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## SECRETARY'S NOTES.

By now all members should have received the Master-Gunner's letter informing them of the Committee's decision to raise the rates of subscriptions, together with a banker's order.

Members are requested to complete and return these as soon as possible to enable the R.A.I. records to be complete by 1st April, 1953, on which date the new scales of publications will come into effect.

Members are urged to pay their subscription by the banker's order rather than by cheque.

Those members who have to pay by cheque are asked to so inform the Secretary and in the case of retired officers to state which scale of publications they have selected.

### Greetings to Indian Artillery.

*From:* The Director, Royal Artillery.

*To:* The Commander-in-Chief, India.

“On the Birthday of Indian Artillery, the Director and Officers, Royal Artillery, send their greetings to General Maharaj Shri Rajendrasinjhi, D.S.O., Colonel Commandant, Indian Artillery, and their hearty congratulations on his appointment as Commander-in-Chief”.

The following reply was received from General Rajendrasinjhi:—

*To:* The Director, Royal Artillery.

“I much appreciate good wishes and congratulations sent by you and Officers, Royal Artillery, on the Birthday of Indian Artillery and on the eve of my appointment as Commander-in-Chief”.

### R.A. Institution Winter Lectures.

The following lectures have been arranged, and will take place by kind permission of the Council, at the Royal United Service Institution, Whitehall, London, S.W.1:—

*Thursday, 19th February, 1953, at 3 p.m.*

South Africa. By Dr. A. L. Geyer, High Commissioner for the Union of South Africa.

*Chairman.*—To be announced later.

*Thursday, 5th March, 1953, at 3 p.m.*

Egypt. By Bickham Sweet-Escott, Esq., B.B.C. Broadcaster.

*Chairman.*—Lieutenant-General Sir George Erskine, K.C.B., K.B.E., D.S.O.

*Thursday, 19th March, 1953, at 3 p.m.*

Korea. By Brigadier W. G. H. Pike, C.B.E., D.S.O., lately C.R.A., 1 Commonwealth Division.

(In the absence of Lieut.-General Sir James Cassels, K.B.E., C.B., D.S.O., who deeply regrets that his duties as Commander, 1 Corps, B.A.O.R., compel his presence in Germany on this day.)

*Chairman.*—Major-General K. F. MacK. Lewis, C.B., D.S.O., M.C., Director, Royal Artillery.

**NOTE:**—Entrance will be by ticket only. Officers serving in Commands, Schools, etc., at home should apply for tickets to the formation with which they are serving, and to which instructions have already been issued.

Officers on leave from overseas, extra-regimentally employed, retired, etc., should apply for tickets to the Secretary, R.A. Institution.

**NOTE:** Owing to the indisposition of Sir David Kelly, the lecture on "Russia", which it had been hoped to arrange, will not now take place.

### **King George VI National Memorial Fund, Regimental Subscription.**

In view of representations from certain members of the Regiment, the individual subscriptions to the above will not be published.

Each month, however, the running total will be given.

The amount subscribed up to 19th January, 1953, was £2,740 13s. 7d.

### **Bertrand Stewart Prize Essay Competition 1952.**

The result of the competition for 1952 was as follows:—

*Winner:*—Colonel P. A. Tobin, R.E.

*Runner-up:*—Major C. J. M. Hamilton, R.A.

## **MILITARY NOTES.**

### **Honours.**

In recognition of gallant and distinguished services in Korea.

(*London Gazette*, 20th January, 1953.)

GEORGE MEDAL.

Mawson, Lt. B. A. F.

### **New Years Honours, 1953.**

(*London Gazette*, 1st January, 1953.)

G.C.B.

Nicholson, Gen. Sir Cameron G. G., K.B.E., C.B., D.S.O., M.C.

C.B.

Goodbody, Maj.-Gen. R. W., D.S.O.  
Hemming, Maj.-Gen. W. E. G., C.B.E.

K.C.M.G.

Sinclair, Maj.-Gen. J. A., C.B., O.B.E.

C.B.E.

Cole, t/Col. G. S., O.B.E.  
Wheeler, Brig. R. H. L., O.B.E.

O.B.E.

Bence, Lt.-Col. E. W. J., M.C., R.A., T.A.  
Cariss, Lt.-Col. N. L., T.D., R.A., T.A.  
Glossop, Lt.-Col. A. W. C., T.D., R.A., T.A.  
Liddell, Maj. L. A., T.D.  
Harding-Newman, t/Lt.-Col. R. J. H.  
Parsons, Lt.-Col. (Qr.-Mr.) H. H.  
Robertson, Lt.-Col. F. E.  
Todd, Lt.-Col. W. J. C., T.D., R.A., T.A.

M.B.E.

Eltringham, Maj. J. H., T.D., R.A., T.A.  
Farley, Maj. H. E., R.A., T.A.  
Gibson, Maj. (Qr.-Mr.) G. W., T.D., R.A., T.A.  
Huxford, Maj. C. P. H. E.  
Jones, Maj. G. E. V.  
Plumridge, Maj. (Qr.-Mr.) A. E.  
Porter, Maj. (*local Lt.-Col.*) H.  
Wright, Capt. C. A. T.

**Promotions, Appointments, etc.**

Thompson, Col. (*t/Brig.*) G. S., D.S.O., M.B.E., is apptd. Director Land/Air Warfare and Director for N.A.T.O. Standardization, War Office, and is granted the temp. rank of Maj.-Gen. 15th December, 1952.

Inglis, Maj.-Gen. G. H., C.B., C.B.E., is apptd. G.O.C., Nigeria District, 4th December, 1952.

The undermentioned to be Brigs. :—

Hughes, Col. (*t/Brig.*) B. P., C.B.E., A.D.C., 7th January, 1952.  
Paterson, Col. (*t/Brig.*) H. MacG., 15th February, 1952.  
Kelly, Col. (*t/Brig.*) T. E. D., C.B.E., 27th February, 1952.  
Neville, Col. (*t/Brig.*) R. D., O.B.E., 19th March, 1952.  
Hindley, Col. (*t/Brig.*) G. B. S., O.B.E., 20th March, 1952.  
Abinett, Col. (*t/Brig.*) W. G., O.B.E., 14th May, 1952.  
Tulloch, Col. (*t/Brig.*) D. D. C., D.S.O., O.B.E., 29th May, 1952.  
Kerr, Col. (*t/Brig.*) J. M., 6th June, 1952.  
Crum, Col. (*t/Brig.*) J. A. S., O.B.E., 1st July, 1952.  
Musson, Col. (*t/Brig.*) A. H., 1st July, 1952.  
Bradshaw, Col. (*t/Brig.*) G. R., C.B.E., 1st July, 1952.  
Bastin, Col. (*t/Brig.*) G. E. R., O.B.E., 1st July, 1952.  
Daniell, Col. (*t/Brig.*) A. J., D.S.O., M.B.E., 1st July, 1952.  
Bull, Col. (*t/Brig.*) F. C., D.S.O., 1st July, 1952.  
Daunt, Col. (*t/Brig.*) B., D.S.O., 1st July, 1952.

Collett-White, Col. (*t/Brig.*) H. E., D.S.O., 1st July, 1952.  
 Osmond, Col. (*t/Brig.*) S. R., D.S.O., 1st July, 1952.  
 Fanshawe, Col. (*t/Maj.-Gen.*) G. D., D.S.O., O.B.E., 1st July, 1952.  
 Hope, Col. (*t/Brig.*) M. W., D.S.O., 1st July, 1952.  
 Phillips, Col. (*t/Brig.*) H. C., D.S.O., O.B.E., 1st July, 1952.  
 Thompson, Col. (*t/Brig.*) N. G., C.B.E., 1st July, 1952.  
 Scott, Col. (*t/Brig.*) L. M., 1st July, 1952.  
 Moore, Col. (*t/Brig.*) F. D., 1st July, 1952.

## REGIMENTAL LIST.

### Promotions and Appointments :—

Auer, 2nd Lt. D. J., from N.S. List, to be 2nd Lt. 7/1/53, with seniority 18/8/52.  
 Blackwell, Lt. A. L., from S.S.C. to be Lt. 7/1/53, with seniority 20/8/49.  
 Collins, Lt. H. K., from S.S.C. to be Lt. 7/1/53, with seniority 27/11/49.  
 Hirschfeld, 2nd Lt. (*a/Lt.*) M. A., from T.A. to be 2nd Lt. 28/7/52, with seniority 4/4/51.  
 Jones, 2nd Lt. J. C. M., from N.S. List, to be 2nd Lt. 7/1/53, with seniority 21/9/52.  
 Scott, 2nd Lt. R. W., to be Lt. 16/1/53.  
 Statham, Capt. (Qr.-Mr.) R. H., to be Maj. (Qr.-Mr.) 22/12/52.  
 Tyler, Capt. J. A. B., to be Maj., 16/12/52.

The undermentioned Majors to be Bt. Lt.-Cols. 1/7/52 :—

Clarke, D. A. B., O.B.E.	Pope, P. W. G., D.S.O., M.C.
Olivier, C. H. A.	Broke, R. S., O.B.E., M.C.

The undermentioned Captains to be Majors :—

Willet ( <i>W.S./Maj.</i> ) T. C., 23/12/52.	Gardner, H. B. C., 31/12/52.
Gibson-Fleming, W. H., 25/12/52.	Smith, R. A., 31/12/52.
Chubb, F. E., M.C., 25/12/52.	Thomas, S. P., 31/12/52.
Hall, S. T. A., 28/12/52.	Janisch, D. B. B., 2/1/53.
Hill, V. M., 29/12/52.	Fish, N. F., 8/1/53.
Shaw, I. R. L., 31/12/52.	Conibear, P. E., 9/1/53.
Smith, M. J., M.C., 31/12/52.	Goldingham, C. A., 9/1/53.
Joynes, C. P. A., 31/12/52.	Tolputt, B. V., 10/1/53.
Holt, W. D. M., 31/12/52.	Murray, D. S., 13/1/53.
Chadburn, A. B. P., 31/12/52.	Gibbings, C. H., 22/1/53.
James, R. E. A., 31/12/52.	

The undermentioned Lieutenants to be Captains :—

Goss, W. R., 29/12/52.	Spurgeon, N., 11/1/53.
Durie, T. P., G.M., 1/1/53.	Bristow, S. A., 14/1/53.
Walsh, E. P., M.C., 2/1/53.	Brown, H. A. A., 18/1/53.
Ryan, D. F., 8/1/53.	

### Short Service Commissions :—

Broomfield, Capt. (Qr.-Mr.) E. G., to be Maj. (Qr.-Mr.) 28/12/52.  
 Chandler, Lt. F. W., from T.A. to be Lt. 16/12/52, with seniority 10/3/52.  
 Cudmore, Capt. (Qr.-Mr.) A. T., to be Maj. (Qr.-Mr.) 3/1/53.  
 Everett, Capt. C. V., from T.A. to be Lt. 15/12/52, with seniority 19/12/51.  
 Harrison, Lt. A. J., from N.S. List, to be Lt. 1/11/52, retaining his present seniority.  
 Jones, Capt. (Qr.-Mr.) T., to be Maj. (Qr.-Mr.) 22/12/52.  
 Jopling, Cadet R. T., to be 2nd Lt. 11/11/52.  
 Mills, Capt. (Qr.-Mr.) S. C., to be Maj. (Qr.-Mr.) 16/1/53.  
 Miller, 2nd Lt. P., to be Lt. 16/12/52.  
 Pavey, Lt. (Qr.-Mr.) O. F., to be Capt. (Qr.-Mr.) 15/1/53.  
 Scrope, Capt. (*Hon. Maj.*) C. W., from T.A.R.O. to be Lt. 12/11/52, with seniority 29/5/48, relinquishing the hon. rank of Maj.

The undermentioned Capts. to be Majs. :—

McCafferty, H. J. A., 23/12/52.	Mason, L. T., 6/1/53.
McCloy, C. M. L., 27/12/52.	Golding, G. T., M.B.E., 6/1/53.
Green, G. A., 9/12/52.	Pilkington, S. H. A., 6/1/53.
Goad, W. G., 6/1/53.	White, J., 10/1/53.

The undermentioned Lts. to be Capts. :—

Fairweather, R. B., 2/1/53.	Scrope, C. W., 29/5/52.
Coath, D. E., 20/1/53.	

The undermentioned Cadets to be 2nd Lts. 6/12/52 :—

Brice, G. C.	Wolstencroft, P.
Duffield, P. G.	Woodward, J. A.
O'Riordan, R. D. A.	Wilson, D. T.

Memoranda :—

Appleton, Brig. G. L., C.B., O.B.E., ceases to belong to the R. of O. 24/11/52.  
 Flynn, Maj. J. L., retires with gratuity 31/12/52.  
 Slater, Brig. (Hon. Maj.-Gen.) J. N., C.B.E., M.C., ceases to belong to the R. of O. 25/11/52.  
 Tyler, Maj. J. A. B., retires with gratuity 10/1/53.

To retired pay :—

Atkinson, Maj. A. G., 25/12/52.  
 Edgington, Lt.-Col. A. T., 19/1/53.  
 Longfield, R. C., 12/1/53, and is granted the hon. rank of Brig.  
 Parsons, Lt.-Col. (Qr.-Mr.) H. H., O.B.E., 1/1/53.  
 Sheehan, Lt.-Col. E. M., 22/11/52.  
 Wilson, Lt.-Col. W. R., 31/12/52, and is granted the hon. rank of Col.

A.O. 160/1952.

### Military College of Science, Technical Staff Course.

#### AWARD OF SYMBOL "p.t.s.c."

The undermentioned officers successfully completed on the 4th October 1952, the 5th Technical Staff Course and are entitled to the symbol "p.t.s.c." against their names in military records.

Bartley-Denniss, Maj. G. A. B.	Longmore, Capt. P. M., M.C.
Cooper, Capt. A. M.	O'Neill, Capt. R. J. P.
Daly, Capt. M. A. K.	Peck, Capt. I. W.
Groombridge, Maj. M. C. P.	Powell, Capt. A. F.
Haire, t/Maj. J. A.	Proudman, t/Maj. J.
Howell, Capt. G. R. W.	Roberts, Capt. J. R.
Jebb, Capt. P. N. M.	Sewell, t/Maj. E. R. A., M.C.
Kent, Maj. W. H.	Shaw, Maj. P. J.
Kerr-Smith, Capt. M. W.	Smith, Capt. S. C.
Lewendon, Capt. R. J.	Thompson, Capt. R. V.
Lister, Maj. C. W.	

A.O. 161/1952.

### Instructors in Gunnery, Royal Artillery.

#### AWARD OF SYMBOLS.

The undermentioned officers, having qualified as Instructors in Gunnery (Field) on a Long Gunnery Staff Course, ending on 13th December 1952, are entitled to the symbol "G" against their names in military records.

Arnold, Capt. R. K.  
 Caselton, Capt. R. J.  
 Crawley, Maj. N. J. R., M.B.E.  
 Evans, Capt. H. G. V.  
 Godfrey, Capt. J. W. E.  
 Greene, Capt. J. M. T.

Hamilton, Capt. W.  
 Hampton, Capt. C.  
 Leach, Capt. D. W.  
 Moore, Capt. F. R.  
 Lockey, Capt. J. H.  
 Scotter, Capt. N. G.

A.O. 162/1952.

### Instructors in Survey, Royal Artillery.

The undermentioned officer, having qualified as an Instructor in Survey, on a Survey Course ending on 22nd August 1945, is entitled to the symbol "y" against his name in military records.

Haynes, Lieut. J. A.

A.O. 157/1952.

### Staff College Symbols—Simplification of.

Approval has been given following application submitted in accordance with A.C.I. 444 of 1949 for the symbol "*p.s.c.*" to be substituted for the symbol "*(j.s.c.)*" previously awarded to the officer. Military records will be amended accordingly.

Kirker, Maj. D. S.

A.O. 158/1952.

Approval has been given following applications submitted in accordance with A.C.I. 816 of 1948 for the symbol "*p.s.c.*" to be substituted for the symbol (*S.C.*), (*s.c.*), (*S.C.*), or (*s.c.*) previously awarded to the officers detailed below, with effect from the date of this Army Order.

Military records will be amended accordingly.

Teacher, Brig. A. D. M., O.B.E.

Mackie, Maj. D. G. H., M.B.E.

### Military College of Science.

#### AWARD OF SYMBOL "*p.t.s.c.*"

The undermentioned officer having been Commandant of the Military College of Science from March 1946 to December 1948 is entitled to the symbol "*p.t.s.c.*" against his name in military records.

Shapland, Maj.-Gen. J. D., C.B., D.S.O., M.C.

## SPORTING NOTICES.

### R.A. Alpine Club—Climbing Section.

*Spring Meet—North Wales.*

1. The Spring Meet will be based on the Climbers' Club hut at Ynys Ettws in the Llanberis Valley from 9th-15th April inclusive. Eight bunks have been reserved.
2. Will all officers who would like to attend this meet please notify the Climbing Secretary as early as possible.

### R.A.G.S. Fixture List 1953.

<i>Date.</i>	<i>Match.</i>	<i>Course.</i>	<i>Manager.</i>
MARCH Wed. 18	R.A.M.C. G.S.	Sunningdale	Lt.-Col. A. W. Tyler, H.O. 1st A.A. Group, 13, Rutland Gate, S.W.7. (Ken. 3411).
Sat. 21	St. George's Hill G.C.	St. George's Hill	Maj. G. W. Holt, D.S.O., M.C., Stanley Cottage, Richmond Hill, Richmond, Surrey. (Richmond 4213.)
Sun. 29	Sunningdale G.C.	Sunningdale	Maj. M. N. T. Gubbins, O.B.E., M.C. Trevor Wood, Ascot, Berks. (Ascot 266.)
APRIL Thurs. 9	SPRING MEETING	SUNNINGDALE	Hon. Secretary, 228, Grove End Gardens, London, N.W.8. (Cunningham 8753.)
Fri. 10	REGIMENTAL MATCHES	Royal St. Georges Sandwich	Hon. Secretary.
Mon. 20			
Tue. 21			
Wed. 22	Household Bde. G.S.	Swinley Forest	Brig. H. A. Hambleton, C.B.E., Army & Navy Club, Pall Mall, S.W.1. (Whitehall 9721.)
MAY Wed. 6	R.A.S.C. G.S.	West Hill	Lt.-Col. H. S. Garratt, M.C., Green Acres, Worplesdon, Surrey. (Worplesdon 185.) (R.A.S.C. at Home.)
Fri. 29	Leatherhead G.C.	Leatherhead	Brig. J. M. D. Wood, O.B.E., M.C., Northgate, Patchesham Park, Leatherhead, Surrey. (Oxshott 75.)
JUNE Sat. 6	County Cricketers G.S.	Worplesdon	Brig. W. E. Duncan, C.V.O., D.S.O., M.C., 15a, Maresfield Gdns., London, N.W.3. (Hampstead 3397.)
Wed. 17	R.M.A. Sandhurst	Camberley Heath	Brig. H. A. Hambleton.
JULY Wed. 1	R.N. & R.M. G.S.	Liphook	Maj. J. McD. Montgomery, R.A., W.O. Officers' Mess, Woolwich, S.E.18. (Office Tel. TRA 1272, Ex. 727.)
Wed. 8	Senior G.S.	Woking	Maj. M. N. T. Gubbins.
Fri. 24	R. Signals G.S.	Sunningdale	Lt.-Col. A. W. Tyler.
AUG. Thurs. 6	R.A.S.C. G.S.	Sunningdale	Col. R. Macleod, D.S.O., M.C., Rygate, Cranley Close, Guildford, Surrey. (Guildford 4196.)
Sat. 22	R. St. George's	Sandwich	Maj.-Gen. A. H. Hornby, C.B., C.B.E., M.C., Spicers Farm, Etchinghill, Nr. Folkestone. (Lyminge 87114.)
Sun. 23	G.C.		
Wed. 26	Army G.S.	Woking	Lt.-Col. H. S. Garratt.
SEPT. Tues. 1	R.A. v. R.E. Veterans	R. Mid-Surrey	Maj. K. G. Ireland, M.C., 9, Sloane Avenue, London, S.W.3. (Ken. 1736.)
Sat. 12	Rye G.C.	Rye	Brig. E. L. Armitage, O.B.E., Pelsham, Peasmarsh, Rye, Sussex. (Peasmarsh 200.)
Sun. 13	Senior G.S.	Sunningdale	Brig. J. M. D. Wood. (R.A.G.S. at home.)
OCT. Sat. 3	St. George's Hill G.C.	Sunningdale	Maj. G. W. Holt. (R.A.G.S. at home.)
Tues. 13	AUTUMN MEETING	Sunningdale	Hon. Secretary.
Wed. 14	R.A. Association	Wentworth	Brig. W. E. Duncan.
Sun. 25			

## Royal Artillery Golfing Society.

### SPRING MEETING, 1953.

1. The Spring Meeting of the R.A.G.S. will take place at the Sunningdale Golf Club on Thursday 9th and Friday 10th April, 1953.

The course will be available for practice on Wednesday 8th.

2. The following are eligible to compete :—
- (a) Life Members of the R.A.G.S.
  - (b) Serving Regular Officers who are subscribers to the R.A.O.R.S.F.
  - (c) Retired Regular Officers who are subscribers to the R.A.G.S. or to the R.A.O.R.S.F.
  - (d) Short Service and National Service commissioned officers, during their active service, who have been elected associate members of the R.A.G.S.
  - (e) Dominion and Colonial Service Artillery Officers who have been elected Honorary Members of the R.A.G.S.

3. All competitors must have been allotted a handicap by the R.A.G.S. or by a recognized golf club. R.A.G.S. handicaps may be obtained by submitting to the Hon. Sec. three cards of a recognized golf club signed by a member of the R.A.G.S., or of the club concerned, or a certificate of handicap from the Secretary of a recognized golf club of the British Isles.

4. The following is the order of play :—

*2nd April*—Morning —18 Holes Medal Play.  
Afternoon—18 Holes Bogey Singles Handicap.

*3rd April*—Morning —18 Holes Medal Play.  
Afternoon—18 Holes Bogey Foursomes Handicap.

5. Competitions are :—

Scratch Challenge Cup and Championship of the R.A.G.S.  
36 Holes Handicap Medal, and Harris Putter.  
Bogey Singles Handicap.  
Veterans Prize—55 years of age and over.  
Bogey Foursomes Handicap.  
There will be optional sweepstakes on all handicap events.

6. The Hon. Sec. will fix starting times by a combination of arrangement and ballot and will inform competitors of the result. There will be no green fee for the days of competitions or for practice on 7th April. Entrance fees will be paid at Club House.

7. Entries should reach the Hon. Sec. by 29th March, stating :—

Name, initials, rank and address during the 7 days before the meeting. (Tel. No. if any).

Starting time desired.

Caddie requirements.

Latest handicap.

Name of partner. Those unable to find their own partners will be paired by the Hon. Sec.

8. The Annual General Meeting of the Society will be held in the Club House after play on April 9th.

228, Grove End Gardens,  
London, N.W.8.

Brig. K. S. MACKENZIE,  
Hon. Sec., R.A.G.S.

### R.A. Saddle Club.

The R.A. Saddle Club Horse Show will be held at Woolwich on Thursday, 30th July, 1953, commencing at 9 a.m.

Hon. Secretary :—Major J. P. Johnson, M.B.E., R.A.,  
R.A. Mess,  
Woolwich, S.E.18.

### Royal Artillery Steeplechases.

The Royal Artillery Meeting 1953 will be held at Sandown Park on Tuesday, 31st March. There will be two Royal Artillery Races, both of which are open to the Territorial Army. Conditions of Races and information to Owners were published, in full, in the *R.A. Regimental News* for January, 1953. The following information is repeated :—

*Badges for Officers Royal Artillery.* By the consent of the Directors of Sandown Park Club all officers of the Royal Artillery, Past and Present, and their wives and families will be admitted to the Members' Enclosure on this day at Officers 35/—, Ladies 32/6. R.A. officers, Past and Present, can obtain these Badges either from Secretary, Sandown Park Club, Esher, Surrey, before the day of racing or at any of the Members' Enclosure Gates on the day of racing. Car labels for the Members' Car Park must be used and can be obtained from Secretary, Sandown Park Club. Failure to have a Car Park label may cause considerable inconvenience.

*Motor Coach.* Motor coaches will be run on 31st March, 1953, from Waterloo Place, S.W.1, near the (Senior) United Service Club, to Sandown Park Members' Enclosure and return. Starting time

11.30 a.m. Return fare 9/- each. Officers wishing to avail themselves of this transport should apply, early, to Colonel A. K. Main, 34, Cheyne Court, Chelsea, S.W.3, stating number of seats required. A cheque for the number of seats required must accompany the application.

The Royal Artillery Band will be at the Meeting.

### R.A. Saddle Club Lunch.

The R.A. Saddle Club is arranging lunch and tea at Sandown Park at the Races on 31st March, in a private lunch room, on the same lines as previously. The lunch is available to members of the R.A. Saddle Club and their friends.

Tickets: Lunch 7/6. Tea 2/6. Combined tickets 10/-.

Applications for tickets, with cheques, should be sent as soon as possible to the Hon. Secs., R.A. Saddle Club, 13, Rutland Gate, S.W.7.

### Royal Artillery Rugby "Caps".

The following have been awarded Royal Artillery Rugby "Caps" for the Season 1952/1953:—

Major B. A. Neale, R.A.—W.O.S.B., Barton Stacey.  
 Captain S. V. C. Nicholson, R.A.—S. of A., Manorbier.  
 Lieutenant A. E. Asquith, R.A.—63 H.A.A. Regt., R.A.  
 Lieutenant H. C. Phillips, R.A.—62 H.A.A. Regt., R.A.  
 Lieutenant J. F. Thomas, R.A.—58 Med. Regt., R.A.  
 2nd Lieutenant J. N. Chapman, R.A.—18 Trg. Bde., R.A.  
 2nd Lieutenant J. Power, R.A.—43 L.A.A./S.L. Regt., R.A.  
 2nd Lieutenant J. Rigby, R.A.—18 Trg. Bde., R.A.  
 2nd Lieutenant C. H. M. Richey, R.A.—65 H.A.A. Regt., R.A.  
 2nd Lieutenant J. Vetch, R.A.—58 Med. Regt. R.A.  
 Bombardier R. J. Vokes—64 Trg. Regt., R.A.  
 Bombardier C. Ashton—38 Trg. Regt., R.A.  
 L/Bombardier G. D. Owen—17 Trg. Regt., R.A.  
 L/Bombardier F. E. Webster—64 Trg. Regt., R.A.  
 L/Bombardier D. B. Bond—67 Regt., R.A.  
 Gunner R. Ford—67 Regt., R.A.

### United Services Point-to-Point

\* Will be held at Larkhill on February 21st, 1953. The first race at 1.30.

It has been announced that Her Majesty the Queen and His Royal Highness the Duke of Edinburgh will honour this meeting with their presence.

The Programme is :—

1. *Prince of Wales Cup.*
2. *Services Maiden Race.*

Both the above races are open to serving Officers of the Royal Navy, Royal Marines, Army and R.A.F. Officers actively serving in Territorial Units and Officer Cadets at R.M.A., Sandhurst, or at Mons Officer Cadet School.

3. *Earl Cavan's Cup.*

Open to serving Officers of the Army (other than Cavalry and Artillery) and Officer Cadets at R.M.A., Sandhurst, or at Mons Officer Cadet School. The Mounted Infantry Challenge Cup will be awarded to the first Infantry Officer to pass the post.

4. *The Coronation Cup.* An Open Race.

A piece of plate will be presented to the rider of the winner.

5. *Adjacent Hunt Subscribers' Race.*

R.A. (S.P.) Hunt, Tedworth, Wylde Valley, Avon Vale, Hursley, Wilton, or Duke of Beaufort's.

Further information from :—

Capt. M. E. R. Sayers,  
R.A. Mess,  
Larkhill,  
Salisbury Plain, Wilts.

\* The date shown in the December Calendar of Regimental Events, February 28th, is incorrect.

The Meeting will be held as shown above on February 21st, 1953.

J.H.F.

### **Royal Artillery (Salisbury Plain) Hunt.**

The record of former Masters, Whippers-in, Hon. Secretaries and Hon. Treasurers of the R.A. (Salisbury Plain) Hunt and of the former R.A. Harriers is by no means complete.

It would be appreciated, therefore, if anyone who has served on the Hunt staff would write giving the names of any one else whom he can remember, as serving, to the present Hon. Secretary :—

Major G. W. P. Fisher, R.A.,  
R.A. Mess,  
School of Artillery,  
Larkhill.

## SPORTING EVENTS.

### Boxing—Army Inter-Unit Championships.

63rd H.A.A. Regt., R.A. (Shoeburyness) won the final of the Eastern Command Championship on 20th January at Shepherds Bush by beating the 1st Bn. the Royal Inniskilling Fusiliers by 18 pts. to 14 pts. (8 bouts to 3).

To reach the Final the regiment beat:—

70 H.A.A. Regt., R.A., by 17 pts. to 16 pts. (6 bouts to 5).

75 H.A.A. Regt., R.A., by 17 pts. to 15 pts. (7 bouts to 4).

A.A. Command School of T.I. R.E.M.E. by 17 pts. to 16 pts.  
(6 bouts to 5).

2nd Bn. Scots Gds. by 18 pts. to 14 pts. (8 bouts to 3).

In the Inter-Command Championship 63 H.A.A. Regt. will meet 4th Trg. Bn., R.A.O.C. (winners of Southern Command) at Aldershot on 30th January.

### Royal Artillery Rugby Football Club.

ROYAL ARTILLERY *v.* ROYAL MILITARY ACADEMY,  
SANDHURST.

This match was played at Sandhurst on Thursday, December 11th, 1952. Both sides were well below strength for the game, but, nevertheless, good football was played and a fast and skilful game was most interesting to watch.

The Gunner forwards had the better of the earlier exchanges, and after ten minutes Chapman put over a penalty from about 30 yards out. The Gunners continued to get a lot of the ball, but made little progress against a very sound defence. However, just before half-time Asquith made a good break, Chapman made the opening complete and Audas scored in the corner. The kick failed. Half-time came with the Gunners leading by 6-0.

In the second half the R.M.A. quickly drew level with a try and a penalty goal. The Gunners then rallied and Chapman scored a good try far out which was not converted (9-6). Just after this Asquith broke clear, but was overhauled, fell awkwardly, and had to leave the field for the rest of the game. This disorganized the Gunner backs, particularly in defence, and the R.M.A. quickly scored a try to equalise (9-9).

The seven Gunner forwards, though tiring, made a last effort, and from a quick heel Power dropped a very good goal while on the run (12-9).

In the last minute of the game the R.M.A. rallied and broke through the centre to score. The kick succeeded. Thus the R.M.A. won right on time (14-12).

The Gunner team did not deserve to lose, but it did flag in the closing minutes and the backs appeared disorganized once Asquith left the field.

*Team:* Bdr. Gummerson; Lt. Audas, 2/Lt. Chapman, Lt. Asquith, Gnr. Barker; 2/Lt. Power, Bdr. Watson; Bdr. Vokes, 2/Lt. Geddes, 2/Lt. Rigby, Capt. Nicholson, Lt. Stone, Gnr. Ford, Lt. Thomas, Gnr. Lysaght.

### ROYAL ARTILLERY *v.* ROYAL ENGINEERS.

The 29th (now annual) Rugby encounter with the Royal Engineers took place at Woolwich on Wednesday, December 17th and resulted in a win for the Sappers by 15-11. It was a very even game, but the Sappers won through intelligent use of the wind and by making fewer mistakes than the Gunners.

The following account of the match is taken from the *Daily Telegraph* and *Morning Post* and was written by Michael Melford.

"The dominant factor on the Hill at Woolwich yesterday was the gale. Royal Engineers used it more wisely than Royal Artillery and won an exciting and eventful game by three goals to a goal, a penalty goal and a try.

"The Sappers, with the wind behind them, were 15 points ahead in half-an-hour. Soon afterwards, however, their captain, Roland Price, was injured and they had to withstand the Gunners' second-half challenge only 14 strong.

"They yielded a try after 10 minutes, a goal after 23 and a penalty goal after 36, but that was all. If stout hearts and cool heads are anything to go by they were worthy winners.

"By normal standards the Gunners were the better side. Their heavier forwards heeled quickly from almost every scrum, commanded the line-outs and had at least 80 per cent of the ball. Behind them was an alert and enterprising scrum-half in Ashton and some strong-running three-quarters.

#### "Cost of Bad Handling".

"The Gunners failed by their slowness to appreciate the problems presented by the gale and by their unreliable handling. It was their handling that gave away all three tries.

"There were some admirable performances in defence for the Sappers in the second half.

"In the centre Engineer experience triumphed over Artillery youth. The watch which Brown, a Rugby League player from Leeds, kept on Chapman, last year's English Boys' captain, broke down many promising movements.

"Neale had some fine forwards with him in the Gunner pack, among them Vokes and the wing-forwards Thomas and Ford.

#### "Ball Blown Back".

"The Sappers scored their first try after five minutes. A

Gunner Back kicked high for touch from near his line, a risk which the Sappers in the second half never permitted themselves. The ball was blown back over his head, fumbled by a colleague and touched down by Davies. The performance was repeated a few minutes later, the scorer this time being Gibson.

“The third try was a fair reflection of the game as a whole. The Gunner forwards heeled quickly against the loose head, only to see their three-quarters drop a pass which Brown kicked ahead for Price to touch down. All three tries were converted by Ainley.

“A lead of 15 points seemed scarcely enough, but the Sappers were not to be led into the errors of their opponents. The Gunner hooker, Richey, crowned an excellent afternoon’s work by going over from a line-out and Ashton broke from the scrum to score an excellent try. Owen converted this and kicked a good penalty, but many opportunities were wasted and the Sappers emerged in triumph”.

TEAMS :—

*Royal Artillery*—L/Bdr. J. Owen; L/Bdr. F. W. Webster, 2/Lt. J. M. D. Chapman, Lt. J. Vetch, L/Bdr. A. B. Bond; 2/Lt. J. F. Power, Bdr. C. Ashton; 2/Lt. J. C. Rigby, 2/Lt. G. H. M. Richey, Bdr. R. J. Vokes, Major B. A. Neale (Captain), Capt. S. U. C. Nicholson, Lt. J. F. Thomas, Lt. H. C. Phillips, Bdr. B. W. Ford.

*Royal Engineers*—L/Cpl. D. Ainley; Capt. E. Price, 2/Lt. J. Chislett, L/Cpl. G. F. Brown, Lt. A. Fitzherbert; Capt. D. B. Brotherton, Lt. P. Minns; Capt. R. M. Hutton, Lt. M. J. Samson, Lt. H. F. MacSwiney, Capt. H. Roland Price (Captain), Lt. G. M. Davies, Lt. R. D. P. Brown, Lt. A. G. Steel, Lt. M. B. Gibson.

The Royal Engineers were guests of the Royal Artillery for dinner in the Headquarters Mess that evening. A very enjoyable night was spent by both teams.

### R.A. Squash Rackets Club.

The Royal Artillery beat the Bar Society at Woolwich on the 8th January, 1953, by three ties to one. Results :—

1. Captain M. J. W. Tingey lost to L. J. Varney 4-9, 9-5, 3-9, 7-9.
2. G. W. Horrex beat J. Patterson 9-4, 9-3, 9-5.
3. J. A. T. Kelly lost to J. N. Currie 5-9, 9-4, 6-9, 3-9.
4. Major C. Lister beat W. Gatehouse 9-3, 9-2, 9-4.
5. D. Knight beat E. Morrison 9-4, 5-9, 9-4, 9-5.

J.P.J.

## NOTICES.

### R.A. Bands.

The following engagements have been booked for February, 1953:—

- 10th           ,,    63 H.A.A. Regt., R.A.  
10th-12th   ,,    Mons O.C.S.  
24th-26th   ,,    Mons O.C.S.  
R.A. (Portsmouth) Band touring M.E.L.F.

### Headquarters Mess Woolwich.

- Feb. 26th—Monthly Guest Night.  
Mar. 13th—Hockey, R.A. v. R.E. Dinner in R.A. Mess.  
Mar. 25th—Spring Dinner. Particulars in Jan., Feb. & Mar. issues of *Regimental News*.  
April 30th—Monthly Guest Night.

### Royal Artillery H.Q. Mess.

1. The Spring Dinner will be held on Wednesday, 25th March, 1953, in the H.Q. Mess at Woolwich at 8 p.m.
2. The Master Gunner will preside, and the following have accepted invitations to be present at the Dinner:—

Colonel W. L. Coughlin,  
Senior U.S. Standardization Representative.  
Air Chief Marshal Sir William F. Dickson, G.C.B., K.B.E., D.S.O.,  
Chief of the Air Staff. A.F.C.  
Major-General Sir Ian Jacob, K.B.E., C.B., B.A.  
Chairman, British Broadcasting Corporation.  
Lieutenant-General Sir Euan A. B. Miller, K.B.E., C.B., D.S.O.,  
m.c., Military Secretary.  
The Rev. Canon V. J. Pike, C.B.E., M.A.,  
Chaplain-General to the Forces.  
General Sir Frank E. W. Simpson, K.C.B., K.B.E., D.S.O., B.A.,  
Commandant, Imperial Defence College.
3. Serving Officers of the Regiment (Regular, Short Service, National Service and Territorial Army), Retired Officers and Honorary Members may apply to attend, and may apply to bring a Guest if they so desire.

4. As seating capacity in the Mess is limited, intending diners are advised to apply as early as possible and, in any case, not later than Saturday 14th March.

5. *Dress.*

- (a) *Civilian Guests*—Full evening dress, orders, decorations and medals.
- (b) *Serving Army Officers*—No. 1 dress or mess undress.
- (c) *Serving Officers of other Arms*—Uniform appropriate to their own mess or ward room on comparable occasions.
- (d) *Retired Officers*—Preferably full evening dress, orders, decorations and medals; alternatively, No. 1 dress or mess undress.
- (e) *Officers of the Dominions, Colonies, U.S.A. and Allies*—Uniform as for (c) above.

6. The charge for the Dinner, including drinks before, during and after dinner inclusive of champagne, cigars and liqueurs, will be 40/-. Captains and Subalterns may apply to attend the dinner at a reduced charge of 30/-, but such officers will be expected to pay for any drinks they may require *after* dinner. This reduced charge will not apply to their guests.

7. If intending diners wish, a coach service will be arranged to leave Waterloo Place about 6.45 p.m., returning to London after the dinner, at a charge of 5/-.

8. Applications to attend, stating if it is desired to bring a Guest and the number of coach seats required, should be made to:—

Lt.-Col. J. M. Ripley, m.c., R.A. (retd.),  
R.A. Mess,  
Woolwich, S.E.18,

accompanied by the appropriate remittance which should be made payable to "Secretary, R.A. Mess, Woolwich".

### Royal Artillery Coronation Ball.

The R.A. Coronation Ball will be held in the Royal Artillery Headquarters Mess, Woolwich, on Friday, 3rd July, 1953.

The policy governing the issue of tickets is as follows:—

- (1) Tickets will be limited to 8 per person.
- (2) The closing date for applications will be Monday, 8th June.
- (3) Officers who apply before 1st June will be informed immediately whether or not they have been allotted tickets. Those received between that and the closing date may be subject to a ballot if applications exceed capacity; in which case applicants *not* successful in the ballot will be so informed before 13th June.

(4) Applications for tickets after the closing date will be considered if any are returned.

Tickets are returnable up to 22nd June and must be returned to the Secretary, R.A. Mess, and NOT disposed of privately. No refund can be given after this date unless the tickets are subsequently resold.

Officers may apply for any number of tickets, which will be issued to them in the event of under application. If over-subscribed, (1) above will apply.

(5) Supper tickets for chauffeurs will be available at 2/6 each. Officers requiring them should say so in their application for Ball tickets and add the cost to their cheques.

(6) IMPORTANT. Dress: For Serving Officers—No. 1 Dress or Blue Patrols and Overalls. N.S. Officers may wear Full Evening Dress.

For Retired Officers—Full Evening Dress with miniatures, Blue Patrols or No. 1 Dress.

Private Guests—Full Evening Dress.

Tickets—£2/5/- each.

(7) Applications for tickets should be accompanied by a cheque made payable to Secretary, R.A. Mess, Woolwich, and should state which supper (1st, 2nd or 3rd in order of preference) is required. As the seating capacity of the Dining Room is limited, no guarantee can be given that the desired supper can be allotted. Small parties wishing to join together at the Ball are advised to apply in one name, to avoid the possibility of being split by the supper ballot.

All applications will be acknowledged and a receipt sent immediately. Tickets will be despatched before the 13th June.

### The King's Dinner Picture.

The Headquarters Mess has obtained some unfolded copies of the reproduction of the King's Dinner picture by Terence Cuneo which appeared in the 17th January issue of the *Illustrated London News*.

It is felt that many Officers and Units might like to obtain copies.

The cost is 1/6 post free and applications with remittances should be made to:—

The Secretary, R.A. Mess, Woolwich, S.E.18.

### Mountain Artillery Dinner.

The Annual Dinner of the Mountain Artillery Dinner Club will take place on Friday, 19th June, 1953, at the United Service Club, Pall Mall, at 7.30 p.m. for 8 p.m. Full details will be notified later by the Honorary Secretary,

Colonel J. F. Barrington, D.S.O.,

North End,

Chiddingfold, Surrey.

### Morrison's Coy.

Information is sought by the present Morrison's Coy. (44 H.A.A. Battery, R.A.) as to the whereabouts of the Silver and Property of this Unit.

In 1938, as 14 Heavy Battery, R.A., it was stationed in Bombay.

Any information will be gratefully received by the Battery Commander, 44 H.A.A. Battery, R.A., New Barracks, Lincoln.

### School of Artillery Dramatic Society.

1. The School of Artillery Amateur Dramatic Society will present "Fly Away Peter" by A. P. Dearsley in the Entertainments Hall, Roberts Lines, Larkhill, on 25th, 26th and 27th March, 1953, at 8 p.m.
2. Tickets, price 4/- or 2/-, may be obtained from the Treasurer of the Society, R.A. Mess, Larkhill, Wilts.

### Births.

ANDERSON.—On 27th December, 1952, at Oswestry, to Pat (née Menzies), wife of Captain R. D. Anderson, R.A.—a son.

BROOKS.—On 6th January, 1953, at R.A.F. Hospital, Rinteln, B.A.O.R., to Doreen, wife of Captain Peter Brooks, R.A.—a daughter.

COURTNEY.—On 26th December, 1952, at R.A.F. Hospital, Rinteln, B.A.O.R. 29, to Ruth (née Blencowe), wife of Major I. R. Courtney, R.A.—a son.

GAREZE.—On 20th December, 1952, at the Military Hospital, Gibraltar, to Bobbie, wife of Captain J. M. E. Gareze, R.A.—a son.

HOLDER.—On 3rd January, 1953, at Bridge End Maternity Hospital, Corbridge, Northumberland, to Margaret (née Wrigley), wife of Lt.-Col. Charles Holder, R.A.—a daughter.

KNYVETT.—On 24th December, 1952, at Oldenburgh, to Pamela (née Gedge), wife of Major J. L. Knyvett, R.A.—a daughter (Judith Ann).

LEGGETT.—On 10th January, 1953, at Dublin, to Finola, wife of Major M. H. M. Leggett, R.A.—a son.

POOLE.—On 7th January, 1953, at the Leinster Nursing Home, Dublin, to Elizabeth (née Brabazon), wife of Lt.-Col. E. M. Poole, R.A.—a daughter.

SMART.—On 11th January, 1952, at Moascar Military Hospital, Egypt, to Peggy (née Timperley), wife of Major J. H. Smart, m.c., R.A.—a son.

SURGEON.—On 19th January, 1953, at Clatterbridge Hospital, Cheshire, to Nancy (née Poole), wife of Major C. Surgeon, R.A.—a daughter.

### Marriages.

CLEVELAND—GASCOIGNE.—On 10th January, 1953, at St. James's Church, Spanish Place, W.1, Captain Ian Wayland Cleveland, R.A., to Elizabeth Anne, youngest daughter of the late Lt.-Col. A. Gascoigne (2nd Gurkhas) and of Mrs. Gascoigne.

### Deaths.

BERESFORD-PEIRSE.—On 14th January, 1953, at Watgate House, Bulford, Lieut.-Gen. Sir Noel M. de la P. Beresford-Peirse, K.B.E., C.B., D.S.O., Col. Comdt., R.A.

COLBECK.—On 15th January, 1953, in a London Hospital, Col. Bernard Bowles Colbeck, D.S.O., late R.A.

ENGLISH.—On 9th January, 1953, at Halberton, Devon, Florence English, widow of Major J. O. English, late R.A., aged 90 years.

GOODWIN.—On 19th January, 1953, killed on service in Suez Canal Zone, 2nd Lt. John A. W. Goodwin, R.A.

LAIDMAN.—On 19th January, 1953, at Queen Mary's Hospital, Roehampton, Major John H. Laidman, M.C., R.A. (retd.).

PALMER.—On 25th December, 1952, at 4, Douglas Avenue, Hythe, Kent, Major E. A. Palmer, M.C., R.A. (retd.).

PAUL.—On 8th January, 1953, suddenly, Maj.-Gen. W. R. Paul, C.B.E., late R.A.

SCLATER-BOOTH.—On 10th January, 1953, at Upton Grey Lodge, Brig.-Gen. The Hon. Walter Dashwood Sclater-Booth, C.B., C.M.G., D.S.O., late R.A.

**Lt.-Gen. Sir Noel M. de la P. Beresford-Peirse,  
K.B.E., C.B., D.S.O., Col. Comdt., R.A.**

**Born 22nd Dec., 1887.**

**Died 14th January, 1953.**

In the death of "B.P." at a too early age the Regiment loses one of the most distinguished Gunners of his generation, and many others in differing walks of life, a staunch and sincere friend.

From early days "B.P." was marked out for advancement. Quick of brain, determined and level-headed, he worked his way through the Staff College, steadily to the fore both in Regimental and Staff Service. As a Battery Commander he was one of the earliest to recognize the inevitability of mechanization, by his far-sighted handling of a mechanical battery during this period, he did much to convince those who had not been so quick to perceive the dominance of the machine over the horse on the modern battlefield.

His seniority insured that he would be early employed as a Commander in the last war, and at Karen in Eritrea and in the Western Desert under Wavell he showed his mettle in the successes of 1940/41 and later also in some of the reverses of those times.

A man of loyalty and rigid integrity he was neither exalted by success nor dismayed by bad times, and continued to the end of the war to give of his best, as Corps Commander and later as Army Commander in India.

Some insight may be gained as to his particular capabilities, when it is considered that his final post of all was, in 1945, a form of super Welfare Officer in India, ranking as equal with the Q.M.G. and A.G.

Those of us who served with him and knew him intimately well remember his stimulating personality. A rigid disciplinarian with a firm determination never to swerve from his course once he had decided it was the right one; he had a great sense of humour and a fund of human sympathy which tempered these sterner qualities, and marked him as a true leader of men. His enthusiasm for his work was carried through to his leisure pursuits. To see "B.P." stalking the wily trout with a rod in one hand and a text-book on fishing in the other is an early memory of the writer.

In retirement he remained always active to the end, and his alertness of mind and clarity of thought was much appreciated in the local organizations in which he had a part.

And so "B.P." has gone and those of us left behind will mourn his loss, as a friend true and sincere, as a comrade for admiration and example.

The Regiment goes on down the years. No better wish can we have for it, than that it should continue to turn out men like "B.P." for its honour and tradition.

A.G.C.

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Fine Old Tawny .....	—	18/-	216/-
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Chateau La Libarde .....	1949	8/-	96/-
Chateau Laujac .....	1947	11/-	132/-
Chateau Nenin Pomerol .....	1947	14/-	168/-
<b>BURGUNDY :</b>			
Beaujolais .....	1949	8/9	105/-
Chambolle-Musigny .....	1949	14/-	168/-
<b>RHONE WINES :</b>			
Chateauneuf du Pape .....	1949	12/-	144/-
Travel Rosé .....	1949	11/-	132/-
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Pouilly Fuisse .....	1949	11/6	138/-
Chablis Chevalier d'Argent .....	1945	11/6	138/-
<b>ALSATIAN :</b>			
Sylvaner—light delicate .....	1949	9/-	108/-
Traminer Reserve Speciale .....	1949	12/-	144/-
<b>HOCK :</b>			
Dienheimer .....	1949	11/-	132/-
Liebfraumilch .....	1949	14/-	168/-
<b>MOSELLE :</b>			
Geierslayer Vorm .....	1950	11/-	132/-
Kellermeister .....	—	12/-	144/-

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