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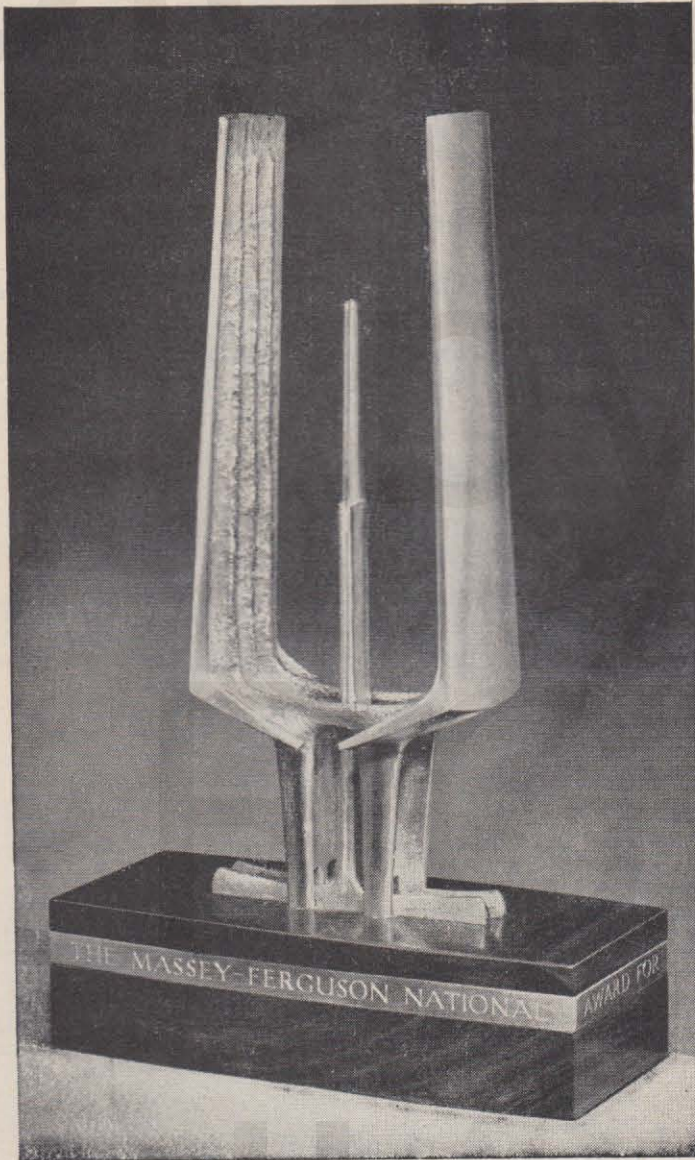
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Lieutenant-Colonel G. S. MURRAY M.C.

WE were all very sad to see Gavin Murray depart at the end of his period in command at the beginning of May. There are few officers still serving in the Regiment who have had so many varied experiences and appointments, or who have played such an active part in all aspects of the life of the Regiment. Moreover he has always managed to see as much action as possible, ranging from a period spent in the Commandos, including the D-Day landings, through being a Troop Leader in "B" Squadron during the campaign in North-West Europe, and subsequently as Second-in-Command of "C" Squadron 8th Hussars in Korea during the first and most arduous year of the campaign. As a result he has become President of the Society for the Protection of Attached Officers. Since the end of the war he has been connected with the Public Schools Exploration Society, and with their expeditions to Northern Norway and Labrador. Also there are now quite a number of younger officers serving in the British and Australian Armies whom he taught most ably the arts of leadership and tactics whilst on the Staff at Duntroon and at the R.A.C. Tactical School at Lulworth.

In all these activities he has repeatedly shown the very best type of true leadership, both by personal example and by teaching. In such activities he has also displayed his tremendous and abiding interest in people, whether officers, men or schoolboys.

During his time in command of both "B" Squadron and the Regiment he invariably managed to produce the highest standards of professional and technical competence, as well as an atmosphere of confident calm, and of enjoyment of life. In the world of sport he remains addicted to cricket, and made his interest strongly felt in



"B" Squadron by personally retaining the wicket-keeping gloves, lest the Squadron team captain should by accident make the wrong team selection.

During his period of command, he has seen a most notable sporting double come to pass, that of the winning of the Cavalry Cup and the Grand Military in the same year. This achievement gave him the greatest possible satisfaction, often expressed, and showing his own awareness of how strong a part such achievements play in the life of the Regiment.

We shall all miss his stern figure, quick to detect idleness and error, or prick complacency by a shrewd question, his occasional bursts of a rapid and soon forgotten rage, and his enormous but friendly knowledge of everybody and their individual problems. We shall often remember how completely he has always devoted himself to the good of the Regiment, and what an example he set to the younger generations by so doing.

Finally everybody, including especially the families, owe a debt of gratitude to Sinclair and Gavin for their unremitting efforts to make the community life of the Regiment more alive and happy.

We all wish them every good fortune in the future and envy the All Arms Training Centre and R.A.C. Ranges at Castlemartin their new Commandant.

Editorial

THE Regiment has completed its last year as an Armoured Regiment equipped with Centurion tanks, and as we hand over, perhaps with a tinge of regret, the last of the familiar rumbling, squeaking monsters, we can truthfully say that this last year has been for all of us an unforgettable tour. Almost every one of us has seen a different side of life, and with elements of the Regiment in Little Aden, the Radfan, Bahrain, the Arabian Gulf, and Hong Kong, every claim of any recruiting poster has come true.

Apart from the welter of Internal Security duties in Aden, which alone produced their share of excitement, Recce troop up country became the first elements of the Regiment since Korea to become rather closely involved with flying lead. In Aden, the year seemed to be a perpetual struggle to find enough people not involved in security duties to carry on with normal training. It also brought many of us in contact with the desert and the demands it makes on the endurance of men and vehicles. In Bahrain, contact was made extensively and enjoyably with the Royal Navy; we would like to imagine that our habits and stock phrases caused them as much amusement as theirs did us. In Hong Kong, as is customary in the East, "C" Squadron remained inscrutable; giving the impression of closely guarding their exceptionally good wicket.

A significant change in the structure of the Regiment took place in the formation of the Air Troop. Capt.

C. T. Griffiths, 3rd Carabiniers (Prince of Wales's Dragoon Guards), arrived to form the new troop, and immediately became a well-liked member of the Regiment. The troop was dogged by several delays but eventually became established with three Sioux aircraft and were ready to increase the Regiment's capabilities.

Life in Aden has undoubtedly been rendered a lot more pleasant by our neighbours; on one side, the 10th Royal Hussars (Prince of Wales's Own), and on the other, the 2nd Battalion, Coldstream Guards. It was a boon to have two Regiments so close who shared so much the same outlook, and we will sadly miss them. We wish them good luck in Munster and Pirbright. We also part with regret from the many other friends we have made, in all services, whose hospitality has made our existence more enjoyable.

The year 1965 being the 150th Anniversary of the Battle of Waterloo, a section of this journal has been devoted to an account of the ways in which the occasion was celebrated in England and Belgium. We are indebted to the Colonel of the Regiment for writing the introduction to the series of articles. The coloured print of the Inniskilling Dragoons on the Eve of Waterloo forms this year's Christmas Card.

The year 1966 promises to be another busy year, and the journal will contain much interesting matter on our conversion to armoured cars, and Regimental life in Benghazi and Cyprus.

Commanding Officer's Notes

Regimental Diary of Events, 1964/65

THIS diary of events will, I hope, give an excellent idea of the immensely varied tasks and activities of the Regiment throughout the year, many of which are described in greater detail elsewhere.

1964

October

"B" Squadron leave Warminster for Aden, take over equipment and carry out training in the Western Aden Protectorate.

November

Departure of Regimental Advance Party from Tidworth for Aden on November 1. "B" Squadron Seaborne Tank Force departs Aden for the Persian Gulf, sailing on November 15. Regiment takes over Falaise Camp, Little Aden from 16th/5th Lancers throughout the month.

December

"C" Squadron main party arrive in Hong Kong December 11. Regimental main party arrive Aden, December 15-18. Christmas in Aden. Football, basket-

ball, volley-ball and hockey vs. H.M.S. *Mohawk* throughout the Christmas period. Regiment attended C.S.E.U. show with Ships' Company *Mohawk* on Christmas Eve. Regimental Band played during and after dinner on Christmas Day, served in the traditional manner. Officers and P.O.s of *Mohawk* visited Messes of the Regiment on Boxing Day.

1965

January

"B" Squadron Amphibious Training Exercise, January 8-12. H.M.S. *Anzio* courtesy visit to Bandar Abbas, Persia, January 26. "B" Squadron Omex patrol—Muscat and Oman, January 11-26. "A" Squadron training and preparation in Western Aden Protectorate including three days' firing on Am Riga tank ranges. Recce Troop—two sections in Radfan throughout the month engaged on patrols, mine patrols, convoy escorts and camp picquets.

February

"A" Squadron Seaborne Tank Force departs for the Persian Gulf from Aden. "H.Q." Squadron Desert Leaders' patrols begin. Recce Troop two sections still in Radfan, on rotation from Little Aden.

March

Morse Training started by "B" Squadron Seaborne Tank Force while on ship, looking ahead to our conversion. March 5, "B" Squadron—fire power demonstration during exercises in the Persian Gulf, for 10th Hussars, R.H.A., Trucial Oman Scouts. Brigade exercise carried out by "C" Squadron. St. Patrick's Day. Regimental holiday, during which Officers and Warrant Officers played Sergeants at football, and special mid-day meal was served in the cookhouse and Sergeants' Mess. St. Patrick's Day party was held in the evening. St. Patrick's Day broadcast on B.F.B.S. Aden, solely concerned with the Regiment. Film team from Ulster Television visited the Regiment. Cpl. Kempster (Recce Troop) commanded Scout Car mined in the Radfan. "A" and "B" Squadrons took part in Amphibious Training Exercise in Persian Gulf, March 11.

April

April 9, Sgt. Barter commanded Scout Car mined in the Radfan; Tpr. Puckerin severely wounded and evacuated to R.A.F. Hospital Khormaksar. Recce Troop return from Radfan. Visit to R.A.F. Strike Wing by selected party from the Regiment. "C" Squadron took part in Queen's Birthday Parade at which H.E. The Governor of Hong Kong took the Salute. Desert Leaders' patrols continue.

May

Farewell to Lt.-Col. and Mrs. Murray, the Regiment lining the road from R.H.Q. to the Officers' Mess, May 3. "A" Squadron Omex Patrol, May 3-13. Members of "B" Squadron visit Mombasa, Seychelles with H.M.S. *Anzio*, May 4. "B" Squadron carry out training in Western Aden Protectorate, including Commanding Officer's troop tests, and an exercise set and run by R.H.Q. "C" Squadron patrol visits the island of Lan Teo near Hong Kong. "C" Squadron hold sports meeting in Hong Kong. Recce Troop spend three weeks in the Dhala area supporting the Federal Regular Army. Air Troop begins to form. R.S.M. Fitzsimmons hands over to R.S.M. Bertrand. Field-Marshal Sir Richard Hull, C.D.S., visited the Regiment, May 18. Major-General J. F. Willoughby, G.O.C. M.E.L.F. visited the Regiment, May 22.

June

L/Cpl. Hanway and Cpl. McKenna to Loitokitok Outboard Bound School for a three-weeks' course. "B" Squadron give fire power demonstration to 24 Brigade, June 18. Brigade Exercise, June 30 and July 1. Regiment takes part in Waterloo Celebrations in U.K., Belgium and Aden; Regimental Concert, June 18. "C" Squadron individual training begins, June 14. Three members of "C" Squadron qualify as Sub-aqua instructors, Class III.

July

"B" Squadron Seaborne Tank Force departs for Gulf on July 5. Lt. M. Hudelist, 57 R.I.A.O.M. French

Army visits Regiment for two weeks. Lt.-Col. Simpkin, C.O. 1 R.T.R. visits Aden and Bahrain, July 6-14. "A" Squadron Seaborne Tank Force returns on July 27.

August

Band fly to, and play for, R.A.F. Masirah. Command Hill Guard, Steamer Point, Aden (for C.-in-C.'s and G.O.C.'s Houses) provided by the Regiment, August 21-24. "A" Squadron Seaborne Tank Force departs on August 27. "C" Squadron annual tank and armoured car firing. Major Moore departs from "C" Squadron for Maresfield. Recce Troop Patrols in Western Aden Protectorate throughout the month at irregular intervals. Regimental polo team's tour of Kenya, August 24 to September 8. "A" Squadron Safari (Adventure Training), August 9-30. Capt. Lang (A.E.R.) visits Regiment from August 10-30.

September

Capt. Hall (A.E.R.) visits Regiment from August 28 to September 9. September 8, Mr. McMaster, M.P. for Belfast East, visits Regiment. September 11-15. R.H.Q. takes part in "A" and "B" Squadrons Amphibious Training Exercise in Persian Gulf. September 17-24, Lt.-Col. Hotblack, Commandant R.A.C. Tactical School, Lulworth, visits the Regiment. September 21, "B" Squadron Seaborne Tank Force arrives Aden. September 30, Q.M.G. visits Regiment.

October

October 12, D.R.A.C. visits Regiment. October 14, Brigade Commander's Administrative Inspection. October 22, "C" Squadron 1 R.T.R. arrive in Aden. October 19, C.I.V. begins.

November

November 1-7, Colonel of the Regiment visits the Regiment. Regimental Advance Party for Libya and Cyprus depart Aden for leave in U.K. Handover to 1 R.T.R. throughout the month. November 27, "A" Squadron last Seaborne Tank Force returns to Aden.

December

December 1-7, "A" Squadron C.I.V. December 1-10, final handover to 1 R.T.R. December 15-20, Regimental main party move to U.K.

The Regiment has had a vigorous, busy and eventful year, in climatic conditions which, though not requiring the stamina of an explorer to survive, have fully tested everybody's physique and resilience. Our achievements have been many, our experiences varied, and it is a great tribute to the way in which all ranks have responded to the many calls for efforts at work and play, that morale has, as usual, remained high and cheerful.

We look forward to the challenge and tasks of 1966, which will see us installed in Benghazi and striving to achieve for ourselves as good a reputation in our new role as an Armoured Reconnaissance Regiment as we have long had as an Armoured Regiment.

Regimental Association

From the Retiring Secretary, Mr. Tom Williams

Our first Parade of 1965 was the Oates Memorial Service held at the Royal Hospital, Chelsea, on March 21, under the Command of General Sir John Anderson, K.C.B., C.B.E., D.S.O., Colonel of the Regiment. The Parade was inspected and addressed by the Lieutenant-Governor, Major-General R. G. S. Hobbs, who also very kindly entertained a number of us to sherry in his apartments after the Parade and Service.

On parade were 30 all ranks past and present of the Regiment. The Belgian Ambassador, M. de Thier, accompanied the Lieutenant-Governor on his inspection of the ranks.

The Royal Navy were represented by Lt.-Commander Richard Brooke, who is a holder of the Polar Medal and who was a member of Sir Edmund Hilary's Antarctic Expedition. We were honoured by the presence of Mrs. Ranalow and Miss Violet Oates (sisters of Capt. Oates) and by four more members of the Oates family.

The address was given by the Reverend K. Till, Assistant Chaplain-General, Eastern Command, and Trumpeters were kindly supplied by the Household Cavalry.

On Saturday, May 1, the Annual Reunion was held at our new venue, Associated Electrical Industries Ltd., 33 Grosvenor Place, London, S.W.1, and was very successful. Six W.O.s and Sergeants of the 1st Battalion Welsh Guards attended as our guests, and we were delighted to welcome them; we would take this opportunity of expressing our grateful thanks to R.S.M. Williams and all members of his Mess for the unstinted hospitality they have always given us.

A highlight of the evening was an exhibition of the Charleston given by Mrs. A. Wild of Northampton who convulsed our members with her antics and was compelled to give two encores.

On the following morning we attended the 41st Combined Cavalry Memorial Service in Hyde Park under the Command of General Anderson. We have for many years been the largest Regimental contingent on this Parade, but this year, for some unknown reason, our numbers dropped considerably. Next year the Parade will be on May 1, and the Colonel of the Regiment makes a strong appeal to all members of the Association to do their utmost to attend and thus regain our former position.

At the Annual General Meeting held on August 24, which was attended by a number of our Area Secretaries, I was reluctantly compelled, due to ill health, to resign my office as Secretary. I would like to express my grateful thanks to the officers and members of the Committee for the support they have always given me so wholeheartedly, and for the many kind things said about me at the meeting.

Our new Secretary is Major F. H. Robson, M.B.E., Home Headquarters, Belfast, and I am sure all members will join me in wishing him every success in the future.

ESSEX AND SUFFOLK BRANCH

As usual Mrs. Wiley very kindly entertained members of the Regimental Association and their families at her home at Spring Hill, Capel St. Mary.

The weather was fine and warm and Mrs. Wiley's generous hospitality was very greatly enjoyed by everyone. We are indeed all most grateful to her for her kindness and enterprise in running this gathering each year. Those present were:

Mrs. H. O. Wiley, General Sir John and Lady Anderson, General Harding, Brigadier Anstice, Col. Brooke, Miss Darley, Col. and Mrs. Williamson, Mrs. Gregson-Ellis, Mr. and Mrs. Allen, Mr. and Mrs. Cole, Mr. and Mrs. Ward, Mr. and Mrs. Youngman, Mr. Rogers, Mr. and Mrs. Taylor, Mr. and Mrs. Hill, Mrs. McCullough, Mrs. Batterham, Mr. and Mrs. Mortlock, Mr. and Mrs. Fletcher, Mr. and Mrs. Pelly, Mrs. Rawlings, Mr. and Mrs. Kelly, Mrs. Everson, Mr. and Mrs. Barker and Mr. and Mrs. Morgan.



Mrs. Williams, The Colonel and Lady Anderson, and Mr. Tom Williams

MR. T. WILLIAMS

Tom Williams has recently resigned from the post of honorary secretary to the Regimental Association, and this edition of the journal would not be complete without a tribute to his years of labour in the Association. He became secretary at a time when the problems of the Association loomed large and perplexing over the committee and the members. The end of the war, the period of National Service, the natural tendency of a few of those who had fought in the war to become too immersed in the problems of civilian life, all these trends increased the problems of the secretary of the Association. Today when the Association is rapidly changing and expanding under the impact of measures taken by the Army, the Regiment and the committee, it would be churlish not to pay tribute to one who gave up so much of his spare time, in both difficult as well as easy days, to the work of the Association. There must be many who have written to him when in difficulty, and as a result they have been helped. There can be very few who did not receive, at the least, guidance and good advice. All members of the Association are deeply grateful to him, and to Mrs. Williams for their unflinching willingness, sense of duty and devotion to the Association including both its work and social life. We look forward to seeing both him and Mrs. Williams at Reunions and send him our best wishes for the future.

Miscellaneous

Regimental Dinner

The Regimental Dinner was held at the Hyde Park Hotel on Friday, May 30. A telegram of good wishes was sent by the Colonel of the Regiment to the Colonel-in-Chief, who was represented at the Dinner by His Excellency the Belgian Ambassador. The following reply was received:

Domaine d'Argenteuil
May 22, 1965

Dear General,

On our return home from Austria we found your cable. My wife and I thank you very heartily as well as all past and present Officers of the Regiment who associated themselves with your kind message.

Receive, dear General, my kindest regards and believe me

Yours sincerely,
LEOPOLD.

Correspondence

The Editor has received news of members of the Regimental Association from various sources and in particular from Mr. W. Fletcher, ex-Sergeant 6th Inniskilling Dragoons, who as well as sending some colourful reminiscences enclosed a valuable photograph of Capt. Oates, which is now in the Regimental Museum.

The following **countries** of the world have been visited by serving members of the Regiment during the course of the year.

Japan, Formosa, Macau, Hong Kong, Vietnam, Singapore, Malaya, Thailand, Australia, America, India, Pakistan, Kashmir, Bahrain, Muscat and Oman. The Trucial States, Iran, Ceylon, Federation of South Arabia, Aden, Kuwait, French Somaliland, Ethiopia, Kenya, Uganda, Tanzania, The Seychelle Islands, Lower Maldivian Islands, Libya, Cyprus, Egypt, Malta, Lebanon, France, Belgium, Germany, Austria, Switzerland, Denmark, Turkey, Eire and Borneo.

Mrs. Sankey, the widow of Capt. Sankey, 5th Dragoon Guards, was 100 years old on July 23. Capt. Sankey was born in 1840 and died in 1920, and Mrs. Sankey lives in Bathford, Somerset.

The Regiment raised £73 towards the **Army Benevolent Fund**, and £50 towards the **National Army Museum**. As at September 30, 1965, 79 soldiers regularly contribute one day's pay a year to the **Regimental Association**.

The **address** of the Regiment during 1966 will be as follows: R.H.Q., "H.Q.", "B" and "C" Squadrons in Benghazi at B.F.P.O. 55. "A" Squadron in Cyprus at B.F.P.O. 667.

Djibouti, Saturday the 17th of July

COLONEL,

I am just arrived at home in Djibouti. All was all right here in my new accommodation.

But the motive of this letter is only to utter the testimonial of satisfaction for my wonderful stay at the 5th Innis in Aden and in Bahrain.

I am very thankful to you, Colonel, so to your officers, for my so sympathetically welcome.

I estimated the friendship you have reserved me.

I have seen a lot of quite exciting things. So for all that, I don't know how you thank!

At the moment you will soon receive on the 27th of July some wine (by the mean of the next liaison of a French Navy's ship).

Once more thank you very much for all, and please receive, my best and respectful wishes.

MICHEL HUDELIST.

The following arose on L/Cpl. Ferguson discovering a defamatory allusion to the Regiment in a novel he was reading In the matter of 5th Royal Inniskilling Dragoon Guards and the Brave Rifles

(1). Before any written words can be actionable as a libel it must be possible to prove that they are defamatory to the mind of an ordinary right-thinking citizen. Another, and more practical, approach is to consider whether a jury of ordinary citizens would consider the words defamatory because most libel actions are tried before a jury. The question is whether the words would tend to lower the person referred to in the estimation of a right-thinking man or would the same person think that the words brought the person or persons referred to into odium, ridicule or contempt.

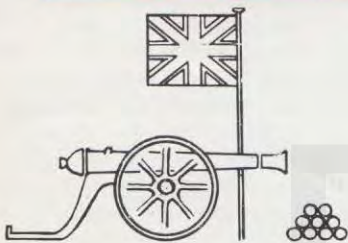
(2). Assuming for a moment that the reference to "**The Royal Inniskilling Dragoon Guards**" was sufficient to enable a person or persons to sue for what is known as a "group libel" then the plain meaning of the words used is that that person or those persons is or are in a regiment which permits non-regulation uniform to be worn. I do not agree that the meaning is that the regiment is "composed of scruffy individuals." Soldiers can be "scruffy" even though equipped in regulation uniform. The wearing of non-regulation uniform may well be frowned upon by those concerned with discipline in British Regiments but I do not think that the average juror would regard someone who wore non-regulation dress with either hatred, ridicule or contempt. On the contrary, he might be admired for his eccentricity or pitied for falling foul of the regulations. An action by an individual or a group of individuals would, in my opinion, fail simply on failure to establish that the words were defamatory of him or them.

(3). A **Regiment** is not a **legal person** and cannot, therefore, be a party to proceedings. If an identifiable group of people is libelled then any one or all members of the group can sue. Does the term "Royal Inniskilling Dragoon Guards" refer to an identifiable group of people? I think not. One has only to contemplate the amalgamation in 1922 and consider the turnover of personnel not to speak of reservists and members of the Old Comrades' Association to realise that it would be virtually impossible to define with any precision the people covered by the description "Royal Inniskilling Dragoon Guards."

(4). In my opinion the words are not actionable as a libel because they are not defamatory of any person or persons. Nor can an action be brought by a Regiment as such.

STEPHEN TERRELL.
April 6th, 1965

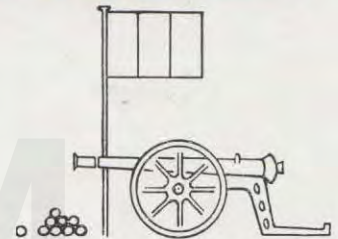
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WATERLOO

JUNE 18, 1815

By THE COLONEL OF THE REGIMENT



THE Battle of Waterloo is undoubtedly the most famous and important single engagement in which the Regiment has taken a leading part.

It was impossible for obvious reasons to celebrate the Centenary of Waterloo in 1915, so 1965 has seen the 150th Anniversary of the Battle nobly commemorated both in Britain and in Belgium.

On June 18, 1815, the Inniskilling Dragoons, with the Royal Dragoons and the Royal Scots Greys, took part in the great charge of the Union Brigade, so called because it contained one English, one Scottish and one Irish Regiment of heavy Cavalry. It has been written: "Never in the annals of modern warfare has a cavalry charge been so decisive." In five minutes a French Corps of 20,000 lost 5,000 men and nearly all their guns. The remainder were routed, and in the pursuit the losses of the Union Brigade were heavy. At the end of the day, the Inniskilling Dragoons had lost 193 dead and wounded out of 400, but victory had been won and Napoleon was defeated. Of the four bronze statues of soldiers who guard the Duke of Wellington's memorial

at Hyde Park Corner, one is that of an Inniskilling Dragoon.

The 5th Royal Inniskilling Dragoon Guards have a remarkable double connection with the Battle of Waterloo. Not only were the 6th Inniskilling Dragoons part of the Union Brigade, but the Commander of the Brigade was Major-General Sir William Ponsonby, late 5th Dragoon Guards, with which he had always served, and which he commanded throughout almost the whole of the Peninsular War, including the battle of Salamanca, where the Salamanca Staff was captured from the French 66th Infantry Regiment. General Ponsonby was killed in the aftermath of the charge of the Union Brigade and, on the orders of the Duke of Wellington, Col. Muter of the Inniskillings assumed command of the Brigade. Col. Muter later changed his name to Straton and became Lt.-General Sir Joseph Straton, Colonel of the Inniskillings.

Though the Regiment was abroad, it was well represented at the Army Board Dinner, the Waterloo Pageant on Horse Guards Parade and the Guildhall

Dinner in London; and The British Ambassador's Ball and the Drumhead Service in Hougoumont Farm on the battlefield in Belgium.

On June 12 after the Waterloo Pageant, the Regimental Association was invited (with the Royal Scots Greys Association) to a gathering of the Royal Dragoons Association at the Albany Street Barracks in London, where the Standard and the two Guidons of the Union Brigade, with their escorts, were paraded together.

In addition, items of Regimental property were lent to two excellent museum displays, one in Wellington Barracks, London (unfortunately much under-publicised), and the other in the newly refurbished and greatly enlarged Wellington museum at Waterloo. These included the officer's jacket worn at Waterloo by Capt. Browne and the two excellent pictures "The Inniskillings on the Eve of Waterloo" and "The Charge of the Inniskilling Dragoons."

The only memorial devoted to the Regiment's gallantry at Waterloo is at Radway Grange near Edgehill, in Warwickshire. Major Kettle very kindly copied the inscription which concerns Lt.-Col. Miller who replaced Col. Muter in command and which runs as follows:

"This obelisk was erected by Charles Chambers, Esq., R.N., in 1854 to commemorate the Battle of Waterloo, where the 6th Inniskilling Dragoons were commanded by Lt.-Col. F. S. Miller, who, for his gallant conduct during the action, in which he was very severely wounded, was made a Companion of the most Honourable order of the Bath."

Descriptions of the various functions mentioned are given below, but no account of the Waterloo celebrations in Belgium would be complete without our grateful thanks for the great hospitality and kindness extended to all ranks of the Regimental party and their wives by the Colonel-in-Chief and Princess Lilian, who entertained us at Domaine d'Argenteuil, with the village of Waterloo in sight.

J. D'A. A.

Dinner and Pageant

The Army Waterloo Dinner to Her Majesty The Queen was held in the magnificent Banqueting House, Whitehall. In addition to members of the Royal Family, Members of the Government and other distinguished guests, including His Excellency The Belgian Ambassador in London, Monsieur Jacques de Thier, and The Belgian Military Attaché, Col. J. F. Biot, representatives of all Regiments which fought at Waterloo were invited.

Whilst the Army Waterloo Dinner was coming to an end, across Whitehall on Horse Guards Parade, under a dry, but cloudy sky, the Pageant to mark the 150th anniversary of the Battle of Waterloo was beginning.

Taking part in the Ceremony were the Standard, Guidon and Colour Parties of the Waterloo Regiments. The Regimental Standard Party were resplendent in their full dress and were very much in the forefront of the parade, being on The Left of The Line as the second Senior Regiment on parade. All members of The Regimental Standard Party are to be congratulated on their high standard of drill and team work, when, only four days previously, they had all been at their normal E.R.E. posts as far dispersed as the Ministry of Defence,

Bovington and Kirkcudbright. The music for the Ceremony was provided by the Bands of The Royal Military School of Music and by 13 Staff and Regimental Bands.

After the arrival of Her Majesty The Queen, and all the other guests from the Army Dinner, by a series of simple, but most impressive movements by the Bands and Standard, Guidon and Colour Parties, the Ceremony was brought to a rousing climax by the playing of the music which Eckersberg wrote specially to celebrate the Battle of Waterloo. This Ceremony was only the second occasion on which the full score of this music, which included fireworks, cheering and cannon shots (fired by The King's Troop Royal Horse Artillery), has been played in public, the previous occasion being at the original Celebrations after the Battle of Waterloo.

C.E.T.

Hougoumont Farm

After a journey from Victoria to Brussels which for complications and delays must have been comparable to the original, the Inniskillings party arrived in Evère Camp near Brussels Airport, to be met by Major Keightley. June 17th was spent in reconnaissance and rehearsals, and thanks to the parade sense and voice of R.S.M. Wilkinson, Coldstream Guards, order soon emerged from chaos.

Fortunately the steady downpour of rain began too late to divert the column to the Chappelle Royale in Waterloo, so from debussing point to forming up point and then, with bands a-playing, to the orchard at Hougoumont we followed the paths of our forebears. The route to the farm crossed a main road well guarded by leather-clad police, all at bursting pitch on their whistles, and up a narrow muddy path to the orchard.

The regimental detachments were drawn up three deep in the form of a square in order of seniority and the 42 standards were then marched on. They provided a glorious blaze of colour in such a small place, and the occasion for a very long salute; the sky grew more and more threatening as we waited for the service to begin.

The drumhead service opened with the rousing hymn "Praise, my Soul" and the heavy rain started when the Reverend J. R. Youens, A.C.G. in B.A.O.R., began his address. His words were well chosen and, delivered into the very eye of the storm so to speak, were that much more impressive. A strange coincidence, the weather had done exactly the same one hundred and fifty years before.

No-one blessed with even the slightest sense of history could have failed to ruminat imaginatively upon the fearful scenes, the heroism and the drama which had been enacted on that quiet, dignified farm; it was a stirring experience just to stand there in that company. It was a memorable occasion, a moving service and an impressive display.

Complementary to these celebrations those of us who were present had the honour of being received at the Domaine D'Argenteuil by our Colonel in Chief and Princess Lilian, whose hospitable and gracious charm provided a truly heart-warming and quite unforgettable evening. His Majesty King Leopold talked in turn to everyone present, sometimes renewing a previous

acquaintance and at others, as with Sgt. Hartley and rock climbing, for which he has a special love, establishing mutual points of interest. P.A.D.

Ambassadors Ball

We are told that at the Duchess of Richmond's Ball in Brussels on June 15th, 1815, the Infantry danced and the Cavalry made love. At the 150th anniversary ball given by The British Ambassador and Lady Barclay, the Cavalry anyhow had to be more discreet.

The three hours before the dance were hectic, but with several other couples at the hotel, a party atmosphere began to generate. There were of course the usual problems for both my wife and I; crowned by a dutiful officer stooping to pick up his wife's shoes but forgetting the marble mantlepiece. Fortunately blood does not show on a red mess jacket and the wound provided a useful subject for conversation later on.

We had expected to be in a dinner party with at least one other British couple, but we were not. In Belgium however this is unlikely to cause language difficulties, and all our fellow guests were charming. We were given a splendid dinner and some very palatable wines. The French were supposedly against the Waterloo anniversary celebrations; nevertheless a descendant of one of Napoleon's Marshals (Ney) was in our dinner party. It was not entirely clear whether he was celebrating or drowning his sorrows.

Everything became very military when we arrived at the ball. Life Guards trumpeters announced the arrival of important guests (not us), guardsmen collected hats and coats, the Military Attaché met people in the Hall, a Sergeant Major announced the couples when they were greeted by the Ambassador and Lady Barclay, and music was provided by the bands of the Royal Artillery and the Royal Highland Fusiliers. There was one Continental touch; the tape-recorder in the night club (well lit, unlike others we have known) played endless Viennese Waltzes until there had been time to record the bands downstairs.

The guests totalled about 450, so the rooms were filled, which added to the atmosphere and gaiety. A third of the guests were British and each Regiment that fought at Waterloo was represented by at least one couple. A complete list of all the dignitaries present would be most impressive.

After an evening that we shall always remember we returned to our hotel in the small hours. Let us hope that the Regimental representatives at the ball in 2115 will have as sparkling a time as we did in 1965. We count ourselves very fortunate to have been asked.

R.C.K.

Massed Bands in Brussels

To record our impressions of this display the first thing I must say is that with nearly thirteen years in the Army, never at any time have I experienced such pride as I felt to see and hear my fellow countrymen performing so magnificently in public.

As the hands on the big clock neared half-past eight, a hush fell over the crowds and the trumpeters who were to sound a fanfare marched smartly out on to the immaculate turf. Their bearing and turnout were faultless and this same high standard of smartness and dress was main-



The Union Brigade

tained throughout a two-hour programme by thirteen bands representing the British Army. To me as a layman the music was "par excellence" and as a soldier I was able to appreciate to the full the complex yet perfectly performed drill movements and counter-marching. The bands came on in groups of three, the applause lauding their musical achievements with increasing vigour as each group marched off.

Anyone who went with a cynical feeling towards "just another display" was soon jolted out of that state of mind. It was with some surprise that I noticed the stadium was floodlit—the coming of dusk had escaped my attention, so absorbed had I been. The last group, the Massed Bands, Pipes and Corps of Drums of Scottish Regiments stood flashing brasses, instruments and highly polished drums in the strong floodlights, a breeze lazily ruffling the Union Jack on their right and the Belgian Flag to their left. At that moment, the commands rang out from a hidden voice which brought the remaining nine regimental bands out from either side of the stadium and the crowd, which I estimated at thirty thousand, rose to their feet applauding and cheering as the full meaning of *massed* bands was unfolded to us in the shape of the 13 bands drawn up in a huge inverted T. They had marched on to assemble, playing Sousa's "Semper Fidelis" and "Night Flight to Madrid" by Leslie.

Now the silence could be felt as Captain Quinn of the Royal Artillery mounted the rostrum. He lifted his baton and, as one man, the musicians excelled themselves by playing "Pomp and Circumstance No. 1." This was indeed the highlight of the evening and before the instrumentalists had taken breath, the crowd stood, cheering and applauding. Captain Quinn stood at the salute for at least two long minutes and still the applause rose and fell as breakers on a shore. When he indicated his thanks to the bands the cheering swelled yet again.

The two National Anthems were played whilst the crowd stood rigidly to attention—again overwhelming applause and then the bands marched off to, because of the applause, a barely recognisable "Colonel Bogey."

This display should be repeated anywhere the Army needs recruits—I felt that I could have enlisted five hundred Belgians in as many minutes had this been permissible. May I say, in closing, that we who were

privileged to see and hear this display will remember it with pride and awe to the end of our days.

Sgt. R. B. Hartley

Guildhall Dinner

On June 21 a Dinner in Honour of the Regiments which fought at The Battle of Waterloo was given in the Guildhall, by the Lord Mayor and Corporation of London. The guests arrived at 7.15 p.m., were received individually by name by the Lord Mayor and were served with champagne in the Library and the Livery Hall.

After we had taken our places for dinner, a procession was formed with Trumpeters, The Marshall, The Lord Mayor, the Deputy Secretary of State for Defence, Rt. Hon. F. Mulley, M.P., and The Duke of Wellington. Grace was said by the Chaplain to the Lord Mayor and dinner was served—a splendid repast with no less than two main courses!

The excellent meal was eaten in the resplendent Great Hall, redolent of so much British history and so many other memorable occasions, and surrounded by monuments to the great in our nation's past, including a statue of the 1st Duke of Wellington. Within the same walls during the Napoleonic Wars the Younger Pitt inspired the country to victory over the tyrant as did Sir Winston Churchill a hundred and twenty-five years later. We were presented with a coin specially minted for the occasion.

For the dinner, the Hall was lighted by Candelabra loaned by the Trustees of Apsley House, originally presented to the Duke of Wellington by the Merchants

and Bankers of the City of London. At the end of dinner Toasts were given to the Queen, Queen Elizabeth the Queen Mother, the Duke of Edinburgh and the other members of the Royal Family. The toast of The Waterloo Regiments was proposed by the Lord Mayor and replied to by the Duke of Wellington. The toast of the Lord Mayor and Corporation of London was proposed by Rt. Hon. F. Mulley, M.P., and replied to by the Lord Mayor.

At the end of the proceedings the Lord Mayor, accompanied by the Sheriffs, left the Great Hall with the principal guests, allowing us a further opportunity of circulating and talking to many friends from all the other Regiments represented there. P.G.B.

REGIMENTAL REPRESENTATIVES AT THE WATERLOO CELEBRATIONS

Army Waterloo Dinner

Colonel of the Regiment
Major P. A. Duckworth
Major C. E. Taylor, M.C.

Waterloo Pageant, Horse Guards Parade

W.O.1 Edwards
W.O.2 McKiernan, B.E.M.
S/Sgt. Booker
S/Sgt. Derham

Ambassadors Ball

Major and Mrs. R. C. Keightley

Hougoumont Farm

General Sir John and Lady Anderson
Major and Mrs. R. C. Keightley
Major P. A. Duckworth
Lt. C. J. Packard

W.O.1 Edwards, D. E.

W.O.2 Teague, R. S.

S/Sgt. Christer, J. E.

Sgt. Dye, P. G.

Sgt. Hartley, R. B.

Sgt. Nesbitt, J. A.

Sgt. Pye, E.

Sgt. Williams, O. A.

Cpl. Logan, W. J.

Cpl. McGarry, M. D.

Cpl. Morton, T. H.

Cpl. Scott, W. J.

L/Cpl. Wright, A. V.

Tpr. Clarke, W. J. P.

Tpr. Greene, T. F.

Tpr. Khan, J.

Tpr. Quinn, F. I.

Tpr. Shane, H.

Regimental Locomotive

IN a ceremony at St. Pancras Station the Colonel of the Regiment named London Midland Region's Type 4 Diesel locomotive No. 62 "5th Royal Inniskilling Dragoon Guards." The locomotive weighs 135 tons and is capable of 90 m.p.h.

Mr. J. Bonham-Carter, D.S.O., Assistant General Manager of the Region, when welcoming the Colonel and inviting him to name the locomotive in the presence of the Commanding Officer, Lt.-Col. G. S. Murray, M.C., and a representative group from the Regiment, Railway Officers and other guests, expressed the Region's gratification at having a locomotive which would bear such a distinguished name.

The Colonel expressed his pleasure at being invited to officiate at the ceremony and after he had unveiled the name on the locomotive, took the driver's key and became the first person to start the locomotive in its new name.

After the ceremony the Colonel presented Driver J. Sharp and second man, D. Farthing, both of St. Pancras with tankards engraved with the Regimental crest as mementoes of the occasion.



Driving instruction for the Colonel

North Irish Horse

THE early part of the year was spent on individual training and a Regimental Study Day, while Brigade ran a telephone battle and a CPX. But the highlight came on February 20, when we were visited by our Honorary Colonel, H.R.H. Princess Alexandra at Dunmore Park Camp, Belfast. The Princess was received by Major-General D. Dawnay, C.B., D.S.O., Joint Honorary Colonel and the Commanding Officer, Lt.-Col. R. F. M. Windsor. The Princess then inspected a Guard of Honour commanded by Lt. G. H. Moore ("C" Squadron) and the band. After entering the centre, the Princess met 170 members of the Regiment, together with their wives. There can hardly have been anyone to whom the Princess did not speak. The Princess then had tea with the Regiment, and later departed to loud cheers, leaving us feeling how incredibly lucky we were in having so charming an Honorary Colonel.

Annual Camp was again early this year, taking place at Ollerton near Nottingham. It was preceded by a demonstration of troop tactics given by the Permanent Staff at Magilligan and a Regimental Exercise in the area north of Lough Neagh. Some 36 Officers and 436 O.R.s came to an enjoyable camp. Our training took place in the quiet and excellent hunting country of East Leicestershire, Rutland and Northamptonshire. Lt. Leslie's troop ("A"/"B" Squadron), won the inter-troop competition for the second year in succession. During the second week we took the field against the Warwickshire and Worcestershire Yeomanry and one Squadron Queen's Dragoon Guards in Exercise "Yeoman's Gallop II" set by B.R.A.C. Western Command.

One Sunday morning in June the new G.O.C.-in-C. Northern Ireland Command, Lt.-General Sir Desmond Fitzpatrick, K.C.B., D.S.O., M.B.E., M.C., visited Dunmore Park Camp and saw normal training taking place. "H.Q." Squadron won the main event at the Regimental Rifle Meeting at Magilligan later that month.

It has been another good year for the boxing team. Tprs. Neill and McDonald represented the T.A. v. Regular Army at Nottingham last November; both won convincingly. Tpr. Neill also won for Ireland against England in London. It was only by a single point that we failed to retain the Northern Ireland Command T.A. Championship. Three members of the team, L/Cpl. McIlvenny, Tpr. McDonald and Tpr. Speers went on to London with the Command team which again won the T.A. Championship.

At the time of writing Major-General Dawnay, is shortly to preside over the Old Comrades' Association weekend in October for the eighteenth consecutive year. It is now twenty-five years since he assumed command of the Regiment.

The following changes have taken place during the year. Major T. W. Tilbrook (Q.R.I.H.) succeeded Major I. C. S. Gilchrist-Fisher as Training Major. At the end of August, Lt. (Q.M.) B. J. Fitzsimmons took over from Capt. T. A. Ferrier (Q.R.I.H.) as Quartermaster. Lt. A. R. Preston and 2/Lt. B. B. Bolton were commissioned into the Regiment. Permanent Staff



HRH Princess Alexandra inspecting the Guard of Honour on her arrival at Dunmore Camp, Saturday, February 20th, 1965. Accompanying her are (left) Lieut. G. H. Moore, Guard Commander and (centre) Lieut.-Colonel RFM Windsor, Commanding Officer

Instructors from the Regiment are deployed as follows:

Belfast, "A" Squadron	..	Sgt. McGarry, M.
Belfast, "H.Q." Squadron	..	Cpl. Scott, E.
Lurgan, "C" Squadron	..	W.O.2 Teague, R. S.
Lurgan, "C" Squadron	..	Cpl. Gibson, J.
Enniskillen, "C/E" Squadron		S/Sgt. Hindle, F. K.

We congratulate Sgt. and Mrs. McGarry and Cpl. and Mrs. Scott on the recent birth of their respective daughters.

Home Headquarters

THE Regimental Home Headquarters is now established in 74 Clifton St., Belfast, an address which is familiar to all Ulstermen as it used to be the old Army Information Office; this however is only a temporary home.

The function of the Headquarters is to produce a base from which not only welfare problems affecting members of the Regiment and their families can be dealt with promptly and effectively but also all matters affecting Regimental recruiting, property, liaison and any points of administration at home, especially whilst the Regiment is serving abroad. It also reproduces and distributes the regular Regimental News Letters, keeping all members of the Regiment who are not serving with it up to date with day to day events. The Secretaryship of the O.C.A. is now being done in Belfast, as Mr. Tom Williams has had to retire for reasons of ill health. The object of this is to centralise all records of Past and Present Members of the Regiment.

The Regimental Museum is now administered by Major F. H. Robson at the Home Headquarters. Anyone who would care to contribute to the Museum Fund should send their contributions to him.

Regimental News

"A" Squadron

"THE tanks may be heaving, but the men aren't half clean Sir!" These immortal words, ascribed to L/Cpl. Johnston, rather aptly sum up the past year. It has been, in retrospect, an active, varied and hot year.

There is little beauty to note in either Aden or Bahrain. Each camel looks very much like its neighbour; each "barasti" is a little dirtier and smellier than the last. And yet, in spite of this, there are lasting memories to furbish the "brews" of future years; Sgt. Freitag's introduction to the game of Mahjongg by the crew of L.S.T. *Skua*; Tpr. Fanning's heroic Oatesian utterances on the O.M.E.X. patrol; Major Rowat's ill-fated attempts at aircraft construction; and Cpl. Primmer's trip, awash and rudderless, down the Gulf on the Piccolo.

Training has been extensive. It started on New Year's Day—a bad time to choose. As it was, "H"-hour was delayed by the hunt for Alka-Seltzer in the Officers' Mess, and faces were pale and strained generally. But the wide open spaces and an 80-mile advance to contact blew away the cobwebs; S.Q.M.S. Howes motored many miles with the echelon, and Sgt. Leech found a delightfully secluded bay, with plenty of crab on the "hoof," to break down in. Mr. Faulkner did field trials on a new system of night marching, but became involved with a wayward piece of string, which could only be disentangled after much loud comment. 105 mm. firing followed, to the delight of hosts of camel-borne Bedouin, who, like their counterparts in Germany, pursued the last round down the range in search of "buckshees." At the end of February, we bade a temporary farewell to Aden in favour of the Arabian Gulf (due to newly-emerging national sentiments, it is no longer politic to speak of the Persian Gulf). Climatically hotter, but hygienically cleaner, Bahrain made a pleasant change. It also introduced us to the Senior Service. Such deprecating mutters as "—— pongos" and "—— in brown" proved to be purely superficial. Having gained their confidence by zealous patronising of their canteens and messes, friendships blossomed. Though idiosyncrasies in expressions like "chippy," the "buffer" and the "jimmy" took some getting used to, it is fair to say that this alliance has been the highlight of the year. And to the ships' companies of H.M.S. *Messina* and *Striker*, we wished Godspeed and good luck where ever they go.

The monthly exercises from Bahrain were invariably enlivened by some unplanned happenings. The first one never materialised, being cancelled as the bow doors of the L.S.T. were opening, much to the inebriated annoyance of many, who had celebrated our first landing well in advance. In April, the Squadron was twice caught in a tropical storm of astonishing volume, entirely unequipped for such an occurrence—even the Squadron Leader had left his umbrella behind! During the following month the heat became ferocious, which did not facilitate the manhandling of 100 tons of ammunition from *Messina* to *Striker*. Sgt. Campbell and Tpr. Hutchinson, the Squadron medical team, hovered, vulture-like, waiting for someone to drop and require

their ministrations. What better incentive could there be? In July, H.E. the Ruler of Bahrain, out at sea in his yacht, was nearly fired upon by 4th Troop on its battle run, and both Capt. Evans and Sgt. Freitag were seen next day surreptitiously to remove grey hairs.

The variety of our sporting activities make a mockery of the normal curriculum. The football team had a good season, ably led by Cpl. Colton, playing 18 matches, of which 10 were won and only three lost. Tpr. Orr was the outstanding forward, but sterling work was done in goal by Tpr. Dack, swathed in knee bandages and as acrobatic as ever. The hockey team, captained by Mr. Faulkner and subsequently by Mr. Brook, finished at the head of the Bahrain league. Cpl. Rainey and Tpr. Hall (97) were the immovable pivots of a solid defence, which was rather stronger than the forward line. The cricket side gained the material laurels of victory, when they won the Bahrain Inter-Services seven-a-side competition in best West Indian fashion due to Tprs. Chase and Parris, ably supported by L/Cpl. Bowley. Unfortunately the full side did not live up to this promise. A rugger seven, which included a very promising player in Tpr. Gallivan, was annihilated by I Para on their only competitive appearance. Mr. Dallmeyer with A.Q.M.S. Kershaw, Cpls. Sacre and Murphy and Tpr. McCarthy variously acting as ballast, had a peerless season sailing. Sgt. Taylor and L/Cpls. Johnston and Elliott probed the muddy depths of the harbour with the aqua-lung. S.S.M. Cook tried unsuccessfully to water-ski. A snooker team, led by Cpls. McCauley and Butterfield, played a needle series with the R.A.F. Tprs. Brennan, Meenan, Nolan and Hayes acquitted themselves creditably on a riding course, and Brennan rode in the Ruler's races. Tpr. Nolan rode the first winner at the Jufair Donkey meeting, an exploit which was copied by Major Rowat, who looked decidedly out of control. The water polo team, led by Sgt. Leech, was erratic and rather out of its depth, competitively. Cpl. Edwards and a happy band of anglers persistently pursued, unsuccessfully, the elusive shark. Cpl. Primmer and L/Cpl. Foster swatted the odd shuttlecock back and forth. But neither Tprs. Agnew nor Lennox could find a willing opponent for the judo mat or boxing ring. And A.Q.M.S. Kershaw played tennis for the army side on the island.

There have been a number of changes during the year, the most saddening of which was the departure of Jasper Howes for "Civvy Street." The Squadron will miss his perpetual sense of humour, but he has left "them 'erberts" in the good hands of S.Q.M.S. Ramsay, whom we welcomed back to the fold. Others to have left us to various destinations include Capt. Faulkner, Sgts. Mucha, Dye, Duval, Julian and Austin, Cpls. Simpson and Dunlop, L/Cpl. Perry and Tprs. Hallam, Dickson, Fanning and Sharp. In their places we have welcomed many new faces and to all, both old and new, we wish all good fortune in their new jobs.

Next year will find us employed in a very different role, but we look forward to Cyprus, and will take with us many mixed memories of Aden.

“A” Squadron



1. H.R.H. The Duke of Edinburgh pauses to talk to Tpr. Fanning, L/Cpl. Alexander, Tpr. Hutchinson. 2. The C.G.S., General Hull, visits H.M.S. "Striker." Left to right: S/Sgt. Edmondson, General Hull, Capt. Dodds, Major Rowat. 3. Tpr. Nolan in the riding school. 4. Skin-diving. Left to right: L/Cpl. Elliot, Sgt. Taylor, L/Cpl. Johnson. 5. All from Enniskillen: Tprs. Robinson, Carson, Cpl. McCauley, Tprs. Hall (49), Hall (27), Burnett. 6. Tpr. Hayes and "Hamdani"

“B” Squadron

THE Squadron left England for Aden in October 1964 and have since completed two tours in Bahrain and are completing a second Aden tour. Our arrival in Aden was greeted by cheerful 16th/5th Lancers and so we guessed what to expect! After completing a programme of firing in the desert and a Squadron Exercise we set off in mid-November for Bahrain—some aboard the Naval Tank Landing Ship, H.M.S. *Anzio*, others by air. Christmas was spent rather than celebrated in Kuwait on H.M.S. *Anzio* by some and by the remainder in Bahrain. Pathetic sights of shivering individuals clustered about imported Christmas trees were much in evidence; Kuwait, an enlightened state, introduced prohibition two weeks before Christmas.

The equivalent of an infantry section is provided now and again from units in the Arabian Gulf to patrol in Oman. In January, after the monthly exercise, Lts. Cowdy and Vigors, with Cpl. West, Tprs. Southam, Moore, Pulford, Anderson (52), Smith (62) and McDonagh, having drawn rifles from the Paras and zeroed them flew off first by R.A.F. Beverley and then a Twin Pioneer to Firq; then on foot to Saiq, 15 miles on and 4,500 feet up, from where they carried out daily foot patrols for a fortnight; undergoing a wealth of new experiences, and proving that cavalrymen can survive on their feet in the mountains.

At the end of the month the ship party, now joined by Mr. Gordon, left for a courtesy visit to Bandar Abbas in Persia and subsequently a Dhow patrol aboard *Anzio*. On their return, Mr. Vigors, Sgts. Stewart and Ward, Cpl. Gordon, L/Cpl. Phelps, Tprs. Moore, Quigley and Cameron took advantage of a generous offer from the Navy and went to Karachi aboard H.M.S. *Mohawk*, ostensibly for a S.E.A.T.O. convention! After a rainy February exercise and a cancelled March exercise the Squadron returned to Aden. The exercise in March was cancelled at the “eleventh hour” due to riots in Bahrain, caused, according to some, by the arrival of “A” Squadron. Mid-March saw us back in Aden in time for the Oates Parade and its rehearsals and April and May were spent in a mad rush, some to Mombasa for leave and others to the tank park to get the tanks fit for the “B” Squadron five-day Exercise “Swan Song,” and a fire power demonstration for 24 Brigade.

In July we were seaborne again, this time on an Army Department L.S.T., the *Empire Tern*, transferring onto H.M.S. *Striker*.

Once in Bahrain the ship party were off to Kuwait, this time in temperatures upwards of 110 degrees; while they were away, the shore half of the Squadron started a period of intensive conversion training in preparation for next year.

Sir Abu N’uair saw our return in August for the monthly exercise and early in September after one more exercise we returned to Aden and the long road towards civilisation, and ultimately, handover.

During our time in the Middle-East, we have been visited by Field-Marshal Hull, Generals Hackett and Stockdale, Brigadiers Bremner and Lloyd-Owen, Commodore Lloyd, Col. Simkin, R.T.R., Mr. Fred Mulley, Mr. S. R. McMaster, an Ulster TV team and Mervyn Dane, of Enniskillen’s Impartial Reporter. We also have ourselves visited, with varying numbers, Kuwait (twice), Bandar Abbas, Muscat, Karachi, The Oman, Mombasa, Dubai, Nairobi and, last but not least, our favourite desert islands Sir Abu N’uair and Sir Bani Yas.

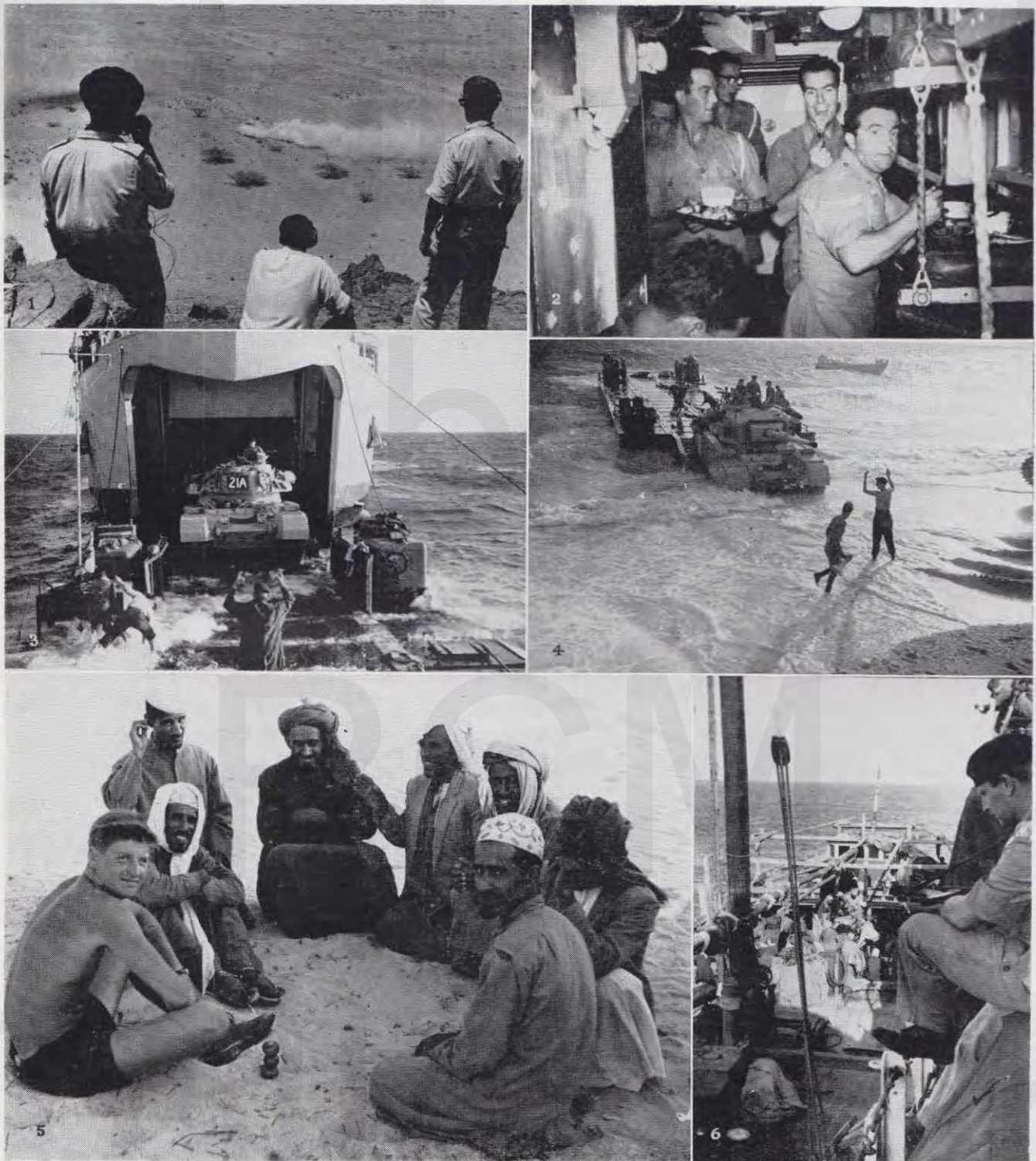
Quite apart from our own mass movements over the year we have had plenty of comings and goings. In June we lost Capt. Campbell and S.S.M. Love to “H.Q.” Squadron, and have also lost Cpl. Taggart, L/Cpl. Wade and Tpr. Quigley to the provost. Cpl. Smith, Tprs. Black and Nippres have left us for civilian life, as has Mr. Goodbody—Capt. Faulkner joined us from “A” Squadron for a short while and has now gone to Carlisle, and amongst new faces in the Squadron over the year have been those of Major Welch, 2/Lts. Vigors and Gordon, S.S.M. Clipston, Sgts. Bowley (R.A.M.C.) and Fordham (R.E.M.E.) and a host of others, to all of whom we gave a warm welcome.

In the world of sport we have yet to lose a Squadron cricket match thanks largely to Lts. Goodbody and Vigors, S.Q.M.S. Sutton, L/Cpl. Clarke and Tprs. Moore and Boyce. We reached the finals of a Bahrain Knockout tournament at football, thanks amongst others, to Cpls. Philson and Gordon and L/Cpl. Cowley. Our rugby players under Cpl. Hiscock although with few successes to their credit must be congratulated on the fact that they played on rock-hard sand in the blistering heat. Apart from these we have played many other sports with varying degrees of success. Capt. Lang on a fleeting visit to the Squadron even initiated the sport of sub-aqua bicycle racing in Bahrain.

The Fitters Troop have had a busy year trying to get vehicles ship-shape and keep them that way once on a ship. Their greatest feat was the resurrection of two drowned tanks on a desert island 1,000 miles from the nearest R.E.M.E. Workshop. On one exercise Cfn. Morgan was the only fitter to get ashore and was a frequent sight standing dejectedly in the desert with a tool box trying to thumb lifts. After five years with the Squadron Fitters Section we were sad to say goodbye to Cpl. Thompson, L/Cpl. Livingston and Cfn. Morgan, all of whom will be hard to replace. A.Q.M.S. Winwood at one stage of our exercise did a slow-motion lap of honour of the Squadron Leaguer to celebrate the completion of the 20th mile done by his Saracen in the Middle-East.

In retrospect our year has been both busy and uneventful; there will be few who will not be glad to return to England and Ireland for leave at Christmas but all will have an ample fund of stories to tell of the ruggedness of Middle-Eastern life.

“B” Squadron



1. The Commanding Officer directs Troop Tests watched by Major Gilchrist-Fisher and Major Welch. 2. Lunch time on H.M.S. "Anzio." Left to right: Trprs. Taylor, Tracey Hadden, L/Cpl. Wade, Cpl. Taggart. 3. Sgt. Haig's tank drives from H.M.S. "Anzio" onto the Rhino ferry . . . 4. . . . and from the Rhino to the beach. 5. Cpl. Nobes and friends. 6. Cpl. Cooney provides fire cover for the Naval Boarding Party during Dhow Patrol.

“C” Squadron

IN 1847 there was published in England a book entitled “China” which contained a chapter headed “Hong Kong—its Position, Prospects, Character and Utter Worthlessness from every point of view to England.” It would be interesting to meet the author again today, for Hong Kong has certainly reversed this title into “The brightest jewel in Britain’s Far-Eastern Crown.”

People; tens of thousands of people, walking, squatting, in taxis, on trams, waiting for buses or ferries and chattering the whole time they are not actually eating—a seething, milling, toiling human anthill, this is one’s first impression of Hong Kong. To swell the anthill even further 110 Inniskillings of “C” Squadron arrived from the cold of the British winter in December 1964.

The barracks are situated in the New Territories in an area of farmland and steep hills 15 miles from the fleshpots of Kowloon. Woven into a network of paddy fields and poultry farms there is a tank training area whose boundaries provide a basis for endless discussion and argument. Here troops carried out their training in January and February, and at the end of the month we took part in the first of several road-bound exercises.

Oates Sunday and St. Patrick’s Day were celebrated in the correct way. The Rev. D. S. Coey, who was Padre to the Regiment in Korea in 1952 gave us an excellent address and certainly made us feel aware of the rigours of the Antarctic after his original account of Scott’s expedition to the South Pole. Our 15 attached Hong Kong soldiers never quite understood this Shamrock business but were happy to join in the celebrations!

Both Government House and Flagstaff House, the houses of the Governor and Commander British Forces are in the heart of Hong Kong Central District. In April the Squadron supplied guards for both, and once more in November. Sgts. Latham, Santry and Poulton were the Guard Commanders and Capt. Ross in overall command. Our unique uniforms aroused much interest with the local Press. The inspection of the guard by the Governor was televised and Sgt. Latham was interviewed on Hong Kong Radio.

The Queen’s Birthday Parade was held this year in the Government Athletics Stadium and unfortunately we were unable to parade with our tanks. However, we had the honour of providing the guard to His Excellency the Governor and as a foretaste of things to come we drove past in a Saladin and two Saracens.

The highlight of the Dragon Boat Festival is the Boat Race (held annually on the 5th day of the 5th moon). It commemorates one Wat Yuen who drowned himself in 3 B.C. to demonstrate his abhorrence of the excesses of the Emperor, and the Dragon boats skim over his grave every year to scare away the sharks. The crew consists of 22 paddlers, a helmsman, a Gonger man, and a Bongo man. Of these the Gonger man beats out the time for the paddlers and the Bongo man keeps away any evil spirits. The Brigade entered a team and 2/Lts. Poett and Culler, L/Cpl. Moseley and Tpr. Tobin were enlisted as paddlers. Needless to say with such a crew our boat was violently attacked by evil spirits and

promptly sank. The unwatchful Bongo man was the Brigadier.

Less than seven miles from where these festivities took place lies the threat of 800 million members of the Republic of Red China. It was our task twice during our tour in Hong Kong to man one of the observation posts overlooking the frontier. For 24 hours a day, seven days a week the telescopes are manned and not a soldier so much as sneezes on the other side without a note being made in the intelligence report.

Surrounding the colony are 135 islands. Some are very small and uninhabited. The largest, Lan Tao, is twice the size of Hong Kong. In February and June, 2nd and 4th Troops provided a security patrol for the island. Their task was to visit the headman of certain villages and take note of any problems he might have. The base camp was situated near a large prison and several football matches were played (against the warders, not the inmates).

Due to our ammunition being delayed, our annual firing had to be postponed until the hottest month of the year, August. An arc of fire of four degrees and no battle runs or moving targets made it a far cry from Hohne or Castle Martin. The programme included night firing, recruit firing and Saladin firing and finished with a demonstration, with a commentary in Gurkhali and English for Gurhka troops in the Brigade and our own families.

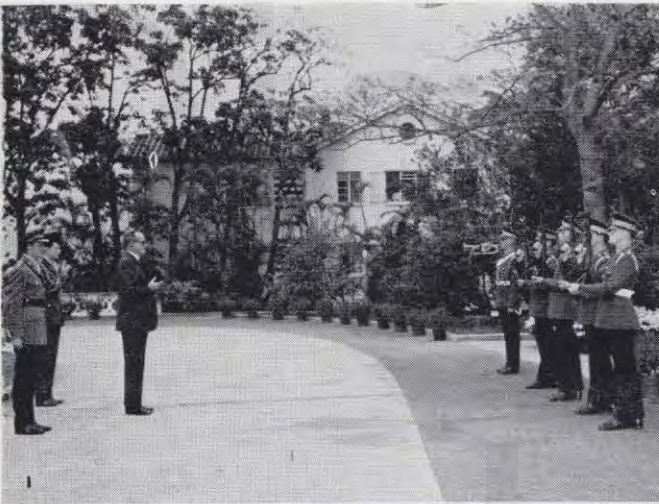
The opportunities for sport are many. The hockey team won the Major and Minor Units Brigade League. The cricket team were runners up in the Colony Knockout Competition. In the Ireland and Army hockey teams we had Capt. Ross and L/Cpl. Senior, in the cricket team Capt. Ross and Sgt. Latham, and in the Army football team, Cpl. Leggett. We also have eight qualified swimming instructors and nine third-class Aqua-lung divers.

We have had many connections with the Royal Navy during our stay. Sixty officers from the carrier H.M.S. *Victorious* drove our tanks. We hope they drive their ships a little better. Cpl. Holden made some useful additions to local charts on the survey ship H.M.S. *Dampier*, who in turn provided us with several bearded tank crew members for a Brigade exercise. Visits were also made to H.M.S.s *Penston*, *Chichester* and *Agincourt*. Our visitors have been too numerous to list. We have had everyone from the Minister of Defence downwards. In addition we have been delighted to receive regular visits by one member of the Regiment from Aden each month.

In September we said goodbye to Major Moore and wish him the best of luck in his new job at Maresfield. Our thanks and good wishes also go to Mrs. Moore, who has done so much for the families during our stay here. On leaving Hong Kong we will sadly say goodbye to many members of our L.A.D., who on the tank park and on the sports field have been invaluable.

Hong Kong is full of happy people who enjoy living and enjoy working here. We have all been very happy here too. Few of us will come back. None of us will forget it.

"C" Squadron



1. H.E. The Governor of Hong Kong receives the General Salute. 2. The Thorpe brothers; behind them, Red China. 3. The Oates Sunday Church Service. 4. Matt Monro greets Tprs. Gibson and Wilson. 5. Unofficial assistance for L/Cpl. Choi and Sgt. Poulton. 6. The gunnery demonstration

Headquarters Squadron

WHEN the Regiment looks back on the Middle- and Far-East tour, the members of H.Q. Squadron can surely be said to have had the rawest time of all. Unrelieved by tours in Bahrain or jaunts in Hong Kong we have remained in Little Aden and borne the main brunt of the internal security duties forced on us by a handful of woolly-headed bomb-throwers. Fortunately there have been ways and means of alleviating the stress mainly by excursions to other more pleasant parts. If the Radfan can be so described, then Recce Troop have come off best, as can be read elsewhere, but some members of the Squadron have managed to reach Bahrain on attachment to the Gulf Squadron, the very lucky visited Hong Kong, and 72 people spent leave in Kenya.

Early in the year short safaris were made westwards towards the Jebel Kharaz (60 miles west of Little Aden), using about six vehicles to carry 20 men, in order to accustom people to working in the desert. Most lessons in the desert are learned the hard way, and we were no exception. Such essentials as water, sand channels, and tyres must be constantly considered. Later on these "Run-Outs," as they became known, assumed greater importance. Largely conducted by Recce Troop, patrols of usually a Ferret and a Landrover each carrying a Federal Regular Army soldier went out to check all vehicles approaching Aden at night along the main Camel tracks through the Jebel, in the hope of finding any traffic in grenades, arms, and explosives on the way to the ungodly. Until now nothing offensive has been found but much valuable information was passed to Intelligence.

With the emphasis on internal security much importance was attached to proficiency in small arms, and in spite of its name, the Police Range in Silent Valley re-echoed to volleys of sterling machine gun fire usually about once a week. A competition shoot run early on resulted in a fitting win by the Armourer, Cfn. Symonds, and strong representation by the Pay Office, second and third positions being taken by S/Sgt. Blackler and Cpl. Climo.

Regimental Headquarters have been concerned largely with signals exercises with Brigade, occasional Regimental exercises, and long hours spent manning the Operations Room. Every new toy devised by the boffins seems to be sprung on the Regiment, and we have conducted trials in everything from new sand tyres to new camouflage methods. Motor Transport troop have been well to the fore as usual and have had their full share of desert experience; driving courses have been run during the year and there have been many successes in the driving test. Morse Code courses have also been run in the Squadron, and the new skills acquired put to good use in the desert, where Morse frequently has to be used over the greater distances.

Everywhere we go a new sport seems to flourish, and in the Squadron it was Volley Ball, which we played with great enthusiasm almost every evening. A Squadron league was formed and the eventual winners were R.H.Q. Troop. Earlier on a basketball league was played and

this was won by the L.A.D. The other main sport played in the Squadron has been cricket. We had a strong side and played many enjoyable games throughout the year, most expertly captained by Lieut. Ker and assisted by Lt. Irwin, R.S.M. Bertrand, Cpl. Bradshaw, Sgt. Blinkhorne, Cpl. Wood, R.Q.M.S. (T.) Sedgwick, Tpr. Willis, and Tpr. Brown 54, who were the most regular players. Our thanks are due also to the most valuable member of the side, Sgt. Warner, for his great assistance as Umpire on many occasions! Having played several exciting games we emerged the winners of the Minor Units League playing our chief rivals, 210 Signals Squadron, in the last game.

Other diversions in Aden have been the weekly fishing trips, subsidised by the Squadron tombola, and run by Cpl. Price. A Dhow was hired in Bir Fuqum bay and motored out to a small rocky island, where there was excellent fishing and bathing. The tombola was regularly run throughout the year by Sgt. Hutton, whose hard work produced a considerable profit for the Squadron Fund; so much that we were able to make a substantial contribution to the Army Benevolent Fund. Other contributions came from the raffle of a return air ticket to U.K., won by S/Sgt. Cook, A.C.C., and by a St. Leger sweepstake, run by Lt. Ker using high pressure M.T. salesmen.

Assistance to the very under privileged local population was given by the Squadron in the form of frequent journeys by the water cart to the village of Ras Imran. The arrival of the water cart started a mad rush of Arabs with every kind of receptacle—one look at the village water supply (one clapped out ex-Army one-tonner full of every conceivable rusty container) was enough to explain this.

Liaison with the other services was maintained throughout the year with frequent visits to Royal Navy Ships visiting Aden; several members of the Squadron were invited on board H.M.S. Mohawk for a passage to Mombasa. Visits were also made to No. 8 and No. 43 Squadrons R.A.F., the two Hunter Squadrons, where several of us were lucky enough to get flights.

Comings and goings in the Squadron have been as thick and fast as ever. Major Swindells took over command early in the year from Captain Goschen, who later went off as Assistant Political Officer in Dhala. His place was taken by Captain Campbell. Our congratulations go to S.S.M. Bertrand on assuming the appointment of Regimental Sergeant Major, in the place of Mr. Fitzsimmons who we also congratulate on being granted a commission. We welcomed S.S.M. Love from "B" Squadron as our new S.S.M. and sent S/Sgt. Clipston off to Bahrain to take his place. We also exchanged S.Q.M.S. Ramsay with S./Sgt. Mucha from "A" Squadron on their promotions.

This tour has been an interesting and demanding time for "H.Q." Squadron, testing many to the limit with arduous extra duties in hard conditions. It is gratifying that the Squadron has maintained its morale throughout, largely by its own efforts to amuse and divert.

“H.Q.” Squadron



1. L/Cpl. Smyth briefs Sgt. Moxham. 2. Recce Troop near Dhala: *left to right*: Tpr. Henry, Cpl. Gardner, L/Cpl. Johnston, Sgt. Barter, Tpr. Puckerin. 3. The victorious cricket team. 4. The Regimental Sergeant-Major on a desert patrol. 5. The Band play on board H.M.S. "Mohawk." 6. Cpl. Taggart checks identity at the gate.

The 1er Guides

THE Regimental year began in effect in Autumn 1964. The 1er Guides underwent a training period at Vogelsang during which the Regiment, reinforced with elements of Infantry, carried out exercises in defence and attack.

The Regimental day was celebrated at Duren on October 17. A date is chosen every year as near as possible to the anniversary of the Charge of Burkel, in order to remind ourselves of the Regiment's history and those who fell on the field of honour. The occasion had special significance since it was the 50th anniversary of the award to the 1er Guides of the battle honours Haelen and Anvers. As at all our parades, the Commanding Officer and his A.D.C.s were mounted on horses and the Standard and Escorts, also mounted, paraded with the tanks.

The final tests for the Cavalry Challenge Cup took place at the end of the year. Organised by the Directorate of Armoured Troops, this Cup is competed for by the 11 armoured regiments, and consists of many sporting events; tennis, fencing, athletics, basket-ball, volley-ball, cross-country running, pistol shooting and swimming. The 1er Guides managed to win first place.

In December, the officers gave a dinner in the Club in Brussels. The guest of honour was Sir Roderick Barclay, British Ambassador in Belgium.

A parade took place on March 9, on the occasion of the retirement of R.S.M. Flament, who had been R.S.M. of the Regiment since 1946. In the evening the officers gave a dinner in the Mess in his honour. The farewell ceremony for one who had been the R.S.M. of the 1er Guides for all those post-war years was a moving occasion for many. His place was taken by R.S.M. Bihay who served in the 1st Belgian Armoured Car Squadron during the war.

Later in March the Regiment spent two weeks firing camp at Hohne Ranges, and whilst there had the pleasure of a visit from Lt.-Col. R. M. F. Redgrave, Commanding the Royal Horse Guards.

The 3/9 South Australian Mounted Rifles

THE 3/9 South Australian Mounted Rifles is a unit of the Citizen Military Forces; "A" and "C" Squadrons train in Adelaide and "B" Squadron trains in Gawler, 25 miles north of Adelaide. "B" Squadron has a large proportion of British migrants, some of whom have served in British Armoured Regiments. The 3/9 S.A.M.R. has a long string of Battle Honours both in World War I (e.g. Gaza, Sinai, Beersheba, Amman, Jericho—3rd and 9th Australian Light Horse) and World War II (e.g. Tarakan and the South-West Pacific).

The Regiment is at present in the anti-tank role, being equipped with American 105 mm. recoil-less rifles mounted on a modified Land-Rover chassis. A return to a "Cavalry" role is rumoured but perhaps this is only wishful thinking.

The Annual Camp is held during March in rather

barren country some 250 miles from Adelaide. The training area is close to the world's richest iron ore deposits and new steelworks at Whyalla, and the area is also noted for its abundant dust, flies and sand-flies. "A" Squadron is detached and conducts basic training for recruits; for the rest of the unit there is two weeks' primitive living in the bush, leave not being available. For "B" and "C" Squadrons the fortnight is divided into two periods. The first week is taken up with field firing the 105 mm. R.C.L. and refresher training on small arms and grenades. A tactical exercise is conducted during the second week, the keynote being realism. The Squadron is liable to ambush at any time and has continually changing tasks with regard to tank threats, preparation of hides, leaguers, etc. All in all, training is exacting—particularly when one realises that for 50 weeks of a year many of the soldiers have sedentary occupations.

The Regular Army cadre (headed by the Adjutant) are most helpful and advise on training and other matters both during camp and at the weekly night parades.

I hope that these few lines have given you a glimpse of the 3/9 S.A.M.R. and its activities. Any member of the Inniskilling Dragoons can be assured of a cordial welcome should he visit or settle in South Australia.

The British Columbia Dragoons

THIS period saw the changing of the role of the Regiment from one of National Survival training to that of a Recce Regiment. This has meant a complete changeover in training in order to enable the Regiment to fulfil its new obligations.

A large part of the training for the period was carried on by weekend concentrations at Camp Vernon on the last weekend of each month from January to May inclusive. These weekend exercises were a new concept in training in that they were a combined exercise of both the B.C.D.s and The Rocky Mountain Rangers. The highlight of the training period was, of course, the Annual Camp Concentration at the Glenemma Range near Vernon. This was held from June 26 to July 4. The Regiment was again privileged to receive a visit from our Honorary Colonel, Major-General The Honorable G. R. Pearkes, V.C., P.C., C.B., D.S.O., M.C., C.D., Lieutenant Governor of the Province of British Columbia. We are also delighted to see our new Honorary Lieutenant Colonel, Brigadier R. T. DuMoulin, E.D., a distinguished veteran of World War II and afterwards a bulwark of strength in the Canadian Militia. These two guests were entertained at a luncheon given by the Officers of the Regiment.

The Regimental Officers' Annual Mess Dinner was held at Penticton on October 17 and the Annual Ball on June 5 at Okanagan Mission. The Ball was attended by the Honorary Lieutenant Colonel. Both of these social events were well attended and were highly successful. The New Year "At Home" was held by each of the local headquarters and local civic dignitaries and guests were entertained by the Officers, Warrant Officers and senior Non-Commissioned Officers.

Warrant Officers' and Sergeants' Mess

WITH Warrant Officers' and Sergeants' Mess Members converging on U.K. for leave prior to yet another move to Benghazi and Cyprus, 1965 will be long remembered as the year in which the comradeship and spirit of the Mess was re-vitalised. In Aden the fact that most members have been "grass-bachelors" since the end of 1964, has not deterred the zest for Mess life that has always been apparent.

During the year we have said farewell to R.S.M. Fitzsimmons who left us during May on commissioning as Quartermaster of the North Irish Horse. Our congratulations and best wishes go to him and Chris, and we look forward to seeing them in the future. S.Q.M.S. "Jasper" Howes who left us in July to serve his last six months in U.K. will be well remembered, not only for the many years spent in the Mess, but also for that gruff, "country-bumpkin" act which concealed intelligence and an exceptional wit, so apparent when one knew him well. Others who have left during the year on E.R.E. jobs have been W.O.2 Ron Teague to the North Irish Horse, Sgts. Len Scattergood and Pete Dye to the Junior Leaders Regiment, Sgt. Les Duval to the Gunnery School and Sgt. Peter Williamson to the Queen's Own Hussars. S/Sgt. Douglas and Sgts. Littler and Sleeper are now safely ensconced in various R.E.M.E. establishments throughout U.K., W.O.2 Tony Cottee has gone to Catterick Camp, whilst W.O.2 Jeffrey now instructs the boys of the J.L.R. R.A.S.C. at Taunton.

We have welcomed to the Mess W.O.2 Milton, 1 R.T.R. and S/Sgt. Barlow R.E.M.E., who together with Sgt. Terry Moxham form the nucleus of our Regimental Air Troop and have caused the usual Mess tall stories to gain height. S/Sgt. Blackler R.A.P.C., S/Sgt. Cox and Sgts. Espin and Fordam R.E.M.E., Sgts. Roe (now a civilian), Campbell and Bowley (our first R.A.M.C. members since Catterick days) and Sgt. Rose A.P.T.C. have all joined us since the end of 1964 and are now very much part of the Mess.

Promotions throughout the year have been many, and our congratulations go to R.S.M. Jim Bertrand who took over from "Fitz," S.S.M. Clipston, A.Q.M.S. Kershaw, A.Q.M.S. Winwood, and S/Sgts. Mucha, Leech and Edmenson. We have also welcomed into the Mess Sgts. Minvalla, Fowles, Parmenter, Freitag, Bray, Dawson, Taylor, Hutton, Stone and Harrison.

Socially, we have had a highly enjoyable and successful year. Although the Mess itself was a Twynham set in a vast expanse of sand, the garden, thanks to the hard work of S/Sgt. Smith, R.E.M.E., has flourished. The flowers, lights and decorations made our Opening Night cocktail party a musical swirl of colour amid the desolation of Little Aden. No less colourful, and every bit as enjoyable were the St. Patrick's Day Ball (complete with Blarney Stone), the Waterloo Ball and the Balaclava cocktail party. Added to this was the glorious Technicolor of Bluey, the Mess monkey, which S/Sgt. Cook still insists was part of the A.C.C. increment.

Visits by C.P.O.s and P.O.s of both H.M.S. *Mohawk* and *Anzio*, our affiliated ships, introduced the Aden members to the Royal Navy and we were delighted to welcome them during their brief sojourns in the port.



S.S.M. Rafferty (right) shows R.S.M. Bertrand how

As competitors in the Aden Inter-Mess Darts Tournament we had opportunity of meeting and entertaining many other Messes including that of R.A.F. Khormaksar. It is believed that we won the games night against the Officers!

[Ed.: The Officers do not share this view.]

With so many members in station and "available" we have been able to field football, cricket and volleyball teams on many occasions. The St. Patrick's Day annual football match against the Officers was won by them, but their team consisted mainly of the Warrant Officers and the moral victory was ours.

A challenge match against M.T. Troop unfortunately ended in a 10-2 defeat, but as S/Sgt. Ayres insisted upon playing most of the game on his back, this was excusable. The cricket team played often and acquitted themselves well on pitches without a single blade of grass. It is of interest to note that our volley-ball team, with an average of 32 years, competed against much younger teams, often successfully.

It is unfortunate that only one shooting match was held; against the Aden Armed Police, but some good shots were found, and it is apparent that we have the foundation of a good team.

We must mention in passing the bi-weekly film shows held in the Mess garden which have entertained us throughout the year in the quieter moments. Thanks to S/Sgt. Smith and Sgt. Norrie the projector has always worked, and although we have sometimes seen reel three before reel two this has only added to the fun. W.O.I. Howe also provided us with musical entertainment in the form of several band concerts which gave us the opportunity to listen to good music in pleasant surroundings.

Many things will be said about our year in Aden. Many years will pass before the memory of it becomes dulled. However, having to live so closely together has given us all a better understanding of each other and the ties and experiences that we have found there will be part of the Mess not only in 1966 in Benghazi, but in the years to follow.

The Band

THERE has not been the glamour of the Royal International Horse Show or the normal engagements of a summer season but this does not mean that we have had a year's rest in Aden. We have two tours to Bahrain to our credit where we visited "A" Squadron. Major D. P. Rowat having been our Band President for many years arranged some excellent engagements on both occasions and it is true to say that we helped to spread the gospel of the green trousers in the Arabian Gulf. On the second trip we flew to the island of Masirah in the Arabian Sea; from there we were taken by helicopter onto H.M.S. *Zulu*, a naval frigate. A very good friendship was quickly established with the ship's company and we played for them every evening despite some very high monsoon seas. We played for the R.A.F. at Masirah and as result we were asked back again. Here again we have struck up a great friendship. The Station Commander presented us with a plaque to go with those presented by the Sergeants' Mess, Bahrain, and by the Captain of H.M.S. *Zulu*. One of the highlights of our trip to Masirah was a turtle hunt; we were taken to the beach at night to watch the giant turtles lay their eggs, as it is one of the few places in the world where this happens. We were invited once more to play in October. Then comes what we hope will be the

highlight of the year, a trip to Addis Ababa in November. If the stories of Sgt. Dawson (who has already visited Ethiopia) are true, we should all have tales to tell.

We have also given many dance band and military band performances in Aden. There have been regular bookings at the Tarshyne Officers' Club where the military band has been very well received. We were, of course, involved with the Regimental Waterloo concert, and we hope something lasting has come out of that. As a finale to the show the B.S.M. wrote a script giving the story of the battle, the band playing a musical accompaniment to it.

We have missed our old friends, Traffic Warden Clifford and Sgt. Len Scattergood this year, especially Mick Clifford's home cooking. We welcome our newcomers Bdsms. Sobey, Gale, Jones, Nolan and Vaughan. We wish L/Cpl. Wearne, Bdsms. McAvoy, Edwards and Vaughan a very enjoyable and successful year's course at Kneller Hall. Our congratulations to ex-Trumpet Major, now Bandmaster C. I. Herbert, A.R.C.M. 3rd Dragoon Guards. We reluctantly say goodbye to Sgt. Warne, who has been one of our personalities for many years, and Bdsms. Rogerson, without whose help all of our cars would have fallen to pieces long before they actually did. We wish them both every success in civil life.

Light Aid Detachment

AS with the Regiment, the L.A.D. has been split up more during the last year than for many previous years. A.Q.M.S. Beer has been in charge of the "C" Sqn. fitter section in Hong Kong whilst A.Q.M.S.'s Kershaw and Winwood, with "A" and "B" Sqns. respectively, have alternated between Aden and Bahrain. Whilst some have been able to see the bright lights A.S.M. Lagden and the artificers of H.Q. L.A.D. have had to "keep the home fires burning" back in Aden. Fortnightly visits to the local R.E.M.E. Association's functions have been quite successful, members having had a good meal at a local restaurant beforehand. Alternating with these visits have been the Saturday evening film shows where Cpl. Armstrong has been chief projectionist. The Q.M. Tech. must here receive a vote of thanks for the loan of one side of a stores biner which, when white-washed, provided an excellent screen.

With so much crystal clear sea and sandy beaches nearby, swimming and gogging have been very popular, with trips to the Blue Grotto, an offshore rocky outcrop, a speciality. S/Sgt. Cox, the L.A.D. fishing expert, has organised most of these trips and contrary to popular belief has caught quite a large number of fish most of which have been inedible.

Many of our other activities have been of a sporting nature and the results have been most encouraging. Our fitter section with "C" Sqn. have won several trophies in a number of sports and our special congratulations go to Cpl. Utton who won the local R.E.M.E. individual

athletics cup. In Aden too we have done quite well in sport generally, having won the Squadron basketball Shield, due largely to the efforts of 2/Lt. Major, our assistant E.M.E. The spartan types have played rugby too and acquitted themselves well.

During the year various members of the L.A.D. have been able to take part in more unusual trips. During January S/Sgt. McGrillen, Cpl. Wilson and Cfns. Bellamy and Walker went to Mombasa aboard H.M.S. *Mohawk* as part of a Regimental party and were convinced as a result that life in Aden was perhaps not so bad after all. Sgt. Waller in Hong Kong spent 10 days aboard H.M.S. *Dampier*, a survey vessel, much to the envy of our real "Old Salt" A.Q.M.S. Beer.

At the end of August Sgt. Harrison and Cfn. Burgess accompanied an expedition by road and track to the valley of the Hadramaut, a very fertile valley some 400 miles N.E. of Aden. The going was rather difficult but despite their tales of great hardship they enjoyed themselves very much.

In conclusion we would like to bid farewell to those who will not accompany us to either Libya or Cyprus, including A.Q.M.S. Beer, S/Sgt. Smith, Sgt. Smale, Sgt. Sellen, Sgt. Last, Cpl. Hellowell, Cpl. Watton, Cpl. Schofield, Cpl. Hurman, L/Cpl. Smeath and others too numerous to mention. In addition we would like to welcome Cpl. Reid, L/Cpls. Tasker and Robertshaw and Cfns. Bramley, Hanlon, Todd, Askew and Miskin whom we shall meet in January 1966.

Recce Troop

BY December 16 the whole Troop had arrived in Aden, to be greeted by Sgt. Minvalla and Cpl. Kempster, who had just returned from a guided tour of the Radfan. From all accounts it looked as if we were going to have busy and exciting time. First of all we had to take over the 10 Ferrets from the 16th/5th Lancers, followed by feverish activity over Christmas in order to get eight cars up to Habilayn on December 28.

On arrival at Habilayn the Troop were attached to "B" Squadron of the 10th Hussars and deployed to Blair's Field (two cars), Paddy's Field (two cars), with the remaining four at Habilayn.

Habilayn is situated at the entrance to the two most fertile wadis in the Radfan, and it is also on the main trade route between Aden, Dhala and the Yemen. It lies in a gravel plain about three miles long and one mile wide, surrounded on all sides by volcanic mountains. Here the administrative H.Q. of the Radfan area during the initial operations was set up.

Blair's Field is 15 miles north-east of Habilayn at the end of the wadi Taym; its job was to prevent the Arabs—who had been cleared from the wadi—from returning. It was frequently sniped at by dissidents, which gave the defenders a chance to retaliate.

Paddy's Field is six miles short of Blair's Field and was also established to help in controlling the Arabs. Shortly after our arrival, terms had been made with the Arabs, allowing them to return. Blair's was evacuated and the cars were withdrawn to Paddy's, which a month later was itself closed down.

Misfortune struck very quickly. On December 31, Cpl. McGinty, driven by Tpr. Teggart in a scout car, was carrying out the daily mine sweep between Blair's and Paddy's when the rear wheel struck a Mk. VII mine. Fortunately the crew were all right, but the Ferret was written off.

Two days later Sgt. Barter was ambushed from behind while escorting a convoy up the Khuraibah pass to Dhala; apart from two bullet holes in his car no damage was done. On the completion of the hand-over between "B" and "C" Squadrons of the 10th Hussars we returned to Aden.

For three weeks we had a chance to sort ourselves out, and except for being Range Wardens for "A" Squadron firing, the time was spent maintaining. Meanwhile the Troop Leader was angling to get back to the Radfan. On February 8 half the troop returned to Habilayn, and from then till April 19 four cars were stationed "Up Country," changing round a section every fortnight. During this time the Troop Leader and Cpl. Kempster were attacked ineffectually by rocket launchers while rescuing a Federal National Guard ammunition wagon which had been ambushed. Cpl. Kempster, with Tpr. Adams driving, struck a Mk. V mine; fortunately they were both unhurt, and after working flat out for 24 hours their car was back on the road again. About this time Operation Park was started in the area around the Khuraibah pass, which consisted of moving all the Arabs out of the area. Two cars were sent to support the Infantry at Ad Dimnah, where they were mortared on three occasions.



Cpl. Kempster surveys his mined car

On April 9 Sgt. Barter, driven by Tpr. Puckerin, was the leading vehicle on the Piccadilly mine run, when their Mk. I Ferret struck a well-laid Mk. VII mine in a pool of water. They were both evacuated to Khormaksar Beach Hospital where Sam Puckerin had his right leg amputated below the knee. Before he was evacuated to England, most of the Troop went to see him, and in his usual cheerful way, he gave us a superb demonstration of "twisting" at the end of his bed. He has now got his new leg and is engaged to be married into the bargain. We wish them both the best of luck for the future.

After a short period back in Aden the whole Troop set out for the Radfan. This time split in two with half based at Habilayn under the Troop Leader, and the other half under Sgt. Minvalla were based at Hayaz, which is five miles north-east of Dhala. Here they were supporting the Federal Regular Army. They had an interesting time doing patrols and road blocks over the Dhala plain, and were attacked at Hayaz on three occasions. Meanwhile those at Habilayn hardly moved at all as there were now about six Saladins in the area. On May 18 all Ferrets were grounded until all the hulls could be up-armoured against mines. So the Troop Leader's half-troop became redundant and returned to Aden, but Sgt. Minvalla managed to lay his hands on two Saladins, which the Troop crewed. Eventually when the 10th Hussars handover between "C" and "A" Squadrons was complete, the Troop returned to Aden.

June was a fairly quiet month, but in July we were given the job of patrolling the desert north and west of Aden in search of Arab trucks smuggling arms and explosives into Aden State. These trips produced a change of scenery, information, battered vehicles, and the Troop satisfied they were doing a worth-while job.

We also took on the Scout Car reserve Troop in the I.S. role in Little Aden for the latter part of September, while the 10th Hussars and 4th/7th Dragoon Guards were changing over. So all in all, we have had a very varied and interesting year, during which we have covered a total of 30,000 miles with nearly all of it over very rough country, and everyone in the Troop will have for years to come a fund of stories with which to prop up the bar.

Corporals' Mess

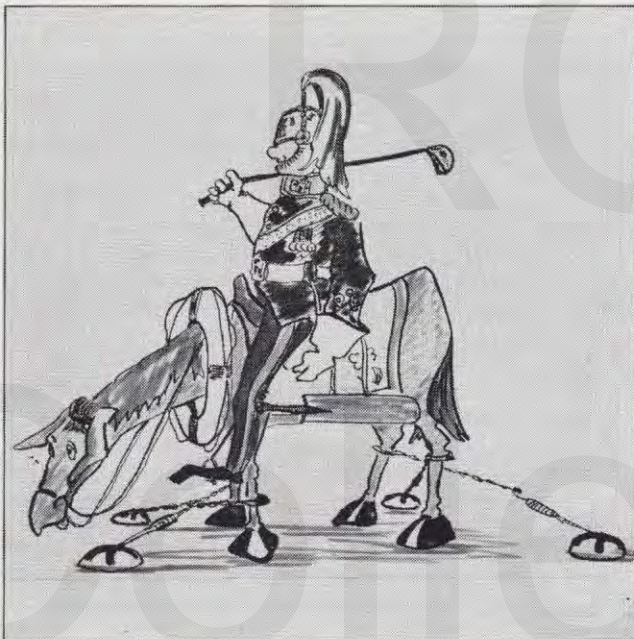
ON arrival in Aden our social life suffered a serious set-back, when we found that we had no Mess. However, undismayed, and due mainly to the natural high spirits of the Mess Members, a few highly entertaining evenings were possible, the first of which was a visit to the Sergeants' Mess, for a conventional games evening. As the evening progressed, and the alcoholic contents rose, games of a more vigorous nature ensued. Results were lost in the final scrimmage.

Etiquette prevailed, and a return match was arranged in the entertainment centre, formerly the N.A.A.F.I. Desert boots, though highly suitable for the sand crossing between the Mess and the Centre, were found to be highly porous when subjected to the rigours of a normal Corporals Mess Night.

Early in the year we had the honour, although a sad one, to say farewell to R.S.M. B. J. Fitzsimmons, a staunch supporter of the Corporals' Mess. On his departure from the Regiment he was presented with a small memento subscribed to by all members. We hope that his memories of all of us are favourable, and a mere excess baggage ticket will not spoil a beautiful friendship. We welcome in his stead, R.S.M. J. Bertrand who speedily proved a welcome and worthy successor.

During our tour we have renewed old friendships and made many others, notably amongst the 10th Royal Hussars, who have been our close neighbours for many years. We wish them every success in B.A.O.R. and sincerely hope that we meet again. It is hoped that before leaving, a suitable welcome can be given to our new neighbours the 4/7 Royal Dragoon Guards, and to our more than welcome successors the 1st Royal Tank Regiment, to whom we wish the best of luck.

In our next edition, it should be possible to tell of exploits on a grander scale, when we will have settled in our new messes in Benghazi and Cyprus.



Tell me the old, old Story

(This article has been received from the wife of a member of the Regiment)

"What Regiment is your husband in?" asks the blonde secretary from down the corridor.

"The Inniskilling . . .," but I am cut off in mid-air.

"Ah, the Fusiliers." I try to speak but she rushes on: "My brother's wife's cousin is in the Fusiliers. He's a Second Lieutenant—or is he a Lance-Corporal. What's the difference?"

I take a deep breath and start to explain: the whole long story about two Regiments, and Cavalry being senior, and I even bring in one or two references to old friend "Billy," which makes it sound a little more familiar. Then I proceed to explain the slight difference between the rank of 2/Lt. and L/Cpl. and she seems satisfied.

"Where is your husband stationed?" is the next question.

"Aden," say I, making it sound like a dirty word. My blonde friend looks puzzled.

"Aden? Isn't it very hot there?"

I give up!!!

I relate this small incident to illustrate just what my "role" is, in addition to being a wife-in-waiting. The secondary function of a wife-in-waiting has proved to be that of honorary, unpaid, unofficial P.R.O. for the Skins and the army in general. Since I went into compulsory exile more people know about the Senior Irish Regiment; have had their geography brought up to date, with particular reference to the Red Sea/Persian Gulf area; know what "Gollies" are; and, with the help of a rather macabre photograph from Sheik Ben Ali's studio at Steamer Point, are now familiar with the favourite method of the barbers of the Radfan to enforce the law of short back and sides with the aid of a sword.

When not doing my P.R. stint, I have a couple of small worries to help pass the time. I wonder if M.Q.A.S. have found that scratch on the table which we so successfully covered up by spreading out all the cutlery? I wonder if they could still charge us for that? Damn that postman, he has passed me by again. I think I'll complain to the G.P.O. for I'm sure I'm being victimised. Lord, I wish it was Monday—and the Post Office doesn't open until 8.30. Ah, a knock on the door. It's my friend from next door—she is always guaranteed to give me a quick lift.

"Did you hear on the radio about the soldier being blown up in Aden?" are her first words. My heart misses a beat.

"Tell me more. Did they mention the Regiment. Did they give any names?"

"I don't know."

There follows a frantic search of the Radio Times to find the time of the next news broadcast.

At last the time signal, and I want to run away and hide my head under a cushion. The cool, imperturbable voice of the announcer drones on and on and then drops to funeral depths. I wait . . . Mr. Greenwood has "flown" out from Aden this morning! I'll murder that woman next door.

WILHELMINA SKEEN.

(Footnote: Sorry boys—the blonde secretary gets married next week to a Civvy.)

Regimental Sport

Cricket

The cricket season is drawing to a close and most of the Regimental players will be glad of a well earned rest, as this Summer, against all expectations, there has been more cricket played than for several years.

As most of the Regimental cricketers were in Aden for the whole year, the Regiment entered for the Major Units League. Judging by results we did not do too badly and played some very exciting matches. Besides the Major Units League, H.Q. Squadron and whichever Squadron was in Aden played in the Little Aden Major Units League. H.Q. Squadron won this having won every game they played and will have to play the winners of the Aden Minor Units League for the overall Cup.

The Regiment started off well by winning five friendly matches before the Major Units League started, and won the first nine matches in the competition. We then met Tech. Wing from R.A.F. Khormaksar, who were like us unbeaten. A fantastic game ensued. We batted first, very badly, and if it had not been for a gallant 30 n.o. by our Doctor, it would not have been worth us fielding; however we reached 130 for 9 in the 30 overs. Tech. Wing started well and they reached 95 for 3 having had considerable luck and it looked all over, but there was then an amazing transformation in the game thanks to the bowling of Tpr. Moore and suddenly they were 114 for 9 with 5 overs left. We could not get them out and with one over to go they still needed nine runs, which they got off the last ball but one of the match by hitting a straight six. After this defeat we were a bit unsettled and lost the next two matches. But we finished off the fixtures by winning the last two games and thus ended up second in the league.

Unfortunately Cpl. Bradshaw, our star West Indian, broke his wrist half-way through the season and although he bowled just as well, his batting was considerably handicapped. The main highlights of the season have been the batting of Mr. Ker (one century and five fifties), Sgt. Blinkhorne (three fifties) who were well supported by Mr. Irwin, L/Cpl. Clarke, Mr. Goodbody and S.Q.M.S. Sutton. Cpl. Bradshaw and Moore were the most successful bowlers, admirably backed up by Cpl. Wood and Mr. Irwin.

In representative games Mr. Ker and Mr. Irwin played for the Combined Services the former scoring 99 in the first match against the civilians. In the second game Mr. Ker captained the side. In early September Tpr. Moore was picked as twelfth man for the Army against the R.A.F.: in October he and L/Cpl. Clarke were in the combined services team captained by Mr. Ker which made a Kenya tour. During June and July the following played for Little Aden in the Inter-Zone competition, Messrs. Ker and Irwin, R.Q.M.S. (T.) Sedgwick, Sgt. Blinkhorne, Cpl. Bradshaw, Cpl. Wood, L/Cpl. Clarke and Tpr. Moore. In one game all eight played.

Others who played for the Regiment were Major Rowat, Capt. Evans, Capt. Shillington, L/Cpl. Urwin, L/Cpl. Bowley, Tprs. Brown (54), Willis, Chase, Parris, Boyce.

MAJOR UNITS LEAGUE

Final Position 2nd.

Played 14, Won 11, Lost 3.

Minor Units League as at 1st Sept.

	Played	Won	Lost
H.Q. Sqn.	9	9	0
A/B Sqn.	11	6	5

RESULTS

MAJOR UNITS LEAGUE

5 Innis. D.G. beat 131 M.U. R.A.F. by 90 runs. 5 Innis. D.G. 180 (Clarke 63, Ker 40, Bradshaw 32 n.o.); 131 M.U. 90 (Irwin 5 for 42, Wood 3 for 22, Moore 2 for 0).

5 Innis. D.G. beat 1st Royal Anglians by 60 runs. 5 Innis. D.G. 155 (Bradshaw 64, Ker 27); 1 R. Anglians 95 (Moore 4 for 13).

5 Innis. D.G. beat 24 Inf. Bde. XI by 7 wkts. 24 Bde. 105 (Bradshaw 5 for 32, Ker 3 for 20); 5 Innis. D.G. 110 for 3 (Clarke 41 n.o. Bradshaw 32 n.o.).

5 Innis. D.G. beat R.A.S.C. XI by 144 runs. 5 Innis. D.G. 187 for 7 (Ker 66, Irwin 37, Sutton 34); R.A.S.C. XI 43 (Moore 4 for 0, Ker 2 for 4, Wood 2 for 17).

5 Innis. D.G. beat Ord. Depot by 81 runs. 5 Innis. D.G. 218 for 5 (Ker 103 n.o., Clark 38, Irwin 37, Goodbody 26); Ord. Depot 137 (Ker 4 for 27, Irwin 4 for 33).

5 Innis. D.G. beat Flying Wing by 87 runs. 5 Innis. D.G. 164 for 8 (Blinkhorne 85 n.o.); Flying Wing 77 (Ker 3 for 9, Wood 3 for 26).

5 Innis. D.G. beat 114 M.U. by 8 wickets. 114 M.U. 112 for 5 (Moore 2 for 25, Wood 2 for 38); 5 Innis. D.G. 113 for 2 (Ker 52 n.o., Moore 35 n.o.).

5 Innis. D.G. beat R.E.M.E. XI by 93 runs. 5 Innis. D.G. 165 (Blinkhorne 59); R.E.M.E. XI 72 (Bradshaw 5 for 23, Wood 3 for 13).

5 Innis. D.G. beat 15 Signal Regt. by 9 wickets. 15 Signal Regt. 86 (Bradshaw 9 for 40); 5 Innis. D.G. 87 for 1 (Ker 59 n.o.).

5 Innis. D.G. beat R.A.F. Steamer Point by 6 wickets. R.A.F. Steamer Pt. 148 (Bradshaw 8 for 60); 5 Innis. D.G. 149 for 4 (Blinkhorne 41, Ker 40, Bradshaw 39 n.o.).

5 Innis. D.G. lost to Tech. Wing R.A.F. Khormaksar by 1 wicket. 5 Innis. D.G. 129 for 9 (Hine 27 n.o.); Tech. Wing 130 for 9 (Moore 5 for 42).

5 Innis. D.G. lost to H.Q. M.E.C. by 69 runs. H.Q. M.E.C. 170 (Wood 4 for 45); 5 Innis. D.G. 101 (Ker 29).

5 Innis. D.G. lost to Admin. Wing R.A.F. K./S.A.R. by 3 wickets. 5 Innis. D.G. 95 (Ker 26); Admin. Wing 96 for 7 (Irwin 3 for 20).

5 Innis. D.G. beat Civil Service XI by 41 runs. 5 Innis. D.G. 186 (Ker 85, Irwin 37); Civil Service 148 (Bowley 3 for 36).

BATTING AVERAGES

(Qualification average 20)

	Innings	n.o.	Runs	Highest Score	Average
Cpl. Bradshaw	.. 11	6	315	64	63.0
Lt. Ker .. ..	.. 21	4	711	103*	41.8
Lt. Irwin .. ..	.. 15	3	275	37	22.9
Sgt. Blinkhorne	.. 21	3	398	85*	22.1
L/Cpl. Clarke ..	.. 16	1	331	63	22.0

*Not out

BOWLING AVERAGES

(Qualification 20 wickets)

	Overs	Maidens	Runs	Wickets	Ave.
Tpr. Moore	.. 48	10	162	26	6.2
Cpl. Bradshaw	.. 134	33	374	53	7.0
Lt. Ker .. ..	.. 63	3	326	32	10.2
Cpl. Wood .. ..	.. 91	9	420	26	16.1
Lt. Irwin .. ..	.. 143	18	564	32	17.6

Association Football

After last season's successes it is tempting to say, "After the Lord Mayor's Show," but on reflection our Football team put up a very creditable performance.

Owing to the fact that we left England in late 1964 it was not possible to enter any Cup Competitions before we left. It was agreed that we should play in the East Wilts. League, of which we were holders and hand over the remaining fixtures to the 16th/5th Lancers. Although many strange faces and amusing incidents occurred in finding teams during November, we left as League leaders and trust that the 16th/5th Lancers carried on the good work.

With the Regiment's departure into three different spheres of the world, the Regimental team that assembled in Aden bore little resemblance to the team of the 1963/64 season. We took over the 16th/5th Lancers league fixtures in the Little Aden Division II League and found ourselves in a fairly comfortable position in the league thanks to the Lancers. The final games in the league were really exciting as the record of the three leading teams in the final league table will prove. We were justly proud in beating our old rivals the 10th Hussars and near neighbours H.Q. 24 Inf. Brigade Group by a superior goal average. Many old stalwarts of the Regimental Football team have left and we take this opportunity to thank them for their efforts and for the results that have been achieved. We were most sorry to see the departure of our captain and ex-professional, L/Cpl. Loughran, who gave the Regiment excellent service both on and off the field of play.

While serving abroad, many new footballers have come to light and we feel that if our original plan of returning to England had materialised we would have acquitted ourselves well in the Cavalry Cup 1966. In our next move we shall be located in two different countries, so for another two years Regimental Football as such will be non-existent.

Among those who have played for the Regimental team were Nobel, Nesbitt (05), Cpl. Duckett, Boath, Cpl. Watton, Hawkins, McNally, Palmer, Brown (54), Dowling, Farrell, McCormick, Dack, Cpl. McEneny and Orr.

Last but not least we would like to take this opportunity of thanking the "Back Room" Boys, R.Q.M.S. Ryan, S/Sgt. Cook, Cpl. King, Tprs. Robb and Willis for their help and constructive criticisms, and Cpl. Breeze who had the distinction of refereeing the Middle-East Army Cup Final, a job he did with distinction.

SUMMARY OF MATCHES

East Wilts. League

P	W	L	D	F	A
9	8	1	0	53	15

Little Aden Div. II Championship

	P	W	L	D	F	A	Pts.
5 Innis D.G.	18	12	4	2	57	23	26
H.Q. 24 Inf. Bde. Gp.	18	13	5	0	48	21	26
10th Hussars	18	11	3	4	47	25	26



Terrorist work

Sailing

EVEN before our arrival in Aden the Second-in-Command found himself Vice-Commodore, and the Paymaster Secretary of the Little Aden Sailing Club. This conjured up visions of a spacious clubhouse, dozens of assorted boats and the yachtsman's dream of sunny sailing all the year round. Reality turned out somewhat different—the clubhouse was two Beaver boxes by courtesy of the Army Air Corps, the rescue launch had been sunk and was to be four months under repair, of a total of five G.P. 14's and three Enterprises, only three boats were seaworthy and the sailing season lasts only from October 1 to April 30, when high winds, rough seas and the increased danger from unwholesome inhabitants of the deep make it impossible to sail.

We did, however, manage to get ourselves allotted one of the three seaworthy boats, but had only just got it back in the water after repainting it when we lent it to someone else for an afternoon, to have it returned with two holes in its bottom. The reactions of the persons who had just finished the job of repainting can best be left undescribed. A number of members of the Regiment did get in some useful sailing after this, but the final chapter had yet to be written, and during Whitsun weekend some evil-minded "dissident" put the boat finally and irretrievably off the road with a pound of plastic explosive. Fortunately nobody was in or near it at the hour of its demise.

"A" Squadron had better fortune in Bahrain and some very good sailing under the watchful eye of Mr. Dallmeyer culminated in his confounding the critics, and himself, by winning the first four races in the local regatta, with three different members of the Squadron crewing for him.

The close season was fully occupied with repairing another G.P. 14 for our use and refitting the club safety launch and dinghy, a hot and sticky task with the temperature around the hundred mark and sand blowing into everything. More boats were presented to the club by the Nuffield Trust, and these began to arrive at the end of August at the same time as work began on the building of a permanent clubhouse.

The new season opened with the club still very short

of boats with the result that racing was quite impracticable, but for the remainder of our stay we enjoyed some excellent sailing and a start was made on the instruction of some of the keener novices, including Cpls. Lowery and Price and Cfn. Kean.

The numbers we have been able to cope with this year have been very much restricted by the fact of our having only the one boat, but we look forward to having the use of more boats in Libya and Cyprus next year and initiating many more members of the Regiment into the pleasures of sailing.



Helm 2/Lt. Dallmeyer, crew Cpl. Murphy

Water Sports

ADEN'S only saving grace is the weather and the sea, and all ranks profited greatly from both. Before leaving England we received a Nuffield Grant for aqua-lung equipment which we were able to bring out with us, and the three sets were in constant use both in Aden, under the supervision of Major Gilchrist-Fisher and S.I. Rose, and in Bahrain. "C" Squadron in Hong Kong also did a lot of aqua-lung diving and several passed the diving tests.

The officers shared a speed-boat with the Coldstream Guards and spent many hours water-ski-ing both in the Little Aden lagoon, under the watchful eyes of Salem, our boatminder, and in Gold Mohur beach in Aden. The boat was filled with food, Pimms, and petrol, driven across the bay, pausing only at Tarshyne beach to collect the necessary female companions, and on to Gold Mohur, frequently returning to Little Aden in gathering gloom steering a somewhat erratic course. Unfortunately very late in the year we received a further grant from the Nuffield Trust also earmarked for water-ski-ing, and we were able to purchase a second water-ski boat; the 1st Royal Tank Regiment will be able to reap where we sowed. However, it was "C" Squadron who were the kings of the water-ski-ing world, with their 75 h.p. engine, and colourful reports come back with each visit to Hong Kong including one of Lt. Whitley ski-ing for some distance on bare feet. This will no doubt be proved when "C" Squadron get their boat to Benghazi.

Volley Ball

ONCE the Regiment had settled down in Aden it was found that there was a need for a game or sport that could be played by everyone, required no extravagant equipment and had no volumes of complicated rules to be learnt beforehand. Such was the hold that Volley Ball eventually took on the Regiment, that almost every evening or Sunday morning enough soldiers could be found to make up scratch teams for a quick game. Four courts were constructed, two in H.Q. Squadron lines and one each for the resident sabre squadron and the L.A.D., and they were always in use.

First blood went to the Sgts. Mess team when they defeated a team from H.M.S. Mohawk in two straight games during the Christmas stand-down. Honours go mainly to R.H.Q. and M.T. Troop teams who monopolised most of the league and knockout competitions organised. However the standard of play improved tremendously and the results of many games at the end of these competitions was only decided on the last two or three points.

Results of the league and knockout competitions were:

	Winners	Runners-up
League	R.H.Q.	M.T.
League	M.T.	Recce
Easter Knockout	R.H.Q.	M.T.
Whitsun Knockout	M.T.	R.H.Q.
Knockout	R.H.Q.	M.T.

Basket Ball



A moment in the final

WE arrived in Aden to find ourselves at the bottom of the Basketball League, our predecessors having lost all six of their matches. However, we pulled up to third place, losing only to 222 Signals Squadron, the eventual winners. We also entered for the Middle East Land Forces Knock-out Competition and, after two preliminary rounds, we beat 1 Infantry Workshops 48—23 in the semi-final, and the 10th Hussars 34—26 in the final. The team throughout the season was Cpls. Bradshaw, Colton, Rainey, L/Cpls. Salmon, Loughran, Tprs. Brown (54), Hawkins, Gambling, Ridge, Cfm. King. Much of the credit for this very successful team must go to the team manager, 2/Lt. Major.

Equitation

When the main part of the Regiment arrived in Aden in late '64 it soon became obvious that we were not going to be able to run our own stables. Ponies were unobtainable and with a worsening Internal Security situation people were kept very busy. In Bahrain the Gulf Squadron were generously lent ponies by the Ruler which have given much amusement throughout the year to members of "A" and "B" Squadrons; several soldiers have become proficient horsemen and we have gained volunteers for the stables we aim to run in Benghazi and Cyprus. However, the Ruler bans polo on the island because of a fatal accident which befell an English friend of his several years ago on the polo field, so players in these Squadrons could only get polo when back at base in Aden.

"C" Squadron made the most of their opportunities in Hong Kong and Dunbar, Mann and Fuller have played regularly at the Fanling Polo Club where everyone is mounted on minute but tough Borneo ponies. Three players who have kept their hand in for Benghazi next year for a start!

In Aden we set about making the best of a bad job. Sgt. Power and Tpr. Wright went off to run the Aden Services Saddle Club Stables situated 25 miles from Falaise Camp and in return we were allowed two chukkas per polo day on two of this clubs six rather tired ponies. With sometimes as many as six officers wanting to play this situation has led to frustration, but friends in the Civilian Union Khormaksar Club and in the Federal Regular Army have done their best to help us by lending ponies whenever they can.

Bovill, Faulkner and Kent played regularly in December and January and the two former with Col. John Willis (10th Hussars) and Martin Maxse (Coldstream Guards) made up a combined services' team which drew with the civilian side 3-3 early in February. For the rest of the year Swindells and Shillington, being based in Aden, got the most chukkas with Bovill, Faulkner, Cowdy and Kent playing whenever they could. Early in the year we built a very effective polo pit in the mess lines; the idea and some manual labour was provided by the players, whilst the skilled work was done by Sgt. Fowles, Cpl. Lowery, Tprs. Ridge and Gambling.

The highlight of our year was the visit a Regimental team paid to Kenya in late August and early September. This was composed—No. 1 Kent (0), No. 2 Shillington (0), No. 3 Bovill (2), Back Swindells (0), making a two goal side. Arrangements for the series of matches we played were made by Kent with Peter Davis, secretary of the Kenya Polo Association, and to say that we were well looked after is a gross understatement.



(Left to right): Maj. Swindells, Lieut. Kent, Lieut. Bovill, Capt. Shillington

We arrived from Aden's sticky heat at our base, the very comfortable Mthaiga Country Club outside Nairobi on a Tuesday and the next day played a practice match against a Nairobi side. The altitude (5,500 ft.) made us gasp and there were air shots but we settled down to play as a team and rather luckily won this first game by 2 goals. After play we met David Begg, president of the K.P.A., who had driven down from his farm, Kinyatta, 90 miles away, to see our form.

On the Friday morning we fitted ourselves comfortably into the large Ford Fairlane kindly lent to us by Col. Kent and motored North to Kinyatta. For three days we played on Bwana Begg's beautiful ground in an American Tournament against some of the best players in Kenya. Ten good ponies were put at our disposal and people came from as far as 100 miles away to play or watch, one member arriving on the ground each day in his own plane.

Success at Kinyatta came only once, on the Saturday, when we did not need the 2½ goals we received on handicap to defeat the team led by the redoubtable John Chart (h-cap 5) by 6½ goals to 3. Shillington rode him hard and effectively and Kent who was quick onto the ball put through two of our goals. On the first day we were unused to our ponies, the altitude, and, above all, the pace, and were beaten 5-3½ by the experienced Kinyatta "A" team.

On the third day, sad to say, Kenyan hospitality may have had something to do with our defeat; Finn Ross, a powerful 2 goal player capable of lofting a hit in almost to the halfway line, had, contrary to his normal custom,

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SUMMARY OF MATCHES

Place	Date	Opponents	Opponents H-cap	H-cap goals		Result	Score
				gave	rec'd		
KINYATTA	August 27	.. Kinyatta "A"	.. 4	1½		Lost	3½-5
	August 28	.. Kinyatta "B"	.. 6	2½		Won	6½-3
	August 29	.. Njoro	.. 5	2		Lost	3-4
NAIROBI	September 3	.. Nairobi "A"	.. -3	3½		Won	7-3½
	September 4	.. Nairobi "B"	.. -1	2		Won	7-3
	September 5	.. Nairobi "C"	.. 2			Won	7-1

Goals scored 28. Goals scored against 14.

Jebel Patrol

A BEVERLEY aircraft flying southwards from Bahrain in the early hours of the 3rd May saw the beginning of "A" Squadron's first Patrol in Muscat. Six hours later and an uneventful journey (with the exception of one engine that insisted on cutting out) the plane touched down at Firque airstrip and its ten occupants disembarked. They were the total number of the patrol and included Lt. Kent, Sgt. Parmenter, Cpls. Taylor, Foster, L.Cpls. Alexander, Johnston, Tprs. Fanning, Agnew, Delaney and Cfn. King.

An S.A.F. (Sultan's Armed Forces) Officer arrived with the necessary transport and, after a somewhat fast drive, the patrol reached semi-civilisation—Nizwa, the town where the R.H.Q. of the N.F.R. (Northern Frontier Regiment) is based. There a very demoralising sight met our eyes, in the form of eight soldiers from the Parachute Regiment who had just completed the previous Patrol. They looked very part-worn, lying exhausted on their beds, and comments such as, "Just look at us and we came down the Jebel," were far from cheering. However, all was forgotten when a challenge from the N.F.R. to a game of football was readily accepted. The result was poor and not up to the traditions of the Squadron, a 7-2 defeat.

Early next morning, 0500 hrs. to be precise, the patrol prepared for its first march, a distance of 15 miles and an ascent of a mere 4,500 ft.: a formidable climb. The destination was to be Saiq, a Company base, high up in the Jebel Al Akhdar (The Green Mountains).

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retired early to bed the night before and was consequently seeing the ball better than the other seven players on the field.

Our second three-day tournament held in Nairobi started on the following Friday, so we filled in time by a trip South to Amboseli Game Park where we pursued elephant and rhino under the slopes of Mount Kilimanjaro and the somewhat over-bold leadership of "White Hunter" Kent (h-cap, as Land-Rover driver, -10).

The Nairobi players formed three teams and generously themselves stood down on two out of the three days so that we could play each team in turn. We managed to win all three games despite the off-the-field efforts of our hosts and the fact that we were on different ponies each day.

We left Kenya regretfully, marvelling at the characters we had met and the way the post "Uhuru" settlers have continued to enjoy the good things of life despite the uncertainty of their future.

Sadly, Faulkner, Captain of last year's team who could unfortunately not be spared for Kenya, and Bovill, who, captained the Kenya side most competently and played up to his Handicap throughout, will not be with the Regiment next year. However we shall have, split between Benghazi, Cyprus and Malta (where Kent is to be an A.D.C.), nine officers who have played regularly before and the opportunity for many more to learn.



Desert Patrol

Tpr. Delaney having been appointed "Donkey boy" and Cfn. King "donkey fitter" the patrol, accompanied by its eight donkeys, set out to climb the range of hills which loomed above in the semi-darkness. The first two hours passed steadily, but after that as the gradients increased, so weariness crept in. The soldiers found it more and more difficult to keep climbing and Tpr. Fanning, on reaching a certain rock-pool was heard to say "Go on, go on, go on, but just leave me here with the water bottles." But, as time went on, so the miles were slowly covered, until at mid-day Saiq was sighted. Morale went shooting up and before long ten weary people were sitting down, gulping cool mountain stream water. The journey was over, and completed in just under seven hours, which was a very reasonable time by any standards.

The following day the first actual patrol was accomplished. Luckily the distance was not great, as stiffness had crept in after the vigorous march from Nizwa. The patrol visited two local villages, Saiq and Sharajah under the guidance of a local arab, Omayar. He was to prove invaluable, as he knew every wadi, and the likelihood of getting lost was thus eliminated. At both these villages the patrol was entertained by the local Sheiks. This entailed sitting cross-legged in a circle, in the centre of which was placed a large dish of fresh dates. These were eaten (with the right hand of course) and washed down with really strong coffee, the coffee beans having been previously roasted in front of everyone present.

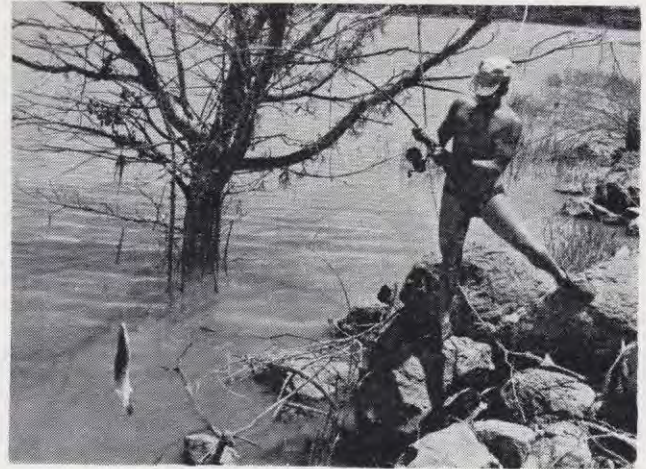
The local custom is that three cups of coffee have to be drunk by each man, before the cup was passed onto the next man. L/Cpl. Alexander was not fond of coffee to say the least, and swallowed his three cups in double time, as if taking an odious cough mixture. To his dismay he was presented with a fourth cup, as apparently to drink fast is a sign of appreciation. Needless to say he was more wary in the future. When the feast was over, everyone was slightly dismayed to hear Tpr. Fanning belching loudly with apparent contentment. It was explained to him later, that although this is the custom of certain other Arab countries, it was by no means appreciated in Muscat. Finally after three hours of eating and one hour of patrolling they made their way back to Saiq and camp.

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African Safari

As far back as January it had been decided that the chance of making a Safari in Kenya should not be missed. Consequently, at the beginning of August, we were off, flying due West over Falaise Camp, noting with satisfaction everyone hard at work on the tank park beneath, then across the Red Sea to Kenya, arriving at R.A.F. Eastleigh. Nine of us set off in a Mini-bus and a Land-Rover on the first leg to Lake Baringo, situated North of Nakuru. We left Nairobi, climbing up to Limuru a thousand feet higher, and stretching below us was the magnificent Rift Valley, Mount Longonot, an extinct volcano, visible in the background. On reaching Naivasha, a small town 60 miles from Nairobi, we paused for a drink and a snack. The next stop was Nakuru, and a visit to the Bird Sanctuary on the shores of Lake Nakuru, consisting mainly of many thousands of flamingoes, the brilliant patches of pink covering a large expanse of water. By then dusk was settling; a camp site was soon found, and before long bivouacs were erected and the brew was on the boil; by 9 o'clock the only sounds to be heard were crickets and the odd rustles in the African Bush.

The next morning the two Safari cars were swaying along the rough dirt track that led to Lake Baringo. The going was difficult, especially for the Mini-bus, and stops were not infrequent. After a dusty journey of 80 miles, we reached Lake Baringo, very beautiful in its setting at the bottom of the Great Rift, lying sheltered between the Tukin Hills to the West and the Laikipia escarpment to the East. After a quick meal our first call was to a local snake farm, where the serum is collected from the many poisonous snakes and exported to America and England.



L/Cpl. King catches a Catfish

The farm was fascinating and every vile reptile was produced for us, including the most poisonous of the African snakes; the green and black mambas, cobras, vipers and puff adders. That night we arranged to cross the lake by a small motor boat to an island 5 miles from shore. It was dark when we finally motored out through the reeds, the boatman carefully navigating his boat between floating logs and the gleaming red eyes of basking crocodiles. We landed at midnight, transferring all the stores on to the rugged shores of the island. However, the "fabulous" island turned out to be rocky, mosquito infested and besieged by crocodiles. As it was perfectly apparent that setting up a camp was impossible (there was no flat ground, even for the size of a

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The next few days were spent in a similar vein, patrolling to various villages within a ten-mile radius, such as Manakhir, a good three hours march from Saiq. Again the patrol was met by the local Sheikh, and again delicacies in the form of fly-covered dates were set in the centre of the floor. By this time the novelty of eating dates had worn off, but everyone made a polite effort. When the familiar coffee round began Cfn. King declared that in the future he would walk six times round the Naafi before drinking his coffee, since he was so used to walking eight miles each day to get this particular drink.

This village had been badly bombed during the rebel troubles of 1958, so not surprisingly they were not as friendly as other surrounding villages. However, the patrol left in great favour, having allowed the locals to fire the S.L.R. This was hazardous in the extreme, as the majority firmly shut their eyes before nervously jerking the trigger. Luckily a large hill served for the butts and there was much jubilation when they hit it.

One Friday, a rest day, the patrol went down to visit some rock pools the guide Omayar had told us about in glowing terms. They were very beautiful, situated in the

bottom of a wadi with precipitous walls and Omayar's exclamation of "Number Wahid" (number one) certainly did them justice. Within minutes the pool was full of soldiers, the ice-cold water more than refreshing. It was then that Tpr. Delaney, for some inexplicable reason, decided to jump off a rock that was a good 50 feet above the pool; with a blood-curling yell, he launched himself into space, and seconds later when the spray had begun to clear, everyone was much relieved to see his head above the water, after his "wee toady jump" as he inaptly described it. Omayar summed up everyone's feelings by muttering to himself, "Magnum, Magnum" —the Arabic for mad.

More patrols followed, until the time came on 17 May to retrace our footsteps down the long arduous track to Nizwa. The next day, and a few thousand feet above ground level, spirits were high, more probably at the thought of the unlimited stocks of beer in Bahrain than anything else. The last fortnight had been spent in a dry country and many an evening was spent slowly passing a water bottle from man to man. That evening was spent in a very different manner; thirsts were no longer quenched by this means.



Left (left to right): Cpl. Rainey, L/Cpls. King, Elliot, S/Sgt. Edmenson, L/Cpls. Johnston, Alexander, Sgt. Taylor, S.S.M. Cook. (Right) S.S.M. Cook kipping

camp bed) we decided to make a huge fire and then sit and wait. Three hours later it was abundantly clear that the boat was not returning. Marooned with no boat and limited food supplies, we had a vague off-chance of being collected again in the near future. Staff Edmenson could be heard asking for the first of his desert island discs, as the embers of the fire died down, casting darkness on the bodies huddled as comfortably as possible between the rocks. We awoke to our first morning with angry sores where insects and mosquitoes had eaten liberally during the night. Sgt. Taylor soon had a good fire going and the smell of fried eggs and sausages filled the air making us momentarily forget our dilemma. Stomachs full, Mr. Kent and L/Cpl. King set about constructing a raft using Ambach logs tied under a War Department Camp Bed as a frame. After an impressive launching ceremony, Mr. Kent paddled to another island about 400 yards away where he discovered an uninhabited camping site and a larder full of fresh fish which later on in the day made an excellent lunch.

The next few days were ones of glorious inactivity; bodies basking in the sun, whilst others fished from the rafts and makeshift canoes. L/Cpl. King caught a large catfish making up for L/Cpl. Johnston's minnow. The evenings were the worst part of the day; as we sat down to our meal, various bugs descended *en masse* to begin their evening meal. Bawdy songs filled the air interspersed by slaps at offending mosquitoes.

On the third day we heard the high pitched revving of an outboard motor and with no more ado, we hastily climbed aboard and said farewell to our little heap of rocks. We spent our final night on the shores of the lake, made memorable by the eland which walked through our fire and then ate a bar of Compo Soap.

The next morning we were off again, back to Nakuru and nearby Menengai Crater where we spent an uncomfortable night; the heavens opened and nearly all emerged from their bivouacs soaked to the skin. After an early start, we began to climb the escarpments leading up to the South Kinagap, a farming area high up on the Aberdares (8,700ft.). We looked over several European

farms, before moving on to the Sasumna Dam which supplies Nairobi with water; excellent trout fishing can be had along its waters. Back into the Rift Valley, we decided to climb to the top of Mount Longonot. With walking sticks fashioned from the local vegetation, we set out at a steady plod up to the crater rim. It was an arduous climb, but the older members stood their ground well, and were among the first to reach the summit.

Two days of civilisation followed on our return to Nairobi, packing and re-organising the stores in preparation for the journey down to Amboseli, a Game Park lying beneath Mount Kilimanjaro on the borders of Tanzania. Before leaving Nairobi, a day was spent in the Nairobi National Park, renowned for the small game which abounds on the plains, and the occasional lion. We saw an amazing cross-section of the wild life of East Africa including ugly wart hogs, happy gazelles, stupid wildebeeste, nervous kangani, graceful impala, water-buck, baboons, zebra, giraffe, ostriches, hippo's, and crocodiles. Sgt. Major Cook claimed that the first crocodile he saw was made of plastic and put out for the tourists, but was converted to the truth when, with a rush and a flick of its tail, it was away safely submerged in the muddy waters.

The next stage was uneventful, but, being extremely dusty and in need of a break we had a quick "freshen up" at Namanga Hotel and then drove into Amboseli Game Park crossing a dried up salt lake, which could have been a tarmac road. The evening closed in a most fascinating manner. A pride of lion was seen in a nearby clearing, and as the sun went down we motored out to them, and were literally within three feet of the King of Beasts. They were truly magnificent, yawning and stretching, each movement portraying immense power. As one lioness stretched her claws Staff Edmenson was heard to whistle softly and mutter "Just like a handful of bayonets!"

The first sight on crawling out of our bivouacs, apart from Sgt. Taylor shaving, were two large bottoms 50 yards away belonging to two rhino's which had been meandering around the camp at night.

Marriages



Major and Mrs. Taylor

- MCINTOSH—BETHUNE.—At Denniker Church, Kirkaldy, on August 7, 1964, Cfn. McIntosh to Miss Margaret Bethune.
- DONALD—ADAMSON.—At Cyrone Baptist Church, Belfast, on August 8, 1964, Tpr. Donald to Miss Eileen Adamson.
- KIRKPATRICK—BARRATT.—At St. John's Church, Fivemiletown, N. Ireland, on August 19, 1964, Bsdm. Kirkpatrick to Miss Irene Barratt.
- HALLIDAY—ALLEN.—At St. Mary's Church, Andover, Hants., on August 22, 1964, Tpr. Halliday to Miss Eyvonne Christine Allen.
- PHELPS—GREGORY.—At St. Andrew's Church, Enfield Middx., on August 22, 1964, Cfn. Phelps to Miss Patricia Evelyn Gregory.
- BURRIDGE—WICKETT.—At Chorleston Parish Church, St. Austell, Cornwall, on August 22, 1964, Cfn. Burridge to Miss Judy Ann Wickett.
- BREEZE—GREEN.—At St. Peter's Church, Shipton Bellinger, on September 12, 1964, Cpl. Breeze to Miss Diane Eve Green.
- HAGGAR—HARDIMAN.—At St. George's Church, Fovant, on September 12, 1964, Cpl. Haggart to Miss Valerie Mavis Hardiman.
- DICKIE—PENNY.—At Warminster Registry Office, on October 17, 1964, Tpr. Dickie to Miss Winifred Penny.
- REA—PREECE.—At Warminster Registry Office on October 20, 1964, Tpr. Rea to Miss Shirley Ann Preece.

- McMILLEN—BARNETT.—At Warminster Registry Office on October 21, 1964, Tpr. McMillen to Miss Margaret Ann Barnett.
- MARTIN—HARDY.—At Registry Office Doncaster, on October 26, 1964, Cfn. Martin to Miss Anne Hardy.
- CUNNINGHAM—ATKINS.—At Andover Registry Office, on November 12, 1964, Tpr. Cunningham to Miss Violet Dorothy Rose Atkins.
- NESBITT—McCORMICK.—At St. Stephen's Parish Church, Belfast, on November 14, 1964, Tpr. Nesbitt to Miss Mary McCormick.
- EDWARDS—KENYON.—At St. James's Church, Accrington, on November 7, 1964, Bds. Edwards to Miss Sara Walton Kenyon.
- AUSTIN—ELLIS.—At Registry Office Portsmouth, on November 14, 1964, Sgt. Austin to Miss Betty Ellis.
- SHANNON—SMART.—At Warminster, Registry Office on November 16, 1964, Tpr. Shannon to Miss Violet Ada Smart.
- ESCOTT—JEFFERY.—At St. Michael's All Angels' Church, Heavitree, Exeter, Devon, on November 21, 1964, Tpr. Escott to Miss Christine Jeffery.
- JOHNSTON—HAMILTON.—At Shrewton Baptist Church, on November 21, 1964, Tpr. Johnston to Miss Diana Hamilton.
- MORTON—MASKREY.—At St. Mary's Roman Catholic Church, Congleton, Cheshire, on November 28, 1964, Tpr. Morton to Miss Christine Mary Maskrey.
- KELLY—DOHERTY.—At St. Mary's Church, Londonderry, on January 16, 1965, L/Cpl. Kelly to Miss Bridget Doherty.
- LEE—DICKSON.—At Belfast Registry Office, on February 13, 1965, Tpr. Lee to Miss Ann Isobel Dickson.
- SMEATH—HAMMOND.—At the Church of All Souls', Sek Kong, on April 8, 1965, L/Cpl. Smeath to Miss Mollie Joan Hammond.
- SAVAGE—POCOCK.—At Windsor Registry Office on April 13, 1965, L/Cpl. Savage to Miss Patricia Pocock.
- WEARNE—PASCOE.—At the Methodist Church, Porthleven, Cornwall, on May 25, 1965, Bds. Wearne to Miss Anne Louise Pascoe.
- ROSE—FURNESS.—At the Royal Garrison Church of All Saints', Aldershot, on July 10, 1965, Sgt. Rose to Miss June Roslyn Furness.
- COPE—STEWART.—At Victoria Garrison Church, Hong Kong, on August 14, 1965, L/Cpl. Cope to Miss Mary David Bell Stewart.

Births

- WHITE.—To L/Cpl. and Mrs. White at Tidworth Military Hospital on August 12, 1964—a son (Richard).
- LOWERY.—To Cpl. and Mrs. Lowery at Middlesborough General Hospital on August 21, 1964—a son (Paul).
- HURMAN.—To Cpl. and Mrs. Hurman at Tidworth Military Hospital on September 1, 1964—a daughter (Deborah Denise).
- LOVE.—To S.S.M. and Mrs. Love at Blake Maternity Home, Gosport, Hants. on September 3, 1964—a son (Richard).
- TAYLOR.—To Tpr. and Mrs. Taylor at General Hospital Winchester on September 8, 1964—a son (David Samuel).
- CAMPBELL.—To Sgt. and Mrs. Campbell at Tidworth Military Hospital, on September 11, 1964—a daughter (Tracey Dawn).
- DERHAM.—To S/Sgt. and Mrs. Derham at Military Maternity Hospital, Woolwich, London on September 17, 1964—a daughter (Maureen Helena).
- DAVIES.—To L/Cpl. and Mrs. Davies at Bovington Military Hospital on October 24, 1964—a daughter (Jennifer Jill).

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Soon we were off on our quest for big game, and the first animals sighted were two lions, their manes ruffled by the breeze, as they stalked through the African scrub. Later we sighted an extremely large and cantankerous rhino which without warning decided to charge the Land-Rover, and thundered past within inches of the swerving truck. Shortly afterwards Sgt. Major Cook's dream materialised—a hippopotamus standing in full view at the edge of the water. This final sight meant that

we had seen every species of Big Game with the exception of a leopard; truly a really excellent Game run.

After a party which lasted several hours, a very happy Safari weaved its way back through the bush.

One final journey followed, and on reaching Nairobi we realised that the Safari was all over. We had covered a thousand miles, seen the arid areas of the Rift Valley, the richness of the farming land around Nakuru, climatic conditions similar to England in the Abedare Highlands and Kenya's unique heritage of amazing wildlife, from the smallest gazelle to the largest bull elephant.

GALLAHER.—To Tpr. and Mrs. Gallaher at B.M.H. Mount Kellet, Hong Kong on January 24, 1965—a daughter (Angela Dawn).

NOBES.—To Cpl. and Mrs. Nobes at Garden Bebb City Hospital, on February 13, 1965—a son (Michael Peter).

LAST.—To Sgt. and Mrs. Last at 9C Dill Corner Gardens, New Territories on January 22, 1965—a daughter (Debra Anne).

MCCAMLEY.—To Tpr. and Mrs. McCAMLEY at B.M.H. Mount Kellet, Hong Kong on February 24, 1965—a son (Andrew).

AYRES.—To S/Sgt. and Mrs. Ayres at Leeds Maternity Hospital on February 22, 1965—a son (Darren).

IBBESON.—To Tpr. and Mrs. Ibbeson at St. Helen's Hospital, Bogmoore, Nr. Barnsley on March 7, 1965—a son (Robert George).

MCCARTNEY.—To Tpr. and Mrs. McCartney at Jerry Mount Street, Belfast a son (David Andrew).

QUIGLEY.—To Tpr. and Mrs. Quigley at Banbridge District Hospital, Co. Down on March 25, 1965—a son (Patrick Anthony).

STRACHEN.—To Sgt. and Mrs. Strachen at B.M.H. Mount Kellet, Hong Kong on March 28, 1965—a daughter (Sabene).

MITCHELL.—To L/Cpl. and Mrs. Mitchell at Daisy Hill Hospital on March 31, 1965—a son (William Garry).

PRICE.—To Sgt. and Mrs. Price at St. Martin's Hospital, Bath on April 13, 1965, a daughter (Jane Allyson).

MCDONALD.—To Tpr. and Mrs. McDonald at Daisy Hill Hospital, Newry, Co. Down on April 14, 1965—a son (Kenneth Andrew).

CALDWELL.—To Tpr. and Mrs. Caldwell at Belfast City Hospital on April 17, 1965, a son (Mark David).

MCCAULEY.—To L/Cpl. and Mrs. McCauley at 19 Derrin Road, Enniskillen on April 19, 1965 a daughter (Brianna Philomena).

CUNNINGHAM.—To Tpr. and Mrs. Cunningham at B.M.H. Mount Kellet, Hong Kong on April 29, 1965—a daughter (Susan Carol).

COLLEDGE.—To L/Cpl. and Mrs. Colledge at 53 Crabmill Lane, Toleshall, Coventry on May 20, 1965, a daughter (Geraldine).

LAW.—To Tpr. and Mrs. Law at B.M.H. Mount Kellet, Hong Kong on May 24, 1965—a son (David Anthony).

REA.—To Tpr. and Mrs. Rea at Bradford-on-Avon General Hospital on June 21, 1965.—a daughter (Tracey Louise).

HAMILTON.—To Cpl. and Mrs. Hamilton at Belfast City Hospital on June 23, 1965.—a son (Ian Eugene).

STAVERS.—To Cpl. and Mrs. Stavers at 11 Silver St. Norwich on June 24, 1965—a daughter (Carol Patricia).

STAVERS.—To Cpl. and Mrs. Stavers at Queen Elizabeth Hospital, Kowloon, Hong Kong on June 29, 1965—a son (Stephen Anthony).

PRICE.—To Cpl. and Mrs. Price at Belfast City Hospital on June 30, 1965—a son (Trevor William).

BEER.—To W.O.II and Mrs. Beer at B.M.H. Mount Kellet, Hong Kong on August 7, 1965—a daughter (Lynne Marit).

BOLLAND.—To Cfn. and Mrs. Bolland at B.M.H. Mount Kellet, Hong Kong on August 12, 1965—a daughter (Denise Daphne).

Obituary

MAJOR C. A. FLEURY TEULON

Deep regret was caused by the recent death of Charles Fleury Teulon of Hazel Bush House, Stockton-on-the-Forest, York.

He was born in Ireland in 1883 and early in his life inherited the Glenwood Estate in Co. Cork. He was educated at Harrow and the Royal Military College, Sandhurst. Joining the 6th Inniskilling Dragoons in 1903, he served with his Regiment in Ireland, Egypt and India prior to the First World War. A keen athlete, he fenced for the Regiment and the Army winning the Army Foil Championship in Ireland in 1905. Horses were his great love and the sports he enjoyed most were hunting, steeplechasing and pigsticking. He assumed the Mastership of the Mhow Hounds in 1910. These hounds had been brought out to India from England by his great friend and brother officer Laurence (Titus) Oates. In the

top flight of pigstickers prior to 1914, he was twice in the final heats of the Kadir Cup.

Serving right through the First World War in France with the Inniskillings in mounted and dismounted roles, he was present on the last occasion on which the Regiment had a chance to use their swords in action and was mentioned in Despatches. He retired at York in 1922, when the Inniskillings were amalgamated with the 5th Dragoon Guards.

Charles Fleury Teulon was an excellent judge of horses and a quiet but determined horseman. For many years he was a remount officer in Northern Command. He was well known with the Middleton Hounds and with other Northern Packs. Between the wars he had many successes at Point-to-Points. One of his last horses was Ballingule on which he won the Warwickshire Hunt Cup and the Brahan Open and which also was third in the Foxhunters.

A man greatly respected, this charming Irishman with his delightful sense of humour will be sadly missed by his family and all who knew him. Affectionately known as "Boooloo" in the Regiment, he will be especially remembered for his kindness and generosity to all those who sought his help.

He married in 1917 Nora, daughter of the late Col. G. M. Bolster, who predeceased her husband by a few weeks. His son, Capt. B. C. Fleury Teulon joined the Regiment in 1939 and died during the War. He is survived by his daughter June, wife of Brigadier John Ward-Harrison.

CAPT. W. KEMMIS, M.C.

The death occurred in January of Capt. William Kemmis, M.C., who served with the Inniskilling Dragoons in India and during the First World War.

Of a well-known military family, Kemmo was educated at Harrow and the Royal Military College, Sandhurst. He served with the Regiment in India prior to 1914, where he participated actively in every phase of Regimental life. The sports he enjoyed most were polo, race riding and big game hunting, of which there are many trophies in his lovely home at Ballinacor.

He had a distinguished war record, which included the immediate award of the Military Cross for outstanding gallantry in successfully leading an important raid into enemy lines at Hargicourt in 1917.

Capt. Kemmis farmed extensively on his Co. Wicklow estate at Ballinacor, a property which has been in the family for many generations, and at which he maintained a pack of hounds at one period. A lover of animals and an excellent judge of horses he had many breeding successes on his Stud Farm at Moyaliffe, Co. Tipperary, where some notable winners were bred and trained.

Essentially a man of the countryside, he was a noted shot and was never more happy than when shooting over the hills and through the woods on the estate he loved so much. One of his hobbies was training gun dogs, at which he had marked success. Deer stalking in the Scottish Highlands was another activity which brought him many trophies.

A man greatly respected and beloved by all who knew him he will be sadly missed. He will be remembered especially for his uprightness of character, his interest in every good work and his desire to help in every worthy cause.

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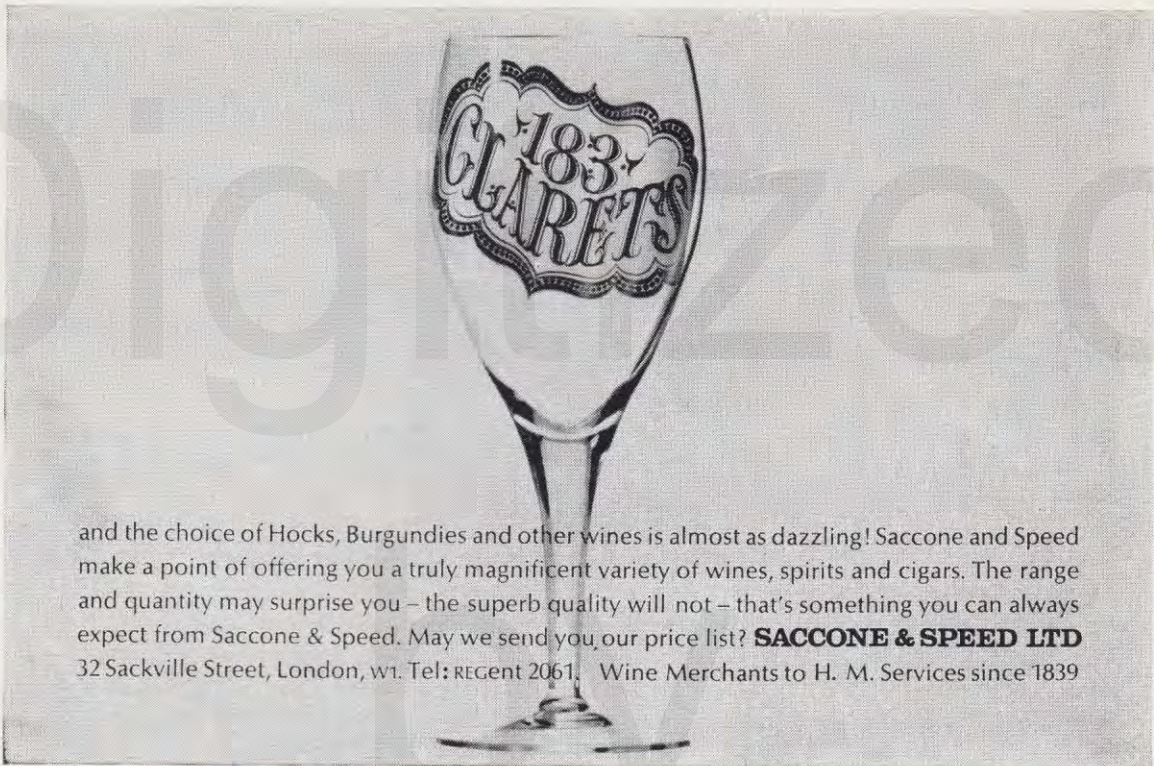
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