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ARMY REORGANIZATION

HOME COUNTIES BRIGADE

MUCH progress has been made during the past twelve months, and regular meetings of the Council of Colonels have been held at two-monthly intervals. The more important points are:

- (a) A recommendation has been submitted that the title of the Brigade should continue to be "Home Counties Brigade." It is anticipated that this name will shortly be approved.
- (b) A final design for the Brigade Badge has been submitted, and approval is expected shortly.
- (c) The Brigade Depot will be established at Canterbury by stages, probably starting in 1960.

AMALGAMATION WITH THE EAST SURREY REGIMENT

The date of amalgamation has not yet been fixed, but it is being planned to take place during the autumn of 1959.

The title of "The Queen's Royal Surrey Regiment" has been approved.

A collar badge combining our present two badges has been designed and will shortly be submitted for approval. Agreement has been reached that our Regimental quick marches should be two in number, namely, "Braganza" and "Lass of Gowrie." The slow march will be "Lord Charles Montagu's Huntingdonshire March." All other Regimental marches and airs have been listed and will be played at the discretion of Commanding Officers.

A small Regimental Headquarters, consisting of three retired officers and one or two clerks, will be established at Kingston towards the end of 1959.

The Regimental Depot will close at Guildford in July, 1959, and that month or in August our amalgamated Regimental Depot will open at Canterbury. Subsequently this amalgamated Depot will be absorbed by the Brigade Depot when the latter opens in 1960 or later.

There will be two main Regimental Festivals, namely, "The Glorious First of June" and "Ypres Day" (23rd April). Two additional anniversaries may be kept at the discretion of Commanding Officers; these are "Salerno Day" (9th September) and "Sobraon Day" (10th February).

The Queen's Royal Surrey Regiment will celebrate the Tercentenary of its origin in 1961.

The annual cricket matches will continue to be played with H.M.S. *Excellent* and with the Royal Marines. When the 1st Battalion is in the U.K. the matches will take place at their station in those years in which we are the hosts.

The Warrant Officers and Sergeants Association now existing in the East Surrey Regiment will be continued in the amalgamated Regiment.

Plans are being considered to amalgamate the Officers' Clubs and the Old Comrades Associations with a view to continuing reunions on lines similar to those which we now follow.

1st BATTALION

CONTINUING the story of the activities of the Battalion since the last account in the JOURNAL, which ended as preparations were being made for the final phase of collective training. The Brigade Group exercises were held at Brilon in the worst conditions of waterlogged discomfort.

The Annual Administrative Inspection, which lasted for two days (the Brigade Commander finally leaving at 7.30 p.m. on the second day), resulted in a good report as the result of the effort made by all ranks to bring administration up to date after the disorganization caused by the tempo of collective training.

On 18th November, 1957, Lieut.-Colonel H. R. D. Hill, M.B.E., handed over command to Lieut.-Colonel D. L. Lloyd Owen, D.S.O., O.B.E., M.C., and we entered on the last chapter of the Battalion's history before the amalgamation with the 1st Bn. The East Surrey Regiment, which is due to take place at the end of 1959.

At the end of November the East Surrey Regiment, stationed at Brunswick, gave their farewell party at the end of their tour in B.A.O.R. Fourteen officers and their wives and thirty-two other ranks were invited to celebrations which included a searchlight tattoo, soccer, hockey and squash matches, and a cocktail party.

Christmas was celebrated with usual fervour, and in the annual contest between Officers and Sergeants on the square, coloured smoke and other devices obscured the final score.

The Battalion entered for various ski-ing competitions during the winter and full use was made of a winter warfare camp near Winterberg, excellently run by our friends and neighbours, 1st Bn. The Royal Norfolk Regiment. A separate article is included describing Battalion ski-ing activities.

The Battalion hockey team, led by Capt. J. G. W. Davidson, had a wonderful season, and after bringing home the Divisional and B.A.O.R. Championships were defeated in the Army final held at Aldershot.

Training during the winter followed the normal course of section and platoon exercises at the end of the individual training, but every aspect of this side of life was seriously hampered by the lack of men. This period of training culminated in a sixty-mile march, lasting three days, in the worst conditions of winter—blizzards, deep snow, and thickly iced roads. The Drums Platoon covered thirty-six miles in fifteen hours, in order to join the Band in playing the Battalion back to barracks.

A series of initiative tests at Easter and Whitsun was held and soldiers travelled as far afield as Salzburg and Copenhagen, using only their wits and a gently persuasive approach to the civilian population. Without exception these tests were a great success and proved that the British soldier has not lost his quite extraordinary skill in conversing in an unknown language, or his power to obtain what he needs in a way that wins him friends wherever he goes.

The collective training season began in April and again suffered from the low strength of the Battalion. An excellent liaison was established with "C" Squadron, 3rd The King's Own Hussars, who lived with us for ten days, during which infantry-tank co-operation training was carried out at Soltau. The squadron was also crippled by a lack of men, and ten members of the Signals Platoon became members of tank crews for the whole period of our stay.

In May a party of eight officers visited our affiliated R.A. battery, 70 Battery, 45th Field Regiment, R.A., at practice camp at Hohne, where we had an opportunity to see from close quarters the support we might expect should the occasion arise.



1st Battalion The Queen's Royal Regiment Hockey Team, 1957-1958

Back Row—Bdsn. G. W. Corbett, Sgt. R. Lancaster, 2/Lieut. C. Tatham, 2/Lieut. M. J. Power, 2/Lieut. R. S. Hill, 2/Lieut. A. W. Fuller, 2/Lieut. J. W. Farrar.
Front Row—Cfn. C. Tatham, 2/Lieut. S. T. W. Anderson, Lieut.-Colonel D. L. Lloyd Owen, D.S.O., O.B.E., M.C., Capt. J. G. W. Davidson, Major J. W. Sewell, Lieut. B. D. S. Burton.

As part of the Glorious First of June celebrations the Battalion paraded and marched past the G.O.C., 4th Infantry Division, Major-General G. C. Hopkinson, D.S.O., O.B.E., M.C., on 30th May. The General visited the Warrant Officers and Sergeants' Mess and lunched with the officers; he then had to return hurriedly to a Divisional Signal exercise. The celebrations included a guest night, the beating of "Retreat," a dance in the Officers' Mess, a Sergeants' Mess ball, and a well-attended fair on the parade ground, and ended with a drum-head service on Sunday, 1st June.

In July the Battalion moved to Hameln for two days' watermanship training on the River Weser, where contact was established on a firm basis with 5th Field Squadron, R.E., affiliated to 5th Infantry Brigade Group. The training ended with a most exciting regatta, nicknamed Exercise "Queen Charlotte," won in a photo-finish by a crew from "D" Company.

The weeks of August were spent at Sennelager, where, unfortunately, as the ranges are now under N.A.T.O. control and consequently fully booked, only very few days could be devoted to live firing.

So far, throughout the year, we have on the whole been fortunate in that the weather has been kind to us while in the field. There have been occasions, which will be remembered, when it has seemed that the rain would wash men out of their bivouacs or trenches, but such days have been few.

In the sporting field we have had a motor-cycling team which achieved good results at the Divisional Championships, coming fourth, and was ninth in the B.A.O.R. Championships. The swimming team came second in the Rhine Army Championships in spite of bad luck which cost us twelve points in the first race.

Sgt. Hilton, R.A.E.C., won the B.A.O.R. Tennis Championship and was runner-up in the Army Championship.

The loss of "A" Company with five officers and 100 men to the 1st Bn. The East Surrey Regiment to reinforce them during the Middle East crisis has destroyed our hopes of being able to field a reasonably complete Battalion for the Brigade Group training in September. We look forward eagerly to the return of Capt. A. Donaldson and his men.

The anniversary of the Salerno landings was celebrated on 5th September, and we were delighted that the Colonel of the Regiment and Mrs. Whitfield were able to be with us.

The parade was held in glorious weather, and Pte. Bellord was presented with the Long Service and Good Conduct Medal by General Whitfield.

On 6th September the Band and Drums beat "Retreat," and this was followed by a cocktail party in the Officers' Mess and a dinner in the Warrant Officers and Sergeants' Mess.

BAND NOTES

The past year has been a busy one. The future of Regimental Bands, a gloomy prospect a year ago, is now finally settled, to the relief of everyone. There will not be a Brigade Band; the amalgamated Regiment will have its own.

Arrivals and departures have been considerable. Cpl. Arnold left the Army for nine months, but, we are very glad to say, has now rejoined. Cpl. Whittaker left us hurriedly after a spell in hospital, the result of a motor-cycle accident. On the credit side we welcome Sevier (guitar), Brown (oboe), Scott (clarinet),



Glorious First of June Parade

Major-General C. C. Hopkinson, D.S.O., O.B.E., M.C., G.O.C. 4th Infantry Division, inspecting the 1st Battalion on the occasion of the Parade for the Glorious First of June held on 30th May, 1958, at Mons Barracks, Iserlohn, Germany



1st Battalion's Colour Party

The Colour Party of the 1st Battalion The Queen's Royal Regiment on the occasion of the Parade for The Glorious First of June, held on 30th May, 1958, at Mons Barracks, Iserlohn, Germany.

Left to right are: Lieut. J. C. W. Davidson (carrying the Queen's Colour), C./Sgt. J. Morris, C./Sgt. K. Yonwin, 2/Lieut. P. A. Gray (carrying the Regimental Colour) and C./Sgt. A. Palmer.

Randall (bass), Muscott (trombone) and Nero (clarinet). All are now settled in, happily.

We still hold our own on the sports field and are proud that two members of the Band, Sgt. Lancaster and Bdsn. Corbett, were in the side which brought back the B.A.O.R. Hockey Cup. Five of the Band were chosen to go to England with the hockey team for the Army Final.

Engagements have been many and varied, ranging from the film premiere of "The Bridge over the River Kwai," at Essen, to the Glorious First of June beating "Retreat."

A successful two-month tour in England included playing at the T.A. Golden Jubilee at Brighton, and gave us an opportunity of meeting many old friends.

Four members of the Band are now at Kneller Hall completing a year as pupils. All are doing extremely well and we look forward to their return in October.

WINTER WARFARE, 1957-58

This year for the first time since the Battalion arrived back from Malaya we have had an opportunity to put people on skis. The aim in B.A.O.R. is to teach officers and men to ski, with the object of units competing in the Divisional and B.A.O.R. ski meetings. Our first task, therefore, was to obtain volunteers. In this we had no difficulty, as the men realized that here was a golden opportunity which they would not get in civilian life.

The village of Willingen was ideal for the purpose of training men to ski, because, with a great variety of nursery slopes, they could start with a gentle downhill practice and get on to steeper slopes as they improved. The camp itself was about twenty minutes' walk from the village and was run by the 1st Bn. The Royal Norfolk Regiment. The arrangements for accommodation were excellent. In the evenings, with the canteen in a hut, there were film shows twice a week. Both the officers and the sergeants had their own messes, and, apart from the occasional electricity cut, life was very pleasant.

On arrival at the camp, the first party of fourteen, under Lieut. B. D. S. Burton, found to their horror everything covered in mud, with no traces of snow. However, the weather improved, from the skiers' point of view, and snow fell the first night. From then on the skiers went out in force. They were allotted two German instructors, who tackled the task of training raw skiers with great enthusiasm. In the first fortnight, Cpl. Anderson and Pte. King showed remarkable improvement and they were later chosen to represent the Battalion.

In the middle of January the second party, consisting of the Signals Platoon, commanded by Lieut. J. V. Warner-Johnson, went up to Willingen. Once again the party were all newcomers to the sport, except L./Cpl. Sainsbury, who had skied the previous year for The Buffs.

By now the time for the Divisional Ski Meeting was getting very near, and we had to pick our team. There was a clear fortnight before the championships in which we had to get the special langlauf skis and boots. Our aim was to concentrate more on the langlauf races than the downhill, as our experience was limited. Our German instructor was a tower of strength and the party improved rapidly in this new type of skiing.

On 4th February the Divisional Championships started with the 4×10 cross-country relay. Unfortunately, due to an accident with Sgt. Hilton's skis, we had to withdraw. The following day the novices' downhill took place in the worst conditions possible. We found it hard to compete against a gale-force wind, rain and biting cold. In the 15 km. cross-country race we came 17th out of 19 as a team. However, L./Cpl. Sainsbury was placed 9th in the downhill and 13th in the slalom.

The final day of the meeting came with the 18 km. Patrol Race. This was considered the most important race. Our team, consisting of Lieut. B. D. S. Burton, Cpl. Anderson, L./Cpl. Sainsbury and Pte. King, were not expected to be very well placed.

With a few parting remarks, we started round the course. The first boost to our morale came when we caught up the Royal Norfolks team after 5 km. They had started five minutes before us. The course had plenty of uphill and downhill and, as was to be expected, falls were frequent. However, we arrived at the range, where each man, except the patrol commander, had to fire at a separate balloon. We burst the three balloons with four shots and so had 5 minutes 20 seconds deducted from our time. After the range we had 5 km. to go over the most strenuous part of the course. As we approached the finish there was 600 yards of downhill. In between the range and this stretch we

had overtaken two more teams. On nearing the finish we were greeted by the cheering of the spectators. The reason for this we found out later. The team had come 5th out of 19 and had beaten all the "B" teams of the four favourites, who had been training in Austria for some months.

The following week was spent back at Iserlohn training for the B.A.O.R. Ski Meeting, to be held at Winterberg a week later. On arrival the team was very well accommodated in the Leave Centre. In view of our success in the Divisional Patrol Race, it was decided to go for the B.A.O.R. Patrol Race as top priority.

The Patrol Race was a course of 20 km. with the range at the end. We did not rely too much on our past success, and just hoped that everything would go well. Instead of teams starting at five-minute intervals, there was a gap of three minutes only. At the first control point we had put up the third fastest time. After this we had almost a fatal accident. L./Cpl. Sainsbury, in trying to avoid a member of the Engineers' team in front, fell and broke one ski. Very gamely he carried on with one ski, having given his pack to Lieut. Burton to minimize the risks of injury when falling. Falls were very numerous, but still we managed to pass two teams before the range. At the range only two minutes were taken off our time. With only 2 km. to go we overtook another two teams before the finish. At the end of the race we found that we were placed 12th out of 50 teams.

For the future our hopes are rather vague, but with plenty of talent to choose from, and the experience gained this year, we hope to improve on our performances.

REGIMENTAL DEPOT

THE past year, the last complete one that we shall have at Stoughton, has been full of the traditional Depot functions, and we are both pleased and gratified that we have been able to make a modest contribution to the success of these occasions held at the family home of the Regiment.

The first memorable event took place on 28th November, 1957, when the Commanding Officer and the Adjutant were privileged to be among the representative body of officers who dined, together with officers of the East Surrey Regiment, as guests of the officers of the Royal Marines at Eastney Barracks.

On 20th December we produced our Christmas Pantomime, "The Adventures of Private Winkle," written by the Commanding Officer. For a long time Major Mans laboured under the illusion that someone else was writing the songs, and when, in mid-December, he discovered otherwise, he spent a nightmare week playing Rodgers to his own Hammerstein. The name part of the show was played by Lieut. Redfern, complete with a splendid false beard in the last act. Mention must also be made of Cpl. Fleming and Pte. McGavin for their outstanding performances at Ptes. Char and Wadd.

The supporting cast consisted of most of the Officers' and Sergeants' Messes and Cpl. Tyler's very attractive Skiffle Group.

Encouraged by their stage activities at Christmas, the Depot Staff were more than ready when Pinewood Studios invaded us in April to make the film "Carry on, Sergeant." C.S.M. Fairbanks made a number of return visits to Pinewood to instruct a large platoon of extras in the art of close-order drill. The end product was a tribute to his hard work.

The Regimental Garden Parties took place on 12th and 13th July, and a

week later we held our annual "At Home" Day. Some 3,000 people came through the gates to witness a varied display, from tent-pegging by the Royal Corps of Military Police to demonstrations of the "Corporal" and "Thunderbird" missiles.

For once the weather co-operated with us, and we had the hottest day of the year. We were delighted to welcome the Lord-Lieutenant of Surrey, the Right Honourable the Earl of Munster, as our Guest of Honour, and he opened the proceedings by presenting a number of medals and certificates for long service to Territorials of West Surrey. The Lord-Lieutenant was received by a guard of honour commanded by Capt. R. B. Johnson.

The Secretary of State for War, the Right Honourable Christopher Soames, M.P., paid us an informal visit on 24th July, and after a short inspection of the barracks he talked to the officers and sergeants in their respective messes. He was accompanied by Mrs. Soames, who showed great interest in the picture of the Queen's camp at Nawagai on 20th and 21st September, 1897, when her father, Sir Winston Churchill, was present within the perimeter at the time when the 1st Battalion and the 39th Garhwalis repulsed a savage and desperate attack by great numbers of tribesmen.

Both the Officers' and the Sergeants' Messes have been active in their entertainment of members and friends of the Regiment. The usual custom of entertaining the Mayor and Corporation of Guildford has been kept up by the Officers' Mess, and the Mayor in turn invited a number of officers to dine at the Guildhall.

A young Officers' Guest Night was both a pleasing and a hectic innovation in the Officers' Mess.

The Sergeants' Mess, in addition to the usual run of socials, held two very notable dinners, at which Sgt. Keep surpassed himself as a master of the catering art.

In case it is thought that the Depot year consists entirely of visits and social occasions, we hasten to say that training has gone on apace. At the beginning of 1958 we reached a peak of intakes consisting of three platoons each. However, as the year proceeded, intakes were reduced to some thirty or forty men, and we now function on one platoon. Much effort has been put into trying to increase our Regular recruiting figures. Our target, together with the East Surrey Regiment, is twelve Regulars every month, but in spite of all our endeavours these figures are not being obtained. It is not inappropriate in these notes to ask all past and present members of the Regiment to redouble their efforts to help us to get more Regular soldiers.

Passing-out parades of intakes have been taken by the Colonel of the Regiment; the Mayor of Guildford, Alderman H. H. Kimber, J.P.; Major-General J. F. Metcalfe, C.B.E.; the Lord-Lieutenant of Surrey; the captain of H.M.S. *Excellent*, Capt. H. C. Martell, C.B.E., R.N.; the Commanding Officer; and Colonel G. R. Stevens, O.B.E., our former Brigade Colonel. We would like to take this opportunity of wishing Colonel Stevens a very happy retirement and to put on record our sincere appreciation of all his efforts on our behalf.

Depot Sport during 1958 has covered a wide field and we can claim some noteworthy successes. Our football team reached the final of the Surrey Mid-Week League and were defeated 6-4 by Camberley and Yorktown in a thrilling match. We had our own brief moment of fame in the Army Hockey Cup when we defeated The Life Guards in the first round. The cricket team did its best to compete with a disastrous summer and had some very happy

and exciting games. Cpl. Holland and Pte. Smith performed sterling deeds with the bat, and Cpl. Sears and Pte. McGavin bowled well consistently. Smith was selected to play for Surrey second eleven during the season.

The improvement in all our Depot sports grounds this season has been due to the very hard work put in by Mr. Hammond, our new groundsman. In this connection also many of our visitors have commented upon the pleasing aspect of the Depot gardens, and here we must thank Ptes. Lake and Fuller for so much hard work.

Individual sporting honours were gained by Pte. Ware (now 2/Lieut. in the East Surrey Regiment), who played in the Army rugger XV, and by Pte. Slaytor, who reached the semi-finals of the Army Feather-weight Individual Boxing Competition.

Our shooting has improved considerably, and in the Brigade Rifle Meeting we won the open match and were runners-up in the recruits' match. Attempts to complete the double this year will no doubt be intensified now that Capt. P. G. Collyer is with us.

Making our first appearance in the Brigade Golf Tournament, a Regimental team captained by the Commanding Officer came second to the Royal Sussex Regiment. We are going to make a great effort to win in 1959, and any interested golfer is invited to get in touch with Major Mans at the Depot.

Throughout the year we held our usual round of internal sporting activities, covering boxing, athletics, sports and swimming.

The Annual Administrative Inspection was carried out on 13th January by Major-General W. R. Turner, D.S.O., G.O.C., Home Counties District, and we received a very praiseworthy report. More recently the M.T. Section under Cpl. Fullbrook has achieved the very rare distinction of gaining an "Excellent" on the Annual Inspection by the Central Inspectorate of Vehicles.

We are now about to begin the last stage of our long and historic connection with Stoughton Barracks and Guildford. From 1876 to 1959 is a very long time and naturally there is much sadness at the ending of our close links with this part of Surrey. However, whilst acknowledging in full measure the debt we owe to the past, we are equally determined that the new Depot at Canterbury will be worthy in every way of our own great traditions as well as of those of the other famous regiments who will join us there in due course. *Pristine virtutis memor* has a very real meaning for us at this present time. We shall do our best to live up to it.

5th BATTALION

SINCE the last issue of the JOURNAL, several Battalion achievements have marked the year. The most noticeable and lasting is the great increase in volunteer recruiting. The Battalion is now fifty-two stronger (with a further thirteen on the books) than a year ago, and what is gratifying is the large percentage of young volunteers who will carry forward the spirit and traditions in the years to come.

The Territorial Army Golden Jubilee Year activities have imprinted themselves on all those who have been connected with them.

Training and shooting have been on a high level, and the Annual Administrative Inspection produced "a very good report indeed."

With a younger and stronger Battalion, and a year of considerable note

behind us, we look forward to beginning the new Territorial training year with confidence.

THE TERRITORIAL ARMY GOLDEN JUBILEE, 1908-58

Although the origins of 5th Queen's seem to lie in the year 1859, when the Surrey Volunteer Corps was raised, it was under the Haldane scheme of Army reorganization in 1908 that the 2nd Volunteer Battalion was transferred to the Territorial Force and became the 5th Bn. The Queen's (Royal West Surrey) Regiment. To mark the distinction of these last fifty years, services and celebrations have been held during the summer.

GUILDFORD CATHEDRAL SERVICE

This Battalion organized a drum-head service for all West Surrey Territorial Army units, which was held on Stag Hill, in front of the new Guildford Cathedral, on 6th July.

This was a dignified and impressive service. Units taking part included: 5th Queen's; "Q" Battery, 431 L.A.A. Regiment (R.A.), T.A.; 47 (Home Counties) Field Ambulance, R.A.M.C. (T.A.); H.Q., R.E.M.E., 44th (Home Counties) Infantry Division (T.A.); 131st Infantry Brigade Workshop, R.E.M.E. (T.A.). In addition, the affiliated Cadet units sent detachments; Farnham Troop, R.A., 1st (Cadet) Bn. The Queen's Royal Regiment and 2nd (Cadet) Bn. The Queen's Royal Regiment.

Before the service, all units moved in motor transport procession through Guildford, and then marched up Stag Hill, led by the Band and Drums of the 1st Bn. The Queen's Royal Regiment.

The service was conducted by the Provost of Guildford, the Very Reverend Walter Boulton, assisted by the Reverend Peter Cameron, Padre to 5th Queen's. The Reverend Richard Yale, C.B.E., Q.H.C., Assistant Chaplain-General to the Forces, delivered the address to the congregation, which numbered about 1,700 people.

After the service the Lord-Lieutenant of Surrey, the Right Honourable the Earl of Munster, P.C., K.B.E., took the salute.

The Colour Party from 5th Queen's created a very favourable impression. The Colour Party was composed as follows:

Queen's Colour: Lieut. D. W. Billinghurst.

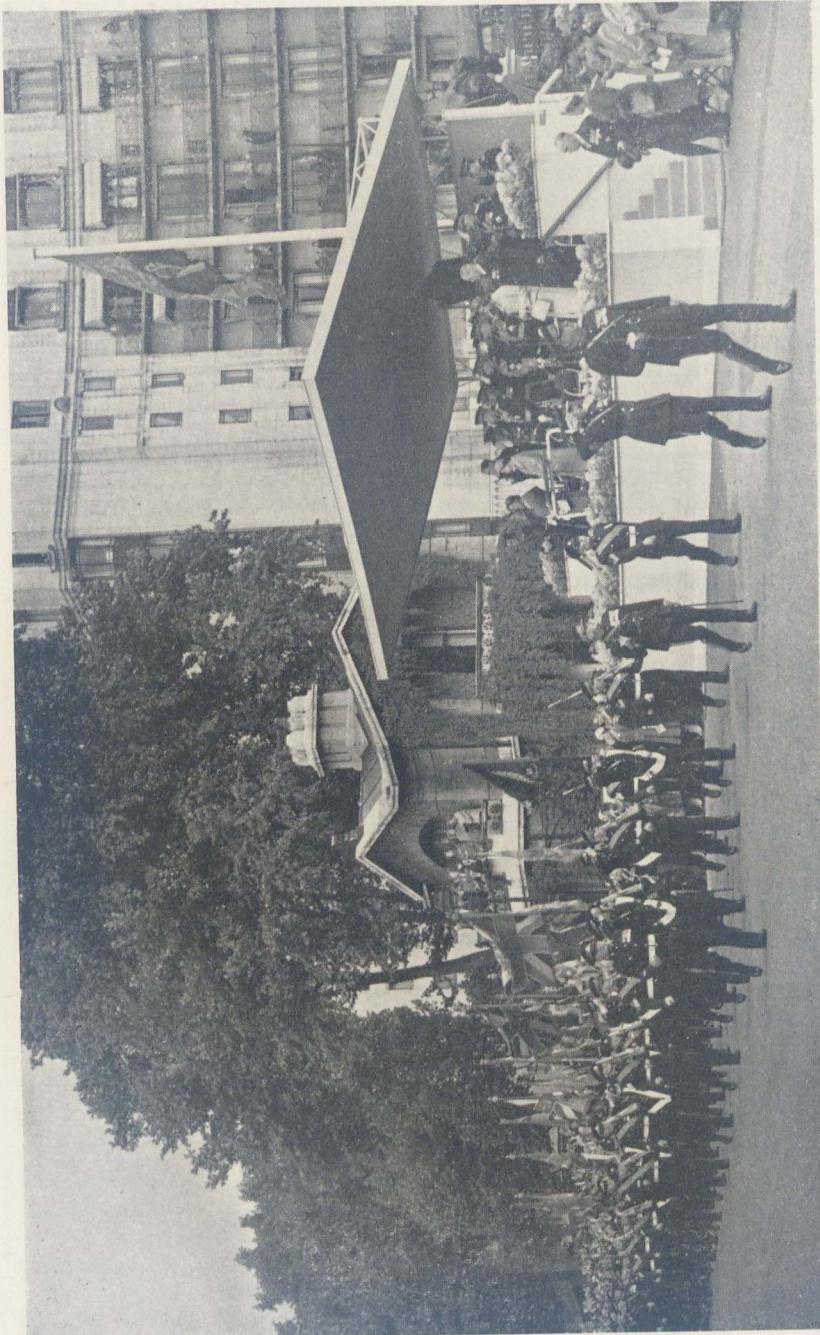
Regimental Colour: Lieut. P. H. Kent.

Escorts: W.O.II J. B. Homersham, C./Sgt. J. J. Playford, C./Sgt. F. G. Saxby.

After the service and ceremonies were over, some 100 guests had tea on Stag Hill. Amongst those who honoured us by their presence were the Mayor of Guildford, Councillor C. E. Nicklin, and Mrs. Nicklin; the Colonel of the Regiment, Major-General J. Y. Whitfield, C.B., D.S.O., O.B.E., and Mrs. Whitfield; the Mayor of Godalming, Alderman B. Grillo; the Arthdeacon of Surrey, the Venerable A. J. de C. Studdert; the Chairman of the Cathedral Council, Lord Hamilton of Dalzell, M.C.; Alderman Black, M.P., Chairman of the Surrey County Council.

This was a memorable day, and made the more so as it was blessed with a fine afternoon.

Thanksgiving Services were held in Westminster Abbey and Westminster Cathedral, at which some members of the Battalion took part.



[Photograph by courtesy of "The Sunday Times"]

At the Territorial Army Review by Her Majesty the Queen leads the March Past

5th Queen's Colour Party

TERRITORIAL ARMY REVIEW

On Sunday, 22nd June, Her Majesty The Queen held a review of the Territorial Army in Hyde Park. Every unit of the Territorial Army was represented. The following members of this Battalion were present at the Review:

Colour Party:

Queen's Colour: Lieut. R. M. Stanley.

Regimental Colour: Lieut. P. H. Kent.

Escorts: W.O.II A. Fillery, C./Sgt. J. J. Playford, C./Sgt. F. G. Saxby, Lieut.-Colonel H. M. W. Harris, Major M. H. Prescott, T.D., Major R. K. Asser, Sgt. E. Brunger, Sgt. L. E. R. Watts, Sgt. M. G. Rapley, Cpl. B. Humphreys, Cpl. J. Wilson, Cpl. B. P. W. E. Toms, Cpl. W. G. Spencer, L./Cpl. R. G. Sutherland and L./Cpl. S. J. Browning.

The Colour Party had the honour of leading the 8,000-strong march past. This number took some forty minutes to pass the saluting base, and by the time that the torrential rain fell, 5th Queen's were back in their assembly area.

Various social activities also marked this Jubilee Year. Companies ran excellent dances, and a Surrey County Ball was held for Territorial officers and their guests.

TRAINING

The training year was introduced with a Civil Defence rescue and first-aid exercise on the "set" at Epsom. Problems of rescuing from basements or third floors with a four-point suspension were brought home to the Battalion when it was realized that some of the "casualties" were members of the Casualties Union and acted their parts. "Gushing" wounds are one thing, but screaming, hysterical women are another!

An innovation this year was a cloth model exercise for all officers and N.C.O.s. and most of the privates of the Battalion. This exercise was punctuated with firing and "brewed up" models, and served as an appetizer for the Infantry/Tank exercise held with the Westminster Dragoons in March. This was very much a co-operation of all arms—Artillery were represented and Royal Engineers (T.A.) provided the necessary "crumps." A quantity of bulletted blank and blank-firing medium machine-guns added some further atmosphere to this battle.

The fourteen-day camp was, as usual, full of training and social events. Firing of all platoon weapons was completed, or very nearly, had not some of the 3.5 rocket launcher ammunition taken exception to some appalling weather.

We were honoured by a two-day visit of the Colonel of the Regiment, Major-General J. Y. Whitfield, C.B., D.S.O., O.B.E., and our Honorary Colonel, Colonel J. B. H. Kealy, D.S.O. Amongst other activities, they witnessed some effective medium machine-gun and mortar platoon firing. Also present were the Lord-Lieutenant of Surrey, the Right Honourable the Earl of Munster, P.C., K.B.E., the Chairman of the County of Surrey Territorial Association, Colonel T. A. Roberts, M.B.E., D.L., and Brigadier A. D. Miller, D.S.O. Before returning to lunch in the Officers' Mess they saw the rifle companies doing a field firing exercise in the attack.

As last year, the climax to the first week was the Battalion "free for all exercise." Surprise is the keynote of this sort of training, and we seemed to be in for an interesting time when within the first four hours we had involved the cars of both General Whitfield and the Brigadier in minor accidents.

The Brigade Signals Exercise was the main feature of the second week. This

was a severe test and underlined the importance of building up our strength at Haslemere, which supplies our Signals Platoon. The War Office monitoring team, who seemed to miss no slips in wireless procedure, confessed themselves baffled by 5th Queen's. . . . Was this why the Training Major and the R.S.O., who *do* understand about frequencies, were glad to remove themselves at the end of camp to the saner atmosphere of Whale Island?

July saw the Battalion once again doing battle against the Commando Wing of the Royal Marines Reserves. The first day was a "regatta," during which the Battalion tried to master the practical meanings of "trim" and the "centre of gravity" in assault boats.

During the night, deep patrolling by both sides was the order. "A" Company sentries reported the last flight of duck moving across the water towards them. A later diagnosis revealed frogmen. It is unlikely that frogmen have ever before moved away from operations so quickly as did these as they dodged Very lights and other things thrown at them.

The exercise ended with a dawn crossing of the water obstacle by the Battalion in assault boats.

The training year closes with the Battalion studying more closely its other role—Civil Defence and nuclear, biological and chemical warfare.

COMPANY NEWS

"A" COMPANY (REIGATE)

The Company strength has increased by 50 per cent. during the past year, and training at the T.A. Centre has taken on a more elementary aspect, due to the increase of younger members with no previous military experience. A grand T.A. Jubilee Recruiting Dance, held on 1st March, was attended by the Honorary Colonel, the Brigade Commander, and the Mayor of Reigate, and was voted a great success. We welcome back to the Company Sgt. C. W. Haybittle and congratulate him on his promotion to C.S.M. The following promotions have also taken place: Cpl. M. G. Rapley to sergeant and L./Cpl. D. I. Whiddett to corporal and Pte. Hazell to corporal.

"B" COMPANY (CAMBERLEY)

Numerically, if in no other way, the Company has made considerable progress during the past year, and an effort is being made to form a Corps of Drums based on our centre. We welcome Drum-Major C. H. C. Lyons and Cpl. J. N. Chambers and the boys who are now enlisting.

We have lost one or two old members of the Company, but their places have been more than filled by re-enlistments. L./Cpl. W. Gallocker (A.C.C.) has come back to us, and two of our ex-National Service men, the former Ptes. D. W. Gaines and E. Gatfield. Gaines has been with us nearly a year and has just got his third stripe.

Our Company Dinner last year was a great success and we plan to hold another this autumn. Owing to camp our usual First of June Ball had to be held on the 8th; it was a great success. We were particularly pleased to welcome Brigadier A. D. Miller, D.S.O., and the Honorary Colonel, Colonel J. B. H. Kealy, D.S.O., as well as our Commanding Officer, the Training Major and representatives from the Regimental Depot.

In the L.M.G. competition fired at camp we had several successes, Pte. Lewis obtaining the Battalion Championship, with Cpl. J. Wilson runner-up with the same score. W.O.II L. C. A. Moxon, B.E.M., won the Class "A" Com-

petition and Lieut. R. N. Stanley was only one point behind. We won the Inter-Company Bren Competition by a fairly good margin, but were not so successful in the Rifle Competition.

"C" COMPANY (DORKING)

During the past year a determined effort has been made to attract sufficient recruits to justify reviving "C" Company as a separate entity. By 1st April this had been achieved, and the partnership with "A" Company ended. Major R. K. Affer commands the new Company; we have lost Lieut. P. L. Hope to the M.T. Platoon at Guildford, but welcome Lieut. R. Davies as 2 I.C. on completion of his National Service with the 1st Battalion. Sgt. K. West came to us from Germany last autumn as P.S.I., and to his many roles he has added that of a motor-cycle instructor; at least, he instructs when our enthusiastic friends of "B" Company can spare us a relatively complete machine.

We have been sorry to lose in C.S.M. Boniface a volunteer who has done a tremendous amount for the Company, and we wish him and his family good fortune in their new life in Australia. His place is ably taken by C.S.M. A. S. Fillery.

Three members of the Company, Major R. K. Affer, C.S.M. A. S. Fillery and L./Cpl. R. Sutherland, had the privilege of taking part in the Territorial Army Jubilee Review in Hyde Park before Her Majesty The Queen, and Sgt. F. A. Cheeseman represented us at the Jubilee Service in Westminster Abbey—impressive occasions which will long be remembered.

With our greater numbers, training has been much more varied and interesting both in and out of camp. It has also been possible for the first time to raise a Company soccer team, and we have entered the Dorking League for the coming season. Apart from providing an opportunity for sport to any volunteer, we hope the team's successes will serve as yet another way of making the local headlines. L./Cpl. H. E. Lambkin, the team secretary, reports a full fixture list; and football players from Dorking due to end their National Service with the 1st Battalion are especially welcome to join.

"D" COMPANY (WOKING)

We are pleased to welcome Lieut. F. Herd, Cpl. E. W. Kane (R.E.M.E. attached), Pte. R. J. Rose, Boy G. L. Ball and Boy J. A. Shoesmith to the Company. We were very sorry to lose our P.S.I., Sgt. J. Last, who has returned to the 1st Battalion. However, we are fortunate in having Sgt. W. Steeles with us as our new P.S.I.

Meritorious Service Certificates were presented to W.O.II H. J. Guest and Sgt. T. MacCready by the Lord-Lieutenant of Surrey at the Regimental Depot "Army at Home" Day on 19th July.

The following have represented the Battalion in various shooting competitions: W.O.II H. J. Guest, Sgt. T. MacCready, Sgt. W. Gardiner, Cpl. J. Hilderley, L./Cpl. S. Browning; together with Sgt. L. Robinson, C./Sgt. F. Saxby and Sgt. E. Brunger, they formed the Company team in the High Sheriff's Shield and were top in the Battalion.

We returned to Dibgate and spent a very enjoyable fortnight there. "D" Company teams won the Inter-Company Rifle Competition, the tug-of-war and the football six-a-side. Earlier we also won the First-Aid Competition.

We were very sorry to hear of the death of Major L. N. Gibson, T.D., who was the very friendly and able chairman of the local liaison committee, but are pleased to welcome his successor, Councillor S. G. Higgins.

5th BATTALION REUNION

Another successful Reunion of past and present members of the 5th Battalion was held at the T.A. Centre, Sandfield Terrace, on Saturday, 3rd May, with an attendance of some 267 people. The guest speaker for the evening was Colonel the Right Honourable Sir Reginald Dorman-Smith, G.B.E. The Reunion for 1959 will again take place at the T.A. Centre, Sandfield Terrace, on Saturday, 9th May, 1959, commencing at 8 p.m.

THE DEPOT "AT HOME"

We were very glad to be able to take part in the most impressive Regimental Depot "At Home."

Meritorious Certificates were presented by the Earl of Munster, the Lord-Lieutenant of Surrey, to: W.O.II F. H. Pullan, M.B.E., W.O.II H. J. Guest, W.O.II J. R. Homersham, C./Sgt. J. T. Playford, Sgt. G. W. Haybittle, Sgt. W. C. Newman, Sgt. T. MacCready, Sgt. T. W. R. Quinnett, Sgt. W. H. Burnham and Pte. J. Carter.

In the Support Weapons Race we established an easy lead over 23rd London Regiment, only to be beaten when the M.M.G. refused to fire six rounds of blank. It was some consolation, however, that the competition was won by our sister battalion, the 6th Queen's. Next year we will make certain and use live rounds.

OFFICERS' MESS

The Annual Christmas Party was held as a dinner-dance at Wanborough Manor Country Club, where a very enjoyable evening resulted.

During March a Dinner Night was held at which we were very pleased to welcome as principal guest Colonel T. A. Roberts, M.B.E., T.D., D.L., Chairman of the Surrey T. and A.F. Association. Other guests present included Colonel F. A. Ironside, O.B.E., Major J. R. More-Molyneux, Lieut.-Colonel P. W. Buchan, O.B.E., and Major R. S. N. Mans, M.B.E.

At camp we were very privileged to entertain at the luncheon party the Colonel of the Regiment, Major-General J. Y. Whitfield, C.B., D.S.O., O.B.E.; the Lord-Lieutenant of Surrey, the Right Honourable the Earl of Munster, P.C., K.B.E.; Colonel T. A. Roberts, M.B.E., T.D.; Lieut.-Colonel J. B. H. Kealy, D.S.O.; and Lieut.-Colonel D. S. Over, M.B.E., T.D.

At our Dinner Night during the second week of camp we enjoyed the company of General W. F. R. Turner, D.S.O., and Brigadier A. D. Miller, D.S.O. (our Divisional and Brigade Commanders) as principal guests. The fact that the Band of the 1st Battalion The East Surrey Regiment was available to play for us did a lot to make a very successful evening. In spite of the fact that most of the officers had just returned from an all-night Brigade exercise, they managed to give a very good account of themselves to all our distinguished guests.

General Sir Lashner Whistler managed to find time from his visit to the 4th/5th Bn. The Royal Sussex Regiment (T.A.), of which he is Honorary Colonel, to pay us a very brief but most entertaining visit for coffee one morning.

We are indebted to Colonel the Right Honourable Sir Reginald Dorman-Smith, G.B.E., Major H. B. Watson, T.D., Major J. F. L. Clarke, M.B.E., T.D., and Capt. A. W. Clark for very kindly presenting their swords to the Officers' Mess. These will long be cherished as decorations in the Mess and used by the Battalion on ceremonial occasions.

SERGEANTS' MESS

We started the year with a first-class "Dining-in" night in our own Mess at Guildford, where we entertained our ladies and were delighted to welcome as our guests Lieut.-Colonel and Mrs. H. M. W. Harris and Major M. A. Lowry, M.C.

At camp the Mess again was a very happy one, functioning at full strength.

Our members have given a really first-class account of themselves at competition shooting this year. The following are regular members of the shooting team: W.O.II H. J. Guest, Sgt. J. G. Shuff, Sgt. W. Brunham, Sgt. T. MacCready, Sgt. W. Gardiner.

The Sergeants' Ball provided us with another fine evening of entertainment. We were most honoured to have General and Mrs. J. Y. Whitfield as our guests, also the Commanding Officer and Officers of the Battalion and their ladies.

Our hearty congratulations go to C./Sgt. (now W.O.II) A. S. Fillery, Sgt. (now C./Sgt.) H. W. Edginton and Cpl. (now Sgt.) D. W. Gaines on their promotions.

SHOOTING, 1958

This year the Battalion shooting team has again met with success. Competing in the 44th (H.C.) Infantry Division Meeting in April, the outstanding successes were:

Champion Territorial Army Battalion Team.

Winners, Territorial Army Champion Falling Plate.

Winners, Regular-Territorial Army Falling Plate.

Individual Champion, Major R. C. H. Saunders.

Individual Champion runner-up, W.O.II H. J. Guest, with Sgt. W. Burnham filling third place.

L./Cpl. M. J. Smith was winner of his class, and special mention should be made of his "possible" at 500 yards.

SURREY SERVICES MEETING

We were winners of the Willoughby Cup by defeating the 1st Battalion team. Team was as follows: Sgt. W. Burnham, Sgt. T. MacCready, Sgt. J. G. Shuff and Sgt. W. Burnham. Runners-up in the Belhaven Cup (to the 1st Battalion), in each case with eleven teams competing.

Major R. C. H. Saunders, Sgt. W. Burnham and W.O.II H. J. Guest were all placed in the first seven out of sixty-seven entries at this meeting, and the team won eight prize awards in individual competitions.

N.R.A. MEETING, BISLEY

The outstanding shoot of the meeting was by L./Cpl. Smith, who came second in his class and was selected as a member of the Territorial Army team firing for the Hong Kong Trophy, which they eventually won.

In addition cash prizes were won by members in the following competitions:

The Queen Mary: L./Cpl. M. J. Smith.

Wantage: L./Cpl. M. J. Smith.

Imperial Tobacco: Sgt. W. Burnham.

The Stephens: Sgt. W. Burnham, L./Cpl. M. J. Smith.

Secretary of State for War: W.O.II H. J. Guest.

Rapid Sweepstake at 200/500 yards: Sgt. W. Burnham.

Reserve Prize for Tyros: Sgt. T. MacCready.

Services Rifle Championships: L./Cpl. M. J. Smith.

T.A.R.A. Grand Aggregate: L./Cpl. M. J. Smith.

Class Prize other than X Class: Sgt. W. Burnham and L./Cpl. M. J. Smith.

T.A.R.A. DECENTRALIZED COMPETITION, 1958

This has just been fired and the results will be known later in the year, but again the teams have shot really well and a big improvement was obtained in the L.M.G. Competition.

Finally, on Saturday and Sunday, 13th and 14th September, 1958, selected members of the Battalion's team fired in the Kolar Cup as representatives of the 44th (H.C.) Infantry Division team. Six members of this Battalion gained places in the team of sixteen.

The following are the regular members of the Battalion team: Major R. C. H. Saunders, W.O.II H. J. Guest, W.O.II H. V. Sharman, Sgt. J. G. Shuff, Sgt. W. Burnham, Sgt. D. W. Gaines, Sgt. T. MacCready, Sgt. W. Gardiner, Cpl. J. Hilderley, L./Cpl. M. J. Smith and L./Cpl. S. J. Browning.

6th BATTALION

THIS has been a very full year and has seen the celebrations in connection with the Territorial Army Golden Jubilee. We have also had a change in Commanding Officers. Lieut.-Colonel M. T. N. Jennings relinquished command in February on posting as Deputy Commandant, Royal Hong Kong Defence Force. Lieut.-Colonel C. H. Nice, T.D., succeeded him. We wish Colonel and Mrs. Jennings every happiness in their new station.

We have had a full training programme, including Brigade and Battalion exercises, cloth model discussions, and several visiting lecturers.

Annual Camp was held at Dibgate, near Folkestone. Although the weather was somewhat indifferent we had a very enjoyable and profitable time.

Recruiting, though still slow, is improving. At the time of going to press, our numbers show an increase over last year's figures. We are planning to hold a Battalion Dance and an "At Home" later in the year.

In the sporting and shooting world we have been well represented and have had several successes, particularly in the Small Bore League, where our "A" and "C" teams have been promoted to a higher division.

CEREMONIAL

The high-light has, of course, been the Golden Jubilee Celebrations. Representatives of the Battalion were present at Thanksgiving Services held at Westminster Abbey and Westminster Cathedral on 21st June. On 22nd June the Battalion contingent of thirty officers and thirteen other ranks paraded at Hyde Park for the Review by Her Majesty The Queen. As is only too well known, the march past took place in torrential rain. The Battalion, however, was lucky and managed to remain fairly dry.

The County of London Territorial and Auxiliary Forces Association organized a Pageant depicting the work of the T.A. during the last fifty years. The Battalion provided a contingent, under Lieut. M. C. Greenleaf, and twenty other ranks who represented the T.A. in Burma 1941-1945. It seemed a far cry from Bermondsey to Jungle Green.

The Remembrance Sunday parade and march past again was held at Bermondsey and Croydon. After the parade an All Ranks' Reunion was held at Bermondsey. We were particularly pleased to see so many Old Comrades again.

TRAINING

This year training has been for modern warfare, with the accent on the atomic threat. Brigade and Battalion exercises were held at Chelsea and Bermondsey respectively early in the year. At camp we put into practice some of the lessons we had learned.

We have also continued training in first aid, and won the Brigade Competition. Unfortunately, we were beaten in the Divisional finals.

In February we were fortunate to have a troop of The Life Guards with us at Bermondsey for a week-end. We learnt quite a lot about the way in which an armoured regiment operates, and we trust the polish which our boots removed from the immaculate vehicles has been replaced.

SHOOTING

Once again three teams competed in the T.A. Small Bore League. Results, which were very satisfactory, were: "A" Team, 2nd with 5,638 points; "B" Team, 7th with 4,566 points; "C" Team, 2nd with 4,897 points.

A very successful Rifle Meeting was held at Bisley on 12th/13th April. Once again we were accommodated by the London and Middlesex Rifle Association, and the Regimental Depot very kindly supplied butt markers.

At the time of going to press we still await the results of the Battalion Competition, there being one match remaining to be fired in the L.M.G. Competition.

Lieut. P. J. Dorey represented the Battalion at the Bisley Meeting this year and produced some very fine results: 8th place in the Queen's Medal and T.A. Championship, 23rd place in The Queen Mary, 14th place in the Stephens, 9th place in the Wantage Match "G," 17th place in the T.A.R.A. Grand Aggregate (Match "K"), 13th place in the Service Rifle Championships, 9th place in the Regular and Territorial Armies Cup.

At the Divisional Rifle Meeting we did not achieve many wins, but were only beaten by our old rivals—5th Queen's—in an exciting semi-final of the Falling Plate Competition. In fact, as one veteran was heard to remark, "Gad, sir, a quarter of a plate."

ANNUAL CAMP

Annual Camp this year took place at Dibgate, near Folkestone. The main exercise was a Brigade three-day event which took us from Canterbury to Folkestone. Many of our drivers will have cause to remember the narrow, winding Kentish lanes.

We were extremely glad to welcome the Colonel of the Regiment, who visited us for three days and was present at the Officers' Mess Guest Night. We were also pleased to have with us our Honorary Colonel, Colonel J. G. Bevington. He will long be remembered as a worthy member of the officers' crew who defeated the sergeants in a spirited boat race on the Hythe Grand Military Canal.

SPORT

Once again we entered the London Scottish T.A. Seven-a-side Competition, but unfortunately were knocked out in the early rounds. As last year, we again won the Divisional title in the Divisional Cross-country Championships, held at Richmond Park on 16th February. With three officers, Capt. J. B. Blumson, Lieut. C. J. Guerrier and Lieut. J. B. Gritton, and three other ranks, Sgt. Blackeby, Cpl. Hine and Cpl. Cleverley, we were well represented. Cpl. Hine was first, Cpl. Cleverley was second and Sgt. Blackeby was sixth.

At football the Battalion team (C./Sgt. L. Smith (captain), Lieut. J. G. A. Varley, W.O.II W. Edwards, S.S.I. W. Griffiths, C./Sgt. M. Nason, Sgt. C. Squirrell, Sgt. M. Goodenough, Cpl. L. Ware, Cpl. W. Cutler, L./Cpl. F. Collingwood and Pte. T. Campbell) defeated 44th (H.C.) Infantry Division Signals Regiment by 7 goals to 2.

In athletics we entered for the T.A. Athletic Championships at Aldershot, held on 14th June. Lieut. J. B. Gritton, third in throwing the javelin, and Cpl. Hine, third in the one mile, were outstanding performers.

SERGEANTS' MESS

The past year has been both interesting and enjoyable, the Mess having played a full part both in training and sporting activities. Social life, too, although quiet, has not been neglected.

We were very pleased indeed to have the opportunity of entertaining members of the Ghent Resistance Movement during their visit to this country, the occasion being further honoured by the presence of the Mayor and Mayoress of Bermondsey and leading members of the Council. An embossed shield of the Movement's badge presented by the senior member of the Movement now rests in our Mess and is among our most treasured possessions.

At camp, the Mess was at full strength and was honoured by a visit from the Colonel of the Regiment, Major-General J. Y. Whitfield, C.B., D.S.O., O.B.E., and our Honorary Colonel, Colonel J. G. Bevington. We were also very pleased to entertain the Commanding Officer and officers of the Battalion.

The year 1958 began for us on a sad note when we had to bid farewell to our Commanding Officer, Lieut.-Colonel M. T. N. Jennings, and our Adjutant, Capt. H. C. Millman; this we did in traditional manner. During the year we have said farewell to W.O.II V. Vance-Cotsford, W.O.II C. Wells, Sgt. J. Evans and Sgt. J. Stiles (all P.S.I.s.).

Finally, we would like to welcome to the Mess W.O.II D. Hosken, W.O.II V. Aukett, Sgt. W. Geeves, Sgt., P. Hawes (all P.S.I.s.), and Sgt. H. Drayton, Sgt. C. D. Roberts and Sgt. M. Goodenough.

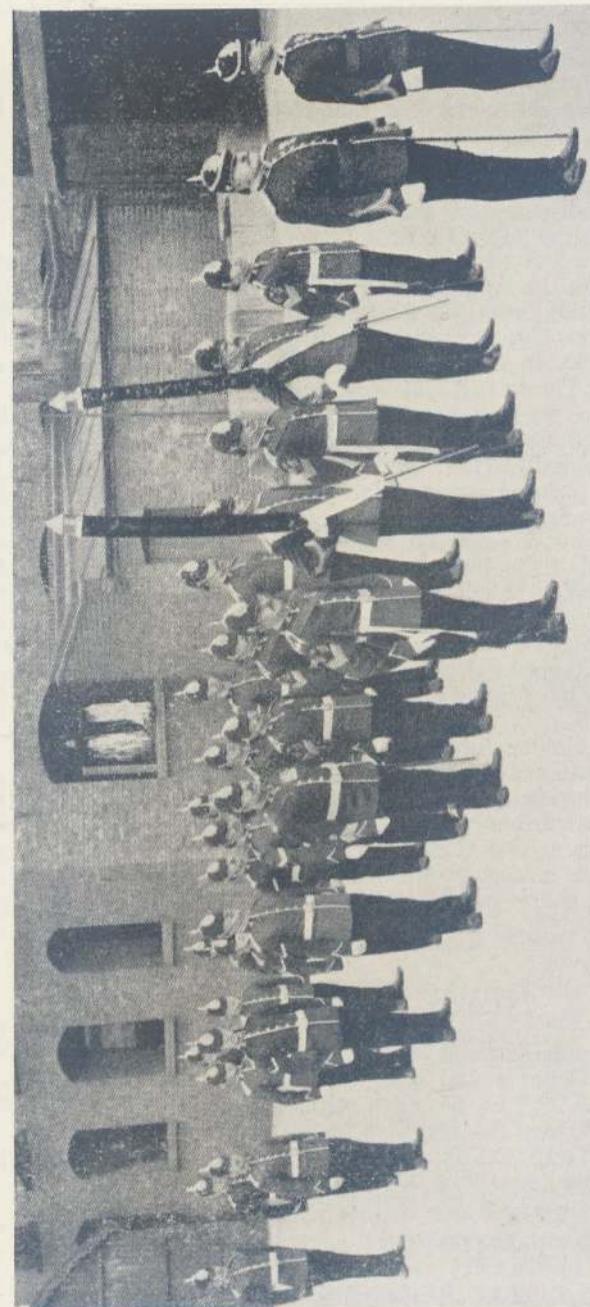
THE QUEEN'S BATTERIES, 570 L.A.A. REGIMENT R.A. (T.A.)

THIS year, 1958, will be known, of course, as the Golden Jubilee Year. In our own small way we celebrated this event when we held, on Saturday, 12th April, a Territorial Reunion Rally at Braganza Street. We planned this to be early in the year because we wished to have it as near as possible to the day on which the Territorial Force was actually formed—1st April, 1908. To the drill hall, which has not been so delightfully decorated for many years, came many serving members and Old Comrades. There was a short ceremony during which the Right Honourable George A. Isaacs, D.L., J.P., M.P., introduced by Major P. H. Dunstone, spoke of the Volunteers and the Territorials. Mr. Isaacs was thanked by Brigadier R. H. Senior, D.S.O., T.D., President of the O.C.A.

The platform, surrounded by a fine display of flowers from the Borough of Southwark, had as a background our Silver and the Colours, which, spotlighted, made a fine picture.

The short ceremony was followed by a social evening.

The unit was represented at the two official Jubilee events in London. Major P. H. Dunstone and Bdr. J. I. Levy attended the service in Westminster Abbey,



24th Battalion The London Regiment—Later 7th Battalion The Queen's Royal Regiment—now the Queen's Batteries, 570 L.A.A. Regiment, R.A. (T.A.). The Colours and the Colour Party, 1909

Photographed at New (now Braganza) Street after its return from Windsor Castle where on 19th June, 1909, King Edward VII had presented Colours to the Battalion. Those present include the following, who are named by ranks from the right, and in each rank from left to right:

1st Rank—Lieut.-Colonel Lord Rodney (C.O.), Major G. A. Buxton-Cart, 2nd Lieut. J. T. Harley, C./Sgt. A. Turt, H. L. F. B. Nadaud and C./Sgt. P. Clark.

2nd Rank—C./Sgt. W. J. B. Nye, 2nd Lieut. J. I. Levy, C./Sgt. E. A. Hodges, C./Sgt. A. Edwards and C./Sgt. M. C. M. Barrett.

whilst at the parade in Hyde Park we had six members present—B.S.M. G. L. Paisley, B.Q.M.S. J. W. Humphreys, Sgt. D. Oliver, Sgt. S. A. Reeves, Sgt. H. W. Richardson and Sgt. A. V. Hughes.

Annual Camp this year, again, but for the last time we are told, at Weybourne in Norfolk, was a much better one than that of 1957. One of the purposes of practice camps is that we shall fire the guns with which we are armed; this we did, and to good purpose, early and continuously at this camp. There was also a three-day scheme when we all got rather wet. We were visited by the G.O.C., Eastern Command, and we met for the first time our new Brigade Commander, Brigadier J. M. Hepper, D.S.O., O.B.E.

The Giblin Cup for the best shot in "R" (Queen's) Battery was won by B.S.M. G. A. Crick on the Annual Range Course, and L./Bdr. E. Stanhope, of "S" (Queen's) Battery, won the Andrew Cup. It is, we feel, a satisfying thought that the Andrew Cup has been competed for almost continuously (wars intervening) since 1902. In that year it was presented to the unit, then the 4th Volunteer Bn. the Queen's (Royal West Surrey) Regiment, by Capt. C. W. Andrew. He had joined the Battalion in 1860, on its formation, and had helped to raise and equip "B" Company. Furthermore, by direction in his will, five pounds is still given annually to the winner of his cup.

Certainly the most pleasing aspect of this year has been the advent of volunteers to our ranks. To Sgt. J. F. T. Bowyer, our best recruiter, goes our praise on introducing the most recruits. We hope that others will equal his results. During the year Capt. J. N. Beevers has also rejoined us from "P" (F.S.R.) Battery, and we welcome 2/Lieut. D. A. Wright on commissioning.

Our Museum at Braganza Street has been visited by many this Jubilee year. We think it is appreciated by former members that there is now a suitable resting place for objects of Regimental interest which they do not wish to keep any longer. To those who have made donations in money or exhibits we are very grateful.

This year saw the Golden Jubilee of the Territorials; next year, 1959, sees two more notable milestones. Firstly, the Centenary of the Volunteer Movement in General (brought into being by the War Office Circular of 12th May, 1859); and secondly, the fortieth anniversary of our own O.C.A.—the 24th London Regiment (The Queen's) Old Comrades Association. To the many original members of the O.C.A. it must be a pleasant thought that the Association still flourishes vigorously, doing good work, and maintaining the links forged so many years ago.

NEWS IN BRIEF

Brigadier G. R. Prendergast and Mr. W. D. Chennery (late No. 6078463), 1st Battalion, visited the Depot on 2nd September, 1958.

Colonel D. G. Loch, O.B.E., has been selected for appointment as Colonel G.S., R.A.F. Staff College.

Brigadier T. Hart Dyke, D.S.O., has retired and is now in Kenya, with the intention of settling there.

REGIMENTAL CRICKET

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

Played at Whale Island on 30th and 31st May, 1958. Result: H.M.S. Excellent won by 6 wickets.

THE QUEEN'S ROYAL REGIMENT

1st Innings		2nd Innings	
Major R. S. N. Mans, b Tordoff	4	Major M. A. Lowry, b Bagguley	3
Cpl. N. A. Holland, c Hill b Mawer	22	Major R. S. N. Mans, lbw Tordoff	0
2/Lieut. J. West, b Tordoff	0	Cpl. N. A. Holland, run out	26
Lieut. G. Sharpe, c Howell-Davies b Tordoff	8	Lieut. G. Sharpe, c Varley b Bagguley	1
Major M. A. Lowry, b Tordoff	2	Capt. M. Doyle, b Aldous	7
Capt. J. N. Napier-Ford, c Hammond b Mawer	2	2/Lieut. S. T. W. Anderson, c and b Varley	27
Capt. M. Doyle, c Aldous b Bagguley	13	Lieut.-Colonel F. A. H. Ling, b Aldous	3
2/Lieut. S. T. W. Anderson, b Bagguley	1	2/Lieut. J. West, c Stuart b Hill	16
Lieut.-Colonel F. A. H. Ling, b Mawer	4	Capt. J. N. Napier-Ford, c Hill b Stuart	9
J. G. A. Varley, c Stuart b Mawer	2	J. G. A. Varley, b Begg	2
L./Cpl. J. Sears, not out	15	L./Cpl. J. Sears, not out	13
Extras	4	Extras	10
Total	77	Total	117

Bowling.—1st Innings: Tordoff, 4 for 18; Mawer, 4 for 23; Bagguley, 2 for 33. 2nd Innings: Tordoff, 1 for 6; Bagguley, 2 for 5; Mawer, 0 for 5; Aldous, 2 for 32; Begg, 1 for 28; Varley, 1 for 8; Hill, 1 for 6; Stuart, 1 for 17.

H.M.S. EXCELLENT

1st Innings		2nd Innings	
Comd. P. M. E. Varley, c Anderson b Napier-Ford	29	Capt. A. R. Aldous, b Sears	0
Sub-Lieut. B. S. Mawer, b Napier-Ford	7	Comd. M. D. Howell-Davies, lbw Sears	7
Lieut.-Comd. P. L. M. Hill, b Napier-Ford	0	Lieut.-Comd. P. L. M. Hill, lbw Sears	0
Lieut.-Comd. R. O. Tordoff, c Mans b Varley	15	Lieut.-Comd. S. A. Stuart, c Lowry b Napier-Ford	10
Comd. R. J. Hammond, c Holland b Napier-Ford	35	Lieut. C. M. Bagguley, not out	18
Lieut.-Comd. S. A. Stuart, b Holland Rear-Admiral V. C. Begg, c Varley b Sears	1	A.B. D. L. Drake, not out	12
A.B. D. L. Drake, b Napier-Ford	26	Total	47
Comd. M. D. Howell-Davies, b Napier-Ford	20		
Capt. A. R. Aldous, Doyle b Sears	7		
Lieut. C. M. Bagguley, not out	2		
Extras	7		
Total	149		

Bowling.—1st Innings: Napier-Ford, 6 for 33; Varley, 1 for 52; Sears, 2 for 27; Holland, 1 for 41. 2nd Innings: Napier-Ford, 1 for 33; Sears, 3 for 14.

Other matches were:

14th June, v. The Blues, played at Stoughton, lost by 48 runs. The Queen's Royal Regiment, 114. The Blues, 162.

26th June, v. The East Surrey Regiment, at Kingston, lost by 131 runs. The Queen's Royal Regiment, 43. The East Surrey Regiment, 174 for 7.

29th June, v. The Grasshoppers, at Stoughton, drawn. The Queen's Royal Regiment, 183. The Grasshoppers, 175 for 9.

10th July, v. Brooke Hall (Charterhouse Masters), at Stoughton, won by 6 wickets. The Queen's Royal Regiment, 114 for 4. Brooke Hall (Charterhouse), 112 for 6.

THE MEDJEZ-EL-BAB MEMORIAL

COLONEL H. B. L. SMITH, M.C., the East Surrey Regiment, represented the Queen's Royal Regiment and the East Surrey Regiment at the unveiling ceremony of the Medjez-el-Bab Memorial on 16th November, 1957.

Unfortunately, owing to appalling weather conditions, the ceremony could not take place as originally planned. The wreaths subscribed for by the Queen's and the Surreys were laid, subsequently, by a member of the Imperial War Graves Commission.

The Memorial, which has been designed by Sir Hubert Worthington, O.B.E., R.A., F.R.I.B.A., and built by the Imperial War Graves Commission, stands in the Medjez-el-Bab War Cemetery. The War Cemetery, three miles outside the town of the same name, is about forty miles to the south-west of Tunis and is set in a beautiful countryside with hills on two sides.

Two square stone pavilions flank the entrance gateway to the Cemetery and the Stone of Remembrance; beyond, on a raised terrace at the rear of the Cemetery, stand two pergolas at each end of a long wall with the Cross of Sacrifice between. On the piers and walls of these pergolas are inscribed the names of the 1,959 missing soldiers whom the Memorial commemorates, together with these words:

THIS MEMORIAL BEARS THE NAMES OF THE SOLDIERS
OF THE BRITISH COMMONWEALTH AND EMPIRE
WHO GAVE THEIR LIVES WHILE SERVING IN THE FIRST
AND EIGHTH ARMIES IN ALGERIA AND TUNISIA
AND HAVE NO KNOWN GRAVE

1939 1945

On the wall facing the Cross of Sacrifice is carved:

ON THIS FAMOUS BATTLEGROUND OF THE ANCIENT
WORLD TWO ARMIES CONVERGED FROM THE WEST AND
THE EAST IN THE YEAR 1943 TO SET FREE NORTH AFRICA
AND MAKE OPEN THE WAY FOR THE ASSAULT UPON
SOUTHERN EUROPE

THE MEDJEZ-EL-BAB MEMORIAL

No.	Rank	Name	Regiment
156106	Major	R. C. Pearce	2nd Bn. The Queen's Royal Regiment
6087135	Sgt.	R. Fromm	1/7th Bn. The Queen's Royal Regiment
6088292	L./Sgt.	R. E. Butler	1/7th Bn. The Queen's Royal Regiment
14208468	L./Cpl.	W. Delicate	2/5th Bn. The Queen's Royal Regiment
5444275	L./Cpl.	I. H. Hadland	1/6th Bn. The Queen's Royal Regiment
5888261	Pte.	F. A. Barton	1/7th Bn. The Queen's Royal Regiment
5831403	Pte.	E. Brinkley	2/5th Bn. The Queen's Royal Regiment
6104181	Pte.	J. Clines	1/7th Bn. The Queen's Royal Regiment
14388800	Pte.	G. Cowern	2/5th Bn. The Queen's Royal Regiment
14200448	Pte.	A. Fountain	2/6th Bn. The Queen's Royal Regiment
5958803	Pte.	T. J. Haley	1/5th Bn. The Queen's Royal Regiment
5338501	Pte.	G. Ham	2/6th Bn. The Queen's Royal Regiment
5509841	Pte.	D. Hughes	1/5th Bn. The Queen's Royal Regiment
6398584	Pte.	C. D. Masters	1/5th Bn. The Queen's Royal Regiment
6097056	Pte.	W. Rose	1/7th Bn. The Queen's Royal Regiment
6087098	Pte.	J. J. Sanders	1/5th Bn. The Queen's Royal Regiment
5119706	Pte.	F. R. Webb	1/5th Bn. The Queen's Royal Regiment

THE MEDJEZ-EL-BAB WAR CEMETERY, TUNISIA

No.	Rank	Name	Regiment
6103973	Pte.	H. D. Freestone	The Queen's Royal Regiment (16 Commando)
6084328	Sgt.	C. T. Eyles	1/5th Bn. The Queen's Royal Regiment
240259	Capt.	F. G. Coles (M.C.)	The Queen's Royal Regiment
6090091	W.O.II	F. P. D. Straney (C.S.M.)	2/7th Bn. The Queen's Royal Regiment
6012237	Sgt.	D. Crozier	1/7th Bn. The Queen's Royal Regiment
5729963	Pte.	C. F. Griffiths	1/7th Bn. The Queen's Royal Regiment
		Unknown Soldier	The Queen's Royal Regiment

LONDON GAZETTE

EXTRACTS FROM 20TH SEPTEMBER, 1957, TO 30TH SEPTEMBER, 1958

REGULAR ARMY

Stuart Trevor Willcocks Anderson, from R.M.A. Sandhurst, to be Second-Lieutenant, 20th April, 1957.
Peregrine de Symons Barrow, from R.M.A. Sandhurst, to be Second-Lieutenant, 2nd August, 1957.
Lieut.-Colonel M. T. N. Jennings, from Employed List, to be Lieutenant-Colonel, 20th April, 1957, retaining his present seniority.
Lieut.-Colonel (Temp. Brigadier) D. G. Loch, O.B.E., to be Colonel, 16th February, 1957.
2/Lieut. B. D. S. Burton to be Lieutenant, 16th December, 1957.
Lieut.-Colonel (Temporary Colonel) G. H. W. Goode, D.S.O., O.B.E., to be Colonel, 1st March, 1957, with seniority 28th May, 1956.
Colonel (Temp. Brigadier) P. H. Richardson, D.S.O., O.B.E., to be Brigadier, 23rd January, 1958.
Major and Brevet Lieut.-Colonel M. Forrester, D.S.O., M.C., to be Lieutenant-Colonel on the Employed List, 25th November, 1957.
Lieut. M. E. Girling to be Captain, 8th February, 1958.
Lieut. P. M. Stamper to be Captain, 8th February, 1958.
Lieut.-Colonel P. R. Terry retires on retired pay, 31st March, 1958.
Major N. A. H. Marsden retires on retired pay, 12th May, 1958.
Major A. C. Lynch-Staunton retires on retired pay, 21st June, 1958.
Major C. F. Cole retires on retired pay, 14th July, 1958.
Major J. R. Terry retires on retired pay, 29th July, 1958, and is granted the honorary rank of Lieutenant-Colonel.
2/Lieut. T. L. Trotman to be Lieutenant, 27th July, 1958.
Major (Staff Qr.-Mr.) S. W. J. Sharp, M.B.E., to be Lieutenant-Colonel (Staff Qr.-Mr.), 17th June, 1958.
Colonel (Temp. Brigadier) J. Sykes-Wright, D.S.O., O.B.E., to be Brigadier, 23rd January, 1958.
Major M. E. G. Macwilliam, D.S.O., M.C., T.D., to be Lieutenant-Colonel on the Employed List, 5th July, 1958.
Brigadier J. F. Metcalfe, C.B.E., appointed Director of Personnel Administration, the War Office, and is granted the temporary rank of Major-General, 1st September, 1958.
Lieut. T. D. G. Mulady to be Captain, 1st August, 1958.
Peter Frederick Ross, from R.M.A. Sandhurst, to be Second-Lieutenant, 2nd August, 1958.

SHORT SERVICE COMMISSIONS

Major (Qr.-Mr.) H. W. Johnson relinquishes his commission on completion of service, 1st November, 1957.
Major G. Fitzsimmons relinquishes his commission on completion of service, 1st December, 1957, and is granted the honorary rank of Major.
Lieut. (Qr.-Mr.) R. J. Hall to be Captain (Qr.-Mr.), 9th June, 1958.
2/Lieut. J. M. B. Westing, from National Service List, to be Second-Lieutenant, 22nd February, 1958, with seniority 25th January, 1958, for service with the Ghana Military Forces.

TERRITORIAL ARMY

Lieut. A. C. Hanlow relinquishes his commission, 28th August, 1957, on enrolment in the Canadian Army (Regular).

Capt. C. W. N. Boulwood (Reserve of Officers) (General List) to be Lieutenant, 14th August, 1957, with seniority 18th January, 1947.

Major P. J. Rodwell is seconded for service on the Staff, 1st November, 1957.

2/Lieut. W. F. Southern, from Regular Army National Service List, to be Second-Lieutenant, 30th September, 1957, with seniority 26th May, 1956.

2/Lieut. D. H. Beevers, from Regular Army National Service List, to be Second-Lieutenant, 15th September, 1957, with seniority 26th May, 1956.

Lieut. (Actg. Capt.) M. C. A. Mott to be Captain, 8th December, 1957, with seniority 8th December, 1954.

Lieut. C. W. N. Boulwood to be Captain, 1st September, 1957.

2/Lieut. D. H. Beevers to be Lieutenant, 19th January, 1958.

2/Lieut. W. F. Southern to be Lieutenant, 19th January, 1958.

Major D. B. Pullen, from Glosters (Unattached List), to be Major, 10th January, 1958, with seniority 6th May, 1952.

Major C. H. Nice, T.D., to be Lieutenant-Colonel, 1st February, 1958.

Capt. (Actg. Major) R. C. H. Saunders to be Major, 8th April, 1958, with seniority 1st May, 1953.

Lieut. F. B. Herd from A.E. Reserves of Officers, S. Lancs Regiment, to be Lieutenant, 11th March, 1958, with seniority 12th April, 1957.

2/Lieut. P. H. Kent, from A.E. Reserve of Officers, to be Second-Lieutenant, 12th February, 1958, with seniority 21st July, 1956.

2/Lieut. P. H. Kent to be Lieutenant, 9th March, 1958.

2/Lieut. G. R. W. Wetton to be Lieutenant, 17th April, 1958.

Lieut. D. J. L. Hughes, from T.A. Reserve of Officers, to be Lieutenant, 25th February, 1958, with seniority 1st September, 1955.

Lieut. (Actg. Capt.) W. D. J. Roscoe to be Captain, 2nd June, 1958, with seniority 20th September, 1955.

Lieut. (Actg. Capt.) R. A. Russell to be Captain, 6th July, 1958, with seniority 1st July, 1957.

Lieut. J. F. Storey granted the acting rank of Captain, 1st May, 1958.

Capt. R. K. Asper granted the acting rank of Major, 1st June, 1958.

TERRITORIAL EFFICIENCY DECORATION

Lieut. (Hon. Major) M. B. Potter.

1st and 2nd Clasps

Major (Honorary Lieut.-Colonel) H. L. Adams, T.D. (now T.A.R.O.).

HONOURS AND AWARDS

Birthday Honours List

M.B.E.

Major C. F. Cole.
For Services in Malaya

MENTIONED IN DESPATCHES

Major A. S. Blackman (Seconded to Royal Malay Regiment).

NATIONAL SERVICE

The following National Service Officers have joined during the above period:
T. A. Pryke, M. J. Power, D. N. Stevenson, C. S. Crang, J. M. B. Westing, P. T. S. Cox, A. J. M. Robertson, C. L. Day, J. W. Greenwood, J. H. Renshaw, J. B. Bowden, J. N. C. Swan, D. P. Robinson.

MEMORIAL PLAQUE UNVEILED IN SINGAPORE

STORY BY CPL. D. B. WATSON, P.R. SINGAPORE

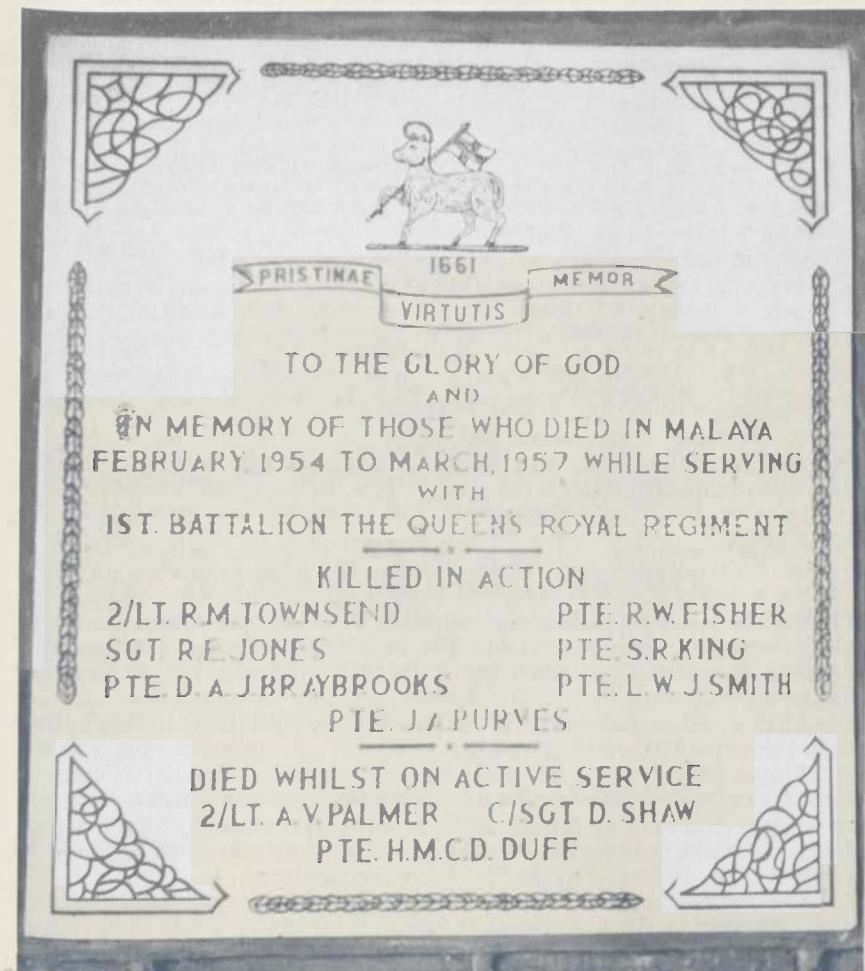
AT a brief but impressive ceremony at St. Barbara's Garrison Church, G.H.Q., Singapore, a memorial plaque to officers and men of the 1st Bn. The Queen's Royal Regiment who died in operations against Communist terrorists in Malaya between February, 1954, and March, 1957, was unveiled

by Lieut.-Colonel S. P. M. Kent, Commanding Officer, 1st Bn. 2nd Goorkha Rifles—a former senior officer of the Brigade with whom the Regiment served.

The small white plaque situated in the church porch bears the names of ten officers and men who lost their lives while serving with the Regiment in Malaya.

Seven of them—2/Lieut. R. M. Townsend, Sgt. R. E. Jones, Ptes. D. A. Braybrooke, R. W. Fisher, S. R. King, L. W. J. Smith and J. A. Purvis—were killed in action, while the remaining three—2/Lieut. A. V. Palmer, C./Sgt. D. Shaw and Pte. A. M. C. D. Duff—died whilst on active service.

The unveiling was followed by a short service of dedication, led by the Rev. G. F. Crobecker, M.A., C.F., the Camp Chaplain. Then four buglers of the 2nd Goorkha Rifles, resplendent in their smart green and white uniforms, sounded the "Last Post," reminding those present of the supreme sacrifice made by these officers and men of the Queen's Royal Regiment in the ten-year-old campaign against the terrorists.



OFFICERS' CLUB NOTES

THE Annual Reunion Party took place at Stoughton Barracks on 12th July. The Band of the 1st Battalion played selections during the afternoon, and after tea the Band and Drums beat "Retreat." The weather was perfect for the occasion. Major-General J. Y. Whitfield and Mrs. Whitfield received the guests, who, with members, their families and friends, numbered 133.

The Annual Dinner was held at the Army and Navy Club on 3rd October, 1958. The Colonel of the Regiment, Major-General J. Y. Whitfield, presided. Members dining:

Lieut.-Colonel P. Adams, T.D., Major A. C. Beach, T.D., Capt. J. N. Beavers, Major J. G. Bevington, T.D., Brigadier A. P. Block, C.B., C.B.E., D.S.O., Brigadier B. E. L. Burton, Major J. F. L. Clarke, M.B.E., T.D., A. LeQ. Clayton, Esq., Major D. R. G. Clement, Colonel J. B. Coates, C.B.E., M.C., D.L., Major C. F. Cole, M.B.E., Capt. P. G. Collyer, Major G. B. Curtis, M.C., Capt. C. P. Dear, M.C., Major K. McL. Douglas, Capt. M. J. Doyle, Colonel H. G. Duncombe, D.S.O., Major P. H. Dunstone, Major C. R. C. Elverson, Major L. V. Fane-Gladwin, Major R. C. G. Foster, M.C., Lieut.-Colonel D. L. A. Gibbs, D.S.O., Major L. B. Gibbs, General Sir George J. Giffard, G.C.B., D.S.O., Capt. J. R. Gill, M. C. Greenleaf, Esq., Lieut.-Colonel W. D. Griffiths, D.S.O., M.C., Lieut.-Colonel A. U. H. Hackett-Pain, M.B.E., Capt. C. A. Haggard, Brigadier R. C. Halse, C.B.E., Lieut.-Colonel H. M. W. Harris, Major W. S. Hooker, M.B.E., T.D., Major-General I. T. P. Hughes, C.B., C.B.E., D.S.O., M.C., D.L., Brigadier H. N. A. Hunter, D.S.O., Major F. J. Jebens, M.C., Lieut.-Colonel J. T. F. Johnson, Capt. R. B. Johnson, Capt. A. G. Jones, Lieut.-Colonel J. B. H. Kealy, D.S.O., Major G. B. Lane, Capt. G. S. Lee, Lieut.-Colonel F. A. H. Ling, D.S.O., Major M. A. Lowry, M.C., Major R. S. N. Mans, M.B.E., Major J. W. M. Mansel, T.D., Major-General J. F. Metcalfe, C.B.E., Capt. H. C. Millman, Brigadier-General F. C. More-Molyneux, Longbourne, C.M.G., D.S.O., Lieut.-Colonel C. H. Nice, T.D., Colonel R. F. C. Oxley, Boyle, D.S.O., M.C., Brigadier G. V. Palmer, C.B.E., T.D., Major J. C. B. Palmer, M.C., Lieut.-Colonel S. W. Peet, M.C., T.D., Brigadier R. E. Pickering, C.B.E., Brigadier F. J. C. Piggott, D.S.O., O.B.E., G. B. Redfern, Esq., Brigadier P. H. Richardson, D.S.O., O.B.E., Major A. N. S. Roberts, O.B.E., Capt. C. W. Roff, Major J. W. Sewell, G. C. Sharpe, Esq., Lieut.-Colonel L. S. Sheldon, Major D. C. Snowdon, T.D., Major M. R. H. Stopford, Major J. Struthers, Brigadier J. Sykes-Wright, D.S.O., O.B.E., F. P. T. Tallent, Esq., Capt. J. M. A. Tamplin, Brigadier H. G. Veasey, D.S.O., Major H. B. Watson, T.D., Lieut.-Colonel N. A. Willis, O.B.E., Major C. J. G. Woolley, T.D., Lieut.-Colonel A. F. F. Young, O.B.E., T.D., Major P. M. C. Zehntner.

The membership of the Club is 462.

Our social functions next year will be the last to be held before the amalgamation takes place. The dates arranged are: Reunion Garden Party—Stoughton Barracks, 18th July, 1959. Regimental Dinner—Army and Navy Club, 2nd October, 1959.

THE REGIMENTAL MUSEUM

SINCE the last publication, the following are the more interesting of the items which have been acquired: The Decorations, Orders, and Medals of the late Brigadier-General W. D. Wright, V.C., C.B., C.M.G., D.S.O. Presented by his widow.

The Military Cross and medals of the late R.S.M. W. E. Reid and his father's medals. Presented by the Reid Family.

An Officers' Ceremonial Tunic, 1914. Presented by Major Savage.

An Afghan Pipe, a relic of Ghuznee, 1839. Presented by the 1st Battalion. Presentation Sword of the late Major H. R. Hardy. Presented by Mrs. Hugman.

The Invitation Card and Menu Card of the Army Dinner attended by H.M. Queen Elizabeth. Presented by the Colonel of the Regiment.

Publication, "Field Exercises and Evolutions of the Army, 1824." Presented by Lieut.-Colonel D. L. Lloyd Owen, D.S.O., O.B.E., M.C.

German field telephone mouthpiece. Presented by Brigadier H. G. Veasey, D.S.O.

THE RANGOON MEMORIAL

ADDRESS GIVEN BY GENERAL SIR FRANCIS FESTING ON THE OCCASION OF THE CEREMONY OF UNVEILING OF THE RANGOON MEMORIAL ON 9TH FEBRUARY, 1958.

WE have come back to Rangoon today to remember the names of 27,000 of our kith and kin who fell during the campaign in Burma and Assam and whose resting place is known only to God. Each one of their names is on this Memorial in the centre of this garden, in which lie the earthly remains of 7,500 of their comrades.

We are honoured by the presence with us of the Honourable U Nu, Prime Minister of the Union of Burma, and deeply appreciate the words he has addressed to us. We remember with gratitude that the land of this Cemetery and Memorial, and for other War Cemeteries in Burma, is the freely offered gift of the people of Burma to the peoples of the Commonwealth acting through the War Graves Commission. We warmly welcome the presence on this parade with us of a Guard of Honour from the Burma Army.

This Memorial presents a picture of a simple truth—that of a multitude of men, of many races and widely differing faiths, who gave their lives in a common cause. Of that cause Field-Marshal Slim has written:

"A spiritual foundation, belief in a cause, there must be. We had this. We fought for the clean, the decent, the free things of life, for the right to live our lives in our own way, as others could live theirs, to worship God in what Faith we chose, to be free in body and mind, and for our children to be free. We fought only because the powers of evil had attacked these things. No matter what the religion or race of any man in the Fourteenth Army, he *must* feel this, feel that he had indeed a worthy cause, and that if he did not defend it life would not be worth living for him or his children."

"They died for all free men." It is these six words, carved in five languages in the centre of this Memorial, that I now have the honour and privilege to unveil.

TRANSLATION OF SPEECH BY THE HONOURABLE U NU, PRIME MINISTER OF THE UNION OF BURMA, ON THE OCCASION OF THE UNVEILING OF THE RANGOON MEMORIAL ON 9TH FEBRUARY, 1958.

I DEEM it a very great honour and privilege to be able to participate in this moving ceremony today. The 27,000 men whom this beautiful Memorial will commemorate made the noblest and greatest sacrifice that it is possible for man to make. They gave their lives in order that liberty and freedom should not be extinguished from this earth. They died that we who believe that liberty and freedom are essential to man's full development might live in liberty and freedom. And having made the supreme sacrifice, they were denied by the fortune of war the rites of burial or cremation customary to their faith. No sacrifice could be more complete. As I stand here, I am overcome with a feeling of deep humility arising from the realization that there is so little we can do to repay the debt we owe these heroic men. One thing we can do, however, is to honour them, and to keep their memory ever green and fragrant. This is nothing short of an obligation, and I am therefore delighted to be present here this morning to join in paying them our homage.

At the same time, let us on this occasion also remember and honour the comrades in death of these men, the additional 12,000 who also made the supreme sacrifice, but who were fortunate enough to have received the customary rites of burial or cremation, and who today lie in the Htaukkyan, Rangoon and

Thanbyuzayat War Cemeteries, or have their names recorded on the Cremation Memorial which also stands in this cemetery.

All these 39,000 men, most of whom came from humble homes in Australia, Canada, East Africa, India, Nepal, New Zealand, Pakistan, South Africa, Southern Rhodesia, the United Kingdom, West Africa and from our own country, have by their selfless sacrifice earned mankind's eternal gratitude. But for the people of the Union of Burma this ceremony has an even deeper significance. We can never forget that these men of different races and creeds died in defending our beloved country against aggressive Fascist imperialism, and in freeing us from Fascist tyranny. But for their sacrifices our sufferings would have been even greater and longer. Since no words can adequately express our feelings towards them I wish very simply and humbly, on behalf of the people and the Government of the Union of Burma, to say that we shall always remember with undiminished gratitude the gallant sacrifices made by these men on our account.

The Memorial which is about to be unveiled is a fitting monument to heroic sacrifice. We are proud and happy to have on our soil this monument to cherish and honour. But there is another older edifice with which these men will forever be associated—the edifice of liberty and freedom. Like all things of value, this edifice needs to be guarded constantly. These men have heroically done their part, and the continuing responsibility for the protection of this edifice now devolves on us. In honouring those who gave their all in its defence, it would be well that we reaffirm our determination to defend this edifice, even at the cost of our lives. Only by so doing will we ensure that the heroic sacrifices which we commemorate today have not been made in vain.

BATTLE HONOURS, 1939-45

Many questions have been received regarding the Battle Honours awarded to the Regiment for its services in the Second World War. The full list of Honours is published below. Those printed in bold type are those which have been selected to be borne on the Colours:

"Defence of Escaut," "Villers Bocage," "Mont Pincon," "Lower Maas," "Roer," "North-West Europe, 1940, 44-45," "Syria, 1941," "Sidi Barrani," "Tobruk, 1941," "Tobruk Sortie," "Deir el Munassib," "El Alamein," "Advance on Tripoli," "Medenine," "Tunis," "North Africa, 1940-43," "Salerno," "Monte Stella," "Scafati Bridge," "Volturno Crossing," "Monte Camino," "Garigliano Crossing," "Damiano," "Anzio," "Gothic Line," "Gemmano Ridge," "Senio Pocket," "Senio Floodbank," "Casa Fabbri Ridge," "Menate," "Filbo," "Argenta Gap," "Italy, 1943-45," "North Arakan," "Kohima," "Yenangyaung, 1945," "Sittang, 1945," "Chindits, 1944," "Burma, 1943-45."

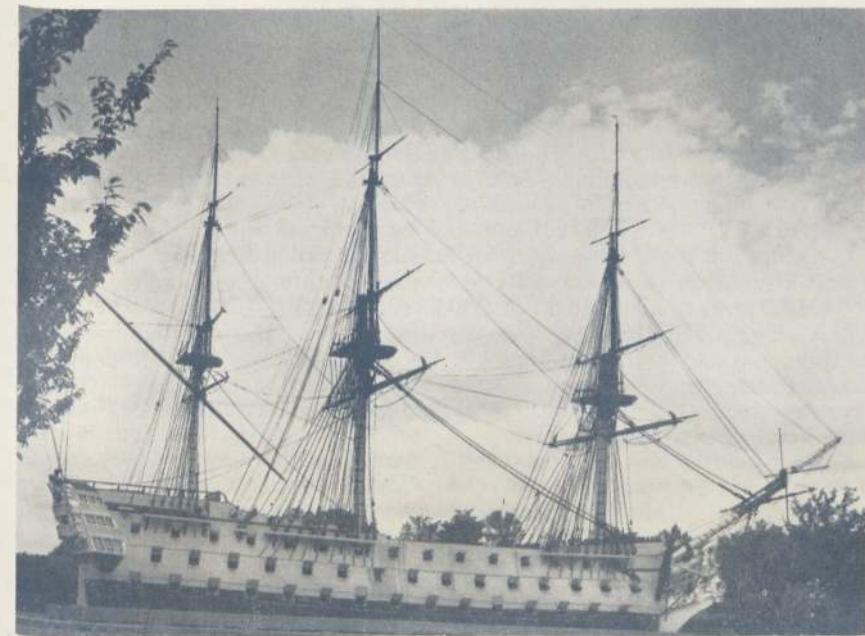
THE NEW "QUEEN CHARLOTTE"

ON 30th May, 1958, the Colonel of the Regiment and a representative party of officers and other ranks of the Regiment had the privilege of being present at Whale Island when Admiral of the Fleet Sir Arthur John Power, G.C.B., C.B.E., C.V.O., unveiled a new model of H.M.S. *Queen Charlotte*. This perfectly scaled replica of Admiral Lord Howe's flagship has replaced the old model which many former members of the Regiment will

recall from visits to H.M.S. *Excellent*. The new ship was constructed entirely by the craftsmen of H.M.S. *Excellent*, and her beautiful lines and accuracy of detail are a tribute to their skill.

The Admiral of the Fleet inspected Divisions before the unveiling and subsequently made a very moving speech to the assembled company, in which he emphasized the great debt that those living in Britain today owed to the likes of the officers and men who manned His Majesty's Ships on the Glorious First of June.

The ceremony ended with a march past by Divisions of the officers and ratings of H.M.S. *Excellent*. The Colonel of the Regiment and Capt. H. C.



Martell, C.B.E., R.N., Captain of H.M.S. *Excellent*, were with Admiral of the Fleet Sir Arthur Power at the Saluting Base.

The representative contingent from the Regiment accompanying Major-General and Mrs. Whitfield consisted of: Major R. S. N. Mans, M.B.E., Capt. A. G. Jones, R.S.M. T. Atkins, C.S.M. D. Fairbanks, C.Q.M.S. Piper, Sgt. Cager and Cpl. McLoughlin. Major F. Waspe, M.B.E., represented the O.C.A.

OBITUARY

LIEUTENANT-COLONEL D. E. BATHGATE

Douglas Evelyn Bathgate was born in 1898 and was educated at Clifton College and the R.M.C. Sandhurst. He was gazetted to the Regiment in May, 1917, and after a few months with the 3rd Battalion he joined the 2nd Battalion in Italy, being invalided home in 1918. He rejoined the 3rd Battalion at Clip-

stone Camp and was posted to the 1st Battalion as soon as it re-formed in 1919, after the war. In 1920, when the 1st Battalion was hurriedly ordered to Ireland, he was sent for temporary duty with the Machine Gun Corps, with whom he served in County Cork during the Sinn Fein rebellion.

Rejoining the 1st Battalion in Ireland, he remained with it until early in 1924, when he was seconded for a tour of duty with the West African Frontier Force, being posted to the 1st Bn. The Nigeria Regiment at Kaduna, where his father was Assistant Director in the P.W.D.

He spent six years with the Nigeria Regiment, after which he rejoined the 2nd Battalion at Dover in October, 1929. He commanded a company until 1932, when he was posted to the Regimental Depot. He rejoined the 1st Battalion in 1935 at Quetta, and remained with the Battalion in India until early in 1940, when he returned to the U.K. and shortly afterwards left for France as Second-in-Command of the 2/5th Battalion.

After the evacuation he was appointed to command the 13th Battalion, and he continued in this appointment until 1943, when he was sent to Nigeria again, where he commanded a P.T.C. until the end of the war.

His last active appointment was in command of a prisoner-of-war camp, and in 1948 he was forced by ill-health to retire.

In 1950, as a Retired Officer, Lieut.-Colonel Bathgate was appointed Administrative Officer at the Depot, where his long and detailed Regimental experience proved invaluable. In this capacity he continued to serve the Regiment until a few weeks before his death in hospital in December, 1957.

Lieut.-Colonel Bathgate (Joe to his intimate friends) devoted his life to the Regiment and gave unstintingly of his best at all times. In addition to his administrative duties, he acted as Honorary Secretary of the Officers' Club and Honorary Secretary and Treasurer of the new Regimental Chapel Fund and of the Tercentenary Fund.

He belonged to the older school of officers, and he never allowed himself to depart from the rigid standards of duty and behaviour in which he had been trained on joining. His pithy words of advice, which sometimes appeared outdated to the young, were often recognized by them subsequently to be good and sound.

Throughout his service he suffered from a chronic form of asthma, from which he was never free, but about which he never complained. His fortitude in adversity and his determination to carry through his endeavours to the very end will be gratefully remembered by all who came in contact with him, and especially by the Regiment which he served so faithfully.

We extend our deepest sympathy to his wife and family.

Among those who attended the funeral at the church of his village home near Guildford were the Colonel of the Regiment and many past and present officers. The coffin was borne by warrant officers and sergeants of the Depot, and a Regimental bugler sounded "Last Post" and "Reveille" at the graveside.

COLONEL J. D. BOYD, D.S.O.

John Dopping Boyd, who died at his home, "Rosapenna," Broadmayne, Dorset, on 18th February, 1958, at the age of 72, served on the Active List of the Regular Army for thirty-five years.

Educated at Rossall School, he was commissioned in the Donegal Royal Garrison Artillery, Militia, in April, 1905.

He received his Regular Commission in the Queen's in July, 1907, and joined the 2nd Battalion as a Second-Lieutenant. He was promoted to Lieutenant in February, 1911.

In August, 1913, he was posted to the 1st Battalion, and on the outbreak of war, a year later, went to France with the Battalion.

He played a very active and prominent part in the continuous heavy fighting in which the Battalion was involved throughout the retreat from Mons, on the Marne, and in the battle of the Aisne. On 1st November, Lieut Boyd found himself in command of the Battalion, now reduced to two officers and thirty-two other ranks. The Battalion had embarked less than three months earlier with a strength of twenty-seven officers and 971 other ranks.

He was promoted to Captain in February, 1915.

Appointed a Companion of the Distinguished Service Order after the first battle of Ypres in 1915, he was awarded a bar to that decoration for his services in the battle of the Somme in 1916. He also received the Belgian Croix de Guerre.

During the last two and a half years of the war he held important staff appointments in France. He received the brevet rank of Major in 1917.

He passed through the Staff College, Camberley, in 1921.

He was adjutant of the 1st Battalion from February, 1922, until July, 1923, when he was appointed Brigade Major, 16th Infantry Brigade, the brigade in which the 1st Battalion was serving at the time.

He subsequently held Staff Appointments at the War Office.

He was promoted to the substantive rank of Major in 1937, and early in the following year he received a Brevet Lieutenant-Colonelcy.

In May, 1932, he was promoted to the substantive rank of Lieutenant-Colonel and appointed Commanding Officer of the 1st Battalion. He commanded the Battalion, in North China, until invalidated home in December, 1933, as the result of an injury received while playing hockey for the Battalion.

Promoted Colonel, with seniority 1st January, 1932, he held Staff Appointments at the War Office, in the rank of Colonel and Temporary Brigadier, until he retired in January, 1938.

At the outbreak of war in 1939 he was recalled to the Active List and served as Assistant Adjutant-General, Eastern Command, until August, 1943.

Very active physically, he was a member of the 2nd Battalion Officers' Bayonet Fencing Team which won the Championship at Olympia in 1908. A keen and competent hockey player, he played for the Army in England versus the Army in Ireland, at Dublin, in 1908-09.

He was always particularly helpful to junior officers, and many of us remember him especially for the kindly advice and guidance he gave to us as very young officers in our early days in the Regiment.

We offer our deepest sympathy to his widow.

LIEUTENANT-COLONEL D. C. BAYNES, D.S.O., M.C.

Lieut.-Colonel Baynes, who died on 12th April, 1958, at the age of 46, was commissioned from the Artists Rifles to the Queen's Royal Regiment (T.A.) in 1939. He was posted to the 2/7th Battalion of the Regiment in June of that year, and soon after the outbreak of war was given command of a company. He was awarded the Military Cross for gallantry and leadership during operations with the B.E.F. in May, 1940.

He became Second-in-Command of the Battalion during the latter stages of the North African campaign in 1943, and in September took over command in Italy towards the end of the Salerno battle. He led his Battalion with great skill and dash throughout the difficult winter fighting in Italy, culminating in the courageous stand at Anzio, where his outstanding leadership and personal courage won him the award of the Distinguished Service Order.

He took the Battalion into the first of the Gothic Line battles in September.

1944. He was wounded within the first twenty-four hours, thus breaking five years' continuous service with 2/7th Queen's. He returned for a brief period in November, but had not fully recovered from the effects of his wounds and had to give up command soon afterwards.

Licut.-Colonel Baynes was an inspiring leader and a tower of strength in moments of great stress. His infectious cheerfulness and disregard of personal safety were largely responsible for the fighting spirit he induced into his Battalion, who in turn looked to him with great affection and confidence.

We offer our sincere condolences to his widow and children in their loss.

LIEUTENANT-COLONEL A. C. W. UPTON

Lieut.-Colonel Alan Cuthbert Waylan Upton, who died on 20th September, 1958, at the age of 62, was educated at Haileybury College.

He was commissioned in May, 1915, in the East Surrey Regiment (T.A.). He entered the R.M.C., Sandhurst, in 1916, and gained a Regular Commission in the Queen's the following year, and served in France with the Regiment. Acting Captain from 28th October, 1917, to 3rd June, 1918. In 1919 he joined the 3rd Battalion. He was posted to the 1st Battalion and saw service in Ireland during the troublesome times of 1920-1923. Promoted Captain in 1923 he served with the 1st Battalion at Aldershot.

He was Adjutant of the 5th Battalion 1925-1929. During this period Her Majesty Queen Mary presented new Colours to the Battalion and he was very largely responsible for all the preliminary work and organization this entailed. After leaving the 5th Battalion he joined the 2nd Battalion retiring a few months later.

In 1939 he was recalled and served with the Infantry Training Centre at Maidstone, after which he was appointed to command the 30th Battalion of the Regiment.

On 29th September, 1945, he commanded the parade on the historic occasion when the Scroll of Rights, granting the Regiment the privilege of marching through the town with bayonets fixed, Colours flying and bands playing, was presented by the Mayor of Guildford to the Colonel of the Regiment.

He finally retired on 9th September, 1947.

Lieut.-Colonel Upton was a very keen and good sportsman. In his younger days he was a good hockey player. For many years he played in the Regimental cricket team, being a most useful wicket-keeper, and as such he was a well-known figure on the cricket ground for several years after his retirement.

To his widow we offer our deepest sympathy.

REGIMENTAL SERGEANT-MAJOR W. E. REID, M.C.

William Elson Reid, who died on 9th April, 1958, at the age of 80, joined the Queen's in August, 1892.

He first saw active service with the 1st Battalion on the North-West Frontier of India in the Tirah Campaign, 1897-8.

After several years in the 2nd Battalion he rejoined the 1st Battalion and went with the Battalion to France in the rank of sergeant in August, 1914.

As Company Sergeant-Major in 1916 he was awarded the Military Cross.

He was promoted Regimental Sergeant-Major in February, 1917.

In 1922 he was posted to the Regimental Depot as Regimental Sergeant-Major and remained in that appointment until he retired in 1923.

Three generations of the Reid family have served in the Regiment. R.S.M. Reid's father retired after twenty-five years' service with the rank of Regimental Quartermaster-Sergeant, and two of his sons served later.

R.S.M. Reid ("Sammy" as he was affectionately known) will be remembered, not only as one of the Regiment's outstanding and most distinguished warrant officers, but also for his likeable character and sincere good nature.

To his family we offer our deepest sympathy.

List of those known and reported to have died since last publication.

No.	Rank and Name	Bn.	Service	Date of Death
	Lieut.-Colonel D. E. Bathgate		1917-1948	4.12.57
	Major F. M. Green	22nd London Regiment		3. 1.58
	Colonel J. D. Boyd, D.S.O.		1907-1943	18. 2.58
	Major R. P. Wingate	2/7th	1939-1945	11.57
	Major J. T. Foster, M.C.	2/6th	1939-1945	4. 4.58
	Major The Viscount Hawarden		1901-1920	6. 4.58
	Lieut.-Colonel D. C. Baynes, D.S.O., M.C.	2/7th	1939-1944	12. 4.58
	Colonel R. Papworth, O.B.E., T.D., D.L.	4th		12. 6.58
	Capt. D. C. Langford	6th & 2/6th	1938-1945	13. 6.58
	Lieut.-Colonel A. J. S. Tuke	1st	1919-1922	26. 6.58
	Viscount Brentford		1914-1918	27. 6.58
	Lieut. E. A. Field	1st	1918-	16. 9.58
	Lieut.-Colonel A. C. W. Upton	1st & 30th	1916-1930	20. 9.58
	Major R. E. Johnson	6th	1914-1918	27. 9.58
	Lieut. (Qr.Mr.) N. Mew	1st	1939-1944	1936-1958
6098009	Pte. Hanlon		1940-1954	25. 4.55
233	Pte. W. F. Burgess	1st	1914-1916	2.57
3528	Pte. A. Wooderson	1st & 2nd	1891-1903	30. 9.57
6079644	Pte. G. J. Woods	1st	1914-1919	2.10.57
			1922-1929	
23059080	Pte. P. G. Elliott	Depot	1954-1957	11.57
4633	Cpl. P. P. Clarke	2nd	1894-1898	11.11.57
6779524	C.S.M. H. C. Fluke	24th London Regiment & 1/7th	1912-1937	22.11.57
3708991	Cpl. H. S. Reynolds	2nd	1932-1944	18.12.57
6097331	Pte. P. J. J. Mobbs	2/4th	1914-1918	28.12.57
9211 &				
6077630	Cpl. G. W. Collins	2nd	1907-1922	1. 1.58
10323	Sgt. E. W. Godden, M.M.	1st	1913-1929	3. 1.58
206834	Pte. W. Mills	1st	1915-1919	8. 1.58
6195484	S./Sgt. H. E. Ridgway	1st & Depot	1922-1941	16. 2.58
	A. W. W. Borley	22nd London Regiment	1914-1918	25. 1.58
7007107	Pte. J. E. Shepherd	2nd	1922-1929	15. 2.58
7143760	L./Cpl. G. McIsom		1930-1945	24. 2.58
450	Pte. W. Bull	4th	1908-1919	9. 3.58
200102	C.S.M. L. Barton	4th	1909-1920	4. 4.58
6076134	R.S.M. W. E. Reid, M.C.	1st, 2nd & Depot	1892-1923	9. 4.58
6839374	Cpl. C. Holdaway	1st	1922-1934	17. 4.58
206834	Pte. W. Mills		1914-1918	8. 1.58
6077407	C.Q.M.S. R. S. S. Forbes	2nd	1902-1923	26. 5.58
202195	Pte. W. H. A. Pocock	2nd	1896-1919	3. 6.58
60294	Pte. S. A. Hayward	3rd	1915-1919	21. 6.58
63472	W. C. Bird	3rd, 7th, 1st & 6th	1917-1919	2. 7.58
201587	Cpl. C. H. A. Jones		1915-1919	8. 7.58
6095559	Sgt. H. Woodings		1940-1946	9. 8.58
3440	Bdsn. W. J. Edwards	1st	1891-1903	21. 8.58
2400	R.Q.M.S. F. Macey	5th	1899-1920	15. 9.58
6148	Pte. A. T. Nicholls	1st & 2nd	1892-1902	7.11.58

OLD COMRADES ASSOCIATIONS

THIRTY-SEVENTH ANNUAL REPORT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST DECEMBER, 1957

ASSOCIATION

Membership.—Life members, 1,806; annual subscribers, 456; total, 2,262, as compared with a total of 2,393 for 1956.

Loans.—The sum of £395 was expended in making loans to assist members. The sum of £195 15s. 0d. remains due.

Employment.—The Regular Forces Employment Association have placed twenty-one men in employment during the year. Ex-members of the Regiment have also assisted in this direction. We are most grateful to all concerned.

THE CHARITABLE FUND

The Army Benevolent Fund made grants amounting to £500. £21 was also received from the 24th London Regiment (The Queen's). S.S.A.F.A. and the Forces Help Society have greatly assisted in many ways. We are grateful to all concerned.

GRANTS

The sum of £1,149 6s. 6d. was expended in making grants as follows: General ill-health, 64; aged couples, 7; disabled, 24; widows in need, 36; war widow education of children, 2; employment problems, 9; deaf, 1; crippled wife, aged man, 1; funeral expenses, 9; mental case, 2; husband in prison, aid wife and family, 1; nearly blind, 1; injured man, 2; mother of son buried in Malaya, 2; family, 1; housing problems, 3; wounded in Malaya, 2; clothing children, 4; blind, 1; Total given assistance, 181. Cases considered but no grants authorized, 24.

DONATIONS TO OTHER ORGANIZATIONS

	£	s.	d.
Royal Soldiers' Daughters' School	10	10	0
Regular Forces Employment Association	10	10	0
Sir Beachcroft Towse Ex-Service Fund for the Blind	2	2	0
Royal Cambridge Home for Soldiers' Widows	10	10	0
Headquarters, Forces Help Society	10	10	0
Officers' Branch, S.S.A.F.A.	5	5	0
British Limbless Ex-Service Men's Association	10	10	0
Headquarters, S.S.A.F.A.	10	10	0
Sir Frederick Milner Fund for Village Settlements	3	3	0
St. Dunstan's	10	10	0
Guildford, Forces Help Society	1	1	0
Star and Garter Home for Disabled	5	5	0
The Union Jack Club	10	0	0

(A special grant, as this Club has now operated 50 years, and in response to an appeal for funds to improve the Club, this grant was authorized. Total of £141 8s. 0d.)

THE WAR MEMORIAL FUND

The Battle Honours for 1939-45 War were published. We are most grateful to H.M.S. *Excellent*, who renewed the Battle Honour Panels of the War Memorial in Holy Trinity Church, Guildford. The sum of £297 was expended in making holiday grants, as compared with £242 7s. in 1956. Details of grants made: Widows, with and without families, 13; disabled, 1; convalescence recommended, 7; wife and family to visit wife's mother in Malta, 1; to visit husband in hospital, 1; aged couple, need of holiday, 7; child, mother dead, father unable to trace, 1; Chelsea Pensioners, 4; disabled widow, 1; ex-P.O.W.'s disabled wife, 2; mental cases, wife and family to visit, 1. A total of 39 cases as compared with 34 in 1956.

INVESTMENTS

Mr. R. Close-Brooks, D.S.O., who served with the Regiment, with distinction, during the Second World War, has kindly undertaken to act as Honorary Financial Adviser to the Committee. On his advice and with his help the funds have been examined in detail and an up-to-date investment policy has been adopted, with results which have already proved beneficial. The Regiment is most grateful to Mr. Close-Brooks for his interest and advice and for the time and effort which he has given to our financial problems.

ALL RANKS' DINNER, 1958

The All Ranks' Dinner was held at the Victory Ex-Services Club, Seymour Street, W.2, on 4th October, 1958. The Colonel of the Regiment presided at a gathering of 230 All Ranks, and gave a résumé of the Regimental activities during the past year, and details of the progress to date of the arrangements for amalgamation with the East Surrey Regiment.

We were very pleased and honoured to have with us as our guests Brigadier G. R. P. Roupell, V.C., C.B., D.L., Colonel of the East Surrey Regiment, and representatives from the East Surrey Regiment's Old Comrades.

We were also especially pleased to have with us two representatives from H.M.S. *Excellent*, Chief Shipwright T. R. Brushwood and Chief Painter J. L. McDonald, both of whom were members of the team of shipwrights who made and inserted the new panels, including the 1939-45 Battle Honours, in the Regimental War Memorial in Holy Trinity Church, Guildford. The team



[Photo: Craine Roche & Co.]

All Ranks' Dinner—4th October, 1958

Major F. Waspe, M.B.E.; Chief-Painter J. L. McDonald, H.M.S. *Excellent*; Major-General J. Y. Whitfield, C.B., D.S.O., O.B.E., Colonel The Queen's Royal Regiment; Chief Shipwright T. R. Brushwood, H.M.S. *Excellent*; Brigadier G. R. P. Roupell, V.C., C.B., D.L., Colonel of The East Surrey Regiment.

also made and affixed the inscription plaques for the seventy-three presentation chairs in the Regimental Chapel in the Guildford Cathedral.

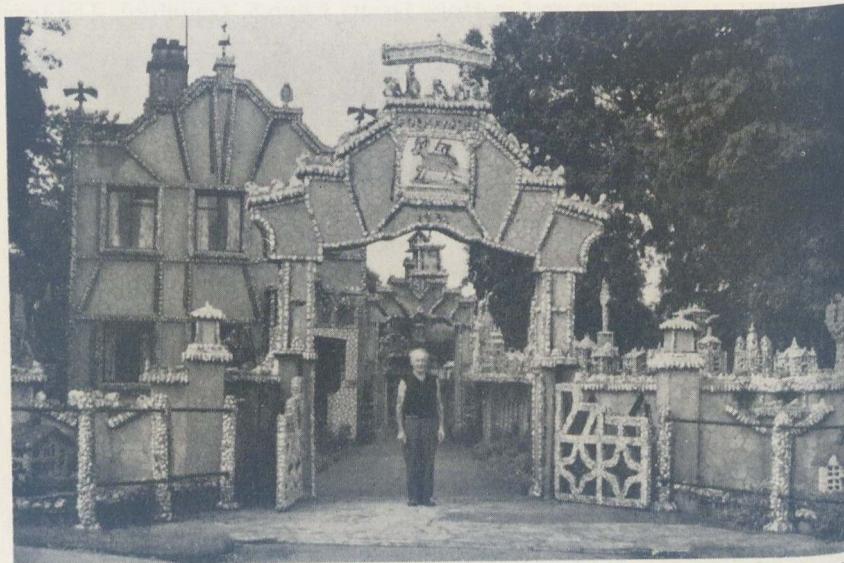
ANNUAL CHURCH PARADE AND GARDEN PARTY, 1958

The Church Parade took place at Holy Trinity Church, Guildford, on Sunday, 13th July, 1958. The parade, 110 strong, under the command of the Colonel of the Regiment and headed by the Band and Drums of the 1st Battalion, marched from the Tunsgate to Holy Trinity Church. The lesson was read by the Colonel of the Regiment, and the address was given by the Rev. Canon Victor J. Pike, C.B., C.B.E., Chaplain-General to the Forces.

After the service the parade, under the command of Lieut.-Colonel F. A. H. Ling, D.S.O., marched past the Guildhall, where the Colonel of the Regiment, accompanied by the Mayor of Guildford, Alderman C. E. Nicklin, and the Rev. Canon V. J. Pike, took the salute.

In the afternoon the Garden Party Reunion was held at the Depot. The weather was rather wet and blustery, but cleared up nicely for the beating of "Retreat" by the Band and Drums.

The attendance was between 500 and 1,000, and we were delighted to see, prominent in their scarlet coats, three Chelsea Pensioners, Mr. Edward Stacey (81), Mr. William Church Miller (77), and Mr. Richard Tippett (73), all old soldiers of the Queen's.



[Photo: "Evening News," London]

"The House that Jack Built"

Mr. John Punter is seen in the photograph standing in the entrance to his house in Lindford village, near Bordon, Hampshire.

He built the house, unaided, himself. The house is built on a piece of land previously occupied by two disused cottages and cleared by Mr. Punter. The concrete entrance gates are surmounted by an elaborately decorated archway. The decorations and ornamentation of the archway and the walls are toolled in wire-netting and cement.

Mr. Punter says that he has done it all, "mainly out of waste and salvage," and the task took six years to complete.

Prominent in the centre of the archway can be seen the Paschal Lamb.

Mr. Punter served in The Queen's from 1911 until 1918 and was seriously wounded at Loos in 1916.

Mr. Punter and his house were the subject of an interesting television programme on 13th October, 1958.



4th Queen's Old Comrades Association
The Vicar of Croydon, the Rev. Canon W. W. Hunt, dedicating the Memorial Seat
in the Garden of Remembrance at Croydon Old Church



[Photo: "Croydon Times"]
The Hon. Secretary, Captain A. W. G. Fenner, planting the Memorial Tree
on 17th November, 1958

DATES FOR YOUR 1959 DIARY

Reunion Garden Party, Stoughton Barracks—19th July, 1959.
All Ranks' Dinner, Victory Ex-Services Club—3rd October, 1959.

4TH QUEEN'S O.C.A.

We were very pleased to receive a visit from the Adjutant of the Depot, Capt. A. G. Jones. He met the Committee and some members of the Association, and explained the arrangements to date in connection with the amalgamation of the Queen's with the East Surrey Regiment. This matter had been the subject of conversation at our Headquarters in Croydon for some considerable time, and we were grateful for the answers to some leading questions put to Capt. Jones by some of our older members.

A memorial seat, suitably inscribed, is in position in the Garden of Remembrance at Croydon Old Church. At a ceremony on 17th November, 1957, the seat, and a maple tree, were dedicated by the Vicar of Croydon, the Rev. Canon W. W. Hunt.

A further maple tree has been received from the Queen's York Rangers of Canada. This has been planted beside the original one in the Garden of Remembrance at Croydon Old Church.

The trees and the seat are in memory of all those who served, fought, or died with the 4th Queen's, and all Queen's men belonging to Croydon.

A ceremony took place on Remembrance Sunday, 9th November, 1958, at which a commemorative plaque was placed in position by Major-General J. Y. Whitfield, C.B., D.S.O., O.B.E., the Colonel of the Regiment. The plaque was dedicated by the Vicar of Croydon, the Rev. Canon Warren Hunt.

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THE QUEEN'S ROYAL REGIMENT

MUSEUM FUND INCOME AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST DECEMBER, 1957

EXPENDITURE	1956	1956	INCOME
£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
33 Purchases	30 18 10	—	Subscriptions
— Donation	—	—	.. ..
58 Maintenance and Repairs (including Curator's Emoluments)	43 14 1	.. ..	.. ..
2 Postages	0 1 9	.. ..	.. ..
— G. C. Lunches	6 1 9	.. ..	.. ..
18 Excess of Income over Expenditure for the year	32 8 7	.. ..	.. ..
£113 5 0	£111		

BALANCE SHEET AS AT 31ST DECEMBER, 1957

	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
CAPITAL ACCOUNT				CURRENT ASSETS	
36 Balance as at 1st January, 1957	53 11 4			Sundry Debitor	13 5 0
18 Add Excess of Income over Expenditure for the year ..	32 8 7			Cash at Bank ..	76 12 1
£111	85 19 11			— Cash in Hand ..	0 2 10
					89 19 11
				£54	£89 19 11

AUDITORS' CERTIFICATE.—We have examined the above Balance Sheet and Income and Expenditure Account 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 to us, the Balance Sheet gives a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the Museum Fund as at 31st December, 1957, and the Income and Expenditure Account gives a true and fair view of the surplus for the year ended at that date.

Dated this 25th day of March, 1958.
1 & 2 HOLY TRINITY CHURCHYARD,
GUILDFORD.

THURLOW, BOYCE & CO.,
Chartered Accountants.

INCOME AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST DECEMBER, 1957
JOURNAL ACCOUNT

		EXPENDITURE		INCOME	
£	£	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£	£ s. d.
1956	248	Printing and Postage of JOURNAL ..	261 19 3	181 Subscriptions and Sales ..	169 19 11
		Less Advertisement Revenue ..	52 13 11	85 Grant — Officer Commanding, Depot ..	103 1 7
41	207		209 5 4	— Excess of Expenditure over Income for the year ..	10 10
57		Printing and Postage of News-letters ..	61 5 6		
		2 General Postages ..	1 17 6		
		— Donation to O.C.A.	1 4 0		
		— Excess of Income over Expenditure for the year ..	— — —		
				£266	£273 12 4

AUDITORS CERTIFICATE. We have examined the accounts contained in the books of account of the Society for the purposes of our Audit. We have obtained all the information and explanations which to the best of our knowledge and belief were necessary for our Audit. In our opinion and to the best of our information and according to the explanations given to us, the Balance Sheet gives a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the Journal Account as at 31st December, 1957, and the Income and Expenditure Account gives a true and fair view of the deficit for the year ended at that date.



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MAJOR-GENERAL J. Y. WHITFIELD, C.B., D.S.O., O.B.E.
COLONEL OF THE REGIMENT, 1954-1959

FOREWORD

THE first number of THE JOURNAL OF THE QUEEN'S ROYAL REGIMENT was issued in 1925, and in a Foreword written on 5th October General Sir Charles Monro Bart., G.C.B., G.C.S.I., G.C.M.G., Colonel of The Regiment, commended the new venture to all members, past and present, and expressed the hope that the JOURNAL would provide a periodical record of the achievements of The Regiment.

All who read the JOURNAL will recognize how fully this hope has been fulfilled.

Under the skilled and devoted direction of its first Editor, the late Colonel G. N. Dyer, C.B.E., D.S.O., the JOURNAL set a standard of excellence which has more than once been quoted as a model for Regimental journals. Successive Editors have striven, despite many difficulties, to maintain the standard set up with the first number. Although the conditions following the end of the Second World War necessitated a reduction in the amount and size of the contents, the standard has been maintained.

Now, exactly thirty-four years later, on 5th October, 1959, it falls to me to write the Foreword for the forty-fifth and final number.

On fourteenth of this month—the two hundred and ninety-eighth Anniversary of our first Muster Parade on Putney Heath, under the Earl of Peterborough in 1661—The Regiment is to be amalgamated with our great Sister Regiment of Surrey, The East Surrey Regiment, to become The Queen's Royal Surrey Regiment. Although the JOURNAL of our own old Regiment has to come to an end with this number, the history and the traditions in which we have grown up will be carried forward to The Regiment in its new form, and the story of present and future generations will be faithfully recorded in the new JOURNAL OF THE QUEEN'S ROYAL SURREY REGIMENT.

I could not end this Foreword without first expressing the thanks of The Regiment to all those who have laboured since 1925 to produce and maintain the successive numbers of our JOURNAL, and finally to reaffirm our faith in the great future of The Queen's Royal Surrey Regiment.

J.Y. Whitfield.

Chiddingfold,
5th October, 1959.

Major-General
Colonel, The Queen's Royal Regiment.

AMALGAMATION

OUR own 1st Battalion will arrive in the United Kingdom on 17th September from Iserlohn, and after leave will join the 1st Bn. The East Surrey Regiment at Bury St. Edmunds. A few days later—on 14th October, the two hundred and ninety-eighth Anniversary of our first Muster Parade on Putney Heath in 1661—the two 1st Battalions will be amalgamated and the 1st Bn. The Queen's Royal Surrey Regiment will come into being, under the command of Lieut.-Colonel G. A. White, M.B.E. There will be a simple ceremony of Guard Mounting to mark the occasion. The new Brigade cap badge will be worn for the first time on this day, not only by the Regiment, but by all Regiments of the Home Counties Brigade.

In similar manner the present joint Depot of The Queen's and Surreys will be amalgamated to form the Depot of The Queen's Royal Surrey Regiment, at Wemyss Barracks, Canterbury, being merged into the Brigade Depot in 1960.

Regimental Headquarters, under Colonel H. G. Duncombe, D.S.O. (Retd.), as R.O.II, was established at Kingston on 1st July.

Plans are being made to hold a Ceremonial Parade on the occasion of the Presentation and Consecration of the New Colours in the spring of 1960. Details have not yet been fixed, but everyone will be notified through the usual channels when the plan is firm.

The Brigade cap badge, illustrated on this page, was adopted for the following reason. The area covered by the Brigade lies in the heart of the country occupied by the Saxons in early times. This is one of the few historical backgrounds common to all six of the famous Regiments making up the Brigade. The Saxon Crown forming part of the badge has six points visible, each point representing one Regiment. The sword is a military sword, and is, of course, a well-known military symbol. The Scroll was added to give finish to the badge and to indicate the name of the Brigade.

The Regimental collar badge, also illustrated, is our Paschal Lamb within the Eight-pointed Star and surmounted by a St. Edward's Crown, the two latter being part of the present Surrey's badge.

The new Regimental Colour will embody both our present Regimental



The Brigade Cap-Badge



The Regimental Badge

Insignia, and that of The Surreys. Our own Third Colour will be retained in the Amalgamated Battalion.

OFFICERS' CLUB

The two existing organizations will be merged to form The Officers' Club, The Queen's Royal Surrey Regiment. The annual subscription will be £2 5s. 0d.

The two Old Comrades' Associations are being merged into one Regimental Association. Officers will not pay individual subscriptions direct to the Regimental Association. Instead out of the total subscription received annually by the Officers' Club a bulk payment on the basis of 10s. per officer will be made to the Regimental Association.

There will no longer be a separate subscription to the All Ranks Dinner. For Other Ranks Life Membership will be obtained by one payment of 10s. Those who have already contributed not less than 10s. in Annual Subscriptions will automatically become life members.

RE-UNIONS

All re-unions will be amalgamated. The form they will take and the venue will be decided by the committees responsible.

REGIMENTAL TIE

The present tie will cease to be the Regimental tie on 14th October, 1959. A new tie embodying the Colours of both Regiments has been approved, and can be obtained from Gieves of Bond Street.

MUSEUMS

There will be three Museums in the future:

- (a) The new Army Museum to be set up at The R.M.A.S.
- (b) The Brigade Museum to be set up at Canterbury.
- (c) The Regimental Museum at Kingston.

The allocation to Museums has yet to be determined but the Regimental Museum at Kingston will include a Regimental Records and Archives Office. Certain items of particular interest to Territorial Battalions are being offered to them.

REGIMENTAL JOURNAL

The new JOURNAL of THE QUEEN'S ROYAL SURREY REGIMENT will be issued twice yearly in May and November, beginning in May, 1960. There will be no Newsletter.

THE TERCENTENARY

The Tercentenary will be celebrated in 1961, and after Amalgamation a new Committee is to be set up to make recommendations to the Colonel of The Regiment as to what form the Tercentenary should take in the light of the changed circumstances.

The necessary information about the Officers' Club and The Regimental Association will be circulated in due course.

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To mark the close association between The Regiment and the Borough since 1876, The Mayor and Corporation of Guildford are to be presented with the silver lamb which formed part of the Colour Stand of the 2nd Battalion.

1st BATTALION

HUMAN beings are impressionable creatures; those by their demeanour appearing least concerned being often those most affected by sentiment and emotion.

And so, upon anyone who has been associated with the passing of even a fragment of the old order, upon anyone who has watched what he believes to be the death of a great tradition, there must fall an indefinable sense of having stood for a moment under the lamp of history.

Association with the end of a long chapter of greatness, particularly an end not entirely unworthy of all that has gone before, may tend to cloud, if only for a moment, the true relationship between the end and the past. History has no end.

The life of the First Battalion is now drawing rapidly to an end and the chapter closes on 14th October, 1959. We who are now serving with the Battalion in Iserlohn regard the move back to England on 16th September as the real closure, for on that date the Battalion as we know it disintegrates. Much will be said about this ending, in many places and pubs in many parts of many countries where Queensmen live their private lives or still serve.

"Old men forget, and all shall be forgot," the words Shakespeare put into the mouth of Henry V over three hundred years ago everlastingly refute their own meaning. The story of the Queen's emblazoned with courage and glory, may be likened to the flame of a candle that has cast light upon the story of England for so nearly three hundred years.

That candle flame is now to be extinguished. Anyone may blow out a light but in doing so they cannot abolish or destroy all that was illuminated by that light.

"My Lord!" as Sir Patrick Hastings said to the learned Judge. "We must. I fear, proceed, for we can never go back."

On, and to the new Regiment a stalwart band will carry the traditions and the standards of the Queen's. It is a band in whom we who are left have a satisfying confidence. A second-in-command, an adjutant, a quartermaster and at least two company commanders, more junior officers, senior W.O.s., N.C.O.s., and men who are the link to unite the two great chains of history that form the past of two Regiments, from now to be one.

We, who have served with the Battalion for the last two years of its life hesitate to record our attempts to bring about a memorable ending, for we are daunted if not by the ghosts at least by the glories of the past.

The details of the past two years are set forth in the Newsletters that have been published. Let not this last appearance on a printed page be devoted to a simple chronicle of trivialities, that on such and such a date we did this and later we did that. Perhaps we did, but so much of it does not matter, many other Regiments in the British Army of the Rhine do the same things with similar degrees of success every year. Rather let us think back, over the short time that we have been in Rhine Army, since April 1957, and with all humility place here and now upon the record those items or events which we think may never have been done before.

Firstly, the winning of the Duke of Connaught's Shield for unit stretcher-bearers. This was notable and important because in this competition everything depends upon the skill and knowledge of the lance-corporal or private soldier, put through exhaustive tests under conditions where he must answer and act for himself without any assistance. It is a real test in individual ability; to have

won it against the keen competition of British and Canadian units is an achievement.

Secondly, the launching of the Battalion Group in a most ambitious and final exercise against the Netherlands Forces in Holland—Exercise "Zwaan Song."

It seems that the Queen's have not been really active in Holland since 1692, but in July of this year we fought a delightful battle, both militarily and socially, hoping to end up our training in one memorable climax. A detailed description of the exercise is included elsewhere in this edition of the JOURNAL.

Thirdly, the formal drive-past of the Battalion on the Command Inspection by the Brigade Commander in December last year. So often have we paraded and marched past to martial music, but we can find no record of any previous drive past in battalion transport, with the Inspecting Officer acknowledging the salutes from well-dressed files of three-ton cargo vehicles, sweeping past the saluting base. Administratively our record is reasonable. Without previous warning the Battalion can parade, ready-for-war, in one and a half hours from the time the code word for an emergency is received, and in the thirteen separate administrative inspections made during the winter months all gradings except three were "good" those three were "excellent."

Fourthly, the astonishing achievement of two young lance-corporals, Sopp and Warner, who within the terms of the wager between the Commanding Officer of the Queen's and the Commanding Officer of the 5th Royal Inniskilling Dragoon Guards reached Casablanca. The conditions of the bet were that no Queensmen would reach North Africa within the five-day time limit of the Easter initiative tests. The stake was twenty sovereigns. The tale of their journey appeared, in some detail, in Newsletter No. 26 for May 1959, and need not be repeated here, but it may well be that this was the first visit to North Africa by serving members of the First Battalion since 1684.

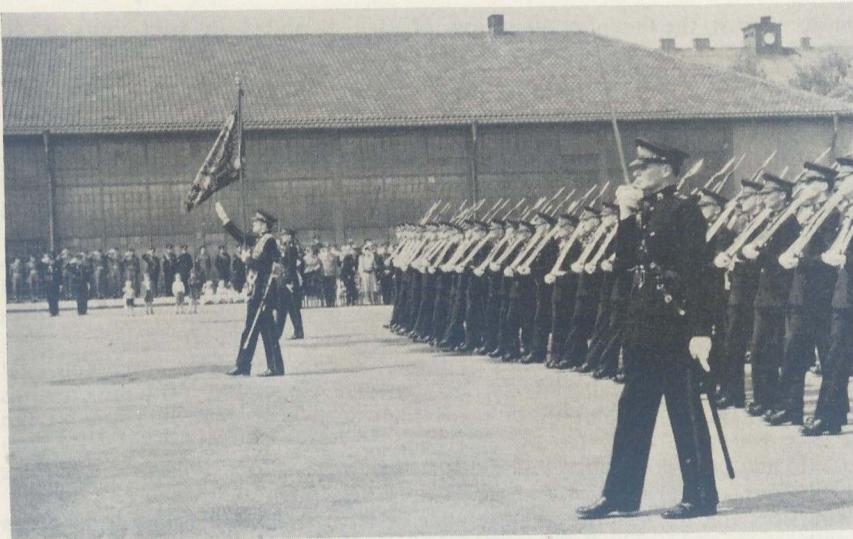
Our final gesture in Rhine Army was to win the Rhine Army Swimming Championship in the last week of July—we last won it in 1953. This success has a paragraph to itself elsewhere in this JOURNAL, but it was most heartening to return from a memorable exercise in Holland to win a sporting championship and so to underline our departure from the Command. The team, also as mentioned separately, went on to win the Army Championships.

At this stage in the life of the Battalion it is easy to slip into the snare of complacent self-eulogy, to list in our minds our little successes and as the end approaches, to lose sight of the great deeds of the past. It is a sobering thought that in the opinion of every generation of soldiers the Battalion of today is never quite as good as it used to be. It is a great thing to have served in a Battalion that for 298 years has never been quite as good as it used to be.

In writing the final chapter all that we who serve in the Battalion have tried to do is bring about an end that does not dishonour the past.

It was at the end of March and beginning of April that the first real pressure of the impending celebrations for the Glorious First of June, and the training programme, became apparent.

As the celebrations were to be not only the last in the life of the Battalion but also our farewell to B.A.O.R., it was decided that they would, if possible, be memorable. The programme was ambitious, and there were times when it seemed that we might be attempting too much, but the results fully justified the third, unpublicized motto of the Battalion *omnium per die dextrum erit*; for it was all right on the day; not just once, but on each of the six days of the celebrations. Rather than condense into a few lines a report of a week described by the Colonel of the Regiment as "surpassing in standard and



The Glorious 1st of June—Marching Past in Slow Time

excellence all his previous experience in the Regiment," an extract from the Commanding Officer's talk on the British Forces Network is published at the end of these notes.

From 13th to 20th of April we went to Haltern for Infantry/Tank co-operation training with "C" Squadron of the Royal Scots Greys. The weather was excellent, though dust made conditions trying, and as a culmination a rather impressive demonstration of the advance to contact battle was given to the Buffs, new arrivals in the Brigade Group. It was a most enjoyable break in the preparations for the Glorious First.

On 28th of April the Battalion was reorganized to make the best use of dwindling resources of manpower; we now have only two rifle companies, "A" and "B"; Support Company, and H.Q. Company.

The Chaplain-General came to Iserlohn on 14th May to dedicate a window in the German church that since the war has been used as a Garrison chapel. The window depicts St. George and the Dragon, and on one side are the badges of the Regiments that have been stationed here. Prominent amongst them is that of the Queen's.

The sudden death on 3rd May, 1959, of Major N. E. Savage, our Paymaster, who transferred to the Royal Army Pay Corps from the Queen's came as a great shock to us all. He will be sadly missed.

The Battalion left Iserlohn on 11th June for an exercise with the Royal Scots Greys at Soltau. By some misunderstanding, the exercise, prepared by the Greys, began at 6 p.m. on the 11th and not on the morning of the 12th as originally agreed. This involved the Battalion in an approach march of 208 miles in M.T. to go straight on to an exercise lasting until 6 p.m. on 13th June. The fact that everything went without a hitch, despite the lack of warning, reflected great credit on such people as the Quartermaster, the M.T.O. and Colour-Sergeants. From Soltau we went up to the ranges at Putlos, on the Baltic, now controlled by the German Army. This was a pleasant week marred to a certain extent by the accidental drowning of three German soldiers in

a bathing party. This accident caused some apprehension, for the beach was dangerous, but an order was published stating that "drowning is strictly forbidden in 1 Queen's" and we were then able to enjoy the limited bathing facilities without fear of repercussions.

On 30th June we went to Hameln for Exercise "Queen Charlotte II," officially described as watermanship training but in reality the annual Battalion regatta. After preliminary practice, thirteen crews entered for the Braganza Trophy, won by "Petzing's Paddlers," a "B" Company team under 2/Lieut. Petzing, with "Kuller's Korrikle" a close second. "Kuller's Korrikle" was captained by C./Sgt. Palmer and the crew consisted of regimental signallers. In the competition for boats knocked out in the first round of the Braganza Trophy Cpl. Leach commanding "The 47th Intake," the M.T. platoon, won a stirring victory. The whole regatta was the greatest fun and taught a lot of people a great deal about assault boats in a very short time.

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Capt. Clinton-Jones, R.A.M.C., Medical Officer of the 1st Battalion, was a member of the winning doubles in the Rhine Army Tennis Championships, 1959.

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Pte. Oxford of the 1st Battalion was second in the Army Inter-Services 100-kilometres cycling road race on 6th June, 1959.

The following is a list of the officers, warrant officers and sergeants serving with the 1st Battalion at the time of its return to England for amalgamation with the East Surrey Regiment:

Battalion Headquarters—Commanding Officer, Lieut.-Colonel D. L. Lloyd Owen, D.S.O., O.B.E., M.C.; 2/I.C., Major C. J. D. Haswell; Adjutant, Capt. M. F. Reynolds; I.O., Lieut. B. D. S. Burton; R.M.O., Capt. G. B. Clinton-Jones, R.A.M.C.; Paymaster, Capt. N. E. Jones, R.A.P.C.; Padre, The Rev. W. J. C. Wall; R.S.M., R.S.M. G. E. Mileham; Bandmaster, Bandmaster W. Lynes; O.R.Q.M.S., W.O.II J. A. McGregor; Drum-Major, Drum-Major B. Morris; Battalion Intelligence Sergeant, Sgt. J. Last; Regimental Provost Sergeant, Sgt. F. Stevens; M.I. Sergeant, Sgt. W. Watret.

Support Company—Commanding Officer, Capt. M. J. Doyle; C.S.M. W.O.II J. Morris; Colour-Sergeant, W.O.II R. Gould.

W.T. Staff—W.O.II K. Yonwin; C./Sgt. A. Watson; Sgt. F. Isaac, M.M.

Mortar Platoon—Lieut. P. A. Gray; Sgt. D. Wheeker; Sgt. R. Jennings.

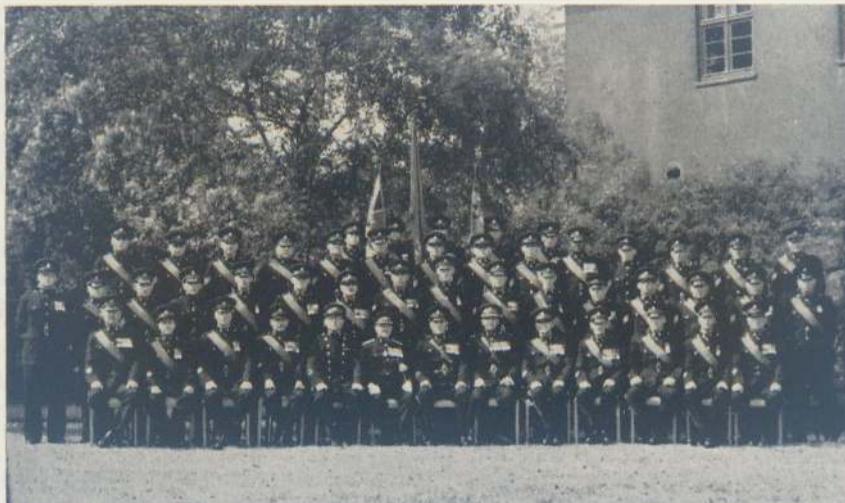
Anti-Tank Platoon—Lieut. P. de S. Barrow; Sgt. R. Vickers.

Assault Pioneers—2/Lieut. J. E. Gerelli; Sgt. G. Mogford.

H.Q. Company—Commanding Officer, Major G. B. Curtis, M.C.; R.S.O., Capt. M. N. O'D. Pereira; M.T.O., Capt. J. F. G. Hayes; Assistant M.T.O., 2/Lieut. J. B. Bowden; Quartermaster, Capt. J. W. Kemp; P.R.I., Major V. T. Farrup; Administrative Officer, 2/Lieut. P. F. Ross; Administrative Officer, Lieut. M. Julian, Mx.; R.Q.M.S., W.O.II D. Adkins; C.S.M., W.O.II R. Wildgoose; Colour-Sergeant, C./Sergeant L. Jessup; P.R.I. Sergeant, C./Sgt. P. Gibbs; Married Families Colour/Sergeant, C./Sgt. G. Toomey; Signals Colour-Sergeant, C./Sgt. A. Palmer; Signals Sergeant, Sgt. A. Briggs; Q.M. Staff, Sgt. A. Fell, Sgt. L. Rice; M.T. Sergeants, Sgt. J. Eldridge, Sgt. L. James; Company Accounts Sergeant,



The Colonel of the Regiment and Officers, 1st Battalion



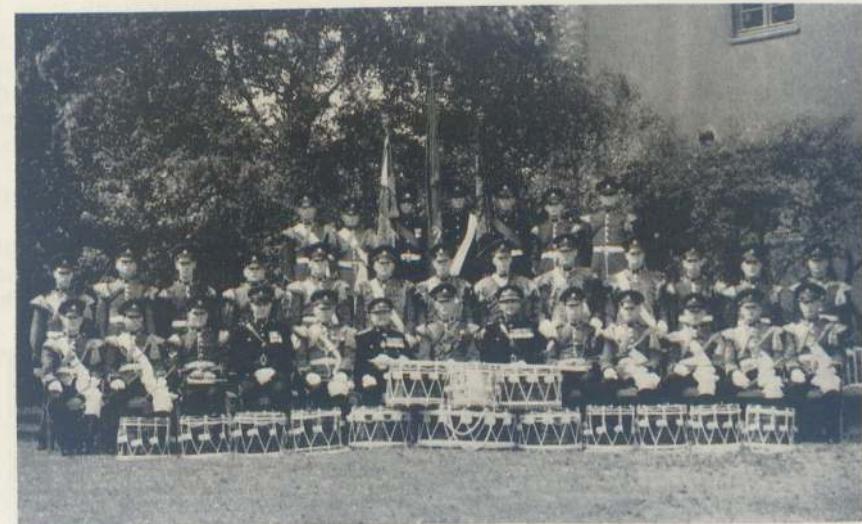
The Colonel of the Regiment and Warrant Officers and Sergeants of the 1st Battalion

Sgt. H. Sayers; Officer's Mess Sergeant, Sgt. A. Archer; Sergeant's Mess Caterer, Sgt. A. Cakebread; Drums Sergeant, Sgt. L. Richardson; Band Sergeant, Sgt. B. Matlock; Sergeants in the Band, Sgt. D. Shaw, Sgt. O. Machin.

RIFLE COMPANY

"A" Company—Commanding Officer, Capt. A. Donaldson; 2I.C., Lieut. T. L. Trotman; Platoon Commanders, 2/Lieut. R. W. Acworth, 2/Lieut. C. E. J. Allanson; C.S.M., W.O.II J. Rodgers; Colour-Sergeant, C./Sgt. C. Reynolds; Sergeants, Sgt. D. White, Sgt. E. Lockwood.

"B" Company—Commanding Officer, Major I. D. Beattie; Platoon Commanders, 2/Lieut. S. J. Petzing, 2/Lieut. J. M. C. Swan, 2/Lieut. M. A. Prentice; C.S.M. W.O.II L. Wilson; Colour-Sergeant, C./Sgt. L. Piper; Sergeants, Sgt. M. Pearson, Sgt. J. Evans.



The Drums

THE CONNAUGHT SHIELD

(Extract from "The Quadrant"—the Magazine of the Fourth Division). In the Connaught Shield Competition, held at Sennalager from 24th—26th March, the 1st Bn. The Queen's Royal Regiment beat fifteen other teams to win the Shield for the first time.

The Connaught Shield was presented by His Late Royal Highness, the Duke of Connaught for annual competition by stretcher-bearers of all Regiments and Corps serving in Aldershot Command. The competition took place each year from 1899 to 1913 and again from 1919 to 1939. During the Second World War the Shield was kept at the Depot, Royal Army Medical Corps, and in 1950 was handed over to the Director of Infantry, when annual competitions were started in B.A.O.R.

The team from each unit consisted of a non-participating team captain who could be a sergeant or a corporal, and eight lance-corporals or privates. The competition itself is divided into three separate parts under different judges;

an oral test followed by practical first aid, each lasting twenty minutes, culminating in a field test with a time limit of thirty minutes. Points are deducted for over-running this limit. The field test is a casualty sweep under battle conditions; the locating of one lying and one walking wounded casualty, first aid and evacuation over obstacles under fire. Each unit time is split into two teams of four men for the test, both teams completing a casualty sweep.

The first two days of the competition were spent in the preliminary rounds from which the first three teams with the highest marks go forward to the final on the third day.

At the end of the preliminary rounds 1 Queen's were in the lead with 716 points, followed by 1 Seaforths with 712, and 2 Canadian Guards bringing up the rear with 704 points. These teams were more than 100 points ahead of all other competitors.

The final morning of the competition was a period of great strain for teams and supporters, for no scores were announced until the Corps Commander presented the Shield to the winners.

No details of the oral or practical tests are ever published and they take place behind closed doors, but spectators are able to watch the field tests from beginning to end. The task of the judges must have been a severe test of objective impartiality, for to the layman there was little to choose between the three finalists, who set a very high standard of fieldcraft, movement over obstacles, skill, practical knowledge of first aid, and physical fitness.

At last, in a tense atmosphere, the Corps Commander came into the taped enclosure where the three teams of the finalists awaited the result.

In a few words General Sir Michael West stressed the vital part that stretcher-bearers play in maintaining the morale of units in battle and the great importance of a high standard of unit first aid. He then announced the



The Connaught Shield Team

1 Queen's had won the Shield with a margin of 21 points, 1 Seaforths were second and 2 Canadian Guards third.

He commented on the improvement shown by 1 Queen's who in the previous year's competition had been placed at the foot of the list.

In this achievement by 1 Queen's a large proportion of the credit for the team's success must go to their Regimental Medical Officer, Capt. Clinton-Jones, R.A.M.C., who was responsible for their training, but this does not detract from the skill and enthusiasm shown by the team consisting of: Team Leader, Cpl. Cox (not participating); Team No. 1, Ptes. Knapp, Harman, Bullett and Turner; Team No. 2, L./Cpl. Sopp, Ptes. Morris, Payne and Wright; Reserve, Pte. Jackson.

COMMANDING OFFICER'S B.F.N. BROADCAST ON THE GLORIOUS FIRST OF JUNE, 1959

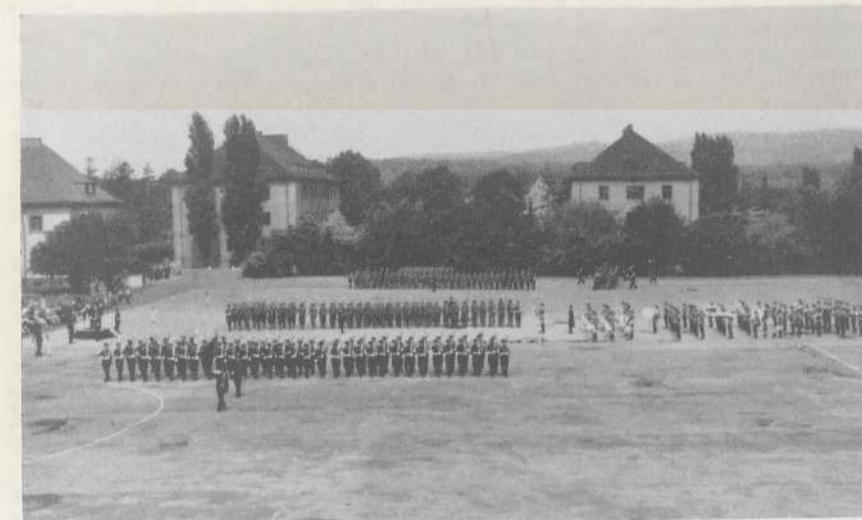
At the beginning of this year I spoke one Sunday morning about the Naval action of The Glorious First of June in which the Regiment took part as Marines in 1794.

A total of 12 officers and 442 men of The Queen's were aboard five ships of Admiral Lord Howe's Fleet, which won such a magnificent victory over the French off the west coast of France.

All that happened 165 years ago. One hundred thirty-three years earlier The Queen's Royal Regiment was formed in 1661. The Regiment paraded for the first time on 14th October of that year.

14th October is a significant date for on the same day this year—298 years later—The Queen's are going to amalgamate with the East Surrey Regiment. The long history of the Regiment will, of course, continue after amalgamation.

So this year is a very special one in all that the Regiment is doing and the Celebration of the Victory of the Glorious First of June has obviously taken an important place in the activities of the 1st Battalion in Iserlohn. We are due to leave Germany in the early autumn and so we have also used the



Marching Past the Colonel of the Regiment



An incident from the successful Show
"Jack's All Right"

We were fortunate in having lovely weather for the parade, though there was a cloudburst two hours later. The salute was taken by General Whitfield, the Colonel of the Regiment. General Hopkinson—the Commander of 4 Division—was also present.

About a hundred guests were invited to the parade and they were entertained afterwards to lunch in the Officers' Mess. We also invited the local German population and we were very glad to see so many of them.

Thursday was a comparatively quiet day and a very successful dance for all ranks of the Battalion was held that evening. One of the high-lights of the evening was a barbecue at which a pig was roasted over an open fire. The next day the officers entertained over two hundred guests. Among those present were Admiral and Mrs. Townsend, who had come from Kiel, Capt. and Mrs. Martel and four other Naval officers from H.M.S. *Excellent* at Portsmouth and General and Mrs. Richardson from Rheindalen.

At 8.15 that evening, after a cocktail party, the Battalion put on a concert in the gymnasium to which all our guests were invited and after a short interlude for supper we finished the evening with a floodlit tattoo and firework display. Again the weather was perfect.

After a reasonably leisurely start to the day, we had a fair on Saturday morning before the men's special lunch at which all officers and senior N.C.O.s. of the Regiment served the food. The cooks of the Battalion had prepared a splendid meal of turkey and the P.R.I. provided sufficient beer to induce sleep for the afternoon.

That evening the warrant officers and sergeants invited all the guests of the Battalion to a most successful ball in the gymnasium, which had been quite magnificently decorated for the occasion. I have never seen such wonder-

occasion to say farewell to the many friends we have made in Rhine Army. The 1st Battalion was in Germany at the end of the war and stayed here until the end of 1953. For three of those years we were in Iserlohn and, after three years in Malaya, we returned to the same town in April, 1957. I would therefore like to say a special word of thanks to the people of Iserlohn, where this Battalion has spent the best part of six years since the war.

We had to celebrate The Glorious First of June rather earlier than usual this year, so that our arrangements would not clash with those being made by the Regiment in England. Some of the officers and men of the Battalion are now at Guildford for the celebrations at our Regimental Depot.

We started off the six days by Trooping the Regimental Colour on the morning of Wednesday, 20th May. This colour was presented to the Battalion in 1947, when we laid up our previous one after it had been carried in the Battalion for exactly 100 years.



The Finale of the Tattoo

ful arrangement and the Pipers of the Greys were an additional attraction.

On Sunday we held a Drumhead Service in the evening and after this the Colonel of the Regimental presented Long Service and Good Conduct Medals to W.O.II Harwood, of the Battalion pay team, to S./Sgt. Watcham, the cook sergeant, to C./Sgt. Watson and to Pte. Lawless of the Battalion.

On Monday evening there was a tombola and a draw for the men and a large number of prizes were given away. The officers held a small dance at which some of our Naval guests from England were present as well as other friends from the Garrison.

Altogether they have been a memorable six days and we were particularly glad to welcome so many guests not only from Rhine Army but also the Naval officers from Portsmouth, the officers and other ranks who came from



Pte. Lawless receives his Long Service and Good Conduct Medal



The Bookmaker's Stand of Honest John Hayes at the Fair

our Territorial Battalions and the Depot and especially two Chelsea Pensioners—fine old members of the Regiment, whose capacity for fun did not seem to have diminished over the years.

I think everyone has enjoyed our last Glorious First of June. It has been hard work; there have been a few worries and anxieties, but nevertheless, it has been a lot of fun and all well worth it.

It has also strengthened our ties with the Royal Navy and with H.M.S. *Excellent*—The Royal Naval Gunnery School at Portsmouth. This ship has inherited the traditions but not the name of H.M.S. *Queen Charlotte*, which was Lord Howe's flagship in the battle of 1794. Officers and men of The Queen's fought and died aboard that ship. We salute their memory.

EXERCISE "ZWAAN SONG"

It was an ambitious exercise, but the last one in which the 1st Bn. The Queen's Royal Regiment will ever take part, and thus, if there was about it a touch of originality and a flavour of the unexpected the main object was achieved. As a final exercise it was at least memorable.

In February we wrote to Lieut.-Colonel H. R. D. Hill, M.B.E., of 23 Liaison Mission in the Headquarters of the 1st (Netherlands) Corps at Apeldoorn. It was an exploratory letter to test reactions and discover ways and means. The reaction was entirely favourable. The Netherlands Corps Commander approved the idea, the Chief of the General Staff at the Hague gave it his blessing, and all we had to do was make a formal application through what are described as normal channels, asking Army Headquarters at Moencheng-Gladbach to make a dignified approach to the Netherlands Minister of Defence.

In March we wrote out a plan for the exercise asking for approval at the

highest levels. We posted it with much the same apprehension as the customer in an old-fashioned draper's shop who sees his pound note carried away in a little cylinder. He watches it propelled along wires motivated by elastic bands on its long journey round corners and through departments and he wonders if he will ever receive his change.

Our change, the formal authority to hold the exercise, arrived on Saturday, 18th July—the exercise started on Monday, 20th July.

The first meeting with Netherlands officers was held in Apeldoorn on 11th May. Here the outline plan was agreed, much detail was recorded on paper for the benefit of Netherlands civil authorities and another meeting arranged for 13th May. At this second meeting we met for the first time Colonel Boerma, Second-in-Command of 41 Combat Group, from Ermelo, the Netherlands Brigade which was to oppose us in the field.

It is as well to record now the extraordinary kindness, hospitality, co-operation and enthusiasm shown towards us by every Netherlands officer, N.C.O. and man with whom we came in contact from the first planning stages until the end of the exercise. No international exercise can ever have been planned in a more harmonious atmosphere chiefly due to the influence of Colonel Boerma, everywhere the hand of welcome was extended, and though we must often have caused a lot of extra work, thought and travel, we were always given the impression that nothing was too much trouble.

Our own heavy training commitments and those of the Netherlands Forces made it impossible to hold our final co-ordinating conference and reconnaissance of the training areas until 7th and 8th July, but as the Netherlands officers had arranged for everyone concerned in the exercise to be present at the meeting on 8th July, all problems were rapidly resolved in the usual friendly atmosphere over cups of excellent coffee.

The plan for the exercise was straight forward. 1 Queen's Battalion Group, to be known as Queensforce, was represented in the narrative as being a fanatical body of men from the island of Let Op, off the North coast of Holland, jealous of the progress made by the Netherlands Forces in all aspects of nuclear power. The raising of the first Netherlands Honest John Battalion was the spark which set the venerable Archbishop Doorgaand Verkeer off on a tour of Let Op preaching pacifism and the destruction of the missile launching basis in Holland.

Queensforce consisted of a Force Headquarters and four mobile columns supported by two light aircraft of 9 Recce Flight. It was in fact a mixed force of all arms, some of them to be employed in unfamiliar roles.

Force Headquarters contained the normal Battalion tactical and main Headquarters and "A" Echelon but was made larger by the addition of vehicles of 5 Infantry Brigade Group Signal Squadron, led by the Squadron Second-in-Command Capt. Butler, whose communications, stretched over a front of forty miles, never failed.

No. 1 Column, consisting of "A" Company, was commanded by Capt. Donaldson, and Major Beattie and "B" Company formed No. 2 Column. "C" Squadron of the Royal Scots Greys and a troop of 5 Field Squadron, R.E., made up No. 3 Column, under command of Major Cuming of the Greys, and Lieut.-Colonel Streatfeild led his own 70 Field Battery, with three guns, as No. 4 Column.

Attached to the force and distributed amongst its column was the Recce Troop of the Greys and Capts. Freeman Smith and Stephen Gurney of 9 Recce Flight supported us in the air.

The move of all columns from Germany began early on Monday 20th July,

leaving from Iserlohn, Menden, Dortmund, Munster and Detmold. From Menden came four of the team of umpires provided by 58 Medium Regiment, R.A., upon whom the success of the exercise largely depended. The other two umpires came from 70 Field Battery and thus this purely infantry exercise was umpired with great skill, tact and success by representatives of the Royal Regiment.

The Force encountered no difficulties at the frontier crossing point at Coevorden when everything was done by the Netherlands Military Police to speed the formalities. The leading columns were asked for the one document they had not thought of—the movement order, but the Adjutant, Capt. Reynolds, had not forgotten the file. By 1630 hours all troops were established in the wooded area near Steenwijk, north of Meppel, from whence the exercise was to begin.

The Force Commander, Lieut.-Colonel Lloyd Owen, gave out his orders at 1800 hours, assigning to each column an area in which to hide and from which patrols would first locate the enemy Honest John launching sites, and then destroy them. Columns were ordered to move to their hides as soon as darkness made movement on open roads possible—one hide, for No. 4 Column, was over seventy miles away and none were closer than thirty-five. Having established themselves in their hides, the Columns were to spend Tuesday in locating the enemy positions, attack them on Tuesday night, lie up on Wednesday and on Wednesday night move to a rendezvous in an area south of Amersfoort where the force would collect itself before moving to the imaginary port of Hilversum to re-embark for the island of Let Op. The exercise was planned to end on Thursday morning.

While in the Steenwijk harbour area we were joined by Colonel Boerma, of 41 Combat Group, Major Max Havelaar, his S.3, or brigade major, and Capts. Boswijk, Van Hernen, Roosmalen and Lieut. Pruijboom, these four officers being the Netherlands umpires working with each of the British Columns. Major Havelaar, as Chief Netherlands Umpire, remained with Force Headquarters where he was a tower of strength, besides being a most charming person, and was instrumental in restoring with tact what might have been an awkward situation on the morning of Tuesday, 21st July.

The press arrived in strength and after a short conference toured the area; the Mayor of the local village made us welcome and at 1900 hours the exercise began with our aircraft making a dusk reconnaissance.

During the early part of the night the Columns moved to their hides and Force Headquarters set off towards a small training area just south of Elspeet and north of the Royal property belonging to Princess Wilhelmina.

It had been put to us politely but firmly that the Royal property was very much out of bounds and in no circumstances were we to enter it. It was therefore unfortunate that the first pale light in the eastern sky revealed Saracens, the Force Commander's caravan, the Officers' Mess and all the variety of Headquarter vehicles, tidily camouflaged and in some cases parked right under the little green notices informing nature lovers that the ground they occupied was royal. Major Havelaar rose wonderfully to the occasion, and in some miraculous way arranged with some kind personage of the Palace in Apeldoorn for us to remain where we were. The Commander of the 4th Netherlands Division, who came to lunch that day, remarked that in lunching with The Queen's he had been able to do something he had not believed possible, that is, to picnic with British troops on Royal property.

All the Columns succeeded in locating the enemy sites and several minor clashes took place involving a friendly exchange of prisoners. During Tuesday

night the enemy positions were successfully attacked and both sides withdrew. The Netherlands battalion now returned to its barracks at Ermelo, for the next phase of the exercise in the Amersfoort area was to be fought against another Netherlands battalion of 41 Combat Group, supported by a company of tanks.

The first two days had been extremely tiring and everyone welcomed the opportunity to rest on Wednesday, but on Wednesday afternoon No. 4 Column, under Lieut.-Colonel Streatfeild, moved down to secure the rendezvous on the high ground south of Amersfoort. This area was found to be strongly held by the enemy who withdrew only after a three-pronged attack had made their positions untenable.

The Dutch press were much in evidence during this attack in the fading light and indeed they were able to witness scenes of great gallantry. Below the mound whereon stood the Commander of 4 Netherlands Division, Colonel Boerma and the Force Commander, moved a lone figure, crawling from vantage point to vantage point, his pistol bearing upon the enemy company to his front. This seasoned infantryman turned out to be a trooper in the Greys launching an attack single-handed.

During the night the British columns collected on the high ground but at 0400 hours a determined Netherlands counter-attack supported by tanks drove them off the position. Gathering themselves together they made for the port of Hilversum and the exercise came to an end.

The Netherlands authorities had with characteristic kindness placed a barracks in Amsterdam at our disposal so that men were able to bathe and see a little of the great city before returning to Germany on 24th July.

What does one chiefly remember from this exercise? Perfect weather and a feeling of welcome where ever we went. It was a great success and apparently everyone enjoyed it. From the military point of view it was a great test of communications, and in many ways demanded a high standard of efficiency. Everyone learned something and it had the advantage of being different. It took place in strange country over long distances (for example, from Steenwijk to Hilversum is over one hundred miles), and we were up against a live enemy who was not controlled.

Socially it was delightful. We made many friends amongst the "enemy," and the Netherlands officers who umpired the columns did their job extremely well. There was never any shortage of visitors at Force Headquarters and the press was very kind to us—so kind in fact that everyone in Amsterdam seemed to know about the exercise and showed great hospitality.

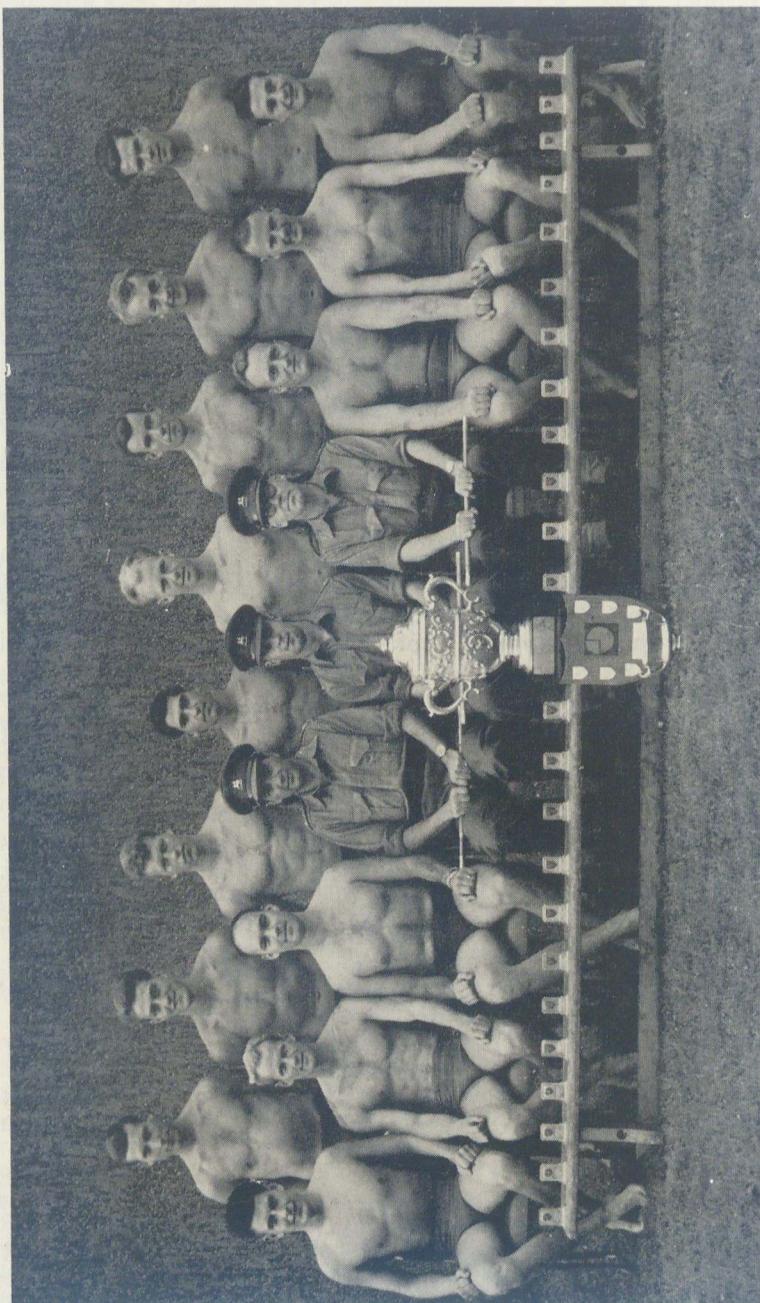
Having so much enjoyed what was really a great and valuable experience it is sad that we will never be able to repeat it.

ARMY SWIMMING CHAMPIONSHIPS, 1959

On 28th July at Sennelager, amidst scenes of wild excitement the 1st Battalion team won the B.A.O.R. Inter-Unit Championships, beating the 1st Bn. The Royal Norfolk Regiment by 48 points to 46.

These bare facts cover an interesting period of training, during which the team have striven manfully to make themselves into a balanced side and have succeeded, as the result shows, so well.

As last year, it was clear from early on in the season, that in B.A.O.R. the Norfolks would be our rivals for honours. Readers may well remember that last year we were beaten by narrow margins by this Regiment until the B.A.O.R. finals, when we in fact beat them, only to have victory snatched



1st Battalion The Queen's Royal Regiment, British Army and B.A.O.R. Swimming Champions, 1959
 Front Row (left to right).—Pte. B. Smith, L-Cpl. D. Smith, C.S.M.I. R. E. Mobbs, Lieut.-Colonel D. L. Lloyd Owen, D.S.O., O.B.E., M.C., 2-Lieut. M. A. Prentice, Major I. D. Beattie, Sgt. E. Lockwood, Cpl. R. Freeth, L-Cpl. J. Poultier.
 Back Row (left to right).—Ptes. D. Waring, P. Cable, B. Ellis, B. Evans, L/Cpl. E. Bell, J. Hearn, Ptes. A. Thompson, D. Wills

from our grasp by a technical disqualification in one race.

The 5 Infantry Brigade Group meeting was held at Dortmund on 11th July, in very good conditions and our worst fears were realized when we saw 2/Lieut. Moore in action for the first time. Swimming in the free-style relay and 200-metre event he was so immeasurably faster than anyone else that it was clear that something would have to be done. Pte. Smith, who should have swum last leg in the relay, had been delayed returning from leave and Pte. Wills had to swim two 50-metre events—the second against 2/Lieut. Moore. We lost, honourably, by the odd event.

The 4 Division Championship was held at Sennelager on Thursday, 23rd July, and this was virtually a repetition of the 5 Brigade meeting with no one able to split the two 5 Brigade teams on points. Finally the Norfolks won by a narrow margin, due again very largely to some magnificent swimming by 2/Lieut. Moore.

The Rhine Army Finals opened badly for us. To our horror an enormous guardsman from the 1st Bn. The Scots Guards got his shaven head in front and we were split from the Norfolks by 4 points in the free-style relay 2 x 100, 2 x 200. However, the breast-stroke team (two of whom, Cpl. Freeth and L/Cpl. Bell, had qualified for the Inter-Service team) did splendidly and won well, the Glosters splitting the Norfolks from us for second place (20 points each).

The next event the back-stroke is swum in two finals, the aggregate placings counting towards points and in this we scraped home by a whistler, but were put into second place in the free-style relay. (Points Norfolks, 37; Queen's, 36.)

Now everything hung on the medley relay and at the turn the Regiment was slightly leading. Cpl. Freeth increased the lead slightly and then pulled well away and with Pte. Wills swimming a really good free-style 50-metres it was all ours.

The Norfolks were most gallant losers and it was a splendid thing to have both winners and runners-up in 5 Brigade Group, both Regiments competing in their last swimming season before amalgamation.

It will also delight the hearts of all infantrymen to know that the next three in order in the Championships were—1st Bn. The Scots Guards, 1st Bn. The Gloucestershire Regiment and 1st Bn. The Middlesex Regiment—a most satisfactory all-infantry finish!

The Army Inter-Unit Team Championship was held at Eltham Baths on Thursday, 13th August, with The Queen's representing B.A.O.R. against the finalists of the Command's at home.

The team were supported by a vociferous crowd of Queen's well-wishers including the Colonel of the Regiment and the Colonel of The East Surrey Regiment, Brigadier G. R. P. Roupell, V.C., C.B., D.L., and members of The Surreys from the joint Depot at Canterbury.

It soon became apparent that the R.A.M.C. Depot at Crookham were to be our chief rivals as they had a strong team including one member of the British team in the last Olympics.

The first race, the free-style relay, was won by the R.A.M.C. with The Queen's coming third. This was followed by the breast-stroke relay which The Queen's won five seconds outside the Army record time, and the R.A.M.C. came third. We were then lying equal first, and as three of the other teams had been disqualified in the breast-stroke they were out of the running except for the S.M.E. Chatham. The back-stroke relay was won by the R.A.M.C., The Queen's and Guards Training Battalion tying for second place.

The Queen's supporters' spirits sank after the 4 x 66½-yards free-style relay won by the Royal Signals Catterick, in which the R.A.M.C. came second and The Queen's could do no better than fourth.

The tension mounted for the medley relay, the last race. Already our supporters were crimson in the face and hoarse voiced; the only imperturbable person being a large toy elephant in a pink bathing costume, which sat out, each race at the end of The Queen's lane! Of the last race all that can be clearly remembered was that S.M.E. won it. The Queen's came second and the R.A.M.C. were disqualified.

The Queen's had won the Unit Championship. Moreover for the first time since it was organized on a unit basis in 1951 it had been won by an Infantry battalion and not a Corps team.

Final team points were: 1st Bn. The Queen's Royal Regiment, 40½; Depot and Training Establishment R.A.M.C., Crookham, 36; 12 S.M.E. Regiment, Chatham, 26; Guards Training Battalion, Pirbright, 22½; 9 Battalion R.A.O.C. Donnington, 20; 4 Training Regiment, Royal Signals, Catterick, 9.

The Team were: 2/Lieut. M. A. Prentice, team captain; Cpl. R. Freeth; L./Cpls. D. Smith, J. Ahearn and E. Bell; Ptes. D. Waring, D. Wills, B. Ellis, P. Cable, B. Evans, B. Smith and A. Thompson. Reserves: C.S.M.I. R. Mobbs, Sgt. E. Lockwood and L./Cpl. J. Poulter.

REGIMENTAL DEPOT

SINCE the last issue of the JOURNAL the Depot at Stoughton Barracks has been slowly running down like a large clockwork mechanism. However, like the best clocks, unwinding itself it has kept good time to the last, and we hope that it was not too obvious to visitors that this marked the end of a period beginning in 1876. In that year the 1st Battalion sent two companies, plus two Depot companies, under command of Major H. P. Phillipps, to Guildford where they formed the 48th Brigade Depot at Stoughton Barracks. In 1881 the Brigade Depots were abolished and Guildford became the Regimental Depot, which goes to prove that Brigade Depots being formed are no innovation!

In December we had the annual Administrative Inspection, which was carried out by Brigadier D. R. Wilson, O.B.E., Commanding 47 Infantry Brigade (T.A.). This took place shortly before Christmas and we did our best to blind the inspecting team with brandy sauce and plum pudding at lunch-time.

The Christmas festivities were enjoyed by everyone and the pantomime "Alf's Button" was a memorable production in which Major Mans, as the harem-bound pasha, was in excellent voice, and Capt. Johnson a realistically decrepit old man. The parts of the two very villainous assassins were played by Majors "Buzz" Waspe and P. G. Smith. A great deal of talent of all sorts was displayed!

The winter season was used to good effect in interesting parties of schoolboys and cadets in the Army as a career. We had a number of cadets' and schoolboys' week-ends at the Depot and a display team, under Lieut. Sharpe, toured all the affiliated C.C.F. and A.C.F. units of The Queen's and The East Surreys. We also had the pleasure of accommodating fifty cadets and their officers of Whitgift School from 1st to 8th of April, while they did their Easter training.

The passing-out parades have been taken by The Mayor of Guildford, Councillor C. E. Nicklin; the Brigade Colonel, Home Counties Brigade, Colonel H. R. Grace, O.B.E.; and the final parade of the 58th Intake by The Colonel of The Regiment on 21st February (the first draft left the Depot on 15th April, 1879).

On 6th April, Major R. S. N. Mans, M.B.E., handed over command of the Depot to Major P. G. Collyer, and Capt. G. C. Sharpe became Adjutant.

In May we had the pleasure of accommodating a troop of the 1st Royal Dragoons, raised originally as the Tangier Regiment of Horse.

The Depot sent a party of Major Waspe, R.S.M. Atkins, Cpl. Tyler and "Chuck" Sheffield, accompanied by two of our Chelsea Pensioners, to B.A.O.R. to join the 1st Battalion for its celebrations of the Glorious First of June. They were wonderfully entertained and returned bemused from it all.

The Depot ceased its primary function of training recruits in February and its other functions on 30th June. Rear details will remain at Guildford, finally closing down towards the end of 1959.

The Regimental Flag will fly on the Keep until Amalgamation Day.

SPORTS

Our games activities suffered from our dwindling numbers, and after the last intake had passed out in February it became increasingly difficult to find teams.

In the West Surrey Mid-week Football League we finished fifth, having won 14 games out of 22, with one drawn. Mention must be made here of L./Cpl. Sears, the team captain and Ptes. Smith and Sayers, who played throughout the season. As usual Mr. R. J. Clark, of the Orderly Room staff, was a tower of strength as team manager and coach and all Depot footballers owe him a debt of gratitude for his interest and encouragement over many years.

In the hockey field the Depot began in fine form but steadily lost its team members. We had some excellent games particularly against Depot, The Queen's Own and Royal Sussex. Sgt. Wright played in goal for us, and must surely have been the only hockey player in the Army with a bar to his Long Service and Good Conduct Medal. The forwards attacking strength chiefly lay in Pte. Petzing (now 2/Lieutenant with the 1st Battalion).

Five cricket matches were played of which three were won and two lost. This is, of course, separate from the Regimental cricket which is mentioned on another page. The Depot team benefited greatly from the inclusion of Pte. W. Smith, who has again this year been chosen to play for Eastern Command and Surrey second eleven. Other regular players were Capt. G. C. Sharpe, who led the team, Sgt. B. Dunkeld, L./Cpl. J. Sears and Pte. K. Woodford.

By the time shooting competitions were being held the Depot strength was such that it was only possible to enter individuals. Major P. G. Collyer and Capt. G. C. Sharpe entered for the Surrey Rifle Championship. Capt. Sharpe won the Kingston Cup and Major Collyer came third in the Individual Championship. They then entered for the Army Championship at Bisley, which was shot in fierce heat occasionally broken by torrential cloud-bursts. Major Collyer having to do the run down from 600 to 100 yards in one of them with a distinct bow wave, and leaving a wake behind him! Nevertheless he had a very successful meeting coming thirty-fourth in the Army Championship, shooting for the English Regiments' Eight in the Methuen, the Army Twenty against the T.A., and was awarded his Army Eight badge in the

United Services Cup. He also came sixteenth in the Service Rifle Championship at the National meeting.

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2/Lieut. K. G. Wakely was awarded the following prizes on commissioning at R.M.A. Sandhurst on 25th July, 1959: the Queen's Medal for Academic Studies and the Russian Prize.

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Sgt. L. Wright, serving at the Depot, has been awarded the bar to his Long Service and Good Conduct Medal.

THE GLORIOUS FIRST OF JUNE AT GUILDFORD

IT was the turn of the Regiment this year to be hosts for the joint celebrations of The Glorious First of June. It was also the last occasion on which the Regiment could entertain H.M.S. *Excellent* at our Regimental home and Depot at Stoughton Barracks. Efforts were made therefore to make the celebrations as fully representative of the Regiment as was possible, although as in so many years since the war the 1st Battalion was abroad.

The Depot itself had largely run down to a token strength and was about to close. Our manpower was small and our resources consequently slender. Nevertheless, through the splendid efforts of Major Collyer and the remaining staff of the Depot, who met every call with enthusiasm and ingenuity, the two days of 29th and 30th May were an outstanding success, and a fitting climax to our eighty years' life in Stoughton Barracks.

THE CRICKET

At midday on 29th May, the Regimental cricket team, led by Capt. G. C. Sharpe, took the field amidst bright sunshine. Within twenty minutes the Navy were in troubled water—three wickets taken for only eight runs. However a fine partnership of 135 between Commander Howell-Davies (57) and Lieut.-Commander Hames (64), restored the situation and enabled H.M.S. *Excellent* to reach the very respectable total of 190 for 9 wickets declared.

Lieut.-Commander Tordoff's team then took swift vengeance on the Regiment's batsmen until fine innings from Major Sewell (33), 2/Lieut. Petzing (35) and a robust 64 from Capt. Sharpe took the first innings total to within five runs of that of H.M.S. *Excellent*.

In their second innings H.M.S. *Excellent* scored quickly and punished the Regiment's bowlers to the tune of 146 for 4 wickets, at which total they declared. Lieut. Goodman made 59 and Lieut.-Commander Varley 50.

Thus the Regiment were set to score 152 in quick time. Nevertheless the declaration was a generous one and the bowling of H.M.S. *Excellent* was never defensive to say the least. In an exciting finish The Queen's Royal Regiment scored the necessary runs with only five minutes to spare largely thanks to fine forcing innings by 2/Lieut. Petzing (62) and Pte. Smith (61).

Best bowling figures were returned by Capt. Napier-Ford (2 for 32 and 3 for 15) and Pte. Smith (2 for 18) for The Queen's Royal Regiment. For H.M.S. *Excellent*, Lieut. Bagguley took 6 for 72 and 2 for 65 and Lieut.-Commander Varley 2 for 4.

It was a pleasure to have Commander Wally Hammond with us although, perhaps to our advantage, he was not fit enough to play.

We were blessed with perfect weather throughout this memorable and most enjoyable match. Full scores appear under the heading of "Regimental Cricket" on another page.

On the second day there was a very large gathering of past and present officers, their families and friends, all of whom enjoyed not only the cricket but also the Band playing its lively selections.

THE OFFICERS' MESS

The Officers' Mess had already closed, and the problem of where to hold the dinner was solved by using the splendid new other ranks' dining hall. The wall at each end were transformed by striking murals, brilliantly executed under extremely difficult conditions, by Mrs. Peter Collyer and her aides, Ptes. Allen and Hook. The scenes depicted were the Naval Actions of 29th May and First of June, 1794. These murals are to be preserved. Skilful use of draperies and lighting provided the rest of the decoration. Under the experienced and meticulous direction of R.S.M. Atkins, the tables were arranged to seat the maximum number without discomfort. Silver from the 2nd, and 3rd Battalions and the Depot was set out in the traditional manner for a Regimental guest night. Finally the Colours of the 1st, 5th and 6th Battalions were displayed behind the centre table, adding to the dignity of the occasion. It is worthy of note that no one present could recall any previous occasion on which the Colours of the three Battalions had been displayed at the same time in an Officers' Mess of the Regiment.

All available serving officers in the United Kingdom had assembled for the occasion, together with representatives of the two Territorial Battalions. All three Commanding Officers, Lieut.-Colonels Lloyd Owen, Harris and Nice were present. Many former Regular commanding officers had also managed to come, and these included General Sir George Giffard, Major-General I. T. P. Hughes and Major-General G. A. Pilleau. In addition to Capt. H. C. Martel and some thirty serving officers of H.M.S. *Excellent* we had as our guests five former captains of H.M.S. *Excellent*, Admiral Sir Patrick Brind, Vice-Admiral Sir Stephen Carllill, Vice-Admiral Sir Robert Elkins, Rear-Admiral P. V. McLoughlin and Captain R. Casement. Brigadier G. R. P. Roupell, Colonel, The East Surrey Regiment, Lieut.-Colonel G. A. White (O.C. 1 Surreys, and C.O. Designate of 1 Queen's Surreys) and other officers of The East Surrey Regiment were also honoured guests, as were Lieut.-General I. H. Riches, Commandant General Royal Marines, and his distinguished predecessor, General Sir Campbell Hardy. Finally we were fortunate enough to have with us Capt. F. Lang, R.A.A.M.C., from our affiliated Australian Regiment, The City of Newcastle Regiment.

In proposing the Toast of H.M.S. *Excellent* the Colonel of The Regiment traced the origin of our link with the sailors and the sea, dating from the action of The Glorious First of June in 1794, and expressed our deep and abiding sense of kinship which the Regiment felt with the successor of H.M.S. *Queen Charlotte*. In referring to our other guests he spoke of our pleasure at having with us Brigadier Roupell and other officers of The East Surrey Regiment, and with them the two distinguished representatives of The Royal Marines. Finally the Colonel of The Regiment once again reminded everyone that the great traditions of The Glorious First of June would be carried forward to The Queen's Royal Surrey Regiment, adding that we were about to

embark on a new era in which we could face the challenge of the future with confidence, in the light of our great heritage.

In his response, Captain Martel referred to the common experience which both Regiments had had as Marines, and added that he thought it was a wonderful opportunity for them to carry forward the traditions which were good, and to discard those which no longer had any real value.

After dinner the Band of the 1st Battalion concluded a splendid programme by playing all the appropriate Regimental marches. Senior officers with our senior guests then visited the Sergeants' Mess.

WARRANT OFFICERS & SERGEANTS' MESS AND CORPORALS' MESS

The Sergeants' Mess celebrated the occasion with a dance, at which they entertained the petty officers of H.M.S. *Excellent*. Coloured lights throwing a subdued glow over cartoons depicting the common interests of sailors and soldiers, and imaginative decorations transformed the Mess into a romantic "Beer Garden."

Meanwhile the Corporals' Mess was entertaining the ratings of H.M.S. *Excellent* and visiting members of the 1st Battalion on an expedition to the "Crazy Gang" in particular, and London in general.



[W. Dennett, Guildford]

One of the Murals in the Other Ranks' Dining Hall at Guildford, painted by Mrs. P. G. Collyer, wife of the Commanding Officer

DEPOT THE QUEEN'S ROYAL REGIMENT AND THE EAST SURREY REGIMENT

With the closing down of the Depot at Stoughton and of the Depot, The East Surrey Regiment both combined to form the Depot, The Queen's Royal Regiment and The East Surrey Regiment at Wemyss Barracks, Canterbury, with effect from 1st July, 1959. Prior to this, however, the Quartermaster and the Advance Party had put in much hard work opening up and getting ready to receive the main body which arrived on 3rd July, 1959.

The Commanding Officer reported formation of the Depot to the Colonels of both Regiments, and received replies from them.

Since formation, work has gone on all over the barracks cleaning, weeding and generally smartening up the place, which has been unoccupied for four years. At the time of writing it is beginning to look presentable and ready to receive the first intake on 6th August, 1959.

The Officers' and Sergeants' Messes have been busy unpacking silver and other property and getting their Messes organized. The men's mess and cookhouse are in fine shape.

On 19th July, 1959, The Commanding Officer, Capt. R. B. Johnson, Lieut. S. T. W. Anderson, R.S.M. H. Atkins and L/Cpl. J. Allen attended the Dedication of the Regimental Chapel in Guildford New Cathedral.

The first intake of seventy-four O.Rs. arrives on 6th August, 1959, and will be the first draft destined for the new Amalgamated Regiment.

The senior ranks on the Permanent Staff on formation were:—

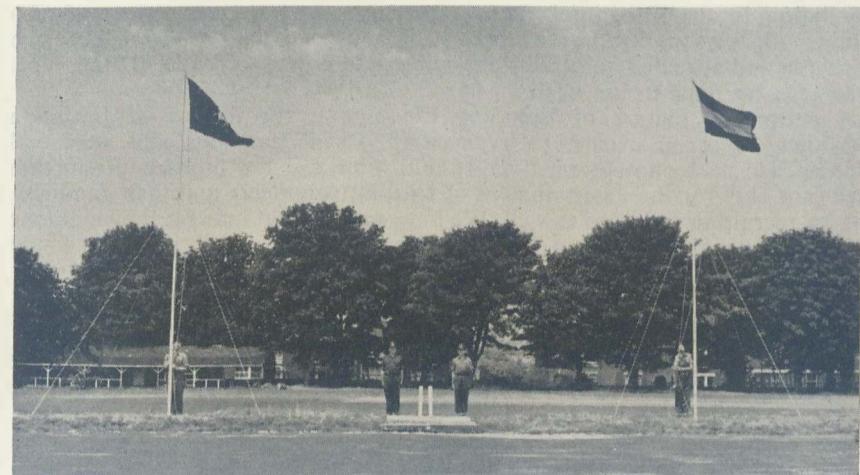
Commanding Officer: Major D. C. Snowdon, T.D., Queen's.

Adjutant: Capt. G. Mason, Surreys.

Quartermaster: Major (Qr.-Mr.) H. R. Gill, Queen's.

Training Company Commander: Capt. R. B. Johnson, Queen's.

Training Officer: Lieut. K. R. Burnett, Surreys.



The two Regimental Flags being raised on the formation of the New Depot
at Wemyss Barracks, Canterbury

Left to Right: Sgt. Brownjohn (Queen's), Capt. G. Mason (Surreys), R.S.M. H. Atkins (Queen's),
Sgt. Gray (Surreys)

Training Officer: Lieut. S. T. W. Anderson, Queen's.
 Administrative Officer: Major C. F. Cole, M.B.E. (Retd.), late Queen's.
 R.S.M.: W.O.I H. Atkins, Queen's.
 Training Company C.S.M.: W.O.II M. Battrick, Surreys.
 O.R.Q.M.S.: C./Sgt. Cripps, Surreys.
 Provost Sergeant: Sgt. Wright, Queen's.
 C.Q.M.S.: C./Sgt. Todd, Queen's.
 Orderly Sergeant: Sgt. Gray, Surreys.
 Training Platoon Sergeant: Sgt. Brownjohn, Queen's.
 Training Platoon Sergeant: Sgt. Riley, Queen's.
 Training Platoon Sergeant: Sgt. Terry, Surreys.
 Officers' Mess Sergeant: Sgt. Morant, Queen's.

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Armourer-Sergeant: Sgt. Reynolds, R.E.M.E.
 Pay Sergeant: Sgt. Weir, R.A.P.C.
 S.S.I.: S./Sgt. Rozee, A.P.T.C.
 Cook Sergeant: Sgt. Hoar, A.C.C.

5th BATTALION

1959—the Centenary Year of the Battalion—has been notable for much additional activity in recruiting and social events.

Since the last issue of the JOURNAL there has been a net increase of thirty recruits with a further seventeen cases pending. These results were achieved after intensive Company recruiting weeks at the beginning of the year, when many and varied means were used to interest the local population in the Territorial Army. On one occasion the services of two leading TV personalities were obtained. They gave their performance free of charge and attracted an almost unmanageable crowd to the Drill Hall. This is an idea we hope to use again.

A permanent feature of Battalion life now is the filming of Battalion activities. All main events, such as camp, social functions and week-end training, etc., are photographed in 16-mm. film and the finished production used (not only for the entertainment of existing volunteers and their families), but for recruiting purposes as well. We have found great interest shown among likely recruits when they can view Battalion activities which normally would not be seen by outsiders.

BRIGADE FIRST AID COMPETITION

5 Queen's won this competition of 15th March, 1959, with a clear lead of ten per cent. over the next contestants. Unfortunately we did not do so well in the Divisional Competition.

BOXING

A boxing success was obtained by Pte. C. N. Blanch (H.Q. Company) who won his welter-weight bouts in the T.A. Individual Championships on 4th April.

The Queen's and Regimental Colours of the 1st Battalion

The Queen's Royal Regiment (West Surrey)

QUEEN'S COLOUR.



The Queen's Royal Regiment (West Surrey)

REGIMENTAL COLOUR.



DIVISIONAL COOKERY COMPETITION

A Battalion team (led by Sgt. W. H. Burnham) won the Divisional Cookery Competition on 12th April, 1959, and this same team has been selected for the Command Competition to be held in September this year.

BRIGADE P.S.I.s. COMPETITION

The Battalion won the above with a total of 762 points out of 1,000. The next highest team scored 710 points.

ADMINISTRATIVE INSPECTION

A grading of excellent was achieved on this year's Administrative Inspection.

SHOOTING

Again this year the Battalion has met with even greater achievements than in 1958.

Competing in the 44(H.C.) Infantry Division (T.A.) Championship at Hythe the outstanding successes were: Champion Territorial Army Battalion Team (three years running); Individual Champion (second year), Major R. C. H. Saunders.

Surrey Service Meeting (Bisley)—Winner, Champion Units Team of Surrey (Bellhaven Cup), five individuals being placed in the first nine in the Championship. N.R.A. Bisley.

Sgt. W. Burnham and C.S.M. N. Guest had many successes and were prize winners in several of the competitions.

On 6th September we will be competing in the T.A.R.A. Decentralized Competition, where we hope we will do well. During the year the strength of our team has been in the high overall standard displayed. C.S.M. H. J. Guest, C.S.M. H. V. Sharman, Sgt. W. H. Burnham, Sgt. T. MacCready, Sgt. W. Gardiner, L./Cpl. F. J. Burrows and Pte. B. Davis have all shot consistently well, while Major R. C. H. Saunders has been outstanding.

CENTENARY MARCHES

The Battalion returned from camp at Stanford on 18th June to celebrate the centenary of its birth by marching through West Surrey. Ceremonial parades were held at Haslemere, Dorking and Reigate on Friday the 19th and at Camberley, Woking and Guildford on Saturday the 20th. Led by the Regimental Band the Battalion successfully negotiated each of the six towns, including the descent of a Guildford High Street packed to overflowing with Saturday afternoon shoppers.

The salute was taken at Reigate by Councillor H. J. Best, J.P., and at Guildford by Alderman C. E. Nicklin, J.P., the respective Mayors. In each town distinguished old members had been invited to be present at the saluting base, and we were honoured that the Colonel of The Regiment and Sir Frank Watney watched The Battalion march past.

CAMP

First-class weather was enjoyed at Stanford Practical Training Area this year when the Battalion was accommodated in huts for the first time for several years. Training was hard and realistic and our new recruits in particular profited greatly. A certain amount of time was taken up with rehearsals for the Centenary Marches which took place on 19th and 20th June in the



5th Battalion The Queen's Royal Regiment marching through Reigate

Surrey towns where the Battalion has T.A. Centres. These marches are mentioned separately. During the evening of 19th June a Centenary Dinner for All Ranks was held at Stoughton Barracks, the guest-of-honour being His Worship The Mayor of Guildford.

GUILDFORD CATHEDRAL— QUEEN'S CHAPEL DEDICATION SERVICE

On Sunday, 19th July, the Battalion provided a contingent at the Dedication of the Queen's Chapel at Guildford Cathedral.

COMPANY NEWS

"A" COMPANY (REIGATE)

We are now the second strongest Rifle Company and endeavouring to snatch the lead from "B" Company. During the year we have had seventeen new recruits, and L./Cpl. J. Perryman has joined us from the 1st Battalion. Capt. R. P. Wheeler has joined us from The Royal Berkshire Regiment and has been appointed 2.I.C.

Cpl. D. W. Wright and I. G. Hounslow have been promoted to sergeants since the last issue and Sgt. I. G. Hounslow has taken over the duties of Officers' Mess Sergeant from Sgt. L. Robinson. Early in March we held a recruiting week in Reigate, with a static demonstration in the High Street and a window display in a local shop. The week ended in a grand social supported by Major A. C. Overington and Capt. J. G. Chandler, a previous Company Commander and his 2.I.C.

Annual camp was a great success and ended with the march through Reigate with bayonets fixed and Colours flying, at which the Mayor took the salute. Also on the saluting base was Colonel Sir Frank Watney, K.C.V.O., C.B.E., T.D., who commanded "A" Company in 1892 to 1900, Colonel Young and an ex-Company Sergeant-Major Percy Foot.

During camp Pte. A. G. D'Mello entertained all ranks at the "barbecue" with his guitar and a new "army song" was given its first airing. This is now known as the "A" Company marching song.

Our Permanent Staff instructor during the year has been W.O.II H. Bosley, who unfortunately is returning in October to the 1st Battalion.

"B" COMPANY (CAMBERLEY)

Recruiting in the Camberley area has been most satisfactory during the past year. The Company together with the Drums and A.C.C. have now topped the fifty mark, the highest volunteer strength since the war. A most welcome newcomer was Capt. Jack Schofield, who joined the Company as Second-in-Command from the 17th Parachute Battalion (T.A.). Cpl. D. H. F. Humphries has also joined from the 1st Battalion; his active service experience will prove most valuable.

W.O.II L. C. A. Moxon, B.E.M., has been granted a commission as Lieutenant (Q.M.) (T.A.). He has also been awarded a Fourth Clasp to his Territorial Efficiency Medal. He is very busy as Secretary of the 5th Queen's Old Comrades in addition to his other duties.

The annual dinner was held on 29th November, and was as well supported as usual. Guests included Lieut.-Colonel H. M. W. Harris, Lieut.-Colonel F. C. Edwards and Major J. W. Mansel.

The Company's recruiting week in April was inaugurated by a visit of Michael Medwin and Norman Rossington of the "Army Game." These TV stars delighted an overflow audience with an original sketch.

The annual rifle meeting with "D" Company took place on "A" Range, RMAS on Sunday, 23rd August. The prizes were presented by General Sir Charles Coleman, who has come to live in Camberley on retirement.

"C" COMPANY (DORKING)

Much of our time in this Centenary Year has been devoted to recruiting, and results so far have been encouraging. We are now seeing recruits who have done no military service, but their enthusiasm promises well for the time when volunteers will receive all their training in the T.A. One tactic has been to send a recruiting team equipped with loud hailer and inescapable posters round our local villages, and a series of local darts matches has proved a considerable test of stamina, as well as skill. Unlike Mark Twain's mule, we have both pride of ancestry and hope of posterity; not only must we recruit, but we must hold interest, and we think it is worth reminding National Service officers now serving (especially if they live around Dorking) that there is highly rewarding work to be done.

The Company soccer team completed its first season in the Dorking League with some distinction, and Cpl. Lambkin has, by popular acclaim, again been appointed secretary of the club. The R.S.M. (W.O.I Esler) has been a welcome addition to our playing strength, introducing the element of disciplined vigour that might be expected of him. He tells us, incidently, that his ribs have mended perfectly. This year we shall be entering a team for the T.A. Challenge Cup, with "C" Company as the nucleus, but we hope that other footballers in the Battalion will have the opportunity of playing in the team.

Our Company Commander went over to Germany to attend the 1st Battalion's Glorious First of June celebrations, and he returned deeply impressed. offered by the programme of events, or adequately convey the marathon We understand that no description could possibly do justice to the spectacle nature of the 1st Battalion's hospitality. We are now satisfied that infantry can be trained to a point where sleep is unnecessary.

"D" COMPANY (WOKING)

We have had quite an active year in Woking. Our recruiting week in the spring advertised the Company and culminated in the biggest dance we have held to date. Large crowds on a fine day also saw the Battalion march through Woking on their return from camp in Norfolk. The salute was taken by the Chairman of the Council, Councillor S. G. Higgins.

The shooting team has continued to do well under C.S.M. H. J. Guest.

We were very sorry to lose W.O.II F. G. Saxby on his posting to H.Q. Company, but we are pleased to congratulate him on his promotion.

Also to be congratulated on their promotion are C./Sgt. L. Robinson and Sgt. B. Humphreys.

We look forward to the autumn and an intensive period of training with our new recruits, several of whom we welcome from the Cadets.

H.Q. COMPANY (GUILDFORD)

Major J. W. P. Llewellyn took over command from Major J. D. Wade, who is now living in Devon. Capt. T. E. Parsonage has taken over command of the M.T. Platoon. Capt. J. R. Gill commands Support Company with Capt. C. M. Wigan in charge of the M.M.G.

The Company held its annual children's Christmas party and the Company draw—both of these were a great success mainly through the hard work of Sgt. Dixon (M.T.).

On 25th January the Company had a training week-end on Hankley Common which proved a good exercise for all concerned, including the secretary of the local golf club who showed that at one time he had been a soldier.

Monday, 9th March, began our recruiting week—which although proved hard work for everyone—it paid dividends and substantially swelled our ranks, especially the M.T. Platoon.

On Friday, 10th April, we held a successful Company recruiting dance and even managed to get some young blood.

At annual camp this year the Company distinguished itself with the "S.P." plus, coming second in the Commanding Officer's exercise. The same platoons at the end of the Brigade exercise broke through the enemy lines as a body and not one man was captured—although at one time the situation looked extremely uncomfortable as the enemy in Land-Rovers always managed to turn their headlights no more than two feet from the leading man.

The Company was well represented in the Battalion eight and maintained its high shooting standard.

The Company—which is in great spirits looks forward to a new year with confidence.

OFFICERS' MESS

The Officers' Mess has again been functioning at full pressure during this Centenary Year of the Battalion.

Before this year's activities commenced, however, a very enjoyable Christmas dinner dance was held at the Wanborough Manor Country Club, and was

well attended by serving officers and past members of the Mess with their personal guests and friends. We were very pleased to welcome Brigadier A. D. Miller and Mrs. Miller to this function.

During April a dinner and guest night was held at the Officers' Mess, at which several newly-joined officers were officially welcomed to the Mess, and Capt. W. D. J. Roscoe, who has transferred to T.A.R.O. "was duly dined out."

Whilst at annual camp we were pleased to welcome The Lord Lieutenant of Surrey, The Right Honourable The Earl of Munster, P.C., The Colonel of the Regiment Major-General J. Y. Whitfield, C.B., D.S.O., O.B.E., Colonel T. A. Roberts, Chairman of the Surrey T. and A.F. Association and Brigadier A. D. Miller, D.S.O., as the chief guests to our guest night. The Band of the 1st Bn. The East Surrey Regiment played for us during dinner.

Our Centenary cocktail party was held in July at Loseley House, kindly lent for the occasion by Brigadier General Longbourne More Molyneux, C.M.G., D.S.O. Loseley House is a charming old Elizabethan Manor House surrounded by many acres of parkland. Nearly two hundred guests were received by our Honorary Colonel and Mrs. J. B. Kealy and Lieut.-Colonel and Mrs. Hugh Harris. We were pleased to welcome as our chief guests The Earl and Countess of Munster, Lord and Lady Onslow, Major-General and Mrs. W. F. R. Turner, Mayor and Mayoress of Guildford, The Mayor and Mayoress of Reigate, Major-General and Mrs. J. Y. Whitfield and Brigadier and Mrs. A. D. Miller. We were fortunate in having the 1st Battalion Band to play for us.

During September the Officers' Mess will be holding the Centenary guest and dinner night at Queen's College, Oxford. We look forward to meeting our guests and past members of the Mess that can manage to be present on this occasion.

We are very pleased to welcome Major P. R. Swanson as training Major and we wish Major W. J. F. Sutton all the very best on his retirement.

SERGEANTS' MESS

We have again had a most successful year.

Several of the Mess members forming parts of a very successful Battalion shooting team.

The Mess remains a very happy one.

At camp we were honoured by visits from The Earl of Munster, The Lord Lieutenant of Surrey, Colonel T. A. Roberts, M.B.E., T.D. Chairman of the Surrey T. and A.F. Association, and his staff. Colonel of The Regiment Major-General J. Y. Whitfield, C.B., D.S.O., O.B.E., and Colonel J. B. H. Kealy, our Honorary Colonel, all of whom said how well the Mess was looking. The credit here must go to all members who worked so hard at the beginning of camp to put "Our House in Order."

Our sincere congratulations go to the following new members of the Mess: Sgt. W. Harmes, Sgt. I. Hounslow, Sgt. D. Humphries, Sgt. D. Kitchen, Sgt. E. Moore, Sgt. M. Redbond, Sgt. W. Spencer and Sgt. D. Wright, on their promotion.

It is on a very sad note that we must end these notes in saying farewell to the longest serving Mess member, and one much respected and admired by us all, R.Q.M.S. F. Pullan, M.B.E., who passed away on 6th February, 1959, will long be remembered by us all. He was one of the oldest serving members of the Battalion having served continuously with 5 Queens' since 1923.

6th BATTALION

THIS has been a very full year and we have been pretty busy. On the training side we have had Brigade and Battalion exercises, including a field firing exercise on Salisbury Plain.

Annual camp was held at Plasderdown Camp, and our training was carried out under glorious weather conditions on Dartmoor. The training was strenuous and we all now have a healthy respect for the tors and bogs which cover the moor. The junior officers in particular will long remember their march of fifteen miles across the moor by night and day. Already the tales are growing as to the length of the journey and the heights of the tors.

Our recruiting figures continue to rise, albeit somewhat slowly. Our strength is now thirty officers and 130 other ranks, which is an improvement on last year's figures.

SPORT

In the sporting world we have had some success during the year. In the final of the Divisional Football Competition we were narrowly beaten by the 7th Middlesex. In the Divisional Cross-Country Championships, coupled with the Eastern Command Championships Cpl. Cleverly was an easy winner.

A very successful sports week-end was held at the Depot, and it was a fine sight to see the Commanding Officer leading the P.T. parade on a Sunday morning.

In the Divisional Boxing Championships Pte. Thorpe was runner-up in the bantam-weight.

SHOOTING

In the T.A. Small-Bore League we entered three teams. The results were:— Battalion "A" Team, third; Battalion "B" Team, first; Battalion "C" Team, sixth.

Our annual rifle meeting will take place at Aldershot on 3th/4th October. We hope to have a good meeting as this will be our last shoot on the open range in the present training year.

Once again Capt. P. J. Dorey represented the Battalion at Bisley. He put up a fine show and his results are as under:—Kolar Inter-Divisional Challenge Cup, 1959, Awarded Bronze Medal.

In the Divisional Rifle Meeting we were very successful and managed to produce some good results. These were: Battalion Team Main Competition, second; Battalion Team China Cup, third.

Individual Results—Champion at Arms, Lieut. P. J. Dorey, 2nd; Sgt. T. Nickson, 3rd. Highest Score Rapid, Class "A" 300 yards, Sgt. Nickson tied for first place; Highest Score Application, Class "B" 300 yards, Cpl. Adam; Highest Score Application, Class "C" 500 yards, Pte. Kelly (P.S.); Grenade Trowing, Pte. Ruby; Best Score Pistol, Sgt. Nickson.

SOCIAL ACTIVITIES

The outstanding social activities have been a very fine Sergeants' Mess dance and an all ranks dance, both of which were held at Bermondsey. We were very fortunate to obtain a good selection of drapes from Pinewood Studios which managed to transform the Drill Hall somewhat miraculously.

The annual prize-giving took place on 6th December. We were very pleased to welcome the Colonel of the Regiment and Mrs. Whitfield; the prizes were presented by R. J. Mellish, Esq., M.P., the Member for Bermondsey.

Our customary Remembrance Day Parade was held at Bermondsey and Croydon. As in former years the respective Mayors took the salute.

A detachment from the Battalion plus members of other T.A. units took part in the Lord Mayor's Show. Being the senior Regiment in the display everyone wore Queen's Badges, representing the Queen's going to war in 1939.

TRAINING

Our training has been mainly based on the study of the atomic aspect in modern warfare. In addition we have taken part in two R.A.F. escape and evasion exercises, one in Sussex and one in Norfolk. Both were very good value and gave us a chance to see a new part of the country.

First aid training has continued. We won the Brigade Competition and came third in the Divisional Competition. This was due in no small way to the splendid efforts of the team under Major R. O. Nebel, T.D.

We held a very successful T.E.W.T. at Goring-on-Thames in April. This was a build-up for the Brigade T.E.W.T. held at Marlborough in May. Both were very enjoyable, and once again broke new ground.

Finally on the training side, we covered an awful lot of ground, in both senses of the word, at annual camp at Dartmoor. It was a very successful camp with very good accommodation. One further aspect of the camp was that we shared the camp with 301 Battalion W.R.A.C. This is a new departure for us.

OFFICERS' MESS

The main events of the year were the cocktail party, The Glorious First Celebrations when we entertained the officers from H.M.S. *President*, and several guest nights. We were very pleased to welcome the Director of the Territorial Army, Major-General W. B. Cox, C.B., D.S.O., who dined with us on The Glorious First.

The Commanding Officer and five officers attended The Glorious First dinner at the Depot. This was a magnificent, if somewhat sad, occasion, and one which will remain in our memories for years to come.

Finally we welcome the following officers to the Mess: Major R. O. Nebel, Capt. S. McKinstry, Capt. F. B. Davis, Capt. A. H. Le Q. Clayton, Lieut. L. F. Walters, Lieut. R. J. O. Smith, Lieut. J. West, 2/Lieut. C. D. Newton, 2/Lieut. A. J. Dobrski, 2/Lieut. A. A. Cooper, 2/Lieut. R. Norman, 2/Lieut. G. R. Power, Lieut. S. Hawkins, Lieut. B. Bowen.

SERGEANTS' MESS

The annual ball, which was held in October, was a great success. It was very pleasing to see so many members of the Mess in attendance.

The children's party went off with the traditional success and the children went away with very good Christmas gifts.

The main event of the year was the dinner held at Bermondsey, when we invited twelve members of the Petty Officers' Mess of H.M.S. *President*. After a very good dinner in the canteen, for which we must congratulate Mrs. Elliott, we adjourned to the Sergeants' Mess for the usual session.

The 1959 camp was held as Plasterdown Camp, Devon. Both the weather and the W.R.A.C. were very kind to us.

We wish to record our deepest regret on the death of Sgt. Cowling.

We would like to congratulate Sgt. Richards on his promotion to the Sergeants' Mess.

THE QUEEN'S BATTERIES, 570 L.A.A. REGIMENT R.A. (T.A.)

By the time this account appears in the JOURNAL we will have finished another year at Braganza Street, S.E.17. And it will have been much the same as many of the ninety-nine before it. As we write this in August, we look forward to camp at Bude in September. We last went there in 1952 and 1953 when we were 622 (Queen's) H.A.A. Regiment, R.A. (T.A.); in 1952 we were over four hundred strong, for this was the year of the "Z" men when we had some two hundred and fifty of them present. We have already fired our annual range course, and we had two good week-ends at Lydd firing our 40 m.m. in addition to others in our own drill hall where we have met weekly for instruction and training, and for amusement and comradeship.

All this is the same year after year, but in some ways it varies from recent ones. We are now being joined by young volunteers who have neither done, nor will they be called upon to do, National Service. Indeed, twenty per cent. of the numbers at camp this year will be new to our ranks, and we hope for a bigger percentage next camp.

In common with many Territorial units, we are celebrating our Centenary at this time. We were formed in 1860—rather later than some—and the day of the Centenary very conveniently falls on Sunday, 13th March. Our O.C.A. who normally hold their annual dinner in March have decided to arrange it for the 12th, and on the Sunday, we, the Batteries, with our Old Comrades will attend a service of thanksgiving in St. Mary's, Newington. It would be a kindness if any who have served in this Unit (formerly the 7th (Southwark) Battalion) at any time and have not heard from us at Braganza Street within the last four or so years would let us know their address so that we can tell them of our plans.

AFFILIATED REGIMENTS

THE CITY OF NEWCASTLE REGIMENT

Lieut.-Colonel F. Cox, O.B.E., E.D., formerly Commanding Officer of the City of Newcastle Regiment, our Affiliated Regiment in Australia, paid a visit to the United Kingdom in the summer and we were very pleased to welcome him to the Regimental Depot at Guildford. He was met by the Commanding Officer, Major P. G. Collyer, who showed him round the Depot, Holy Trinity Church and the Regimental Chapel in Guildford Cathedral and also entertained him to luncheon. This was on 11th July, 1959, and on that evening Lieut.-Colonel Cox was the guest of the officers of the 5th Battalion at a memorable cocktail party given to celebrate their Centenary.

Lieut.-Colonel Cox also attended the Dedication of the Regimental Chapel and the Old Comrades garden party on Sunday, 19th July. On this occasion he was accompanied by Capt. F. Lang, R.A.A.M.C., of the same Battalion.

We were also delighted to have Capt. Lang as our guest at the dinner to celebrate The Glorious First of June at Guildford on 29th May.

Finally we should like to say how much it is hoped that members of any of our Affiliated Regiments will make themselves known to or contact any unit of The Queen's Royal Surrey Regiment whenever they have the opportunity to do so. They can be assured of a warm welcome at any time.

REGIMENTAL CRICKET

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

Played at Stoughton Barracks, Guildford, on 29th and 30th May, 1959.
Result: The Queen's Royal Regiment won by 5 wickets.

H.M.S. EXCELLENT

1st Innings

Lieut. P. E. Goodman, lbw Sears	5
Lieut.-Comd. P. M. E. Varley, c and b Sears	0
Lieut. J. M. N. Walton, b Bowden	1
Lieut.-Comd. P. Hames, b Smith	64
Comd. M. D. Howell-Davies, lbw Smith	57
C.O.A. T. C. Potter, b Napier-Ford	17
Capt. A. R. Aldous, run out	18
Lieut. C. M. Bagguley, c Woodford b Sharpe	3
A.B. A. D. Baker, not out	3
C.O.A. R. Brain, b Napier-Ford	5
Lieut.-Comd. R. O. Tordoff, did not bat	
Extras	17

2nd Innings

Lieut. P. E. Goodman, b Napier-Ford	59
Lieut.-Comd. P. M. E. Varley, c Aitkens b Napier-Ford	50
Lieut. J. M. N. Walton, not out	7
Lieut.-Comd. P. Hames, b Napier-Ford	4
Comd. M. D. Howell-Davies, c Burton b Bowden	3
C.O.A. T. C. Potter, not out	4
Capt. A. R. Aldous, did not bat	
Lieut. C. M. Bagguley, did not bat	
A.B. A. D. Baker, did not bat	
C.O.A. R. Brain, did not bat	
Lieut.-Comd. R. O. Tordoff, did not bat	
Extras	19

Total (for 9 wickets declared) 190

Bowling.—1st Innings: Smith, 2 for 18; Napier-Ford, 2 for 32; Sears, 2 for 45; Sharpe, 1 for 7; Bowden, 1 for 59; Woodford, 0 for 12. 2nd Innings: Napier-Ford, 3 for 15; Bowden, 1 for 28.

THE QUEEN'S ROYAL REGIMENT

1st Innings

Pte. W. Smith, c Aldous b Bagguley	0
Lieut. B. D. S. Burton, c Aldous b Baker	4
2/Lieut. S. J. Petzing, c Brain b Aldous	35
Major J. W. Sewell, c Aldous b Bagguley	33
Pte. K. Woodford, c and b Bagguley	1
Capt. G. C. Sharpe, b Varley	64
2/Lieut. J. B. Bowden, c Baker b Bagguley	24
2/Lieut. P. Aitkens, b Bagguley	11
L./Cpl. J. Sears, lbw Bagguley	0
Capt. J. N. Napier-Ford, c Hames b Varley	1
Cpl. D. Christie, not out	6
Extras	6

2nd Innings

Pte. W. Smith, c and b Brain	61
Lieut. B. D. S. Burton, lbw Baker	2
2/Lieut. S. J. Petzing, c and b Brain	62
Major J. W. Sewell, c Baker b Bagguley	0
Pte. K. Woodford, not out	6
Capt. G. C. Sharpe, b Bagguley	1
2/Lieut. J. B. Bowden, not out	11
2/Lieut. P. Aitkens, did not bat	
L./Cpl. J. Sears, did not bat	
Capt. J. N. Napier-Ford, did not bat	
Cpl. D. Christie, did not bat	
Extras	9

Total 185

Total (for 5 wickets) ... 152

Bowling.—1st Innings: Bagguley, 6 for 72; Varley, 2 for 4; Aldous, 1 for 22; Baker, 1 for 39; Goodman, 0 for 27; Brain, 0 for 15. 2nd Innings: Brain, 2 for 23; Bagguley, 2 for 65; Baker, 1 for 9; Varley, 0 for 46.

Other matches were:

20th June, v. The Blues, played at Stoughton, drawn. The Queen's Royal Regiment, 247 for 6 declared (Smith 126, Sewell 31). The Blues, 141 for 8 (Sears 3 for 32, Woodford 3 for 38).
25th June, v. The East Surrey Regiment, played at Kingston, lost by

100 runs. The East Surrey Regiment, 169 for 4 declared. The Queen's Royal Regiment, 69.

5th July, v. The Grasshoppers, played at Stoughton, lost by 4 wickets. The Queen's Royal Regiment, 98 (Sewell 27 not out, Smith 26). The Grasshoppers, 99 for 6 (Hope 3 for 35, Smith 3 for 41).

9th July, v. Brooke Hall (Charterhouse Masters), played at Charterhouse, lost by 6 wickets. The Queen's Royal Regiment, 159 (Smith 49, Dunkeld 23). Brooke Hall, 162 for 4 (Smith 2 for 27).

Pte. W. A. Smith, serving at the Depot scored 93 when playing cricket for Eastern Command v. Southern Command.

LONDON GAZETTE

EXTRACTS FROM 7th OCTOBER, 1958, TO 11th AUGUST, 1959 REGULAR ARMY

Brigadier (Temp. Major-General) J. F. Metcalfe, C.B.E., to be Major-General 7th November, 1958.

2/Lieut. P. A. Gray to be Lieutenant 21st December, 1958.

Lieut.-Colonel (Temp. Brigadier) F. A. H. Ling to be Colonel, 15th December, 1958.

Capt. G. A. Farnside-Speed retires with gratuity 16th December, 1958.

Major S. W. Peet, M.C., T.D., to be Lieutenant-Colonel on E.L.1. 29th June, 1958.

Robert William Acworth, from R.M.A. Sandhurst to be Second-Lieutenant, 19th December, 1958.

Major C. R. C. Elverson retires on retired pay, 29th March, 1959.

Major C. B. Rodger retires on retired pay, 11th April, 1959.

Lieut. G. C. Sharpe to be Captain 21st April, 1959.

Lieut. M. J. Doyle to be Captain 4th July, 1959.

2/Lieut. S. T. W. Anderson to be Lieutenant 20th April, 1959.

Major R. P. Mangles, M.B.E., M.C., retires on retired pay 6th June, 1959.

Colonel F. J. C. Piggott, D.S.O., O.B.E., to be Brigadier 27th June, 1959.

Lieut. J. G. W. Davidson to be Captain 31st July, 1959.

2/Lieut. P. de S. Barrow to be Lieutenant 2nd August, 1959.

K. G. Wakely, from R.M.A. Sandhurst, to be Second-Lieutenant 25th July, 1959.

SHORT SERVICE COMMISSIONS

2/Lieut. D. Kenway from Regular Army, National Service List to be Second-Lieutenant 13th March, 1959.

Stephen John Petzing from Mons Officer Cadet School to be Second-Lieutenant 16th May, 1959.

Lieut. (Qr.-Mr.) C. W. Cheeseman to be Captain (Qr.-Mr.), 28th July, 1959.

TERRITORIAL ARMY

2/Lieut. J. West from Regular Army National Service List to be Second-Lieutenant 30th September, 1958.

2/Lieut. R. R. Davies from T.A. National Service List to be Second-Lieutenant 1st September, 1958.

2/Lieut. R. R. Davies to be Lieutenant 19th October, 1958.

2/Lieut. D. N. Stephenson from Regular Army National Service. List to be Second-Lieutenant 14th October, 1958.

2/Lieut. C. Tathan from Regular Army National Service List to be Second-Lieutenant 18th October, 1958.

Lieut. (A./Capt.) J. R. Gill to be Captain 14th December, 1958.

Capt. J. Schofield from Para. to be Captain 8th November, 1958.

Lieut. (A./Capt.) J. M. Napier-Ford to be Captain 22nd December, 1958.

2/Lieut. J. West to be Lieutenant 4th January, 1959.

2/Lieut. C. J. Marchant, National Service List to be Lieutenant 4th January, 1959. Christopher David Newton to be Second-Lieutenant 28th November, 1958.

Capt. W. H. C. Frend ceases to be seconded for service on Staff, 1st January, 1959.

2/Lieut. L. F. J. Walters to be Lieutenant 8th January, 1959.

Lieut. A. H. le Q. Clayton from Devon to be Lieutenant 1st January, 1959.

Lieut. G. R. N. Wetton to be Lieutenant National Service List 4th December, 1958.

2/Lieut. C. Tatham to be Lieutenant 8th February, 1959.

Capt. R. P. Wheeler from Royal Berkshire to be Captain 1st February, 1959.

Lieut. R. J. O. Smith to be Lieutenant 1st December, 1958.

Major R. O. Nebel, T.D., to be Major 8th January, 1959.

Lieut. D. W. Billinghurst to be Lieutenant National Service List 7th January, 1959.

Lieut. (A. Capt.) D. A. Robinson to be Captain 16th February, 1959.

Lieut. F. V. D. Tennant to be Lieutenant National Service List 31st January, 1959.

Lieut. S. McKinstry to be Captain 31st January, 1959.

Capt. T. E. Parsonage from Royal Tanks to be Captain 1st February, 1959.

Capt. D. L. Evans to be Major 18th September, 1958.

2/Lieut. D. N. Stephenson National Service List to be Lieutenant 7th May, 1959.

Lieut. S. J. Hawkins from National Service List to be Lieutenant 19th March, 1959.

Lieut. P. B. Bowen from R.A. to be Lieutenant 1st May, 1959.

Joseph Robert Norman to be Second-Lieutenant (on probation) 29th April, 1959.

Capt. F. B. Davis from A.E.R.O., M.D.C. to be Captain 28th February, 1959.

Leslie Charles Ash Moxon to be Lieutenant (Quartermaster) 23rd May, 1959.

Major J. W. P. Llewellyn from Lancashire Regiment (P.W.V.) to be Major 22nd May, 1959.

Lieut. N. H. S. Crawford from National Service List King's Shropshire Light Infantry to be Lieutenant 9th June, 1959.

Anthony Alan Cooper to be Second-Lieutenant (on probation) 30th June, 1959.

Anthony Julian Dobrski to be Second-Lieutenant (on probation) 30th June, 1959.

Graham Robert Power to be Second-Lieutenant (on probation) 30th June, 1959.

Anthony Bernard Daly to be Second-Lieutenant (on probation) 30th June, 1959.

NATIONAL SERVICE

The following National Service officers have joined during the period:

M. J. P. Jenkins, A. R. Brocklehurst, P. H. G. Skinner, M. A. Prentice, C. E. J. Allanson, J. E. Gerelli, D. Kenway, R. M. Edwards, D. W. Walker, P. C. Aitkens, G. M. George, R. M. Weaver.

TERRITORIAL EFFICIENCY DECORATION

Major (Qr.-Mr.) P. G. Smith (Retd.).

1st Clasp

Major (Qr.-Mr.) P. G. Smith (Retd.).

4th Clasp

Lieut.-Colonel (Brevet Colonel) C. J. Falk, M.C., T.D. (Retd.).

HONOURS AND AWARDS

C.B.E.

Brigadier B. E. L. Burton.

MENTION IN DESPATCHES

6088707 W.O.II F. C. Mitchell—for service in Malaya.

Major S. F. Harris (E.L.3)—for service in Cyprus.

HOME COUNTIES BRIGADE NEWS

The following are items of General Information taken from Home Counties Brigade News Letter No. 2.

APPOINTMENTS AT HEADQUARTERS,

HOME COUNTIES BRIGADE

Brigade Colonel: Colonel Raymond Grace, O.B.E., late of The Buffs.

D.A.A.G. (or Brigade Adjutant): Major Michael Stopford, The Queen's Royal Regiment.

R.O.III: Lieut.-Colonel Keene, late of the Indian Army.

Brigade Training Officer: Capt. John French, The Buffs.

Brigade Bandmaster: Bandmaster Gaines, The Queen's Royal Regiment.

Brigade Education Officer: Major Austin, Royal Army Education Corps.

Chief Clerk: O.R.Q.M.S. Potts, The East Surrey Regiment.

Weapon Training Instructor: Q.M.S.I. Timblick, Small-Arms School Corps.

The Regimental Depot of The Royal Sussex Regiment will be closing at Chichester late this year or early in 1960 and will move to Wemyss Barracks; and on 31st March, 1960, that Depot and the Depot of The Queen's Surreys (the official, abbreviated name of the new Regiment of Surrey) will be disbanded, prior to the formation of the Brigade Depot on 1st April, 1960.

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RECENT AWARDS

M.C.: Lieut. John Hewson, 1st Bn. The Middlesex Regiment.

M.M.: Cpl. P. R. W. White, 1st Bn. The Buffs.

The following extracts are reproduced from Home Counties Brigade News Letters Nos. 3 and 4.

As the months go by it is becoming more and more obvious, that many things which will be common to us as a Brigade later on have already become so. Viewed from Brigade Headquarters the excellent spirit of co-operation between Regiments is very apparent. Where there might have been fierce rivalry before, there is a quite obvious realization that as we are now all in the same boat the six oarsmen need to pull together in the same direction.

The fact that the new Brigade spirit is in no wise inferior to, but merely different from the old, your correspondent can vouch for after his recent visits to 1 Surreys at Bury St. Edmunds and 1 Royal Sussex at Gibraltar. Both occasions were interesting and exhilarating and made the prospect of seeing, in the near future, 1 Queen's, 1 Buffs and 1 Middlesex in B.A.O.R. and 1 Royal West Kents in Cyprus something to look forward to.

The six Depot Commanders have again visited Canterbury for another of the routine conferences which are so necessary now to keep us all on the same "net." In the case of the Queen's and the Surreys this will have been the last journey that Major R.S.M. Mans and Major R. C. Taylor will have made for this particular purpose, for on 1st July the Depot of the Queen's Royal Regiment and the East Surrey Regiment will open at Wemyss Barracks, Canterbury.

Some high-lights of recent sporting events at our Depots will be of interest to readers.

The winter has been a successful one for the Royal Sussex Depot in both football and hockey. The hockey eleven were runners-up in the H.C.D. Minor

Units Final, losing 2-0 after extra time to the Depot Royal West Kents. The football eleven has reached the final of three competitions including the Sussex Mid-Week Cup.

The Buffs Depot reached the final of the Dover Soccer League Cup; came third in the District Cross-Country Championship; was beaten 1-0 by Depot Royal West Kents in the semi finals of the District Hockey Championship, after a replay; won the District Basket-Ball Championship and were beaten in the semi-final of the Eastern Command Championship.

Pte. O'Connell of Depot The Queen's Own Royal West Kent Regiment boxed at light-welter in the H.C.D. Individual Championships and won his weight. On Thursday, 12th March, he boxed for the Army against the R.A.F. and won convincingly on points. The bout was televised. The Queen's Own Depot hockey team won the H.C.D. Minor Unit Hockey Competition at Shorncliffe on Wednesday, 11th March, when they beat Depot Royal Sussex 2-0 after extra time. The Queen's Own met 9 Company R.M.C. (East Anglian District) at Colchester on 21st March, and were beaten 1-0.

The only Middlesex Depot sporting event worthy of mention is the narrow defeat of L./Cpl. J. Rogers, in the welter-weight final of the London District Boxing Championships.

The Depot East Surrey Regiment sporting news includes the names of Cpl. P. Thomas, the 1958 winner of the London District Young Soldiers' Cup for shooting; 2/Lieut. R. G. Garment and Pte. G. Will, who are going up to St. Andrews in May to play in the Army Golf Championships; and Cpl. Fincham, who won his light welter-weight final in the 1958 Eastern Command Boxing Championships.

In the middle of March your correspondent attended the Infantry Commanders' Conference at Warminster where, amongst a large number of friends, he met Lieut.-Colonels Lloyd Owen and Glennie. Perhaps the most important remark of the whole week was made by the C.I.G.S., when he suggested to his audience that the day of the "Big Regiment," of three, four or even five Battalions, was bound to come and that it was not far distant. Such a warning, from such a person, was of considerable interest and there is little doubt that we must all re-adjust our thinking along these lines.

Your correspondent wishes to draw the attention of all those interested to the Brigade Golf Meeting on 11th May, 1959.

It was good to see that initiative is not only encouraged by Battalions but that the National Service man of today has plenty of it. Two young soldiers of 1st Bn. The Queen's, in Germany, recently set off to see how far they could get without spending anything on public transport. In five days they travelled through Germany, Belgium and France to Paris and almost succeeded in getting a lift in an aeroplane to Madrid. They slept one night in a Paris prison cell, to save money, and the next day had a meal in the American Embassy.

Finally a word on our future Brigade Depot at Howe Barracks, Canterbury. With only minor modifications the War Office has now accepted our plan for improvements and enlargements to the present excellent modern buildings and sports ground there. Within the year building should begin and it is expected to take about two years to complete. When completed the Depot will undoubtedly be a really fine "Home" for the Brigade, with facilities of all types probably not bettered by any other Brigade Depot in the country.

Honours and Awards:—

O.B.E.

Lieut.-Colonel D. C. L. Nolda—Commanding 1st Bn. The Middlesex Regiment.

M.B.E.

Major H. B. H. Waring—1st Bn. The Queen's Own Royal West Kent Regiment.

MENTIONED IN DESPATCHES

W.O.I F. B. Oram—1st Bn. The East Surrey Regiment.

T./Major B. R. Coleman—The Royal Sussex Regiment.

Lieut.-Colonel A. J. M. Flint, M.B.E.—Commanding 1st Bn. The Queen's Own Royal West Kent Regiment.

Lieut. T. J. B. Locker—1st Bn. The Queen's Own Royal West Kent Regiment.

Capt. G. G. Norton—1st Bn. The Middlesex Regiment.

2/Lieut. J. M. Pickard—The Middlesex Regiment (now Lieutenant T.A.).

To them all, the very belated—though nonetheless sincere—congratulations of your correspondent, of all on his staff at Canterbury and of all ranks in the Brigade.

The Brigade Golf Meeting, held at the Hendon Golf Club, under the auspices of The Depot, The Middlesex Regiment, was about to take place when the last letter went to print. There was a most satisfactorily large entry, the weather was kind, the arrangements were good, and, to coin a phrase "an enjoyable time was had by all." To judge from the results the day could almost be described as a "Royal Sussex benefit," for they won not only the Regimental Cup and the Regimental Foursomes Cup, but Major Shields and Capt. Johnson, also of the Regiment, walked off with the prize for the best foursomes score. However, The East Surrey Regiment and The Queen's Own were both represented in the prize-list, so that to a certain degree honour was satisfied.

The Brigade Colonel was prevented at the eleventh hour from attending, much to his disappointment. He had only just returned from a most enjoyable, though strenuous, ten-day visit to the 1st Battalions of The Queen's, The Buffs and The Middlesex Regiment in B.A.O.R., and was due to take off for Cyprus for a shorter, though equally and enjoyable and strenuous, visit to the 1st Battalion of The Queen's Own the following day. By means of these visits—which, according to his Charter, the Brigade Colonel must make twice a year to Battalions in England and B.A.O.R. and once a year anywhere else in the world—he is enabled to keep closely in touch with Commanding Officers and their problems and is also able to see, and be seen by, as many officers, warrant officers and sergeants as possible.

Those readers who are in any way museum-minded will be interested to know the score about the Brigade Museum. This is to be established in the building in Howe Barracks, Canterbury, now occupied by The Buffs' Museum. Exactly when the change will take place is problematical, but in the meantime the Curator-designate, Mr. Woodcock, who lives in Canterbury, has been far from idle. He has been visiting all six Regimental Museums, asking for exhibits and items—planning his lay-out and generally being extremely busy. He has also been liaising with the author-to-be of the Brigade Short History, Major Blaxland. He has contracted to produce, towards the end of October, a 9-10,000-word history, culled from all the six Regimental

Histories, and it is of the greatest importance that the Museum Curator and the Historian should be closely associated with one another; history in books must obviously be intimately connected with history visible in a Museum.

There have been two meetings of the Council of Colonels since the last letter was published, one at the end of May and the other two months later. It was at the July meeting that the Council learned with regret that Lieut.-General G. C. Bucknall, C.B., M.C., D.L., was giving up his appointment as Colonel of The Middlesex Regiment. His successor will be Colonel J. F. Willoughby, O.B.E., whom many readers will know already, and whom all ranks will wish to congratulate on his appointment.

The Representative Colonel for the coming twelve months will be Major-General V. Boucher, C.B., C.B.E., Colonel of The Buffs, who succeeds General Sir Lashmer G. Whistler, G.C.B., K.B.E., D.S.O., D.L., Colonel of The Royal Sussex Regiment, at the next meeting in September.

Lieut.-General Sir William P. Oliver, K.C.B., O.B.E., D.L., Colonel of The Queen's Own, whose recent appointment as High Commissioner in Australia has given such pleasure to so many, will be succeeded by Major-General D. E. B. Talbot, C.B.E., D.S.O., M.C.

The Royal Sussex Regiment's part in the Royal Tournament at Earl's Court cannot be allowed to pass without a mention. This year being the bicentenary of the Battle of Quebec, in which the Regiment fought and at which they achieved the Roussillon Plume which is part of their cap badge, it was entirely fitting that the 1st Battalion should portray certain episodes from that battle. This they did with distinction and much gusto, and on the night that the Colonel of the Regiment was in the Royal Box it seemed as though the whole of Sussex had made the journey to Earl's Court. A week or so later their Regimental ball in the Royal Pavilion at Brighton was another splendid and colourful evening.

Early in July the Brigade Colonel went, first to Exeter and then to Stanmore, to select his "first eleven," of warrant officers and sergeants and then of officers, to serve on the Brigade Depot Staff as from 1st April next year. As he has said on numerous occasions, only the best available—no matter whether they are officers, or N.C.O.s., bandsmen, drummers, weapon training experts or educators—will be accepted in appointments at the Brigade Depot. Those selected for the particularly important task of getting the Depot off to a good start will soon be informed of the fact; it will be no inconsiderable tribute to their capabilities and professional skill that they have been so chosen. As far as it is has been possible to do so the staff will be representative of all Regiments in the Brigade, but it will be obvious that, because of the closure of two Depots—The Queen's Surreys and The Royal Sussex—at the same time as the Brigade Depot forms, the preponderance of the lower ranks will come from those two Regiments. As time goes on, however, representation from all Regiments will become more evenly distributed.

Two towns, Worthing and Ramsgate, have recently honoured their respective County Regiments by bestowing their Honorary Freedoms upon them. These occasions bind Regiment to county even more closely than before and, in these days when the subject of recruiting is so much in all our minds, they are events which may well have a most important bearing on the future.

The Buffs Band has been in Canterbury since early in July. They are shortly to lose the services, to say nothing of the skill, the humour and the outstanding personality, of their Bandmaster, Mr. Sharpe, who after nine years with the Regiment, is being transferred to Kneller Hall as the School Bandmaster. His place will be taken by the Queen's Bandmaster, Mr. Lynes.

Another change of Bandmaster has taken place in The Royal Sussex Regiment, where Mr. Pryce has taken over from Mr. Kelly who has been commissioned to an appointment in Pakistan.

The Bands of The Buffs, The East Surrey Regiment and The Royal Sussex Regiment are taking part in a military display at Gillingham in the middle of August. The Royal Sussex Regiment are also represented by a fighting patrol demonstration and The Queen's Own by a P.T. display. The emphasis in the whole display is very definitely being laid on the Home Counties Brigade, putting the Brigade officially before the public for, perhaps, the first time.

Congratulations from all ranks in the Brigade went to R.S.M. Parker, of The Queen's Own, when he was awarded the M.B.E. in the middle of July. This was a singularly fine achievement.

Congratulations, too, to the 1st Bn. The Queen's not only on winning the B.A.O.R. Swimming Championships but also the Army Swimming Championships. A really good "double."

Finally congratulations to Major P. G. Collyer (Queen's) on being awarded the Army Eight badge after shooting for the Army Eight in the United Services' Cup Competition at Bisley.

And that brings Letter No. 4 to a close. By the time No. 5 appears the Brigade will have become established as an integral part of the British Army, because of the events due to take place on 14th October, 1959.

THE REGIMENTAL CHAPEL

SERVICE OF DEDICATION

THE Dedication of the new Regimental Chapel by the Lord Bishop of Guildford, The Right Reverend Ivor Watkins, D.D., took place in the Cathedral of The Holy Spirit at eleven o'clock on Sunday, 19th July, in the presence of a congregation of over thirteen hundred.

The service was conducted by the Provost, The Very Reverend Walter Boulton, M.A., assisted by the cathedral clergy, and the Reverend Colin Pilgrim, M.A., Hon. Chaplain of the 5th Battalion.

The congregation included The Lord Lieutenant of Surrey, The Earl of Munster, K.B.E., the Mayor and Corporation of Guildford and other civic authorities and their ladies. The architect of the cathedral, Sir Edward Maufe and Lady Maufe, and members of the Cathedral Council had also been invited as guests of The Regiment. Other guests included Captain H. C. Martel, C.B.E., R.N., and representatives of H.M.S. *Excellent*, and Brigadier G. R. P. Roupell, V.C., C.B., D.L., Colonel, The East Surrey Regiment. Many Regular Serving and Territorial officers and other ranks were present, as were representatives of the O.C.A. and wartime units. Noticeable in their ceremonial red were several Chelsea Pensioners. Among the many former officers and other ranks, who attended in large numbers with their relatives, were General Sir George and Lady Giffard, Lady Monro and Miss Monro.

Although the nave of the cathedral is still unfinished, the scaffolding had been temporarily removed, making it possible to have the whole congregation inside the cathedral.

The Band of the 1st Battalion, dressed in red, played outside the cathedral before and after the service.

The special Regimental representatives who walked in procession to their



[W. Dennett, Guildford]

places in the choir, and subsequently to the chapel for the actual Dedication were: R.S.M. H. Atkins, Regimental Depot; R.S.M. D. Fraser, 6th Battalion; L./Cpl. J. Allan; Major D. C. Snowdon, T.D., Regimental Depot; R.S.M. G. Mileham, 1st Battalion; R.S.M. R. E. Esler, 5th Battalion; In-Pensioner J. Tippett; Major F. Waspe, M.B.E., Old Comrades' Association; Lieut.-Colonel C. H. Nice, T.D., Officer Commanding 6th Battalion; Captain H. C. Martel, C.B.E., R.N., Captain H.M.S. *Excellent*; Lieut.-Colonel H. M. W. Harris, Officer Commanding 5th Battalion; Lieut.-Colonel D. L. Lloyd Owen, D.S.O., O.B.E., M.C., Officer Commanding 1st Battalion; Major-General J. Y. Whitfield, C.B., D.S.O., O.B.E., Colonel of The Regiment.

An abridged version of the service follows:—Processional Hymn, Praise, my soul, the King of Heaven; Bidding Prayer; The Confession; The Absolution; Responses; Psalm 48, Great is the Lord and Highly to the Praised; The Lesson, 1 Chronicles 29, verses 3 to 20, read by the Colonel of The Regiment; The Benedictus; The Apostles' Creed; Responses; The Lord's Prayer; The Collects, (1) For the 8th Sunday after Trinity, (2) For King Charles The Martyr, (3) For Peace; The Anthem, Glorious and Powerful God; Prayers; The Grace; Hymn for the procession to the Chapel, Blessed City, Heavenly Salem.

THE DEDICATION

The Colonel of The Regiment.—Right Reverend Father in God, on behalf of The Queen's Royal Regiment, I ask you to bless this Chapel, which is to be set apart, to the glory of God, and in honour of King Charles The Martyr, to be a place of public worship, especially for all members of The Queen's Royal Regiment.

The Bishop.—O God, who dwellest on high, and yet humblest thyself to

behold the things that are in heaven and earth, look graciously, we beseech thee, upon this Chapel which we would dedicate to the memory of King Charles The Martyr. Fill it with the radiance of thy glory; enfold it with thy mercy and love; and grant that all who come here and lift up their hearts to thee in prayer and praise may know the assurance of thy presence, and receive the abundance of thy grace, Through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

O Everlasting God, who art ever adored by the holy angels and yet dost choose us to be stewards of thy mysteries, bless, we beseech thee, this altar where may be shown forth the mystery of thy redeeming love in the sacrifice of thy Son, our Saviour Jesus Christ, here in the Breaking of Bread may we see the Risen Lord, and be made partakers of His endless life; Who liveth and reigneth with thee and the Holy Ghost. One God, for ever and ever. *Amen.*

Hymn, Now thank we all our God.

The Address by The Right Reverend The Lord Bishop of Guildford.

Hymn, Stand up, stand up for Jesus.

The National Anthem.

The Blessing.

The Bishop.—God grant to the living, grace; to the departed, rest; to the Church, the Queen, the Commonwealth and Empire, and all mankind, peace and concord; and to us and all his servants, life everlasting. And the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son and the Holy Ghost, be with you and abide with you always. *Amen.*

The Collect for King Charles The Martyr and two Regimental Prayers specially composed for the occasion are:—

Grant, O Lord, we beseech thee, that after the example of Blessed King Charles The Martyr we may rightly and steadfastly believe in thee; that being established in divine love we may by no temptations be moved away from the integrity of the faith and may have boldness to confess thee at all times before men; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

Lord God of Hosts, stretch forth, we pray thee, thine almighty arm to strengthen and protect the officers and men of The Queen's Royal Regiment; shelter them in the day of battle, and in time of peace keep them safe from all evil; endue them ever with loyalty and courage, and grant that in all things they may serve as serving thee, who are invisible; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

Let thy merciful ears, O Lord, be open to our prayers for thy servants our Brethren of The Regiment who in their generation served thee faithfully, and are now at rest. Forgive what was amiss in them; fill up what was lacking; make perfect what was good; that they may be counted worthy, with all them thy faithful servants, to receive thy blessing. Well done, good and faithful servant; enter thou into the joy of thy Lord. Grant this for the sake of Jesus Christ, our Saviour. *Amen.*

The full text of the Bishop's Address reads:—

"This is a unique and historic occasion and I am both proud and privileged to have had the honour of dedicating your magnificent Chapel. I need hardly say that it gives colour and beauty to a building which, when it is completed, will take an important place among the many beautiful cathedrals of our land. Though the Cathedral will not be Consecrated until May of next year, it is fitting that a separate ceremony should mark the dedication of your Chapel for this would not have been possible in the same manner in the rather complicated ceremonies of Consecration. Also, it was important that the

Chapel should be dedicated while The Queen's Royal Regiment still bore that ancient, honoured and proud title. For these reasons we are happy that it was possible to arrange this service today, and we are glad to welcome so many of you here this morning. I can assure you that the congregations who will eventually worship in this Cathedral in the future will do so in greater comfort than you are experiencing! I hope that after the service it will be possible for those of you who have not already done so to look at the Chapel, which to my mind is extremely beautiful and expresses the glorious history and tradition of your Regiment. And it is there that I have looked for the twofold theme of my sermon this morning, for what could be more fitting at such a service than to recall to your minds your two mottoes. First—and I will spare you the Latin—*Mindful of the Gallant actions of the past.*

"The Chapel shows something of the long tradition of your Regiment in its insignia as befits the oldest English Regiment of the Line; and no Regiment of the British Army could have a prouder one. There are two ways of regarding the past. There are those who look back and say, 'Ah! but there were giants in the earth in those days' (to quote from the Book Genesis). They look at the present and note how different it is from the past and sigh for the good old days. We meet many people like that; and I would not be surprised if most of the older ones amongst us here this morning have not succumbed to the temptation and said something like this—'Things are very different now than when I first joined the Regiment—or when I was young.' It is probably a good thing that they are or else how should we progress? On the other hand we can look back at the past and gain inspiration and encouragement from it. I have no doubt at all that many a man, whether an officer, non-commissioned officer or private has at some time or another remembered the tradition into which he has entered and gained courage and inspiration from it—may be in battle when he was afraid, maybe in temptation when he was weak—and won through because the thought uppermost in his mind was that he should not fail those who had gone before:—that at any rate he would not let the Regiment down. It is such a spirit that not only redeems the present, but also guarantees the future, and it is in that sense that the motto should be interpreted—As long as this Chapel remains there will be here the memorial of the gallant tradition of The Queen's Royal Regiment and may it ever be a place of pilgrimage to those who have served in it.

"The very fact of the dedication to King Charles the Martyr lays its foundation not in the twentieth century but in the seventeenth, when the Regiment first worshipped in the Garrison Church of Tangier which was also dedicated in his honour. And how great and glorious is a tradition which from its earliest days is so clearly associated with the worship of Almighty God. We give thanks to God for those who have, during the centuries, built that splendid tradition and pray that it may long be maintained as we are mindful of the gallant actions of the past—not merely battle actions but those actions by individuals who because of the integrity of their character and the uprightness of their lives have enhanced the reputation of this Regiment. That first, we turn now to the second motto—*Even in defeat there can be triumph.*

"I venture to say that in these words is summed up all that is best in our British character. It is often quoted that the British do not know when they are beaten. This is not just obstinacy or stubbornness, but rather a belief that honour is won not so much by success as by the way in which defeat is met. So it is that often a loser in a contest may draw greater applause from the

crowd than the victor himself. But it also speaks to us of indomitable courage. When things go wrong many people give way beneath their weight—the spirit goes out of them—but those who take to heart such a motto as this can always triumph for they rise above the adverse circumstances. During the war this was brought home to us by one of Ivor Novello's songs—though our towns were being battered and our people killed—'There will always be an England' gave fresh heart to thousands of people. The same note came to the nation time and again in the speeches of Sir Winston Churchill, and was it not Kipling who challenged 'Who die if England live'?

"But more than all this is it not the very foundation of the Christian religion? Christ Himself has shown us that despite the apparent defeat of Good Friday there is the triumph of Easter Day. Will you forgive me if I mention here something which must be in the hearts of all who have served or are still serving in the Queen's? In October next the two Surrey Regiments are to be amalgamated and the long association of the Queen's with Guildford will end. There must inevitably be a feeling of sadness but when I was speaking to one of your senior officers the other day he said, 'We must not think of this as a funeral but as a marriage, from which something new is to be born which will combine the best of both parents.' Even here, you see, there can be the note of triumph for you carry into the new Regiment, all your glorious tradition—you have so much to give—and in turn will receive something of value from the other which you also can cherish. All that you are and stand for can never be lost. Here in this Cathedral this Chapel will be a perpetual reminder of that. It will be more important than ever that you carry into the new Regiment all that is highest and noblest in your tradition—not in the spirit of superiority, but in humble gratitude that you have been privileged to have some part in it and are proud and glad that others may share it.

"Thank God for your great tradition and all that it has meant to you and countless others; thank Him for those whose lives have been given in that spirit which never admits defeat; thank Him that He has called you to live at such a glorious moment in history when you can show forth those very qualities which our day and generation needs, and may God be with you. I close with the words of a blessing which seem to sum this all up much better than any words of mine: 'Go forth into the world in peace: be of good courage: hold fast that which is good: render to no man evil for evil: strengthen the faint-hearted: support the weak: help the afflicted: honour all men: Love and serve the Lord rejoicing in the Power of the Holy Spirit'."

No one, young or old, who was present in the Cathedral could fail to have been moved and uplifted by the beauty of the service, the inspiring words of the Bishop, and the feeling of having taken part in a great act of corporate worship. Many must also have felt that our lovely Chapel would be a place of Pilgrimage in the future.

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The Garrison Church of Tangier was dedicated to King Charles The Martyr, and it is believed that The Regiment worshipped there regularly. It is to commemorate this circumstance that the new Regimental Chapel has been dedicated to the Honour of King Charles The Martyr.

The Collection, which was handed over to the Cathedral as a gift from The Regiment, amounted to £172.

The most recent addition to the Chapel is the priest's desk, which is a Memorial to those of the 1st Battalion who died in Malaya in 1954-57. This is the subject of a separate item on another page.

The first sacramental service to be held in the Cathedral took place on Sunday, 9th August, when Major and Mrs. W. J. F. Sutton's baby daughter was baptized, Bridget Caroline, in our Regimental Chapel.

THE PRIEST'S DESK—MALAYA 1954-1957

A priest's desk has been placed in the Regimental Chapel at the new Cathedral of the Holy Spirit, Guildford, as a memorial to the officers and men of 1st Bn. The Queen's Royal Regiment who were killed in action or who died on active service while the Battalion was serving in Malaya during the period February, 1954, to March, 1957.



[W. Dennett, Guildford]

The inscription, which is an exact replica of that on the memorial in the Garrison Church, Singapore, was engraved by the craftsmen of H.M.S. *Excellent* and reads as follows:

To the glory of God
and

In memory of those who died in Malaya
February 1954 to March 1957 while serving
with
1st Battalion The Queen's Royal Regiment

Killed in Action

2/Lieut. R. M. Townsend
Sgt. R. E. Jones
Pte. D. Braybrooks

Pte. J. A. Purves

Pte. R. W. Fisher
Pte. S. R. King
Pte. L. W. J. Smith

Died whilst on Active Service
2/Lieut. A. V. Palmer
Pte. H. M. C. D. Duff
C/Sgt. D. Shaw

THE THIRD COLOUR

The 1st Battalion are also still in possession of the Third Colour, sometimes known as the Green Colour. This dates from the period when a number of colours were carried, including the Colonel's Colour which in our case was green.

After 1688, in common with others, the Regiment carried three colours only and continued to do so until 1750 although the Infantry generally had ceased to do so some years earlier.

In 1835, however, special orders were issued that under no circumstances were more than the two colours to be carried on parade, but special dispensation was given to the Regiment to retain the Third Colour in its possession. It is this colour remade and repaired, which is the Third Colour of the 1st Battalion.

THE REGIMENTAL INSIGNIA AND MOTTOES

FOR purposes of record in this final number of the JOURNAL a summary of information about the Regimental Insignia has been included.

THE PASchal LAMB

The Paschal Lamb is the chief emblem in the Regimental Insignia. It is worn alike by officers and other ranks both as the cap badge and as the collar badge. It is also borne in each corner of the Regimental Colour.

The origin of its adoption is obscure, but since early days it has been identified with the Regiment. Some authorities, including Macaulay, have suggested that as the Regiment was formed in 1661 to garrison Tangier—part of the

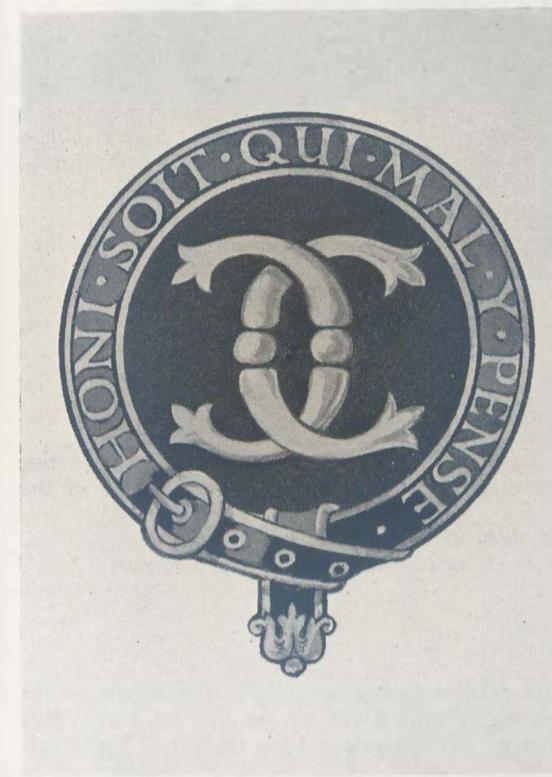


dowry brought by Catherine of Braganza on her marriage to King Charles II—the badge was taken as a Christian emblem in the struggle against the infidel Moors. Others have attributed its adoption to the fact that, in one portrait, Queen Catherine is depicted with a lamb in the foreground.

It seems fairly clear, however—from the early drawings of the Colours—that the badge was not adopted until after the return of the Regiment from Tangier in 1684. The first known instance of the Regiment wearing the Lamb as its badge appears on the Carlisle figures dating from about 1715, presented by Colonel R. G. Clarke, C.M.G., D.S.O., M.B.E.

What is not open to doubt is that for many years the Paschal Lamb, in the true ecclesiastical sense, has been the Regimental Badge.

THE CYPHER OF QUEEN CATHERINE WITHIN THE GARTER



West Surrey Regiment) T.F. and a drawing prepared for these Colours bore the Cypher of the then sovereign, King Edward VII.

The fact that the Colours of the Regiment had never borne the Cypher of a male sovereign was pointed out and His Majesty graciously approved of the permanent restitution of the Cypher of Queen Catherine, the Regiment's original Cypher, to the Colour.

All Colours, which were then in service in the Regiment, were altered to conform and to this day bear the original Cypher.

The Cypher consists of two "C's" interlaced, with the Crown over it. The Regiment was raised in 1661 for the specific purpose of garrisoning Tangier, which was part of the dowry brought by the Portuguese Princess, Catherine of Braganza, on her marriage to King Charles II.

Thus from its inception the Regiment was associated with the Queen and was graciously permitted to bear her cypher upon its Colours.

Queen Catherine died in 1705, and the Regiment, designated for the first time "The Queen's" in 1684, continued to enjoy the distinction of bearing upon its Colours the Cypher of the Queen, or the Queen Consort until 1910.

At this time new Colours were to be presented to the 4th Battalion The Queen's (Royal



THE NAVAL CROWN SUPERSCRIBED "1 JUNE 1794"

Just before the close of the eighteenth century, it was a frequent practice for Infantry Regiments to be employed as Marines aboard the ships of the Royal Navy.

In 1794 the Regiment was on duty in the following ships:

H.M.S. *Queen Charlotte* (Flagship of Admiral Lord Howe)
 H.M.S. *Russell*
 H.M.S. *Defence*
 H.M.S. *Royal George*
 H.M.S. *Majestic*

At the end of May 1794, after several days of desultory action against the French Fleet, Lord Howe won a resounding victory on the 1st June. This action has been known ever since as "The Glorious First of June." The Regiment took part with great distinction in the battle, and was authorized to wear as a Battle Honour on the Regimental Colour, The Naval Crown, superscribed "1 June 1794."

The relationship forged during the battle between the Regiment and Lord Howe's Flagship—H.M.S. *Queen Charlotte*—has been maintained ever since. Each year the Regiment celebrates that great victory with the officers and men of H.M.S. *Excellent*, which is now the Naval Gunnery School at Portsmouth and is the ship that has inherited the traditions, but not the name, of H.M.S. *Queen Charlotte*. Whenever the 1st Battalion is stationed abroad and is within reach of a unit of the Royal Navy these celebrations also take place

especially with gunnery members of the Fleet. A cricket match against H.M.S. *Excellent* is now an annual event.

The picture of the death of Lieut. Neville on board the Flagship in the presence of Lord Howe, commemorates the battle and is greatly valued in the Regiment.

The Worcestershire Regiment was also awarded the Naval Crown for its distinguished part in the action.

In 1925 H.M.S. *Excellent* was presented with a scroll giving authority to use the Regimental March, "Braganza." H.M.S. *Excellent* often march past in quick time to "Braganza."

This tradition has recently been carried further by permission being granted for H.M.S. *Excellent* to call their ship's magazine *Braganza*.

THE SPHINX

The Sphinx—superscribed "EGYPT"—is worn on the Regimental Colour as a Battle Honour. It commemorates the part played in the Egyptian Campaign of 1801. In addition to many smaller engagements, the Regiment took part in the Battles of Aboukir and Alexandria, in the latter of which the Commander-in-Chief, Sir Ralph Abercrombie, was mortally wounded.



THE MOTTOES

"Pristinae Virtutis Memor," may be translated as "Mindful of the Gallant Actions of the past," and "Vel Exuviae Triumphant" as "Even in defeat there can be triumph."

The origins of both mottoes are obscure, but there is an oral tradition that the Regiment was awarded "Pristinae Virtutis Memor" for its gallant defence of Tongres in the Low Countries in 1703. The Queen's together with a Dutch Regiment impeded the advance of 40,000 French for twenty-eight hours by holding the small fortified town of Tongres. As the Queen's had garrisoned Tangier from 1661 to 1684 against the Moors the motto hearkened back to their previous experiences. There is doubt, however, whether the Regiment was at Tongres.

THE REGIMENTAL MUSEUM

THE following interesting presentations have been made since the last publication of the JOURNAL:

The binoculars of the late General Sir C. C. Monro have been presented by Mr. J. C. Balne to whom they were given by Major Monro in 1898.

A handsomely carved pipe executed for or by W. C. Dixon, a member of the Service Company of the 2nd Volunteer Battalion of the Regiment during the South African War 1899-1902. Presented by Mrs. Tuke.

The medals of the late Lieut.-Colonel G. H. Neale (1891-1915). Presented by his nephew, Major A. G. Neale.

A Naval General Service Medal (1793-1840) with clasp "1 June 1794" and an Abyssinian Medal (1867-8) have been purchased. Both of these are rare to the Regiment.

OFFICERS' CLUB NOTES

THE annual reunion garden party was held on Saturday, 18th July, 1959. This was the last occasion on which the reunion will be held at Stoughton Barracks.

One hundred and sixty-two members and their families attended.

The number of guests was rather smaller than usual, due to the fact that the annual Diocesan Service in the new Cathedral was held on that afternoon.

The weather and conditions were perfect and the Beating of Retreat by the Band and Drums of the 1st Battalion performing for the last time at Stoughton Barracks, brought the memorable occasion to its close. It was a very moving moment for all present when the Regimental Flag was lowered, slowly, at the end of our last reunion before Amalgamation.

The Regimental dinner, also the last before Amalgamation, was held at the Army and Navy Club on Friday, 2nd October, 1959. One hundred and twenty-two members were present and heard the very inspiring speech by the Chairman, the Colonel of the Regiment.

Our membership is now 456.

When Amalgamation takes place, the club is to be amalgamated with the present East Surrey Regiment Officers' Association, and will be designated The Queen's Royal Surrey Regiment Officers' Club. Full details regarding membership, subscriptions, and conditions will be circulated in the near future.

OFFICERS OF THE QUEEN'S NOT SERVING WITH THE 1st BATTALION

REGULAR OFFICERS

Major-General J. F. Metcalfe, C.B.E.	...	The War Office
Brigadier P. H. Richardson, D.S.O., O.B.E.	...	The War Office
Brigadier J. Sykes-Wright, D.S.O., O.B.E.	...	U.K.A.L.S., Canada
Brigadier F. J. C. Piggott, D.S.O., O.B.E.	...	The War Office
Colonel (T/Brigadier) G. H. W. Goode, D.S.O., O.B.E.	...	70 East African Brigade
Colonel (T/Brigadier) F. A. H. Ling, D.S.O.	...	148 Infantry Brigade (T.A.)
Colonel M. V. Fletcher	...	Hong Kong
Colonel D. G. Loch, O.B.E.	...	R.A.F. Staff College
Lieut.-Colonel H. R. D. Hill, M.B.E.	...	23 Liaison Headquarters
Lieut.-Colonel M. T. N. Jennings	...	Royal Hong Kong Defence Forces
Major (Loc. Lieut.-Colonel) R. S. N. Mans, M.B.E.	...	Staff College, Camberley
Major I. P. Thomson, M.C.	...	Headquarters Southern Command
Major P. R. H. Kealy	...	3rd Q.O. Nigeria Regiment
Major J. U. Stobbs	...	Headquarters Singapore Base District
Major C. J. Grindley, M.B.E.	...	Boys Company, Q.O. Nigeria Regiment
Major M. A. Lowry, M.C.	...	Somaliland Scouts
Major J. B. C. Palmer, M.C.	...	1 Surreys
Major E. B. G. Clowes, M.B.E.	...	Ministry of Defence
Major P. R. Swanson	...	5 Queen's (T.A.)
Major D. C. Snowdon, T.D.	...	Depot Queen's Surreys
Major B. S. Burns, M.C.	...	3rd Bn. The Gold Coast Regiment
Major K. McL. Douglas	...	6 Queen's (T.A.)
Major M. R. H. Stoppard	...	Home Counties Brigade
Major J. W. Sewell	...	The War Office
Capt. (T./Major) P. G. Collyer	...	Rear Details, Depot Queen's
Capt. P. A. W. G. Durrant	...	2 Infantry Division, B.A.O.R.
Capt. H. C. Millman	...	Staff College, Camberley
Capt. A. G. Jones	...	Staff College, Camberley
Capt. P. H. Clayton, M.B.E.	...	Middle East
Capt. D. J. Wright	...	16 Independent Parachute Brigade Group
Capt. R. B. Johnson	...	Depot Queen's Surreys
Capt. A. B. S. Faris	...	Federation Military Staff College, Malaya
Capt. M. E. Girling	...	5 Infantry Brigade Group, B.A.O.R.
Capt. P. M. Stamper	...	5 Q.O. Nigeria Regiment
Capt. G. C. Sharpe	...	Rear Details, Depot Queen's
Capt. J. G. W. Davidson	...	General Headquarters, FARELF
Lieut. (T./Capt.) J. V. Warner-Johnson	...	Mons Officer Cadet School
Lieut. H. M. Hare	...	Infantry Junior Leader's Battalion
Lieut. M. C. W. Credland	...	1st Bn. The Parachute Regiment
Lieut. G. B. Redfern	...	1/10th Gurkha Rifles
Lieut. S. T. W. Anderson	...	Depot Queen's Surreys
2/Lieut. K. G. Wakely	...	Depot Queen's Surreys

REGULAR OFFICERS ON THE EMPLOYED LIST

Lieut.-Colonel S. W. Peet, M.C., T.D.	...	Joint Services Nuclear and Chemical Defence School
Lieut.-Colonel M. E. M. MacWilliam, D.S.O., M.C., T.D.	...	Somaliland Scouts

SHORT SERVICE COMMISSION OFFICERS

2/Lieut. J. M. B. Westing	...	Ghana Army
2/Lieut. R. M. Edwards	...	Ghana Army
2/Lieut. D. Kenway	...	Ghana Army
2/Lieut. D. W. Walker	...	Ghana Army

EXTENDED SERVICE COMMISSION OFFICERS

Capt. (T./Major) B. N. Hart	...	4th Bn. The Malav Regiment
Capt. E. H. Haynes	...	No. 3 Travelling Wing

EXTENDED SERVICE		COMMISSION OFFICERS
Major J. O'C. Cosgrove, M.B.E. ....	... ...	The War Office
Major H. A. G. Blake ....	... ...	Rheindahlen Garrison, B.A.O.R.
Major D. L. Fennell ....	... ...	W.O.S.B., Barton Stacey, Hants.
Major S. F. Harris ....	... ...	52 M.C.T.C. Cyprus
Capt. W. Webb, D.C.M. ....	... ...	Royal Victoria Hospital, Netley
QUARTERMASTERS		
(a) REGULARS		
Lieut.-Colonel S. H. Sellicks ....	... ...	Headquarters, Northern Army Group, B.A.O.R.
Major H. R. Gill ....	... ...	Depot Queen's Surreys
Capt. J. E. Griffin ....	... ...	Rear Details Depot Queen's
(b) SHORT SERVICE COMMISSIONS		
Capt. R. J. Hall ....	... ...	5 Queen's (T.A.)
Capt. C. W. Cheeseman ....	... ...	6 Queen's (T.A.)

1st (LONDON) CADET BATTALION THE QUEEN'S ROYAL REGIMENT

VISIT TO B.A.O.R., 1959

COUNTY Headquarters have received the following account from Major Hurst, Officer Commanding Cadet Companies, The Queen's Royal Regiment, about their visit to B.A.O.R., Germany from 6th to 17th April.

"Members of this unit visited the Parent Regiment, The Queen's Royal Regiment at Iserlohn, in Germany, for an eleven-day stay.

"They sailed from Harwich to the Hook on Sunday evening the 5th, arriving at the Hook at 8 a.m. Monday morning, where they received breakfast before entraining for Dortmund.

"Upon arriving at Dortmund at 1600 hours they were taken to Iserlohn in transport provided by the Regiment. They had tea at the barracks and were allotted accommodation.

"On Tuesday, the 7th, they did a tour of the Regiment, viewed all the support weapons and did some shooting. The afternoon was spent in sightseeing. The next day a visit was paid to Mende, Headquarters of 58 Medium Regimental, R.A. and 115 Location Battery, R.A. and the medium ack-ack guns were seen in action.

"On Thursday the 9th a visit was made to the Army Base Workshops at Wetter where the R.E.M.E. could be seen at work stripping down, renovating and reassembling jeeps, heavy lorries and Centurion and Conqueror tanks. The day closed with a small boxing match between the local German club of Iserlohn and the 5th Infantry Brigade.

"The visitors went to Dohner A.G. factory on Friday where rolled steel plate, sheet metal and steel wiring is manufactured. The management took everybody out to lunch at the local beauty spot—Letmathe/West Fallen and then took them round the Dechonholme caves which have awe-inspiring stalactites and stalagmites.

"On Saturday the 11th a visit was made to the German Barracks at Iserlohn and later everybody went clay pigeon shooting with one of the German officers. This was enjoyed very much and in the evening the visitors went to a local circus.

"On Sunday, 12th April, we left Iserlohn Barracks to go into camp with

the Regiment at Haltern for infantry and tank co-operation exercises which were held in conjunction with the Royal Scots Greys. His Royal Highness The Duke of Kent is a troop leader in this Tank Regiment. The visitors enjoyed receiving instruction about tanks and to take part in action. On Wednesday morning, before leaving Haltern Camp to return to Iserlohn Barracks, Prince Edward met the cadets in their tents.

"Wednesday afternoon was spent in sightseeing and in the evening the party entrained and returned to the Hook, arriving at Harwich on Friday morning."

1st CADET BATTALION THE QUEEN'S ROYAL REGIMENT

The year since the publication of the last JOURNAL has been a busy one for the Battalion. Towards the end of 1958, both the Wallington and Reigate Companies held successful open evenings which were attended by an encouraging number of parents and friends. The guest-of-honour at the former event was Major R. S. N. Mans, M.B.E., then commanding the Regimental Depot and at the latter Brigadier M. H. ap Rhys Pryce of the Army Cadet Force Association.

At Christmas, the annual carol service was held at Reigate Parish Church conducted by the Vicar of Reigate assisted by the Rev. R. Jeans, Chaplain to the Battalion. Lessons were read by officers and cadets representing all companies and the Battalion Colours (originally presented and consecrated in 1922) were carried on parade. We were honoured by the presence of the Lord Lieutenant of Surrey, The Right Hon. The Earl of Munster, P.C., K.B.E., who afterwards took the salute at a march past. Other guests included the County Cadet Commandant (Colonel H. R. Power, O.B.E.), the Deputy Commandant (Lieut.-Colonel J. F. E. Goad, O.B.E.), the Mayor of Reigate (Alderman George Searle, J.P.) and the Commanding Officers of both 5th and 6th Queen's (T.A.) (Lieut.-Colonel H. M. W. Harris and Lieut.-Colonel C. H. Nice, T.D.).

In March, Lieut.-Colonel H. C. Hughes, T.D., relinquished the command of the Battalion on his appointment as a Deputy Commandant, Surrey A.C.F. He has been succeeded by Major J. H. East, who has had a long association with the Battalion and with the A.C.F.

A most satisfactory field day was held in the Guildford area on Easter Monday.

There has been a steady improvement in the standard of full-bore shooting during the past year and the unit's teams have produced good scores in the various rifle meetings at Bisley and in the Home Counties District Rifle Meeting at Hythe. In the latter, the Battalion's first team were runners-up in the A.C.F. competition to the 4/5th Cadet Battalion. The East Surrey Regiment after a close fight and Cadet T. Shaw of the John Ruskin Grammar School Company tied with another Surrey cadet as Junior Champion at Arms.

A combined Corps of Drums drawn from the Reigate and Wallington Companies was one of three A.C.F. bands selected to play in the Royal Tournament arena before the evening performance. They appeared on Thursday, 18th June, and gave an excellent display of playing and countermarching for twenty-five minutes.

In the realm of normal training, there have been satisfactory results in all examinations for Certificate "A." In accordance with the policy of the A.C.F., emphasis is being placed on the need for training with the flavour of adventure

in addition to the normal Certificate "A" subjects and exercises involving light-weight camping, field cooking and the carrying out of "missions" calling for leadership and initiative, now feature in the programme of the various companies. On the occasion of the annual visit (which has now replaced the more formal annual inspection) to each detachment by the C.O. of the affiliated T.A. unit or by the Brigade Major, 131 Infantry Brigade (T.A.), all companies received good reports, two being graded as "above standard."

As at present constituted, the Battalion has companies at Selhurst Grammar School, John Ruskin Grammar School (Croydon), Wallington, Reigate and Dorking. The first two are closed units in schools and are affiliated to "C" Company, 6th Queen's (T.A.) as is the Wallington Company, which is an "open" unit. The other two "open" units are affiliated to 5th Queen's (T.A.). It is hoped in the near future to form another open unit at Queen's House, Croydon. The Headquarters of the Battalion is at the T.A. Centre, Reigate.

In 1960, the Army Cadet Force celebrates its centenary year and the 1st Cadet Bn., The Queen's looks forward to playing its full part with the remainder of the A.C.F. in Surrey in the special celebrations which will be staged.

THE ALL RANKS GARDEN PARTY, 19th JULY, 1959

THE service at the Dedication of The Queen's Chapel had attracted many old members of the Regiment who afterwards made their way to the Depot. The weather was most fitting for this day, the Regiment's final reunion at Stoughton Barracks. Amongst the older men who attended was Mr. J. C. Balne, formerly R.S.M. of the 1st Battalion, 1904 to 1910, and now in his ninety-second year. He is the oldest living member of the Regiment. We were also delighted to see our four Chelsea Pensioners, Miller, Stacey, Tippett and Foster. The depleted Depot staff had many calls for duties of various types, and it was largely due to their cheerful co-operation that everything went so well.

The 5th Battalion assisted by operating the 30-yard range shoot where the winner was Mr. S. Wilshaw. The cadets of the Royal Grammar School, Guildford, under the direction of R.S.M. W. Lockwood, D.C.M., operated the pony and trap rides for children and the ladies' shoot on the .22 range. The wife of the O.C. Depot, Mrs. P. G. Collyer was the winner of the ladies' shoot.

The Band performed on the green from 3 p.m. to 4 p.m., to those who were taking shade under the trees and in tents.

Mrs. J. Y. Whitfield kindly presented the prizes for the various events held during the afternoon. This was followed by the final item for the day, "The Beating of Retreat by the Band and Drums" in their scarlet uniform, which on conclusion made many remark, "This is a day of my life I shall never forget." It was sad indeed to think that this was the very last occasion on which the Band and Drums of the 1st Battalion would play at Stoughton Barracks.

OLD COMRADES ASSOCIATIONS

2/4th QUEEN'S OLD COMRADES ASSOCIATION (1914-1919)

At the annual reunion dinner held at Grant's Restaurant, Croydon, on 25th April, 1959, 120 members and guests sat down to dinner.

It was a momentous and happy occasion as the Colonel of the Regiment, Major-General J. Y. Whitfield, C.B., D.S.O., O.B.E., was in the chair and beside him our war-time Colonel, Sir Frank Watney, K.C.V.O., C.B.E., T.D., now in his ninety-first year. Officers and other ranks had travelled long distances to be with us on this great occasion, and thanks are due to Mr. Harry Mann, the honorary secretary and his able committee for all arrangements made for the dinner.

The Annual General Meeting and Shrine Service will be held on Sunday, 15th November, 1959. The Shrine Service will be at the Croydon Parish Church at 3 p.m., and will be followed by the Annual General Meeting at Queen's House, Poplar Walk, West Croydon. Tea will be available. A special appeal is made to all Old Comrades to attend this grand Service of Remembrance.

S. V.

5th BATTALION THE QUEEN'S ROYAL REGIMENT OLD MEMBERS ASSOCIATION

It is rather sad that the first notes appearing under this heading should be published in the last issue of the REGIMENTAL JOURNAL, but we hope that for many years to come they will appear regularly in THE JOURNAL OF THE QUEEN'S ROYAL SURREY REGIMENT.

The 5th Battalion has been slow off the mark in starting an Old Members Association though four reunions have been held since 1947. The first two—in the late '40s—were largely organized by the late R.Q.M.S. Fred Pullan and it can truly be said that he was one of the founders of the Association.

The reunions in 1957 and 1958 were organized by a committee called together by Colonel L. C. East. With the Battalion celebrating the Centenary this year it was decided to put the reunion on a firm footing and to form an Association with the following objects:

1. To enable old members of the Battalion to keep in touch with one another.
2. To organize the annual reunion and other functions centrally or locally as opportunity offers or need arises.
3. To foster the Regimental spirit of the Queen's Royal Regiment, and to provide a link between the past and present members of the Battalion and The Queen's Royal Surrey Regiment.
4. To enable serving members of the Battalion to enjoy the support and advice of their forerunners, and for the latter to assist and encourage recruiting.

A committee was formed under the chairmanship of the Honorary Colonel of the Battalion, Lieut.-Colonel J. B. H. Kealy with the Commanding Officer, Lieut.-Colonel H. W. M. Harris as his Deputy. Major J. F. L. Clarke was appointed Hon. Treasurer and W.O.II (now Lieutenant (Qr.Mr.)) L. C. A. Moxon as Hon. Secretary. Meetings of old members were called at the various Company Headquarters and those present were invited to appoint a chairman, secretary and a representative to serve on the central committee. Subscriptions have been fixed at 5s. Annual or £2 Life (minimum in each case) to include the ticket for the annual reunion.

Although the Association is still in its early stages the efforts of the area representatives are beginning to bear fruit. Well over two hundred attended the 1959 reunion held at Sandfield Terrace on Saturday, 9th May. The chief speaker was Sir Patrick Spens, Q.C., M.P. He was Adjutant of the Battalion in 1914-15. All members of the Regiment were no doubt delighted to see that

in the Birthday Honours Sir Patrick was to be elevated to the Peerage.

Major-General J. Y. Whitfield attended as an "ordinary" member of the Association. A most welcome guest was General Sir Lashmer Whistler—a good friend of the Battalion.

The Hon. Secretary has the names and addresses of some five hundred potential members of whom some three hundred have already joined the Association. It is hoped that other possible members *i.e.* anyone who has served in any Battalion of the Regiment bearing the numerical title 5th (whether 1/5th or 2/5th) or in the 1st Volunteer Battalion will get in touch with the Hon. Secretary whose address is "Calliope," Parkstone Drive, Camberley.

8th (S.) BN. THE QUEEN'S ROYAL REGIMENT DINNER CLUB (1914-1918)

The annual all ranks dinner was held at the Cloisters Restaurant, London, S.W.3, on 2nd May, 1959, with the usual good attendance.

Among those present was Major-General J. Y. Whitfield, C.B., D.S.O., O.B.E., Colonel The Queen's Royal Regiment, who kindly gave the members a most interesting and up-to-date picture of the Regiment's current activities with details of the forthcoming Amalgamation.

The evening concluded happily with entertainment provided by "Vi Stevens" and her friends.

The Wreath-Laying Ceremony will take place on 17th October, 1959, at the 24th Division Memorial, Battersea Park, London, S.W.8.

OBITUARY

List of those known and reported to have died since last publication:

No.	Rank and Name	Bn.	Service	Date of Death
	Capt. (Qr.Mr.) A. J. Beer, M.B.E.	24th London Regiment and 7th		26.10.58
	Capt. T. D. G. Mulady	1st and Army Air Corps	1952-1958	11.12.58
	Brigadier-General A. Mudge, C.B., C.M.G.	1st	(On active service) 1891-1918	27.12.58
	Major C. J. M. Elliott, D.C.M.	1st, 2nd and 5th	1893-1933	1. 1.59
	Major N. E. Savage	1st and R.A.P.C.		3. 5.59
7682	Pte. J. Morrison	1st and 2nd	1902-1915	10.11.58
6085114	Bdsn. J. R. Osborn	1st	1932-1939	10.11.58
6633	Pte. E. Langfield	9th, 11th and 3rd	1915-1919	12.58
6757665	Pte. C. R. Rose	1st	1932-1945	24.12.58
6096775	Sgt. N. H. Turton	30th	1940-1945	29.12.58
8959	Bdsn. D. Hebourn	1st	1912-	31.12.58
6078220	Cpl. B. Cressey	1st	1906-1928	24. 1.59
6076735	R.S.M. A. P. Picton	2nd and 4th	1918-1947	25. 1.59
6081648	R.Q.M.S. F. H. J. Pullan, B.E.M.	5th	1923-1959	7. 2.59
4405	C./Sgt. P. E. Rowley	1st and Depot	1894-1914	20. 2.59
	A. S. Jones	4th	1939-1941	24. 2.59
5213	J. Church	1st and 2nd	1897-1905	28. 2.59
5946338	R.Q.M.S. W. W. Morris	1/5th		20. 4.59
68591	H. G. Smithers, M.M.	7th	1914-1919	7. 5.59
6076196	Cpl. F. Downs	1st and 2nd	1906-1930	20. 6.59
913	Pte. F. G. Cobb	2nd	1914-1919	27. 7.59
6198418	R.S.M. A. Fulbrook	1st and 2nd	1907-1928	17.10.59

NOTICES

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	£	£	EXPENDITURE		£	£	INCOME
	1956	248	Printing and Postage of JOURNAL	of	1956	181	Subscriptions and Sales
41	207		Less Advertisement Revenue ..	..	52	13	Grant — Officer Commanding, ..
					11	11	Depot ..
					209	5	Excess of Expenditure over ..
57			Printing and Postage of News-letters ..	..	61	5	Income for the year ..
					17	6	..
2			General Postages ..	..	1	4	..
			Donation to O.C.A. ..	..	0	0	..
			Excess of Income over Expenditure for the year ..	..	—	—	..
					£273	12	£273 12 4
						4	4
							£266
							£266

BALANCE SHEET AS AT 31ST DECEMBER, 1957

	£	£	CAPITAL		£	£	CURRENT ASSETS		£	£	£
	£	£	Balance as at 1st January, 1957	10 10			Sundry Debtor ..				
			Add Excess of Income over	—			120	1	120	1	1
			Expenditure for the year ..	—			120	1	86	4	8
			Less Expenditure over Income	..			2	207	2	19	7
			for the year ..	10 10			207	Cash in Hand
207							209	5	209	5	4
							5	4			
							£207		£209	5	4
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