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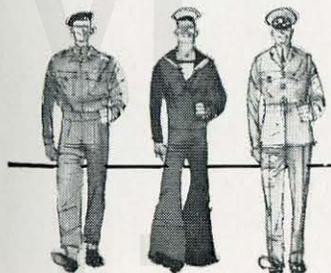
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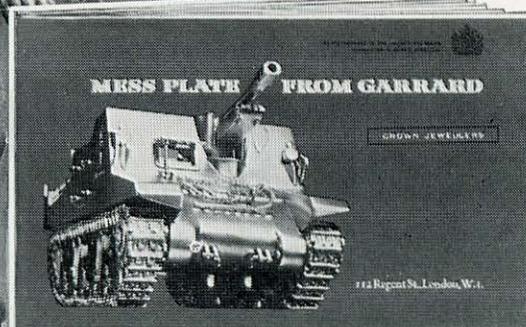
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"Martinique, 1809," "Talavera," "Busaco," "Fuentes d'Onor,"

"Albuhera," "Ciudad Rodrigo," "Badajoz," "Salamanca,"

"Vittoria," "Pyrenees," "Nivelle," "Nive," "Orthes,"

"Toulouse," "Peninsula," "Mooltan," "Goojerat,"

"Punjab," "South Africa, 1851-2-3," "Delhi, 1857,"

"Taku Forts," "Pekin, 1860," "South Africa, 1879,"

"Ahmad Khel," "Kandahar, 1880," "Afghanistan, 1878-80,"

"Tel-el-Kebir," "Egypt, 1882, 1884," "Chitral,"

"Defence of Ladysmith," "Relief of Ladysmith,"

"South Africa, 1899-1902."

### WORLD WAR I.—26 Battalions

"Mons," "Retreat from Mons," "Marne, 1914," "Aisne, 1914,"

"Ypres, 1914, '15, '17, '18," "Langemarck, 1914, '17,"

"Gheluvelt," "Nonne Bosschen," "Givenchy, 1914,"

"Gravenstafel," "St. Julien," "Frezenberg," "Bellewaarde,"

"Aubers," "Festubert, 1915," "Hooge, 1915," "Loos,"

"Somme, 1916, '18," "Albert, 1916, '18," "Bazentin,"

"Delville Wood," "Pozières," "Guillemont,"

"Flers-Courcelette," "Morval," "Le Transloy," "Ancre Heights,"

"Ancre, 1916, '18," "Arras, 1917, '18," "Scarpe, 1917," "Arleux,"

"Messines, 1917, '18," "Pilckem," "Menin Road,"

"Polygon Wood," "Broodseinde," "Poelcappelle,"

"Passchendaele," "Cambrai, 1917, '18," "St. Quentin,"

"Rosières," "Avre," "Lys," "Bailleul," "Kemmel," "Béthune,"

"Bapaume, 1918," "Drocourt-Quéant," "Hindenburg Line,"

"Havrincourt," "Epéhy," "Canal du Nord," "St. Quentin Canal,"

"Beaurevoir," "Courtrai," "Selle," "Sambre," "France and

Flanders, 1914-18," "Italy, 1917-18," "Macedonia, 1915-18."

### WORLD WAR II

"Calais, 1940," "Mont Pincon," "Falaise," "Roer,"

"Rhineland," "Cleve," "Goch," "Hochwald," "Rhone,"

"Drierwalde," "Aller," "North-West Europe, 1940 and 1944-45,"

"Egyptian Frontier, 1940," "Sidi Barrani," "Derna Aerodrome,"

"Tobruk, 1941," "Sidi Rezegh, 1941," "Gazala," "Bir Hacheim,"

"Knightsbridge," "Defence of Alamein Line," "Ruweisat,"

"Fuka Airfield," "Alam el Halfa," "El Alamein,"

"Capture of Halfaya Pass," "Nofilia," "Tebaga Gap,"

"Argoub el Megas," "Tunis," "North Africa, 1940-43,"

"Sangro," "Arezzo," "Coriano," "Lamone Crossing,"

"Argenta Gap," "Italy, 1943-45," "Veve," "Greece, 1941, '44-45,"

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THE BROCKVILLE RIFLES	-	-	-	Brockville Ont.
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Articles for publication in the 1961 Chronicle will be gratefully received; these together with photographs (returned if required) should be forwarded to the Editor, K.R.R.C. Chronicle, The Green Jackets Brigade Depot, Winchester, as early as possible and **not later than November 30.**

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### The Battalion

In December, 1960, the Battalion moved from Ballykinler to Wavell Barracks, Berlin, where they will remain certainly until the end of 1961.

### The Depot

If we believe what we are told, the Depot will leave the Barracks in Winchester in the summer of 1961, and go temporarily to Bushfield Camp, St. Cross, while the architects and contractors modernise the Barracks and build new Officers' and Sergeants' Messes. The Depot is to move back in 1963.

### The Territorial Army

It was sad news for everyone when it was known that two such old and famous Territorial Regiments as The Queen Victoria's Rifles and The Queen's Westminsters were required to amalgamate. On going to press the name of the new Regiment has not been decided but we all wish it every success under its first Commanding Officer, Lt.-Colonel J. N. Butterwick. Major K. N. Loudoun-Shand will be the first second-in-command and Capt. Ian McCausland the first Adjutant—the new Regiment started in January, 1961.

Unfortunately, 169 Green Jacket Infantry Brigade T.A. ceases to exist after a very short life but Brigadier Freddie Mellor remains in Command of 56 London Brigade which will consist of the 60th Battalion, The London Rifle Brigade Rangers, The London Scottish and London Irish.

### Allied and Affiliated Regiments

In April the Regiment sent congratulations to the Queen's Own Rifles of Canada on their Centenary and we were represented at their celebrations in Toronto. A telegram was also sent to The Halifax Rifles who had their hundredth birthday in May, 1960. 1961 sees the Centenary of Victoria Rifles of Canada, who will be having their celebrations in Montreal. Several visits to the Depot were made by Officers of the various Allied Regiments and a 60th representative visited four of the Canadian Regiments in June. The Band and Drill squad of the Gurkha Brigade performed on the Depot Square in September, and were much appreciated by the large audience which attended.



GENERALS SIR HEReward WAKE AND EDWARD O'NEILL

### Regimental Band in New York

The successful visit of the Band to New York is described in some detail in later pages.

### Volume VI Regimental Annals

Everyone will be delighted to hear that Lt.-Colonel H. P. Croom-Johnson, O.B.E., T.D., has offered to write Volume VI of the Regimental Annals and the Club Committee has been pleased to accept his generous offer. Lt.-Colonel Croom-Johnson was in The Queen's Westminsters and served mostly in the 12th Battalion in the Second World War.

### Recruiting

The G.J. Recruiting Committee remains under the Chairmanship of General Sir Gerald Lathbury. Excellent results have been achieved during the year, due to hard work on the part of many people—in spite of this figures are still not good enough and if our target strength of Regular Soldiers is to be reached by the date the last National Serviceman leaves there can be no relaxation and the help of everyone is still urgently required.

### Congratulations

Everyone will wish to join in sending congratulations to Frankie Festing on his promotion to the most distinguished rank of Field-Marshal and to Alec Williams on becoming a Major-General. Tony Hunter should also be congratulated on his promotion to Brigadier, even if he did retire so soon after.

We welcome General Sir Gerald Lathbury as Colonel Commandant the 1st Green Jackets in place of Major-General Sir John Winterton. The Regiment is sad to lose Ben Ryan after 35 years and Fred Vosey after 32 years service, both of whom retired during the year.

Harry and Vi Edwards celebrated their Silver Wedding in March, 1960, and received many congratulations at a small party in the Depot Mess.

### SHOOTING A.R.A. Non Central Matches 1960/61

Many congratulations on the Regiment once again winning the Queen Victoria Trophy.

The results are:

Queen Victoria Trophy: 1st, K.R.R.C.; 3rd, 2/2 G.R.; 4th, R.B.  
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 Unit Rifle: 1st, K.R.R.C.; 2nd, R.B.; 3rd, 2/2 G.R.  
 Company Shield: 1st, C Coy., K.R.R.C.; 3rd, D Coy., 2/2 G.R.; 6th, A Coy., R.B.  
 Hopton Cup: 1st, 10 Pl., K.R.R.C.; 2nd, 12 Pl., 2/2 G.R.; 4th, 3 Pl. 1 Green Jackets.

### EDITOR'S NOTE

The following appreciation of Mr. Welsh has been forwarded by an Officer of the Regiment:

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"His help and generosity over the bicentenary and in the designing of the post-war Mess kit was quite invaluable and with his passing the Regiment has lost a true friend."

The Regiment was represented at his funeral and a wreath was sent on behalf of the Regiment, and also one from the Rifle Brigade. It is felt that all of us who had dealings with Mr. Welsh would like to be associated with the sentiments expressed in the above appreciation, and would like to send our sympathy to his daughter, Mrs. Barbara Wright, who has written an extremely nice letter to thank the Regiment for the wreath. In this letter she says "... the 60th was his life; although he was only Regimental tailor he was a very real part of all of you, and the honour of the Regiment meant as much to him as to any one of you."

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Brigadier G. W. White, M.B.E.	W.O. Adviser on Secondment to Commonwealth and Colonial Forces, War Office, S.W.1.
" J. F. C. Mellor, D.S.O., O.B.E.	Comd. 56th (London) Inf. Bde. (T.A.) (1/2/61-2/62).
Lt.-Colonel H. R. W. Vernon, M.B.E.	C.O. Kenya Regt. (T.F.), P.O. Box 2216, Nairobi.
" R. C. Gibbs, D.S.O., M.C.	Comd. 3 Para Regt., Aldershot

Lt.-Colonel R. F. Nixon, M.B.E. - - Comd. Federation of Malaya A.C. Regt., Malaya.  
 " E. G. B. Davies-Scourfield, M.B.E., M.C. - - C.O. 3rd Green Jackets, The Rifle Brigade.  
 " T. H. Acton, O.B.E. - - C.O. K.R.R.C., 2/59.  
 Major P. H. Parker - - A.O.R.G. Estab., 6/58.  
 " P. Pardoe - - GSO2 Joint Planning Staff, 8/58.  
 Bvt./Lt. Colonel J. H. P. Curtis, M.C. - - GSO1 (CD(2)) War Office, 6/59.  
 Major J. R. C. Radclyffe, M.B.E. - - G. J. Bde. Depot 1/61.  
 " G. H. Mills - - 2 i/c K.R.R.C., 4/60.  
 " C. A. Humphreys, M.C. - - GSO2 (Trg.) H.Q. Allied Forces Northern Europe, 2/60.  
 L/Lt.-Col. E. C. Phillips, M.C. - - M.A. Khartoum, 7/59.  
 Bvt./Lt.-Colonel D. G. House, M.C. - - K.R.R.C 1/61.  
 Major T. E. St. Aubyn - - D.A.A.G. G.J. Bde. Depot, 2/60.  
 L/Lt.-Colonel E. W. W. Bramall, M.C. - - GSO2 (D.S.) Staff College, 5/58.  
 Major R. M. Parker - - U.S. Armed Forces Staff College, 8/60.  
 " T. N. Thistlethwayte - - K.R.R.C. 1/60.  
 Capt. M. P. Hills - - Adj. Q.V.R. (T.A.), 2/59.  
 T/Major J. A. Molesworth St. Aubyn - - K.R.R.C., 1/60.  
 " M. M. V. W. Beak - - GSO2 (MT1) War Office, 2/61.  
 " R. K. Guy, M.B.E. - - D.A.A. & Q.M.G. (Ops.) (Japs) War Office, 1/60.  
 Capt. P. M. Welsh - - Staff College, 1/61.  
 " M. J. Calvert - - GSO3 (Int.) H.O. 11 Inf. Bde. Gp., B.A.O.R., 6/60.  
 " V. F. West - - Adj. K.R.R.C., 12/59.  
 " A. E. K. Karstake - - K.R.R.C., 5/60.  
 " I. Grahame of Claverhouse - - A.D.C. to G.O.C. East Africa, 6/59.  
 " C. J. Holroyd - - 3 K.A.R., 7/58.  
 " A. T. R. Shelley - - Mons O.C.S., 8/59.  
 " I. H. McCausland - - Adj. O.W. (T.A.), 4/60.  
 " C. J. Adami - - Adj. Kenya Regt., 10/60.  
 T/Capt. J. V. Keyte - - A.D.C. to Comd. Berlin, 11/60.  
 " J. W. Mason - - K.R.R.C., 2/60.  
 Lieut. G. P. R. Crossman - - Recce. Coy. Royal Nigerian M.F., 12/58.  
 T/Capt. R. C. F. Leach - - K.R.R.C., 11/57.  
 Lieut. C. J. H. Gurney - - Trg. Offr. Kenya Regt., 8/60.  
 T/Capt. C. L. G. C. Henshaw - - A.D.C. to G.O.C. 2 Div., 1/60.  
 L/Capt. P. B. Mitford-Slade - - K.R.R.C., 10/60.  
 Lieut. J. R. E. Nelson - - K.R.R.C., 1/58.  
 " G. B. S. Hopton - - K.R.R.C., 1/59.  
 " P. Treneer-Michell - - Green Jackets Bde. Depot, 10/60.  
 " A. E. Berry - - K.R.R.C., 1/59.  
 2nd/Lieut. J. A. F. Graham-Wigan - - K.R.R.C., 8/59.  
 " A. S. G. Drew - - K.R.R.C., 1/60.  
 " C. J. H. Bullock - - K.R.R.C., 1/60.  
 " M. H. Eustace - - K.R.R.C., 1/60.  
 " R. M. Gamble - - K.R.R.C., 8/60.  
 " D. C. Gascoigne - - K.R.R.C., 8/60.  
 " D. H. Mead - - K.R.R.C., 8/60.  
 " R. B. Browne-Clayton - - K.R.R.C., 1/61.  
 " D. E. W. Colville - - K.R.R.C., 1/61.

Lieut. M. L. E. Phillips (S.S.C.) - - K.R.R.C., 12/60.  
 " J. J. Burlison (S.S.C.) - - G.J. Bde. Depot, 2/60.  
 " R. R. Montague-Johnson (S.S.C.) - - K.R.R.C., 5/59.  
 2nd/Lieut. Q. N. B. MacLeod (S.S.C.) - - 1/6 G.R., 9/59.  
 " R. P. L. Knight (D.S.S.C.) - - K.R.R.C., 10/60.  
 " J. R. Smithers (S.S.C.) - - K.R.R.C., 11/60.  
 Major (Q.M.) H. P. Edwards, M.B.E. - - G.J. Bde. Depot, 1/58.  
 Capt. (Q.M.) L. P. Grout - - Q.V.R. (T.A.), 2/60.  
 " A. J. Lamb - - Q.W. (T.A.), 6/59.  
 " G. E. Slater, B.E.M. - - K.R.R.C., 2/60.  
 Lieut. (Q.M.) G. R. Shreeve (S.S.C.) - - K.R.R.C., 7/60.

## GREEN JACKETS BRIGADE DEPOT

### STAFF LIST

as at January 13, 1961

Commandant - - Colonel R. A. St. G. Martin, O.B.E.  
 D.A.A.G. (Brigade Adjutant) - - Major T. E. St. Aubyn, K.R.R.C.  
 A/D.A.A.G. - - Lieut.-Colonel A. G. D. Palmer, M.C., R.B.(Ret'd.)  
 Depot Commanding Officer - - Lieut.-Colonel R. A. Flower, M.C., R.B.  
 Depot Adjutant - - Captain S. E. Thistlethwayte, 1 Green Jackets.  
 Quartermaster - - Major (Q.M.) H. P. Edwards, M.B.E., K.R.R.C.  
 O/I.C. Unit Pay Office - - Colonel R. A. Macgeorge, R.B. (Ret'd.)  
 A/R.S.M. - - C.S.M. T. B. Fowley, K.R.R.C.  
 R.Q.M.S. - - R.Q.M.S. F. A. Hinton, 1 Green Jackets.  
 O.R.Q.M.S. - - O.R.Q.M.S. R. S. Robbins, K.R.R.C.  
 Unit Pay Clerk - - W.O.II N. Vessey, R.A.P.C.

### HEADQUARTER COMPANY

Officer Commanding - - Major J. R. C. Radclyffe, M.B.E., K.R.R.C.  
 C.S.M. - - C.S.M. M. McAleer, K.R.R.C.

### JUNIOR SOLDIERS WING

O. I/C. - - Captain D. J. Ramsbotham, R.B.  
 Subaltern - - Lieut. J. J. Burlison, K.R.R.C.  
 Brigade Bandmaster - - Bandmaster R. Rodgers, A.R.C.M., K.R.R.C.

### TRAINING COMPANY

Officer Commanding - - Major J. H. Hanscombe, R.B.  
 Training Officer and 2 I/C. Trg. Coy. - - Captain B. E. A. Pascoe, 1 Green Jackets.  
 Subalterns - - Lieut. J. S. Ralli, R.B.  
 2nd/Lieut. N. C. Bennett, 1 Green Jackets.  
 2nd/Lieut. P. Treneer-Michell.  
 2nd/Lieut. M. G. M. Haines, R.B.  
 C.S.M. - - C.S.M. T. B. Fowley, K.R.R.C.

R.H.Q., 1 Green Jackets	Lieut.-Colonel J. Granville, 1 Green Jackets (Ret'd.).
	Lieut.-Colonel D. C. S. Sinclair, O.B.E., Royal Berkshire Regt. (Ret'd.).
R.H.Q., K.R.R.C.	- Brigadier R. A. T. Eve, C.B.E., K.R.R.C. (Ret'd.).
	Major C. J. Wilson, K.R.R.C. (Ret'd.).
R.H.Q., R.B.	- Colonel W. P. S. Curtis, O.B.E., R.B. (Ret'd.).
	Brigadier F. Stephens, C.B.E., D.S.O., R.B. (Ret'd.).

## ATTACHED OFFICERS

M.O./I.C. Troops,	Brigadier T. I. Dun, D.S.O., M.C., late
Winchester -	R.A.M.C. (Ret'd.).
P.S.O. -	- Major E. A. Peake, 1 Green Jackets.
Padre -	- Rev. J. H. M. Llewlyn, M.A., C.F.
Education Officer	- Captain G. A. Lewis, R.A.E.C.
	Lieut. K. D. E. Glazebrook, B.A., R.A.E.C.
	Lieut. B. A. Kent, B.A., R.A.E.C.
Dental Officer -	- Captain T. J. Miall, B.D.S., C.D.S., R.O.S., R.A.D.C.



EX-SGT. F. S. (JAGGER) HALL, M.M., AND Rfn. (CHARLIE) ROBINSON, COMBINED AGES 175 YEARS, TAKEN AT THE DEPOT DURING THE 1960 ARMISTICE WEEKEND OF THE HAMPSHIRE BRANCH K.R.R.C. ASSOCIATION

The Editor much regrets to announce that Rfn. (Charlie) Robinson has died since the above photograph was taken.

## DEPOT LETTER

1960 has been a memorable year for the Depot for it has seen an avalanche of National Servicemen pour through, filling the Barracks until they were bulging and leaving no room to swing the proverbial cat. The year built up to a crescendo of activity until in December the last National Serviceman reported for duty on his own and three weeks late.

Now that Christmas is over and the last National Serviceman is packing his kitbag, a temporary lull has hit us as if the main engine has suddenly been switched off. The lull is to be short lived for the emphasis is now to be on recruiting and the Depot is once again getting into its stride; already we are inviting civilians to come and see what the Army is like for themselves by spending a week-end with us at Winchester. The last two such occasions have been great successes and we entertained 59 guests in November and 79 in December; many have said they will be back after Christmas and we are now awaiting their arrival. Our guests certainly enjoyed the visits and were not deterred by the rain or the bevy of press photographers and TV mechanics who turned out in force. We have planned further weekends in January, February and March—provided the Command Secretary is willing.

The scheme is being extended to include any takers at any time and we already have half a dozen on the books.

Plans are going ahead for the move to Bushfield this summer and the modernisation of Upper Barracks; of these so far there is little evidence of either except for a new layer of tarmac on the square at Bushfield and one or two sizeable holes scattered around the Depot which have already accounted for more than one set of car springs.

As usual we have had a Passing Out Parade on the average of once or twice a month, and they have given a great deal of pleasure both to the older generation of Riflemen and to the parents and friends who come down from London for these occasions in ever-increasing numbers.

We have had as many as 150 spectators and four Platoons on the Parade but with the end of National Service these numbers will fall.

Amongst those who have kindly taken these Parades this year have been the C.I.G.S. Field-Marshal Sir Francis Festing, General Winterton, Brigadiers Read, Fyffe, Mellor, and Darling, Colonels

Montgomery, and Hunter. In future we hope to ask famous ex-Riflemen to take these Parades.

The Depot Shooting Team has had considerable success during the year especially at the Aldershot District Rifle Meeting where the team tied with 4th Training Battalion R.E.M.E. for the Coronation Cup. We also won:

W.O.s and Sgts.' L.M.G. Match (Pairs) Overall Winners—Q.M.S.I. Lawrence and Sgt. Hackett.

The L.M.G. Championship—Q.M.S.I. Lawrence and Sgt. Hackett.

Pistol Match (O.R.s)—Q.M.S.I. Lawrence.

The Individual Revolver Championship Overall Winner—Q.M.S.I. Lawrence.

Minor Unit Championship.

Special mention must be made of the team of recruits who convincingly won the Recruits Rifle Match, repeating their success of the year before.

Our successes at Bisley this year were not as numerous as before although Q.M.S.I. Lawrence finished 11th in the Army Hundred and the Depot Team finished 4th in the R.A.S.C. Cup.

Our Cricket record has been a little disappointing and we seem to have succeeded in losing more matches than we have actually won. However we managed, during Green Jackets Week, in spite of the water, to have a great deal of fun.

The Massed Bands Concert given on the Friday of Green Jackets Week by the Bands of the Rifle Brigade and 43rd and 52nd drew over 2,000 spectators from Winchester and was once again acclaimed a tremendous success. We were very sorry that the 60th band had to return hurriedly to Ireland and so was unable to play.

Our Hockey Team, captained by Capt. B. E. A. Pascoe 43/52, has been our main success in the sporting world. After a somewhat unpromising start to the season the team, ably supported by Colonel Martin and Major Hay-Will, amazed everybody by winning the Aldershot District Minor Units Cup. We seem to have a strong team again this year and have been reinforced by Capt. Ramsbotham. We have had a large cosmopolitan collection of visitors throughout the year with Capt. Fisan Palm from Sweden, Major da Costa from Portugal, Major Abrahams from India, Lt. Vakatora from Fiji and Brigadier James O. Boswell the U.S. Military Attaché.

We were delighted to see something of the Gurkha detachment when it was in England during the summer and were most impressed by their Massed Brigade Bands during the Retreat and by the remarkable display so capably performed by their Drill squad.

We have once again been visited by numerous cadet units at weekends. The most important of which was Easter, when about 60 Cadets of the 1st Cadet Battalion K.R.R.C. came down, and August Bank Holiday when we were delighted to have the K.R.R.C., R.B. and Owens School Cadets.

Other weekend visitors have been cadets from Philip Magnus School, Portsmouth Section A.C.F., Tulse Hill School, Martindale Road Youth Club, Hants A.C.F. and the Dorset A.C.F., all of which have kept Major Hanscombe and his staff fairly busy.

Arrivals and departures have been too frequent to record but the permanent staff have been joined by Capt. Ramsbotham who has taken over from Capt. Tarleton and Major Radclyffe who is taking over from Major Hay-Will. Capt. Pascoe has succeeded Capts. Mitford-Slade and Mason as Training Officer.

The year has ended on a high note as all ranks are delighted to hear that R.S.M. Cooper has been Commissioned. We are of course sorry that he is leaving us and going out to the Singapore Guard Regiment, but we shall watch with interest to see if he can prevent those illustrious Guardsmen "lifting up their feet 12 in. and putting them down 14 in." We have every confidence.

July was marred by the sudden death whilst on duty at the Depot of Sergeant Howard on the 20th. He was not only an outstanding young N.C.O. but also a most charming person and the Depot and the Regiment generally have suffered a great loss by his death.

The sympathy of all in the Regiment and of his many friends at the Depot goes out to Mrs. Howard in her tragic loss.



"C" COMPANY GUARD INSPECTED BY C.I.G.S.  
 Left to Right.—Lieut.-Colonel Acton, O.B.E., Field-Marshal Sir Francis Festing, Sgt. Harper, Rfn. Jackson,  
 Rfn. Gibbs, Rfn. Impey, Rfn. Lefeuvre, Rfn. Shaylor, Rfn. Moore.

THE BATTALION  
 2nd GREEN JACKETS  
 THE KING'S ROYAL RIFLE CORPS

List of Officers, 1960

Rank and Name	Joined Bn.	Left Bn.
Lieut.-Col. T. H. Acton, O.B.E.	16- 1-59	
Major R. F. Nixon, M.B.E.	1- 1-59	14- 4-60
" G. H. Mills	5- 4-60	
" J. R. C. Radclyffe, M.B.E.	13- 6-56	
" C. R. Humphreys, M.C.	17- 5-57	21- 2-60
" H. J. W. Newton, M.B.E.	20- 8-59	
" T. E. St Aubyn	28-10-57	7- 2-60
" T. N. Thistlethwayte	28- 1-60	
" (Q.M.) F. N. Voysey	1- 6-59	24- 7-60
T./Major J. A. Molesworth-St. Aubyn	10- 1-60	
" M. M. V. W. Beak	30-11-56	12-12-59
" J. St. C. Simmons	7- 7-59	
Capt. G. R. W. Carter	1- 6-59	12-12-59
" C. G. N. Campbell	16- 1-60	
" M. J. Calvert	2- 4-59	2- 6-60
" V. F. West	2-12-59	
" A. E. K. Karlake	30- 5-60	
" (Q.M.) L. P. Grout	27- 2-57	18- 2-60
" Slater, B.E.M.	18- 2-60	
T./Capt. I. H. McCausland	30- 4-58	29- 4-60
" J. V. Keyte	18- 4-60	
" J. W. Mason	21- 2-60	
" R. C. F. Leach	6-11-57	
Lieut. C. J. H. Gurney	18- 2-56	20- 8-60
" C. L. G. G. Henshaw	26- 3-58	29- 1-60
" J. R. E. Nelson	22- 1-58	
" C. B. C. Hopton	14-12-58	
Lieut. (Q.M.) G. R. Shreeve	19- 1-57	
2nd/Lieut. P. Treneer-Michell	14-12-58	1- 1-60
" A. E. Berry	1- 6-59	
" P. S. W. K. Maclure	26- 2-59	26- 7-60
" J. J. Burlison	24- 4-59	20- 2-60
" R. R. Montague-Johnstone	24- 4-59	
" J. A. F. Graham-Wigan	25- 8-59	
" R. N. Allen-Smith	22- 9-59	
" A. S. G. Drew	19- 1-60	
" C. J. D. Bullock	19- 1-60	
" M. H. Eustace	19- 1-60	
" R. M. Gamble	22- 8-60	
" D. C. Gascoigne	22- 8-60	
" D. H. Mead	22- 8-60	
" R. P. L. Knight	16-10-60	
" M. L. E. Phillips	21-12-58	1- 9-60
ATTACHED OFFICERS		
Major R. W. S. Moon, R.A.P.C.	1-12-55	6- 6-60
Capt. M. H. Mossop, R.A.P.C.	6- 5-60	
" J. R. Miller, R.A.M.C.		
Rev. T. J. Jones—now with Rifle Brigade, R.A.CH.D. (C.F.)	9- 5-60	
2nd/Lieut. W. G. Robertson, R.A.E.C.	25- 7-60	

## ROLL OF SERGEANTS' MESS MEMBERS

November 1, 1960

R.S.M.	-	-	-	W.O.I T. Byrne.
Bandmaster	-	-	-	W.O.I E. Jeanes.
R.Q.M.S.	-	-	-	W.O. II J. Sanderson.
O.R.Q.M.S.	-	-	-	W.O.II R. Prickett.
Bugle Major	-	-	-	W.O.II R. Silver.
C.S.M. H.Q. Company	-	-	-	W.O.II C. Harthill.
C./Sgt. H.Q. Company	-	-	-	C./Sgt. W. Ballard.
Q.M. Staff:				
Battalion Armourer	-	-	-	S./Sgt. D. Everitt, R.E.M.E.
Accn. Sgt.	-	-	-	Sgt. D. Gee.
Pioneer Sgt.	-	-	-	Sgt. B. Wells.
Q.M. Sgt.	-	-	-	Sgt. R. Pryke.
Provost Sgt.	-	-	-	Sgt. P. Edwards.
Provost Sgt. Designate	-	-	-	Sgt. R. Taylor.
Mess Caterer Sgt.	-	-	-	Sgt. E. Mitchell.
Officers' Mess Sgt.	-	-	-	Sgt. C. Owen.
Sigs. Sgt.	-	-	-	Sgt. P. Pope.
Band C./Sgt.	-	-	-	C./Sgt. G. Barker.
Band Sgt.	-	-	-	Sgt. G. Washington.
Band Sgt.	-	-	-	Sgt. D. White.
Pay Office	-	-	-	S./Sgt. R. Freeborn, R.A.P.C.
G.D.	-	-	-	Sgt. J. Calderwood, R.A.P.C.
M.I. Sgt.	-	-	-	Sgt. R. Alsop.
Orderly Room	-	-	-	Sgt. R. Beardon.
Intelligence Sgt.	-	-	-	Sgt. A. Chipperfield.
P.T.I.	-	-	-	S./Sgt. D. Mackley.

## "A" COMPANY

C.S.M.	-	-	-	W.O.II W. Hawkes.
C./Sgt.	-	-	-	C./Sgt. L. Airey.
Platoon Sgts.	-	-	-	Sgt. F. Lerwill.
				Sgt. R. Hayden.
				Sgt. B. Harrison.

## "B" COMPANY

C.S.M.	-	-	-	W.O.II L. Fee.
C./Sgt.	-	-	-	C./Sgt. J. Curzon.
W.T.W.O.	-	-	-	W.O.II F. Massingham.
M.T. C./Sgt.	-	-	-	C./Sgt. W. Potter.
Tech. Stores	-	-	-	Sgt. R. Fowler.
Fitter	-	-	-	Sgt. W. Blackie, R.E.M.E.
3 in. Mortar	-	-	-	Sgt. F. Dudley.

## "C" COMPANY

C.S.M.	-	-	-	W.O.II S. Solomon.
C./Sgt.	-	-	-	C./Sgt. R. Kent.
Platoon Sgts.	-	-	-	Sgt. M. Harper.
				Sgt. B. Wigger.
				Sgt. F. Robbins.

## "D" COMPANY

C.S.M.	-	-	-	W.O.II L. Jones.
C./Sgt.	-	-	-	C./Sgt. S. Skinner.
Platoon Sgts.	-	-	-	Sgt. D. Yeatman.
				Sgt. P. McCann.
				Sgt. J. Wynne.

## GENERAL

The reader of the 1959 Chronicle will have noted the many difficulties encountered on the move from Tripoli to Ballykinler, and may wonder how our next move—to Berlin—will fare. There is a portent, however. In the last paragraph of the same account occurs the statement "we have already been told officially that the Lancashire Regiment will be relieving us." That the relieving Regiment is now officially the Cheshire Regiment is encouraging; it means that Higher Authority is refining its accuracy to the nearest county!

In last year's admirable account by Roger Nixon a clear picture of Ballykinler and soldiering in Ulster was given. It remains this year to indicate how far we have progressed in all activities towards Colonel Tom's aim of laying the foundation of a happy and efficient regular Battalion.

November was an active month on all fronts. Our new Brigade Colonel, Colonel Andy Martin, late of the 43rd and 52nd, visited us and toured the barracks fully, visiting the Sergeants' Mess and Corporals' Club.

Shortly afterwards a very successful Battalion Show was produced in the old gym. To Peter Treneer-Michell must go the honours as producer and participator, while C.S.M. Massingham as compère kept the audience on tenterhooks by nearly cleaning up one of his stories.

On November 30, the Battalion produced the enemy for Exercise "Winged Coachman," set in Antrim to test the mobility of certain strategic reserve units. Our contribution consisted of Battalion H.Q. and a composite company; the latter was formed from H.Q. and one platoon of D Company, under Henry Newton, and two platoons from the N.C.O.'s cadre under Raymond Nelson and Peter Treneer-Michell; the other company came from the Royal Sussex.

Very cold weather with falls of sleet and snow on the Antrim hills held up the attackers' airlift and deployment. Our activities as a heavily controlled enemy progressed as planned, except when D Company's commissariat went astray. The C.S.M., acting as C/Sgt., found himself in hostile territory and was captured, although Sgt. Potter in the role of a driver brilliantly brought home the "chuck wagon." One of the unforgettable memories of the exercise was the contrasting reactions of the Battalions of our

opponents to the problems of black-out and winter campaigning. In the English position the very rattle of a box of matches brought roars of "Put that . . . light out" while the neighbouring Highlanders squatted comfortably round peat fires reminiscent of a Peninsula picquet line.

On December 10, the Christmas leave period began and, with only two Companies allowed away at a time, lasted till January 17. B and D Companies were lucky enough to get Christmas at home, while A and C left in time for the New Year. This meant that no major activities could take place, but it was a suitable occasion for the inevitable change-overs.

Val West returned from the 2nd Gurkhas to take over from Vivian Beak as Adjutant, the latter going to the Staff College. Tommy St. Aubyn handed over A Company to "Mole" St. Aubyn and left for the Depot. Charlie Humphreys likewise handed over C to Noel Thistlethwayte and departed to Oslo. C.S.M.s Balls (H.Q.) and Newton (A) handed over to C.S.M.s Harthill and Hawkes, while C/Sgt. Airey joined A Company. We were sorry to see so many old friends leave us, but the timing of the change fitted the cycle very well.

February included with profit a spring-clean of the mental attics of the senior ranks of the Battalion. Preliminary vacuum-cleaner treatment began with the firing of the King George and Royal Irish non-Central Matches in snow and sleet. C.S.M.s Eves and Hawkes had the best scores, while Henry Newton surprised some of the pundits with two L.M.G. possibles. The final dusting was achieved by four Battalion T.E.W.T.S. in the hills, where the vulgar selected vital ground for its resemblance to Hollywood silhouettes rather than on sound Warminster doctrinal lines.

The highlight in March was a visit by the C.I.G.S., General (now Field Marshal) Sir Francis Festing, Colonel Commandant of the Rifle Brigade. He inspected a Guard of Honour found by A Company under Sgt. Harper and visited B and D Companies on the range. In the evening he dined with us, in company with the G.O.C. in C, the Chief of Staff and our Brigade Commander, and was kind enough to say that the day spent with a Green Jacket Battalion had cheered him enormously.

The latter half of March was spent by B and D Companies in classification and, despite high winds, results were encouraging

A and C Companies followed on in April, with Company Shield and Hopton Cup non-Central Matches being fired immediately after. This was the Battalion's first classification with the S.L.R. and the last with the .303 Bren. The current rifle course is a practical test of firing under field conditions, but the Marksman standards have been set somewhat too low. Our aim must be to coach the large number of double Marksmen now in the Battalion well enough to retain their badges next year when the standard will undoubtedly be raised.

On the social side a splendid evening was spent watching an excellent performance of "Carpet Slippers," an Oriental "Alf's Button." Casting and scenery were admirable and acting was uniformly high. Among the larger parts were those played by O.R.Q.M.S. Prickett, Sgt. Chipperfield, Christopher Leach and Alistair Graham-Wigan and for the ladies Mrs. Shreeve, Mrs. Jeanes and Mrs. Sanderson. The whole production was put on by Padre Jones as his swan-song. Mention must be made here of how admirably he served the Battalion and how pleased we are that his posting to the Rifle Brigade has kept him with the Green Jackets.

In mid-April Roger Nixon handed over to Giles Mills as 2nd I.C. and left to command the Malayan Reconnaissance Regiment with the good wishes of the whole Battalion. We gather that an aperitif of super ceremonial and Congo expeditionary planning greeted him on arrival. At the same time R.S.M. Shreeve handed over to R.S.M. Byrne, the former attending a Bordon course before taking over as M.T.O. from Fred Voysey.

In early May the Battalion Sports had to be postponed until the following morning after the onset of one of those deluges to which we were later to become inured. Our success in reaching the Army Final is outlined later in the account.

The same week the B Company Mortar and M.M.G. Platoons, formed the previous autumn, gave a fire-power demonstration to the rest of the Battalion. Considering that there was virtually no rehearsal owing to range restrictions, the Mortars under Raymond Nelson and Sgt. Dudley and the Machine Guns under Carol Gurney and Sgt. Mason showed that the winter had not been wasted. James Simmons was, however, heard reminding the Colonel during one embarrassing moment that the mortar was an area weapon.



M.M.G. PLATOON AT FIRE-POWER DEMONSTRATION  
RFN. COLLARD



"A" COMPANY DRILL SQUAD PRACTISING FOR ARMY DAY  
Leading centre rank: Rfn. Jones. Leading first rank: L/Cpl. Pyne.

At this demonstration the Battalion saw for the first time the General Purpose Machine Gun (G.P.M.G.). Earlier in the year the Battalion had been selected by the War Office to carry out trials on this Machine Gun, in the search for a weapon which would replace both Bren and Vickers and cut down the specialisation necessitated by the latter. Henry Newton took all D Company Officers and N.C.O.s, with those of the Machine Gun Platoon, to a short but intensive course at Hythe. They then returned to teach the riflemen of the Company, who were simultaneously equipped with combat clothing and the new 1958 pattern equipment.

The G.P.M.G. is made by Fabrique Nationale of Belgium, who made the S.L.R., and fires the N.A.T.O. 7.62 round, loaded in belts. From May until the end of July D Company carried out a series of exhaustive and exhausting trials on the gun in the Light and Sustained Fire roles. Boffins came and went, including one who tacked respirator experiments on to the main trials, and ironmongery arrived at dead of night by air. Henry Newton featured in some skilful verbal fencing on TV and the Press were surprised to find we could print our own hand-outs. A report has been written and there, from our point of view, the matter rests; on the credit side was the amount of range experience gained by the Company.

In mid-May the Battalion balanced the tedium of running the Brigade and Northern Ireland Command Rifle Meetings by winning every single trophy. Prize giving by the C-in-C was a pleasantly Regimental party and a reward to John Mason and C.S.M. Solomon of the Weapon Training Staff for the hard work.

Field-firing by A and C Companies followed immediately. One exercise, held among drifts of primroses and bluebells, involved the stalk and clearance of a bandit camp. Realistic denim-clad dummies lounged around a crater, inviting shot and sword; the fact that a C Company Bren Group nearly added the 2nd I.C. and their Company Commander to the "various" column merely underlines the realism.

The Whitsun week-end provided an admirable excuse for the bachelors to invite out a host of pretty and charming girls who were chaperoned on B.E.A. by such welcome characters as Roy and Alec Eve and Tommy St. Aubyn. Not least was Grismond Davies-Scourfield, shortly to take over command of the Rifle Brigade, who obviously approved of the gay round of dancing and aquatics organised by James Simmons.

In June A and then C Company went out to camp for three weeks platoon training. A chose Gosford Park for preliminaries and then moved to the foot of Tullynasoo Mountain. C occupied an excellent site near Slieve Croob, and on both Companies the sun shone—if we had only known it, for almost the last time in 1960. The Colonel's Platoon Exercises in a fiendishly deceptive series of hollows along the shores of the bay near Murlough House went very well. Despite the heat and "bangs" of C/Sgt. Fee the platoons took on bracken, briar and bramble and other obstacles to a stream of equally alliterative oaths. To some hearers the soothing injunction of Platoon Commanders to "press on—it's only mortaring" sounded strangely like the wartime Higher Formations. However, the alertness and control at all levels was of a high order and was maintained throughout the summer.

During June the Battalion started the first military Karting Club in Northern Ireland. Formed under Mike Phillips, who handed over to Colin Campbell, on going to the Depot, it has been very active and has reached the maximum membership of 100. Special mention must be made of Sgt. Blackie, R.E.M.E., as Pits Manager and Sgts. Wynne and Hayden as owner-drivers. A very cheerful and hardworking set of members have held "at home" matches with members of the Portrush Karting Club, who vote our square the best circuit in Ulster. The Karts go with us to Berlin.

C Company escaped on block leave just before the July shipping strike complicated Ulster travel. While D Company were finishing the G.P.M.G. trials, A Company were rehearsing a drill squad for Army Day. The theme this year was "The Army At Home" and the Royal Sussex were hosts at Palace Barracks, Holywood, with every intimate aspect of a soldier's in-barracks life revealed to Mum and the children. Our contributions included the A Company drill squad under C.S.M. Hawkes, who in No. 1 Dress gave a very polished display of drill, mostly "silent." We produced six Riflemen for an impressive squad of gymnasts; their emotions were difficult to conceal when paraded with the W.R.A.C. trampoline team, whose figures were definitely pneumatique. The Band and Bugles, recently returned from their New York tour, of which a detailed account is given separately, were flown over in Comets to beat the shipping strike and took part nobly in many displays. The fallen arches and long-trying patience of Giles Mills and C.S.M. Massingham, as producers of the displays on the

square, were "chargeable to normal" as the Railways accountants say.

Staying with us for a month at this time was No. 4 Company of the Irish Guards, commanded by Giles Alan, whose father was in the Rifle Brigade and is known for his kindness to fishermen at the Depot. The Company took part in Army Day and recruiting tours and provided most pleasant verbal sparring partners in the Mess. Tact averted the only potential crisis; this was when Colin Campbell was heard complaining to the Colonel that if "those Guardsmen go on stamping, they'll ruin our Karting track" (known appropriately as The Square in units which are not "with it").

By careful planning it was possible to fit in cadres for Junior N.C.O.s, signallers and drivers in July. Standards achieved on these were most heartening and were confirmed by performance on Battalion Training, which started when A and D Companies returned from leave in mid-August. As in 1959 the administrative considerations of baths at Magilligan and social activities in Portrush drew us to the northern part of the Sperrin Mountains. A Company chose a wooded site by a stream, where Subalterns were inspected by "Mole" before breakfast, treading water to attention in six feet of peat brew. Noel placed canteen amenities high for C and his camp included a series of byres, each of which was a ready-made setting for "Journey's End." Henry Newton's West African training dictated that D should occupy a desirable slope where portage by head-load was the only answer. James Simmons's passion for fishing made a site on the banks of Roe inevitable for B Company. It was perhaps ironic that the only salmon was caught when he was away—and that by chemical warfare.

After a few days at Magilligan and a week-end spent on the Brigade Signals Exercise, Battalion H.Q. was joined by B Company on Limavady airfield and a day exercise between A and C Companies was run. It ended with a splendid battle among the cliffs of Ben Niveragh where the echoes, very lights fired rather low from peak to peak and—could it have been?—a ricochet made Wellington in the Pyrenees seem tame.

The next fixture was a Battalion Defence Exercise, but here the weather intervened. At Magilligan in 1960 it can definitely be recorded that it rained every day, but often it was a narrow squall of the "Splendid, that's got the Echelon" variety. However, an

official 5 inches in 24 hours would even keep the pot boiling in Assam, and it was decided to treat the establishment of the Battalion in Magilligan and its complete drying-out in 24 hours as a worth-while and timely operation. George Slater earned the title of Hero of the Quartermasters Union by ignoring a bout of influenza and producing 1,000 dry blankets and 300 pairs of socks, while R.Q.M.S. Sanderson prepared camp. The aim was achieved and in addition a pleasant Battalion set-piece attack was organised to allow the buglers and signallers some exercise in the sand dunes under C.S.M. Solomon and Sgt. Beardon.

For the Battalion 3-day exercise we had been loaned a splendid recruit platoon from the North Irish Brigade. In their role as tribesmen they hotly resisted the Battalion's advance to clear a pass—with the exception of one National Serviceman of London origin who, when he found we were fellow Cockneys, always volunteered for the forlorn hope and was as regularly captured and given cigarettes.

C Company on Donalds Hill and at the quarry and D at Potbridge had the best of the first day. That night R.S.M. Byrne in repelling raiders on Battalion H.Q. suffered total immersion in a pool and was thereafter reduced to a Monroe sweater.

Next day was spent in closing in on the tribal stronghold and locating it. D Company were pin-pricked by infiltration and A had a satisfying series of encounter battles. After much hard patrolling in the hills David Mead, newly joined, located the enemy camp and plans were made to clear it at dawn. D made a splendid night march over the mountain, A closed in and C prepared to clear the camp. Dead on time M.M.G. and mortar fire were heard, identifying lights went up and in a series of smoke screens worthy of a fleet action the battle was on. The infamous tribal leader was killed by A Company and all returned to a good breakfast, well earned.

A splendid final dinner of lobster and salmon (caught by James) prepared us for the short Brigade exercise. This involved an 80-mile approach march during which we were mounted as Lorried Infantry. After a night in a concentration area we advanced on two routes against a skeleton enemy from the 11th Hussars. Progress was so rapid and the Colonel's divination of the final objective so accurate that it was decided that the exercise would finish that night if we could switch routes and put in a Battalion attack before last light. Thereafter life became the realisation of

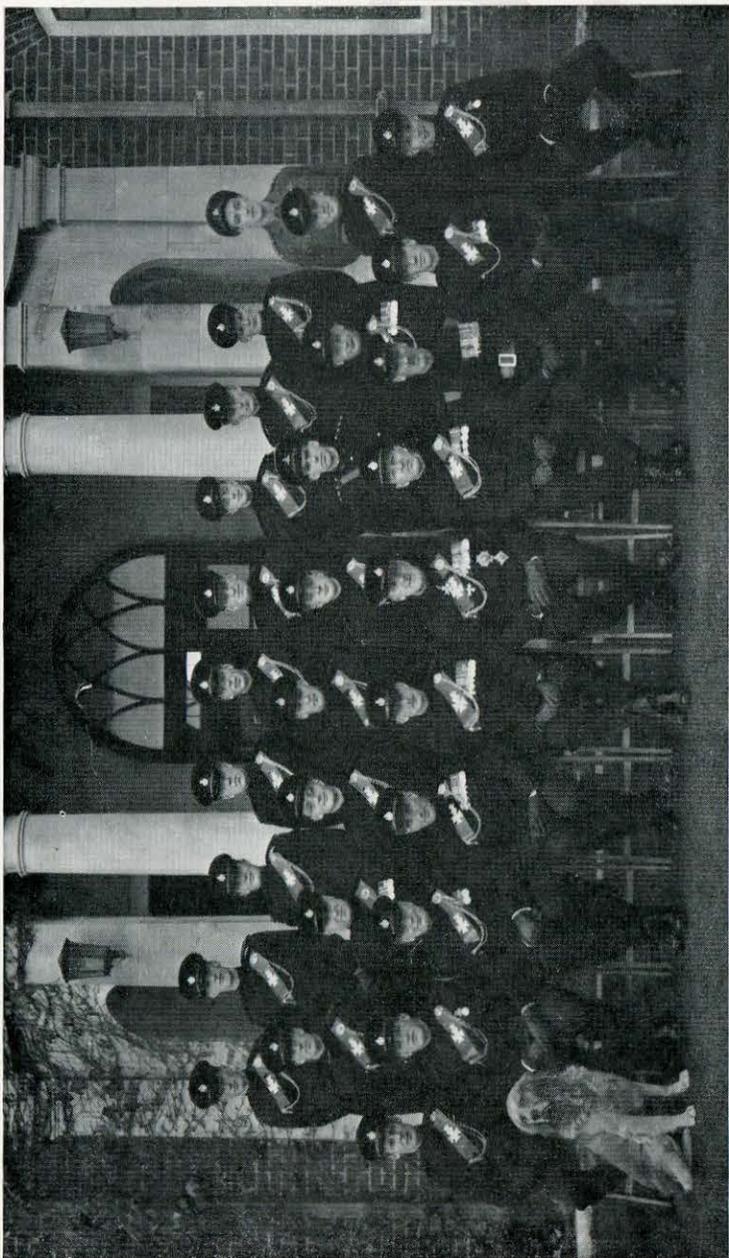
a Staff College candidate's jottings on time and space and deployment drill. It is adequate comment on the progress of the Battalion in operating efficiency that, despite terrible roads, boggy fields and wide dispersion, the attack went in with both assaulting companies having had a hot meal. As a result a tuneful convoy wound its way back to Ballykinler to be greeted with tea and sympathy from the irrepressible Jim Radclyffe.

Last September we thought an idle month; the twin employments of Casual classification and the remaining non-Central matches had to be balanced against the preliminaries for the Administrative Inspection in mid-October. Thanks to steady effort on all fronts the frankly shabby barrack block which we inherited has been systematically brightened with every possible contemporary colour scheme and kits and clothing have needed less of an effort. Steady practice in sword drill has rendered some of the older non-Sandhurst Officers slightly less lethal as neighbours on parade, but there is still no guarantee that a flying scabbard won't prove someone's downfall. All of this has been interlarded with a whirl of Physical Efficiency tests, Young Officers pre-Hythe coaching, and football and novice boxing.

Brigadier Wheeler, late R.U.R., carried out our Annual Administrative Inspection on October 14. The Parade was held in crisp sunny weather and went well, though the drill lacked polish. Although we have not yet seen the final report it is sufficient to say that Officers did not have to lean against cupboard doors for fear that skeletons would tumble out.

As we had told the Brigade Staff this was merely a rehearsal for the Colonel Commandant's visit. General Euan arrived by air on October 18 and dined in the Mess that night after visiting the Corporals' Club. Also dining were Lieut.-General Sir Douglas Packard, Brigadier Wheeler and not least Fred Voysey. Fred has now retired to live near Belfast after a splendid career as R.S.M. of both Battalions, Quartermaster and M.T.O., and we took this occasion of inviting him to dine and to accept a silver cigarette box as evidence of the regard of his fellow Officers.

A gale blew during the night and it is worth noting that on a parade, which was remarked on for its steadiness and the high standard of Officers' sword drill, all four Company Commanders had taken part in a successful morning flight after dining very well. The Parade itself was held in grey but adequate conditions and was watched by a number of guests who later lunched with

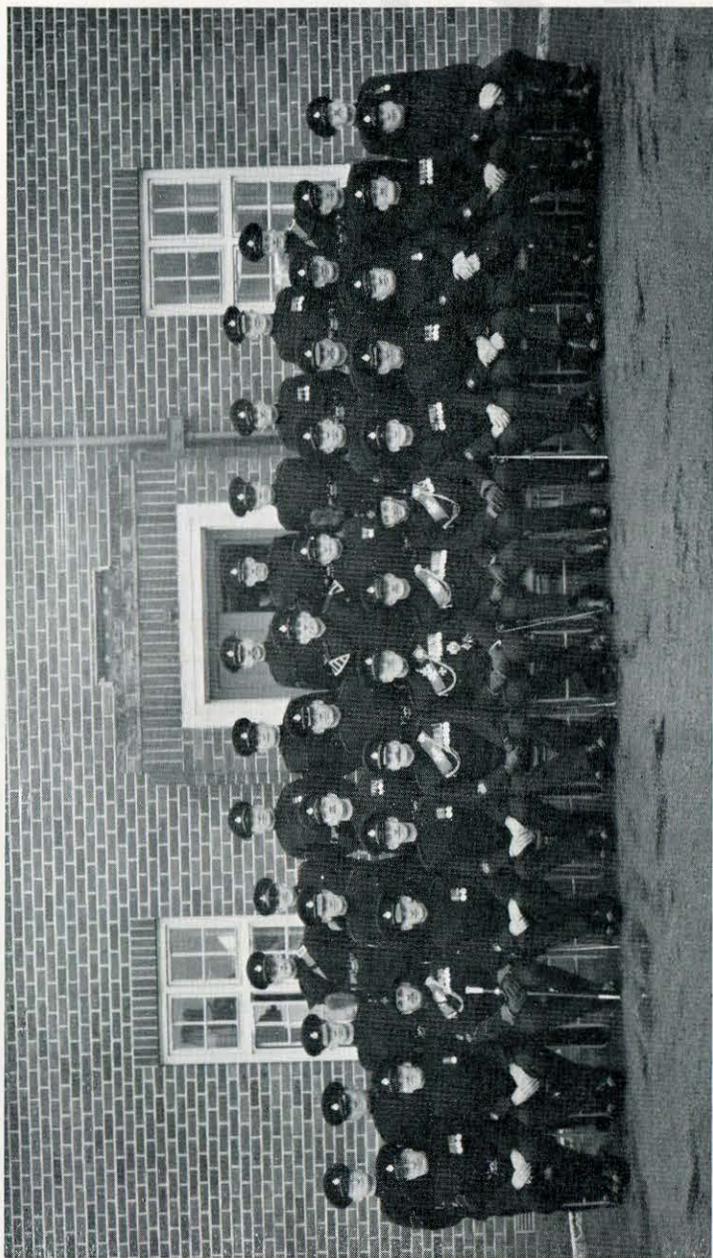


VISIT OF THE COLONEL COMMANDANT TO BALLYKINLER ON OCTOBER 19, 1960.—OFFICERS' MESS, K.R.R.C.  
*Back row*—2/Lieut. R. R. Montague-Johnstone, 2/Lieut. M. H. Eustace, 2/Lieut. R. M. Gamble, 2/Lieut. D. C. Gascoigne, 2/Lieut. A. S. G. Drew, 2/Lieut. A. N. Allan-Smith, 2/Lieut. R. P. L. Knight, 2/Lieut. D. H. Mead, 2/Lieut. C. J. D. Bullock, Captain J. R. Miller, R.A.M.C.  
*Centre row*—Lieut. J. R. E. Nelson, Lieut. (Q.M.) G. R. Shreeve, Captain A. E. K. Karslake, Captain J. V. Keyte, Captain R. C. F. Leach, Captain M. H. Mossop, R.A.P.C., Captain (Q.M.) G. E. Slater, B.E.M., Captain J. W. Mason.  
*Front row*—Captain C. G. N. Campbell, Major J. St. C. Simmons (and Simba), Major J. A. Molesworth St. Aubyn, Major J. R. C. Radclyffe, M.B.E., Lieut.-Colonel T. H. Acton, O.B.E., Lieut.-General Sir Euan Miller, K.C.B., K.B.E., D.S.O., M.C., D.L., Colonel Commandant, Major G. H. Mills, Major E. W. Newton, M.B.E., Major T. N. Thistlethwaite, Captain V. F. West.

us. It was with great pleasure that the Battalion in hollow square saw General Euan present Bugle-Major R. Silver with the Meritorious Service Medal and Sergeant E. Mitchell with the Long Service and Good Conduct Medal, both having served under him at Calais in 1940. Sergeant Dudley received the Battalion Shot Badge, C Company the Grenfell Trophy and A Company the Gott Trophy. A good Parade was followed by a visit to the Sergeants' Mess and then a fork lunch, of which Colonel Tom's latest salmon were the main stay. A demonstration of the Junior N.C.O.s Cadre, Karting on the square, "Honk" the seal and a Battalion football match rounded off a visit, to which we had all looked forward and during which General Euan expressed himself pleased with the general standards reached.

As this account closes Companies are going in rotation on block leave and the Advance Party moves shortly to Berlin. Certain individuals will not go with us to our regret. Jim Radclyffe will go to the Depot, in due course to take over H.Q. Company—a command in the exercise of which he lost his amateur status some few years ago! His golf/poker/gossip sessions have kept Newcastle pretty busy and his cynical reports therefrom will be much missed. James Simmons departs to a competitive vacancy of the Staff College with our thanks for the boating, fishing and shooting parties he has organised. His golden retriever "Simba" and he will leave a gap at many a social gathering in County Down. Possibly the greatest loss, since he is retiring from the Army, is that of Colin Campbell. For over 100 years there has been a member of his family in the Regiment and Colin's charm, sense of humour, and the personal touch of the true Rifleman have endeared him to all members of the Regiment, and to a wide circle outside. The fact that James and he were A.D.C.s in Kenya together has done much to enliven Mess life in Ballykinler.

Summing up as we prepare to leave Ballykinler, how far along the road to a happy and efficient Regular Battalion are we? Because we have been allowed to get on with our own training in a fairly rough countryside, the individual Rifleman is probably fitter, more alert and better with his weapons, at drill or in the field than for some time. The leadership at section and platoon level is better than the Motor Battalion role gave us time for and we are up to strength in N.C.O.s. In barracks less kit and less "It'll be all right on the night" has produced fewer ulcer-forming problems. There are more small groups amusing themselves in worthwhile activities, and despite the remote, rustic station,



VISIT OF THE COLONEL COMMANDANT ON OCTOBER 19, 1960, TO BALLYKINLER SERGEANTS' MESS, K.R.R.C.  
*Back row*—Sgt. G. Washington, Sgt. J. Calderwood, R.A.P.C., Sgt. B. Wigger, Sgt. P. Edwards, Sgt. A. Chipperfield, Sgt. J. Wynne, Sgt. D. Yeatman, Sgt. B. Wells, Sgt. R. Alsop, Sgt. D. White  
*Centre row*—Sgt. R. Beardson, C/Sgt. J. Curzon, Sgt. B. Harrison, Sgt. P. Pope, Sgt. E. Mitchell, Sgt. F. Dudley, C/Sgt. G. Barker, C/Sgt. W. Potter, C/Sgt. L. Airey, C/Sgt. R. Kent, Sgt. F. Lerwill, Sgt. M. Harner, C/Sgt. S. Skinner  
*Front row*—C/Sgt. W. Ballard, W.O.II (B.Mjr.) R. Silver, W.O.II C. Harthill, W.O.II (R.Q.M.S.) J. Sanderson, W.O.I (R.S.M.) T. Byrne, Lieut.-General Sir Euan Miller, K.C.B., K.B.E., D.S.O., M.C., D.L., Colonel Commandant, Lieut.-Colonel T. H. Acton, O.B.E., W.O.II (B.Mjr.) E. Jeanes, W.O.II (O.R.Q.M.S.) R. Prickett, W.O.II L. Jones, W.O.II F. Massingham, W.O.II W. Hawkes, W.O.II J. Fee.

Riflemen have remained remarkably cheerful. We can count ourselves therefore increasingly efficient and happy, particularly at the thought of moving to Berlin.

How far Regular are we? With the departure of Dick Allan-Smith, the last of a noble line of National Service Officers, all Officers will be Regular or Short Service. In total Other Ranks just over 50 per cent are Regulars, but in Regular Riflemen we sink to 45 per cent. This then is still the crux of the problem, for unless we build up rapidly in the next 18 months we shall be once more too weak to maintain the sound framework which has been built up gradually since returning at low strength from Tripoli.

### SERGEANTS' MESS

The Ballykinler Mess, now in the throes of modernisation, has not improved as a building, but over the past year has certainly improved in other ways.

We have, during the year, said the inevitable good-byes to many of our members and welcomed many new faces. The most notable change being early this year, R.S.M. Shreeve was promoted to the "Upper Deck" as M.T.O. and we wish him every success in his new appointment. In his place we are very pleased to welcome R.S.M. Byrne, who arrived in April and who has since succeeded in rejuvenating even the most staid Mess members with an almost frantic round of Mess activities, ranging from social evenings to outdoor sport, of all things! His light tenor voice raised in the strains of "Sari Marais," is once again the cue for the Mess to pour out its heart in song.

This year we had several Mess dinners, to which ladies were invited. These proved to be very popular and the catering arranged by S.Q.M.S. Everton, Sgt. Bushby, A.C.C., and our Mess caterer Sgt. Mitchell was absolutely first class. The wine and dinner seems to do something for the party that follows—even the usual quiet types seem to let their hair down in no uncertain manner.

There have also been quite a number of social occasions, both stag and otherwise and all in all, considering how far Ballykinler is from civilisation we have done extremely well.

Sport too has taken its toll. We first played the Corporals' Club at football and even though we supplied the referee we lost. Nothing daunted we then took on the Officers. Not only did we pick their team for them, we supplied the referee, we cheated like mad—we tried everything. Even so we could not beat them but

drew 3 all. At cricket we were more successful—played three won three. The games were all good fun but the most memorable was played against Northern Ireland Command Sergeants' Mess. This was an excellent game with some brilliant play from R.Q.M.S. Sanderson and Sgt. Mitchell and followed by a games evening in the Mess (needless to say this was followed by the mother and father of hangovers).

During July we had over 20 members from No. 4 Company and the Pipes and Drums of the Irish Guards staying with us for "Army Day." A firm friendship was established, of which the plaque they presented will be a reminder.

This year's Rifle Meeting was excellently run by C.S.M. Solomon, and, even though there were lots of arguments as to whether the practices favoured the pundits, a great day was had by all. C/Sgt. Airey won the Kennedy Trophy and S/Sgt. Everitt of the R.E.M.E. won the attached cup with a really wonderful score.

The day following the shoot we had our Rifle Ball. This was a huge success. C.S.M. Jones and his committee worked wonders with the Old Gym with paint and distemper and varying forms of decoration. S.Q.M.S. Everton produced (as usual) a really wonderful buffet and sounds of revelry could still be heard at 4 a.m. which will show that it really did go down very well.

At the time of writing we are of course preparing to leave for Berlin. We hear that the Mess Building in our new station is a good one and we are looking forward to having a more spacious Mess in which to entertain both ourselves and our friends.

Having spent nearly two years in Ballykinler where social occasions are restricted by distance and weather we cannot say we are sorry to go and we feel that the song about "Where the Mountains of Mourne sweep down to the sea" may well be barred from the Mess for many months to come.

### CORPORALS' CLUB

The Corporals' Club has not enjoyed such a successful year for a variety of reasons, although there has nevertheless been plenty of activity.

Cpl. Woods took over the running of the bar in December, but he left the Battalion shortly afterwards and it was impossible

to find a replacement. A series of public-spirited Corporals, among them, Cpl. Oliphant A.C.C., Cpl. Walls (Sigs. Pl.), Cpl. Sargent (M.T. Pl.), Cpl. Bristow (C. Coy.) and L/Cpl. Freeman (B. Coy.), have taken it in turn to act as publican in their spare time, but it has been increasingly difficult to attract sufficient custom at the bar. Block leave and the full training programme have been the main reasons for the poor attendance. Also, as the months have gone by, the single members of the Corporals' Club have got their feet farther and farther under the table and so have been otherwise engaged in the evenings.

It has even been difficult to organise dances because of the reluctance of their young ladies to come to Ballykinler or perhaps more because of the reluctance of most members to push their luck by bringing their girl friends to the Club, and risk losing them to the more unscrupulous Casanovas. "If you can keep your girl when all about you are losing their's and blaming it on you" are words which might well have been borne in mind by some of the members of the Club.

The year ended, however, on a very high note. On the morning after the Administrative Inspection when there was a definite feeling of hair being let down in all directions, the Corporals' Club held their own Rifle Meeting. This was a great success and has now to become an annual fixture. Cpl. Stevenson (B. Coy.) suggested that the rifle meeting should be held and then with most commendable enthusiasm set about organising the whole thing. Cpl. York (C. Coy.) was the Champion Shot and won the cup for the Champion Shot in the Corporals' Club. This cup was presented to the 2nd Battalion Corporals in 1934 by Lt.-Col. Dalby and was rediscovered by Brigadier Eve when he was asked to find a suitable trophy from the silver at the Depot. L/Cpl. Harrop R.E.M.E., won the smaller cup presented to the highest scorer among the attached personnel.

Cpl. Walls collected the wooden spoon having scored only three hits—another N.C.O. who shall be nameless failed to score at all and was therefore disqualified—and was subjected to the indignity of being presented with his trophy with the usual dishonours during the Corporals' Club Dance which was held that evening. The terrible indictment was intoned impressively by Cpl. Holloway (M.T. Pl.) and the execution of the sentence was carried out promptly and alcoholically in the bar.

The dance was a tremendous success and Cpl. Perry (H.Q. Coy.), the President, and the Dance Committee headed by Cpl. Stevenson and Cpl. Clark (H.Q. Coy.) are to be congratulated on their effort. The Gallaghers Blues were not invited—no other girls would have come if they had been—and so there was a shortage of “dollies.” However those that were there were kept pretty busy. Also, of course, the bar sales soared and there might well have been a few thick heads and leathery tongues the following morning.

On the following Tuesday we held a small social to welcome, once again, our Colonel Commandant, Lt.-Gen. Sir Euan Miller. He was introduced to several of the members whom he had not met before, but unfortunately he could spend only a very short time with us.

We are all looking forward to the move to Berlin. We plan to run a similar Corporals' Club in Wavell Barracks but we will have to start from scratch once again. We will probably convert a cellar into a Club Room or “Bier Keller” and hope to have it ready for our Christmas Festivities.

Among other old friends who have moved on, we have been particularly sorry to lose Cpl. Ward, who has gone to the Kenya Regiment and Cpl. Howlett who has gone as Mess Sergeant at A.S.C.D. at Epsom. Both will be a great loss to the Club. Cpl. Price has had to leave the Army on medical grounds and we wish him the best of luck in civilian life. Among those who have been promoted during last year are Sgt. Wells (Pioneers), Sgt. Chipperfield (Int. Sgt.), Sgt. Harrison (A Coy.), Sgt. Edwards (Provost Stg.), and Sgt. Gee (Accn. Stores).

### LADIES' CLUB

Another active year draws to its close with members seeing packing cases and passport application forms even in their sleep. In March, Mrs. Mills relieved Mrs. Radclyffe as President, the latter having done much to keep the Club going. Outside lecturers with films were invited, and Capt. Campbell's memorable East African travelogue was shown—the rhinos were even less house trained than usual! In June a party went to a Garden Fête at Finnebrogue on the invitation of Mrs. Perceval-Maxwell, whose husband served in the Regiment. A very successful Sale of Work took place in July, which enabled a sum of money to be donated to the Ladies' Guild. Other activities included a gay summer dance and bus visits to Belfast.

Although activities have been organised by committees, there is always a nucleus of hard workers to whose energy and goodwill tribute must be paid. These include Mrs. Byrne, who relieved Mrs. Shreeve in April, Mrs. Jeans, Mrs. Sanderson, Mrs. Prickett and Mrs. Slater as treasurer. An additional word of appreciation must go to Mrs. Jeanes whose organisation and running of a very efficient Kindergarten have relieved hard-pressed parents of their youngest hopefuls in a station where no civilian counterpart exists.

### BAND NOTES

The main engagement was the visit of the Band and some of the Buglers to New York. This event is fully covered elsewhere in the Chronicle.

Before leaving for America, the Band played at Eton for the Fourth of June celebrations and were visited during the afternoon and evening by many serving and retired members of the Regiment. Shortly after returning from New York, the Band and Bugles appeared at The Kent Agricultural Show at Maidstone. The weather was very bad and marching almost an impossibility.

The Band and Bugles took part in the Northern Ireland Command Army Day, in company with the 11th Hussars (P.A.O.), the Royal Sussex Regiment and the Band of the Women's Royal Army Corps.

At the end of July, the Band took part in the Portrush Band Festival and Fireworks Display.

On August Bank Holiday they played in Hyde Park, followed by a week-end engagement in Brighton and finally a Band Broadcast in London, before returning to Northern Ireland.

A display was given outside Stormont (the Houses of Parliament) by the Band and Bugles, and a drill squad from the Battalion, in addition to the Band of the Royal Sussex Regiment.

Shortly after the annual Administrative Inspection of the Battalion, the five-yearly inspection of the Band and Bugles by the Commandant of The Royal Military School of Music, Colonel R. H. Loder, accompanied by Lt.-Col. D. McBain, took place.

This was the last visit of Lt.-Col. McBain before his retirement and although the official report has not yet been received it is believed to be very satisfactory.

### RIFLE SHOOTING

This was the first year in which the 7.62 mm Self-Loading Rifle was used in Classification and shooting competitions. The practices themselves had been changed to test the capabilities of the new rifle, and some doubt was felt about the ability of the

older good shots to adapt themselves successfully. Fortunately this doubt proved to be quite unfounded. For the first time also this year, the 7.62 mm adapted Bren gun was used. This proved most successful and of course the rimless cartridge all but eliminated that well-known stoppage "incorrectly filled magazine."

#### Non-Central 1959-1960

Although results generally were disappointing (they were published in the 1959 Chronicle) much credit is due to C Coy. for winning the home series Company Shield and to 10 Pl. C Coy. for winning the home series Hopton Cup. Most of the non-central matches have been fired this year but as the practices and the rifles are both new and there are no past scores to compare it is difficult to say with what success. Rfn. Haddershaw won the "Forces Day" .22 rifle shoot open to all Army and civilian clubs, a very fine effort indeed.

#### Classification 1960

The targets for the classification course and indeed all competition shooting changed again this year. The new figure eleven target, for example, is shaped like a coffin lid and has a picture



BATTALION SHOOTING TEAM AFTER NORTHERN IRELAND COMMAND MEETING

Left to right:

Back row—L/Cpl. Pritchard, Sgt. Harper, Rfn. Jones (76), Cpl. Fry, Capt. West, Lt.-Col. Acton, O.B.E., Capt. Mason, Cpl. Lincoln, L/Cpl. Pyne, C.S.M. Hawkes, Cpl. York. Kneeling—Cpl. Smith (84), Rfn. George, L/Cpl. Bloomfield, C.S.M. Solomon, C/Sgt. Airey, L/Cpl. Fowler, Rfn. Haddershaw. Sitting—Rfn. Evans, Rfn. Kuhn, Rfn. Stenson, Rfn. Sampson.

on it of a vicious-looking man doubling forward. The colouring used is attractive without being ostentatious and is in those two well-known target tones black and sand. The picture of the man is quite unapparent farther away than 75 yards and at 300 yards appears as either black or sand or not at all, according to the light. The target, however, has a slightly larger surface area than its old counterpart, and this fact combined with the new rifle perhaps helped to make nearly 70 per cent of the Battalion marksmen. It is felt that the War Office scale of gradings on this course is too generous though the course itself is a good one. Sgt. Dudley is the Battalion shot with a classification score of Rifle 72 out of 75 and L.M.G. 183 out of 186.

#### Local Rifle Meetings

Both 39 Brigade and Northern Ireland Command Rifle Meetings took place at Ballykinler in the last week of May. These meetings provided valuable competition practice for the Bisley Team but, in addition, initiated quite a few young soldiers into competition shooting as altogether some 30 members of the Battalion took part.

At the 39 Brigade Meeting the results were as follows:

39 Brigade Challenge Shield	-	-	1st—K.R.R.C.
Roberts Cup	-	-	1st—K.R.R.C.
Worcestershire Cup	-	-	1st—K.R.R.C.
Britannia Trophy	-	-	1st—K.R.R.C.
Inter-Unit Rifle Match	-	-	1st—K.R.R.C.
R.U.R. Cup (Falling Plate)	-	-	1st—A Company, K.R.R.C. 2nd—C Company, K.R.R.C.
Individual Pistol	-	-	1st—Sgt. Harper, K.R.R.C. 3rd—2nd/Lieut. Drew. K.R.R.C.
Champion Rifle Shot Class "A"	-	-	C./Sgt. Airey, K.R.R.C.
Champion Rifle Shot Class "B"	-	-	Cpl. York, K.R.R.C.

Much the same success was had at the Command Meeting:

Champion Shot, Northern Ireland	-	-	C./Sgt. Airey, K.R.R.C.
Command	-	-	Rfn. Humphris, K.R.R.C.
Best Recruit	-	-	1st—K.R.R.C. "A" Team
Parachute Regiment Cup	-	-	1st—K.R.R.C.
Worcestershire Cup	-	-	1st—K.R.R.C. "B" Team
R.U.R. Cup (Falling Plate)	-	-	1st—K.R.R.C. A Company
Recruits Cup (Britannia Practice)	-	-	1st—K.R.R.C. C Company
Britannia Trophy	-	-	1st—C./Sgt. Airey, K.R.R.C.
Individual Pistol	-	-	2nd—Capt. West, K.R.R.C.

From the result of this week of shooting, the Bisley team of ten were selected, and settled down to some intensive practise before moving to the Depot in early June for a week on Chilcomb with the teams from 1st Green Jackets and the Depot. This week

at the Depot did the team a great service for it was revealed that competition in Northern Ireland had not been as strong as it might have been, and that the team from 1st Green Jackets, though young and inexperienced, was a very good one indeed.

### The Central Meeting at Bisley 1960

The Bisley Team was certainly not over-confident and yet had high hopes of doing well. The team consisted of such experienced good shots as C/Sgt. Airey, Sgt. Harper and W.O.II Solomon, Cpls. Smith, Fry, L/Cpl. Pritchard and Rfn. Habbershaw who had been to Bisley the previous year, while L/Cpl. Nicholls and Rfn. Humphris were newcomers. S/Sgt. Everitt R.E.M.E., accompanied the team as reserve and did much to keep up morale.

It would be wrong to say that the Bisley results were not disappointing. At no time did the team shoot appreciably below standard, it merely failed to produce that something extra of which it was capable. In virtually all competitions it was beaten by a narrow margin into second place. Mostly by 4th Training Battalion R.E.M.E., once by the Rifle Brigade and once by the 1st Green Jackets.

Results were as follows:

CLASS "A"	CLASS "B"		Place towards K.R.R.C. Cup
	Score	Place	
<i>RouPELL Cup</i>			
Sgt. Harper	165	19	2nd
Cpl. Smith	163	23	
Rfn. Habbershaw	159	33	
<i>Henry Whitehead Cup</i>			
C/Sgt. Airey	162	19	2nd
Cpl. Smith	159	29	
Sgt. Harper	159	30	
<i>Roberts Cup</i>			
Cpl. York	125	10	
L/Cpl. Nicholls	120	23	
Rfn. Habbershaw	113	52	
<i>Army Hundred</i>			
C/Sgt. Airey	408	56	
Sgt. Harper	426	23	
Cpl. York	405	63	
Cpl. Smith	415	38	
L/Cpl. Nicholls	429	20	
Rfn. Habbershaw	412	45	

CLASS "A"	CLASS "B"		Place towards K.R.R.C. Cup
	Score	Place	
<i>Worcestershire Cup</i>			
Sgt. Harper	246	1	2nd
Cpl. Smith			
W.O. II Solomon	232	3	
C/Sgt. Airey			
<i>Parachute Regiment Cup</i>			
Sgt. Harper	277	13	6th
<i>Victory Cup—S.M.G. Thirty</i>			
Sgt. Harper	567	2	

### TEAM

<i>Small Arms Cup</i>	
1st—1st Green Jackets	497 pts.
2nd—K.R.R.C.	494 pts.
<i>The Northamptonshire Cup</i>	
1st—R.B.	2112 pts.
2nd—K.R.R.C.	2102 pts.
<i>The Eastern Command Cup</i>	
1st—4th R.E.M.E.	472 pts.
2nd—K.R.R.C.	450 pts.
<i>The Britannia Trophy</i>	
1st—1st Trg Regt. R.E.	
K.R.R.C. unplaced	
<i>Motor Units Championship</i> ( <i>King's Royal Rifle Corps Cup</i> )	
1st—4th R.E.M.E.	
2nd—K.R.R.C.	
3rd—1st I.G.	
4th—R.B.	
5th—1st Green Jackets	

It is worth mentioning that Sgt. Harper shot very well to come second in the S.M.G. 30 with a score 3 points below the winner. Sgt. Harper and Cpl. Smith won the Class "A" of the Worcestershire Cup but were beaten for the championship by the 4th R.E.M.E. Class "B" pair by only five points.

Much of the credit for the team's performance must again go to W.O.II Solomon whose experience was invaluable and whose hard work and cheerfulness throughout the summer was an example to all.

We thank the L.R.B.R. for again letting the team use their hut at Bisley thus making the stay so much more comfortable.

### Small Bore Shooting

A successful inter-platoon knockout competition was run last winter in which the Ladies' .22 Club took part and acquitted themselves very well. Matches were also arranged with local clubs especially the Royal Ulster Constabulary with whom we had several exciting shoots and amusing evenings. Rfn. Habbershaw is the outstanding .22 shot in the Battalion and, as already mentioned, is outstanding in any company. C Coy. won the Northern Ireland Command Competition, finally shot off in April.

It is hoped to start small bore shooting soon after arrival in Berlin, where there should be opportunity to arrange many more shoulder-to-shoulder matches with other clubs than at Ballykinler.

### ATHLETICS

In recent years athletics have taken a small though lively part in the Battalion's sporting activities. The 1960 season started in like spirit, with the Battalion meeting being rained off after a few events, and then completed the next day. Competitors were on the whole not very fit and there were consequently no startling performances; however, it was then possible to see who was worth training up for the Northern Ireland Command Meeting to be held three weeks later. The Battalion meeting was won comfortably by A Coy. B Coy. just pipped C Coy. for second place.

Having come last in the Command championships last year we were keen, at least, to beat the Royal Sussex Regiment (who had beaten us at Hockey in the Army Cup a few weeks before); however the 11th Hussars (P.A.O.) had been second in the Army Final at Aldershot last year and would obviously win this preliminary tussle. On the day the 60th team exploded into lively good form and to a man produced such good results that as the last events loomed it suddenly occurred to them that, far from being beaten, it was going to be an exciting finish and the 11th were looking very worried indeed. As the last event, the 440-yards relay, began our first man Capt. Keyte drew ahead with maddening ease. His example was followed by the rest of the team and we coasted home to an easy win and also won the cup by one point. Other notable victories were scored in the javelin by Lt. Nelson, and by Cpl. O'Hara in the hammer, both with Command records.

Having done so well at Lisburn the team was delighted to hear that it was to go on to the Western Command Meeting at Oswestry. This was considered by most people as a just reward for the teams' efforts at Lisburn and few of them expected to do so well against the Corps and Depots, who were to compete against us.

The weather at Oswestry, where we trained for two days before the meeting, was considerably hotter than at Ballykinler and there was a certain reluctance to train; more interest was shown in the swimming baths and the local inns—not the best preparation for an athletics match.

The day of the meeting was very wet and miserable; the team formed a 60th rallying point at the side of the track monopolising the best view and choosing a position where their support was most helpful. To the surprise of us all we won the match by a clear 20 points, winning nine events outright and doing well in the other five. Cpl. Williams and Rfn. Wright did well in the sprints and long jump. The team once again rose to the big occasion, and our sights were then set on the Army Championships at Aldershot, where the six best teams in Britain and B.A.O.R. would be competing.

We thought, before we went to Aldershot, that we would be outclassed in most events; however it is interesting to note, with a little more knowledge, more intelligent training, and a little



BATTALION ATHLETICS TEAM 1960

Winners—Northern Ireland Command at Lisburn and Western Command at Oswestry.  
Fifth—Army Finals at Aldershot.

Rear line—Rfn. Fox, L/Cpl. Griss, Cpl. Williams, Rfn. Johnson, L/Cpl. Gazzi, Rfn. Wright, Lieut. Hopton, Cpl. O'Hara, Rfn. Richardson.  
Centre line—Lieut. Nelson, Rfn. Marsh, Rfn. Harris, Sgt. Wigger, Capt. Keyte, S. S. I. Mackley, Rfn. Kuhn, Lieut. Gurney, Rfn. Livesey.  
Front line—Rfn. Etherington, Rfn. Williams, Rfn. Gibbons, Cpl. Carter, Cpl. Seaman, L/Cpl. Gunner, Cpl. Lister, Rfn. Atkins, Rfn. Norcott, Rfn. Hubbard.

coaching we could have been within striking distance of the winners. As it was the positions were as follows:

3rd Trg. Regt. R.E.—118 points 2nd Grenadier Gds.—88½ points 1st Scots Gds.—74½ points 1st Welsh Gds.—63 points K.R.R.C.—53 points 6th Bn. R.A.O.C.—40 points.

The 118 points achieved by the R.E. was a record (since the present system of scoring was introduced).

Generally speaking, our performances were better than at Oswestry. Our weaknesses at the moment are the long-distance running events, the discus and high jump. The only event we won was the javelin, thanks to Lt. Nelson and L/Cpl. Gunner, who threw 10 feet better than he had done before. Our combined distance of 331 ft. is only 8 ft. outside the Army record. Our sprinters were a little disappointing. Cpl. Seaman and Bds. Atkins pole-vaulted very well indeed.

Next year we shall have at least half our team still with us and we know of three very good runners who will be joining us. Competition in B.A.O.R. will be stiff; however there is no reason why we should not go to Aldershot again and improve our position.

### BOXING

Since the 1959 issue of the Chronicle boxing has continued with the entry of our boxers in civilian tournaments and shows. We owe a great deal to Ballynahinch A.B.C., who have made available their training facilities and have sparred with our boxers. Their match secretary has arranged for our boxers to feature in bills in Ulster, which gave us some invaluable ring practice.

Rfn. Bowler, Wright, Webster, Kain and Cpl. Stocks entered the Ulster championships. Rfn. Webster was the most successful, being beaten in the Final of the Featherweight Division by McClory, an Irish representative. Webster's most notable victory in Ireland was in February when he outpointed P. O'Connor (Arbour Hill, Dublin), an Irish International and former Irish Junior Champion.

Rfn. Webster went from strength to strength. He was beaten in the Featherweight Semi-Final of the Army Championships by Dvr. Greaves (R.A.S.C.), the eventual A.B.A. runner-up. He was very unlucky to have lost, but as a result of the fine form he showed in the Championships he was chosen to represent the Army. He boxed twice against the Polish Army and once against Wales. Although he was beaten on all three occasions it was no discredit to him for he boxed three very experienced boxers: Kaminski and

Czapo of the Polish Army and Corp of Wales. Unfortunately, as this report is being written, Webster is undergoing an operation. We all wish him the very best of luck and hope that his boxing career will not be brought to a close just as he is in reach of the top.

Rfn. Wright entered as a middleweight in the Army Trials this year. He reached the final of the trials but was unable to represent the Army against the Rest at Tidworth. Rfn. Anderson, now at the Depot, won the Featherweight Division.

Sixty-two boxers entered the Inter-Company Novices Boxing Competition, which was held from September 28-30, 1960. C Coy. won the competition by a very big margin. Many new faces have appeared since last year and there is quite a strong nucleus from which to build this year's team and those of future years.

We entered fifteen boxers in the Northern Ireland Command Individual Boxing Championships which were held on October 19 and 20, 1960. Only five of our boxers reached the Finals but owing to our large entry list many of them had to box each other. Of the five finalists two won their weight and three were beaten. Rfn. Cox knocked out his opponent without any difficulty. L/Cpl. Griss, however, fought a strong, hard-hitting opponent, who hurt him a great deal with the inside of his glove. In spite of this he boxed magnificently and by virtue of his left hand took the fight convincingly. This was a wonderful display for a boxer with little experience and a week's leave behind him. Rfn. Taylor, newly arrived from the Depot, was unlucky to lose his final, when he had to retire fifteen seconds from the end with a sprained hand. Rfn. Moore put up a good fight, but was narrowly beaten by a more experienced opponent.

The results were:

Featherweight—Rfn. Cox beat (K.O.) Pte Burgess (1st R. Sussex).  
Lightweight—Rfn. Moore lost (pts.) to Fus. O'Brien (N.I. Bde. Depot).  
Light Welterweight—Rfn. Taylor retired against Fus Daly (N.I. Bde. Depot).  
Welterweight—Rfn. Joyce lost (K.O.) to 2nd/Lieut McNeil (1st R. Sussex).  
Light Heavyweight—L/Cpl. Griss beat (pts.) Pte Broome (1st R. Sussex).

### FISHING AND SHOOTING

The conclusion that most of us have reached about field sports in Ulster, is that no records are likely to be made but that there is still scope for a lot of fun.

This season there has been more water for fishing; a series of steady rains has kept levels up without provoking too many spates. The Colonel again took salmon fishing at Beltrim on the Owenkillew and most generously took parties over. As was proper, he

was by far the most successful fisherman, catching nine salmon in all. The only drawback to a river in lovely surroundings was the distance away related to the speed of rise and fall in level, and the short duration in apparently good conditions of a "taking" mood on the salmon's part.

For the more humble, who were satisfied with a dash out after tea, Commander King's generous offer of the Quoyle at Rademon was admirable. A very pretty wooded stream full of enthusiastic and ingenious trout did much to restore the confidence of those not up to chalk stream standard.

Shooting in the Ballykinler area in the main consists of a series of small bogs each with two snipe, one teal and three owners. However, with these ingredients an amusing afternoon can be spent. As this account goes to press the scope has been much widened by the generous gesture of Major Perceval-Maxwell, late of the Regiment, in allowing us to shoot duck on his lake and foreshore at Finnebrogue; as evidence of success, "Canard Finnebrogue" was the main course when our Colonel Commandant dined with us recently.

### FOOTBALL

Last year our football team did not have the successful season we had at first hoped. The pitches at Ballykinler are first class but some of the pitches that we had to play on away from home were more like obstacle courses. We had the footballers and we had expert coaching from Mr. Smyth, who is the coach for Glenavon F.C. Both Mr. Smyth and the Football Officer, Mr. Maclure, put in some very hard work for the team and any successes that the team had reflects great credit on their hard work. Great credit is also due to Cpl. Biggs and L/Cpl. Clarke, of C Coy., who held permanent places in the first team and who in most matches gave brilliant displays in the field. However, although we had good individual players, working as a team was beyond them. In most matches we lacked the art of scoring goals. Our midfield play and approach work was in most games brilliant but the goals just did not come.

During the summer months we entered a team in the local summer league, to keep up some interest in football. This team was more successful and showed that it could play as a team. Since then, however, we have lost stalwarts like Cpl. Biggs, L/Cpl. Clarke, Rfn. Marsh and Sainsbury, who have departed to civil life.

This year, sport in particular is being taken very seriously due to our forthcoming move to Berlin and the prospect of more serious

competition from other Units, which we have not had over the past few years.

Two committees have been formed to run both the first and second teams:

First Team Manager	-	W.O.II Solomon, C Coy.
Secretary	-	C/Sgt. Barker, H.Q. Coy.
Coach and Trainer	-	Sgt. Wiger, C Coy.
Second Team Manager	-	W.O.II Fee, B Coy.
Secretary	-	C/Sgt. Ballard, H.Q. Coy.

Through these committees it is hoped to produce better organisation. They will be on more intimate terms with the players and so we hope weld together two formidable teams for the coming season in Berlin.

We have entered the first team in the Newcastle and District Amateur League and have had a reasonable amount of success with the experiments we have made with the new talent that has arrived from the Depot. We still have with us L/Cpl. Gunner, Rfn. Austin, L/Cpl. Harwood of C Coy., L/Cpl. Allum of D Coy., and Rfn. Bassett of H.Q. Coy., and with them we have found good players in Sgt. Washington (Band), Cpl. Lister (Band), L/Cpl. Newman and Rfn. King (C Coy.) and Rfn. Merson. So far this season we have played five games in the League, winning three and losing two. Our goal average so far in the League reads 26 goals for, 9 against. Members of the team who are constantly scoring goals are Rfn. Austin, King, Merson and Bassett. Great credit is due to Cpl. Lister and L/Cpl. Newman for their grand approach work.

We have held an Inter-Company League so far this season. The winners were C Coy. with A Coy. second. C Coy. played all companies, winning against A, B and D but only managing to draw against H.Q.

	Played	Won	Drawn	Lost	Points
C Company	- 4	3	1	0	7
A Company	- 4	2	1	1	5
H.Q. Company	- 4	1	2	1	4
D Company	- 4	2	0	2	4
B Company	- 4	0	0	4	0

On the whole, we had a very successful start to the season and we are hoping that our standard of play is on a par with that of other Units in Berlin. If that is so, we can look forward to some really good games in the New Year. We shall miss L/Cpl. Gunner and Allum and Rfn. Harwood and Austin, all due to depart to civil life in May, 1961, but we are hoping for some good replacements from the successful management of the second XI.

### HOCKEY

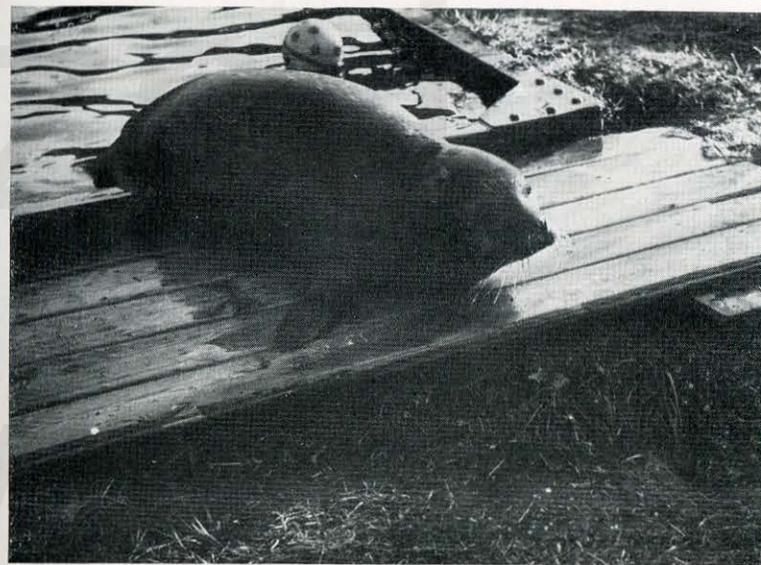
The standard of hockey has probably been higher than any other Battalion sport, and this year we again had a most promising team. Our efforts in the Irish Intermediate League were once again successful and we had some excellent matches, winning half of them. We won a friendly match against the Royal Sussex Regiment by 5-0 on our excellent pitch. A fortnight later we played the first round of the Army Cup on their ground, which was very wet and bumpy and obviously as much of an advantage to them as ours was to us. At full time the score was 1-1. We played a further 55 minutes when they scored a goal to win. It had been a scrappy match with our team showing poor form, though we had some unlucky misses. Capt. McCausland and Lt. Henshaw were as usual the mainstays of the team, ably assisted by Lt. Hopton, R.S.M. Shreeve and Cpl. Lister. Lt. Gurney was unfortunate enough to dislocate his shoulder.

The general standard of hockey in the Battalion was above average and the Company League, which was won by B Coy., produced some exciting matches.

### BOATING

To those who have basked in the Mediterranean, the Irish Sea is a profound scientific mystery. How it can be so cold and still remain liquid defies explanation. However, thanks to the effort of James Simmons a great deal of enjoyment has been had in the form of water-skiing. An aluminium speed-boat with outboard motor was purchased through the Polo and Sporting Fund (with guaranteed resale) in April and mooring arranged in the Quoyle estuary. To begin with, expeditions took the form of harvesting black-headed gulls' eggs from the islands in Strangford Lough. This ended with a memorable swoop by Noel Thistlethwayte, who succeeded in gathering a "possible" of sitting eggs; all married family recipients were suitably appreciative.

From May onwards water-skiing took place on almost every fine evening or afternoon. A course, free of rocks and shoals, was laid out below the house of the most hospitable Lindsay family, whose doors were always open to boating parties. The boat gave great enjoyment to a large number of Officers, who took part on a subscription basis and who can follow up what they have learned in Berlin.



"HONK," RFN. HALPERN'S SEAL

### "HONK"

This account cannot conclude without a mention of "Honk," Halpern's seal. It was found newly-born in the sand dunes by one of the war dogs and Rfn. Halpern undertook to bring it up at his expense. To the astonishment of zoos, vets and other cynical institutions he has succeeded in getting it through the white baby stage to a husky mottled individual of 75 pounds. At first it needed as many bottles a day as a human baby, but now makes do with a mere 3 or 4 dozen herrings. It has appeared on local TV and was complimented by the Colonel Commandant as the individual who made most progress in the Battalion. On a recent swimming session in a local pond a rat, which was rash enough to steer a collision course, was torpedoed and sunk in one lightning rush. "Honk" was put down soon after birth for the Berlin Zoo, which seals enter at one year old. It now remains for Henry Newton, who is in command of the Main Body move and who himself has a grey West African parrot, to get "Honk" to Berlin—"under sealed orders," as Colin Campbell was heard to mutter.

(Late Note. Since the above was written the sad news has been received that "Honk" has died of enteritis on November 26, 1960.—Ed.)

## 169th (GREEN JACKETS) INFANTRY BRIGADE (T.A.) LONDON

At the time of going to press the exact details of the new T.A. Order of Battle are not firm. It seems, though, that at least one K.R.R.C. and one Rifle Brigade T.A. Battalion will remain in London as part of the new organisation. Unfortunately it also seems as if the Green Jackets T.A. Brigade will cease to exist and its H.Q. will be disbanded. This is an unhappy but not altogether unexpected event.

Brigade training this year included the annual week-end cloth model exercise when we were delighted to see General (now Field Marshal) Sir Francis Festing, C.I.G.S., who very kindly came to talk to the 110 Officers, Warrant Officers and Sergeants who were assembled there. It was very good of him to spare the time to come and see us and we all appreciated his visit.

The spring training passed uneventfully; the rigours of a week-end in January being considerably mitigated by the comfort of the Grand Hotel, Folkestone, whilst a signals exercise in May fortunately coincided with some particularly balmy weather.

The real force of the English climate was reserved for our camp at Dartmoor in July. It rained intermittently and depressingly for the first week but became a continuous downpour for the early part of the second week. Unfortunately the worst day coincided with the visit of General Lathbury (G.O.C.-in-C. Eastern Command). Brigade schemes were considerably interfered with but it was possible to hold the final one.

As usual, the Green Jacket Battalions made almost a clean sweep at the Divisional Rifle Meeting and at the T.A. Central Rifle Meeting at Bisley in July they achieved the following:—

Q.W.—Second in the Quartet Challenge Cup.  
L.R.B./R. "B" Team—Second in the Hamilton Leigh Challenge Cup.  
Sgt. D. E. P. Witts, Q.W.—Third in T.A. Championships, winner of Jubilee Challenge Cup, Medal, and T.A.R.A. Silver Jewel.

L.R.B./R. won the Divisional, London District and Eastern Command Motor Cycle trials and must be congratulated on being one of the T.A. teams allowed to enter the Army championships.

It is very sad to think that this will probably be the last contribution from this Brigade H.Q. The Brigade has had a short life but it has been a most entertaining one. We are sure that, whatever Green Jackets T.A. Battalions remain in the new order of battle, they will retain their present ability of being able to get the maximum amusement out of their training whilst still retaining their high standard.

## QUEEN VICTORIA'S RIFLES (K.R.R.C.) (T.A.)

Honorary Colonel

General Sir George Erskine, G.C.B., K.B.E., D.S.O.

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September 1, 1960

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Major K. N. Loudoun-Shand (Second-in-Command)	" P. E. Cornwall-Jones
" M. G. Turner, T.D.	" E. B. Nugent-Head
" G. Bowden	" A. W. M. St. Aubyn
" M. B. L. Fuller	" D. A. H. Beddard
" N. Eden	" A. N. T. Mott
" S. C. Gibbs	" J. W. Hayter
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" R. H. Underhill	" P. A. De-Vere-Hunt
" N. F. Althaus	" N. S. Tresilian
" E. J. Miller	" E. R. Dunn
" J. D. Eccles	" R. C. Pryor
" M. G. T. Shone	" A. C. N. Brand
" M. A. C. Drummond	" G. E. Pattie
" M. R. Cornwall-Jones	" Hon. J. F. Byng
" P. L. Wroughton	2nd/Lieut. A. M. Farrer
" R. K. Franklin	Lieut. J. Livermore (Unit Paymaster)
" J. D. Studholme	Major N. W. H. Young (R.M.O.)
" (Q.M.) L. P. Grout	Capt. I. Crawford-Jones (R.M.O.)
" H. M. N. Noel and R. J. Scott (Att. to H.Q. 169th Green Jackets Brigade to fill appointment on establishment)	Revd. H. Hartley (Unit Chaplain att. from H.Q. 169th Green Jackets Brigade T.A.)

### Warrant Officers

R.S.M. J. Pope, R.Q.M.S. H. Perry, C.S.M. W. Price, C.S.M. J. Lennox, C.S.M. N. Baldwin, C.S.M. E. Knell, C.S.M. J. Madden, O.R.Q.M.S. J. Ditch, C.S.M. S. West, B.E.M., C.S.M. W. Benn, C.S.M. J. Kichenside.

THE FOLLOWING OFFICERS LEFT THE REGIMENT DURING THE YEAR:  
Major G. P. Lincoln, T.D., Capt. J. E. R. Wauchope, Capt. (Q.M.) G. Slater, B.E.M., Quartermaster, Lieut. M. B. Watney, Lieut. R. K. Erskine.

THE FOLLOWING WARRANT OFFICER LEFT THE REGIMENT DURING THE YEAR:  
C.S.M. R. Watts, M.B.E.

### Reorganisation

July, 1960, was a black month for the Territorial Army. The Secretary of State for War's announcement in the House of Commons on July 20 of a forthcoming reorganisation of the T.A. gave clear warning to apprehensive Commanding Officers that a new phase of the old game called "Messing the T.A. about" was beginning. Two days later, when the detailed War Office proposals were received, it became apparent that a nation-wide shake-up was to take place. The theme was wholesale amalgamation of units to ensure viability (the latter word sent C.O.s scurrying for

their dictionaries to discover that it meant "capable of maintaining life").

The War Office apparently felt that in order to maintain life it was necessary for the Queen's Westminsters, The London Irish Rifles and ourselves to amalgamate. It was soon discovered that the interested parties had other ideas; they were unanimous in the view that whereas an amalgamation between the two Territorial Battalions of the 60th was perfectly feasible, the inclusion in the "marriage" of a Regiment, whose existence depended on national traditions and background, was out of the question. The London Irish fought a spirited battle for survival backed by the Prime Minister of Northern Ireland and five Ulster Field-M Marshals and won through to retain their identity as an under-implemented Infantry Battalion.

We declined to take the line of least resistance once the Irish crisis had passed and meekly accept amalgamation with the Queen's Westminsters. In this we were not prompted by any feeling against the Queen's Westminsters with which Regiment we have enjoyed a friendly relationship over many years. However, after a dour struggle the amalgamation had to be accepted, and we are now bent on ensuring that the new Regiment, to be commanded by Colonel John Butterwick, gets off to a flying start and proves a resounding success.

### Annual Dinner

The final Dinner of the Officers, past and present, was held at the Haberdashers' Hall, loaned for the occasion by that famous City Company. It was a splendid occasion, with over 70 Officers past and present attending. Colonel Chris. Gregory took the Chair and had as his neighbours the Master of the Haberdashers and our Honorary Colonel. General Sir George Erskine had made a special trip from Jersey for the occasion, and spoke most movingly on the Regiment. Colonel Freddie Gough, M.P., was present and made an accomplished speech. We were also pleased to have at the dinner the M.P. for St. Marylebone, Sir Wavell Wakefield. Other guests included General Dalby, Brigadier Mellor and Colonel John Butterwick. It was particularly pleasant to find so many of the past Commanding Officers at the dinner, Colonels Earle, Bradford, Ellison-McCartney and Keeson all attended. Special thanks are due to Maurice Turner, our P.M.C., who, with his completely unruffled calm, organised the dinner and made all chores seem simple.

### Officers' Mess

The retirement of the second-in-command, Guy Lincoln, took place early in the year. We were all sad to see Guy go; he has been with us for many years and his military, in particular tactical, knowledge has been of great assistance to us. Keith Loudoun-Shand was appointed the new second-in-command. Keith's untiring spirits and unpredictable darts of ingenuity have already made their mark, and the Regiment looks forward to his reign as second-in-command. Stephen Gibbs was promoted to Major and took over Keith's Company; a well-merited set-up for someone who gives considerable time and energy to the Regiment. John Wauchope has left us during the year and also our Quartermaster, George Slater. No Regular can ever have served Queen Victoria's so sincerely and industriously and with such unfailing good humour as George. We were all most sorry to see him go, and feel sure he will be a tower of strength in Berlin. Leslie Grout has taken over in his stead and we are fortunate to have a Quartermaster who is so conversant with T.A. ways and whims. Since October 1959 Geoffrey Pattie, Andrew Brand and Julian Byng have joined the Regiment. Our most recent newcomer is Mark Farrer who is welcome not only because of his family connection with the Q.V.R., but also as the first Officer to be Commissioned straight from school into the Regiment since the war.

### Training

Shooting through the winter months continued to be the main priority for our training, and the results published in a later paragraph are, we trust, a good reward. A training Sunday or two was also held at Davies Street and these occasions appeared to be well received. Nigel Althaus provided an excellent general-interest lecture on one such occasion, the subject "The Stock Exchange"; everyone felt much poorer afterwards.

In the spring once again our training centre at Fawley was reopened. This was a damp pastime this year but the organising staff under the direction of our Quartermaster, Leslie Grout, ran it well. The final gala, after many weekends of night schemes and assault course races, was an assault from the Isle of Wight. This operation under the command of Stephen Gibbs, and the G side organised by Mike Hills went smoothly. With the assistance of the "ferry" going over and the army on the return trip, a realistic dawn assault was assimilated. The sea was calm and the troops' faces blackened a minstrel black with the help of Sgt. Moat's

preparations. Except for a few early-morning fishermen who beat a hasty retreat all was most warlike, with smoke billowing away and explosions waking the neighbourhood. Q.V.R. is most grateful to Maldwin Drummond for providing us with such a versatile training area.

Camp is reported on elsewhere, and was a hard time for the specialist training. Roger Underhill had recently taken charge of this wing, and with Keith Loudoun-Shand's high-pressure planning has turned it into a most efficient body. Having banged off with the 3 in. Mortar and M.M.G.s at camp, there was a final weekend at Lydd in September when the Anti-Tank Gun was fired. After many A and Q people had told us this weapon was obsolete, and anyway they just do not exist in London, this was a particular achievement to take a team down and fire it.

In conclusion, Tuesday evening at Davies Street continues to be a hive of activity. A Company remains the intake and recruit training company, B Company the advanced training and junior N.C.O. cadre company. A cycle of people go through the machine, and it is hoped that its adaptability continues to provide variety for the Riflemen. At any rate Officers continue to arrive later and later into the Mess for dinner, a sign of their keenness and also for the old and bold to complain that they are hungry and the soup is cold.

### Annual Camp 1960

The weather at Camp this year was quite as nasty as it was good last year, and we were all duly thankful that we had been sent to Plasterdown Camp, near Tavistock, which was an absolutely first-class establishment. We spent our first week training hard—A Company (Major Stephen Gibbs) looking after our new recruits, B Company (Major Nicholas Eden) indulging in more advanced and specialist training, and Captain Maldwin Drummond running an excellent refresher course for all those who were not otherwise employed. Both instructors and trainees were exhorted at every step by the second-in-command, who continually seemed to manage to be in several places at the same time. The plan for our second week entailed two schemes run by Brigade, but these were eventually watered down—literally—to one very full day of Company and Battalion attacks, which were successful, if rather exhausting. It was a relief to be out and about again after three days of improvised wet weather programmes, which had tried the abilities of Commanders to the full; luckily

our Padre (Captain Herbert Hartley) and our Medical Officer (Captain Ivan Crawford-Jones) proved willing lecturers and were amongst those able to help out.

Our visitors at Camp included our Honorary Colonel, whom we were delighted was able to leave Jersey to see us; the social calendar was as full as ever, and the weather put a considerable strain on our P.M.C., Maurice Turner, who was, however, as equal to the task as ever and ran the Mess excellently. We were particularly pleased to see Colonel Peter Earle and Edward Taylor at our formal dinner.

### Shooting

Once again the Regiment had a fairly successful year. In the 56th Divisional Rifle Meeting we retained the Individual Rifle Championship with Sgt. Oliver and R.S.M. Pope holding first and second places respectively. In the L.M.G. Match one of our newly formed pairs, Sgts. Savage and Isaacs, shot extremely well to come second, and for the second year running our Young Soldiers Pair, Cpl. Kakouli and Rfn. Touhey, took the winning prize. For the first time this year we really trained a pistol team and were all pleased when the team took first place and C.S.M. Baldwin carried off the Individual Pistol Championship Cup as well. Our sten gunners were a trifle unlucky, one sten disintegrating on the firing point, and we finished fifth in the list but Sgt. Smith (Permanent Staff) shot extremely well to become runner up in the Sten Championship.

The Regimental Rifle Meeting was held at Henley Park on September 10 and 11. The Commanding Officer who picked the date for the Meeting chose the best weekend weather we had had for months and a great time was had by all. Capt. Mark Cornwall-Jones, the Weapon Training Officer, won the cup presented by Mrs. Keith Loudoun-Shand, wife of the second-in-command. Members of the Old Comrades Association turned out in full force and some proved that they could still handle a rifle as well as several of the serving members. The Meeting closed with H.Q. Company winning the Tile Shoot and thus winning the well-deserved prize of a crate of beer.

### Sergeants' Mess

The Sergeants' Mess have concluded another year of events and we now await the outcome of our amalgamation with the Queen's Westminsters. The site of our Annual Camp this year

was at Tavistock and although the weather was not very kind to us we did manage to keep our spirits up, or down, as the case may be. During Camp we had the honour of a visit from the Honorary Colonel, General Sir George Erskine, and a past Commanding Officer, Colonel Peter Earle, and both of them sat in on the Sergeants' Mess photograph. After a successful year guiding the entertainments and other events in the Mess, our retiring President, C/Sgt. H. Miller, now gives way to C.S.M. J. Madden. The Battalion did well in the 56th Divisional Rifle Meeting and Mess members had a fair share of the prizes. The Individual Rifle Champion and runner up, also the winner of the Individual Pistol Championship, are all members of the Sergeants' Mess. The first and highlight of our new social year took place in October last, when we held our Sergeants' Mess Annual Dinner and Dance. This time there were no reunions to compete with, so this event was well supported and enjoyed by all. We have said good-bye to C.S.M. W. Price and wish him the best of luck on his return to the 60th, and welcome into the Mess Sgt. K. Granby as a new member of the Permanent Staff. This may be the last item in the Chronicle under the heading "Sergeants' Mess, Queen Victoria's Rifles," but although the name disappears one will still find the same old faces here at Davies Street.

### Finale

So after over 50 years as Queen Victoria's Rifles, 158 years since the inception of Saint George's, Hanover Square, Volunteers, we have to alter our title. In 1835 we were privileged to introduce by Her Majesty's gracious consent "Victoria" into our title. At the time of writing the name for the new Regiment is not decided. Whatever the title may be the traditions of the Regiment will remain associated with the long history of which the Queen's Westminsters are justly proud. St. George's, Hanover Square, will march with the Civil Service Rifles; the dragon will guard the gate of Westminster; we shall continue to serve the Boroughs of Westminster and St. Marylebone, proud of our cockney heritage and Green Jacket affiliation. This year we sound the Last Post sadly, next year in the Chronicle we hope to proclaim vigorously the Reveille of the New Regiment.

## THE QUEEN'S WESTMINSTERS (K.R.R.C.) T.A.

### Honorary Colonel

Major The Rt. Hon. Sir Anthony Eden, K.G., M.C.

### Officers

Lieut.-Colonel J. N. Butterwick, T.D.	Lieut. P. B. Curtis
Major F. H. Joyner, M.C., T.D.	" S. J. B. R. Pitamber
" G. A. Kidner	" D. C. Pitman
" P. D. C. Richards, B.E.M.	" G. A. Goodhart
Capt. J. J. N. Wyatt	" C. F. Penn
" H. G. R. Pickthorn	" A. J. T. Eve
" A. W. Drysdale	" G. H. Nicolson
" P. R. Nicolson	" D. Pownall
" A. J. Butterwick	" D. R. McCarthy
" R. M. J. Burr	" D. M. Brindle-Wood-Williams
" S. H. M. Bradley	" N. P. J. P. Picarda
Lieut. J. H. G. Lywood	" S. Douglas-Penant
" J. F. Hurley	" A. J. Davies
" J. B. DeSalis	" G. N. Hurley
" P. A. Irby	" I. S. Burge
" Hon. J. P. F. S. Grenfell	

### Attached Officers

Capt. I. H. McCausland, K.R.R.C. (P/S Adjutant)	Capt. J. P. A. Weaver, R.A.M.C. (T.A.)
" A. J. Lamb, K.R.R.C. (P/S Quartermaster)	" P. M. T. Morris, R.A.M.C. (T.A.) " R. V. Frost, R.A.P.C. (T.A.)

### Warrant Officers

W.O.I L. Wolland	C.S.M. G. Moss
R.Q.M.S. S. Burton	" J. Barber
O.R.Q.M.S. A. Halfacre	" R. Balchin
C.S.M. F. Purdom	

### Permanent Staff Instructors

W.O.I A. Fosker	Sgt. L. Andrews
W.O.II G. Harvey	" P. Robinson
" G. Rimmer	Cpl. H. Taylor

The past year has proved a most encouraging and enjoyable one. Recruiting has continued steadily, Camp was an undoubted success and the various Centenary celebrations have gone according to plan. In addition, evening attendances have been good and many weekends have been profitably spent based on the Queen's Lodge at Bisley.

### Annual Camp

Camp this year was at Okehampton and proved very wet and windy. Not a day went by without its fair share of rain and had it not been for the fact that the Camp was on the side of a hill we would surely have been flooded out. Yet despite all attempts by

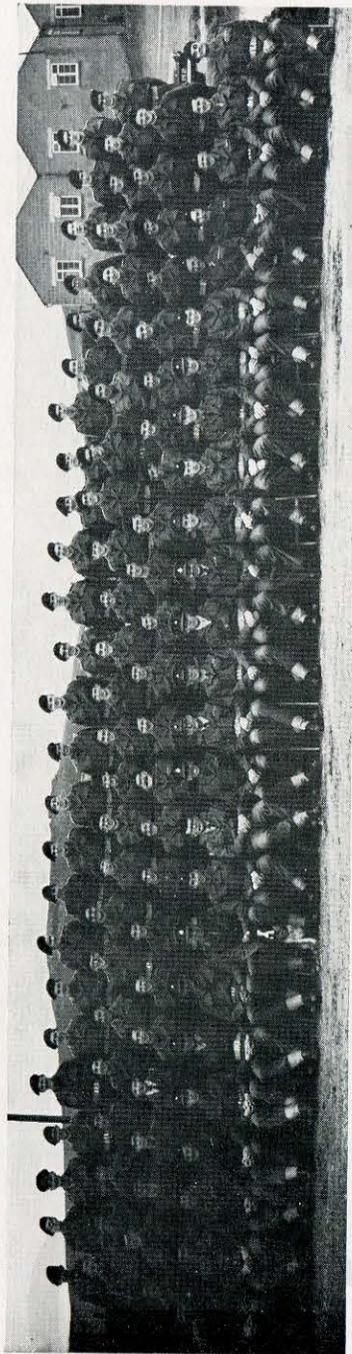
the weather to thwart our efforts a great deal of useful and enjoyable training was fitted in to our fortnight at the Southern Command Battle School.

The first week was run entirely by the Battalion and the programme consisted of section and platoon training, field firing, an inter-Company Patrols exercise and a 36-hour Battalion exercise. This last exercise had many moments of interest—both Lts. Francis and George Hurley all but persuaded us that the map makers had made a series of errors as far as Ringmoor area was concerned; a very young Brigadier looking remarkably like Captain Malcolm Burr was sighted for a short time on Great Tewkesbury Tor; while the final charge by B and C Companies on to A Company's position was umpired from behind the protection of some very unmilitary covers!

The second week's training was run by Brigade and was badly affected by the weather. Originally we were to have had two exercises, the first a 24-hour patrols exercise and the second a three-day affair.

However, low cloud and rain caused alterations in both, the first became a signals exercise and the second was cut by two days. We might add that there were not a few Westminsters much relieved by this news, for many had been anticipating the agonies which they would be suffering after three days battling over Dartmoor's many Tors. In fact this last exercise was a great success and it is very doubtful whether many of our younger members could have carried on with the same keenness and enthusiasm over a much longer period of time. We have doubts about the older ones too!

The weekend at Camp was spent at the Royal Britannia Naval College, Dartmouth. Once the Cadets had got over the shock of the somewhat improper state of dress of one of the Advance Party Officers, neither they nor their instructors could have been more helpful throughout the weekend. The resources of the whole College were at our disposal and everyone immensely enjoyed their visit—which included sailing and boating, swimming, a cricket match, attending "Divisions" on Sunday after a quick tour of the College and one or two other activities or rather festivities about which not much is known. However, some of us were amazed to find out later that the Senior Service had greatly added to C/Sgt. Bottley's already vast repertoire of songs and stories.



QUEEN'S WESTMINSTERS AT ANNUAL CAMP, OKEHAMPTON, 1960



CENTENARY CHURCH PARADE, JUNE 12, 1960



MARCH PAST

### Evening Training

Pre-Camp evening training consisted of a Junior Leaders' Cadre run by Captain Simon Bradley, a Skill at Arms Cadre run by Captain Neville Spinney and a Signals Cadre run by Lt. Alec Eve. There is no doubt that these cadres contributed largely to the success of Camp and we are hoping to run similar ones in the New Year.

In the meantime we have not been idle and since Camp on Wednesday evenings have been running 3 in. Mortar and Machine Gun training in addition to another Signals cadre, while on Tuesdays we train those recruits who joined as a result of the last recruiting drive held in September and October.

### Centenary Church Parade

This year's Church Parade was a more elaborate affair than usual and consisted of an Inspection and March Past at Wellington Barracks, followed by a Service at St. Margaret's, Westminster. The Parade took place on June 12, 1960, and was inspected by our Honorary Colonel, Sir Anthony Eden, K.G., M.C. He was accompanied by Councillor R. L. Everest, F.R.I.C.S., F.I.(ARB.), J.P. (Mayor of Westminster), Major-General C. M. F. Deakin, C.B.E. (56 (Lon.) Infantry Division, T.A.), Brigadier J. F. C. Mellor, D.S.O., O.B.E. (Commanding 169 (Green Jackets) Infantry Brigade T.A.) and Mr. Paget (Deputy Warden, the Goldsmiths' Company). Those on Parade included contingents from the Retired Members, the Serving Members and the Cadets.

After the Honorary Colonel's address and the March Past the Parade marched down Birdcage Walk to St. Margaret's, Westminster, where the Service was conducted by the Rev. George Fox, M.C., our Padre, Canon M. S. Stancliffe, our honorary Chaplain, included in his sermon many interesting details about the early history of the Regiment and many wondered afterwards if our Regimental History experts could have done as well.

After the Service the Parade formed up again and marched back to Buckingham Gate where everyone settled down to a well-earned tea.

### The Future

We now know that we are definitely to be amalgamated with the Q.V.R. and such matters as the title of the Regiment, its Cap Badge and numerous other points are under discussion at the moment.

No regiment likes losing its identity after a long and honourable history—it is bound to be a sad and painful thing—but if it must happen, then we could not wish for a better “marriage.” We have many old friends in the Q.V.R. and we are sure that the joint Regiment, initially under the Command of Lt.-Col. J. N. Butterwick, T.D., will have a happy and successful future.

### Shooting

The shooting team has met with considerable success this year—a just reward for the hard work of our untiring and ever-youthful Weapon Training Officer, Gordon Richards.

The Divisional Rifle meeting was our first commitment and all the team shot most consistently and finished up winners of the Camrose Cup (Unit Championship), the City Lieutenants Cup, the M.M.G. Cup and the Young Soldiers Cup. Perhaps the most encouraging feature of all was the performance of our Young Soldiers, some of them well under 18 years of age, who comfortably won their competition and who look like maintaining in the future the high standard of the present shooting team.

A team of nine went to Bisley for the T.A.R.A. Central Meeting, and four of these nine were selected to shoot for the Territorial Army—Major Joyner (T.A. Rifle VIII S.R. (a)), Sgt Witts (T.A. Rifle VIII S.R. (a), T.A. S.M.G. VIII and T.A. Rifle XX S.R. (b)), L/Cpl. Thomson (T.A. Pistol VIII) and Rfn. Shaw (T.A. Rifle VIII S.R. (b) Long Range and T.A. Pistol VIII). In addition Sgt. Witts won the T.A. Jubilee Cup and Silver Medal, L/Cpl. Thomson a Service Rifle Championship Bronze Badge and these two along with Cpl. Everitt and Rfn. Shaw also won Centenary Silver Medals. Members of the Team made a concerted effort for the Green Jackets Cup but were thwarted by Q.M.S.I. Lawrence of the Depot who won it from L/Cpl. Thomson (2nd) Sgt. Witts (3rd) and Rfn. Shaw (4th).

From August onwards the team was practising hard for the American match but still found time to shoot in the Annual “Big Six” match between teams from auxiliary forces with shooting lodges at Bisley. This we won with a score of 1,027 from L.R.B./Rangers with 899 points.

Two weeks later we shot in the London/Middlesex Counties and won the Parnell Cup against Regular opposition, came second in the H.M.S. *President* Cup and Queen's Rifles Cup and third in the Battalion Match. Cpl. Everitt won the Elizabethan Bowl and Kit-Cat Cup against all comers and Sgt. Witts came second in the Individual Rifle Championship.

### American Match

We arrived in America confident of our chances of winning back the Howard Vincent Shield from the 7th Regiment, and two most encouraging practice shoots on the Camp Smith Range made us feel that this confidence was not misplaced.

Unfortunately, the conditions we experienced during our two short spells of practice did not prepare us in any way for those we were to meet in the course of the Match on Saturday. It is never easy to shoot at 600 yards on the Camp Smith Range as it involves firing across a valley and a lake. In addition to this the wind is quite unpredictable for strangers to the range and can vary from as much as six minutes left to six minutes right between shots without any obvious indication being seen by the firer.

We were unlucky to strike all these factors at their worst and, in a 20 rounds application shoot at 600 yds., only two members of the team, Major Joyner and C/Sgt. Stephenson, were able to



QUEEN'S WESTMINSTERS AMERICAN MATCH SHOOTING TEAM  
*Back Row*—Cpl. Everitt, L/Cpl. Thomson, Captain Bradley.  
*Middle row*—Major Richards, Major Joyner, C/Sgt. Stephenson.  
*Front row*—Sgt. Witts, Rfn. Shaw, C/Sgt. Walton, Sgt. Hallett, Major Wyatt.

better a score of 80. Meanwhile the Seventh Regiment reaped the benefit of local knowledge and, shooting extremely well, finished with the majority of their scores in the 90's.

Thus after one practice we were a disastrous 15 points per man behind but, despite this disheartening start, all the team shot most purposefully, and on the next three practices (10 rounds snap and 10 rounds rapid at 300 yards and 10 rounds rapid sitting at 200 yards), reduced the final lead of the American Team to seven points a man, the final scores being 1214 to 1274.

There is no doubt that on the day and on that particular range the better team won but one cannot help wondering what might have happened at Bisley.

The Team were: Major Richards, Major Joyner, C/Sgt. Stephenson, C/Sgt. Walton, Sgt. Witts, Sgt. Hallett, Sgt. Capel, Cpl. Everitt, L/Cpl. Thomson, Rfn. Shaw.

#### QUEEN'S WESTMINSTERS TRIP TO AMERICA

"I guess I just did not find the power I expected." This laconic comment from the Captain was greeted by wan smiles as we waited at the extreme end of Prestwick runway, having accelerated till we were almost airborne, and then jammed on the brakes at the last possible moment. Our second attempt succeeded (we had already been delayed six hours with a propeller which insisted on revolving in the opposite direction to the other three—I am told this is a great mistake).

We were flying to New York on MATS, by courtesy of the U.S. Army. No alcohol is allowed on their planes. However, one or two of us were equipped with innocent-looking thermos flasks. All was well until a bottle of champagne exploded—we quickly let the steward into the secret, who told the pilot it was only a bottle of "Honey and Flowers" hair oil reacting to the altitude.

We were a team of 12 to shoot against the 7th Regiment New York National Guard. The challenge dates from 1904 when our then Colonel, Sir Howard Vincent, presented a Silver Shield as a guarantee of perpetual friendship to be competed for as often as may be convenient by Shooting Teams between the two Regiments. We won the first match in 1905, but have since lost all shoulder-to-shoulder shoots, although we usually win the annual cable matches. In 1957 the Americans came here and defeated us

after a week's festivities, when they were received by Her Majesty the Queen, had tea with the Queen Mother, visited Hampton Court, Windsor Castle, House of Lords and Lloyd's, and attended the Fourth of June at Eton.

The 7th Regiment was founded in 1806 as Volunteer Militia and became the New York National Guard in 1862. Their Armoury on Park Avenue is a huge building—to give you some idea of its size there is room for eight tennis courts to be marked out on the floor. The Regiment is now about 1,000 strong, but the majority of the men are not volunteers but National Servicemen completing their training commitment.

After arriving in New York the team itself moved out to Camp Smith to practise for the match while two or three of us (who all happen to work in the city) visited Wall Street for lunch, and that evening attended a Reception in Armoury House.

Armoury House is opposite the Russian Embassy, and was full of policemen available for emergencies. The only emergency we saw was the famous pie delivered to Khrushchev and removed in a wire mesh bomb disposal lorry, as the geiger counter which tests all parcels had recorded metal (tin soldiers decorating the pie-crust). Eventually the pie was unwrapped on a secluded beach, but we had the fun of seeing it whisked through the streets, sirens wailing, even faster than Castro who passed by that morning, en route for the U.N.O. building.

It was very irritating indeed to lose the match, details of which are published separately, as we had a particularly good team—three were members of the T.A. Rifle VIII and the Regiment has won nearly every prize this year, and for the last two or three years, too. But the Americans pulled it off, for which we must give them every credit.

The match was followed by a dinner and dance at Armoury House. Two of our hosts there, who happened to be policemen in the Narcotics Vice-Squad, took us round some of the more unusual quarters of New York later on in the evening. Very odd places, too, quite unlike anything I have seen this side of Hamburg. Greenwich Village, Chinatown and the Bronx are all most remarkable, that is at three or four in the morning. I was very comforted to notice that American policemen are required to carry arms off as well as on duty. New York night life is expensive; I remember paying \$35 for a bottle of champagne!

The next week was hectic. A trip round Manhattan Island on a crisp autumn day, the leaves turning, with the yellow maple and golden larch contrasting vividly with the red oaks. New York from the sea is exactly what it should be—it is the only place in the world which I have been to which completely lives up to its pictures and reputation. Though most of the steamer trip was attractive, part of it was depressing. (I could not help thinking of Mr. Big of James Bond fame as we passed up the Harlem River, but I saw no bodies in barrels of cement).

Another highlight of our visit was a reception on Governor's Island, which is about a mile to the south of New York. It was purchased from the Indians in 1637 for two axe heads and a string of beads. In 1664 the English captured New Amsterdam and renamed it New York, and called the island Governor's Island. Members of the team benefited greatly from the visit of the 60th Band there earlier in the year in that the green uniform caused more than a stir amongst the young girls of the Island.

We had a most amusing visit to West Point, the American equivalent of Sandhurst. Discipline is very strict and seemed to be a trifle excessive. Hazing (a form of ragging) makes life most unpleasant for the first-year cadets. For example, they must at all times walk with their chins tucked in (difficult for stout parties like me) and they cannot eat at mealtimes until given the order. Sometimes this is delayed until only five minutes of the allotted half-hour is left. Even then, they can be made to eat a "square" meal—the fork must travel vertically from the plate, and at eye level horizontal to the nose, where it dips neatly into the mouth, and returns by the same square route.

Of course there is no malice in these traditions, and they undoubtedly toughen the cadets and contribute to the very high standards achieved. We were impressed particularly by their smart bearing shown off by their grey uniforms of eighteenth-century cut, with white trousers.

The rest of our stay consisted of visits to Radio City, the Trotting Races, a Broadway Show (The Music Man) and so on. Very enjoyable, too.

At lunch on the last day I happened to sit next to Dame Margot Fonteyn des Arias, and she very kindly invited myself and one other to the Ballet that night. So we sat in the Ambassador's private box, just the two of us and were thrilled by the "Sleeping Beauty." A perfect way to spend our last evening in New York. I will always treasure the memory of the ballet itself, so enhanced

by the quiet and comfort of the private box and complete absence of distraction.

The next day we flew at noon, and we just had time to have coffee and cakes with Lord Home (the British Foreign Secretary) at the Waldorf Astoria. Lady Home did the honours, and it was altogether a most stimulating twenty minutes.

We returned to England defeated, but confident that we had fully maintained the spirit of Sir Howard Vincent's gift. The "guarantee of perpetual friendship between the two Regiments" is thus still further cemented.

J.J.N.W.

## 1st CADET BATTALION THE KING'S ROYAL RIFLE CORPS

**Battle Honour—South Africa 1900-1902**

**Honorary Colonel: Colonel R. G. H. Sutton, O.B.E.**

Officers and Warrant Officers serving with the Battalion on October 31, 1960:

Lieut.-Colonel G. R. B. Hanson, R.A.R.O. (Officer Commanding)	Major P. Lissack, R.A.M.C. (Attached)
Capt. J. H. L. Burke	W.O.II R.Q.M.S. J. H. McCormack, B.E.M.
Capt. P. G. Newby-Vincent	W.O.II W. R. C. Smeeton
Capt. P. W. Bell, A.E.R.	W.O.II D. M. Scott
Capt. R. N. Cutter	W.O.II J. Warner
Capt. S. L. Johnson	W.O.II T. Westlake
Lieut. J. Holland	W.O.II H. Deneham
Lieut. A. Holland	C/Sgt. G. Holt
2/Lieut. F. Cox	C/Sgt. G. Wetherings
2/Lieut. A. Bebb	
U/Officer D. Relton	

### ACTIVITIES OF THE BATTALION

#### Awards

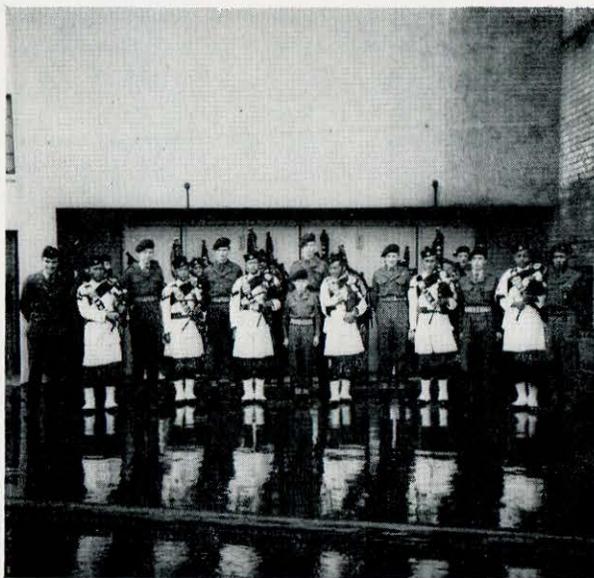
Two members of the Battalion were awarded Her Majesty's Certificate of Good Service in the Birthday Honours List for 1960. Captain P. G. Newby-Vincent, who this year completes seventeen years service, and Colour Sergeant B. Crowe, who completes four years service this year, both with 1st Cadet Battalion K.R.R.C.

#### General Notes

In December, 1959, Colonel R. G. H. Sutton, O.B.E., retired on reaching the age limit and was appointed Honorary Colonel of North West Area County of London Army Cadet Force and so of the 1st C. Battalion K.R.R.C. His appointment is more than welcomed by all ranks who will still have his counsel and advice

and, indeed, his remarkable powers of physical and mental stamina. His association with youth has been a long one and his service with the Cadet Battalions of the 60th dates back to the early forties. Under his wise leadership the old 1st C. Battalion merged with the 2nd C. Battalion K.R.R.C. in 1950 and joined the County of London T.A. and A.F.A. Since that time the unit has maintained its sound traditions in every sphere of Cadet life within the County of London. We look forward to many years of assistance and interest from someone essentially young at heart.

Captain W. Hirons has also retired on age limit this year, but once again we have not lost a stalwart and "Bill" is still to be seen at A Company helping with the many problems that bewitch a Cadet Company Commander. On the School Platoon at St. Georges we welcome 2nd/Lieut. A. Bebb, formerly a sailor but with sufficient enthusiasm for youth to start all over again in khaki. R.S.M. Edmed, our Calais veteran, has been obliged to cease active Cadet work, but once again, in a civilian capacity, we call on his services when needed. Numbers are quite good and the School



"A" AND "C" COMPANIES WITH MEMBERS OF THE BRIGADE OF GHURKHAS AT ROYAL TOURNAMENT, 1960

Platoon has brought much-needed fresh blood. Standards are being maintained and improved upon and this probably accounts for the smallness of the Unit which numbers about one hundred and twenty active members. Our former Cadets at the Junior Leaders Battalion are doing well but numbers have fallen this year and all companies are endeavouring to bring both Regular and Territorial recruiting figures up again. There is no change in the set-up of Companies. A Company have had a very satisfactory year at Buckingham Gate and quite a lot of assistance from Q.W.R. After some time in the doldrums numbers have improved thanks to the energetic work of the stalwarts and a number of successful training exercises have worked up much enthusiasm. The Company was invited to take a part in the Centenary Celebrations of the Queen's Westminster Rifles.

B Company at Davies Street could not want for more co-operation from Queen Victoria's Rifles and during the enforced absence of Stanley Johnson, Colonel Chris Gregory has given much help and assistance. Recruiting in Mayfair is not easy and the



CPL. J. B. LIVINGSTONE, "C" COMPANY, ROYAL TOURNAMENT, 1960, WITH BRIGADE OF GHURKHAS

backbone of the Company is coming from the St. George's Platoon, which now numbers some forty Cadet Riflemen and has a waiting list.

C Company has really gone to town this year. Numbers have been good throughout and attendances excellent. In addition to the two Certificates of Good Service awarded, the Company won, by a very substantial margin, the County of London .22 Shooting Competition. At the County Sports Meeting they gained the Junior Trophy which had been held by a school unit for a number of years. Not content with this, the Battalion Shot in the Bisley Cadet Hundred came from C Company and their successes in the Duke of Edinburgh's Award Scheme have been first class.

This year we say good-bye to Cadet Colour-Sergeant Crowe, Cadet Sergeant Clifford and Cadet Corporal Piper, who join Queen Victoria's Rifles. All Companies have received an "Above Standard" Report from the Affiliated Formation Commander.

### Training

This is very rightly becoming more intensive as the Training for Adventure attitude takes hold of our Cadet Riflemen. Basic training in each Company is sound and the general standard of Map Reading, Fieldcraft and Weapon Training has improved. Easter saw us at the Depot with 4 Officers, 2 A/W.O.s and 50 Cadet Riflemen. All took part in Adventure Training which, for the Seniors, involved 30 miles on foot across Salisbury Plain with two nights in the open and a finale on the Assault Course of the School of Infantry at Warminster. The Juniors completed 15 miles across the Plain with one night out and a finish similar to the Seniors. Not one Cadet fell out throughout the exercise, though many had sore feet and all were tired.

A weekend at Fawley, on Southampton Water, which was organised by Lieut. Cox, proved most successful for the Senior N.C.O.s of all Companies.

Early August saw us again at the Depot with some 50 Cadet Riflemen. The training was of a high order and the visits laid on for us proved extremely interesting. This almost annual event does more than anything else to generate the Green Jacket Tradition in the heart of every lad who joins the Battalion. We are very much indebted to the Permanent Staff for the untiring efforts they make on our behalf. Once again this year it was possible to leave practically all the Cadet administration to the Cadet N.C.O.s, which is just as it should be. For the last two weeks in August some 40 Green Jacket

Cadets joined the County of London A.C.F. Camp in the Isle of Man. Here they acquitted themselves well, being runners-up in the Camp Efficiency Competition. Another Weekend Training Camp, organised by Frank Cox, was held recently outside Maidstone, and despite almost continuous rain was voted a sound success. Next year we go to St. Martin's Plain—an old favourite haunt—with good training areas near at hand.

### Shooting

Once again this has been handled by Col. Sutton with the assistance of Capt. Cutter, Lieut. Cox and C.S.M. Scott. Col. Chris Gregory has always found time to come along as well to give us the invaluable aid so much needed on these occasions. The general standard both in .303 and .22 has improved, but there is still much room for improvement.

#### COUNTY OF LONDON .22 COMPETITION

1st—C Company, 1st C. Battalion K.R.R.C.  
5th—A Company, 1st C. Battalion K.R.R.C.  
6th—B Company, 1st C. Battalion K.R.R.C.

The Douglas Pennant Trophy came to us again this year for the fourth year in succession. Our only competitor was the Royal Masonic School since no other units raised a complete team. To offset this sad state of affairs, however, it is good to note that the scores of both competing units were higher than last year.

The National Cadet Weekend at Bisley saw two teams from the County of London A.C.F., one a complete Green Jacket effort. In this Cpl. Piper gained a place in the Bisley Hundred.

In order to improve the general standard of the Cadet Marksmen it is intended to hold a series of weekend shoots during 1961 with standards above that required for Cadet Marksman .303 and below the Army Marksman Class.

### Certificate "A" and Duke of Edinburgh's Award Training

The number of passes both at Pt. I and Pt. II levels for Cert. "A" continues to be very satisfactory. Increasing numbers are coming forward from the Companies who are anxious to build up a sound Cadet N.C.O. background. No Cadet is promoted to the rank of Corporal until he holds both parts of the examination and has had a minimum of nine months service.

C Company have taken the Duke of Edinburgh's award scheme to their hearts and over the last eighteen months have put in a great deal of hard work. Already nine have reached the silver standard



COUNTY OF LONDON A.C.F. BANNER, CENTENARY YEAR, 1960  
 Left to right: Sgt. Holmes, Col./Sgt. Crowe, Sgt. Caffry, 1st C. Bn.  
 K.R.R.C.



COMMONWEALTH YOUTH SERVICE, MAY, 1960  
 Sgt. Holmes, Col./Sgt. Crowe, Sgt. Caffrey

and are to be presented with this award at the Company Prize Distribution this year. The day is not far distant when the first group of Cadet Riflemen from 1st C. Bn. K.R.R.C. go to Buckingham Palace to receive the Gold Standard award from the Duke himself. Within the Battalion the scheme is looked after by the Honorary Colonel with adult instructors doing the actual training within the Company.

### Centenary Year, 1860-1960

The Centenary Year has almost run its course and throughout the country Cadet Units everywhere have been marking the occasion with ceremonies of many kinds. The County of London A.C.F., of which the Battalion forms a part, have enjoyed a busy and successful year. Commencing in February, members of the Battalion were given places in the Guard of Honour to H.R.H. the Duke of Edinburgh when he presented his standard to the A.C.F. in the ancient Chapel of the Tower of London. Then followed the Trooping of the Banner at the Duke of York's Headquarters after it had been received from the County of Surrey. In this ceremony we were able to supply a complete detachment of over fifty Green Jacket K.R.R.C. Cadets. When the A.C.F. Banner was handed to the London County Council for safe keeping until taken over by the County of Middlesex members of the unit were again lining the steps of County Hall. On July 22 Her Majesty the Queen accompanied by H.R.H. Prince Philip reviewed some fifteen hundred Cadets from C.C.F. and A.C.F. Units in the grounds of Buckingham Palace. Col/Sgt. Crowe represented the Battalion on this parade and in the afternoon Sgt. Caffrey was one of those who lined the route to Westminster Abbey for the Centenary Service. Again at the Commonwealth Youth Service the County of London Banner was carried by 60th Cadet N.C.O.s.

A very successful Officers and Warrant Officers Ball was held at the Duke of York's Headquarters in September to commemorate the Centenary. The year will close with further social functions for all. It has been a splendid year in which to live and one in which the Cadet Forces of the Crown have gained an affectionate place in the hearts of many.

Once again in closing this account we should like to thank all those members of the Parent Regiment, past and present, as well as the Territorial Battalions for their many acts of assistance and their continued interest in all we undertake and to assure them that we shall endeavour to turn out useful citizens with a genuine love of the Green Jacket and all that is associated with it.

## THE QUEEN'S OWN RIFLES OF CANADA 1860 - 1960

The year 1960, that of the Regiment's 100th Anniversary, will, without doubt, be appropriately noted in the history of the Regiment. Members of the Regiment, wherever they were, in Canada, Calgary and Toronto, in Germany at Fort MacLeod, and in the Middle and Far East, took time to celebrate the Regiment's centenary and pause to remember those who had gone before.

The year commenced with the announcement of the acceptance by Her Royal Highness, Princess Alexandra of Kent, of the appointment of Colonel-in-Chief of the Regiment. This was a proud day for every member of the Queen's Own. This was followed in April with the appointment of Colonel J. G. K. Strathy, O.B.E., E.D., as Colonel of the Regiment, succeeding Colonel Baptist Johnston, O.B.E., E.D., who was the first Colonel of the Regiment. Colonel Johnston had served with the Regiment for over half a century.

At the Home Station, Calgary, Alberta, the First Battalion along with the Regimental Depot, during the period May 27-28, celebrated the centenary by way of dinners, balls, receptions, and was highlighted by the annual Feu-de-Joie Ceremony by the First Battalion. The Hon. Davey Fulton, Minister of Justice, inspected



HER ROYAL HIGHNESS, PRINCESS ALEXANDRA OF KENT, COLONEL-IN-CHIEF, INSPECTS SECOND BATTALION, FORT MACLEOD, GERMANY

the Battalion and took the salute. On June 11, First Battalion and the Depot joined in accepting, on behalf of the Regiment, the "Freedom of the City" from the City of Calgary. Battalions have been granted the Freedom of a City in Canada, but never before a Regiment. In June and July, a Company group from First Battalion re-enacted the famous March of the Battleford during the second Riel Rebellion of 1885, part of the campaign for which this Regiment received its first battle honour "North-West Canada."

Second Battalion was singularly honoured in July when the Colonel-in-Chief joined them for a two-day visit. Princess Alexandra attended a dinner in the Officers' Mess, was received by the Sergeants' Mess, inspected the Battalion, and the Feu-de-Joie was fired in her honour. At the conclusion of the parade, Colonel Strathy, on behalf of the Regiment, presented the Princess with a diamond and platinum brooch, a replica of the cap badge. The final event was a gala ball held in the Officers' Club at Soest. In mid-April a Company of the Battalion re-traced the World War II route from the beaches of Normandy through France and Belgium.

Third Battalion and the Queen's Own Rifles Association at the end of April joined by a Company from First Battalion and representatives from Second Battalion, the Depot, The Buffs and the K.R.R.C., celebrated the Anniversary. Balls were held at the Royal York Hotel and at Casa Loma. A reunion dinner with 1,200 attending, at which Field-Marshal The Viscount Montgomery of Alamein, K.G., G.C.B., D.S.O., was guest of honour, was held at the Royal York. Sunday, May 1 brought it to a close with a Church Parade held in St. Paul's Church. The response was so great that the overflow from the Church, which seated over 3,000, had to be directed to Maurice Cody Hall where television coverage was arranged. Field-Marshal Montgomery laid a wreath at the Cross of Sacrifice, read the Lesson and took the salute at the March Past which followed the Service. The reunion week in Toronto was the highlight of the Toronto activities, but other activities were conducted throughout the year.

A 100th Anniversary commemorative medallion was struck and distributed to all ranks of the Regiment.

As the year closes, we see First Battalion settled in Germany, having relieved Second Battalion, and the first elements of Second Battalion starting to arrive in Calgary where they will, for the first time, make their home at the Home Station.

## THE HALIFAX RIFLES (R.C.A.C.)

**Commanding Officer: Lt.-Colonel J. H. D. Oland, M.C.E.D.**

The past year has indeed been a busy one. Every moment of available time was taken up with preparation for our 100th Anniversary celebrations leading to grand reunion. With the new training policy now in effect for the Canadian Army (Militia) which emphasises National Survival Training, heavy demands were placed upon all our personnel, especially the committees in charge of all arrangements.

October of 1959 saw us start off on the advanced portion of National Survival training, which culminated in week-end exercises to apply classroom theory to practical application. Extra-curricular training saw emphasis being placed on Ceremonial Training for presentation of our new Guidon, the design of which has been approved by Army Headquarters and which we hope to have presented by the Governor-General in the near future.

1960 saw us lose yet another outstanding Officer of this Regiment, Capt. H. H. Godsoe, who died suddenly in March. Capt. Godsoe had come up through the ranks via the Sergeants' Mess, and at the time of his death was slated for Senior rank. His loss has been keenly felt by all his fellow Officers and the Regiment as a whole.

May of 1960 was the occasion of our 100th Anniversary and grand reunion. Ex-members from all over the Maritime Provinces attended. It proved to be an outstanding success. Old buddies re-hashed memories and past battles fought and re-fought. A time for nostalgia, and remembrance of the friends "who didn't make it." The Armouries was full for the Anniversary Dinner on May 14, and all turned out for the Church Parade the following morning.

A band concert was held in St. Patrick's Auditorium on May 20 in conjunction with these celebrations, at which time two Scholarships were presented to local Universities to commemorate the occasion. One was presented to King's College, where our old Regimental Colours are "laid up," and the other to St. Mary's University. The Commanding Officer, Lt.-Colonel J. H. D. Oland, presented the Scholarship to King's on behalf of the Regiment, and the Scholarship to St. Mary's was presented by Lt.-Colonel J. G. Quigley (Ret.) President of the Halifax Rifles Armouries Association and our very capable Regimental Historian.

Cessation of summer camp saw the Militia become dormant, and Regimental picnics and outings were organised to maintain interest. Training for the Guidon presentation was commenced and at time of writing was progressing favourably. Autumn training commenced in September and continued with the advanced portion of National Survival training, but not ignoring the need of Regimental parades, drill and basic discipline for new entries.

Remembrance Day was, as usual, well attended with 65 men and 18 Officers on Parade. Open House in messes followed after the Parade.

## VICTORIA RIFLES OF CANADA

**Commanding Officer: Lt.-Colonel G. Ross Robertson, C.D.**

One of the highlights of the past year was the appointment of Lt.-Colonel Irwin H. Eakin, O.B.E., E.D., Honorary Lt.-Colonel as Honorary Colonel of the Regiment and the first Canadian to hold this post. Colonel Eakin has had a long and distinguished career with the Regiment, commanding the Militia Battalion from 1934-1939 and the 1st (Active) Battalion from 1940 to 1944. The appointment was announced at the Annual Officers' Mess Dinner in January by the General Officer Commanding Quebec Command, Major-General J. M. Rockingham, C.B., C.B.E., D.S.O., E.D.

The Regiment was represented at the 60th American Dinner in New York by the Honorary Colonel, The Commanding Officer and the second-in-command, Major G. A. Norman, C.D. Subsequently we had the privilege of entertaining Brigadier R. A. T. Eve, C.B.E., and Mrs. Eve in Montreal. A mixed Mess Dinner was held in their honour followed by an inspection of the Bugle Band by Brigadier Eve and a display by the Band.

Camp was held at Farnham, P.Q., in early June when training was concentrated on National Survival subjects and proved to be interesting and successful.

Preparations are now under way for the 100th Anniversary Celebrations of the Regiment which will commence in the middle of next year and a good deal of hard work is ahead to make this a truly eventful year in the Regiment's history.

The Commanding Officer, The Regimental Sergeant Major and a group of Officers and Senior N.C.O. attended the Centen-

nial Celebrations of our sister Regiment, The Queen's Own Rifles of Canada, at Toronto in April.

Lt.-Colonel Peter Curtis of the K.R.R.C. paid a brief visit to the Regiment in October and it was a pleasure to meet him and to show him over the Armoury. The visit was also interesting due to the fact that one of our present Company Commanders, Major J. C. Laing, formerly served as a Platoon Commander under his command.

Training is concentrated on basically one night per week and one week-end per month and so far this autumn two successful weekends have been held.

A cordial invitation is extended to any serving or former member of the K.R.R.C. to visit the Regiment when in Montreal.

## THE BROCKVILLE RIFLES ROYAL CANADIAN INFANTRY CORPS

**Commanding Officer: Lt.-Colonel W. S. Watson**  
**Brockville, Ontario, Canada**

After 13 years of service in the Artillery, the Brockville unit was changed back to an Infantry Regiment and re-designated "The Brockville Rifles" on December 1, 1959. This event was greeted with great enthusiasm throughout the Regiment.

Major W. S. Watson was recalled from the Supplementary Reserve to take command in the rank of Lt.-Colonel. Major J. D. Cooper was appointed second in command.

The Regiment was honoured in June 1960 by a visit from Brigadier R. A. T. Eve, C.B.E., Regimental Headquarters, K.R.R.C., and Mrs. Eve. The Officers of the Regiment and their wives spent a memorable evening in the Mess with the gracious visitors.

The Regiment's training in 1959 to 1960 has been concentrated on national survival operations which have been designated as the prime role of the Canadian Militia.

No summer camp was held for the Regiment this year as maximum effort was put on getting Officers and N.C.O.s qualified at corps schools in their new role. A gratifying number qualified thus enabling the Regiment to make an auspicious start on training this autumn.

## THE REGINA RIFLE REGIMENT 1960

**Lt.-Colonel O. J. Keehr, C.D., Commanding Officer to**  
**October 15, 1960**

**Lt-Col. D. E. Williams, C.D., Commanding Officer from**  
**October 16, 1960**

### Training

This past year the emphasis has been on National Survival. Training parades have been held Tuesday and Wednesday nights, but in September it was changed to Thursday nights and Saturdays from 0900 to 1530 hours, with administrative personnel parading Tuesday evenings.

The "Johns" took part in three group (Brigade) exercises and one Regimental exercise. The group exercises were National Survival exercises, Prairie Rescue 1, 2, and 3. These were held during weekends in May and June.

**Prairie Rescue 1:** This was a mobilisation exercise in which the Mobile Support Column assembled at the R.C.A.F. base in Moose Jaw, Saskatchewan. The Regina Rifle Regiment is responsible for the organisation and command of the Mobile Support Column.

**Prairie Rescue 2:** Communications, re-entry and rescue were emphasised on this scheme. This exercise took place in Regina and coincided with Army Day celebrations.

**Prairie Rescue 3:** The last of the exercises was a combination of exercises Prairie Rescue 1 and 2 with training in tactics thrown in. The Regiment, in the tactics part of the exercise, took its two objectives in true Infantry style with "Up the Johns" echoing through the Qu'Appelle valley where the exercise took place.

The Regimental exercise was called exercise "Prairie Wind." This exercise took place in the latter part of March and was primarily a radiation detection and re-entry exercise.

During the summer a few Officers and N.C.O.s were attached to the regular army at Wainwright, Alberta. Training there with the second Battalion P.P.C.L.I. certainly was a wonderful experience and all returned with high praise for the co-operation and training received.

Also during the summer a number of the men attended Junior and Senior N.C.O. courses held at Dundurn. A good record was obtained.

The Regina Rifle Regiment formed a platoon at the Fort Qu'Appelle Indian Residential School at Lebret, Saskatchewan, in October. Forty male grade 11 and 12 students at the school were enrolled as militiamen. The Platoon will be part of B Company which was established by the Regina Rifle Regiment in the Qu'Appelle Valley in 1952 and now has a small number of militiamen training in the town of Qu'Appelle.

### Special Activities

The Regina Rifle Regiment mounted a Royal Guard on the occasion of the visit to Regina of His Excellency The Governor-General, on April 20, 1960.

Remembrance Day on November 11 and one Church Parade as customary.

This year the Regina Rifle Regiment won the McCusker Cup donated by Brigadier E. A. McCusker, C.B.E., M.C., E.D., emblematic of proficiency in general militia training in Saskatchewan area. This competition is based on general turn out, ability in first aid and rescue, rifle skills and drill. The team consisted of an Officer, a Sergeant and 21 Riflemen. Lt. A. G. Lowe paced his men to victory for the Regina Rifle Regiment. Last year the cup was won by Second Battalion The North Saskatchewan Regiment with a team commanded by Lt. D. Robertson, now a member of this unit.

### Strength

The Regimental strength at November 1960 was 22 Officers and 175 other ranks.

## SYDNEY UNIVERSITY REGIMENT

**Commanding Officer: Lt.-Colonel K. G. Mosher, O.B.E., E.D.**

In December 1959 it was announced that at June 30, 1960, the National Service training system would lapse and the Australian Military Forces would be completely reorganised. S.U.R. was the last unit in the training year to take National Servicemen to camp.

The reorganisation is designed to produce a force suitable for nuclear warfare under tropical conditions. It combines Citizen Military Force and Regular Army members to produce one army. Indeed in some units there are mixed sub-units. The Pentropic conception has had a major effect on the Regiment, which now comprises H.Q., an Administrative Company, two Pentropic rifle companies and two training companies specially for the training of Officers and N.C.O.s.

Two unit losses resulting from the reorganisation are the going of the Field Battery and the Field Engineer Troop.

When the reorganisation was first announced it was suggested that the Regiment should aim to achieve a strength of 350 by July 1963 but this was regarded by S.U.R. as too small and the target figure finally given is 650. The strength now, only four



ANNUAL CAMP 1960 AT SINGLETON, N.S.W.

Left to right—Lt.-Colonel K. G. Mosher, O.B.E., E.D. (Commanding Officer), S/Sgt. Rutter (mascot handler), W.O.I W. J. George (R.S.M.), Joey (unit mascot).

months after the suspension of National Service training, is 324 and the Regiment has set itself a target of 700 by May 1961.

New England has become the owner of its own company depot in the grounds of the University. Though small it is nevertheless the Company's own depot. There is every indication that, by the end of 1961, construction of the new depot in Sydney will have been started. This will replace the old depot gutted by fire in June 1959. The site is in the grounds of the old Deaf and Blind Institute.

In October S.U.R.'s first Honorary Colonel, the Lord Wakehurst, K.C.M.G., G.C.ST.J., now Governor-General of Northern Ireland, visited Sydney. His stay was so short—two days—that apart from contact by the Commanding Officer, time was not available for him to meet the Regiment. He has promised to visit Australia for a longer period soon and will then be able to give the Regiment an opportunity to pay its respects in proper fashion.

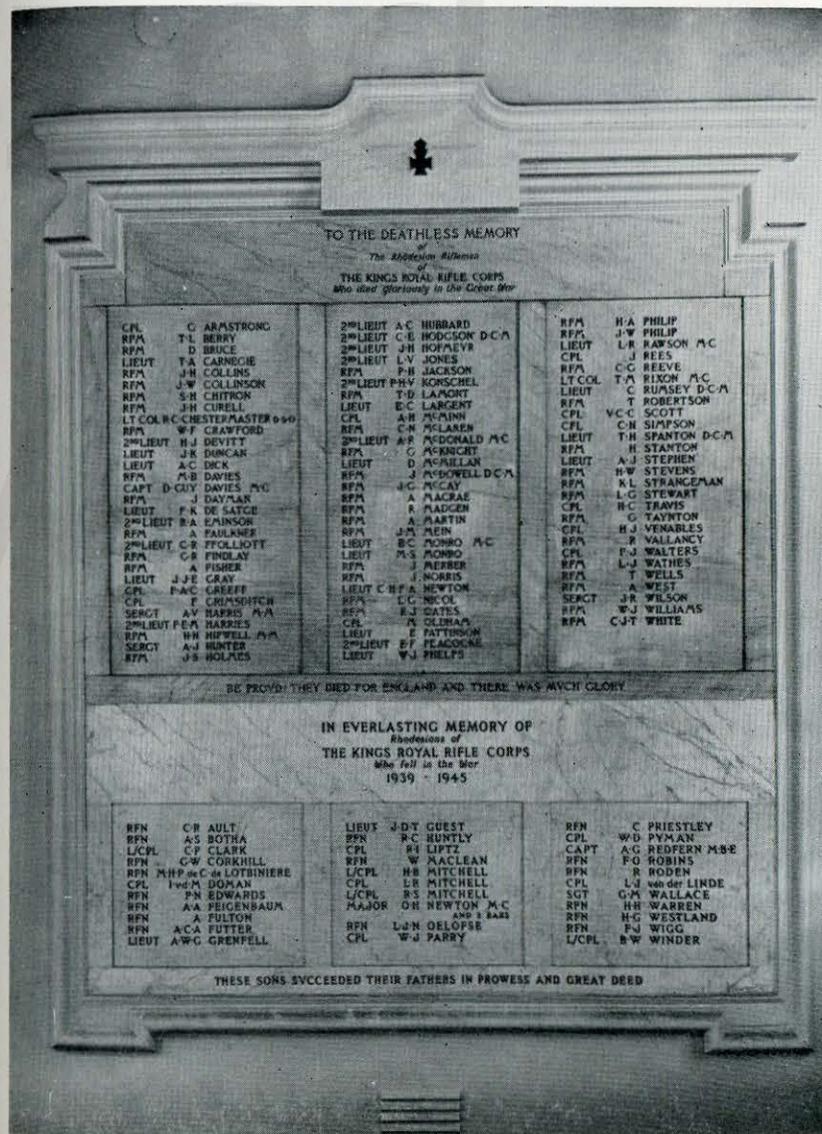
On June 17, 1960, the Regiment laid up its Old Colours in the Great Hall of the University of Sydney. The Old Colours were received by the Chancellor of the University, Lt.-Col. Sir Charles Bickerton Blackburn, KT., O.B.E., B.A., M.D., CL.M., HON. D.SC., HON. D.LITT., HON. LL.D., F.R.C.P., F.R.S.M., F.R.A.C.P., HON. F.R.C.P.E., on behalf of the University.

## THE ROYAL RHODESIA REGIMENT

Each of the three Battalions, as well as the Depot, was called on during the year to aid the Civil Power in its respective areas. In Northern Rhodesia the 3rd Battalion, spread over a wide area, gained high praise for its work in some very wild terrain adjoining The Belgian Congo border.

In Southern Rhodesia the 1st and 2nd Battalions and The Depot were mobilised for varying periods, first in July and again in October. As a commentary on these operations it is interesting to quote from an African-owned and African-edited newspaper:

"True reports from Bulawayo, Salisbury and Gwelo are to the effect that the army in all these townships has been received with open arms by the people most vitally affected and that is a matter for considerable gratification, indeed, for as was stated by the Government, the army where it is now is on a peace mission and nothing else and that its job is to see to it that trouble-makers are prevented from disturbing the peace and quiet of the people concerned."



TABLETS IN THE WAR MEMORIAL CLOISTERS IN BULAWAYO SHOWING THE NAMES OF RHODESIANS WHO FELL WHILE SERVING IN THE 60TH IN THE TWO WORLD WARS (SEE 1959 NOTES)



ON HER ARRIVAL AT SALISBURY AIRPORT ON MAY 11, 1960, HER MAJESTY THE QUEEN MOTHER INSPECTED THE GUARD OF HONOUR, ACCOMPANIED BY THE GUARD COMMANDER, MAJOR N. G. JARDINE, T.D., AND IN THE REAR, MAJOR-GENERAL R. E. B. LONG, C.B.E., G.O.C., FEDERAL ARMY, AND LT. COLONEL M. J. GILLIAT, C.V.O., M.B.E., 60TH RIFLES

A further excerpt reads:

"The ordinary man in the street says that members of the army who are stationed in various Bulawayo African townships on a peace mission to protect good people have evidently made a tremendous impression on the Africans of Bulawayo since they are decency personified."

A decision to elevate to a more active role a number of Class A Reservists has resulted in the formation of four extra Battalions. These units will retain for an additional period of three years, on a modified commitment, the service of Officers and Other Ranks who have honoured their obligations in the active Territorial Force Battalions. It is hoped to include details of these new Battalions in the next issue.

#### **1st Battalion—Lt.-Colonel B. G. Franklin, Commanding**

The Annual Camp of training, scheduled for September, 1959, was cancelled because the Battalion had spent six weeks in Nyasaland during the emergency in February/March.

In October, history was made when Headquarters, Mashonaland Area carried out the first ever Administrative Inspection of the unit. Many lessons were learnt and when the inspection was over a start was immediately made on rectifying what faults had come to light.

Frequent week-end schemes and exercises were held over the period November, 1959, to March, 1960, culminating in the Annual 14-day Camp from April 19 to May 2.

During the camp, which was completely tactical, the emphasis was on training for conventional warfare and various exercises were carried out. Despite inclement weather these exercises were very enjoyable and of much benefit to the unit.

A and B Companies were airlifted by the Royal Rhodesian Air Force to Fort Jameson in Northern Rhodesia and Lilongwe in Nyasaland during one of the exercises. This operation went off very well indeed and enabled members of these two companies to meet and get to know officials of the Civil Authority in Northern Rhodesia and Nyasaland.

On May 11, 1960, a Guard of Honour, commanded by the Second-in-Command, Major N. G. Jardine, T.D., was provided for the arrival at New Sarum Airport, Salisbury, of Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth The Queen Mother. Twenty-two members of B Company travelled the 175 miles from Umtali to take part in this guard. The guard was extremely smart and drew favourable comment from Her Majesty.

The next event in which the Battalion took part was Her Majesty The Queen's Birthday Parade, held at the Drill Hall, Salisbury, on June 11, 1960. Lieut.-Colonel B. G. Franklin commanded the Parade. Captain P. H. Clayton performed the duties of Parade Adjutant and A, C and D Companies each provided a guard of 100 men.

Nearly 800 men took part. Following the Parade, which according to several "old-timers" was the best ever held in Salisbury. A Sherry Party was held in the Officers' Mess.

On June 28, 1960, the Battalion again provided a Guard of Honour, this time for the opening of the third session of the ninth Southern Rhodesian Parliament. The Guard was drawn from A and D Companies and was commanded by Major J. A. Stewart-Garden, E.D.

In July, rioting broke out in Highfields and Harari African townships, and the Battalion was called up on July 20 in aid of the Civil Authority. The next four days were spent patrolling the trouble spots and guarding various key points. Fortunately, it never became necessary for force to be used and on July 24 orders were received to stand down. Two days later, on July 26, the Battalion was again called out because of riots in Bulawayo. On this occasion we moved out to Inkomo Training Centre, some 30 miles north of Salisbury, to a tented camp and stood by in case we were needed.

Various "flag marches" were carried out in local African Reserves and A Company were moved to Umtali where they joined forces with B Company. Eventually, on August 2, the Battalion stood down.

### **2nd Battalion—Lt.-Colonel C. R. A. Blackwell, M.B.E., E.D., Commanding**

Since the call-up for the state of emergency in Nyasaland last year there has been a spirit of urgency throughout the Battalion and a determination to be ready for any further difficulties which might arise.

Concentration has naturally been on internal security and this proved its worth in the recent unhappy events in Bulawayo during July when the Battalion was called out to assist the police.

The call-up gave us valuable experience, though our activities were limited mainly to cordoning. During the ten-day call-up in extremely cold weather we experienced the proverbial Rhodesian

hospitality with the citizens of Bulawayo supplying us with hot soup, coffee and anything else which would counteract the cold. We are certainly very grateful to them.

Although we have over the year concentrated mainly on our internal security role the Battalion went into its annual two-week camp in April in the Matopos Hills where training was based on non-nuclear warfare. The magnificent rugged terrain of the Matopos proved an ideal training ground.

During camp we took part in an air-lift exercise in which A and C Companies were lifted to airfields in Northern Rhodesia and Nyasaland. With the vastness of the Federation, speedy airlifts to trouble spots are an essential part of our planning and the experience gained therein during the Nyasaland emergency and this exercise have proved invaluable.

The Military Tattoo of 1960 was organised by Headquarters Southern Area with the Battalion taking part in the Jeep Assembly Competition. The team is to be congratulated on gaining third place in strong competition. The Tattoo, which proved to be a great success, was held in conjunction with the First Central African Trade Fair, which was opened by Her Majesty The Queen Mother.

This year has seen the loss to the Battalion of a large number of its Senior Officers whose services to the Battalion have done much to build its character, and their loss is regretted.

With our commitments this year it has not been possible to hold the inter-unit sports or any rifle shoots but we look forward to their continuance in the coming year.

As usual the Battalion provided six guards and a supporting troop of armoured cars from the Support Platoon for the Parade held to celebrate Her Majesty The Queen's Birthday. The Rhodesian African Rifles carried their Colours on this Parade at which the salute was taken by His Excellency, The Governor of Southern Rhodesia, Sir Humphrey Gibbs, K.C.M.G. Territorial Week was again held to coincide with Her Majesty The Queen's Birthday Parade and included a Mess Dinner and Regimental Ball in the functions staged. The Guest of Honour at the Mess Dinner was Sir Humphrey Gibbs and we had the largest turn-out for a Mess Dinner at this function for some time. The Regimental Ball which was held in the Officers' Mess, proved, if anything, even more successful than last year's Ball and with the high esprit de corps at present prevailing in the Battalion (which with a

Territorial Force is always a difficult thing to keep alive) the Territorial Week was an outstanding success.

Generally this year has been an excellent one for the Battalion resulting from the opportunities given to it by the camp and the call-up in July and October to maintain efficiency and morale.

### 3rd Battalion—Lt.-Colonel F. G. Milligan, Commanding

The Second-in-Command, Major J. D. Chadwick, lately Assam Regiment, took over the Battalion for a period of five months while the Commanding Officer was on overseas leave.

Dividing his time between vacation and visits to Industries in Europe, our Commanding Officer managed to renew acquaintances with his military past, attending the Armistice Parade at Sandhurst, visiting the Royal Irish in Armagh, the Argyles, Third Royal Tanks in Germany and looking up old friends in Verden and Rhindhahen.

E Company in Lusaka took part in the Conferment of City Status Ceremonies and has had the honour of being adopted by our new City and being granted the title of E (City of Lusaka) Company.

Headquarters Company in Kitwe, third largest town in the Federation, is being similarly honoured by being adopted and granted the title H.Q. (Kitwe) Company, on the occasion of Kitwe's Silver Jubilee.

The various Companies took part in the Armistice Day and Queen's Birthday Parades in their respective towns and have held a number of very successful social functions.

Plans are well in hand for the building of a Regimental Club in Kitwe which will be a combined service, providing Mess Rooms for Officers, Warrant Officers, Sergeants, Corporals and Riflemen, and pavilion facilities for sports meetings.

When built, we hope the newly raised 7th (Reserve) Battalion R.R.R. and the 14th (Cadet) Battalion R.R.R. will avail themselves of these facilities also.

The Battalion's two weeks Annual Continuous Training was advanced from mid-July to April this year in anticipation of possible unrest later in the year. Our training was geared to the requirements of non-nuclear warfare and two Companies took part in an airlift exercise, while the other five Companies took part in a full-scale exercise in the north-west Province.

In July, two days after the unexpected arrival on the Copperbelt of large numbers of Belgian refugees, the Battalion was called



*Front row* (left to right)—Captain A. B. Brock; Captain F. Harrison, 1 R.A.R. (Adjutant); Major L. F. Crossland; Lieut.-Colonel F. G. Milligan (C.O. 3 R.R.R.); Colonel F. B. Canning Cooke, O.B.E., T.D. (Honorary Colonel, 3 R.R.R.); Major O. M. Atkinson, 1 R.A.R. (Training Officer); Major J. D. Chadwick (Second-in-Command, 3 R.R.R.); Captain M. K. Dreyer.  
*Second row*—2nd/Lieut. J. D. Parker; Captain L. R. Parker; Captain R. H. P. Coveen; Lieut. W. H. Purchase; Lieut. K. D. Cole; Lieut. R. Jackson; Lieut. I. V. Duncan; 2nd/Lieut. R. Weidemann; Lieut. R. Robertson.  
*Third row*—2nd/Lieut. Norrie; 2nd/Lieut. Wilson; Captain B. M. Lattering (R.N.M.C.); Captain D. Lawson (R.N.M.C.); 2nd/Lieut. J. Arnott; 2nd/Lieut. P. M. Hoar; 2nd/Lieut. B. K. Francis.  
*At the back*—Lieut. C. Slaughter; Captain K. Markham (Q.M.)

out for service on the Congo Border in North Western and Western Province. The unit was kept embodied for 17 days until the situation in the Katanga Province stabilised. The unit took full advantage of the opportunities afforded to get some very valuable training.

Our team entered for the Army Weapons Meeting and Queen's Medal last year. They acquitted themselves very well by gaining four second places, while individual Company teams have been putting up creditable local performances in competition with the Police, Rifle Club and Ex-Service teams.

At a recent Platoon Commanders' Course held at the Army's School of Infantry which was attended by seven of the Battalion's N.C.O.s (the Course was really for Officers) one of our A/Sergeants gained first place.

### The Depot—Lt.-Colonel J. A. Veitch, Commanding

Training continued in the Depot this year with only two major interruptions.

The first was occasioned by the Military Tattoo held in Bulawayo in which men from the Depot acquitted themselves well. We provided fatigue parties in addition to two major items of the show itself.

A Physical Training display was given by members of one Company under the control of Capt. D. S. A. Gregory, who was at one time an instructor at Sandhurst. The Finale was a set piece with a member of the team performing a forward roll through a burning hoop.

The other item was a "battle royal" between two units of Toy Soldiers. This was climaxed by an impressive *feu-de-joie* fired from their "muskets," the rounds being rockets which exploded in the air, much to the delight of the children in the audience.

The second interruption to training was not so enterprising, being occasioned by the disturbances in the Bulawayo African township. Two of the Training Companies were called out and were away for a week, the remaining Company performing guard duties in Depot when only in their second week of training. At one time the Companies on Internal Security duties mounted a cordon for 19 hours.

During the year Passing-Out-Parades for the various intakes have taken place without interruption and among the various Reviewing Officers we were honoured with the presence of the Prime Minister of Southern Rhodesia, The Honourable Sir Edgar Whitehead, K.C.M.G., O.B.E., M.P.



TAKEN ON THE OCCASION OF THE PASSING OUT PARADE OF "A" COMPANY ON MARCH 24, 1960, AT LLEWELLIN BARRACKS, SOUTHERN RHODESIA Sir Edgar Whitehead, K.C.M.G., O.B.E., M.P.—Prime Minister of Southern Rhodesia—reviewed the Parade, accompanied by Colonel J. de L. Thompson, O.B.E., E.D., Honorary Colonel of 2nd Battalion The Royal Rhodesia Regiment (seated fourth from left). On the Prime Minister's left is Colonel J. A. Veitch, Acting Area Commander, and on his right Lieut.-Colonel R. J. DesFountain, M.C., Acting Commanding Officer, Depot, The Royal Rhodesia Regiment.

The Depot also provided men for two Guards of Honour this year. The first was for the arrival of the Prime Minister of Great Britain, The Right Hon. H. Macmillan, and for which both European and non-European Trainees were provided. The second guard was for the opening of Parliament of The Federation of Rhodesia and Nyasaland and the guard was inspected by The Governor-General.

The K.R.R.C. Cup had not been competed for at the time of writing these notes so the 1960 winners will be announced in our next notes.

This year saw one other major event, the appearance of Rifleman "One" who has become the Depot Mascot. He is a pure black Shetland Pony and is taking very well to Army life.

4th Battalion—No Commanding Officer has yet been appointed and meantime Lieut.-Colonel F. S. S. Fitzgerald, Officer Commanding Regular Army Depot, is Acting.

5th Battalion—Lieut.-Colonel J. R. B. Macdonald, M.C.

6th Battalion—Lieut.-Colonel J. C. Tones, O.B.E., E.D.

7th Battalion—Lieut.-Colonel I. H. McHarg, D.S.O., M.C.,

An appointment that has been received with popular acclaim is that of Colonel F. B. Canning-Cooke, O.B.E., T.D., as Honorary Colonel of the 3rd (N.R.) Battalion, The Royal Rhodesia Regiment.



RIFLEMAN "ONE"—MASCOT OF THE DEPOT

## **THE FIJI INFANTRY REGIMENT**

### **A Company, 1st Fiji Infantry Regiment**

The last two months of the year 1959 saw the Company training for their new Internal Security role.

The training was put into good effect when civil disturbances broke out in Suva in December.

In conjunction with the 2nd Battalion (T.F.) the Company carried out curfew patrols, guards and picquets for a week working in extremely well with the police.

This year the emphasis has been placed on training in an Internal Security role and on physical fitness and shooting, with Company instructors assisting recruit intakes for the Territorial Battalion.

In August the sugar crisis in the Colony resulted in the F.M.F. Regular Forces and the Territorials being mobilised for duties in the Western area of Viti Levu, both Platoons of the Company were detached and carried out day and night patrolling in the Sigatoka area for a period of six weeks.

Happily the situation improved by the middle of October and the Army were stood down.

Thirteen members of the Company played for the Army XV and we wrested the Sukuna Trophy from our rivals, the Fiji Police Force, after a very hard game.

### **2nd BATTALION FIJI INFANTRY REGIMENT**

**Commanding Officer: Lt.-Colonel H. M. Boulton, M.C., E.D.**

**Adjutant: Captain A. L. Masi, M.C.**

**R.S.M.: W.O.II I. Vakaciwa**

The annual camp for the year 1959 was held at Queen Elizabeth Barracks, Suva, in the period late November and early December. This was a very active and busy period for the Battalion. It was highlighted by the mobilisation of the Battalion by His Excellency the Governor of Fiji Sir Kenneth Phipson Maddocks, K.C.M.G., on December 10, 1959.

The Battalion together with A Company 1st F.I.R. were engaged on Internal Security duties during the December civil disturbances in Suva.

The three Companies did guard duties, curfew patrols and escorts for V.I.P.s.

All ranks marched out of camp and returned to their civil employment on December 16 at the end of the emergency.

During this year the Battalion trained two Recruit Intakes of 30 each. The third intake for this year is being trained at the moment by A Company 1st F.I.R.

The Battalion was scheduled to do six week-end camps for all ranks during the year. This was interrupted on August 10 when the Battalion was mobilised once again by the Governor of Fiji. This time 2 F.I.R. was required to carry out its duties in aid of the Civil Power in N.W. Viti Levu, the centre of the sugar industry. Our role this time was to guard properties and lives of colonial sugar refining company employees and the sugar cane growers who had agreed to harvest their sugar cane during the sugar dispute. Mobile and foot patrols were carried out on sugar cane plantations and tramlines. Static guards were also mounted to protect communications and installations. The total period of mobilisation of 2 F.I.R. was just over 10 weeks. After the emergency all ranks marched out to their civil employment on November 23.

There will be no annual camp for this year.

## **THE KENYA REGIMENT (T.F.)**

**Commanding Officer: Lt.-Col. H. R. W. Vernon, M.B.E., K.R.R.C.**

**Adjutant: Captain P. M. Welsh, K.R.R.C.**

**Training Officer: Lt. C. H. Gurney, K.R.R.C.**

**Quartermaster: Lt. G. F. Blunden, M.B.E., R.B.**

### **Permanent Staff**

Lt.-Col. D. R. L. Bright, 1st Green Jackets, has been selected to relieve Lt.-Col. Dick Vernon as Commanding Officer in November 1961. This is the first time that the Commanding Officer has been found from outside the 60th Rifles since the Kenya Regiment was affiliated to the 60th.

Lt. Carol Gurney arrived as Training Officer at the end of August and was plunged straight into Supplementary Camp within 36 hours of leaving London. Captain Christopher Adami takes over as Adjutant from Captain Peter Welsh in November. The latter has finished on a high note by becoming Champion Shot East African Command, in spite of a very troublesome back. Captain Lane (R.B.) takes over Q.M. from Lt. George Blunden (R.B.) in February.

C.S.M. Selby (R.B.) is taking over P.S.I. C Company at Kitale from C.S.M. Murton who goes to the Rifle Brigade. C.S.M.

Manchester, K.R.R.C., is taking over P.S.I. O Company in Nairobi from C.S.M. Howard who goes to Berlin as W.T.W.O., and C.S.M. MacGrady (R.B.) takes over P.S.I. D Company at Nyeri from C.S.M. Evans who goes to the Depot.

C.S.M. Harvey, K.R.R.C., will shortly be taking over M.T.W.O. from C.S.M. Greenaway who is leaving the Army. Cpl. Ward (now a local Sgt.) has taken over the clothing store from Sgt. Smith who goes on a mortar course at Netheravon before going to Berlin. Sgt. Williams also goes to Berlin to be replaced as signals P.S.I. by Sgt. Pope (K.R.R.C.) in March after a five months gap.

R.Q.M.S. Eveson is still with us having started a second tour with the Regiment and O.R.Q.M.S. Sullivan is still in charge of the Orderly Room.

### Weekend Training Season

One of the highlights of the weekend season was when C.S.M. Evans, after attending a weekend at Mombasa, arrived in Nairobi and reported an accident to the C.O. saying that he had run into an elephant! The fact that the C.O. believed him says much for his powers of persuasion.



PERMANENT STAFF

*Top row*—C.S.M. Murton, K.R.R.C.; Sgt. Williams, K.R.R.C.; C.S.M. Evans, K.R.R.C.; C.S.M. Howard, K.R.R.C.; C.S.M. Petra, 1st Green Jackets; C.S.M. Cooper, 1st Green Jackets.

*Bottom row*—O.R.Q.M.S. Sullivan, K.R.R.C.; Capt. P. M. Welsh, K.R.R.C.; Lt.-Col. H. R. W. Vernon, M.B.E., K.R.R.C.; Lt. (Q.M.) G. F. Blunden, M.B.E., R.B.; C.S.M. Greenaway, K.R.R.C.

*Absent*—R.Q.M.S. Eveson, K.R.R.C.; Sgt. Smith, K.R.R.C.

In July we had N.C.O.s' and Officers' cadres and during the latter we had a cocktail party for 300 guests and entertained the Governor, Sir Patrick Rennison, to dinner.

### Kenya Regiment Training Centre

His Excellency The Governor also took the Salute at the Passing-out Parade of the Kenya Regiment Training Centre in June. The Parade was of an exceptionally high standard as were the training demonstrations and we think that His Excellency was suitably impressed.

### Camp

Annual and Supplementary Camps were held in August and September at Nanyuki at the same camp site as last year. They were preceded by a C.C.F. camp which we ran for all the cadets of Kenya (a platoon attack using live ammunition fired by 14-year-old boys turned many a P.S.I. prematurely grey).

The G.O.C., Maj.-Gen. Sir Nigel Tapp, K.B.E., C.B., D.S.O., paid a farewell visit to the Regiment on the last day of camp and paid tribute to all that the Kenya Regiment had done during the emergency and since.

Supplementary Camp followed Annual Camp and much the same programme was carried out.

### Mortar Platoon

After a lot of training during the year the mortar platoon took part in the 70th Brigade mortar concentration which was held shortly after camp. Lt. Tom Wormald, who had been a Subaltern in C Company 1st K.R.R.C. at Sennelager, when Lt.-Col. Vernon was Company Commander, was the Platoon Commander. The platoon did extremely well getting top marks for O.P. work and second for base plate drills, but they lost badly on time. The platoon was singled out for congratulation on the improvement it had shown since last year.

### Shooting

At the East Africa Command Rifle meeting the Regiment repeated their successes of last year, and perhaps did even better. The Regiment and K.R.T.C. were champion major unit and champion minor unit respectively. We also obtained the overall champion rifle shot of the meeting (Captain Welsh), champion bren gun pair (two young Territorials with a remarkable score of 175 out of 180, beating the veteran pair Captain Welsh and C.S.M. Howard who were second by a large margin), two equal champion young soldiers and the champion sten gun shot. We were knocked

out of the Falling Plate competition which we won last year, comparatively early on. But the Training Centre and the Territorials won 13 out of 16 events open to them.

This year in many of the events we were competing against the Duke of Wellington's Regiment who had their complete Bisley team shooting. The 60th will know that they are worthy rivals and defeating them in the bren and sten was particularly gratifying.

### Royal Show Week

The Royal Show takes place in Nairobi during the last week of September, and this is the big social week of the year.

The Annual Regimental Ball was held in Show week this year and was certainly a greater success than ever. 850 people attended (just about the maximum number) including a large number of members of the Regiment from up-country. The C.O. and Mrs. Vernon entertained the Governor and Lady Rennison and more than 20 other V.I.P.s of the Colony. The cabaret by the local circus was a great success. The Governor did not leave until 2.30 a.m., and the dance went on well after that.

### Dress

At the beginning of the year the Kenya Regiment applied to wear black buttons and 60th type badges of rank and chevrons, as



CAPTAIN P. M. WELSH,  
K. R. R. C., ADJUTANT  
KENYA REGT., CHAMPION  
SHOT EAST AFRICA COMMAND

a sign of closer affiliation between the two Regiments. H.M. The Queen, on the recommendation of the Colonels Commandant K.R.R.C., graciously gave her approval to this request, and we are now awaiting the arrival of the buttons, etc., from England.

The permanent staff now wear Kenya Regiment uniform when on parade with troops. It was rumoured that one P.S.I. was so pleased with his slouch hat that he went to bed in it for a long time! We are not certain how many of us are recognisable in the photograph.

### Visits

We have been visited several times by Major-Gen. Sir Victor Paley (late Rifle Brigade) who spent some time in Kenya after relinquishing his appointment of Chief of Defence Staff of the Ghana Armed Forces. Brigadier Bill White who is now Adviser on Secondment Policy at the War Office has also paid us official and private visits. Lt.-Col. Teddy Phillips, M.A. Khartoum, came up to Nairobi on leave and played polo for the 60th team. Lt.-Col. Ronnie Chance has been out here selling Beecham's Pills. Major David House came out with the Ministry of Defence (Captain Peter Welsh was seeing him off at the airport when the Under-Secretary of State went up to him, eyed his Kenya Regiment tie and exclaimed "ah! Watford Grammar I see." Collapse of the true-blue Wykhamist!)

At home, Major Tony Vetch, the second-in-command, was royally entertained by the Depot. Sgt. Emms did an attachment to 1st Green Jackets in the summer and Lt. Tyler will shortly be spending a fortnight with the Rifle Brigade in Germany. These visits are of tremendous value, and we are most grateful to Green Jackets units who entertain our Territorials.

### POLO IN KENYA

#### Nanyuki, March, 1960

Our first skirmish into 60th Polo in Kenya was in March, 1960, when a team was raised and entered in the Nanyuki Tournament. There were only three polo-playing Regulars so Brian Ryrie, who had been in the 1st Battalion during the war, made the fourth. The team was:—

	<i>Handicap</i>
1. Captain I. Grahame of Claverhouse (A.D.C.)	0
2. Brian Ryrie	0
3. Captain C. J. Holroyd (3rd K.A.R.)	0
Back Lieut.-Colonel H. R. W. Vernon (Kenya Regt.)	0
Total	0



KENYA POLO MATCH  
60th Rifles v. 2 Coldstream Guards.  
BEFORE—AND—AFTER

The team took some time to get going. After a disastrous start we were beaten 5-0 by 2nd Coldstream Guards who are stationed at Gilgil, but on the last day beat Thompson Falls Club after a very good match.

### Kinyatta, September, 1960

With Lt.-Col. Teddy Phillips down in Kenya on leave from the Sudan we were able to field a regimental team of four serving 60th Officers at the Kinyatta September Tournament.

The team was:

	<i>Handicap</i>
1. Lieut. C. J. H. Gurney (Kenya Regt.) -	0
2. Captain C. J. Holroyd (3rd K.A.R.) -	0
3. Lieut.-Colonel E. C. Phillips (M.A. Khartoum)	1
Back Lieut.-Colonel H. R. W. Vernon (Kenya Regt.)	0
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Total Handicap	1
	—

We had a practice game on the Friday evening and on the Saturday afternoon our first tournament game against Nanyuki. We started  $\frac{1}{2}$  goal up on handicap, and in the first chukker increased our lead by two or more good goals by Holroyd and Vernon. In the second chukker we added one more by Gurney, while Nanyuki scored from a 60-yd. hit. Leading by  $3\frac{1}{2}$  to 1 at half-way, we were determined to hold on to our advantage, but Nanyuki fought back, playing much better now, getting two goals in the third chukker. The last chukker was played all out with some good long hitting and hard galloping by both sides, but the issue was settled beyond doubt when Holroyd, following up a 60-yd. hit managed to get his pony to kick the ball through the posts, to make the final score  $4\frac{1}{2}$ -3.

On the Sunday morning our needle match was against the 2nd Battalion Coldstream Guards. They, too, had defeated Nanyuki in the first round. The Coldstreams started two goals up on handicap, but we also had a private challenge, played level without handicap, that the losers should produce four bottles of champagne to be drunk immediately after the game. The match had attracted considerable attention, and much to our horror the organisers moved us on to No. 1 ground to play off. Early in the first chukker Phillips scored from a melee in front of the Guards' goalmouth, and we pressed all through the chukker, but without further score. Again in the second chukker we pressed the Guards hard for most of the time, but failed to score, while they scored once from a good long shot. Things had not gone well so far, we had had the ball nearly

always near the Guards' goalmouth but had only got it through the posts once, several fairly easy chances being missed. We started the third chukker still having made no leeway on the Guards' handicap start. And so, in fact, the game finished, each side scoring once more, Holroyd for us, to give the Guards the game and tournament by 4-2. It was disappointing for us in that we played not nearly so well as the previous day, and although pressing hard throughout failed to take our chances at goal. However, we drew the champagne challenge, and promptly drank all eight bottles.

### **1st BATTALION 2nd K.E.O. GOORKHA RIFLES**

The main event of the year has been the Battalion's return to Malaya from Hong Kong. We left Malaya during the emergency, holding the record number of bandit "kills." We returned to a peaceful Malaya to find our record had been narrowly passed by 1st Battalion P.M.O. Gurkha Rifles. One is cautious of saying that peace-time Malaya will prove an easier task, for while there are five fewer Battalions there are still the same number of Headquarters. Nevertheless, it is very pleasant to be able to move around freely and enjoy to the full the varying life of the country.

Before leaving Hong Kong we were honoured with a visit by Their Majesties The King and Queen of Nepal, the first occasion that the King of Nepal has visited a Battalion of his own subjects serving in the British Army. Earlier in the year we had been pleased to welcome the Colonel of the Regiment, Major-General L. H. O. Pugh, C.B., C.B.E., D.S.O., who was touring the Far East on an inspection of the Regiment.

We were allowed little respite in Hong Kong and continued training to almost within hours of embarking. The Battalion was again successful in our Brigade Rifle Meeting and the Hong Kong Bisley. This year we classified with the F.N. Rifle and have returned 93 per cent marksmen with the rifle and 88 per cent with the L.M.G.

This year the Brigade of Gurkhas sent a contingent to England to represent the Brigade during the State Visit of the King and Queen of Nepal, Major G. McK. MacDonald, of the Battalion, was appointed to command, and Major J. P. C. Bailey, M.B.E., our Director of Music, was in charge of the Massed Bands of the Brigade. During their stay in England the composite

company was attached as an additional company to the 1st Green Jackets, 43rd and 52nd, the Demonstration Battalion at the School of Infantry. The contingent was apparently a great success and one now dares to hope that it may eventually lead to one of the Battalions serving alongside the 2nd Green Jackets (K.R.R.C.) in England or Germany.

Shortly after our arrival in Malaya we bade farewell to our Commanding Officer, Lt.-Colonel M. A. Ormsby, M.C., who left us to join the Directing Staff at Warminster. We welcomed as our new Commandant, Lt.-Colonel H. G. W. Shakespear, M.C., who is the third generation of his family to serve with the Regiment and the second to command the 1st Battalion.

While we are not as yet ideally housed as a Battalion in south Johore, we are happy that the move has provided us with our full scale of Gurkha family quarters—for the first time since the Regiment was transferred to the British Army.

In the sporting world we have managed to carry off honours in basketball and cross-country events, but our major success of the year has been winning the Nepal Cup. This is an annual football competition in which all Gurkha units take part and never fails to produce near-hysterical excitement and interest in every round.

The British Officers have kept their hand in at cricket, rugby and golf and as much shooting and fishing as facilities allow. A generous gift from the Nuffield Trust enabled us to buy a water ski-ing boat and a larger sailing boat with a small outboard engine. Naturally enough this has proved a great stimulus to sailing and water ski-ing.

A Far East training area is being developed in North Borneo and we look forward to six weeks change of scenery and training as a Battalion in the spring of 1961.

### **2nd BATTALION 2nd K.E.O. GOORKHAS (THE SIRMOOR RIFLES)**

**Commandant: Lt.-Colonel M. P. F. Jones, D.S.O.**

The year has been notable primarily for our long-awaited break from jungle operations—after 12 years of the emergency and the resultant hiatus after the end of it, we have at last broken through the barrier and are beginning to climb out of the very deep rut we had been pushed into. In fact this year has seen us

twice in Borneo. At the time of writing the Commanding Officer and his recce group are in Sandakan completing the recce for our next visit in April, 1961.

Our first trip was to Sibul in Sarawak where Companies co-operating with the police and local administration penetrated fairly deeply into the interior and were unforgettably entertained by the Dayaks in their longhouses. Liaison with all levels of society was excellent and the visit was a great success all round.

The paramount event of the year, if not indeed of the past 12 years, was our replacing 42nd Royal Marine Commando on H.M.S. *Bulwark*, the Commando Carrier, in October. We sailed for North Borneo on October 3 and on D Day which was October 6 the Battalion was flown in to the Kota Belud area in an assault landing by helicopter. The whole Battalion was on the ground in four hours, less vehicles which came ashore by L.C.A. and linked up later. We remained in the Kota Belud area training for a fortnight and were picked up by *Bulwark* on her return from Manilla. We re-embarked tactically, being withdrawn from a defensive position around the airstrip by helicopter. The whole exercise was a tremendous success from all angles, training, social, sporting. As regards the latter, Kota Belud polo is worthy of note being played Gilgit fashion. We are delighted we were the first Infantry Battalion to get the opportunity of working with H.M.S. *Bulwark*.

Our role out here is very much an air-portable one and apart from helicopters we are geared for a conventional air-portable role and can be ready at short notice to leap into Beverley or Hastings aircraft and move with only 15 landrovers and trailers. In fact we do leap into Beverleys on exercise "Achilles" which starts on December 13 though we shall only be flying to an airfield in the Federation and will there launch ourselves off on a four-day exercise. No string of Officers' mess mules or three-tonners these days it will be noted!

Apart from Borneo, training, I.S. exercises, etc., carry on apace. Our shooting has continued to be good as a glance at the current A.R.A. manual will show. As winners of the Brigade of Gurkhas cup (Champion unit) we subsequently represented 17th Gurkha Division in the F.A.R.E.L.F. championships, winning two of the four events. The day will come we hope when Gurkhas may be represented at Bisley.

Once again not having succeeded in the Nepal Cup Football this year, we made up for it by winning the Divisional Hockey

Championships and going on to win the F.A.R.E.L.F. championship. We also won the Divisional Basket Ball championship but failed to pull off the F.A.R.E.L.F. one. However, taken by and large, we have had a successful year in shooting and sport and we hope that we are gradually becoming a little bit more up to date as far as training goes. Any prospect of serving anywhere other than in the Far East seems as remote as ever.

We were glad to welcome back our Band and our representatives from the Gurkha U.K. contingent towards the end of November—needless to say they have had to do a subsequent tour of the Federation and Hong Kong to let us have a chance of seeing a little of what they did during their recent triumphant U.K. tour.

## THE REGIMENT VISITS NORTH AMERICA

### June, 1960

It is possible that some people never visit their place of birth; on the other hand probably some never leave it, perhaps it depends on how far away it is. The Regiment, or some of it, has now, however, re-visited its place of birth and as this would seem to be the first time this has happened since 1783 it would perhaps be reasonable to allow some pages of the Chronicle (even in these days of trying to cut down the number) to be devoted to recording this event, memorable to all those who participated.

The visit of the Regimental Band to New York for the British Tournament and Tattoo staged in connection with the British Exhibition at the New York Coliseum is reported, as also are the happenings on Governor's Island. The success of the first Regimental Dinner held in one of the most distinguished Clubs in New York with the Band playing outside (and the Bugle Major inside) is also recorded. What is not stressed as much as it should be, as mere words are inadequate, is the very great kindness and warm and generous hospitality shown to all serving and past Officers and all ranks of the Band throughout the entire time, without which the visit would not have been so enjoyable and just could not have happened.

The kindness of the inhabitants of New York, Ex 60th and others, enabled the Bandsmen to keep within their allowances, an achievement not too easy in New York.

George Thomson's lunch party on June 12 at his country house in Locust Valley really started the entertaining and Harry

Fowler's large lunch (70 people) at Katonah on the 18th was almost the close after which most people returned to their homes. Many had travelled literally thousands of miles to attend the New York dinner, some coming from Paris, London and California. These parties enabled people to meet in the most pleasant surroundings and were examples of the wonderful hospitality offered.

The presence in New York of Sir Hereward Wake, former Colonel Commandant 1st Battalion, together with Lady Wake who had both made the journey specially to attend the ceremonies, gave particular pleasure to everyone. The representatives of the Regiment were well taken care of and given place of honour in all the official ceremonies connected with both the British Exhibition and the Tattoo and all this contributed greatly to the enjoyment of the visit.

It will be of interest to quote extracts from the official despatch of Her Majesty's Consul General New York No. 7 dated July 13, 1960, reporting on the Tattoo, Annexure "C" headed "The King's Royal Rifle Corps," which in the first paragraph read:

"An agreeable and historically associative feature of the British Tournament and Tattoo was the participation of the Band of the King's Royal Rifle Corps, a Regiment first raised on Governor's Island, New York, in 1755 as The 62nd Royal American Regiment the name being changed a year later to The 60th Royal American Regiment and subsequently to the King's Royal Rifle Corps (60th Rifles). This Regiment is particularly proud of its transatlantic association and, through the agency of Sir Anthony Eden, a former Officer of the Regiment, Mr. John G. Winant, then American Ambassador in London, and Colonel Sir Rex Benson, 16 young Americans volunteered to serve in the Regiment during the 1939-45 War. All passed through the ranks and after being granted special Commissions saw active service with Battalions of the Regiment in North Africa, Italy and Greece. Four were killed in action and three seriously wounded."

The despatch then gave details of the dinner, mentioning the participation of the allied Canadian Regiments and Seventh Regiment, N.Y. National Guard. It mentioned the first visit to the U.S.A. of Major-General Sir Hereward Wake and Brigadier Alister Eve and their visit to Governor's Island, and the other ceremonies there. It stressed the generosity of the former American Officers and citizens of New York and ended with the following:

"The private enterprise of The King's Royal Rifle Corps in renewing their associations with the United States and with the Canadian Rifle Regiments, coincidentally with the Exhibition, Tournament and Tattoo, has made a significant contribution, within its limited field, to Anglo-American-Canadian associations. All those who came from so far afield to attend paid their own passages.

"The imaginative and venturesome spirit of Major-General Sir Hereward Wake in coming, at his advanced age, to the United States, deserves special recognition. His example was an inspiration to all who met him. Brigadier and Mrs. Eve, accompanied by Mr. Charles Bolté, an American former Officer of The King's Royal Rifle Corps, and his wife, made a most successful visit to Canada for a week after the Regimental Dinner in New York at the invitation of all the Canadian Rifle Regiments. As a result of the associations thus renewed, plans are being considered for a possible repetition of this triangular Anglo-American-Canadian association when the Royal Rifles of Canada celebrate their centenary in Quebec in 1962."



A REGIMENTAL PARTY CALLS ON LIEUT.-GENERAL EDWARD O'NEILL, THE COMMANDING GENERAL FIRST UNITED STATES ARMY, AT HIS HEADQUARTERS, GOVERNOR'S ISLAND, NEW YORK, JUNE 16, 1960  
 Capt. Wakefield, Brigadier Eve, Major-General Sir Hereward Wake, Mrs. Eve, Lieut.-General O'Neill, Lady Wake, Major Radcliffe

## REGIMENTAL DINNER IN NEW YORK

June 14, 1960

It all happened because some time in 1959 in New York, Harry Fowler said to John Waterfield or the other way round (no one seems to be quite clear who thought of it first) "Let's have an American Regimental dinner in New York." Having obtained the approval of the Colonels Commandant and discovered that it was too late for that year, the first dinner was fixed to take place in June, 1960. No one could have foreseen then that on June 14, 1960, 46 people would sit down to dinner in the Knickerbocker Club, New York, with the Regimental Band playing, nor that Major-General Sir Hereward Wake would decide to make his first visit to the United States especially to attend, but that is what happened. One thing led to another. It was first thought that those attending would just be as many as possible of the 12 surviving American 60th Officers, in fact ten out of 12 came, some travelling thousands of miles to do so.

Then the Canadian Allied Regiments were invited to co-operate—they did so in a big way sending 17, and The Seventh Regiment New York National Guard who are in perpetual friendship with The Queen's Westminsters, sent five. Twelve other 60th Officers past and present (four from England and eight from U.S.A. or Canada), and two guests made up the total. Finally there was the happy coincidence that the Band was in New York at the time for the British Military Tournament and Tattoo. Thus what started in a small way ended in the first American Regimental Dinner being a great success, and this was due in a large part to the hard work put in by John Waterfield at The British Consulate-General, Harry Fowler and George Thomson two of the Americans who had 60th Commissions in the war, and Donald Marvin of the Royal Rifles of Canada. Brigadier R. A. T. Eve, who had come out from Regimental Headquarters, Winchester, representing the Colonels Commandant, presided at the Dinner.

The Battalion sent out silver for the table, choosing the Tullala centrepiece and four statuettes, the Canadian Regiments also contributed, and The Seventh Regiment sent the Howard Vincent Shooting Shield. The staff of the Knickerbocker Club took great trouble in arranging the table which was set out in a most charming room overlooking the terrace where the Band was to play. Alas, because of rain the Band had to play inside (it does not only happen in England!), playing before and after dinner.



A GENERAL VIEW OF THE DINNER



THE REGIMENTAL BAND PLAYING BEFORE THE DINNER.  
BANDMASTER—E. W. JEANES

The Club chef (from London) served a most excellent meal and the wines were well chosen. The first toast was given by the Chairman to "The President of The United States" followed by "Her Majesty The Queen, Our Colonel in Chief," by Charles Bolté. The Chairman then read out the text of a message which had been sent to Her Majesty, The Colonel in Chief, and the one which she had so graciously sent in reply, and he then followed on with a message from The Colonels Commandant. The Rt. Hon. Sir Anthony Eden, who it will be remembered when Foreign Secretary had been of such help in 1941 in arranging for the Americans to come over to England to the Regiment, very kindly also sent a message and this was read out by Charles Bolté. All these messages are given in full at the end of this account.

The Toast—"The Regiment" was given by Major-General Sir Hereward Wake, who in a short (he says it was the longest speech he ever made!) and entertaining speech first read a telegram from his brother-in-law, Colonel Sir Rex Benson, 9th Lancers, who during the War interviewed all the young Americans before they came to England for Commissioning. Colonel Benson regretted he was unable to be present at the dinner (he was fishing in Canada and sent two salmon). Referring to the early history of the Regiment, Sir Hereward said that New York was again welcoming the Regiment after a lapse of some 200 years. He went on to thank those who had travelled so far to attend, particularly the strong Canadian contingent led by Brigadier F. T. Atkinson and he said he was delighted to see around him representatives of the 7th Regiment New York National Guard, and the guests. It was John Waterfield he said whom we all had to thank for the idea of holding a dinner and of course we were greatly indebted to the members of the Club for allowing us to have the dinner in such excellent surroundings. After recounting some stories of old times when he joined the 60th in 1897 Sir Hereward concluded:

"We are faced with changes all the time these days but what is important is to keep the things that matter—the old ways, the old ideals, and to be ready, as it says in the preface to our Brief History, to tackle new problems and adopt new methods to meet changing conditions and to go forward hand in hand and in step (I do not mean your quick step, Mr. Bandmaster!) in co-operation with our friends and allies.

"And so perhaps this little party may turn out a bigger and more important effort in the vital goal of Anglo-American brother-

hood than even John Waterfield and his Dinner Committee had dared to hope."

There was no one present who did not appreciate what a magnificent thing Sir Hereward had done in making such a lengthy journey to attend the Dinner and giving this excellent speech was a triumph for him.

The Guests were toasted by Heyward Cutting another of the "originals." There were really only two guests; one was Sir Francis Evans formerly H.M. Consul in New York who was the co-ordinator of The British Tattoo and had been so kind in helping in every possible way in regard to everything 60th and he made a short speech in reply. The other guest was Mr. R. L. Fowler who as Harry's father everyone was delighted to see. Four of The Canadian Allied Regiments who between them had sent 17 representatives, did not, however, strictly fall within the meaning of past and present 60th Rifles and so were for this purpose included as guests. Brigadier Tim Atkinson, Honorary Colonel of The Royal Rifles of Canada, replied on their behalf. The same could be said of the five representatives from the Seventh Regiment New



MAJOR-GENERAL SIR HEREWARD WAKE WITH THE AMERICANS  
John Tuttle, Charles Bolté, Bill Durkee, Sir Hereward Wake, Tom Braden, Heyward Cutting,  
Harry Fowler, George Thomson, Ted Ellsworth, Stewart Alsop, Bill Channing.

York National Guard who led by Brigadier General Harry Disston, a former Commanding Officer, everyone was delighted to see because of their connection with The Queen's Westminsters. Brigadier General Harry Disston also replied to the toast to the Guests.

After the speeches, the Bandmaster, Mr. E. W. Jeanes, and Bugle-Major R. P. B. Silver, were invited in and talked with Senior Officers. The Band after an excellent performance, and incidentally after having had an excellent dinner themselves, played off with the Regimental Marches of all Regiments represented at the dinner, including the guests. It is unnecessary and probably unwise to attempt to describe the rest of the evening or perhaps night. It followed the usual pattern after most Regimental Dinners. This account cannot, however, be closed without complimenting and thanking those who thought of the idea of having a Dinner, John and Harry and all those others who worked so hard to make it the success it undoubtedly was, including the Club staff, and not forgetting those who supported it, travelling in many cases literally thousands of miles. It was most certainly one of the happiest and



OFFICERS OF THE ROYAL RIFLES OF CANADA AT THE DINNER  
Mr. MacDougall, Major Hanson, Colonel Wiggs, Major Manley, Lieut.-Col. Cain, Major Ievers, Major Marvin, Brigadier Atkinson, Major-General Sir Hereward Wake, Brigadier Priece, Brigadier Eve

most successful Anglo-American-Canadian occasions. It is taken for granted that after this first American Dinner it will be repeated. The thought among some at present is that perhaps every other year would be best, possibly alternating the location between America and Canada. If the future ones are as successful as the first one they will be worth attending.

"The New York Times" of June 15 had this to say about the dinner:

**1755 British Unit has Reunion Here  
60th Rifles, Established in Colonies, Recruited U.S. Men  
in World War II**

Officers of a distinguished British Rifle Regiment that was born in America met in reunion here last night.

The Officers, 12 of whom are Americans, wore black tie and miniature medals. They drank toasts to the President and the Queen, listened to Regimental Marches and, like all soldiers, told war stories.

The members of the group are Officers and former Officers of the King's Royal Rifle Corps, the Sixtieth Rifles, a Regiment raised in Colonial America for frontier warfare in 1755, more than 20 years before the Revolution.

At the reunion dinner at the Knickerbocker Club, 2 East Sixty-second Street, Officers of the Seventh Regiment (107 Infantry, New York National Guard) and of some Canadian Regiments also were present. About 50 persons were there.

Charles G. Bolté, an American who served with the Regiment in World War II, recalled, before the dinner, how he had come to join the Sixtieth.

"In the winter of 1940-41," he said, "a Boston lawyer named J. K. Howard went over to look at British civil air defence.

"He met Sir John Davidson, the Honorary Colonel Commandant of the Sixtieth, 'I think it's time we had some Americans in the Regiment again,' Sir John said. Mr. Howard began recruiting when he came back.

"Fourteen of us joined up, including some from Dartmouth, my college, and some from Harvard. It seemed like a good idea at the time, so off we went."

Two of the 14 were killed in action. (Editor—four in fact were killed).



MAJOR-GENERAL SIR HEREWARD WAKE WITH CAPT. JOHN WAKEFIELD BEFORE THE DINNER



BRIGADIER EVE SPEAKING AT THE DINNER WITH CHARLES BOLTE ON HIS RIGHT AND BRIGADIER TIM ATKINSON ON HIS LEFT

The Silver Tullala centrepiece was on loan from the Battalion.

### Those who attended the Dinner

#### Past and Present Members of the Regiment (In alphabetical order).

*Mr. Stewart J. D. Alsop	Mr. Charles Isitt
Mr. J. M. Armytage	Mr. I. S. Michie
*Mr. Charles G. Bolté	Mr. P. M. H. Pollen
*Mr. Thomas W. Braden	Major J. R. C. Radclyffe, M.B.E.
*Mr. William E. Channing	Mr. J. R. Rathbone
*Mr. Heyward Cutting	Major E. Rose, T.D.
*Mr. William P. Durkee	*Mr. George G. Thomson, Jr.
*Mr. Ted R. Ellsworth	*Mr. John T. Tuttle
Brigadier R. A. T. Eve, C.B.E.	Major-General Sir Hereward Wake,
*Mr. Harry W. Fowler	BT., C.B., C.M.G., D.S.O.
Mr. P. C. Goodhart, M.P.	Captain J. P. Waterfield
Mr. Donald Gray	
* American Honorary Life Members.	

#### Canadian Allied Regiments

##### THE QUEEN'S OWN RIFLES

Colonel J. G. K. Strathy, O.B.E., T.D., *Colonel of the Regiment.*  
Colonel H. C. Mackendrick, O.B.E., E.D.

##### VICTORIA RIFLES

Lieut.-Colonel I. H. Eakin, O.B.E., T.D., Hon. Colonel.  
Lieut.-Colonel G. R. Robertson, C.D., Commanding Officer.  
Major G. A. Norman.

##### THE ROYAL RIFLES OF CANADA

Brigadier F. T. Atkinson, M.C., E.D., C.D., Hon. Colonel  
Brigadier J. H. Price, O.B.E., M.C., E.D.  
Colonel C. W. Wiggs, v.D.  
Lieut.-Colonel J. D. Cain, C.D.  
Major J. A. Ievers, C.D.  
Major L. A. Hanson, C.D.  
Major D. M. Marvin.  
Major F. C. Manley.  
Mr. P. MacDougall.

##### THE BROCKVILLE RIFLES

Lieut.-Colonel F. C. Curry, v.D.  
Lieut.-Colonel N. L. MacDowell, E.D.  
Captain J. P. MacDowell, E.D.

##### 7TH REGIMENT NEW YORK NATIONAL GUARD

Brigadier-General Harry Disston.  
Colonel James W. Stewart, Commanding Officer.  
Captain P. Randolph Harris.  
Captain George Albert Legg.  
Brigadier-General (Chaplain) Roelif H. Brooks.

##### GUESTS

Sir Francis Evans, G.B.E., K.C.M.G. (Co-ordinator British Military Tattoo).  
Mr. R. L. Fowler (father of Mr. Harry Fowler).

### Messages

To: Her Majesty The Queen, Colonel in Chief,  
2nd Green Jackets,  
The King's Royal Rifle Corps.

Past and present Officers of 2nd Green Jackets, The King's Royal Rifle Corps, dining tonight at the Knickerbocker Club of New York together with representatives of Allied Canadian Regiments, beg leave to offer their humble duty and loyal sentiment to Her Majesty The Queen, Colonel in Chief of their Regiment. At the same time, 12 citizens of the United States of America participating, Officers who are proud to have had the honour of holding Commissions in the Regiment in the Second World War, respectfully tender to Her Majesty an expression of warm and high regard. Representatives also participating of the Seventh Regiment of New York, who are in "perpetual friendship" with the Queen's Westminsters, also wish to associate themselves with these sentiments.

Signed:

Brigadier R. A. T. Eve, late 60th Rifles, Chairman.  
Major-General Sir Hereward Wake, late 60th Rifles.  
Brigadier F. T. Atkinson, late Royal Rifles of Canada.  
Brigadier-General, Harry Disston, formerly Commanding  
7th Regiment of New York.  
C. Bolté, late 60th Rifles.

Brigadier R. A. T. Eve, C.B.E.,  
The Knickerbocker Club,  
New York.

**Buckingham Palace**

Please convey to all Officers from the United Kingdom, Canada and the United States of America, dining together at the Knickerbocker Club of New York, my warm thanks for their kind message of greetings.

As Colonel-in-Chief of 2nd Green Jackets, The King's Royal Rifle Corps, I am delighted that common associations and friendship with my Regiment have brought you all together in comradeship.

I hope you will have a most enjoyable evening.

ELIZABETH R.

June 14, 1960.

Regimental Headquarters,  
2nd Green Jackets,  
The King's Royal Rifle Corps,  
The Green Jackets Brigade Depot,  
Winchester.

*Message from The Colonels Commandant  
The 2nd Green Jackets*

*The King's Royal Rifle Corps*

*to those attending the Regimental Dinner*

*held at The Knickerbocker Club of New York, June 14, 1960*

On behalf of the Regiment we send very best wishes to all those dining in New York tonight. This is the first occasion such a dinner has been held and it is appropriate that it should be when a formed body of the Regiment is in the United States again for the first time for over 175 years.

We hope that there may be similar occasions in the future, for we are very proud that we were raised as the Royal Americans and in particular of our connection with New York. Here at Governor's Island was the Headquarters of the Regiment for more than 25 years and here at least two, and probably three, of our Battalions were raised in 1755-57.

In those early years of its life it is fair to say that the Regiment played its part, and a not undistinguished part, in making the history of this great country.

This is now approximately two centuries ago, but we have never forgotten our ties, and when in 1941 there were citizens of The United States of America who, being convinced that Britain's cause was right, wished to serve in the British Army the 60th were glad and honoured to receive them. Most of those who survived are dining here tonight. They are and always will be honoured members of the Regiment. We are very glad, too, that one of our Territorial Battalions, The Queen's Westminsters, has had a close friendship and friendly rivalry with the 107th Infantry Regiment New York National Guard, who are also represented here tonight.

The presence of representatives of the Canadian Allied Regiments with you emphasises the very long connection of the 60th with the Dominion. We played our part at Louisburg and Quebec in 1758 and 1759, when the issue was determined, and were the

last British Regiment to leave in 1871. This link of more than 100 years has been continued and strengthened by the six Canadian Regiments whom we are proud to know as brother Riflemen.

Our ties, therefore, with America are close. All here tonight whether from the United States, from Canada or from Great Britain are, we feel sure, proud that they have helped, and are helping, to make those ties through the 2nd Green Jackets, The King's Royal Rifle Corps, once the Royal Americans.

Euan Miller, Lt.-General.  
George Erskine, General.  
Colonels Commandant.

*Message from Sir Anthony Eden*

Fyfield Manor,  
Pewsey,  
Wiltshire.

Dear Charles,

It is wonderful news that the 60th Rifles is having its first American reunion since before the Revolution. Please give my best wishes to all present for a memorable evening. I am sure that it will be.

In particular, please give my greetings to the Americans present who served with the Regiment in the War. I well remember the evening of the dinner that Gil Winant gave to some of you before you left for the campaign in North Africa. British members of the Regiment have every reason to be proud of the service of their fellow Americans. They honour the memory of the fallen and treasure the friendship of the survivors.

Yours ever,  
(Signed) Anthony Eden.

Mr. Charles G. Bolté.

**THE REGIMENTAL BAND IN NEW YORK**

**June, 1960**

The Band and Buglers were notified by The War Office in February 1960 that they had been selected to take part in the British Military Tournament and Tattoo in New York from June 17 to July 4, which was being organised in conjunction with the British Exhibition. They were to take part with the Bands of The Royal Marines from Plymouth and The Royal Air Force Regiment Band.

Due to the difference in the marching pace of the bands, a rehearsal was arranged in April for the three bands in Plymouth. As a result of this rehearsal the three bands arrived in New York able to produce a polished performance after only three practices in the Madison Square Arena.

Major J. R. C. Radclyffe, who was in charge of the Band, arrived in New York by air on June 10 and met the band and buglers at Mitchell Field on June 12. The entire British contingent consisting of some 550 service personnel was flown out by The Royal Air Force in Britannia Aircraft. The R.A.F. provided every comfort during the journey, which lasted twelve hours, the planes touching down at Gandar, Newfoundland, to re-fuel, due to the maximum pay load being carried on each flight.

Rehearsals lasted for three hectic days and the full dress rehearsal on June 17 was attended by the majority of the American Service personnel in New York and the surrounding districts.

The show proved a great success from the start with the American public. The programme included a paragraph saying how the occasion marked the return of the Regiment to its birthplace and references were also made to it in the announcement before the Band entry which was done on their own to the Regimental March, after which they joined the other Bands who had already entered the arena. The Buglers sounded Last Post from the balcony of the arena during the Grand Finale and earned a considerable reputation for themselves during the Tattoo.

The presence of Major-General Sir Hereward Wake and Brigadier Eve in the saluting box for the opening night of the Tattoo provided extra incentive for the Band and Bugles to excel themselves and it is fair to say that their performance throughout was of the highest standard.

The troops were all accommodated on Governor's Island which, of course, has a special interest for the Regiment. It is now the Headquarters of the *First* American Army and they did everything possible to make the troops comfortable. The food was excellent, even if waffles are not everyone's idea of an ideal breakfast dish.

The contingent as a whole were welcomed by the Americans and entertained on a grand scale. The Band were particularly fortunate in this respect, thanks to the generosity of the ex-60th "American Officers," particularly Harry Fowler, and George Thomson, both of whom entertained the Band and Bugles as a whole or in small numbers.

Harry Fowler invited the entire party to his family's house at Katonah, 50 miles from New York, and gave them an excellent lunch and a swim in a private pool.

The Band played during the 60th Dinner at the Knickerbocker Club and were provided with an enormous dinner and a quantity of drink. Bugle-Major Silver excelled himself at the end of the evening by playing every known Regimental Call and several yet to be written, on his bugle and a silver bugle of the Royal Rifles of Canada which they had brought down.

Those attending the Dinner, headed by the Canadian contingent, did their best to ensure that the Band would be in "good form" for their rehearsal early the next morning, even if their playing might be a little off beat.

A short Service was held in the Chapel of St. Cornelius on Governor's Island, attended by representatives of all sections of the British Community and American Forces stationed on the Island.

The Lesson was read by Major J. R. C. Radclyffe and the Buglers sounded Last Post and Reveille at the end of the Service. A wreath had been laid on a previous occasion by Sir Hereward Wake when he visited the Island with Brigadier Eve.

A farewell parade was held on Governor's Island by the Contingent and the Salute was taken by Lt.-General Edward O'Neill, the Commanding General, First U.S. Army. The Band marched past independently to the Regimental March.

On the arrival and departure of the Band and Bugles, the 1st Army Band played Colonel Bogey at our Regimental pace, much to the amusement of the spectators and the American Band, who had never played anything so fast before.

For the three spare days in New York after the Tattoo and before leaving for England, members of the Band and Bugles had a very pleasant rest. A great many were entertained by Americans, staying away for one or two nights, in many cases.

The return flight did not go as smoothly as the outgoing one. The Band and Bugles were up at four o'clock on the morning of the 9th, expecting to take off from Mitchell Field at 9 a.m. Unfortunately the plane broke down on arrival from England and had to await arrival of spares from Lyneham. The troops who had been looking forward to spending Sunday at home, in some cases, were naturally disappointed at the delay.

The aircraft finally departed from Lyneham at 1 a.m. on July 10, arriving at 6.30 p.m. and the party reached Winchester late that evening.

The whole trip had been a great success, both from the military point of view, in that the Tattoo presented the three Services to the Americans in the best possible light, and also due to the behaviour of the troops when off duty, which resulted in their making a great many friends amongst the civilian and military population of New York.

Lt.-Colonel J. W. Younger, The Coldstream Guards, the British contingent Commander, received the following letter from Lt.-General Edward O'Neill on leaving Governor's Island:

"Dear Colonel Younger,

Though I have tried publicly and privately to express my admiration and gratitude for what you and your troops have done here on Governor's Island during your all too short visit, I cannot let you go without a further word.

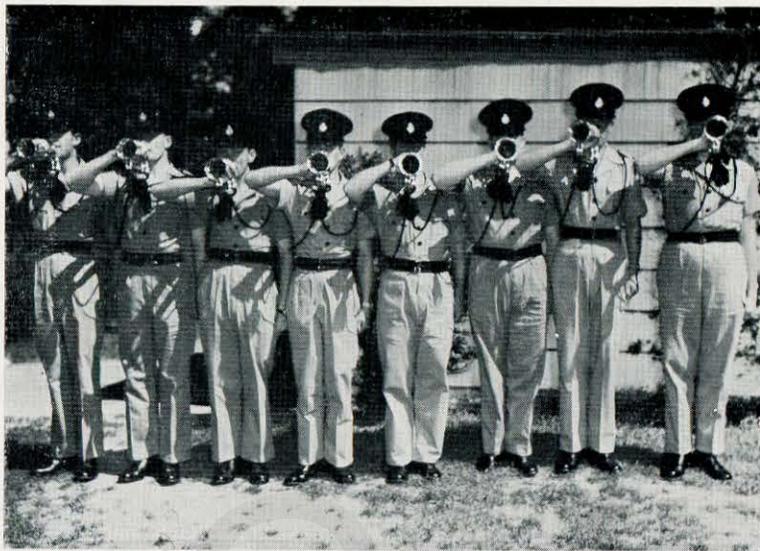
"The stay of your troops here on the Island and the wonderful impression they are leaving behind represents one of those all too rare occasions which defy expression, but which are the cause of the greatest happiness. It has been a privilege and honour to have you and your men here, and this is true not only on the official side but on the personal side as well. You can be justifiably proud of the example set by your command and the friendships that the members thereof have made during their stay here. Their performance in the Tournament and Tattoo was superb, but, over and above that, their presence and conduct here on the Island have aroused the greatest admiration on the part of all members of First Army and myself. We shall remember you and your command with the greatest of gratitude—not only for their material memento that you are leaving with us in the form of the beautiful silver tray, but the lasting impression you have left in our hearts.

"Please accept our sincere gratitude for what you have accomplished here at Governor's Island and the manner in which you have done so. At the Parade yesterday I tried to express to your Officers and men my admiration and gratitude, but I hope you will let this serve for them as written proof of my feelings.

"I wish you and your's the best of everything for the future and hope that our paths will soon cross again."



THE BAND AND BUGLES SLOW MARCHING IN PRACTICE FOR NEW YORK  
Bugle Major Silver, Bandmaster Jeanes.



THE EIGHT REGIMENTAL BUGLERS WHO WENT TO AMERICA PLAYING LAST  
POST AND REVEILLE OUTSIDE THE CHAPEL OF ST. CORNELIUS, GOVERNOR'S  
ISLAND, AFTER THE SPECIAL SERVICE FOR THE BRITISH CONTINGENT ON  
JUNE 25, 1960

The following is an extract of an Information Office, Fort Jay, Governor's Island hand out:

#### BRITISH LIKE FRESH MILK, APPRECIATE YANKEE HOSPITALITY

Fort Jay N.Y.—Large quantities of fresh milk, women living and working on a military post, the rich food, New York City's skyline, and above all, the "Fabulous hospitality of the Americans" most impressed the 500 British soldiers, Marines and airmen participating in the British Tournament and Tattoo in New York City from June 17 to July 4.

The visitors, representing units from the Army, Royal Marines, and Royal Air Force, lived on Governor's Island, a 175-acre island in New York Harbour, headquarters of the First U.S. Army.

During the day, the men read, sunned themselves on the generous lawns surrounding their billets, slept, explored New York City (a six-minute ferry ride from Governor's Island) and swam in both the post pool and the Atlantic Ocean.

At night, they marched off to Madison Square Garden where they put on a show which the New York City newspapers described as "thrilling" and "magnificent."

Anglo-American friendship—theme of both the Tournament and Tattoo and the accompanying British exhibition at the New York Coliseum—was emphasised in a number of British-American activities on Fort Jay.

Each unit arrived on Fort Jay to the strains of "Rule Britannia" and the "Colonel Bogey" March played by the First U.S. Army Band. This band also piped the men off the Island with "Auld Lang Syne" and "So Long, It's Been Good To Know You."

Colonel J. W. Younger of the Coldstream Guards, Commanding Officer of the British contingent, reviewed a Wednesday afternoon Parade of the American troops with Colonel William A. McNulty, Commanding Officer of Fort Jay.

A Church Service commemorating the organisation of the King's Royal Rifle Corps, was held at the Chapel of St. Cornelius the Centurion. The Corps was founded on December 25, 1755, on Governor's Island. The Band of the 2nd Green Jackets, K.R.R.C., participated in the Tournament and Tattoo.

As a final gesture of friendship, the British contingent paraded on Fort Jay on the day following their last public performance. At that time, Colonel Younger presented Lt.-General

Edward J. O'Neill, First U.S. Army Commander, with a silver salver as a token of the contingent's appreciation of the Americans' hospitality.

And what did the soldiers and marines and airmen think about New York and the United States?

"New York is so big—and so crowded," declared a drummer with the Seaforth Highlanders. "But," he added, "I can't get over how much fresh milk you chaps drink."

Although somewhat dismayed by the "speed at which you Americans move," a Grenadier Guardsman felt the "hospitality and friendliness" more than compensated.

The "weak tea—my word, we have to use two teabags for each cup of tea" was a bit frustrating to W.O. Edward Jeanes, of the Green Jackets. Iced tea? (a favourite summertime drink in the U.S.) Never!

He too had kind words to say about the friendliness of the Americans. "We knew Americans were a hospitable people but we have really been overwhelmed," he commented.

But the friendliness wasn't all on the Americans' side. The British soldiers were popular with American children (who tried to teach them baseball) the American soldiers (who worked side by side with the British on kitchen police) and the American women.

One private in the Women's Army Corps (W.A.C.) commented, "The British are such a nice polite group. They never fail to say please and thank you."

"Even though they use different phrases and sometimes we can't understand their accents, they have the same interests that American soldiers do," an American soldier remarked.

"We only wish you could have stayed longer," many Americans living on Governor's Island remarked to the departing British contingent.

The feeling was mutual.

#### GOVERNOR'S ISLAND, NEW YORK

It is some 175 years since any part of the Regiment was in New York and so when the Regimental Band found themselves living on Governor's Island in June 1960 it was rather an occasion.

The 1st and 2nd Battalions and probably the 4th Battalion as well were formed on the Island which was the Regimental Headquarters of The Royal American Regiment from 1756-1783. It was in 1921 that The Regiment, in memory of our early association with the Island, presented to them an old Colour and this now

hangs in a glass case on the north wall of the Garrison Chapel, the Chapel of St. Cornelius the Centurian. The ceremony of installation which took place on January 9, 1921, is described in full in the Regimental Chronicle of that year. The glass case now has a plaque attached to it on which are the following words:

#### "THE REGIMENTAL FLAG OF THE KING'S ROYAL RIFLE CORPS USED IN 1788

"This Corps was originally the Royal American Regiment recruited in 1756 from Pennsylvania and Virginia. It was stationed at Governor's Island in 1756. The Regiment was distinguished for bravery and efficiency, fought in French and Indian Wars and elsewhere. Before the Revolution was ordered to the West Indies, then back to England. In 1921 the flag became the property of Trinity Church, and the Chapel of St. Cornelius the Centurian on Governor's Island where it was blessed. This gift was the result of Chaplain Edmund Banks Smith's interest and effort. It was presented by Officers and men of the King's Royal Rifle Corps."

The Colour is the Regimental Colour presented in 1788 to the 1st Battalion. The King's Colour of the same period is in the Regimental Museum. On June 16, 1960, a party from the Regiment, who were in New York for the Regimental Dinner in the Knickerbocker Club, visited the Island, which is now the Headquarters of the First United States Army and were met by the Chaplain, Major Gordon Hutchins. The party consisted of Sir Hereward and Lady Wake, Brigadier and Mrs. R. A. T. Eve, Major J. R. C. Radclyffe in charge of the Regimental Band in New York for the Tattoo, and Capt. J. P. Waterfield, who was in the Regiment in the war and who as Consul at the British Consulate General in New York represented H.M. Consul General.

A visit was made to the Chapel and the Colour was seen with great interest. A poppy wreath with the Regimental Badge and ribbon, brought especially from England, was placed on it by Sir Hereward. The words on the card read:

In Memory of  
The 60th Royal American Regiment  
stationed here 1756-1873  
from all Ranks  
of their Regiment  
now named  
The 2nd Green Jackets,  
The King's Royal Rifle Corps  
June 16, 1960.



THE REGIMENTAL COLOUR PRESENTED TO THE 1ST BATTALION IN 1788

This Colour was in 1921 presented by the Regiment and now hangs in the Chapel of St. Cornelius the Centurion on Governor's Island, New York.

The Chapel, a beautiful building, contains many military relics dating from the period when the Royal Americans were quartered in New York and attended Divine Service in Trinity Church, founded in 1698 under a charter of William III, the parish of which includes Governor's Island. The party was then received with every kindness by Lt.-General Edward O'Neill, the Commanding General First Army and his Chief of Staff, Maj.-General D. F. R. Seitz, in his office and after a short discussion about the history of the Regiment and its connection with the Island, a very handsome oil painting of Henri Bouquet was seen hanging in the passage just outside the General's office. The words below the painting are "Colonel Henri Bouquet 60th Royal Americans 1757."

Photographs recording the visit were taken both in the Chapel, in the General's office and in front of the Bouquet picture, and copies have been presented to the Regiment by the General. In a letter forwarding these pictures the General says among other things "these pictures will always be to me a lasting memento of a most inspiring occasion—the like of which comes far too seldom.

"It was a very great pleasure on my part to have both of you and your wives here and I hope it will be an occasion that can be repeated.

"All best regards and wishes, and once again my thanks for making such a memorable event for me."

It was truly kind of the General to say it was a memorable event for him but all those who were there from the Regiment felt it was a wonderful occasion, illustrating once again the tremendous interest taken in the Regiment by the Americans and particularly those in New York and Governor's Island.

We are indebted to General O'Neill for his great kindness in allowing the visit to take place and for granting so much of his time.

On June 25 a special Service was held for the British contingent in the Chapel of St. Cornelius and all members of the Band were present. The Commanding General himself attended as did the British Consul-General with members of his staff and many members of the British community in New York. The Service was fully choral and the Chaplain went to great pains to make it a worthy and impressive occasion, and made special references to the Regiment in his address. The Lesson was read by Major Jim Radclyffe and Last Post and Reveille were sounded by the Buglers. It was inevitable that by that date the former American Officers of the Regiment and representatives from the

affiliated Canadian Regiments had returned to their homes after the Regimental Dinner and could not, therefore, attend. Sir Hereward Wake was also on his way home and Brigadier Eve was visiting Canadian Regiments.

A farewell Parade was held on the Island for the British contingent and the Band marched past to the Regimental March, the Commanding General taking the salute and thus ended the first visit to the Regiment's birthplace since 1783.

### A VISIT TO SOME OF OUR ALLIED CANADIAN REGIMENTS

June, 1960

By Brigadier R. A. T. and Mrs. Eve

It was at the Regimental Dinner in New York that we were invited to visit the Canadian Regiments, although as all of us know well, there is a standing invitation for anyone who is near Canada to go and see them. It was clear that if we went we should only have one week in which to do it and a few days for arranging it. We had learnt to move fast by then and a visit to Lt.-Col. Jimmy Cain's office in New York fixed all the travel arrangements whilst I was sampling the good stuff he sells! He was one time Commanding Officer of The Royal Rifles and came over to Winchester for the bicentenary.

We flew to Toronto from New York, arriving Sunday evening June 19, and went to a very modern comfortable hotel, The Park Plaza, with a lovely view overlooking the lake.

The fact that no alcoholic drink is allowed to be sold in Toronto on a Sunday worried us very little as we partook of the warm hospitality of Colonel Jim Strathy, Colonel of The Queen's Own Rifles of Canada in his house and later at The Royal York Hotel, the largest hotel in the British Commonwealth.

The Queen's Own Rifles are the latest to join us as an Allied Regiment, doing so in June, 1959. We have the pleasure of sharing them with The Buffs and it is interesting how this came about. In 1908 the then Commanding Officer decided it would be good for the Regiment to take part in the manoeuvres at Aldershot and so entirely at his own expense chartered a ship and brought them over. In camp they lay alongside the Buffs. They have, however, worn green and been a Rifle Regiment for all time. They are the oldest Canadian Regiment and celebrated their centenary in 1960, the Regiment being represented at their ceremonies

in Toronto in April when Field-Marshal Lord Montgomery took the salute. Unlike any of our other Allied Regiments they have two Regular Battalions, one in Germany and one at Calgary, where their Depot is also.

The Third (Militia) Battalion is in Toronto. I made tentative inquiries as to whether I could not also visit Calgary, but found that it was 2,500 miles away from Toronto.

On the Monday we met Lt.-Col. F. M. Macdonald, The Honorary Lt.-Col. of The 3rd Battalion and its new Commanding Officer Lt.-Col. M. G. McIver, and a great number of the Officers and their wives at a most enjoyable party in the club and later in the Officers' Mess.

There is no doubt that our latest joined Regiment is a thoroughly keen and proper Rifle Regiment of long standing and as proud to be allied to us as we are to have them.

We left next day, and after a five-hour train journey arrived at Brockville the home of The Brockville Rifles. Capt. J. P. McDowell, The Adjutant, met us and took us for a short and interesting sight-seeing tour. Lt.-Col. W. S. Watson, The Commanding Officer, unfortunately was away, but Major J. W. Cooper, his second in command, ably took his place during our visit.

Our evening started with a visit to the charming summer residence of Lt.-Col. G. R. Johnston, Honorary Lt.-Colonel, then on to a dinner party given by him at the Golf Club and ended with a large reception in the Officers' Mess where we met a great number of past and present Officers of the Regiment, including four past C.O.s, their wives and many distinguished guests. It was a most enjoyable evening, in a fine mess and considerable trouble had been taken at very short notice to get together such a representative and distinguished gathering.

The Brockville Rifles have been Gunners since 1946 but after a hard fight have just been allowed once more to become Rifles, which they have certainly always remained in thought if not in name. Assisted by us they are busy getting back into the right dress and drill and loving it.

We left our hotel overlooking the St. Lawrence River early on Wednesday, feeling we would like to have stayed much longer. Capt. J. D. Stewart of The Brockville Rifles had kindly offered to drive us in his large car to Montreal, and this proved to be a most delightful journey as our route lay along the new Waterways. We soon found our excellent driver to be a good guide as

well, showing us the most attractive views and pointing out the new villages which in some cases had been moved house by house, up to five miles as the old site had to be flooded. The Queen Elizabeth Hotel where we were to stay in Montreal was reached at midday, and Lt.-Col. G. R. Robertson, Commanding Victoria Rifles of Canada, contacted us and gave us our "orders" for the evening which were a dinner in the Mess for past and present Officers, and their wives and a Band inspection and display. Lt.-Col. I. H. Eakin, The Honorary Colonel, who had attended the New York dinner was there and a number of other distinguished people connected with the Regiment.

The Mess with many objects of historical interest made a fine setting for a most enjoyable evening. The Bugle Band, dressed in full dress with busbies, almost similar to ours, was on parade in the hall, after dinner and gave a magnificent performance of a very high standard. The keenness was quite excellent. I was given two coloured photographs of the Band in full dress and one is now in the Regimental Museum and the other with the Band.

Victoria Rifles have their centenary in 1961 and will be having their ceremonies in Montreal in the autumn of that year, and anyone about the place then will be assured of a good welcome and an enjoyable time.

We found Charles Bolté and his wife among a few thousand people attending a Librarian convention in Montreal. He, for those that do not happen to know, was one of the original Americans who received Commissions in the Regiment in 1942 and was wounded, losing a leg in 2nd Battalion in the Western Desert. He had, of course, been at the dinner in New York and kindly offered to motor us to Quebec, an offer we quickly took advantage of and a lovely drive it was with beautiful scenery all along the river.

For no particular reason we stayed a little longer in Quebec than in the other places; arriving Thursday evening we flew away to New York on Sunday afternoon. This allowed us time for several small and informal parties, giving us a chance of getting to know people better. It also gave us time to do all the things one should do in Quebec. We "did" the Citadel and its Museum under the expert guide. Our annals and several other interesting Regimental things are in the Museum. We had the battle explained overlooking the battlefield and we saw the Changing of the Guard in the Citadel which that morning was taken in person by Lt.-Colonel C. Falardeau, the Commanding Officer, The Royal 22nd

Regiment, whose depot is in the Citadel. He had previously kindly shown us round his Mess, full of interesting and historical things. The Regiment is allied to The Royal Welch Fusiliers and so the traditional goat was also on parade.

Apart from the historic interest of Quebec, it is the home of The Royal Rifles of Canada and we had come to see them. Nine of them had gone to New York for the dinner so I had made a start already, and one of these, Brigadier Tim Atkinson, The Honorary Colonel who commanded the Regiment at Hong Kong in 1941, and who (after a closer inspection of myself and my wife to see if we were suitable people!) invited us to stay in his own house, where on arrival we received a wonderfully friendly welcome from him and his wife, not to mention Tony and Michael and were entertained in a warm and informal manner. My stock went pretty low early the first morning when I could not, with any honesty (as most people would agree) claim to be a keen cricketer to Tony, just recently introduced to the delights of the game, being told as usual that anyone from England must be an enthusiast.

Lt.-Col. J. Gordon Ross, one time Commanding Officer and now Honorary Lt.-Col., devoted a great deal of his time to us by showing us round and entertaining us. He has been to Winchester on many occasions and knows the Depot well.

In the Mess, where a reception was held the first night, I met Lt.-Col. J. A. G. Tanguay, The Commanding Officer, and Major J. A. Ievers, his second in command, and many other distinguished past and present Officers and their wives. The Mess has many historic and interesting items and one in particular is a wooden cigar box safeguarded by the Officers' Mess Sergeant throughout captivity in Japanese hands after the Regiment's defence of Hong Kong in the Second World War. I also saw a copy of the picture of Quebec which the Regiment presented to us and is now at the Depot, and was chosen as our 1959 Christmas Card.

The Adjutant is Major Donald Marvin and to him thanks are due for co-ordinating, with such success, all arrangements in Canada in respect of the New York dinner resulting in 17 attending. He attended himself and took with him from the Mess a Silver Bugle commemorating the abortive invasion from the United States of the Fenians in 1866. In some way this bugle got lost in New York in the early hours (and some say the Officer in charge as well), but that is another story and, anyhow, I saw that the bugle was safely back in the Mess.

We enjoyed the lunches and dinners in the quite excellent club and in private houses, meeting many charming people. Even though we did stay here for a day or two we again felt we would have loved to have stayed longer. Perhaps it was as well we did not as I suspect we were interfering seriously with their arrangements for camp which started that Sunday.

The Royal Rifles Centenary is in 1962 and ceremonies will probably take place in February. They want it to be a Rifle occasion and want senior members of the 60th to come and see them then. There is even talk of combining this with the next American Regimental Dinner, having it biennially in America and Canada.

We left Canada for the first time feeling definitely it should not be the last time. We had met in a week really a very large number of people. The kindness and generous hospitality had been such as to warrant more than just a thank you, it had been remarkable.

June in Canada is rather like August in England, people are away, Armouries (Drill Halls) are closed, units are in camp and the organisation of large Mess parties at such short notice must have caused considerable extra trouble, but it was the means of enabling us to meet the maximum number of members of the Regiments in a pleasant and informal manner, and was certainly most enjoyable.

It was with regret that we were unable to visit the remaining two Canadian Allied Regiments, The Halifax Rifles and The Regina Rifle Regiment, but time and distance defeated us.

A visit from anyone of the 60th to an Allied Regiment cannot help but strengthen the bond of friendship which exists between us, and should anyone be in doubt as to the strength of that bond let him go out and see for himself. They are Rifle Regiments each with their own history and as proud of it as we are and their one desire is to be and remain as close to the 60th Rifles as possible and they know that we reciprocate this feeling. Their message is "come and see us more often."

## EXTRACT FROM SIR ANTHONY EDEN'S MEMOIRS

Major-General Sir Hereward Wake has written the following in connection with the paragraphs from "Full Circle" which are printed below.

*"Autobiography of the Rt. Hon. Sir Anthony Eden, K.G., P.C., M.C.*

The following extract is taken from "Full Circle," Sir Anthony's short account of the Queen's Review of the 1st Battalion at Winchester on its 200th Anniversary, July, 1955.

It need hardly be added, what every 60th Rifleman knows, that the author served in the Regiment during the First World War, being awarded the Military Cross; that he was Foreign Secretary during the Second World War, during which he took several opportunities during journeys by air to visit Battalions of his Regiment on the desert and Italian fronts, on one occasion bringing with him the American Ambassador Mr. Winant, that he was Prime Minister 1955 to 1957, and that he is still Hon. Colonel of The Queen's Westminsters.

### Extract

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"The day following our return (from Geneva) my wife and I drove to Winchester, where my Regiment was celebrating its 200th Birthday. The King's Royal Rifle Corps (60th Rifles) began life on the American Continent in the mid-eighteenth century, under the title of the Royal American Regiment. Swift in movement and dark green in uniform, it was formed to aid and cover the more cumbersome manoeuvres of the traditional redcoats, against the French and their Red Indian allies. The American connection has existed ever since. When in the Second World War a number of young Americans volunteered to join the British Army before Pearl Harbour, it was natural that the 60th should be their choice. They served bravely in the North African campaign, some staying with the Regiment throughout the war. It was moving to meet a number of the survivors once again, on this afternoon of memories in a perfect English setting.

The Queen, our Colonel in Chief, took the salute. The drill movements to the note of the bugle and the double past made a dashing and unusual spectacle in which I took pride. Later that afternoon I had an audience of Her Majesty at the Deanery in Winchester and reported on the Geneva meeting and the projected Russian visit. As my wife and I drove back through the city to our cottage near Salisbury the citizens gave us a splendid greeting, the countryside was fresh and green in the evening light. These interludes are rare in this life of a Prime Minister."

### THE REGIMENTAL DINNER

The Annual Dinner of the Celer et Audax Club was held at the Trocadero Restaurant on June 1, Lieut-General Sir Euan Miller, Colonel Commandant 1st Battalion, was in the Chair, and 175 Officers attended, the highest since the bicentenary. It was hoped that this high attendance would be maintained.

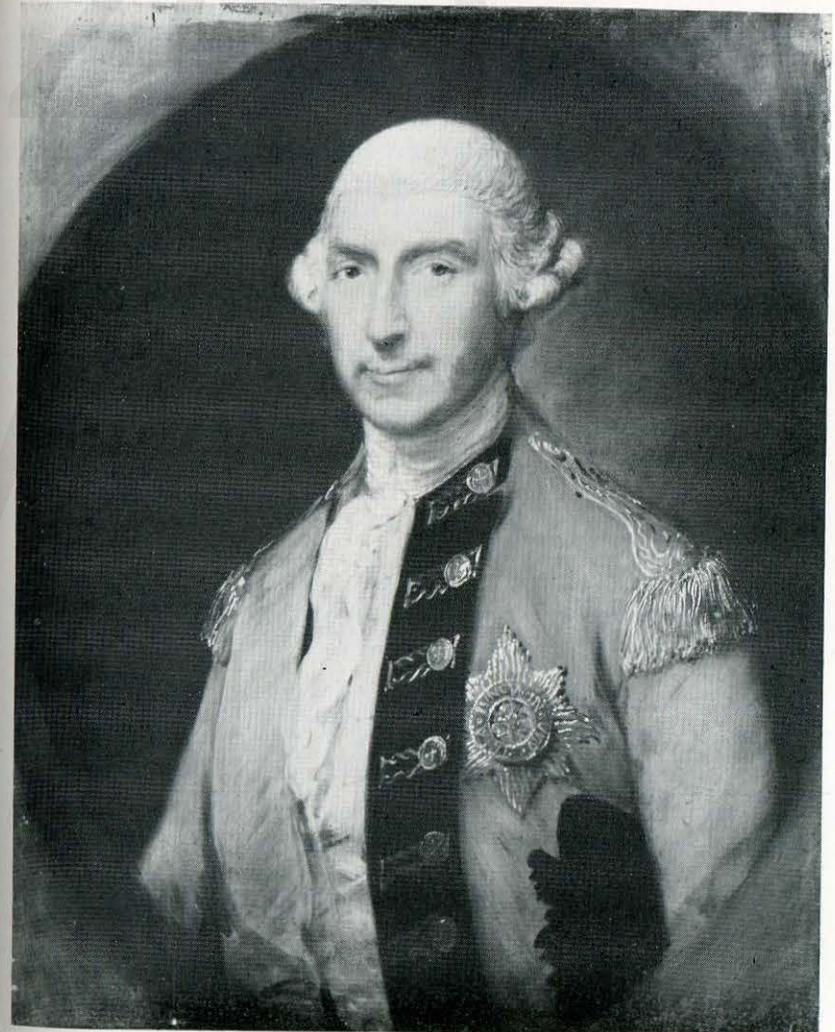
The Chairman read the text of the telegram to Her Majesty, our Colonel in Chief, and her gracious reply. Telegrams of greetings on behalf of those present had been sent to six of our older members who were unable to attend the dinner, Lord Penrhyn, age 95, being the oldest. Several replies of appreciation had been received. He said he was very pleased to welcome our guest of honour, Colonel R. A. St. G. Martin, O.B.E., 1st Green Jackets, 43rd/52nd. All those who had been to Winchester during the past nine months realised how fortunate we were to have Colonel Andy as the Brigade Colonel. Letters of regret from our other guests, Lt.-Colonel Stevenson, Queen's Own Rifles of Canada, and Lt.-Colonel MacDonald 1st/2nd Gurkhas, for their inability to attend had been received. He was pleased to welcome Lt.-Colonel T. H. Acton, commanding the Battalion, and our two Territorial Battalion Commanders, Lt.-Colonels C. Gregory and J. N. Butterwick. A word of welcome was extended to Bill Channing, one of our American Honorary Life Members, who was present.

General Miller then mentioned the activities of the Battalion during the past year and said that they were due to move to Berlin towards the end of the year. Reference was also made to the shooting successes during 1960 (a full list can be seen in the 1959 Chronicle). They were all in a very good heart and looking forward to their new station.

The Depot, he said, was due to move to Bushfield in July 1961 for two years to allow for a rebuilding and modernisation programme to be carried out.

In connection with recruiting, General Miller said although the position was on the whole satisfactory, at the moment he laid great stress on the fact that it would become a serious problem as a long-term policy and urged those present to do their best to encourage men and boys to join the Regiment.

In connection with the social and sporting activities of the Regiment, General Miller mentioned that the Regimental golf team reached the semi-final of the Army Golf Championship this year. Major N. J. C. Hanbury won the Colonel Commandant's Cup at the Regimental golf meeting at Littlestone in May.



1ST BARON AMHERST, 1717-1797, STATESMAN, COLONEL-IN-CHIEF OF THE ROYAL AMERICANS, BY THOMAS GAINSBOROUGH

## CARLISLE BARRACKS, PENNSYLVANIA

The photograph below was sent to the Editors by Major Robert H. West, Artillery, who is Public Information Officer at the U.S. Army War College at Carlisle Barracks, Pennsylvania, and also in charge of the Museum there. He writes as follows:

"There is an area here at Carlisle Barracks named the Royal American Circle. A stone marker located on the lane leading to the Circle gives the name of the Regiment, along with a brief description of the time and circumstances relating to the Unit. Around the perimeter of the Circle are located quarters for five senior Colonels and their families.

"Reading in Vol. I of the 'Annals of the King's Royal Rifle Corps' by Lewis Butler, page 38, lines 4 through 7, I find a reference to one of your Battalions at Carlisle. This places the Unit here in September, 1757 . . . unhappily, according to the reference . . . ' . . . short of ammunition and stores.' (This was the 2nd Battalion—Editor).



STONE AT CARLISLE BARRACKS, PA.

"A source book that we use for a great deal of the history of the area is 'Military History of Carlisle and Carlisle Barracks' by Lt.-Col. Thomas G. Tousey, Medical Corps, who was once stationed here and did a lot of research on the subject. The book was published in 1939 by the Dietz Press, Richmond, Virginia. The author is now deceased.

"There are four different references to the Regiment in this work. On page 17, I found this account:

" . . . No armed force of regulars arrived to defend this important centre (Carlisle) until May 30, 1757. Colonel John Stanwix arrived in Carlisle on that day with a mixed force of British and provincial troops. This marks the establishment of the first real military camp at Carlisle. The force with Stanwix consisted of a part of one Battalion of Royal Americans (the 62nd Regiment) and 1,000 Pennsylvania, 300 Maryland, and 600 Virginia provincials."

"The second reference is on page 21: ' . . . Stanwix wrote Governor Denny on June 28, 1757: 'I am throwing up earthworks around our camp, and if it may have no other use, it keeps soldiers properly employed, though I apprehend I have undertaken too much; but as it is supposed to be a camp of continuance, either now or hereafter, I could not make the lines less' . . . from Colonial Records, Vol. VII, p. 629.

"On page 23 there is an account of a letter written by the Secretary to the King, writing to Governor Denny, stating . . . 'it was His Majesty's pleasure that the Colonies should raise the strongest force of provincial troops possible, due to the critical state of affairs in Pennsylvania. He stipulated that on the part of Pennsylvania, 200 of the provincials should be sent from Carlisle to South Carolina to join five companies of the First Battalion of the Royal American Regiment there under Colonel Bouquet. In consideration of this help from Pennsylvania for military operations in the South, five companies of that Battalion were to be left under the command of Colonel Stanwix in Carlisle.'

"The last reference is found on the next two pages (24-25). Here, there is an account of the decision to build a magazine (depot) at Carlisle Barracks. The provisions for the garrison can be found in General John Stanwix's Military Papers, London Museum, No. 21,658, page 2. Additional forces were sent to garrison the fort. ' . . . Lord Loudon, therefore, dispatched the Second Battalion of the Royal American Regiment, under Colonel

Desseaux (probably Col. Duffeaux, one of our original Cols. Comdt.—Editor), from New York with order to reinforce Colonel Stanwix at Carlisle, and to take with him some light brass cannon.’

“So, it seems that elements of the Regiment were sent here to hold this fort as one of a string of forts opposing the French and Indians.

“We believe this Post to be the second oldest in the country still in use by the Army.”

The Editors, on behalf of the Regiment, would like to thank Major West for the trouble he has taken and for sending such a good photograph of the inscription on the stone at Carlisle Barracks. It is thought that few in the Regiment now alive have heard of this stone before.

### THE REGIMENTAL MUSEUM

As far as acquisitions to the Museum are concerned, 1960 was rather a lean year. Items of special interest were:—

The “Sword of Honour” and Gold Medal won by Charles Stanton, who was killed at Calais, at the R.M.C., Sandhurst, in 1931, which was presented by his mother.

A Cross-belt complete with fittings of the Royal Rifles of Canada. This belt was presented by Lt.-Col. A. H. Carington Smith who commanded the R.R. of Canada in 1949 to Lt.-Col. Peter Earle and was kept at the Headquarters of the Queen Victoria’s Rifles until this year.

A large Sheffield Plate Dish Cover. This Cover, which is in good condition, is a very interesting exhibit. It is over 130 years old since inscribed on it is “Duke of York’s Own Rifle Corps” in a circle round the Regimental Badge with 1/60 inside the circle.

Except for the Cross-belt, etc., of the Duke of York himself, we have virtually no other exhibits in the Museum of the time when we were the Duke of York’s Own Rifle Corps (1824-1830). This Dish Cover was presented by H. N. and M. G. Moss (father and son) who served with the Regiment in the First and Second World Wars respectively.

We also received several good collections of Medals, outstanding among which was that of Prince Christian Victor. This collection of 11 decorations and medals includes the Royal Victorian Order and the D.S.O. as well as four campaign medals and some unusual foreign decorations.

The above collection was acquired through the good offices of H.R.H. The Duke of Gloucester from the belongings of the late H.H. Princess Marie Louise.

We also received the decorations and medals of Lt.-General The Hon. Sir A. R. Montagu-Stuart-Wortley who was Col. Commandant of the 1st Battalion from 1925-1938—a fine collection. The above collection was presented by his son, who is abroad, through the medium of his daughter, Mrs. R. O. Bridgeman.

Finally the decorations and medals of Col. Algie Bonham-Carter were also presented to the Museum by his daughter Mrs. J. A. Phillips. This collection includes in addition to the D.S.O. and both First and Second World War medals, the U.S. Legion of Merit.

The numbers of visitors to the Museum were much the same as usual perhaps rather less casual visitors but rather more mothers and fathers on the Passing Out Parade Days at the Depot.

Finally, a word of thanks to Mr. Cook, who aided by Mr. Eadie, late R.B., has looked after the Museum with his usual care and cheerfulness.

### THE RIFLEMAN’S AID SOCIETY

Lt.-Colonel A. G. Bennett, Chairman of the Benevolent and General Purposes Sub-Committee, writes:

The Rifleman’s Aid Society exists to help Riflemen who are serving or who have served in the ranks of the three Regiments of the Green Jackets Brigade and also members of their families. It operates under the chairmanship of one of the Colonels Commandant and a committee consisting of serving and retired members of all three Regiments as well as representatives of the Ladies’ Guilds with whom a very close liaison is kept.

The Society helps those in need through sickness, age or other causes beyond their control. Such assistance includes grants or loans of money as well as finding employment or the giving of advice, both lay and legal, on any matters that may be required. The committee also arranges for the distribution of clothing, both second-hand and new, deals with the funds of the Society and War Memorial scheme and looks after the eight Memorial Cottages (four belonging to each the 60th and Rifle Brigade) occupied by deserving pensioners at Winchester.

For these purposes an office is kept in London, at 32 Eccleston Square, where secretaries from 60th and Rifle Brigade are

available daily to deal with personal applications and written appeals for help. The 43rd/52nd still transact their business at Cowley but both offices are prepared to help any members of the Brigade who call. Except in very urgent cases applications are dealt with by a member of the committee who attends the office weekly for this purpose; urgent ones can be settled immediately and those involving large amounts of money or possibly outside the scope of the Society and requiring special attention are referred to a committee which sits once every two months.

The Society is supported by subscriptions or donations from members and friends of the Regiments, the accounts of each Regiment being kept separately. It may be thought that in these days of the "Welfare State" there is little call on the moneys received. This is far from the case and the demand sometimes exceeds the supply. The annual balance sheets sent to all members tell their own story but to amplify these the following are a few examples of what assistance has been given in the past year:

A grant was made to a couple, both aged about 80, who had lost all their belongings in a fire.

Solicitor's, etc., fees paid for a serving soldier charged with criminal assault. As a result of this assistance he was Bound Over instead of being sent to prison.

Assistance has been given towards the education fees of the son of a deceased Rifleman; without this help he would have to have left school.

The suddenly bereaved widow of a serving N.C.O. was helped to set up a new home.

Small loans and grants have also been made in several cases to help with the clearance of hire purchase and other debts incurred owing to illness, etc.

The majority of cases concern the aged and infirm; in all, during the past 12 months, on the 60th side of the Society alone, 25 ex-Riflemen have been found employment and 238 cases of distress dealt with.

## THE KING'S ROYAL RIFLE CORPS LADIES' GUILD

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## REPORT FOR 1959 - 1960

### Welfare

This year 44 parcels have been sent out—21 in answer to requests by the R.A.S.—16 to direct applicants to the Ladies' Guild and seven to War Memorial families. The Ladies' Guild were glad to be able to give considerable help to Mrs. Howard in the way of clothes for herself and the four children after her husband's tragic death at the Depot this summer. Also various grants for assistance have been given.

### War Memorial Sponsor Scheme

There are 362 children of Riflemen killed in the War who can benefit from this fund. 183 full endowments and 40 part endowments have now been paid out. Again this year most children have chosen furniture and household goods, but evening class fees, tools, books a nurse's outfit and deposits for a motor bicycle and a caravan have also been approved and paid for.

Sgt. and Mrs. Tribbicks, who for the last five years have put their caravans at our disposal for the last fortnight in May, have told us that this can be looked upon as a permanent offer.

### Hospital Visiting

Mrs. Sinclair continues to organise this—and asks to be notified of any Riflemen in Sanatoria.

### Finance

We are solvent, but would be happier if more subscribers would agree to covenant their subscriptions.

**Future Dates**

The Annual General Meeting will be held at 32 Eccleston Square, on Wednesday, June 21 at 2.30 p.m. and the Green Jackets Tea Party the same day at the Hyde Park Hotel, from 4 - 6 p.m.

**May We Ask For**

(1) More Members—wives and mothers of Officers—past and present.

Applications to The Hon. Treasurer, K.R.R.C. Ladies' Club, Green Jackets Depot, Winchester.

(2) More Covenanted Subscriptions.

(3) Second-hand Clothing in good condition to be sent to the Secretary at the same address.

**GREEN JACKETS CRICKET**

The Editor of the Chronicle having been adjured to cut down the number of pages in the interests of economy has started by intimating that the account of G. J. Cricket could well be shortened. The author is in entire agreement and proposes, therefore, to give just the bare scores of most of the matches, merely touching on some of the highlights—this will save him no end of trouble!

Matches played 18. Won 6. Drawn 6. Lost 6.

This is a better result than for some years but at the beginning of August we had only won two matches. Luckily we finished with a tremendous flourish, winning our last four games—all of which were good ones.

Potted accounts of the matches follow :—

MATCHES LOST		Remarks
ETON 172 for 8 dec.	G.J. 116	A moderate batting effort by G.J.
HENLEY 170 for 8	G.J. 115 (Delisle 51)	Even worse batting effort.
HARROW WANDERERS 179 (Guthrie 8 for 51)	G.J. 98	Paralytic batting. Very good bowling effort by Allan Guthrie.
G.J. 109 (R. A. Martin 38)	ETON RAMBLERS 110 for 4	Worse batting still, except Andy Martin.
ROYAL MARINES 200 for 5 dec.	G.J. 65	Batting—the end.
FREE FORESTERS		Scores at end of account.

**MATCHES DRAWN**

I.Z. 231 (Bendit 5 for 41)	G.J. 125 for 6 (Thompson 49 not out)	Rather dull match.
H. HOGS 264 for 1.	G.J. 151 for 8 (Bramall 76)	Even duller ( <i>not</i> G.J. fault).
S. OF I. 269 for 8.	G.J. 159 for 7	None.
G.J. 169 for 9 (Harrison 46)	STAFF COLLEGE 155 for 9	A very exciting match. 83 of the S.C. runs made by Green Jackets.
BAND OF BROTHERS 200 (Stevens 6 for 62)	G.J. 172 for 7 (Jackson 43 Stevens 41 not out)	This was a very good match between two good sides which we might have won if our bowlers could have kept going a little longer as we had 8 of them out for about 120.

**WINCHESTER COLLEGE****MATCHES WON**

OLD WYKEHAMISTS 201 for 7 dec.	G.J. 202 for 5 (Tillard 119 not out)	A good match which we won with a few minutes to spare owing to a very fine knock by Rob. Tillard.
R.N. 97 (Bendit 5 for 31) (Stevens 4 for 25)	G.J. 106 for 4 (Guy 52)	A dull match as our opponents were <i>not</i> good, though Stevens and Bendit bowled very well.
G.J. 115 (Delisle 40)	R. HAMPS. REGT. 99 (Hogg 5 for 28, Stevens 4 for 35)	Moderate batting on both sides but very steady bowling by Hogg and Stevens.
G.J. 181 for 9 dec. (Delisle 82)	HOUSEHOLD BDE. 142 (Hogg 5 for 37, Guthrie 5 for 33)	We made a good recovery after losing 5 wks. for 46, our opponents were 72 for 1 wkt. so we had a good win after looking like losing. Hogg again bowled very well as did Guthrie.
GEMINI 183 for 8 dec.	G.J. 184 for 8 (McCausland 104 not out)	A very good match indeed. Owing to rain the match did not start until 1.30 p.m. and 367 runs were scored by 6.30 p.m.—not bad on very slow ground! A very fine innings by Ian McCausland. We won the match with 2 mins. to spare.
L.I. CLUB 119 (Miller 6 for 36)	G.J. 122 for 7 (Stevens 68 not out)	Another good and exciting match but small scores on a good wicket. Stevens came into his own as a bat.

**The Week**

We were comparatively lucky in our weather for the Week although the match on Wednesday between 43rd and 52nd and Rifle Brigade never looked like starting due to heavy and continuous rain. Luckily it cleared up on the Thursday sufficiently for us not only to have a good game v Winchester College but also to entertain our guests and to enable the Massed Bands and Bugles to give a very good show on the ground after the match.

In the first match v The Free Foresters (the scores of all matches in the Week are shown together with the batting and bowling averages at the end of this account) neither side batted very well in the first innings though our bowlers did well to get eight of our opponents out for 127 as they were a strong batting side.

In the second innings our opponents' bowlers were again on top, and we did not leave their batsmen enough to make for our bowlers to have much chance of getting them out although, in fact, they bowled very well and at one time had three of them out for 25.

There is not much to be said about the match v Winchester College on the Thursday; there was never enough time to finish it as the two sides were fairly equal although we had the better of the drawn game.

The 60th v R.B. match on the Friday followed much the same course but was interfered with more by rain. At one time when we had five of the R.B. out for 52 there appeared to be a faint chance of us winning but there really was not enough time to get the other five wickets, unless a complete collapse had occurred.

Rather to everyone's surprise, for the sides seemed well matched, the Past fairly put it across the Present on the Saturday, but I think everyone enjoyed the match which has obviously come to stay.

We must not conclude this account without saying, on behalf of all Green Jackets, how sorry we are that Mr. Passingham has been so ill and wish him a thorough recovery, so that we shall be able to see him on the ground again in 1961. We must also congratulate Mr. Slocombe on the very good work he put in on the ground during one of the wettest summers for some time.

We must also thank the P.M.C. (John Hanscombe) and Mess Sergeant (C/Sgt. Pierce) and indeed all the Mess Staff for the very hard work they put in during Green Jackets Week which enabled so many members to enjoy the Dance *cum* Card Party on the Satur-

day night—not to mention the drinks on the ground and at the Band Concert.

**THE GREEN JACKETS****St. Cross, 1960****THE GREEN JACKETS v. FREE FORESTERS****Monday and Tuesday, July 11 and 12, 1960**

## GREEN JACKETS

## 1ST INNINGS

E. N. W. Bramall, st Fetherstonhaugh, b Waddy -	-	24
J. R. Tillard, ct Howard-Dobson, b Fasken -	-	1
M. W. M. Tarleton, ct Davies-Scourfield, b Waddy -	-	31
M. N. Harbottle, ct Scott, b Lomax -	-	14
D. R. Peppiatt, ct Howard-Dobson, b Fasken -	-	43
R. S. Miller, ct Doggart, b Waddy -	-	0
I. G. Elliott, not out -	-	27
P. R. Stevens, not out -	-	6
J. Thompson, did not bat.		
H. Ruck-Keene, did not bat.		
A. Guthrie, did not bat.		
Extras -	-	5
Total (for 6 wickets dec) -	-	151

## 2ND INNINGS

E. N. W. Bramall, ct Howard-Dobson, b Waddy -	-	28
J. R. Tillard, ct Howard-Dobson, b Fasken -	-	0
M. W. M. Tarleton, b Fasken -	-	3
M. N. Harbottle, ct Doggart, b Waddy -	-	21
D. R. Peppiatt, ct Gurney, b Lomax -	-	4
R. S. Miller, ct and b Doggart -	-	26
I. G. Elliott, b Lomax -	-	0
P. R. Stevens, b Doggart -	-	5
J. Thompson, not out -	-	21
H. Ruck-Keene, run out -	-	2
A. Guthrie, lbw Doggart -	-	0
Total -	-	124

## FREE FORESTERS

## 1ST INNINGS

D. Davies-Scourfield, ct Ruck-Keene, b Stevens -	-	0
H. E. H. Newman, b Guthrie -	-	26
R. Fetherstonhaugh, run out -	-	9
G. H. G. Doggart, ct Elliott, b Miller -	-	23
I. R. Lomax, ct and b Miller -	-	4
P. I. Howard-Dobson, lbw Stevens -	-	28
S. Gurney, ct Ruck-Keene, b Miller -	-	4
D. Fasken, not out -	-	23
D. Scott, b Stevens -	-	1
B. Waddy, did not bat.		
R. Robinson, did not bat.		
Extras -	-	9
Total (for 8 wickets) -	-	127

## 2ND INNINGS

D. Davies-Scourfield, ct Ruck-Keene, b Miller	-	-	0
H. E. H. Newman, not out	-	-	8
R. Fetherstonhaugh, ct Tarleton, b Stevens	-	-	57
G. H. G. Daggart, b Stevens	-	-	0
I. R. Lomax, ct and b Tarleton	-	-	67
P. I. Howard-Dobson, not out	-	-	6
S. Gurney, did not bat.			
D. Fasken, did not bat.			
D. Scott, did not bat.			
B. Waddy, did not bat.			
R. Robinson, did not bat			
Extras	-	-	11
Total (for 4 wickets)	-	-	149

## 43rd and 52nd v. RIFLE BRIGADE

Wednesday, July 13, 1960

This match was cancelled owing to rain.

## THE GREEN JACKETS v. WINCHESTER COLLEGE

Thursday, July 14, 1960

## GREEN JACKETS

J. R. Tillard, ct Hay b Jefferson	-	-	22
B. W. Balls, ct Jefferson, b Sanders	-	-	6
M. W. M. Tarleton, ct Travis, b Jefferson	-	-	73
R. S. Miller, b Thomas	-	-	35
P. R. Stevens, run out	-	-	1
J. P. Starkey, ct May, b Loveday	-	-	0
A. L. Askew b Loveday	-	-	3
R. A. Martin, not out	-	-	8
P. E. Gerahty, not out	-	-	2
D. R. Peppiatt, did not bat.			
A. Guthrie, did not bat.			
Extras	-	-	12
Total (for 7 wickets dec.)	-	-	162

## WINCHESTER COLLEGE

I. R. A. Townsend, lbw, b Tarleton	-	-	38
N. D. Pilbrow, ct Martin, b Guthrie	-	-	16
I. G. V. Danjels, run out	-	-	13
I. R. N. Travis, b Miller	-	-	14
R. I. Jefferson, ct Peppiatt, b Starkey	-	-	26
P. B. Hay, not out	-	-	17
I. R. Saunders, b Miller	-	-	1
C. S. B. Thomas, lbw, b Starkey	-	-	0
M. L. Majendie, not out	-	-	5
M. A. Loveday, did not bat.			
R. A. S. Gray, did not bat.			
Extras	-	-	7
Total (for 7 wickets)	-	-	137

## THE KING'S ROYAL RIFLE CORPS v. THE RIFLE BRIGADE

Friday, July 15, 1960

## THE KING'S ROYAL RIFLE CORPS

E. N. W. Bramall, ct Fiennes, b Guthrie	-	-	48
J. R. Tillard, ct Miller, b Tarleton	-	-	22
R. K. Guy, ct Fiennes, b Miller	-	-	0
S. J. Symington, not out	-	-	16
D. W. R. Bedford, b Bendit	-	-	21
J. G. Harrison, did not bat.			
H. R. G. Howard, did not bat.			
M. Steward, did not bat.			
Sgt. Rawlings, did not bat.			
P. R. Stevens, did not bat.			
W. S. G. Gurney, did not bat.			
Extras	-	-	11
Total (for 4 wickets dec.)	-	-	118

## THE RIFLE BRIGADE

C. Mott-Radclyffe, ct Steward, b Symington	-	-	3
R. S. Miller, ct Rawlings, b Symington	-	-	2
M. W. M. Tarleton, ct Harrison, b Howard	-	-	17
J. P. Starkey, b Symington	-	-	0
N. T. A. Fiennes, b Stevens	-	-	20
G. W. R. Carter, ct and b Howard	-	-	23
J. M. S. Thompson, not out	-	-	21
T. N. S. Blake, b Rawlings	-	-	0
D. Ramsbotham, did not bat.			
A. Guthrie, did not bat.			
J. D. Bendit, did not bat.			
Total (for 7 wickets)	-	-	86

## PAST v. PRESENT

Saturday, July 16, 1960

## PRESENT

E. N. W. Bramall, b Guthrie	-	-	34
C. M. Mallett, ct Bedford, b Symington	-	-	2
G. P. S. Delisle, ct and b Bedford	-	-	12
M. N. Harbottle, ct Harrison, b Guthrie	-	-	16
I. H. McCausland, ct Harrison, b Mott-Radclyffe	-	-	5
F. J. B. Taylor, b Mott-Radclyffe	-	-	5
R. K. Guy, b Stevens	-	-	25
M. J. Calvert, lbw Guthrie	-	-	15
D. J. Hulbert, ct Bedford, b Symington	-	-	11
R. A. Martin, b Symington	-	-	7
J. D. Bendit, not out	-	-	3
Extras	-	-	14
Total	-	-	149

## PAST

N. T. A. Fiennes, b Hulbert	-	-	-	50
J. G. Harrison, ct Mallett, b Hulbert	-	-	-	1
B. L. Reed, ct McCausland, b Bramall	-	-	-	64
D. W. R. Bedford, not out	-	-	-	21
P. R. Stevens, ct Mallett, b Benditt	-	-	-	5
D. G. Clive, not out	-	-	-	3
J. H. R. Holmes, did not bat.				
S. J. Symington, did not bat.				
A. C. Guthrie, did not bat.				
C. Mott-Radclyffe, did not bat.				
J. M. S. Thompson, did not bat.				
Extras	-	-	-	9
Total (for 4 wickets)	-	-	-	153

## BATTING AVERAGES, 1960

	Runs	Innings	Not-Out	Highest Score	Average
G. P. S. Delisle	197	5	-	82	39.4
J. M. S. Thompson	152	9	5	49*	38
E. N. W. Bramall	210	6	-	76	35
I. H. McCausland	119	6	2	104*	29.75
P. R. Stevens	212	12	4	68	26.5
B. L. Reed	154	6	-	64	25.66
N. T. A. Fiennes	99	4	-	50	24.75
M. W. M. Tarleton	148	6	-	73	24.6
J. R. Tillard	194	8	-	117	24.5
S. J. Symington	41	4	2	17	20.5
D. W. R. Bedford	102	7	1	30	17
I. G. Elliot	62	5	1	30	15.5

## BOWLING AVERAGES, 1960

J. N. Hogg	57	16	131	10	13.1
R. S. Miller	60	15	175	13	13.46
A. C. Guthrie	152	21	516	32	15.94
J. D. Benditt	95	22	308	19	16.02
P. R. Stevens	176	44	520	32	16.06
D. J. Hulbert	38	13	88	5	17.6
S. J. Symington	75	17	209	11	19
I. H. McCausland	46	3	166	7	23.71
M. W. M. Tarleton	39	7	153	6	23.83

## GREEN JACKETS GOLF, 1960

The Green Jackets Golf Meeting May 14-15, 1960.

Twenty-eight members entered for the Annual Meeting, which was held at Littlestone in what the local members are now rash enough to describe as Green Jacket weather. Our remarkable run of luck in this respect was fully maintained.

The Medal Round which opens the meeting was decided, for the first time, by using the Stapleford scoring system. This less rigorous method reduces the nature of what has always been regarded as an ordeal, and—even more important—speeds up the play on the course. Instead of recording every stroke players compete against bogey, and so a lost ball only affects the score at one hole instead of casting a blot upon the score for the full round. We shall no longer see a player take upwards of 20 strokes in a bunker but, against that, we have practically eliminated the chance of suicides.

The best score under handicap was returned by Edward Jones (43rd and 52nd), who had put in some useful practice while stationed at nearby Hythe and who played extremely well. In fact no one bettered his gross score, and Adrian Gore and Nick Hanbury, the respective winners of the Rifle Brigade and 60th Scratch prizes, scored exactly the same number of points. On handicap they also won the veterans' and T.A. Cups respectively.

The Regimental match play events were competed for by the regular band of qualifiers, with scarcely an unfamiliar face among them. This tendency is likely to continue as, although the Stapleford system was introduced with the idea of tempering the wind to the shorn, or 24 handicap, lamb, it also helps the better players in that they are unlikely to tear up their cards and so fail to qualify.

The 60th competition was won by Nick Hanbury, who had a very lucrative week-end. In a battle of colourfully dressed giants he just managed to beat John Bunbury in the final. The latter had upset the book of form in the semi-final by defeating the deft and thrustful Brigadier Low. He came close to doing much the same again, for it was only the fall of the last putt that enabled the tape machines to tick out the epic headline "Han beats Bun."

The Rifle Brigade competition produced several close matches and a new winner in Fergus Hughes-Onslow, who told our correspondent that he was lucky to find David Clive in less than his

usual voracious mood in the final. He was also slightly more generously handicapped than in previous years, a fact that excited curiously little comment among the body of competitors, but which has doubtless been noted by the committee.

The foursome competitions were won by combinations of mature and skilful age and somewhat crude but powerful youth. Pat Curtis and Eddy McGrigor won the bogey foursomes (the latter is surely a match for anyone in Argyll) and Adrian Gore and Neil Hughes-Onslow landed the Littlestone Cup together with the sweep money subscribed by the Littlestone Club pairs who competed also.

At the Annual General Meeting of the Society, Captain H. Tudor-Owen was elected President in succession to Major H. J. F. Mills, and Brigadier J. F. C. Mellor was elected Vice-President, the first serving Officer to attain this dizzy eminence in the Society. We were sorry to see Tudor in a non-playing capacity at the meeting, but this ill-wind blew in favour of the Secretaries, since he was kind and resourceful enough to collect all the money due from the competitors, always a difficult task in which to achieve complete success.

The results were as follows:

Saturday morning: Medal Round.

Name	H'Cap.	Points	Prize
C. E. W. Jones	(12)	39½	Medal: Serving Officers Cup.
N. J. C. Hanbury	(8)	36	60th Scratch Cup: T.A. Cup.
N. F. Althaus	(9)	33½	
C. E. R. Benson	(11)	32½	
A. C. Gore	(3)	31½	R.B. Scratch Cup: Veterans Cup.
F. E. Hughes-Onslow	(9)	29½	
H. R. James	(11)	29½	
Hon. N. G. Bligh	(14)	29½	
D. G. Clive	(6)	29½	
T. C. Gore	(14)	29½	
I. W. Lynch	(10)	27½	
Sir Toby Low	(4)	27½	
R. F. Nixon	(10)	26½	
S. J. Symington	(11)	26½	
G. F. Earle	(17)	24½	
A. L. Robinson	(11)	24½	
J. W. N. Bunbury	(4)	24½	
J. G. Newton	(9)	23½	
P. Nicolson	(18)	23½	
H. J. F. Mills	(18)	23½	
Sir C. E. McGrigor	(12)	23½	

Hon. D. O. Trench	(7)	22½
W. P. S. Curtis	(12)	21½
M. J. W. Harker	(12)	21½
J. R. R. Holmes	(14)	20½
B. P. T. O'Brien	(14)	20½
A. L. Davies	(12)	N.R.

#### Rifle Brigade Statuette

1st Round	Semi-Final	Final	Winner
Robinson } Lynch	} F. Hughes-Onslow	} 4 and 2	} F. Hughes Onslow 3 + 1
Lynch } 5 up.			
F. Hughes-Onslow } F. Hughes-Onslow			
A. C. Gore } 19th			
Clive } Clive 2 and 1	} Clive	} 19th	
Bligh }			
T. C. Gore } T. C. Gore	} 1 up		
N. Hughes-Onslow }			

#### 60th Rifle Colonels Commandant Cup

Symington } Bunbury	} Bunbury	} 2 up	} -Hanbury
Bunbury } 3 + 2			
Benson } Low			
Low } 4 + 3			
Althaus } Althaus	} Hanbury	} 7 + 6	} 1 up
James } 4 + 2			
Hanbury } Hanbury			
Nixon } 4 + 3			

#### Saturday afternoon: Bogey Foursomes:

W. P. S. Curtis	} 4 down
Sir C. E. McGrigor	

#### Sunday: Littlestone Cup:

A. C. Gore	} 36 points
T. N. Hughes-Onslow	

The matches played during the year were as follows:

Date	Opponents	Course	Result
Feb. 20	Army G.S.	Waplesden	Drawn 4-4
Mar. 26	R.B. v. 60th	Swinley Forest	60th won 5½-2½
Apr. 2	Bar G.S.	Swinley Forest	Won 7-1
" 10	Wine Trade G.S.	Pulborough	Drawn 4-4
" 24	Jokers	New Zealand	Lost ½-9½

May 12—Lloyds G.S.	-	-	New Zealand	-	-	Drawn	4—4
June 11—Household Brigade	-	-	West Hill	-	-	Won	5—3
„ 12—R.M.A., Sandhurst	-	-	Huntercombe	-	-	Won	3—1
Sept. 18—Huntercombe G.C.	-	-	Huntercombe	-	-	Lost	2—6
Oct. 8—Staff College	-	-	Berkshire G.C.	-	-	Lost	1—3
„ 18—Aristis Rifles	-	-	Swinley Forest	-	-	Won	7½—2½
„ 20—Eton College	-	-	Berkshire G.C.	-	-	Drawn	2—2
„ 29—	-	-		-	-		
„ 30—Rye G.C.	-	-	Rye	-	-	Drawn	12—12

## RACKETS

The Green Jackets pair which entered for the Army Rackets Championship this year was the same as last year *viz.* Raymond Nelson and Geoffrey Hopton, both from our Battalion at Ballykinler. They had about a week's practice at Queen's before the Championship but this is, of course, not enough.

The same Competitions were played as in previous years as shown below; the one which, of course, we always hope to win is the Regimental Doubles and after the first round match *v* 4/7 Dragoon Guards which we won comfortably (15-10, 15-13, 15-11, 15-6) our hopes of at least getting into the Final were fairly high.

In the next round we had to play the R.M.A. Unfortunately our pair did not play up to their highest standard and we were defeated after quite a good match by 15-11, 15-6, 9-15, 15-8, 15-7. For Sandhurst their first string, Edwardes, is a good player but the match was really won for them by the steadiness of their second string, M. L. Dunning, who will be playing for the Regiment in a couple of years time.

In the Army Singles, Hopton was beaten 3 love by Edwardes in the 1st round while Nelson, having defeated Saunders of the Gordons easily by 3 games to 0 and then, also fairly easily, W. L. Hedley, was beaten after a close match by H. Knowles-Pfeiffer of the Gunners 4-15, 15-10, 11-15, 15-10, 15-4.

In the Combined Services Competitions which are open to both past and present Servicemen of all the three Services, our pair were unlucky to draw a very good pair in Brooks and Myrtle in the first round and lost fairly easily.

In the Singles, Hopton did well to beat O/Cdt. Cramsie and then to take a game off Knowles-Pfeiffer while Nelson first of all beat a useful player in Gordon and then did very well to beat R. A. Eckersley in three games (15-13, 15-11, 15-9) thus getting to the Semi-Final. where unfortunately he was beaten.

**GENERAL SIR THOMAS MORLAND,  
K.C.B., K.C.M.G., D.S.O.**

*By Major-General Sir Hereward Wake*

The publication of the second volume of Lord Lugard's biography is of special interest to the Regiment as it narrates in detail the story of the conquest of Nigeria in the years 1898-1903, in which Colonel Morland played a prominent part.

The numerous campaigns in which Morland was selected by Lugard to lead the advanced guard, generally some days ahead of the main body, were mentioned in the 1925 Regimental Chronicle, but few realised what a reputation Morland had achieved.

Perhaps the most important of the expeditions was that to Kano in 1905. Kano was a town of some 30,000 inhabitants, slave traders and slaves under a brutal regime, with a well-armed garrison of 5,000 with artillery. Morland's advanced guard, marching five days ahead through tropical forest, consisted of 750 native troops with four guns. The town was enclosed by a solid 50 ft. wall 11 miles in length with 13 gates. The guns were trained on one of the gates and when this had no effect they were moved against the next one with success. Morland led the assault which gained a footing from which the town was gradually cleared of the enemy.

Similar "brilliantly conducted" expeditions were then sent against Sokoto and other places and Lugard's despatches are evidence of Morland's qualities of adventurous leadership backed by political knowledge. He was a "tower of strength." He finished the war a brevet-colonel, C.B., and D.S.O. Returning home in 1909 he was given command of the 2nd Infantry Brigade at Blackdown, Aldershot, when he had with him the 2nd Battalion of the Regiment and the writer had the honour to be his Brigade Major. The fact that Morland won the Army Heavyweight Point to Point Race in 1910 was omitted from the Obituary Notice in the 1925 Chronicle.

A very brief summary of his Army Service completes the picture. At the beginning of the First World War, Morland commanded the 14th Division. He transferred to the 5th Division in France soon after. Subsequently he commanded the 10th and 13th corps and, when the war ended, the Army of Occupation in Cologne. In 1922 he commanded at Aldershot with rank of General but retired owing to ill-health a year later. He became Colonel Commandant 1st Battalion of the Regiment on the death of Field-Marshal Lord Grenfell early in 1925. He died a few weeks later.

## OBITUARY

### BRIGADIER ROBERT HUGH WILLAN, D.S.O., M.C. 1882-1960

On leaving Eton, Hugh joined the 60th after serving a short time in the 4th Oxfordshire Light Infantry. Possessing a powerful physique and very cheery disposition he soon became a well-known character with all ranks. He was a good sportsman, a keen shot and fisherman, also a good man to hounds in spite of his weight. With a great sense of duty and good brains, Hugh soon showed himself an efficient Officer, especially as Signals Officer in which line his eventual career lay.

Seconded in 1912 to the Signal Service R.E. he became a power and much assisted in the vast expansion and importance of the Royal Corps of Signals, as the Service was to become. Though a bit self-willed and combative with authority, when he considered their rulings unfair to his subordinates (as indeed they sometimes were) nearly everyone recognised the heart of gold beating behind it all. However, to general surprise, Hugh was not promoted to be a Major-General. Perhaps the more honour to him.

Hugh saw much heavy fighting in France. He was wounded, mentioned in Despatches three times, awarded the D.S.O. and M.C. and Belgian War Cross and a Bt. Lt. Colonelcy. After being assistant Director Royal Corps of Signals 1916-1919 and later G.S.O. I War Office he was appointed Colonel Commandant of the Corps. Towards the end of his career he commanded the 10th Infantry Brigade.

Hugh lost a son at Calais in the 60th. His son in the R.A.F. survives him.

The Bishop of Salisbury conducted the funeral at Teffont Evias Church on May 7, 1960. The attendance included the whole village, his son in the R.A.F., his sisters and other relations, and many senior Signal Officers. Major-General H. O. Curtis, on behalf of the 60th, laid a wreath.



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**COLONEL EDWARD GEOFFREY ST. AUBYN, D.S.O.****1880-1960**

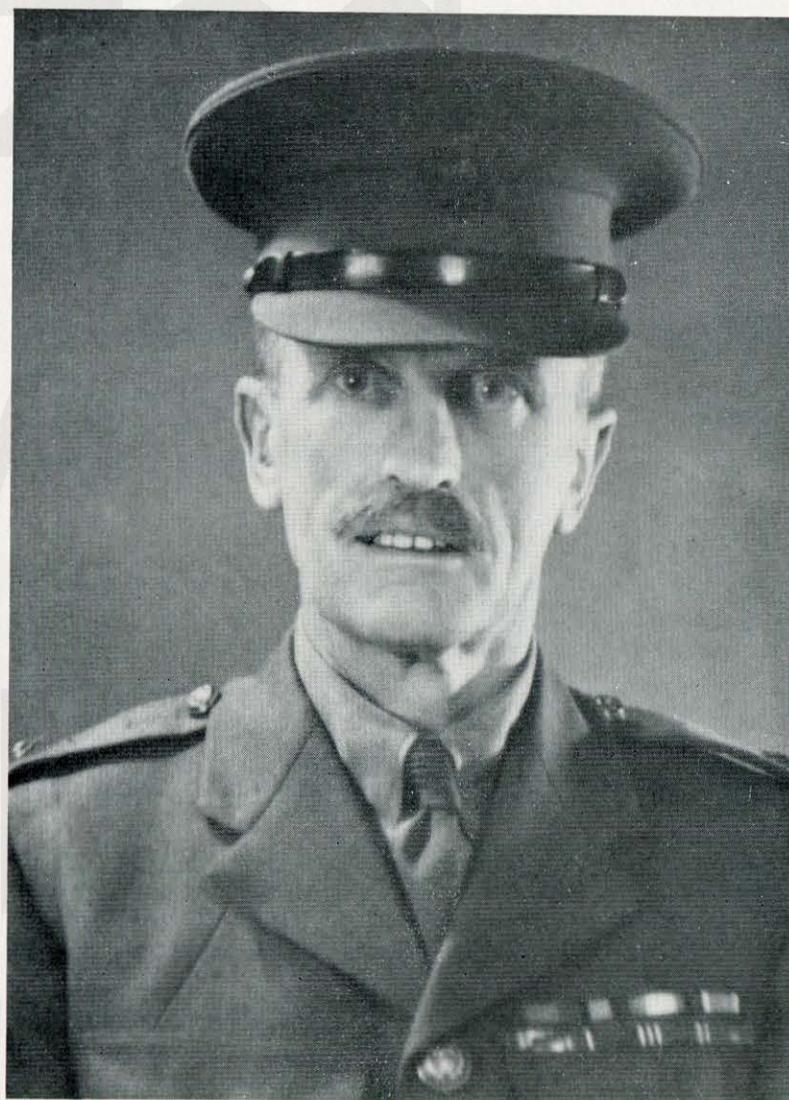
Geoffrey was the second son of Edward St. Aubyn and was born in 1880. He was educated at Eton, where he was captain of the Oppidans and in the Rowing Eight, and then went to Trinity College, Cambridge.

He was Commissioned into the Regiment in 1901 and joined the 4th Battalion in Cork, and served with it in the South African War and also in India. At the beginning of the Great War he was with the 7th Battalion, which joined the British Expeditionary Force in April 1915. In December 1915 he was given command of the 1st/4th West Riding Regiment, and in November 1916 he took command of the 1st/7th Battalion of the same Regiment, both of which were in France. After a short spell on the staff at Aldershot he returned to France in command of the 2nd Battalion of the Regiment. At about this time he wrote a letter to his cousin, Sir Hereward Wake, in which he said: "It is my ambition to command a Battalion of the Regiment in the Field, and I have realised it." He was twice wounded in 1918, and appointed to command 3rd Infantry Brigade in France, where he stayed until March 1919. He was awarded the D.S.O. and Croix de Guerre and was twice mentioned in despatches. He was invalided out of the Regular Army in 1919 at the age of 39.

In 1925 he assumed command of 8th Hampshire Regiment (Isle of Wight Rifles) T.A., and in 1928 he was made commander of 128 Hampshire Infantry Brigade T.A., which he relinquished four years later.

At the outbreak of the Second World War he joined the 8th Battalion (Home Defence) Hampshire Regiment as a Captain, and in 1940 he was made Lt.-Col. in the same Battalion, and commanded the Garrison at Southampton at the time of the air raids. He was Honorary Colonel of 642 L.A.A./S.L. Regiment (Hampshire) from April 1948 until August 1951.

After his short but distinguished career in the Regular Army, Geoffrey became one of the leading figures in Hampshire. His capabilities, coupled with a remarkably sound judgment, a delightful character and a disarming sense of humour, caused a great demand to be placed on his services to the public. He never ceased to meet this heavy demand, in spite of the after effects of gas, from which he had suffered since the end of the First War.



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He was appointed a Justice of the Peace, and from 1943 to 1953 was Chairman of the Ringwood and Fordingbridge Bench. He became Vice-Chairman of the Rural District Council and played an active part in the Boy Scouts Association as Chairman of the New Forest West District from 1919 to 1949. He was also Chairman of the Ringwood British Legion. He was appointed a Deputy Lieutenant of Hampshire in 1939. He was one of the finest shots in the country and a very capable fisherman.

The deepest sympathy of the Regiment is offered to his widow and son in their great loss.

**Lt.-Colonel GERALD STEWART OXLEY, M.C.**

**Died December 23, 1960. Aged 71 years**

Gerald Oxley, better known by all in the Regiment, and by his numerous friends, as "The Oat," was the son of John Stewart Oxley, of Fen Place, Turners Hill, Sussex, and nephew of the late Brigadier-General Reggie Oxley, 60th Rifles. He was educated at Ludgrove and Eton, and was commissioned into the Regiment in November 1909, and joined the 4th Battalion in India that winter.

When one thinks of the Oat one's recollection is of a dapper little figure in riding clothes. I remember well when I first met him on joining the 4th Battalion in Gharial in 1913. He was wearing an immaculately cut pair of breeches and white gaiters, and I wondered at the time whether he was a brother Officer, or someone staying in the Mess from the racing stables down in Rawalpindi. Anyhow one thing I knew was that I obviously had something in common with him.

His nickname did not, as one might imagine, arise from his size or his love of horses. Actually it was inspired by a picture, in some paper, of a very small boy in an Eton collar sitting by himself in a box at the theatre, with an enormous box of chocolates in front of him, gazing with open eyes at the bevy of lovely chorus girls, kicking up their legs and showing their undies. Underneath was the caption "Sowing his wild oats." Some discerning brother Officer saw some likeness between the boy in the Eton collar and Gerald Oxley, and thereafter he became "The Oat."

In those days he was a very successful amateur rider on the flat, and won a number of races at meetings in Northern India. As he could ride under 9 stone he was much sought after.

When the 4th Battalion came home and mobilised near Winchester in the winter of 1914 the Oat was appropriately appointed Transport Officer, which he remained until leaving the 4th Battalion in Salonica in January 1916, on being appointed G.S.O.3 12 Corps. He was an excellent horse master and his horses, and later his mules, even in the mud of Flanders were all beautifully turned out, as was himself, and looked fit enough to take part in any Show Ring. It was quite a sight to see him at the head of his transport galloping, through much-shelled Ypres, over the pavé streets, taking the daily rations up to the trenches.

In October 1917 he was promoted Brigade Major 228 Infantry Brigade in Salonica, and towards the end of the war, in October 1918, was posted back to the B.E.F. in Germany as Brigade Major 118 Infantry Brigade.

During the war he was awarded in 1916 the Military Cross, and the White Eagle of Serbia, and was four times mentioned in despatches.

In July 1919 he rejoined the 4th Battalion at Aldershot and went with it to Belgaum in India in the following September. When the 4th Battalion was disbanded he was transferred to the re-formed 1st Battalion at Quetta, and thence to Rawalpindi.

In October 1924 he was posted to the Rifle Depot. Throughout this period he retained his love for racing, hunting and polo. He was too light to become a good polo player, but this did not damp his enthusiasm.

In December 1927 he was reposted to the 1st Battalion, and in November 1928 returned home to the 2nd Battalion, of which he became 2nd in Command in 1931. Then in October 1934 he attained the height of his ambition, and was appointed to command the 1st Battalion in Calcutta, and took it to Burma in 1935.

He was an ideal Commander for a Battalion stationed in far-away Burma. His energy, inspiration, and sense of humour kept the Battalion, both Officers and men, in a high degree of morale, and it was a sad occasion for him and everyone in the Battalion when he gave up the Command in October 1938 after 29 years service, almost continuous in the service of the Regiment.



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In August 1939, at the nearing outbreak of World War II, the Oat was recalled from retirement and posted to Southern Command as G.S.O.2, and the following year was appointed to command No. 302 Infantry Training Centre, and a few months later to No. 305 Infantry Training Centre. Later after this Centre was disbanded he became Training Officer 1st, 2nd, and 4th Dorset Home Guard, in his home county. Then in September 1944 he joined the Civil Affairs Pool of 21 Army Group, with which he served until September 1945.

He was Hon. Secretary of the Portman Hunt for 13 years from 1938, and carried on somehow throughout the war years. This was a job for which he was so well suited by his charming personality and his enthusiasm for mounted pursuits.

The news of his sudden death a few days before Christmas 1960 came as a great blow to his vast number of friends. We shall always remember him for his lively personality, his wonderful sense of humour, and his so human and lovable character.

In 1929 he married Irene, youngest daughter of Sir Elliott Lees, the first baronet, and brother to the late Colonel Sir John (Jack) Lees, D.S.O., M.C. 60th Rifles, and had one son and one daughter.

To his widow and children we extend our deepest sympathy.

#### MAJOR SIR GUY COLIN CAMPBELL

**Died October 2, 1960. Aged 75 years**

Guy Colin Campbell, fourth baronet, was the eldest son of Sir Guy Theophilus Campbell, third baronet. He was born on January 31, 1885, and educated at St. Aubyns, Rottingdean, Eton, and the University of St. Andrews.

He was in the Eton XI in 1902-03-04, and in the last year captained the side. He was a fine cover point, throwing in mercilessly with either hand.

He joined the Regiment in 1908 and the outbreak of the First World War found him a musketry instructor with the 6th London Infantry Brigade (T.A.), but by 1915 he was overseas in France serving with the 8th Service Battalion The King's Royal Rifle Corps. In July 1915 he was wounded at Hooze and later he saw much action at Messines and Passchendaele, and at Cambrai and Ypres during 1918. He served for a period on the staff of the Ulster Division and ended the war in India on the staff of the Meerut Division. He retired in 1919.



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Guy rejoined the Regiment in the Second World War, and was given an emergency Commission in January 1940, being posted to the 1st Motor Training Battalion, K.R.R.C. at Chiseldon, Wilts, which was commanded by his brother Eddy. He was appointed P.M.C. and they fed so well that the Mess fund was reported to be in debt to the tune of £600 at the end of the first quarter!

He was promoted War Substitute Captain in July 1941 and Temporary Major in December 1942. He was a third generation Rifleman, but never a very keen soldier.

Golf was really his life, he was a great authority on the game, being on the sporting staff of *The Times* for 20 years, also contributing to a number of other newspapers and periodicals. He played golf for Scotland three times against England, and in 1907 reached the semi-final of the Amateur Championship, he also won many medals at St. Andrews, Sunningdale and elsewhere. He was a golf architect and designed many golf courses not only at home but also on the continent.

He married in 1909, Mary, only daughter of Halswell Kemeys-Tynte of Halswell Park, Somerset. They had twin sons. His wife died in 1948 and in 1955 he married Alida Virginie (Lilian), widow of F. A. S. Allan and only daughter of A. P. Van Nieuwenrode.

The Regiment offers its deepest sympathy to his widow and family.

**MAJOR (QUARTERMASTER) A. E. BARKER, M.S.M.**

**Died March 12, 1960. Aged 66**

Ted Barker started his soldiering career with the Bedfordshire Regiment (T.A.) in 1910, transferring to the Huntingdonshire Cyclist Battalion in 1914. He joined the 60th directly after the First World War and served the Regiment continuously for no less than 31 years. Between the wars he served with both Battalions and became R.S.M. of the 1st Battalion in Calcutta in 1930. Ted went to Calais as Q.M. of the 2nd Battalion in 1940 and was a prisoner for the whole of the war. He left the Army after the war and became a librarian until he accepted the job in Records at Exeter which he held until 1949. He was awarded the Meritorious Service Medal in 1954.

Ted was a useful athlete in his younger days and later became a first-class hockey umpire. He was beloved of all ranks in the

60th and his enthusiasm for anything to do with the Regiment was unbounded.

Mercifully he was spared a long illness and died very suddenly. He leaves a widow, and a son and three grandchildren, and our deep sympathy is extended to them. He was a fine Rifleman of the best type and will be sadly missed by a host of friends.



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