frater	14
T. Rowney lbw b De Frater	17
Capt. Sharp lbw b De Frater	12
Lieut.-Colonel Kealy c and b Godwin	27
Sergt. Elkins b De Frater	2
Sergt. Drayton c Turner b De Frater	6
Capt. Blackman not out	14
Pte. Bellord b Godwin	13
Extras	8

Total  
Bowling.—Rowney, 6 for 61; Bellord, 3 for 61.

Total  
The Royal West Kent Regiment won by 68 runs.

## THE QUEEN'S ROYAL REGIMENT v. CHARTERHOUSE MASTERS

At Charterhouse on 29th June, 1950.

Capt. Lowry b Powell	16
Colonel Stringer c and b Powell	15
Lieut. Wallen c Holt b Powell	10
Brigadier Chatterton not out	61
Capt. Sharp b May	3
C. T. Reichwald not out	51
Extras	12
Total (4 wkts. dec.)	168

### CHARTERHOUSE MASTERS

Ullivott lbw b Chatterton	39
Marriott b Reichwald	22
Wreford-Brown c and b Chatterton	14
May b Reichwald	1
Powell not out	62
Chare not out	16
Extras	16

Total (4 wkts.)

Leask, Lee, Cooke, Holt and Quick did not bat.

Bowling.—Reichwald, 2 for 46; Chatterton, 2 for 54.

Charterhouse Masters won by 6 wickets.

# THE LONDON GAZETTE

EXTRACTS, OCTOBER, 1949—6TH MARCH, 1951

## REGULAR ARMY

Lieut.-Colonel (Temp. Brigadier) T. H. Dyke, D.S.O. (30580), from The Queen's Royal Regiment, to be Colonel, 7th February, 1950.

Capt. R. F. Allnut (258631), from The Queen's Royal Regiment, Short Service Commission, to be Captain and Paymaster, 1st February, 1950, with precedence next below Capt. & Paymr. S. R. Astley (363762).

Capt. (Qrmr.) S. H. Sellicks (112721) to be Major (Quartermaster), 27th February, 1950.

Major G. S. Grimston (31948) retires on retired pay, 29th June, 1950, and is granted the honorary rank of Lieutenant-Colonel.

2/Lieut. H. C. Millman (393219) to be Lieutenant, 15th July, 1950.

The undermentioned officer cadets from the Royal Military Academy Sandhurst, to be Second-Lieutenants, 22nd July, 1950, with seniority 22nd July, 1950, except as otherwise stated:

Michael Frank Reynolds (412046).

Major D. L. A. Gibbs, D.S.O. (34771) to be Lieutenant-Colonel, 7th February, 1950.

Capt. G. G. Reinhold, M.C. (73095) to be Major, 26th August, 1950.

Capt. E. A. W. Lockyer (73096) to be Major, 26th August, 1950.

Major J. B. H. Kealy, D.S.O. (37144) to be Lieutenant-Colonel, 18th October, 1950.

2/Lieut. D. J. Wright (400125) to be Lieutenant, 22nd December, 1950.

2/Lieut. A. Donaldson (397866) to be Lieutenant, 22nd December, 1950.

### Royal Army Service Corps.

Major P. M. A. Taylor, M.C. (145012), from The Queen's Royal Regiment, to be Major, 23rd December, 1950, with seniority 25th January, 1949, and precedence next above E. A. C. Hunt (62977).

The undermentioned Colonels to be retained on the Active List, supernumerary to establishment, 31st December, 1950:

Local Brigadier A. P. Block, C.B., C.B.E., D.S.O. (22528), late Infantry.

Capt. (War Subs. Major) D. L. Lloyd-Owen, D.S.O., M.C. (74596), to be Major, 27th January, 1951.

Major-General J. Y. Whitfield, C.B., D.S.O., O.B.E. (26601), late Infantry, retires on retired pay, 22nd February, 1951.

### SHORT SERVICE COMMISSION

Lieut. W. M. Jorgenson (323148) to be Captain, 4th April, 1950.

Lieut. Alan Godfrey Jones (368443), from Emergency Commission, to be Lieutenant, 28th February, 1950, with seniority 7th December, 1946.

Lieut. (War Subs. Capt.) J. T. Nicholls (316962) to be Captain, 10th April, 1950.

2/Lieut. Derek Harold Woolstencroft (408482), from Emergency Commission, to be Second-Lieutenant, 15th May, 1950, with seniority 21st January, 1950.

2/Lieut. War Subs. Lieut.) Geoffrey Mason (411081), from Specialist List (ex-Indian Army), Emergency Commission, to be Lieutenant, 13th June, 1950, with seniority 18th May, 1946.

2/Lieut. (War Subs. Lieut.) Gerald Charles David Wheeler (186970), from Specialist List (ex-Indian Army), Emergency Commission, to be Lieutenant, 31st July, 1950, with seniority 18th January, 1942.

### Royal Army Service Corps.

22307788 L./Cpl. Neville Berry (379500) to be Second-Lieutenant, 24th November, 1950.

Lieut. C. R. Sandys (325363) to be Captain, 16th December, 1950.

Lieut. G. C. D. Wheeler (186970) to be Captain, 31st July, 1950, with seniority 1st November, 1947.

Lieut. G. T. H. Coffey (335136) to be Captain, 6th February, 1951.

2/Lieut. N. Berry (379500) to be Lieutenant, 24th November, 1950.

### EMERGENCY COMMISSIONS—NATIONAL SERVICE LIST

22076763 Cadet Derek Harold Woolstencroft (408482) to be Second-Lieutenant, 21st January, 1950.

22156647 Cadet John Neville Taylor (408473) to be Second-Lieutenant, 21st January, 1950.

22163631 Cadet George Vivian Hodges (409093) to be Second-Lieutenant, 4th March, 1950.

The undermentioned Cadets to be Second-Lieutenants, 18th March, 1950:

22175070 David Haddon Whitaker (409225).

22177892 Anthony Samuel Day (409246).

22177901 The Hon. Anthony Trevor Montague (409233).

22178401 Cadet Michael Leslie Teale (410261) to be Second-Lieutenant, 6th May, 1950.

The undermentioned Cadets to be Second-Lieutenants, 3rd June, 1950:

22187543 William David John Roscoe (410792).

22188476 Robin Bazeley White (410802).

The undermentioned Cadets to be Second-Lieutenants, 24th June, 1950:

22198147 Samuel Brian Jordan (411242).

22179992 Douglas Geoffrey Francis Mans (411245).

The undermentioned Cadets to be Second-Lieutenants, 29th July, 1950:

*The Queen's Royal Regiment.*

22312938 John Stephen Knox (412162).

The undermentioned Cadets to be Second-Lieutenants, 12th August, 1950:

*The Queen's Royal Regiment.*

22128247 Colin Temple Leys (412312).

22318644 Colin Michael Heap Hutchinson (412282).

22318689 Erik Raymond Bjorkman Wills (412280).

*The Queen's Royal Regiment.*

Lieut. A. Woodcock (352336) relinquishes his commission, 22nd November, 1950, and is granted the honorary rank of Lieutenant.

The undermentioned Cadets to be Second-Lieutenants, 16th September, 1950:

22334767 David Pasteur (412889).

22339601 Rodney Alan Russell (412890).

The undermentioned Cadets to be Second-Lieutenants, 30th September, 1950:

22337140 John Peter Pralle (413082).

22344696 Michael Geoffrey Kenneth Konstam (413079).

2/Lieut. J. V. Coleman (403014) relinquishes his commission, 2nd November, 1950, on enlistment in the ranks, T.A.

22344989 Cadet Bryan George Cartledge (413434) to be Second-Lieutenant, 21st October, 1950.

22344929 Cadet Walter Bramwell Valder Anthony Gates (413585) to be Second-Lieutenant, 4th November, 1950.

22350373 Cadet Paul Christian Maxlow Tomlinson (413865) to be Second-Lieutenant, 18th November, 1950.

22366349 Cadet Ralph Coningham Rolls (414365) to be Second-Lieutenant, 16th December, 1950.

### REGULAR ARMY RESERVE OF OFFICERS

Lieut. (War Subs. Capt.) Edward Peter Naylor de Haan, O.B.E. (138665), from Emergency Commission, to be Captain, 1st January, 1949, and is granted the honorary rank of Major.

Lieut. David Henschel (370535), from R.A.S.C. Emergency Commission, to be Lieutenant, 1st January, 1949.

*Short Service Commission.*

Capt. (War Subs. Major) R. A. Fowler (124501), from Active List, to be Captain, 1st September, 1950, retaining his present seniority, and is granted the honorary rank of Lieutenant-Colonel.

Lieut. Paul Vernon Samson (370813), from Emergency Commission, to be Lieutenant, 22nd November, 1950.

Lieut. (War Subs. Capt.) Leonard Joseph Oliver Walker (180521), from Emergency Commission, to be Captain, 29th November, 1950, and is granted the honorary rank of Major.

2/Lieut. R. A. Harrild (380), having exceeded the age limit of liability to recall, ceases to belong to the Reserve of Officers, 29th November, 1950.

Hon. Major Michael Hugh Robert Carragher, M.M. (174125) (late Emergency Commission), to be Captain, 6th December, 1950, retaining the honorary rank of Major.

Lieut. (War Subs. Capt.) William Lagdon Farrow (413967), from Specialist List (ex-Indian Army), Emergency Commission, to be Captain, 20th December, 1950, and is granted the honorary rank of Lieutenant-Colonel.

### SUPPLEMENTARY RESERVE OF OFFICERS

2/Lieut. J. H. Pappin (390114) (now Second-Lieutenant, The Queen's Royal Regiment (T.A.)), relinquishes his commission, 20th August, 1949.

#### TERRITORIAL ARMY

The notification regarding Lieut. T. C. Grimshaw (37668) in *London Gazette (Supplement)*, dated 19th July, 1949, is cancelled.

Capt. (Acting Major) G. South, M.B.E. (162116) to be Major, 18th April, 1950, with seniority 1st February, 1949.

Lieut. R. I. Bishop (359901) resigns his commission, 1st January, 1950, and is granted the honorary rank of Captain.

Lieut. A. J. Fell (384609) to be Captain, 22nd March, 1950.

Major J. E. Flint (284426) to be Lieutenant-Colonel, 1st May, 1950.

Lieut. Patrick Francis Spencer-Moore (155023), from The Royal Wiltshire Regiment, Emergency Commission, to be Lieutenant, 25th April, 1950, with seniority 18th December, 1943.

Major R. W. T. Chapman, T.D. (16641), having exceeded the age limit, retires, 1st September, 1948, retaining the rank of Major.

2/Lieut. William Raymond Clouston Pasteur (406246), from Regular Army, National Service List, to be Second-Lieutenant, 11th September, 1950, with seniority 24th September, 1949.

2/Lieut. Hugh Robert John Bascombe (400919), from The Gloucestershire Regiment, Emergency Commission, to be Second-Lieutenant, 16th July, 1950, with seniority 28th May, 1949.

2/Lieut. J. H. Pappin (390114) is granted the acting rank of Lieutenant, 2nd May, 1950.

2/Lieut. Desmond Gabriel Wilson (406426), from Regular Army, National Service List, R.W.K., to be Second-Lieutenant, 23rd September, 1950, with seniority 15th October, 1949.

2/Lieut. Christopher Scott (406694), from Regular Army, National Service List, to be Second-Lieutenant, 22nd August, 1950, with seniority 29th October, 1949. (Substituted for the notification in *London Gazette (Supplement)* dated 22nd September, 1950.)

2/Lieut. William Raymond Clouston Pasteur (406246), from Regular Army, National Service List, to be Second-Lieutenant, 11th September, 1950, with seniority 24th September, 1949. (Substituted for the notification in *London Gazette (Supplement)* dated 6th October, 1950.)

Lieut. Richard Kenneth Asper (407472), from Regular Army, National Service List, to be Second-Lieutenant, 18th October, 1950, with seniority 26th November, 1949.

2/Lieut. P. N. Morshead (390873) is granted the acting rank of Lieutenant, 3rd July, 1950.

2/Lieut. W. H. C. Frend (384440) to be Lieutenant, 1st May, 1949.

Peter Henry Crouch (413877) (late R.I.N.V.R.), to be Lieutenant, 9th May, 1950, with seniority 27th November, 1945.

Lieut. Walter Kenneth Homer (315701), from Foresters, Emergency Commission, to be Lieutenant, 26th September, 1950, with seniority 22nd November, 1946.

Capt. J. E. Pearson, T.D. (90591), to be Major, 17th October, 1950.

Capt. A. C. Henley (52024) to be Major, 1st November, 1950.

Lieut. A. C. Overington (338243) to be Captain, 3rd October, 1950.

Lieut. D. R. G. Clement (340101) to be Captain, 3rd October, 1950.

2/Lieut. G. J. Chandler (164393) to be Lieutenant, 3rd October, 1950.

2/Lieut. J. Stansby (407189), from Regular Army, National Service List, to be Second-Lieutenant, 26th September, 1950, with seniority 12th November, 1949.

Lieut. (War Subs. Capt.) Hugh Martin West Harris (113567), from Emergency Commission, to be Captain, 9th October, 1950, with seniority 10th September, 1947.

22236226 Spr. Christopher Brian Mann (385896) (late Second-Lieutenant, R.E. Emergency Commission), to be Second-Lieutenant, 26th September, 1950, with seniority 12th August, 1949.

Lieut. Anthony Randolph Churchill Spencer (314065), from The Royal Hampshire Regiment, Emergency Commission, to be Lieutenant, 26th September, 1950, with seniority 17th November, 1947.

#### T.A. RESERVE OF OFFICERS

##### The Queen's Royal Regiment.

Capt. E. R. Broadbent (33906), having exceeded the age limit of liability to recall, ceases to belong to the T.A. Reserve of Officers, 19th October, 1949.

Lieut. F. A. Riddick (95974), having exceeded the age limit of liability to recall, ceases to belong to the T.A. Reserve of Officers, 19th October, 1949.

Lieut.-Colonel J. H. Mason, D.S.O., T.D. (90298), from Active List, to be Lieutenant-Colonel, 1st May, 1950, retaining his present seniority.

Capt. (War Subs. Major) A. R. Wise, M.B.E., T.D. (2081) to be Major, 1st January, 1949.

Capt. (War Subs. Major) H. N. P. Woolmer (38268) to be Major, 1st January, 1949.

Lieut. (War Subs. Major) P. W. Milligan (44615) to be Major, 1st January, 1949.

Lieut. (War Subs. Capt.) R. J. R. Halliday (41783) to be Captain, 1st January, 1949.

Lieut. (War Subs. Capt.) F. G. Bishop (34351) to be Captain, 1st January, 1949.

Lieut. (War Subs. Capt.) J. S. Wyatt (67103) to be Captain, 1st January, 1949.

Lieut. (War Subs. Major) M. H. O'Grady (53142) to be Major, 1st January, 1949.

Lieut. (War Subs. Major) B. A. Shattock, D.S.O., T.D. (69954) to be Major, 1st January, 1949.

Lieut. (War Subs. Capt.) G. F. Pescod (68536) to be Captain, 1st January, 1949.

*The Queen's Royal Regiment.*

Major A. G. Neale, T.D. (63930), from Active List, to be Major, 12th June, 1950, retaining his present seniority.

Capt. (Honorary Major) G. B. Shaw (67347), from The East Surrey Regiment, to be Captain (Honorary Major), 17th October, 1950, retaining his present seniority.

Lieut. R. B. Eustace (362059), from Active List, to be Lieutenant, 3rd September, 1950, retaining his present seniority.

Major P. A. E. Dumas (380179), from Active List, to be Major, 7th September, 1950, retaining his present seniority, and is granted the honorary rank of Lieutenant-Colonel.

Capt. J. W. Cummins, M.B.E. (380788), from Active List, to be Captain, 1st October, 1950, retaining his present seniority.

#### TERRITORIAL EFFICIENCY DECORATION

Lieut.-Colonel J. H. Mason, D.S.O. (90298).

Major (Hon. Lieut.-Colonel) E. R. P. Berryman, D.S.O. (27321).

Major (Temp.-Lieut.-Colonel) K. C. Hooper (39014) (killed in action).

Major M. E. MacG. McWilliam, D.S.O., M.C. (92801).

Major C. L. W. Micklewright (76487).

Major (Hon. Lieut.-Colonel) J. S. Moller (92330).

Major (Hon. Lieut.-Colonel) B. A. Shattock, D.S.O. (69954).

Capt. (Hon. Major) W. K. Macfarlane (94051).

Capt. (Temp.-Major) S. W. Peet, M.C. (65292).

Capt. (Hon. Major) A. P. W. Simon (92225).

Capt. D. C. Snowdon (73947).

Lieut. K. H. Crockatt (91736).

Capt. (Hon. Major) R. A. F. Johnston (73990).

Capt. (Hon. Major) P. L. McArthur, M.C. (88238).

Capt. (Hon. Major) H. R. N. Rickett (90110).

Capt. (Temp.-Major) E. W. D. Stilwell (42017) (killed in action).

Capt. (Hon. Major) J. Dewsnap (75371).

Major (Hon. Colonel) A. R. Rees-Reynolds, C.B.E. (90909).

Lieut. J. S. Timpson (41355).

Lieut. (Hon. Capt.) R. M. Caton (70757).

#### 1st, 2nd and 3rd Clasp

Capt. (Hon. Major) L. P. Stack (26220).

Colonel B. L. Evans, T.D., D.L. (21424). *1st Clasp*

Brevet-Colonel H. P. Snowden, M.C., T.D. (23374).

Major (Hon. Lieut.-Colonel) P. E. Trench, O.B.E. (69303).

Major J. F. L. Clarke (85294).

Capt. W. D. Flower (67554).

Capt. (Hon. Major) J. T. Foster, M.C. (92112).

Capt. (Hon. Major) J. M. Todd-Moir (72634).

Major (Hon. Lieut.-Colonel) D. C. Baynes, D.S.O., M.C. (92460).

Capt. J. E. Pearson (90591).

#### 2nd and 3rd Clasps

Lieut. (Hon. Capt.) R. R. Fry (288908).

Lieut. P. N. Williams (292759).

#### TERRITORIAL ARMY EFFICIENCY MEDAL

Capt. (Hon. Major) P. R. Ekberg (160393).

Lieut. (now Capt.) C. F. Wadham (121556) (now P.R.).

Lieut. (Hon. Capt.) N. D. Dykes (296977).

Capt. R. D. T. Fletcher (193664).

Lieut. (now Major) C. F. Cole (164379).

Lieut. (now Capt.) W. J. F. Sutton (197751) (now Queen's).

Capt. E. A. Smith (201414) (now The Queen's Royal Regiment).

#### 2nd Clasp

Lieut. (Hon. Capt.) D. W. Harris (109778).

Major C. J. Saunders (43452).

### 3rd Clasp.

Capt. H. P. Ford (117655).  
Colonel B. L. Evans, T.D., D.L. (21424).

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Capt. J. O'C. Cosgrove (194606).

## 5th BATTALION

THE Battalion over the past year has slowly but surely increased its volunteer strength.

The year has been a successful one generally. It has included first-class training value at annual camp; our first regimental ball since the war; shooting successes; intake of just under a hundred National Service men; rebuilding of many of our T.A. centres; and the adoption by various boroughs and councils of detached companies.

It is as well to look forward to what promises to be a full year, with the beneficial addition of National Service men at camp, the training of "Z" Reservists, and a renewed effort to revive the Band and Drums.

### OFFICERS

As reported in the News-letter, Lieut.-Colonel J. B. H. Kealy, after three full and successful years as Commanding Officer, left us in December. The Battalion will always remember his zeal and his close interest in every aspect of the Battalion and its men.

By the time this goes to print we shall have welcomed Lieut.-Colonel J. R. Terry as his successor. Colonel C. R. Wigan, M.C., T.D., D.L., has been appointed Honorary Colonel in the place of Major-General R. K. Ross, C.B., D.S.O., M.C., who resigned on expiration of his tour of duty.

Field officers are thin on the ground, but we are up to establishment in captains and subalterns. The lack of senior officers is a temporary disadvantage, but on a long-term basis it is better than having a lot of senior officers and no junior ones.

### TRAINING

Annual camp, from a training point of view, was an unqualified success. We spent two weeks at Stanford Battle Area, where it is virtually possible to fire live ammunition in any direction without killing any civilians. We restricted our arcs of fire merely to ensure that we did not kill each other.

The specialist platoons trained under Brigade arrangements, while rifle companies carried out section, platoon and company training. The fortnight culminated in a highly successful two-day inter-Battalion exercise, Exercise "End Up," laid on by Brigadier R. F. K. Goldsmith, the Brigade Commander. The 2nd Royal Tanks and the R.A.F. took part. The Army Commander, General Sir Gerald Templer, visited the Battalion while the battle was at its height.

Out of camp training has suffered from what has apparently been the wettest winter for eighty-seven years.

Brigade have run some two very successful week-end T.E.W.Ts. for officers, and one for warrant officers and sergeants. The attendance at these has been good. They enable us to keep up to date and increase the liaison between us, the 6th Queen's and the 6th Surreys.

Annual camp, 1951, will be held under canvas at Dibgate Camp, near Shorncliffe. Prayers for fine weather have not been forced to a division.

### SHOOTING

Our shooting successes in 1950 were fully recorded in the News-letter, but are worth recapping.

The Battalion entered several competitions and obtained better results than in the previous year.

### T.A.R.A. COMPETITIONS

L.M.G. Cup: 2nd; Services' Condition, 8th; Lord-Lieutenant's Shield: 13th and 17th; High Sheriff's: "S" Company, 24th.

### N.S.R.A. COMPETITION—SMALL-BORE

N.S.R.A. Small-Bore Match: 6th.

### HOME COUNTIES' DISTRICT RIFLE MEETING

The following attended: Capt. R. C. H. Saunders, C.S.Ms. J. Homersham and J. Johnstone; Clr./Sergts. H. G. Beadle, M.M., R. Ellis and H. G. Stafford; D./Major J. D. Newman; Sergts. E. C. Whitney and W. C. Collins; A./Sergt. G. Hunwicks; Cpl. T. MacCready; and Ptes. G. Charlwood and J. Buckingham. They won several prizes.

The following were selected for the Divisional team in the Kolar Aggregate Challenge Cup: Capt. R. C. H. Saunders, C.S.M. J. Johnstone, D./Major J. D. Newman and A./Sergt. G. Hunwicks. The Divisional team were second and were awarded bronze medals.

### BATTALION RIFLE MEETING

"B" Company cleared the board by winning the Inter-Company Rifle, Bren and All-Weapons Competitions.

Individual competitions were won by:

W.Os. and N.C.Os., Rifle.—Sergt. J. Wilson, M.M.  
W.Os. and N.C.Os., Bren.—Clr./Sergt. L. C. A. Moxon, B.E.M.  
W.Os. and N.C.Os., All Weapons.—Cpl. W. R. Rasell, M.M.  
Battalion Champion, All Weapons.—Cpl. W. R. Rasell, M.M.  
Battalion Champion, Rifle.—Sergt. J. Wilson, M.M.  
Battalion Champion, Bren.—Pte. E. Brook.  
Private Soldiers, Rifle.—Pte. E. Brook.  
Falling Plate.—"B" Company.

Battalion Individuals.—Class "A," Capt. R. C. H. Saunders; Class "B," Clr./Sergt. H. G. Stafford; Class "C," Pte. E. G. Pelling.

### SMALL-BORE COMPETITIONS

We are in the final stages of a small-bore shoot against the Depot. We have won the first three rounds. The scores of the remaining rounds are not yet available. We are having a postal shoot against the 5th/6th H.L.I. (T.A.), Glasgow, next month.

The results of the Surrey Small-Bore Competitions fired in February are not yet available, but "A" Company, who have won the competition for the past two years, topped their last year score by 35.

### FOOTBALL

The Battalion football team has been beaten only once this season. The weather has caused three matches to be cancelled.  
Scores for the season are:

- v. 131 Infantry Workshops, won 1—0.
- v. 536 L.A.A. Regiment, R.A. (T.A.), won 5—3.
- v. Depot, The Queen's Royal Regiment, lost 1—4.
- v. 6th Bn. The Queen's Royal Regiment, won 5—0.
- v. Depot, The Queen's Royal Regiment, drew 1—1.

## NATIONAL SERVICE MEN

We have received six National Service officers and eighty-four National Service men so far, and intakes are resumed on 29th March. Out of these, one and eighteen have volunteered, and have therefore assumed the larger liability with its increased benefit to themselves and to the Battalion.

The standard of the National Service men has impressed us, and although they have not all had infantry training, the increased numbers at camp will benefit everybody.

Several of those due to arrive next month have seen active service in Korea. Their experiences will be valuable at camp.

We do not press them to volunteer, but we call them into the T.A. Centres to have a look around on a drill night and meet serving members. If their jobs allow it and they wish to volunteer they come forward on their own accord.

## REGIMENTAL BALL

The first post-war Regimental all ranks ball took place at Sandfield Terrace, Guildford, on 24th February. The ball lasted until midnight and was an unqualified success.

R.S.M. J. Kemp acted as the M.C. In the interval the Band of the W.R.A.C. Training Centre played some marches.

Practically the entire Battalion attended, and there was a very good assembly of guests, including the Mayor of Guildford, Alderman Puttock; Brigadier Goldsmith, the Brigade Commander, and Mrs. Goldsmith; Brigadier and Mrs. Veasey; Brigadier and Mrs. Pickering; Colonel and Mrs. Kealy; Colonel and Mrs. Wigan; Colonel Dutfield; Lieut.-Colonel J. B. H. Phillips; Commander Garnett and Lieut Leach, from H.M.S. *Excellent*; Lieut.-Colonel and Mrs. Worthy, U.S. Army; Lieut.-Colonel Young; Lieut.-Colonel and Mrs. West; Lieut.-Colonel and Mrs. de Clive Lowe; Major H. B. Watson; Major and Mrs. Dewsnap; Major and Mrs. Ling; Major Mansell; Major and Mrs. Edwards; Major Terry; Major Waspe; Capt. Lowry; and two petty officers and two ratings from H.M.S. *Excellent*.

It is now planned to hold this early in the year as an annual function.

## ADOPTION CEREMONIES

On 18th March the Borough of Guildford adopted H.Q. Company and Support Company and the Urban District Council of Haslemere adopted the Signal Platoon. These ceremonies were part of the London and Home Counties Scheme for increasing the liaison and good relations between boroughs, councils and their local T.A. units.

The adoption ceremonies were marked by a large ceremonial parade in Farnham, Haslemere, Godalming and Guildford. A march past followed the adoption ceremony in each town, including a large mechanized column. Admiral of the Fleet Lord Cork and Orrery took the salute in Farnham. The Lord-Lieutenant of Surrey, General Sir Robert Haining, took the salute in Godalming and Guildford.

Amongst those present at the Guildford ceremony were General Hughes; Brigadier Willway, Chairman of Surrey Territorial Association; and Colonel Wigan. The Mayor of Guildford presented the scrolls to the Company Commanders of H.Q. and Support Companies.

The Battalion marched through the streets of Guildford with bayonets fixed, and the Colours were on parade in all four towns. The Band of the 2nd Bn. The Parachute Regiment played on the parades. The Bandmaster, Bandmaster D. Keeling, was in the 2nd Battalion.

Similar ceremonies took place on 15th April, when "A" Company, Reigate, "B" Company, Camberley, "C" Company, Dorking, and "D" Company, Woking, were adopted by their councils.

## 5th BATTALION



5th Queen's (T.A.) at Stanford Battle Area. Exercise in co-operation with 2nd Royal Tanks. Annual Camp, 1950

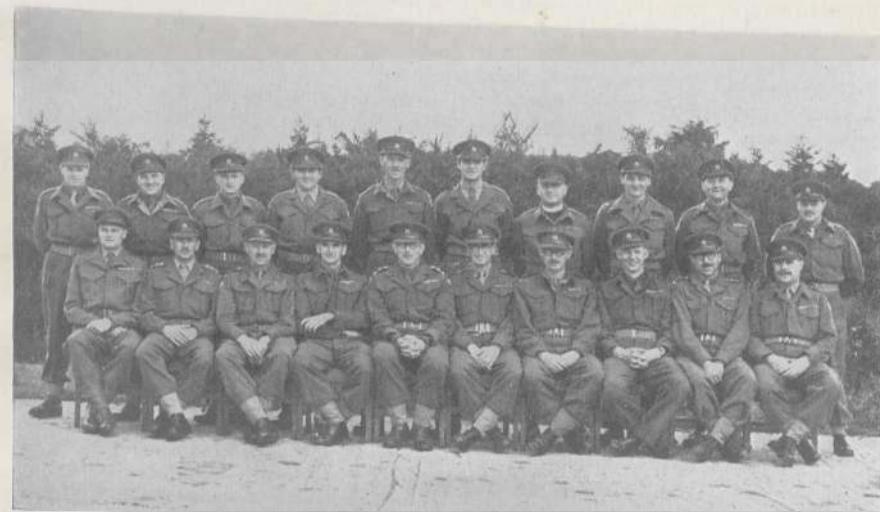


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The Officers, 5th Queen's, 1950  
Back Row.—Lieut. A. D. G. Langmead, Lieut. W. H. C. Freud, Lieut. D. L. Hodges, Lieut. J. H. Pappin, 2/Lieut. G. J. Chandler, Lieut. P. N. Morshed, Rev. L. S. Hawkes, C.F., Lieut. P. F. Spencer Moore, Capt. A. C. Overington, Capt. A. J. Fell.  
Front Row.—Capt. A. J. Attenborough, R.A.M.C., Capt. R. C. H. Saunders, Captain A. C. Henley, Major P. L. Blackstone, T.D., Lieut.-Colonel J. B. H. Kealy, D.S.O., Capt. A. S. Blackman, Major H. B. Watson, T.D., Capt. F. P. T. Tallent, Capt. M. H. Prescott, Major (Qrmr.) S. H. Sellicks.

## T.A. CENTRES

During the past year the T.A. Centres in Guildford, Dorking and Reigate have been altered and redecorated, and Woking is now in the builders' hands.

## SERGEANTS' MESS

The annual camp at Stanford was very successful, although outside attractions were scarce. Their absence was compensated for by the entertainment in the Mess.

The officers, including Divisional Commander Major-General B. C. H. Kimmings, C.B., C.B.E., Lieut.-Colonel D. E. Loch and officers of the Brigade Group were entertained to a social evening which we know was enjoyed by all.

We entertained the corporals to a games evening, which proved very successful. That stalwart warrior, Mr. May, was again our steward. His services were appreciated by all.

Owing to distances we are unable to get together except on very rare occasions other than annual camp or week-end camps. Friday, 1st December, was one of the rare occasions, when we had a farewell social for the Commanding Officer (Lieut.-Colonel J. B. H. Kealy, D.S.O.), who we were very sorry to see go. We wish him all the best in his new appointment. We had a very successful evening. C.S.M. Homersham kindly entertained us with the aid of his piano accordion.

The following guests attended: The Brigade Commander, Second-in-Command, Adjutant and Quartermaster. The D.A.A.Q.M.G. and Brigade Major were unable to attend.

Only five members were prevented from coming, one owing to illness and the others from that ever-feared occupation known as "work."

We have much pleasure in welcoming to the Mess, Sergts. Evans, Haynes and Wilson, M.M. We wish Sergt. Bateman all the best of luck on his discharge to the Regular Army. We welcome C.S.M. Maloney and C.S.M. Fuller (Middlesex) who are P.S.I.s. for H.Q. and "A" Companies respectively. We hope they enjoy their stay with us. C.S.M. Mitchell has left us for civilian life, and we learn that he is doing very well.

We have four week-end camps before annual camp this year, and we are looking forward to some good social evenings.

Annual camp is at Dibgate this year (just outside Folkestone), from 18th August to 1st September. Any old members of the Mess are welcome to drop in for a chat and refreshment.

## LIST OF OFFICERS AND WARRANT OFFICERS

### BATTALION H.Q.

Lieut.-Colonel J. R. Terry, due to arrive 25th March.  
Major J. F. L. Clarke, T.D.: Second-in-Command.  
Capt. A. S. Blackman: Adjutant.  
Major (Q.M.) S. H. Sellicks: Quartermaster.  
Capt. J. Attenborough (R.A.M.C.): R.M.O.  
Lieut. P. F. Spencer Moore: A./Adjutant.

### H.Q. COMPANY

Major P. L. Blackstone, T.D.  
Capt. A. J. Fell: O.C. Company.  
Lieut. W. H. C. Frend: I.O.  
Lieut. P. N. Morshead: Second-in-Command, Signal Platoon.  
2/Lieut. R. K. Aser (National Service officer): M.T.O.

### SUPPORT COMPANY

Capt. R. C. H. Saunders: O.C. Company.  
2/Lieut. C. Scott (National Service officer): M.M.G. Platoon.  
2/Lieut. R. E. Wright (National Service officer): Assault Pioneer Platoon.

### "A" COMPANY

Capt. A. C. Overington: O.C. Company.  
2/Lieut. D. G. Wilson (National Service officer): Platoon officer.

### "B" COMPANY

Major A. C. Henley: O.C. Company.  
Capt. M. H. Prescott: Second-in-Command.  
2/Lieut. H. R. J. Bascombe: Platoon Officer.

### "C" COMPANY

Capt. H. M. W. Harris: O.C. Company.  
Lieut. D. L. Hodges: Second-in-Command.  
Lieut. G. J. Chandler: Platoon Officer.  
2/Lieut. M. D. Allom (National Service officer): Platoon Officer.  
2/Lieut. T. R. Wallen (National Service officer): Platoon Officer.

### "D" COMPANY

Lieut. J. E. Heron: O.C. Company.  
Lieut. J. H. Pappin: Second-in-Command.  
Capt. M. A. Stern: Has passed the Selection Board but awaiting final approval.

### REGULAR

R.S.M. J. Kemp: Regimental Sergeant-Major.  
C.S.M. L. Church: P.S.I., "B" Company.  
C.S.M. P. Maloney: P.S.I., H.Q. Company (The Middlesex Regiment), attached.  
C.S.M. E. Fuller: P.S.I., "A" Company (The Middlesex Regiment), attached.

### TERRITORIAL

R.Q.M.S. F. Pullan: Regimental Quartermaster-Sergeant.  
C.S.M. J. Homersham: H.Q. Company.  
C.S.M. J. Martin: "B" Company.  
C.S.M. W. Johnstone: "D" Company.

## MILSTEAD CHURCH, KENT

DURING the war, 1st/5th Battalion twice had their Battalion Headquarters in the village of Milstead, near Sittingbourne, Kent, and recently a number of the officers who were stationed there, on hearing that the church was badly in need of new prayer and hymn books, decided they would contribute towards the cost of new ones in memory of their stay in the village. The churchwardens, however, suggested, in order that the memorial might be more permanent, that they should purchase an old church chest on which the books might stand, and any balance go towards the new books. This was done.

A small tablet has been fixed to the chest and the tablet engraved with the Regimental Crest and the words: "This chest with some of the hymn books was presented by Officers of 1st/5th Bn. The Queen's Royal Regiment who during the years 1941 and 1942 worshipped in this Church."

The dedication took place on Sunday, 10th December, 1950, and among those present were Brigadier Palmer, C.B.E., T.D., and Mrs. Palmer, Capt. A. Urling-Clark and Mrs. Urling-Clark, His Honour Judge Leon, M.C., Major J. Dewsnap, T.D., and Major H. B. Watson, T.D.

Colonel L. C. East, D.S.O., O.B.E., Major A. Graham Neale, T.D., the Rev. R. T. Brode and the Rev. V. Castle were unavoidably unable to be present.

# 1st (LONDON) CADET BATTALION

BATTALION NEWS, 1950

## EASTER CAMP

THE Battalion again visited the Depot of The East Surrey Regiment, Kingston-on-Thames. These visits have been made annually, except for the war years, since 1892. Sixteen officers and 125 cadets marched from Sloane Square, the numbers being limited on account of accommodation.

The usual training was carried out, finishing with the inter-company competitions, in which marking was very close, on Easter Monday.

The Battalion attended divine service at St. Paul's, Kingston Hill, and were welcomed by the Vicar, Canon A. Wellesley-Orr, M.B.E., C.F.

## TRAINING

Major Freeland invited a contingent of ten officers and one hundred cadets to attend at the Depot for a training week-end. A most enjoyable and instructive time was had, and our thanks are due to Major Freeland and all at the Depot who made us so comfortable during our visit.

## SUMMER CAMP

The summer camp was held from 5th to 13th August at Hilly Marsh Camp, Shoeburyness, by kind invitation of the Officer Commanding, 11th Brigade, A.A., R.A. One hundred and five all ranks were present. Visits were made to the experimental ranges and the cadets were taken round the garrison. Bathing and trips to Southend were amongst the amenities enjoyed by everyone.

## THE ANNUAL INSPECTION

This was held in the Temple Gardens, by kind permission of the Benchers, and was carried out by Major The Hon. D. C. Chichester, M.C., the Coldstream Guards, Training Officer, London District. His report reads :

"I was impressed by the turn-out and bearing on parade of this unit and I was satisfied with all I saw. They were well off for officers and adult W.O.s., and the standard of instruction and handling of squads by cadets seemed high. A lot of trouble had obviously been taken over the inspection, and the attendance on parade was considerably higher than in other units I have yet seen."

## SHOOTING

In the .22 competitions the Battalion won the County of London "Bound" Competition and the County of London League Shoot, together with the Officers' Team Shield, our two teams coming first and second. The Colonel-Commandant wrote: "These results confirm the position of the 14th County of London Cadet Battalion as our premier shooting battalion."

In the Lord Roberts Trophy "A" Company took the fourth place with an average score of 90.775, and "B" Company was placed fifth with 89.3. Cadet/Sergt. P. Salvage, with a score of 100 per cent., was awarded one of the four silver medals won. Cadet/Cpl. V. Alfrey received a bronze medal with a score of 99 per cent.

In the Imperial Challenge Shield, "A" Company was placed tenth, and "B" Company fourteenth, with scores of 90.6 and 89 respectively. Twenty-seven cadets qualified as Empire Marksmen.

## SPORTS

Three cadets were awarded County of London sports badges for proficiency in rugby football, shooting and athletics respectively.

## ALL RANKS' CHURCH SERVICE AND GARDEN PARTY

BY E. HUNNEYBELL

FROM Nutfield to Guildford is rather a slow journey, so to be there in time for the Church Parade on Sunday, 11th June, I had to leave home by 9.30 a.m. At Redhill Station I saw a man wearing a Queen's tie. He turned out to be an old 4th Queen's man from Croydon, so, of course, we travelled together, and found plenty to talk about on the journey.

We arrived at Guildford in plenty of time for the Church Parade. Assembling at Tun's Gate, we had a short march to Holy Trinity Church, where we much enjoyed the service and an excellent address by the Rev. F. W. Bowler, a former Regimental Padre. After church we marched down High Street, led by the Band and Drums of the 1st Battalion. Early training came back to us, and the precision with which we marched made the column easily recognizable as having been in the finest regiment in the British Army. As we marched past the Mayor and civic dignitaries at the Guildhall, where General Sir George Giffard took the salute, "Eyes right" was performed in pukka Queen's style, proving that the old 'uns don't forget. The parade was dismissed in a street near the bus terminus. Here, buses for Stoughton were waiting, and I managed to squeeze in the front one. On arrival at Stoughton Barracks, remembering army traditions, I quickly made for the canteen, which was soon full up (the canteen, not me!).

The excellence of the lunch provided by N.A.A.F.I. proved, bearing in mind the adage that "an army marches on its stomach," that "the Army of today's all right." During the afternoon there was a general "get-together." Do you remember how we used to rest in the afternoons in the desert? Old customs die hard, and the lunch induced a desire to rest. Then there were various games and amusements. There were races for the young, those in their second childhood, and for the "in-betweens," and, of course, we couldn't keep away from the shooting on the miniature range. (Shades of Eton, Runnymede and Cotton End.) A festive air was given to the occasion by the band playing selections on the lawn. It may seem hard to believe, after the summer we have had, but we were favoured with wonderful sunshine, which made all the more enjoyable the delightful teas obtained from the N.A.A.F.I. tent. One could have browsed for hours in the Regimental Museum, bearing such eloquent witness to the glorious traditions of our famous Regiment, but time sped by all too quickly.

At 5.30 p.m. the Band and Drums beat "Retreat," and the company, like true old soldiers, began to "slowly fade away," many, like me, having a journey to make. Never let it be said that I passed the "Spread Eagle" by, but as I had to leave Guildford at 8.20 p.m., I could not stay long.

It was a thoroughly enjoyable day, long to be remembered, and I advise any who have not been to make an effort to attend next year.



[Photo: Patrick Benjafield, Guildford]

5th BATTALION THE QUEEN'S ROYAL REGIMENT ANNUAL BALL,  
24th FEBRUARY, 1951

Brig. R. F. K. Goldsmith (Brigade Commander, 131 Brigade); Colonel L. R. Wigan, M.C., T.D., D.L., Honorary Colonel; Major J. F. L. Clarke, T.D.; Major F. A. H. Ling, D.S.O.; J. W. M. Mansel, Esq.



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ALL RANKS' GARDEN PARTY, STOUGHTON BARRACKS, 11th JUNE, 1950

A. N. Other; S. Reid, M.C., late R.S.M. 1st Battalion; W. H. Stacey, O.B.E., late 1st Battalion (Commissioned in 1914-18 War (Capt.)); C. C. Hoare, late C.S.M. 2nd Battalion.

2nd/6th BATTALION IN FRANCE—1940

BY MAJOR S. W. PEET, M.C., T.D.

On 22nd April, 1940, the 2nd/6th Battalion embarked at Southampton, *en route* for France, where it joined the remainder of the 12th Division.

The Division was a second-line Territorial Army Formation, and consisted, as far as I know, of three Infantry Brigades, without any supporting arms or ancillary Service. Our duties were to act as pioneers, to reinforce the labour force, both British and French, working behind the static defence lines which had been prepared in the east of France. Besides the individual's rifle, we were equipped with one light machine gun per platoon and one Boys anti-tank rifle per company. We had a very meagre motor transport platoon, no wireless sets, no mortars and no carriers. Many of the soldiers had only just completed their recruit training, and no collective training had been carried out. The Battalion Signal Platoon was quite untrained, so intercommunication between companies and even Brigade Headquarters rested only on two motor-cycle despatch riders.

In July of this year (1950) I visited the area in which we spent six weeks of our service with the B.E.F.

I approached the Somme from the west, and arriving in the evening, stayed at a small inn, the "Chateau d'Epinay," at a small town called Forges-les-Eaux. The place was vaguely familiar, and after talking to the old man who had worked there for some years, I discovered that it had been the Officers' Mess of the 2nd/5th Battalion, who, of course, had been in our Brigade. I visited them once, when we made a reconnaissance of their billeting area, with a view to taking over from them. I can remember having drinks before lunch with Hugh Wilson (who was afterwards killed whilst commanding the 2nd/6th), and Dick Moore.

I moved on the next morning and passed through the village of Formerie. Here I had a glass of beer in the Hotel du Cygne and a chat with the proprietor. It was here that we used to go for our evenings out. I remember the most superb six-course meals we used to get for about three or four shillings and their excellent Chablis '28. The proprietor had been there all through the German occupation and then afterwards when the British reoccupied the place.

I next visited our old camping site at Abancourt. People who were in the 2nd/6th and 2nd/7th in those days will remember how the two battalions lay alongside each other, very cramped and fully exposed to the air in a couple of meadows. The meadows are now serving their original purpose, and there is, of course, no trace of the beautiful Service dress, pyjamas, breeches and boots which we all abandoned when we finally had to make a quick move!

In 1940 our battalion had been working on the construction of a railhead. There was, of course, no mechanical equipment, and the company which I had commanded had been digging out a siding and levelling a gentle slope with picks and shovels. We had just finished the levelling part of the work in three weeks, ready for the French sappers to lay the rails, when the German advance came upon us. I sadly viewed the result of our handiwork, thinking how much better it would have been (in the light of events which followed) if we had spent our time in training.

On 18th May, 1940, the two Queen's battalions moved north-eastwards, the Germans by this time, of course, being well on the move to the west. After various adventures at Lens and Arras, the 2nd/6th arrived at Abbeville, which is a large town near the mouth of the River Somme, at about 8 p.m. on 19th May. We marched out about three miles to the little village of Drucat, situated on the edge of an aerodrome north of the river, and spent the night collecting trucks and baggage from the train. The R.A.F. and French Air Force had abandoned this during the previous twenty-four hours, but they left their telephone exchange, manned by R.A.F. operators, in the chateau, which the C.O., Lieut.-Colonel E. F. Bolton, made his Battalion Headquarters.

The chateau is now being rebuilt. It was not damaged during the occupation, when the Germans developed the aerodrome into a very large establishment, but it was blown up by them as they retreated. I spoke to a villager who remembered the stirring events of 20th May. At about 6 o'clock in that evening I was on a hill talking to a light-ack-ack gunner who had a Bofors gun for aerodrome defence. Through his telescope we became aware of a column of motor transport a few thousand yards away on the opposite side of a wide valley. We were shocked when we recognized the field-grey uniform, as we had no idea that the enemy was at all close. The C.O. had a look and we closed in to form a small perimeter round the village. By this time communication with Brigade Headquarters had been cut, and an effort made by the M.T.O., 2/Lieut. Milne, and the M.T. Sergeant, Sergt. Troster, resulted in the death of the former and wounding of the latter when they bumped into a German patrol.

Later in the evening the C.O. decided to withdraw. We started off at 2130 hrs. with bayonets fixed and carrying all weapons and marched through the night on compass bearings for eight miles due west. I now went over the route by car. I noticed the wood where two parties from H.Q. Company had almost fired at each other whilst investigating suspicious noises. The route, at the start, lay along minor roads leading down to the Somme, and I crossed the main Abbeville-Boulogne road which ten years previously had been choc-a-bloc with refugee cars.

It was here that the rearguard platoon of my company was cut off by the leading vehicles of the German advance. About half of them were captured, but the remainder escaped in the night and rejoined us later. The Platoon Commander and a Corporal actually paddled across the Somme in a bath tub.

Leaving the by-roads I came to the main road running parallel to the river, turned left and crossed it at Petit Port. In 1940 this must have been one of the few bridges remaining open at the time we crossed. Certainly the 2nd/5th had to swim the river farther up stream.

I then came up to Quesnoy-le-Montant, where we had stopped to rest early on the morning of 21st May. I had a look at the farm-house where we had rested. People who were there may remember how the cooks chased chickens to cook for the evening meal and how we finished up with chicken and rabbit stew. The battalion left this village on the evening of 21st May, and I followed the route they took to the village of Gamaches, on the River Bresle. I looked at the saw mills where we had stayed for the morning of 22nd May. At that time we were very short of rations, and we "scrounged" food in the village. We sent out foraging parties with the company imprest and purchased what we could. Here, also, we had been "found" by an officer from the R.A.S.C., who brought us some hard rations. The resulting meal that evening was something to be wondered at—a stew of bully, tripe and crayfish.

It was at Gamaches that "A" Company, under the command of Capt. D. E. G. Wilson, was temporarily detached to go under command of the French, who were engaged in making a defensive line along the River Bresle. The company was afterwards surrounded at St. Valery, with the 51st Highland Division, and only a handful of men escaped to England.

I then retraced my steps to Guerville, a village only a few miles away, to which we had moved in the afternoon of 22nd May. I had a long conversation with the farmer at whose farm we stopped for thirty-six hours. He remembered our visit most distinctly. In spite of the German occupation they now seemed to be most prosperous.

I did not have time to visit any more places, but those who were in the battalion will recall that our journey became a little less urgent from this time on. On the night of 23rd May we marched to a village twelve miles east of Dieppe, and on 25th May were taken by motor transport to Aques la Bataille, four miles south of Dieppe, where we entrained for Rouen. From Rouen we went by train, to the

west of France and camped for a week, together with the remnants of the Division, at Blain, near Nantes.

The Division was considerably knocked about, and as far as I know suffered 50 per cent. casualties, mostly, I think, prisoners of war. We celebrated a rather quiet "Glorious First" whilst in this camp, and on 6th June moved off via Cherbourg for the United Kingdom.

I think that perhaps the most interesting story to be told in the battalion would come from Capt. W. G. Stuart-Menteath, who was captured with "A" Company. He escaped his captors whilst on the march and, dressed as a Frenchman, travelled all over France. His adventures included visiting his mother-in-law in Switzerland, being cast into prison in Vichy France and final escape through Spain.

## OFFICERS' CLUB NOTES

THE Club members number just above 400. Three social events were held during the year.

A very successful Officers' Garden Party was held in fine weather at Stoughton Barracks on Saturday, 10th June, 1950. General Sir George and Lady Giffard received the guests, 125 attending.

The Band and Drums of the 1st Battalion gave an enjoyable and finished display. Major Freeland and the small Depot staff are to be congratulated on the excellent arrangements.

The Annual Dinner was held at the Junior United Service Club on Friday, 3rd November, and the following dined:

Lieut.-Colonel P. Adams, T.D., Major C. J. Armour, Major N. B. Avery, M.C., Lieut.-Colonel D. E. Bathgate, Lieut.-Colonel A. E. Beattie, C.M.G., C.B.E., M.C., Major C. P. Benton, M.C., Capt. A. S. Blackman, Capt. T. G. Blumson, Colonel J. D. Boyd, D.S.O., Major T. O. M. Buchan, M.C., Lieut.-Colonel P. B. Carroll, Capt. D. E. Champion-Jones, Colonel R. G. Clarke, C.M.G., D.S.O., Major J. F. L. Clarke, Major E. G. B. Clowes, Lieut.-Colonel P. L. Connery, T.D., Lieut.-Colonel H. Cook, M.C., Major F. W. H. Denton, Major J. W. M. Denton, Major J. Dewsnap, T.D., A. Donaldson, Esq., P. A. W. G. Durrant, Esq., Colonel G. N. Dyer, C.B.E., D.S.O., Brigadier T. H. Dyke, D.S.O., Major D. R. Edwards, Lieut.-Colonel F. C. Edwards, Lieut.-Colonel H. G. M. Evans, Major W. D. Flower, T.D., Major D. H. Foskett, Major M. Forrester, D.S.O., M.C., Major R. C. G. Foster, M.C., Major J. A. R. Freeland, Major P. C. Freeman, M.C., W. M. Frost, Esq., Major A. G. Gadsdon, Lieut.-Colonel D. L. A. Gibbs, D.S.O., General Sir George Giffard, G.C.B., D.S.O., Lieut.-Colonel W. D. Griffiths, D.S.O., M.C., Major G. W. H. Goode, M.B.E., Lieut.-Colonel G. S. Grimston, Lieut.-Colonel A. U. H. Hackett-Pain, M.B.E., Capt. C. A. Haggard, Colonel R. C. Halse, Wing Comdr. V. C. Harvey, M.C., D.C.M., Capt. C. J. D'Haswell, Major R. L. Hazell, Capt. A. J. Hoghton, Major W. S. Hooker, M.B.E., T.D., W. P. Hughes D'Aeth, Esq., T.D., Major-General I. T. P. Hughes, C.B., D.S.O., M.C., D.L., Major F. J. Jebens, M.C., R. B. Johnson, Esq., Lieut.-Colonel J. B. H. Kealy, D.S.O., Major G. B. Lane, Capt. D. C. Langford, Lieut.-Colonel F. A. H. Ling, D.S.O., Major D. L. I. Lloyd-Owen, D.S.O., M.C., Capt. M. A. Lowry, Lieut.-Colonel M. E. M. Macwilliam, D.S.O., M.C., J. M. Mansel, Esq., Capt. R. S. N. Mans, Brigadier-General F. C. More-Molyneux Longbourne, C.M.G., D.S.O., Lieut.-Colonel M. W. H. Pain, Brigadier G. V. Palmer, C.B.E., T.D., Major S. W. Peet, M.C., T.D., Brigadier R. E. Pickering, C.B.E., Major R. H. Philpot, M.C., Major-General G. A. Pilleau, C.B.E., M.C., Major G. S. Reinhold, M.C., Lieut.-Colonel A. J. Renshaw, D.S.O., M.C., M. F. Reynolds, Esq., Major A. N. S. Roberts, O.B.E., Capt. C. B. Rodger, C. Rodger, Esq., Major-General R. K. Ross, C.B., D.S.O., M.C., Major E. G. Sandys, M.C., Colonel H. J. Sanders, D.S.O., M.C., Capt. S. R. G. Scott-Gall, Capt. H. B. Secretan, M.C., Capt. S. H. Sellicks, Major R. O. Sillem, A. P. W. Simon, Esq., Capt. J. S. Standring, Capt. G. A. Streeter, M.C., Lieut.-Colonel J. Sykes-Wright, D.S.O., Major P. M. A. Taylor, M.C., Capt. E. C. Thorneycroft, the Rev. K. H. Thorneycroft, Brigadier H. G. Veasey, D.S.O., Major F. Waspe, Major W. Watford, L. P. Whatley, Esq., Major-General J. Y. Whitsfield, C.B., D.S.O., O.B.E., Lieut.-Colonel N. A. Willis, O.B.E., Lieut.-Colonel A. F. F. Young, O.B.E., T.D., Capt. C. A. Ziegler.

The Cocktail Party, followed by a Buffet Supper, was held at Brown's Hotel, W.I., on Friday, 16th March, 1951. Forty-eight members and twenty-two guests attended.

The Annual Dinner will take place at the Junior United Service Club on Friday, 2nd November, 1951.

## 622 (QUEENS) H.A.A. REGIMENT, R.A. (T.A.)

### ADOPTION DAY IN SOUTHWARK

ON Saturday, 24th February, 1951, 622 (Queen's) H.A.A. Regiment, R.A. (T.A.) was formally adopted by the Borough of Southwark.

To mark this very significant occasion, the Regiment, preceded by the Band of the Welsh Guards, marched to Southwark Cathedral, where it received its Colours which had laid within its precincts since the beginning of the war.

The Regiment then moved to the Town Hall, some two miles away, where the Commanding Officer, Lieut.-Colonel N. K. Hawken, M.C., R.A., T.A., was received by the Mayor of Southwark, Councillor A. E. Knight, J.P., and his Corporation. A warm message was read by the Deputy-Lieutenant of Southwark on behalf of the Lord-Lieutenant of London, and a document recording the linkage of the Council with 622 (Queen's) H.A.A. Regiment was handed to His Worship the Mayor.

The Mayor responded by presenting to the Commanding Officer a copy of the Southwark Council's resolution formally adopting the unit.

After the march past, the parade, together with the Councillors and a large number of the good citizens of Southwark, returned to the Drill Hall in Braganza Street, where tea awaited them.

The Regimental Colours having been duly installed in the Officers' Mess, the afternoon ended with many good wishes for the future of the Territorial Army from old and new friends of the "Southwark Volunteers."

The first Borough Adoption under the London and Home Counties Co-ordinating Scheme had been successfully accomplished.

### THE OFFICERS' PENSIONS SOCIETY

The Officers' Pensions Society is an Association of Retired Officers of the three Services, officers' widows and serving officers' wives, formed for the purpose of watching over the interests of officers of the Armed Forces and their dependants.

Nowadays every profession, with one exception, has its representative body, responsible solely to its members, to guard its interests, to speak for it when necessary and to see that its opinion in matters that concern its welfare is consulted and given due weight. The exception is the Profession of Arms, and it is this gap that this Society aims to fill. Serving officers cannot, for obvious reasons, undertake this task.

The Society is a company limited by guarantee only, having no share capital, the whole of its income being devoted to furthering its aims. The Governing Body of the Society receives no remuneration and the Society is non-party. In general, the Society's aims are:

1. To ensure that officers' and widows' pensions are related to the cost of living.
2. To ensure that officers' and widows' interests are not neglected by the Government of the day as has been customary in the past.
3. To ensure that officers, both serving and retired, and their families are represented by those who serve no other interests on any official body formed to deal with matters affecting their welfare.

For further particulars apply to The Officers' Pensions Society, c/o Messrs. Gale & Polden Ltd., Ideal House, Argyll Street, Oxford Circus, London, W.1.

## OLD COMRADES' ASSOCIATIONS

### THE REGIMENTAL O.C.A.

#### THIRTIETH ANNUAL REPORT FOR THE YEAR ENDING 31ST DECEMBER, 1950

The audited accounts and the annual report for the year ending 31st December, 1950, are presented herewith:

##### ASSOCIATION

*Membership.*—Life members, 1,628; annual subscribers, 601. Total, 2,229, as compared with a total of 2,247 for 1949.

*Loans.*—The sum of £739 8s. 6d. is still due from members on account of loans made. The rate of repayment still remains a great disappointment.

*Employment.*—The committee are grateful to the Regular Forces Employment Association and the Forces Help Society for their valuable assistance in placing men in employment. They are also grateful for offers of employment which have been received from ex-officers and others who are interested.

Numbers placed during the year: O.C.A., 14; R.F.E.A., 93.

*Reunion.*—The annual church service and garden party took place on Sunday, 11th June, the church service in the Cathedral Church of The Holy Trinity, Guildford, after normal morning service. The Rev. Ronald B. Sinclair conducted the service, and the address was given by the Rev. F. W. Bowler. General Giffard (Colonel of the Regiment) took the salute at the march past after the service. In the afternoon the Depot received some 1,300 members and their families, where games, the Museum, teas, and the Band and Drums of the 1st Battalion from B.A.O.R. proved to be the main items of interest. Lunches were available in the barracks for all who required them. The party concluded with the beating of "Retreat," which, as ever, was very well performed.

*Local representatives* continue to be of the utmost value. We should be most grateful if they could recruit more members and so stimulate interest in the Association. This year is to be the Festival of Britain, and we look forward to record gatherings at the garden party and annual dinner, which can be achieved, we feel sure, by their valuable assistance.

##### CHARITABLE FUND

*Grants in Aid.*—£1,848 3s. 6d. was dispersed in grants to 345 cases during the year, as compared with £1,900 0s. 5d. in 1949.

*Details of grants made are as follows.*—Rent and other debts through sickness and unemployment, 31; replace tools lost or stolen, 3; disabled, general assistance, 17; housing and other resettlement problems, 28; removal expenses, 1; son killed, clothing for widowed mother, 1; clothing for children, sickness, 15; to establish business, 16; T.B. cases, self, wife or children, 11; assistance to learn trade, 3; ex-prisoner of war, domestic trouble, 2; sickness of self, wife or family, 61; disabled, tools, vehicle, etc., for livelihood, 12; accidents at work, 8; recalled to serve, aid family, 7; school clothing for children, 8; old couples, general aid, 12; large families, help children, 4; legal aid, 2; practically blind, 1; domestic trouble, 1; evicted families, 3; aid family, husband in prison, 8; aid family, husband or wife deserted, 6; emigration assistance, 3; tools for work at trade, 5; mortgage arrears, aged and ill, 4; aged mother of deceased soldier, 5; permanently incapacitated, 17; extra nourishment for invalid wife, 3; special pram for invalid child, 6.

*Widows.*—Funeral expenses, 8; further education of children, 3; clothing for children, 4; removal expenses, 1; debts through sickness, 5; fares to visit child in hospital, 3; fuel and other household debts, 6; money stolen, 1.

## ALL RANKS' DINNER CLUB

Life members, 388; annual subscriptions, 367; total, 755, as compared with 757 for 1949.

*Annual Dinner, 1950.*—It was not possible to get the Porchester Hall, as anticipated. The Officer Commanding the 6th Battalion very kindly allowed us to use the Drill Hall at Bermondsey, with the valuable assistance of his staff. Everyone who attended had a very enjoyable evening. The numbers who dined were 238. A telegram of loyal greetings was sent to H.M. Queen Mary, Colonel-in-Chief of the Regiment, who graciously replied. The telegrams were read out by the Chairman, General Giffard.

## WAR MEMORIAL FUND

*Holiday Grants.*—The scheme for making holiday grants to widows and other deserving cases continued. The sum of £358 19s. was expended in dealing with 35 cases, as compared with £138 15s. and 24 cases in 1949.

*Subscriptions to other organizations.*—The following subscriptions to other organizations were made in 1950: Forces Help Society (Headquarters), £10 10s.; Forces Help Society (Guildford), £1 1s.; S.S. & A.F.A. (Headquarters), £10 10s.; S.S. & A.F.A. (Guildford), £1 1s.; Royal Cambridge Home for Soldiers' Widows, £10 10s.; Royal Soldiers' Daughters' Home, £10 10s.; Surrey Convalescent Home for Men, £1 1s.; British Legion, affiliation fee, £1 1s.; Sir Beachcroft Towse Ex-Service Fund for the Blind, £2 2s.; Regular Forces Employment Association, £50; Sir Frederick Milner Fund for Village Settlements, £30 3s.; The Star and Garter Home, £5 5s.

## FUTURE EVENTS, 1951

*Church Service and Garden Party.*—This will take place on Sunday, 15th July, 1951. Parade at Tuns Gate at 12 noon, church service in the Cathedral Church of the Holy Trinity, High Street, Guildford, at 12.15. Will all those who wish to attend kindly inform the Secretary by 30th June, and will they also state the number of lunches required, which will be available at the Depot after the church service.

*All Ranks' Annual Dinner.*—This will take place at the Porchester Hall, Paddington, London, on Saturday, 3rd November, 1951. Doors open at 6.15 p.m., dinner at 7.15 p.m. To cover the extra cost, a charge of 4s. for each ticket will be made, in addition to the normal subscriptions. Applications, with subscriptions, must reach the Secretary by 15th October, 1951.

## CONCLUSION

Our thanks are again due to the Army Benevolent Fund, S.S. & A.F.A., the F.H. Society, and other Associations for their co-operation and assistance during the year.

The committee are anxious to keep in touch with all ex-members of the Regiment, to record their home addresses, and to keep these correctly recorded. To facilitate this they would welcome many more members to the Association. (Subscriptions are: 10s. 6d. for officers and 2s. for all other ranks.) We hope that during the Festival of Britain year we shall *get in touch* with many more, and after that, we shall *keep in touch*.

## OBITUARY

Lieut.-Colonel F. E. Bray, K.C., 5th Queen's. Died 8th May, 1950.  
K. F. Campion. Died 6th July, 1950.  
Brevet-Colonel E. J. Woolley, M.C., T.D., 6th Queen's. Died 24th December, 1950.  
Major W. H. Alleyne, 1st and 2nd Bns., 1899-1922. Died 27th December, 1950.  
Colonel F. J. Previté, V.D., T.D., 22nd London Regiment (The Queen's). Died 13th February, 1951.  
Lieut.-Colonel H. F. Warden, D.S.O., 1st and 2nd Bns., 1890-1920. Died 19th February, 1951.  
Lieut.-Colonel J. Rainsford-Hannay, D.S.O., 1st and 2nd Bns., 1898-1928. Died 7th March, 1951.  
Lieut.-Colonel J. H. R. Dickson, 5th Queen's, on 26th March, 1951.  
6096865 E. Hall, 1st and 15th Bns. Died 26th January, 1950.  
6103930 T. Grogan. Died 23rd February, 1950.  
7363762 B. Inscote, Queen's, 1941-45. Died 14th April, 1950.  
3352 C. Reed, 1st and 2nd Bns., 1890-1900. Died 24th April, 1950.  
6110 G. A. Barnes, 2nd Bn. (South Africa). Died May, 1950.  
15001 A. G. Butler, 2nd/4th and 2nd/5th Queen's, 1914-18. Died 15th May, 1950.  
4681 M. Woods, 1st Bn., 1896-1906. Died 22nd May, 1950.  
1012 Ex-R.S.M. A. J. Davey, 1st and 2nd Bns., 1884-1905. Died 31st May, 1950.  
6078104 S. J. Butler, 1st and 2nd Bns., 1919-26. Died 6th July, 1950.  
Ex-W.O. II A. E. Gibson, 7th Queen's. Died 7th July, 1950.  
1288 W. J. Miles, 2nd and 6th Bns., 1914-18. Died 11th July, 1950.  
6076184 H. Hedger, M.M., 2nd Bn., 1905-24. Died 5th September, 1950.  
E. J. Killick. Died 24th September, 1950.  
5167 B. H. Ingram, 1st Bn., 1896-1902. Died 25th November, 1950.  
6077487 G. H. Jude (late R.S.M., 4th Bn.), 1st Bn., 1914-36. Died 25th December, 1950.  
6079418 (late), Major A. J. A. Martin, 1st and 2nd Bns., 1922-40 (commissioned R.E., 1940-45). Died 6th January, 1951.  
6085004 F. Koop. Died 13th January, 1951.  
F. Emmett, 22nd London Regiment (The Queen's). Died 14th January, 1951.  
J. Collyer, 2nd/4th Bn. Queen's. Died 21st January, 1951.  
L/8346 A./R.S.M. F. Smart, 1st Bn. Died 22nd January, 1951.  
6081617 A. Winter, 1st and 2nd Bns., 1903-29. Died 4th February, 1951.  
6076597 R.S.M. A. E. Jones, D.C.M., 2nd Bn. and P.C., 1917-45. Died 8th February, 1951.  
6077648 H. T. Mallion, 1st, 2nd and 4th Bns. Died 3rd March, 1951.

## LIEUTENANT-COLONEL H. F. WARDEN, D.S.O.

Lieut.-Colonel Hugh Fawcett Warden, D.S.O., who died at Burley, Hampshire, on 19th February, 1951, aged 79, was educated at Haileybury and joined the Regiment from R.M.C., Sandhurst, as a Second-Lieutenant on 29th October, 1890, and was posted to the 1st Battalion. He was promoted Lieutenant in 1892 and Captain into the 2nd Battalion in 1898. He served throughout the Boer War with the 2nd Battalion, being wounded twice and Mentioned in Despatches twice. When the Battalion returned to England he was appointed Superintendent of Gymnasia of Southern District, later Southern Command, and held the ap-

pointment until 1906. He rejoined the 2nd Battalion, and when the Battalion went abroad he was transferred to the 1st Battalion and served with them until he was promoted Major in 1913 and appointed to command the Regimental Depot. At the outbreak of war in 1914 he was appointed to command the 6th (Service) Battalion of the Regiment in Kitchener's Army, and took the Battalion abroad on service in France and Belgium, remaining with it until 1917. He then took command of VI Corps School and later returned to England to take over the 3rd Battalion. For his services in the war he received the D.S.O., and was twice Mentioned in Despatches. When the Army in France was demobilized, the cadre of the 1st Battalion joined up with the 3rd Battalion, and from it he reformed the 1st Battalion and commanded it until his retirement early in 1920. He was married in 1912 and leaves a widow and two daughters.

#### LIEUTENANT-COLONEL J. RAINSFORD-HANNAY, D.S.O.

Died at his house, Barnbarroch, Dalbeattie, on 7th March, 1951, aged 71 years. He was educated at Wellington and the R.M.C., Sandhurst, and joined the 2nd Battalion in 1898. He saw service with this Battalion in the South African War and was for some time Adjutant of the South African Light Horse.

Following service with the 1st Battalion in India, he was appointed Adjutant of the 6th Volunteer Battalion (Bermondsey) and later became Adjutant of the Inns of Court O.T.C.

At the outbreak of war in 1914 he remained with the Inns of Court under training at Berkhamsted until 1915, when he joined the staff of the 15th Scottish Division and served with this Division as Brigade Major and G.S.O.2. He was badly injured internally while directing traffic on congested roads at the Battle of Loos. For his services in France he was awarded the D.S.O.

In 1917 he accompanied the British Military Mission to America to advise and assist in the training of American troops. At the end of the war, after a short spell as Officer Commanding, Regimental Depot, he was again promoted Adjutant of the Inns of Court O.T.C. In 1922 he joined the 1st Battalion and in 1924 was appointed to command the 2nd Battalion in India. He retired in 1928.

During the Second World War he commanded his local Home Guard.

Lieut.-Colonel Rainsford-Hannay was a keen soldier and enthusiastic sportsman. At one time he was a member of the Blackheath Rugby Football Club, and was one of the pioneers of the Army Rugby Union, of which he was for a number of years Honorary Secretary and Treasurer.

To those who knew him well he had a great sense of humour. Almost to the end both he and his wife (who pre-deceased him by only two months) maintained their interest in the Regiment, especially in old soldiers and their families, who will miss them greatly.

#### MAJOR W. H. ALLEYNE

Major Wentworth Holder Alleyne, who died at Exmouth on 27th December, 1950, aged 71, was posted to the Regiment as a Second-Lieutenant from the 4th Militia Bn. The Border Regiment in 1899 and was posted to the 1st Battalion in India. He was promoted Lieutenant in 1900 and received his Captaincy in the 2nd Battalion in 1907. He accompanied the Battalion on service in Belgium in 1914 and was wounded and taken prisoner towards the end of the year. He was on sick leave for some months after the war and was then appointed to command the Regimental Depot. He retired owing to ill-health in 1922. He had been promoted Major in September, 1915, and for his war service was twice Mentioned in Despatches. During his service with the 1st Battalion he played for the Battalion at cricket, hockey and polo.

#### MAJOR T. V. CLOSE, D.S.O.

Major Terence Vincent Close died suddenly at Shorncliffe in November, 1949. His sudden death at the early age of 37 came as a heavy blow to his many friends and cut short a career that promised much in the Service.

He joined the Regiment early in 1940 from the Artists' Rifles O.C.T.U., and within the space of four years he rose from Second-Lieutenant in the 2nd Battalion to command of the same Battalion during its service with the second Wingate Expedition, when he gained the D.S.O. Late in 1945 he took command of the 1st/6th Bn. The Queen's Royal Regiment, a Battalion of young untrained soldiers, when it moved to the Middle East. By his own example and energy he gave confidence and inspiration to his young soldiers during those difficult days in Palestine in 1946.

He attended the Canadian Staff College Course and on his return from Canada in early 1949 he was appointed G.S.O.2 at H.Q., Home Counties District. For his family there is widespread sympathy for his untimely death.

#### REGULAR FORCES EMPLOYMENT SOCIETY

Once upon a time there was a publication known as the *Pink Un*, of which some of you may remotely have heard. This disappeared some long time ago, but it was a kind of racing tipster in printed form. We should like to think that the Report of the National Association, with its pink cover, will come to be regarded as the modern equivalent.

Its contents, though not the printed equivalent of a racing tipster, are thought out with the object of giving a general indication of what may be expected as regards employment prospects in every part of the country, as well as general information likely to be of interest concerning possibilities of training and things of that nature. One section of the report gives a brief description in general terms of the conditions in each area covered by a branch of this Association, which means the whole of the United Kingdom.

There is also in the body of the report a good deal of advice to people considering, while still serving, their future return to civil life. This is a matter which to some of you presents few difficulties because you know quite well what you want to do and perhaps have already started out on the line of country which you want to follow eventually, but to many it means starting out in a completely new direction. In some cases there is no natural aptitude or hobby or anything of that kind which indicates the direction in which that start should be made, and for those of you to whom this applies a good deal of thought will be necessary.

Don't be put off by the words, "Annual Report"; we do our best to make ours different from the usual dry-as-dust production which comes to one's mind when these words are used. We are at present in the process of drafting the report, and hope to have it circulated through the Service Departments certainly by the middle of the year and, with any luck, earlier. If you are still serving, therefore, keep a look-out for it and if you don't see one in your unit or station recreation room, ask your Adjutant or Chief Clerk if they have got one. Education or Welfare Officers also should have copies. Anyone who has already left the Service and is interested won't find it so easy to get hold of a copy, though we do keep a certain number ourselves for interested people. If you can't get a copy, go and see your jobfinder and talk things over with him. You will find his address in your nearest large Post Office.

You will probably be interested to learn that 93 men of your Regiment were placed by us in 1950 out of a total of 16,229 for the Army and 30,313 for all Services.

THE QUEEN'S ROYAL REGIMENT OFFICERS' CLUB

*Income and Expenditure Account for the Year ended 31st December, 1950*

GENERAL PURPOSES FUND

1949		1949		1949	
£	s.	£	s.	£	s.
4		Printing, Stationery and Postages	...	5	8
20		Wages, Clerical Staff O.C.A.	...	16	13
9		Travelling Expenses	...	2	7
37		Officers' Memorial Tablets	...	13	4
14		Miscellaneous Expenses	...	15	12
33		Excess of Income over Expenditure for year	...	8	3
(Deficit)				11	
<b>£51</b>				<b>£51</b>	<b>10</b>
<b>£51</b>				<b>£51</b>	<b>10</b>

ANNUAL DINNER FUND

1949		1949		1949	
£	s.	£	s.	£	s.
52		Buffet Reunion	...	77	9
68		Annual Dinner	...	73	10
—		Printing, Stationery and Postages	...	150	19
120			...	10	0
7			...	9	10
				£160	9
				10	10
<b>£127</b>				<b>£127</b>	<b>10</b>

MUSEUM FUND

1949		1949		1949	
£	s.	£	s.	£	s.
55		Purchase of Exhibits, Show Cases, etc.	...	45	5
86		Maintenance and Repairs	...	38	11
—		Printing and Postages	...	11	8
6		Excess of Income over Expenditure for year	...	14	15
			...	6	
<b>£103</b>				<b>£99</b>	<b>11</b>
<b>£99</b>				<b>£103</b>	<b>10</b>

ANNUAL REUNION FUND

1949		1949		1949	
£	s.	£	s.	£	s.
55		Garden Party and Entertainment	...	55	16
7		Printing, Stationery and Postages	...	2	10
			...	9	9
<b>£62</b>				<b>£62</b>	<b>10</b>
<b>£62</b>				<b>£62</b>	<b>10</b>

JOURNAL FUND

1949		1949		1949	
£	s.	£	s.	£	s.
224		Printing Journal	...	203	8
13		Printing News Letter	...	36	4
14		Printing Stationery and Postages	...	9	16
2		Bad Debt	...	2	2
			...	1	
<b>£253</b>				<b>£249</b>	<b>8</b>
<b>£253</b>				<b>£253</b>	<b>6</b>

## THE QUEEN'S ROYAL REGIMENT OFFICERS' CLUB

Balance Sheet at 31st December, 1950

**AUDITORS' CERTIFICATE.**—We have examined the above Balance Sheet and annexed Income and Expenditure Accounts which are in agreement with the books of account. We have obtained all the information and explanations which to the best of our knowledge and belief were necessary for the purposes of our audit. In our opinion and to the best of our information and according to the explanations given us, the Balance Sheet gives a true and fair view of the state of the affairs of the Club as at 31st December, 1950, and the Income and Expenditure Accounts give a true and fair view of the results for the year ended on that date.

Dated this 9th day of February, 1951.

(Signed) KELLER SNOW & CO., Auditors  
*Chancery Lane, London, W.C.2*