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Danby, G. A. C., M.B.E., 4th/5th Bn. The Northamptonshire Regt. (T.A.)
psc
Noble, A. G. R., M.C., psc East Anglian Brigade Depot
Erschine-Tulloch, R. P. S., 1st Battalion
jssc, psc

Majors

Hyde, E. F. D., psc D.A.Q.M.G., H.Q. Scottish Command
Kitchen, E. W., M.C. Garrison Adj., Colchester
Greaves, R. R. East Africa Command
Cotton, G. J. S., psc G.S.O.I. Australian Staff
(T/Lt.-Col.) College
Girdwood, J. A. O.C. Chinese Trg. Unit, Hong Kong
Fennell, A. I., psc H.Q., A.L.F.C.E.
Drew, G. S., psc H.Q. North Midland District
Sergeant, R., psc H.Q. B.A.O.R.
Haselhurst, M. R., psc H.Q. 3 Div.
Roche, R. C. R., M.C., psc H.Q. North Midland District
Lee, B. S., psc D.A.A.G. H.Q. Northern Command

Power, A. A. G. H.Q. North Midland District
Cole, G. D., M.C., jssc, psc H.Q. Mideast (Aden)
(T/Lt.-Col.)
Chamberlain, M. A., M.B.E., H.Q. North Midland District
psc (T/Lt.-Col.)
Greener, R. C. C., psc, fs 3rd East Anglian Regiment
Long, D. F. H.Q. Singapore Base
Chambers, W. R. psc 1st Battalion
Bird, A. P. H. Ministry of Defence
Willdrige, A. L. Army Apprentice School, Aborfield

Clarke, H. W. psc 7 Armoured Brigade
Shipley, G. E., psc 1st Battalion
Moore, H. H. Sierra Leone Mil. Forces
Barstow, J. M. G.H.Q., F.A.R.E.L.F.
Randell, C. H. E., psc H.Q. Nigerian Mil. Forces
Francis, A. D., psc 4th/6th Royal Lincolnshire Regiment (T.A.)
1st Battalion

Dymoke, J. L. M., M.B.E., 1st Battalion
psc
Knox, T. C. S., psc B. M. Singapore Mil. Forces
Yates, G. R. 1st Battalion
Hughes, J. A., psc B.M. Inf. Bde. (T.A.)
Gardiner, C. J., psc 1st Battalion
Garnett, J. A., psc G. Caribbean Area

Captains

Cheston, P. R. 263 G.L., Sec., B.A.O.R.
Turnill, E., psc (T/Major) Berlin Indep. Brigade
Barthorp, M. J., psc G.3 War Office
Henwood, L. J. Attached R.M.P.
Walter, P. F., M.B.E., M.C. S.A.S. Regiment
(T/Major)
Gerrard-Wright, R. E. J. Instructor, R.M.A.S.
Akehurst, J. B. Staff College
Worthy, P. (T/Major) War Office
Thomas, B. C. Bermuda Rifles
Miller, N. East Anglian Brigade Depot
Whitney, R. W. (A/Major) M.I. Canberra
Evans-Evans, A. G. P. 1st Battalion
Annear, W. J. B. 1st Battalion
Paul, L. C. J. M. M.C.S. Shrivensham
Tubb, N. A. K. H.Q., 2 Div.
Wetherall, J. P. 1st Battalion
Pool, W. K. Ghana Mil. Academy
Dale, C. J. Adj. East Anglian Brigade Depot

Growse, J. P. H.Q. Cyrenaica District
Tadman, J. R.A.F. Malaya
Surtees, P. H., M.C. 1st Battalion
Wilford, D. J. S.A.S. Regiment
Taylor, E. M. C. D., M.C. 1st Battalion
Wooddise, J. R. 1st Battalion
Aris, M. A. 1st Battalion

Parker, J. K.

Robinette, J.
Taunton, P. D.
Edwards, P. W.

Lieutenants

Porter-Wright, J.
Lumby, C. W. T.
Dollery, C. P.
Kitchen, R. F.
Malpas, E. A.
Ford, K. G.
Drummond, R. J. M.
Spacie, J.
White, J. G. P.
Ross, P. K. R.
Hastie, R. C.

2nd Lieutenants

Winckley, J. B.
Everitt, J. A. G.
Wright, M. S.

4th/5th Bn. The Northamptonshire Regiment (T.A.)
Nigerian Military Forces
1st Battalion
1st Battalion

Parachute Regiment
Trucial Oman Scouts
1st Battalion
East Anglian Brigade Depot
1st Battalion
1st Battalion
1st Battalion
Airborne Forces
Nigerian Military Forces
1st East Anglian Regiment
1st Battalion

1st Battalion
1st Battalion
1st Battalion

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Majors

Davies, M. A. W., M.B.E., H.Q. Caribbean Area
M.C.
Colvin, L. H. B., M.C. Garrison Comd., Penang

Captains

Temple, G. P.
Bailey, E. B.
Gough, J. McK.

H.Q. N. Malaya Sub District
Singapore Guard Regiment
5th Nigerian Regiment

Lieutenants

Uzzell, J. L.
Sherwell, G. T.

1st Battalion
1st Battalion

2nd Lieutenants

Issacs, P. J.
Finch, T. I. M.
Pickard, R. F.

1st Battalion
1st Battalion
11th Bn K.A.R.

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Capt. Leeson, J. H. F. 2nd/6th K.A.R.
Capt. Gascoyne, F. W. 1 Singapore Regiment
Major Macklam, C. H. 4th/6th Royal Lincolnshire Regiment (T.A.)
M.B.E.
Major Jessup, E. H.Q. North West District
Capt. Culbert, C. P. 1st Battalion
Capt. Morgan, J. Sheffield University O.T.C.
Capt. Beard, T. W. 1st Battalion
Lt. Edwards, J. E. H.Q. 3 Inf. Div.
Major Clarke, W. T. G., H.Q. Tripolitania Area
M.B.E., sac

FORMER REGIMENTAL OFFICERS ON THE ACTIVE LIST

Major-General C. E. Welby- H.Q. Allied Forces N. Europe
Everard, C.B., C.B.E.
Brig. N. J. Dickson, D.S.O., Comd Cyrenaica District
G.M.
Brig. P. W. P. Green, C.B.E., War Office
D.S.O.
Col. J. C. Denny, O.B.F., Regular Army Selection Board
M.C.
Col. F. J. Goulson, D.S.O.,
C.B.E., B.A. (T/Brig.)
Col. G. V. Martin, M.C.
Col. A. W. Innes, O.B.E.,
M.C.
Col. R. P. Bailly, O.B.E.
Lt.-Col. A. W. B. Symonds
Lt.-Col. O. A. J. Cary-Elwes
Lt.-Col. A. de V. Gibson
Lt.-Col. G. C. A. Gilbert
Major D. R. F. Houlton-Hart
M.C., E.R.D.

Nigerian Military Forces
East Anglian Brigade Depot
War Office

Liaison Officer, Canberra
H.Q. Southern Command
Liaison Officer, French Army
H.Q.
D.L.I.
Parachute Regiment
C.R.M.P.

EDITORIAL NOTES

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EDITORIAL

Museums

What do we, the general public, think about Museums? Something to go and see on an outing? Somewhere to shelter on a wet day? Certainly most children find a Museum a convenient playground on wet days in the holidays. But they can be of absorbing interest to many people.

A lot of Museums are specialised, like the Science Museum, the National History Museum, and all Regimental Museums. You go there for a special reason. A Regimental Museum has little to offer anyone not interested in military history, with one big exception. Anyone who has served in a regiment or whose relatives have served can spend many fascinating hours in the Museum of that regiment. Even so, many members of a regiment are not interested much in pictures and relics of 150 years ago. What most people want to see is, quite frankly, themselves. A photograph of themselves and their friends, or something they have presented. If their photo is there they will make a bee line for it.

And that is why we think that the Museum of the Northamptonshire Regiment in Gibraltar Barracks, Northampton, will have a great appeal for all who have served in the Regiment. It contains a large number of photographs, groups of Officers' Messes, Sergeants' Messes, Companies, Sports teams, etc. as well as photos of parades and social occasions. These are all displayed on hinged screens and are a representative collection of photographs from 1863 to 1960. If you can't find your photo there you will be unlucky, and the Curator will tell you how sorry he is!

Museums record the past and the present; they cannot foretell the future, but as soon as the future becomes the past the Museum will record it. The job of a Museum is to keep up-to-date. What may be dull and ordinary today may be a Museum piece in the future.

Many people whose ancestors have served in the Army have in their attics and lumber rooms many items used only for fancy dress, things that the children dress up in at Christmas; there may be scarlet jackets, Wellington shakos, spiked helmets; the time comes when the owner moves to a new home, the "junk in the attic" has to be cleared out, and in some cases it is burnt or goes to the "old clothes man".

But sometimes it's not all "junk"; some of it may be valuable relics of the past which will be very much appreciated by an Army Museum. The trouble most people have is to decide what is worth keeping and what is not. So if you have military relics which you don't know much about, go and see the Museum Curator and ask his opinion.

But let no one get the idea that all the "junk" in the attic will be readily acceptable by the Museum.

It may already have a lot of what has come from other attics. The Northamptonshire Regiment Museum, for instance, already has five copies of "The Last Stand at Saran Sar", and six copies of the photograph album of 1908. Bring your offerings along by all means, some may be most valuable and interesting items, but please don't be offended if the Curator tells you very kindly that he thinks you ought not to part with certain items!

Recruiting

The upward trend in recruiting, which started in January this year, continues to rise. This is in line with the National graph but is also a direct result of the effort the Regiment has put into this activity since August, 1960. Now that the 1st Bn. is abroad, readers may be interested to know the Recruiting Organisation left behind in this country.

A recruiting officer is based in Northampton who is in charge of two mobile recruiting teams based in Lincoln and Northampton. Each team consists of a sergeant and three. They tour the counties and set up their stands in towns and villages and attend shows, carnivals, exhibitions, etc. In this way, they are seen by many people and distribute a great deal of literature.

In addition to the teams there are three special recruiters based at Army Information Offices at Northampton, Kettering and Lincoln respectively. Briefly, the teams attract potential recruits then the special recruiters enlist them into the Regiment.

The Territorial Battalions are giving a great deal of help, as are many other organisations and individuals. Will our readers also help us too?

The numbers recruited in the first five months of this year are as follows:—

Men (6-year Engagement)	...	19
Men (9-year Engagement)	...	45
Boys	26
Others	12
Total		102

The Infantryman

Interesting articles for publication in "The Infantryman" would be welcomed by the Editor. Anyone who holds strong views on military subjects is invited to submit copy to the Infantry Directorate, but with no guarantee of its being published.

Award of George Medal to Brigadier N. J. Dickson, D.S.O., G.M. (Late Northamptonshire Regiment)

The following is an extract from the *London Gazette* of 30th May, 1961:—

The Queen has been graciously pleased to approve the award of the George Medal to the under-mentioned:—

Brigadier Norman James Dickson, D.S.O. (52611), late Infantry.

At Malta on the 22nd July, 1960, a small girl was seen being carried away by heavy seas with a strong undertow. Brigadier Dickson, realising that the attempts being made to rescue her from the beach were unlikely to succeed, ran round to a headland formed by rocks. In spite of the large waves beating on the rocks he entered the sea, swam to the child and eventually succeeded in bringing her back to shore where she revived and was restored to her parents. During this gallant rescue Brigadier Dickson sustained a number of cuts, a dislocated finger and a broken toe. In consequence of the severe buffeting he had endured he was in an exhausted condition. Brigadier Dickson now saw that Sergeant Chamberlain of the Royal Air Force,

one of the men who had first attempted a rescue, was himself being overcome by the rough water and calling for help. A young aircraftsman endeavoured to help him, but, getting into difficulties, was forced to abandon the attempt. By this time Sergeant Chamberlain was being swept out past the headland.

In spite of his injuries and exhaustion, Brigadier Dickson dived into the waves from a height of ten feet and reached Sergeant Chamberlain, who was now unconscious. After a prolonged struggle, and with the assistance of a young man who also entered the water, Brigadier Dickson succeeded in getting Sergeant Chamberlain ashore. He then tried to revive him by artificial respiration but without success.

On the arrival of medical assistance Brigadier Dickson, having reached the limit of his physical endurance, himself became unconscious.

All members of the Regiment will join in sending hearty congratulations to Brigadier Dickson on the award of the George Medal, an award very richly deserved.

Official opening of The Museum of The Northamptonshire Regiment

The Museum, which after many years, has returned to Gibraltar Barracks, Barrack Road, Northampton, was officially opened in its new quarter by The Earl Spencer on 10th July.

Lord Spencer was introduced by Brigadier D. E. Taunton, Chairman of the Managing Trustees of the Museum. He said how glad he was to welcome Earl Spencer and others who had come to the ceremony. He was particularly glad to see the Mayor of Northampton, and also Col. Ogilby, who for many years past had taken a keen interest in the Museum and had visited it at Quebec Barracks on many occasions.

Earl Spencer, in opening the Museum, said how pleased he was to be asked to perform this cere-

mony. He commented on the large number of uniforms, and how uniforms in the days of Hanoverian Kings changed rapidly. The most glamorous period was the years immediately after the battle of Waterloo, when ornamentation of dress reached its peak. He then formally declared the Museum open, and the lights in all the showcases were switched on making a most colourful display.

Brigadier J. Lingham proposed a vote of thanks to Earl Spencer, and after the guests had inspected the exhibits, they adjourned for tea to the Officers' Mess.

The Museum is open to the public, free of charge, on Monday to Friday from 9 to 12.30 and from 2-4.30 p.m.

Christmas Card 2nd East Anglian Regiment

2nd East Anglian Regiment Christmas cards will be on sale from:—

Regimental Secretary, Gibraltar Barracks, Northampton, from end of October at 11s. per dozen.

On the front is the regimental crest and ribbon. Inside is a photograph of the Colonel-in-Chief looking at one of the newly painted drums, on her visit to the 1st Bn. on 28th April, 1961.

Brigadier G. V. Britten, C.B.E.

Brigadier George Britten, who retired on 11th June, 1961, joined the Northamptonshire Regiment in 1929. He served with the 2nd Battalion at Colchester and Aldershot until 1935 when he was appointed an instructor to the Small Arms School at Hythe.

On the outbreak of war he became G.S.O.3 with H.Q. 2 Corps in France, and was awarded the M.B.E. in 1940, and in 1941 he was appointed G.S.O.1 G.H.Q. Home Forces. He continued to serve on the staff and in 1944 was promoted Temporary Colonel. From 1944-45 he was G.S.O.1 H.Q. 21 Army Group and was assistant Chief of Staff B.A.O.R. from 1945 to 1947, when he returned to 2nd Battalion as Second-in-Command. We was awarded the O.B.E. in 1945, and was made an Officer, Legion of Merit U.S.A. in 1948.

From 1949 to 1951 he was G.S.O.1 at the War Office, and in February, 1951, was promoted substantive Lt.-Col. in the Essex Regiment.

Then followed a spell as Commandant S.A.S. Hythe from 1951 to 1953, when he was posted to Washington as a member of the British Joint Services Mission to U.S.A. From 1956 to 1957 he served on the H.Q. of Allied Forces Central Europe, and in 1958 he was promoted Brigadier and became British Military Attaché at Bonn, a post he held until his retirement.

George Britten will always be remembered in the Northamptonshire Regiment for his rifle shooting. Together with others he did a great deal to help improve the shooting in the Regiment, both at Aldershot and later in Austria. He himself was an excellent shot and a splendid teacher with boundless patience.

He has now embarked on a career with Commonwealth Relations Office, and we hope to see him and Mrs. Britten at reunions and dinners frequently in the future, and we wish them all good fortune.

DO YOU KNOW?

R. F. E. A.

During 1960 the number of men and women from the Regular Armed Forces of the Crown placed in employment by the National Association for Employment of Regular Sailors, Soldiers and Airmen was 18,411, which was 86½ per cent of those who registered at one or other of the Association's 52 branches covering the whole of the United Kingdom. It is of interest that of this number, 7,639 were from the Army and 32 were from the Northamptonshire Regiment.

If, when you get home, you have forgotten, lost or have never been told the address of your Area Jobfinder, apply at any big Post Office or to your own Regimental Association. They'll be able to give it to you.

Dinner Club

Second annual dinner of the Dinner Club of 2nd East Anglian Regiment (Duchess of Gloucester's Own Royal Lincolnshire and Northamptonshire) will be held at the United Service Club, London, on Friday, 25th May, 1962.

A luncheon party for officers and their ladies will be held at the Naval and Military Club, London, on the same day.

Dinner Club Ties of the Dinner Club of 2nd East Anglian Regiment may be obtained from Major P. H. Segon, M.B.E., Sobraon Barracks, Lincoln, price 17s. 6d.

The tie has small silver sphinxes on a black background.

Presentation of Pace Stick to Infantry Junior Leaders Battalion

A suitably inscribed pace stick has been presented to the Infantry Junior Leaders' Battalion by Depot East Anglian Brigade.

The following letter of thanks has been received by O.C. Brigade Depot from the Commanding Officer:—

Dear Colonel,

I am writing to say how very much we appreciate the great generosity of the East Anglian Brigade in presenting us with that magnificent R.S.M.'s pace stick.

It is terribly good of you to show your active interest in your Junior Leaders here in this very practical manner and we are all most indebted to you.

I hope that an East Anglian Junior will have the privilege of carrying it before very long.

Many thanks and warmest regards.

Yours very sincerely,

(Signed) FRANK COUTTS.

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Personalia

Capt. W. J. B. ANNEAR has succeeded Major P. WORTHY as Adjutant of the 1st Bn.

Capt. M. A. ARIS has been nominated as Adjutant of The Bermuda Rifles and takes up his appointment in January, 1962.

Lt.-Col. B. H. T. BARLOW-POOLE, M.C., retired in June of this year.

We congratulate Capt. and Mrs. M. J. Barthorp on the birth of a son.

Capt. R. E. Barthorp has resigned his Commission, and has joined a firm of Stockbrokers. We congratulate him on his engagement.

We congratulate Mr. H. W. BIRD, ex-R.S.M. in The Northamptonshire Regiment, on the award of the Meritorious Service Medal.

We congratulate John and Mrs. BIRKIN on the birth of a daughter. They live at 29 Churchill Avenue, Bracebridge Heath, Lincoln.

Major-General G. Mc. I. BRUCE, O.B.E., M.C., is now living at 36 Ovington Street, London, S.W.3.

We congratulate Capt. and Mrs. C. J. DALE on the birth of a son.

We welcome Lt. B. DIXON to the Regiment on transfer from The Parachute Regiment. He is serving with 4th/6th Bn. The Royal Lincolnshire Regiment (T.A.).

We congratulate Capt. P. W. EDWARDS on his promotion to substantive rank.

We congratulate Capt. and Mrs. D. R. ELLISON on their marriage which took place on 17th June, 1961.

Capt. A. G. P. EVANS-EVANS has been nominated as O.C. Training Company at the Brigade Depot and takes up the appointment next month.

We congratulate Major C. J. GARDINER and Major J. A. GARNETT on their promotion to substantive rank.

Lt.-Col. D. K. HAYMAN is now with 24th Signal Regiment, Catterick.

We welcome to the Regiment 2/Lt. John HOUCHIN, son of Brig. D. J. B. Houchin, D.S.O.,

M.C., who has recently been commissioned from R.M.A. Sandhurst.

We congratulate Mr. C. HULATT, late Northamptonshire Regiment, on the award of the Imperial Service Medal. He served from 1919 to 1926 and then became W.O.s' and Sgts.' Mess steward at the Depot. He was steward for 35 years.

We congratulate Major and Mrs. T. C. S. KNOX on the birth of a son.

We congratulate Capt. L. C. J. M. PAUL and Capt. P. WORTHY on being selected to attend the Staff College Course commencing in January, 1962.

We congratulate Capt. L. C. J. M. PAUL on his marriage which took place on 10th August.

We congratulate Lt. R. PEARCE on his promotion.

Capt. W. K. POOL has been seconded to the Ghana Military Forces and has become Adjutant of their Military Academy.

We congratulate Capt. J. ROBINETTE on his promotion to substantive rank.

Capt. A. E. ROGERS has joined the 1st Bn. after his tour with the Federated Military Forces.

Major G. I. SOMERWILL, T.D., retired from the active list of the T.A. in March, 1961. He has recently been 2i/c of 5th Bn. Royal Hampshire Regiment (T.A.). He served with 5th Bn. The Northampton Regiment (T.A.) from 1950-56. He lives at Old Rectory Cottage, Bishopstoke, Hants.

We congratulate Capt. K. SPACIE on his promotion to substantive rank.

We congratulate Capt. and Mrs. R. A. STANTON who were married on 29th July, 1961.

We congratulate Capt. P. H. SURTEES, M.C., on his engagement.

Capt. John TADMAN would like to thank all those who subscribed to the Regimental wedding present given to him. He and his wife will always treasure it as their most prized possession.

We congratulate Capt. P. D. TAUNTON on his promotion to substantive rank.

Major E. TURNILL is to attend a Course at the German Staff College in October, 1961.

Mr. M. WALKER visited the Regimental Headquarters at Northampton in May. He will be remembered as the Intelligence Sergeant of 1 Northamptons during their tour in Aden. He and his wife now run a private hotel, Vollas House, at Llandudno.

We have heard from ex-Sgt. T. WALLACE, late Northamptonshire Regiment. He is the Mayors Sergeant at Tipton, Staffordshire.

Lt.-Col. C. J. M. WATTS would like to convey his most sincere thanks to the members of the Northamptonshire Wing of the Regimental Association for the magnificent present they gave him at the reunion dinner on 15th July. He has written

personally to all individual subscribers. In due course (but not for many years yet, he hopes!) the beautiful chairs and the "Huntsman" salver will find a permanent resting place in the museum of the Northamptonshire Regiment.

Lt. J. G. P. WHITE wishes to thank his brother officers who subscribed to his Regimental wedding present. He is delighted with it and will treasure it always.

We welcome 2/Lt. G. C. WILLEY to the Regiment on being commissioned to the 4th/5th Bn. The Northamptonshire Regiment (T.A.).

Capt. J. R. WOODISSE has been appointed Staff Captain Q with 12 Inf. Bde. and takes up the appointment this month.

Deaths

ROBINSON

On 12th March, 1961, at Grimsby, Mr. W. A. Robinson, late L/Cpl. 2nd Bn. The Lincolnshire Regiment.

BISSETT

On 27th May, 1961, Major-General Frederick W. L. Bissett, C.B.E., D.S.O., M.C., late The Northamptonshire Regiment.

GRIFFETT

On 9th June, 1961, Lt.-Col. R. W. Griffett, late Bandmaster 1st Bn. The Lincolnshire Regiment.

MUNNS

On 12th June, 1961, John Munns, late Private (2010) The Northamptonshire Regiment, at Northampton. (Aged 91 years).

FROST

On 21st July, 1961, Capt. B. Frost, late Northamptonshire Army Cadet Force.

He served in the First World War with the Royal West Kents and in the Second with the Home Guard transferring to Cadets as Q.M. at the end of hostilities.

He will be sadly missed and our most sincere sympathy is extended to his widow and family.

MAJOR-GENERAL F. W. L. BISSETT, C.B.E., D.S.O., M.C.

Frederick William Lyon Bissett died on 27th May at his home at Rapallo, on the Italian Riviera coast, where he had lived in retirement since 1947. He was 72.

Freddie Bissett came to the Northamptonshire Regiment in June, 1926, from the D.C.L.I. on accelerated promotion to Major, and was posted to the 1st Battalion then stationed at Blackdown. To say that he at once made a marked impression upon everyone then in that battalion would be a considerable understatement. Always extremely well-dressed and immaculately turned out, whether in uniform or multi, he quickly earned the soubriquet of "Beau Bissett". But these were only the outward and visible signs of an extremely intelligent mind and an alert intellect. One of the first matters in which he interested himself was the coaching of the Regimental "soccer" team. The majority of Army officers usually know very little about the niceties of the Association code, having mostly attended schools where rugby holds the field. Frederick Bissett soon showed that there was very little that he did not know about Association football, and, under his careful tuition, the Regimental team began to win matches, a thing which previously they had rather conspicuously failed to do.

Next he turned his versatile attention to the boxing team, and here again his remarkable knowledge and experience soon began to show results. Alas, this period of profitable activity was all too short-lived, as in April, 1927, just on the eve of the departure of the battalion for Hong Kong, he

Obituary

CAPT. B. FROST

It is with deep regret we have to announce the death of one of the stalwarts of the Bn.

Capt. Frost who was Bn. Q.M. for many years was known to generations of cadets. Besides his "Q" duties he was for some time P.M.C. Officers' Mess. One of his many interests was small bore rifle shooting and he was an officer of Northants and Hunts Small Bore Rifle Association for many years. Many ex-cadets of the unit have reason to thank "Ben" Frost for his instruction on the miniature range.

was posted as G.S.O.2 at H.Q., Aldershot Command.

In 1932 Frederick Bissett, now a brevet Lieut.-Colonel, rejoined the 2nd Battalion at Aldershot as Second-in-Command to Col. Guy Robinson, and there again he showed his vigorous enthusiasm in support of all that battalion's interests and achievements. Then in October, 1933, he sailed for India to take command of the 1st Battalion at Jullundur. Now ensued some very halcyon days for the 48th. In every branch of the battalion's activities, whether in training, shooting, military studies or sport, the stimulating character and infectious enthusiasm of the Commanding Officer made themselves felt. Matches, competitions and tournaments were all alike won, and the reputation of the Regiment in the Lahore District, Northern Command and, indeed, throughout the whole Army in India, never stood higher. Alongside all this went, too, an energetic and imaginative intensification of everything which could contribute to the welfare and contentment of all ranks. Cinemas, tombolas, athletic sports, all-ranks' dances, entertainments, expeditions and band concerts were constantly organised. High morale and general happiness were never lost sight of. The crown was set on this edifice by the winning of the coveted Queen Victoria Trophy for three years in succession. All who served in the 48th under Col. Bissett must be proud to remember those days.

Alas, once again, it was all too short. In February, 1936, he was recalled home to become a "teacher" at the Senior Officers' School, and in the following year he was again promoted, to command a Brigade at Hong Kong. During the ensuing Second World War he was employed first as a Brigadier i/c Administration and then as Major-General, Glasgow District. His death removes one more link with the past, but his services to the Regiment will always be remembered with gratitude.

J.D.W.

7091 L/CPL. W. A. ROBINSON

Formerly of the 2nd Bn. The Lincolnshire Regiment, L/Cpl. W. A. Robinson died in his sleep at Grimsby on 12th March, at the age of 74 years.

He enlisted for three years' Colour service on the 11th July, 1904, and at Tidworth on the 10th July, 1907, was transferred for a period of nine years in the Army Reserve.

Recalled to the Colours at the outbreak of World War I, he went to France on the 13th August, 1914, and was wounded on 17th September, 1914, and evacuated to England. He returned to France in 1917, was severely wounded in the head during the fighting at Menin Ridge. His wounds resulted in the loss of sight in both eyes. He was admitted to St. Dunstan's Hospital and there trained as a boot and shoe repairer. This trade he carried out in a shop at Grimsby from 1919 to 1925.

He was a Life Member of the Regimental Association and very proud that one of his sons joined and served for 22 years in his old Regiment.

He leaves a widow aged 80 years and five sons to mourn his loss. To them we extend sincere condolences.

LT.-COL. (Q.M.) ROBERT WILLIAM GRIFFETT, A.R.C.M.

It is with regret we record the death of Lt.-Col. (Bob) Griffett, aged 56 years, who died suddenly in Suffolk on 9th June, 1961.

Enlisting as a boy musician in the band of the South Staffordshire Regiment, his musical talents were soon brought to light, finally resulting in him being sent to the Royal Military School of Music where he studied, and became an A.R.C.M., and finally a bandmaster of the Regular Army.

In 1933, he was posted, as bandmaster, to the 1st Battalion, The Lincolnshire Regiment, then stationed in Hong Kong. He specialised not only in military music, but in dance music also, and it was to his credit that both the military and dance band of the Regiment was called upon to fulfil many engagements throughout the Colony.

He proceeded with the battalion to India, and after the Regiment, then serving in the Khyber Pass, had mobilised, he was granted an Emergency Commission as a Q.M. in the Indian Army on 28th January, 1942, serving with an Engineer Railway Regiment.

At the end of World War II, he was granted a Regular Commission in the Royal Lincolns in September, 1945, and on his return to England married Miss Marie Pope in November, 1946.

He was posted to the 6th Bn. R. Lincolns (T.A.) in 1947, and lived in Grantham until that battalion was amalgamated with the 4th Bn. in 1951 to become what is now the 4/6th Bn.; he was subsequently transferred to Derby for duty with the 5th Bn. The Sherwood Foresters (T.A.), with whom he served until his retirement as a Lt.-Colonel (Q.M.) in 1959.

After his retirement, he worked in the office of the Engineer of the Electricity Board at Spondon, later at Willington Power Station, and at the time of his death was contemplating a move to the Nuclear Power Station being built near Ipswich.

The funeral service followed by cremation, taking place at the Markeaton, Derby, Crematorium, on Wednesday, 14th June, and was conducted by the Reverend William Bould, Hon. Chaplain of the 5th Bn. Foresters (T.A.), the coffin being carried by Warrant Officers and Sergeants of that battalion.

The esteem in which Lt.-Col. Griffett was held was shown by the large number of floral tributes, and by his many friends who attended the funeral; among them Col. H. W. King, T.D., Hon. Colonel 5th Bn. Sherwood Foresters (T.A.), Officers of the Royal Lincolns, the Royal Leicesters and the Foresters (T.A.) Battalions, Freemasons, of which he was a member, S.S.A.F.A., Toc "H" and other associations in which he had interest. Major C. H. Macklam, M.B.E., represented the 4/6th Bn. Royal Lincolns (T.A.), and Major P. H. Segon, M.B.E., represented Brig. R. H. L. Oulton, C.B.E., the Officers' Dinner Club, and the 10th Foot Royal Lincolnshire Regimental Association, from whom floral tributes were sent.

We extend our deepest sympathy to his widow, his daughters aged 12 and 13 years; his son aged eight years and to his relatives.

2nd East Anglian Regiment Dinner Club

The first dinner of the Dinner Club of 2nd East Anglian Regiment was held at the United Service Club on 25th May. The Colonel of the Regiment presided, and the guest of honour was The Earl Spencer Lord Lieutenant of Northamptonshire. The Earl of Ancaster Lord Lieutenant of Lincolnshire was unable to be present. Telegrams of loyal greetings were sent to the Queen and to the Colonel-in-Chief, and the Colonel of the Regiment read out the replies. Other messages were received from The Earl of Ancaster, Brigadier N. J. Dickson, Colonels J. C. Denny, and R. P. Baily, Lt.-Cols. P. F. A. Growse, D. Roissier, J. T. Lewis, F. C. Papworth, N. Hart, G. D. Cole, Majors G. Drew, R. C. R. Roche, C. L. Wauchope, P. G. Cliffe, R. C. C. Greener, Capts. P. R. Cheston and C. P. Culbert, and officers of the 1st Battalion advance party in B.A.O.R.

The Colonel of the Regiment in his speech said how glad he was to see such a good attendance—112. It was particularly gratifying to see such a lot of the older and more senior members present. They had obviously made a special effort to attend this first dinner, and the new club had got off to a good start and it augured well for the future.

He gave news of the 1st Battalion. They were going to Osnabruck in B.A.O.R. and would be away from England for two or three years. It was hoped that the new Colours would be presented within the next twelve months. The presentation would take place in Germany, and transport for those who wished to attend the ceremony would be arranged. Full details would be published later.

Speaking of the T.A. the Colonel said how pleased he was that Earl Spencer had agreed to be the Honorary Colonel of the 4th/5th Bn., The Northamptonshire Regiment. He had been Honorary Colonel of 438 I.A.A. Regiment for a number of years, and now that R Battery, which was descended from the 4th Northampton (T.A.) had joined the 5th Battalion, it was most appropriate that Earl Spencer should be Honorary Colonel of the 4th/5th. The battalion had recently joined the 4th/6th Royal Lincoln in 148 Division. In the near future each battalion would be providing a guard of honour for the Queen on the same day, the Northampton in Corby, and the Royal Lincoln in Stamford. He ended by proposing the toast of "The 2nd East Anglian Regiment".

The following officers were present at the dinner:

General Sir Harry S. Knox, Lt.-General Sir B. Fisher, Major-Generals G. Mc I. Bruce, S. A. Cooke, H. Essame, J. A. A. Griffin, G. St. G. Robinson, Brigadier-General F. G. Spring, Brigadiers J. R. G. Andre, J. A. W. Ballard, G. V. Britten, P. W. P. Green, J. W. Hinchcliffe, D. J. B. Houchin, J. Lingham, R. H. L. Oulton, E. F. O. Richards, D. E. Taunton, Cols. W. D. Barber, H. H. Beattie, L. H. Burdson, H. G. Dean, H. A. Hughes, A. W. Innes, E. P. I. Iovd, H. V. McNally, G. C. Winckley, Lt.-Cols. F. C. Bell, J. V. Brewin,

M. A. Chamberlain, G. A. C. G. A. C. Danby, J. C. Devey, E. C. Easter, D. B. Eliot, B. Eliot, J. T. Ennals, J. E. Fletcher, G. C. A. Gilbert, E. Gilbert, E. M. Goodale, G. A. Hill-Walker, S. J. Larkin, G. Larkin, G. V. Martin, A. G. R. Noble, E. L. Percival, S. A. 'al, S. A. Thompson, R. P. S. Erskine-Tulloch, C. J. M. Wa J. M. Watts, A. H. Wenham, J. R. Wetherall, F. W. Your Young, Majors J. A. F. Barthorp, D. Baxter, A. P. H., A. P. H. Bird, A. R. Bourne, S. P. Briggs, F. W. Clifton, Clifton, L. C. Crick, N. P. Dawnay, W. G. Dipper, J. Lpper, J. L. M. Dymoke, A. D. Francis, C. J. Gardiner, R. Riner, R. R. Greaves, J. W. H. Green, A. A. Greenwood, J. Greenwood, J. R. Griffin, A. M. Hutchinson, P. F. Keily, B. Keily, B. S. Lee, C. H. Macklam, E. D. Malpas, A. D. A, A. D. Middleton, A. A. G. Power, P. I. C. H. Rance, I. Rance, D. P. Scopes, P. H. Segon, G. E. Shipley, F. J. Spy, F. J. Sparks, P. G. Wormell, G. R. Yates, J. L. Young, C. Young, Capts. J. B. Akehurst, W. J. B. Annear, M. J. Barth, J. Barthorp, R. E. Barthorp, G. Bennett, G. Bray, J. R. ay, J. R. Bush, D. F. Clarke, S. H. Lewis, C. J. N. LongmcN. Longmore, N. Miller, M. N. Ormrod, J. K. Parker, L. C. J. cr, L. C. J. M. Paul, G. Rushby, R. A. Stanton, P. Worthy, R. Forthy, R. E. J. Gerrard-Wright, I ts. T. B. F. Crowle, R. J. Me, R. J. M. Drummond, P. W. Edwards, B. Harrison, C. P. Rn, C. P. Robinson, G. T. Sherwell, K. Spacie, I. Spacie, J. Spacie, J. G. P. White.

Regimental Tital Tea Party

A tea party for officers and officers and ladies was held at the Hyde Park Hotel on 25th May. Those present included:—

Major-General and Mrs. G. Mc I. Bruce, Major-General and Mrs. H. Essame, H. Essame, Major-General and Mrs. J. A. A. Griffin, Maj.iffin, Major-General G. St. G. Robinson, Brigadier-General a-General and Mrs. F. G. Spring, Brigadier and Mrs. J. R. G. J. R. G. Andre, Brigadier and Mrs. P. W. P. Green, Brigaecn, Brigadier and Mrs. J. W. Hinchcliffe, Brigadier and Miter and Miss Lingham, Brigadier R. H. L. Oulton, Brigadier Brigadier E. F. O. Richards, Brigadier and Mrs. D. E. J. D. E. Taunton, Col. H. H. Beattie and Miss Beattie, CBeattie, Col. and Mrs. H. A. Hughes, Col. and Mrs. E. J. Mrs. E. James, Col. and Mrs. A. W. Innes, Col. and Mrs. G. V. Martin, Lt.-Col. and Mrs. M. A. Chamberlain, Lt.-Col. and Mrs. G. A. C. Danby, Lt.-Col. ar. Lt.-Col. and Mrs. E. C. Easter, Lt.-Col. and Mrs. D. B. Eliot, Lt.-Col. and Mrs. J. T. Ennals and Miss J. Ennals, Lt.-Col. and Mrs. J. E. Fletcher, Lt.-Col. and Lt.-Col. and Mrs. C. T. Ingle and Miss Ingle, Lt.-Col. and Mbl. and Mrs. A. G. R. Noble, Lt.-Col. and Mrs. G. M. Sa G. M. Sanders, Lt.-Col. S. A. Thompson, Lt.-Col. and Mbl. and Mrs. R. P. S. Erskine-Tulloch, Lt.-Col. and Mrs. and Mrs. G. A. Hill-Walker, Lt.-Col. C. J. M. Watts, Lt. Watts, Lt.-Col. and Mrs. A. H. Wenham, Lt.-Col. and Mrs. and Mrs. J. R. Wetherall and Miss J. Wetherall, Lt.-Col. ar. Lt.-Col. and Mrs. F. W. Young, Major and Mrs. J. A. F. Bart A. F. Barthorp, Major and Mrs. D. Baxter, Major and Mrs. and Mrs. A. P. H. Bird, Major I. C. Crick, Major and Mrs. and Mrs. W. L. W. Dryland, Major and Mrs. J. L. M. Dyl. L. M. Dymoke, Major and Mrs.

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Farewell to 23rd Signal Regiment

The 23rd Signal Regiment, formerly 3rd Training Regiment, Royal Signals have been in residence at New Barracks (North Camp) Lincoln, since 1st November, 1956, arriving from Catterick Camp, Yorkshire.

Now they have amalgamated with 24th Signal Regiment at Catterick. It seems strange that the 23rd has become the 24th.

The Depot of the former Royal Lincolnshire Regiment, and the R.H.Q. (Increment) of the Regiment were delighted to have them as their near neighbours. They will be remembered particularly for their excellence in the realm of sport, and for the help given both to the Depot, and the R.H.Q. on many occasions and in many ways.

Before their final departure from Lincoln, we forgave them for having removed, in boisterous fun, our War Trophies from their concrete pedestals in barracks to pastures new; the 15 m.p.h. sign posts from the main roads to footpaths, and for the substitution of the sign boards of the Officers' Mess, for those of the N.A.A.F.I.

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The Northamptonshire Wing Annual Reunion

The Annual Reunion of The Northamptonshire Wing of The Duchess of Gloucester's Own Royal Lincolnshire and Northamptonshire Regimental Association was held in Northampton on 14th, 15th and 16th July, 1961.

It was based on Gibraltar Barracks, the old Depot, with the dinner being held at Clare Street Drill Hall. We are indebted to O.C. 4/5 Northamptons (T.A.), the T.A. Association, Officer Commanding R.P.O. (Infantry) Northern Command, and Officer Commanding Royal Pioneer Corps Depot for their help over accommodation and stores which enabled the Reunion to be organised as it was.

We were very pleased to see such a good attendance for all the functions despite the weekend being dampened by quite a lot of rain. The reunion followed a similar pattern to preceding years and in fact bore a very close resemblance.

On Friday, 14th July, the officers held their dance in Gibraltar Barracks and thanks to much hard work by C.S.M. Keilthy, now with the Regimental Pay Office, in decorating and organising the room, a very pleasant evening was spent by the 71 people that attended it.

On Saturday morning, the 15th July, the Wing Committee met and this was followed by the Annual General Meeting. Twenty-six people attended the Annual General Meeting and took a keen interest in the affairs, not least being the fact that once again the Benevolent Fund had continued its good work and had helped 139 deserving cases to the amount of £792. Other items from the meetings, of general interest, were that the rules of the Association are now altered to read that the dinner may cost up to 7s. 6d. instead of the previous maximum of 5s., and that the dates for the 1962 reunion are provisionally fixed for 13th, 14th and 15th July.

In the afternoon guests were entertained at the "At Home" which was held in a marquee pitched on the Officers' Mess lawn, Gibraltar Barracks, and at which the band of the 4th/5th Bn. The Northamptonshire Regiment (T.A.) under the direction of Bandmaster C. Holland, B.E.M., played selections.

This was followed in the evening by the All Ranks Reunion dinner at Clare Street Drill Hall. There was a first-class attendance of 365 and the band of the 4th/5th Bn. played during dinner. During the dinner a presentation was made to Lt.-Col. C. J. M. Watts, J.P., by Major-General

G. St. G. Robinson, C.B., D.S.O., M.C., on behalf of the Comrades' Association in recognition of his services as Secretary The Northamptonshire Regiment from 1951 to 1960. He was given eight William and Mary reproduction dining chairs and a silver salver, which had been presented to the 58th Regiment, by Capt. Huntsman in 1902, and had been suitably inscribed.

The Church Parade on Sunday unfortunately had to be cancelled owing to rain. A wreath was nevertheless laid on the Memorial at Wood Hill on behalf of the Association by the Chairman, Brig. D. E. Taunton, C.B., D.S.O., accompanied by Lt.-Col. The Rev. W. B. Spencer, Rev. G. P. H. Rowson and Major D. Baxter. After church the rain had eased sufficiently to allow the March Past to take place. The parade of 42 officers and 63 other ranks led by the Band and Drums of 4th/5th Bn. marched past Brig. D. E. Taunton who took the salute from outside the Borough Police Headquarters and proceeded to Gibraltar Barracks. Before dismissal Mr. C. Hulatt was presented by Brig. D. E. Taunton with the Imperial Service Medal for his meritorious services to the Sovereign and the Regiment from 1919 until 1960.

Afterwards there was the officers' sherry party and luncheon and the "get together" in the Northampton Branch Club. We congratulate the chairman of the club and his committee on the excellent arrangements that they made. Their arrangements and music from the band made a very happy luncheon gathering.

The golf match, the Regiment v. Northampton County Golf Club, was played on Sunday afternoon and resulted in a win for the Regiment by three matches to one with one halved.

The following attended the Reunion dinner:—

Brig. R. H. L. Oulton, Major-General G. St. G. Robinson, Brigs. D. E. Taunton, J. W. Hinchcliffe, D. J. B. Houchin, J. Lingham, Cols. J. C. Denny, G. V. Martin, R. K. McMichael, Lt.-Cols. F. R. Berridge, J. R. Britten, M. F. F. Buszard, A. St. G. Coldwell, G. A. C. Danby, G. A. Hill-Walker, J. T. Lewis, O. K. Parker, Rev. W. B. Spencer, C. J. M. Watts, J. R. Wetherall; Majors F. G. Barber, J. A. F. Barthorp, D. Baxter, A. R. Carrington, W. G. Dipper, G. Foster, J. W. H. Green, L. D. Groundsell, F. W. Holmes, R. C. Jeffery, P. F. Keily, J. R. Lovesey, W. V. Marshall, J. Middleton, F. S. Mumford, H. Payne, A. A. Pilgrim, C. L. Wauchope, V. C. M. Williams, Capts. J. B. Akehurst, J. L. Barons, H. C. G. Harding, D. F. Hooton, S. H. Lewis, N. Longmore,

J. Morgan, J. Parker, E. Partridge, P. Spence, R. O. Tear, F. W. Turnbull, P. Worthy, J. H. York; Messrs. W. H. Baxter, G. C. Willey, Rev. G. P. H. Rowson.

Past and present W.O.s, N.C.O.s and men who ordered tickets were:—

J. M. Anderson, R. W. Arnold, J. H. Ashford, G. J. Atkins, B. Auburn, F. Baker, A. Barley, C. F. Berridge, J. W. Betts, H. W. Bird, J. H. Blott, P. H. Bradley, A. Briggs, S. Brittain, J. H. Bull, C. Burgess, S. P. Burrows, W. J. Capel, G. H. Carrier, A. Carter, P. B. Cashmore, R. D. Catling, A. F. Cattell, G. Clapton, F. Collins, A. E. Crossman, B. H. Darnell, H. J. Dearlove, E. H. Denton, J. A. Dick, A. E. J. Dickens, G. R. Dixon, J. F. Dorr, A. E. Drinkwater, D. Driscoll, H. G. Driver, W. C. Dunmore, W. A. Elston, W. Finch, L. Flaherty, C. H. Flain, L. Foxton, W. A. Francis, L. Froggatt, J. F. Ganley, W. George, R. P. Gilbert, C. Groves, P. G. Gudger, A. Hallsworth, J. E. Harris, L. Harris, F. E. Hart, H. Hillyard, A. Hodges-Freeman, F. J. Holding, A. Horn, S. Hornby, J. W. Houseman, E. E. Howard, R. E. Howard, F. Hunt, N. W. Hutchings, S. Hyde, W. G. Inwood, G. Isam, F. W. Jackson, A. H. Jarman, E. Jarvis, B. Johnson, E. Johnson, T. W. Johnson, P. J. Keilthy, P. Kingdom, J. Landin, R. J. Lane, S. V. Langley, J. Letts, A. G. Lewis, B. B. Lewis, C. Lewis, R. A. Long, R. Lomas, S. Marchant, T. E. Marston, A. Martin, G. Martin, H. Matthews, S. G. Maycock, W. McNicol, R. Merry, W. B. Mills, S. Mitcheson, A. A. Mulvaney, H. W. Murbin, G. H. Murdin, J. A. Neville, A. Newitt, T. P. Nichols, S. Nicholson, F. Owen, J. Parker, W. M. Partridge, S. Pearson, W. Perrin, T. Poole, A. Quinney, F. W. Radwell, E. A. Reynolds, P. T. F. Richardson, D. N. Rigby, J. Roberts, F. M. Rolfe, D. Roper, C. A. Rowlatt, K. Sanders, F. G. Saunders, A. Sharp, H. C. Sharman, W. Simpson, J. Sloan, B. Smart, E. Smith, F. Smith, T. W. Smith, A. R. Snape, J. Spencer, H. Spicer, H. Stamford, J. Stutley, J. J. Talby, C. Tappin, A. E. Taylor, G. Taylor, C. Teague, L. G. Tebbutt, G. H. Tindall, P. Todd, H. G. Tompkins, P. Turland, H. Twigg, D. M. Walding, T. J. Wallace, H. West, F. Whillock, G. H. Whittington, C. D. Wilson, S. A. J. Wise, P. Wood, J. Woodhouse, G. Wooding, B. L. Woolls, G. D. York

Organisation of The Northamptonshire Wing

On the amalgamation of The Royal Lincolnshire Regiment and The Northamptonshire Regiment there was formed The Duchess of Gloucester's Own Royal Lincolnshire and Northamptonshire Regimental Association. This Association incorporates the Association of each former regiment. The Northamptonshire Regimental Comrades Association has become The Northamptonshire Wing, The Duchess of Gloucester's Own Royal Lincolnshire and Northamptonshire Regimental Association.

This Wing is administered and managed by a Committee who are ex-officio Managing Trustees of all funds and property of the Wing. The Wing committee is composed of a Chairman, nine ex-officio members and five nominated members.

Chairman: Brig. D. E. Taunton, C.B., D.S.O.
Ex-Officio members:

Secretary of the Huntingdon and Northamptonshire T. & A.F.A., provided he has served in The Northamptonshire Regiment or The 2nd East Anglian Regiment.

Comd. Offr. 4th/5th Bn. The Northamptonshire Regiment (T.A.).

The Presidents of the four Branches.

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An officer of 4th/5th Bn. The Northamptonshire Regiment (T.A.), nominated by the C.O. of the Bn.

One representative appointed by C.O. 1st Bn. The 2nd East Anglian Regiment.

Nominated members:

Major-General G. St. G. Robinson, C.B., D.S.O., M.C., Brig. D. J. B. Houchin, D.S.O., M.C., Brig. P. W. P. Green, C.B.E., D.S.O., Col. J. C. Denny, O.B.E., M.C., Col. G. V. Martin, M.C.

Branch News

NORTHAMPTON BRANCH

The Northamptonshire Regiment Club was entrusted with the task of organising the bar arrangements for the Annual Reunion. All work carried out in preparation was done voluntarily by members of the club committee outside normal working hours, and with the limited space available they did a grand job and deserve a pat on the back. Special mention must be given to our chairman, Mr. J. Roberts, for taking on this task and seeing it through. It was necessary to have the club bar enlarged, a job which entailed a great deal of work redecorating, etc., and the scores of other details which had to be attended to; "Well done, Rocker Boy."

The ladies, "bless them," as usual gave us their help and produced some 1,000 sandwiches which were distributed during the week-end. "Thank you girls."

The Reunion was a great success and for those who were able to attend it must have been a real tonic to see the expressions on the faces of the Comrades as fresh batches arrived and to hear the wonderful greetings they were met with.

Now that the fun is all over the club committee will have time to reflect, learn from this venture and make any necessary adjustments for future occasions. Any suggestions from Comrades for improvements in anyway connected with the Reunion will be welcomed by the club committee.

Preparations for the club annual dinner and dance to be held in the New Year on a Friday night is under way; details will be announced as soon as the arrangements are completed.

P. C. TODD,
Branch Secretary.

PETERBOROUGH BRANCH

Firstly we welcome a new life and branch member—Mr. F. Bradley. These notes are being submitted shortly after the Annual Reunion at Northampton. It was a great pleasure to see so many former comrades, and new members to the Association. Although the parade was marred by inclement weather all ended well. We feel we must congratulate all who contributed to make the Reunion a success, as changes involved extra work in many ways. Special mention must also be made in respect of the Regimental Museum, so well set out and presented, where one could spend a pleasant time "soaking up" regimental history and details.

Branch members attended the annual ex-Service parade at Castor on 2nd July. All members wish Col. and Mrs. McMichael a happy retirement. Col. McMichael retired as Honorary Colonel of the 5th Bn. on 1st May, 1961.

Mr. W. Houseman, a staunch supporter, is at present indisposed; we all wish him a speedy recovery.

Our Derby draw was a success. A further draw will be held for the St. Leger.

It was suggested by the London Branch that we arrange social events when our soccer team visits London or Northampton and vice-versa. This seems to be a good suggestion, perhaps branch secretaries will liaise.

We regret to report the death of Mr. J. Berridge. Our sympathies are extended to the widow and family.

H. G. TOMPKINS,
Branch Secretary.

THE NORTHAMPTONSHIRE WING
CHRISTMAS CARD

The Northamptonshire Wing will be having its own Christmas card again this year. It will have the Castle and numeral badge and Northamptonshire Regimental Ribbon on the front and the inset will have a picture of the Queen inspecting the Guard of Honour found by the 4th/5th Bn. The Northamptonshire Regiment (T.A.) at Corby this year.

Cards may be obtained from the Wing Secretary, R.H.Q. 2nd East Anglian Regiment, Gibraltar Barracks, Barrack Road, Northampton, at 11s. a dozen which includes postage.

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Lincolnshire Wing

The Annual Reunion will now will be held on Saturday, 7th October, 1961, a 1961, at the Derbyshire Miners' Holiday Welfare Welfare Centre, Winthorpe Avenue, Skegness.

PROGRAMME

3 p.m.—General Committee Meeting. Cinema Show for those not attending this Meeting.

4.30 p.m.—Annual General Meeting.

7 for 7.30 p.m.—Reunion Dinner. Tickets 12s. 6d. each, obtainable from Branch Secretaries, or the General Secretary, Secretary, Sobraon Barracks, Lincoln.

8.30 p.m.—Music for dancing by a well-known orchestra in the ballroom.

Accommodation—Chalet Accommodation at the Holiday Centre, single or single or double, may be reserved through Branch Secretaries, or by individuals writing to Capt. J. D. Williamson, M.C., J.P., Derbyshire Miners' Holiday Welfare Centre, Winthorpe Winthorpe Avenue, Skegness. Charge (per person) for bed and breakfast—10s. 6d.

Luncheon—For those arriving early on Saturday or prior to their departure on Sunday, 8th October, luncheon may be obtained at the Holiday Centre. Charge (per person) for luncheon—4s. 6d. Notification should be given by letter to Capt. Williamson, either by Branch Secretaries or individuals.

Parking—There is ample parking accommodation for cars and coaches at the Holiday Centre.

Sunday, 8th October, 1961—Divine Service

The Association will hold their customary Divine Service, in the Holiday Centre Cinema, at 11 a.m. Revd. Canon J. Porter, of Lincoln, will conduct the service.

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Army Golf Championship

Regiment win Argyle and Sutherland Bowl

Amongst the competitions included in the programme of events organised by the Army Golfing Society at their annual meeting held at Sandwich is the Argyle and Sutherland Bowl, open to Regimental teams of five officers, of whom two must be serving officers on the Active List. The winners of "The Bowl" have to play the winners of the "Ordnance Cup" (the inter-Corps competition under the same conditions) for the Army Golf Challenge Cup.

This year the Regiment were able to enter a team for the Argyle and Sutherland Bowl which, much to their delight, they won, after three stern encounters. In the play-off for the Army Golf Challenge Cup the Regimental team was beaten by the Royal Artillery No. 1 team.

The team consisted of: The Colonel of the Regiment (8); Brigadier Osborne Smith (4); Lt.-Col. Noble (4); Major Fennell (7) and 2/Lt. Winckley (scratch).

The team had a bye in the first round and in the second round met the Royal Leicesters, whom they beat by 16 holes to 3. (It is worth mentioning here that each match is played to the 18th green and the winning side is the one which has the greater number of holes won, and all teams play level with no handicap used.)

The next round was the semi-final against the Argyle and Sutherland Highlanders on Thursday afternoon, and all the team won their matches and the Regiment won by 26 holes to 0.

The final was on Friday morning against the Queens Own Buffs (The Royal Kent Regiment). It was a glorious day, very little wind and almost shirt sleeve order. After a few holes it was apparent that there was nothing in it in any match and everyone was quietly grinding along. Without exception all were playing better than they normally do. In three of the five matches it was an even struggle to the end. In the other two the Regiment managed to draw ahead in the last four holes, and won the match by 9 holes to 0.

In the Ordnance Cup against a very low handicap Royal Artillery team the Regiment, though beaten by 17 holes to 3, were by no means disgraced.



REGIMENTAL GOLF TEAM

Left to right: Major Fennell, Brig. Osborne-Smith, Lt.-Col. Noble, The Colonel of the Regiment and 2/Lt. Winckley, with "The Argyle and Sutherland Bowl."

The individual performances of the team in the four matches played were:—

2/Lt. J. B. Winckley—won 4.

Brigadier R. E. Osborne Smith—won 1, lost 2, all square 1.

Lt.-Col. A. G. R. Noble—won 4.

Brigadier R. H. L. Oulton—won 2, lost 1, all square 1.

Major A. I. Fennell—won 3, lost 1.

It would be an understatement to say we were pleased at winning the Regimental Bowl at our first attempt as a regiment. Now that we have got it we must defend it next year, so all you golfers in the Regiment, past and present, "Gird up your loins" and make yourselves known.

Passing Out Parade at Brigade Depot

Mayor of Lincoln takes the Salute

Councillor W. E. Herbert, J.P., the Mayor of the City and County Borough of Lincoln, was the Inspecting Officer at the Passing Out Parade of Minden Platoon, which took place at the East Anglian Brigade Depot on Thursday, 27th July.

The Mayor, is the son of a former time-serving sergeant of the Royal Lincolnshire Regiment, and was born in the Regiment. Incidentally he is the youngest person to have held the office of Mayor of the City of Lincoln.

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Since the notes for the last issue of the POACHER were written, the battalion has moved to Germany from Watchet and is now stationed at Mercer Barracks, Osnabruck. Following the move, we received much new equipment and many new vehicles, so that there has been much to keep everyone busy.

The barracks themselves are most pleasant and it seems that the companies and departments, as well as both messes, are well satisfied with their accommodation and surroundings. The various buildings are set among trees, mainly birches, and so although it is not far from any one part of the camp to another (a great advantage), each particular part of the battalion has some privacy from the next. There is a large square, surrounded by trees, an excellent setting for any ceremonial parade, although the Regimental Sergeant-Major is not entirely happy about the surface since some of our new drivers have been over it in their vehicles.

We have in fact been very busy training new drivers, because we now have nearly 50 armoured personnel carriers in addition to our ordinary transport. This has meant that we need neither walk so far as before, nor be dependent on the R.A.S.C. to carry us. On the other hand it has meant a big driver training programme and a great search for potential drivers. The stringent German traffic laws are indeed proving an obstacle to some would-be drivers who were more than a little surprised to find that they had to pass a written examination in these laws.

The Signal Platoon has found a host of new wireless sets, and are thankful for the brief experience of them which it was possible to obtain before leaving England, thanks to the help of the 1st Battalion, The Royal Welsh Fusiliers. Even the officers have had to turn-to (on Saturday mornings) and brush-up their voice procedure and get used to the new sets. But everyone is delighted with them, and as even company commanders can now put together a C 42 set, clearly some success has been achieved!

The new Reconnaissance Platoon has been able to take its training one stage further by operating in A.P.C.s and working with an armoured regiment, our good neighbours in barracks, 16/5 Royal Lancers.

Within rifle companies, too, there has been much

that has been new. Apart from the novelty of each section having its own A.P.C. there have been new tactics to learn and practice, and many people have had to learn to use the radio, which in some cases goes down as far as sections. All this has meant a good deal of hard work, but being new it had been interesting.

After only a month in which to do all this, the battalion went for three weeks to Soltau, and carried out battalion and brigade training. This gave us a real opportunity to try ourselves out as a battalion and as a member of a brigade, in a way which was impossible for us while we were in England. During our training we have been visited by the Brigade Commander (Brig. P. H. Man, D.S.O., O.B.E., M.C.), the Divisional Commander (Major-General E. A. W. Williams, C.B.E., M.C.), and the Corps Commander as well, so we have had our share of the V.I.P.s.

Since we left for Soltau, the Band and Corps of Drums, which remained in England to take part in the Taunton Tattoo have arrived at Osnabruck. A most pleasing letter of congratulation on their performance at the tattoo was received from the G.O.C. South-West District. Now they are busy practising for a Beating of Retreat which is to take place at the end of August, and which will be our first ceremonial appearance in B.A.O.R.

OFFICERS MESS

Comments have been extremely favourable on our new mess at Mercer Barracks. The fragrance of many red and white roses is a pleasure to all, and wafts in through the main entrance. For once, officers find that there are enough pegs on which to hang their hats and paraphernalia. The rooms with their clean white walls are well placed for minimum movement and, finally, electric bells produce rapid results!

The mess is lucky in having, now, a civilian staff to aid the tireless efforts of Sgt. Smith, who is to be seen at all hours with handkerchief at the mop position. The initial language difficulties have now, after much trouble, been overcome so that the business of ordering, for example, a "four minute" boiled egg has been much simplified. Finally, it is found that at 7 a.m. the plain white walls of the dining room are proving a little more comforting than the mid-ocean blue of our late mess.

After the rigours of the day, the younger mem-

bers have been finding ways and means of relaxing in the twilight hours. Osnabruck has not proved a very easy nut to crack, but the mess has been graced with some very pleasurable company before lunch on Sundays.

In Osnabruck, one can swim at Roberts Barracks, and also at the civilian pool. If enough chlorinated water has not been swallowed at either of these there are any number of places where it is possible to buy a drink or two more palatable. In most of these there is a bar, a dance floor and some very cleverly designed lighting which makes one's shirt look "sparkling white".

Other social activities that have found their place are tennis, sailing and cricket. The tennis courts have proved that experience rather than vigour is the deciding factor and, in fact, give every opportunity for the aspirant to improve his play.

Finally, a note of the changes in our numbers since the last notes were written. Wake Clark has left us for the glamour of an armoured life, but is near enough (at Soltau) to have seen something of us recently (and to have most kindly provided much-needed baths). Bill Pool and "Zombie" White are now in darkest Africa; Bill as adjutant to the Ghana Military Academy and "Zombie" with a Nigerian battalion which will shortly be in the Congo. And finally Phillip Narbeth, John Saar and Jimmy James have returned to civil life. We were very glad to welcome back Colin Gardiner and John Wetherall, and to be joined by Tony Rogers, of 3rd East Anglian Regiment (who may have wondered if we were in fact so glad to see him, as we made him Mess Secretary at once!).

Last, but not least, George Shipley has been "persuaded" to relieve John Dymoke as P.M.C.

SERGEANTS' MESS

A fortnight in Germany and already one hears the phrase, "Wie Geht Es" being called across the mess, receiving the fluent reply of "Danke Gut!" For many of us are now able to claim "Germany, third time," which is at least an answer in some measure for those raking over the history and still dropping the hint of "Aqaba, third time!" for others, this is providing their first taste of life in B.A.O.R., and initial impressions are receiving many varied comments. We await with interest to see which section of the battalion finally settles in and makes a firm base of each of the two local "Gasthaus". (We trust it won't depend entirely on a trial of strength!)

For the mess itself we find we are without either TV or a billiards table, due to there being insufficient space to utilise them. This is a sad blow for the dining-in members, and at present it is difficult to see our way around it. The bar is of a convenient size as such, and quite well equipped, but its separation from the ante-room by the main passageway presents difficulties met on previous occasions when social evenings are split into different rooms. However, not being ones to accumulate grass under the lower extremities, suggestions are already in the hands of the R.E. world for

structural alterations designed to bring us together a little closer on our mess nights. Together with the co-operation of the Q.M., the blessing of the C.O., and, let it be known, the approved interest of the Brigade Commander, no less, we await future developments with baited breath.

For those dining-in there is single room accommodation with the usual h. and c., though the rooms leave much to be desired in the way of size, and are similar to the remainder of the mess in decoration too. Suggestions have also been forwarded to convert, initially, a group of 12 rooms into six by placing an adjoining door and so producing a sitting room and bedroom effect.

Our Regimental and Naval plaques and crests once again adorn the bar room and the lay-out pattern for the silver display is beginning to take shape. We are now able to display the Regiment's two previous drum-major's sashes together in a wall cabinet, as the sash for our new Regiment has now arrived. In keeping with custom it was proposed sometime past that the Sgts.' Mess purchase and present to the Regiment this traditional piece of dress equipment; and so after some six months' wait, it has arrived. It represents a splendid work of skill and beauty, and displays all of our Battle Honours. Those of the modern era at the front, whilst the remainder are on the back. It will be displayed in a separate wall cabinet and taken out of its permanent home in the Sgts.' Mess only on specific occasions, to be usually associated with the Colours being on parade.

The approved new Regimental cane is being carried by C.S.M.s now. It has the Regimental crest on the side of its head and was the popular choice of all the C.S.M.s at a previous discussion.

It is promotion time again, and we offer our congratulations to these members entering the mess for their first time:—Sgt. Robinson (Sigs.), Sgt. Bullock (Q.M.'s), Sgt. Huddleston ("B"), Sgt. Hornsby (Sigs.). To S.Q.M.S. Stubbs, A.C.C., C/Sgt. Millhouse (Pro.) and C/Sgt. Hill ("C"), go a handshake and a "well done" upon promotion to the ranks shown; and to these newcomers we extend the welcome of a "happy family", namely C/Sgt. Millhouse, ex-Brigade Depot, S/Sgt. Greenstreet, R.E.M.E. (Armourer), C/Sgt. Smith, 37, ex1 Herts, T.A., Sgt. Shailes, ex-5 Northampton, T.A., and Sgt. Sylvester, R.E.M.E. (Vehicle Mechanic).

In balancing the books we now offer the handshake of farewell and appreciation to O.R.Q.M.S. Howard (redundancy), C.S.M. Stevenson (now D/Major Trucial Oman Scouts L.S. List), C/Sgt. Suddell and Sgt. Whiston (redundancy), Sgt. Pagdin (for the same reason and now *en route* for a new life in Australia!), Sgt. Pool "M" (to Singapore to take up steward's appointment to C-in-C. Far East Land Forces), Sgt. Allen (to 5 Northampton), Sgt. Smith, 41 (discharge by purchase), Sgt. Cornwall, R.E.M.E. (redundancy) and Sgt. Cummings, R.E.M.E. (Corps posting). How to acknowledge the values of these senior ranks is difficult within the writer's powers of expression and space

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**Right: Her Royal Highness
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**Bottom: Her Royal Highness
inspecting the Guard of
Honour**



available. Does one ever expect to replace in calibre that character Jack Stevenson, the most staunch of mess supporters whose loyalties were an inspiration to others? We wish you, "Black Jack", the best of good fortune in the future, that you so fully deserve after 25 years of Regimental soldiering. To Pat, left in Watchet, go our thoughts, and trust that she won't pine too much in the absence of that "silly old . . .", her husband!

Our farewell to Watchet was one which saddened the hearts of many, for numerous were the friends that had been made amongst the local population. Some 13 of these had become the first Honorary Members of the mess, many of whom were to serve the mess in their particular field, and to whom the facilities of the mess were offered unreservedly. We recall with affection the two local "bobbies", George Lindsay and Fred Boots; Allen Dobson from "The Forester" (ex-Railway); Fred Harris from the "London" and Cyril of the N.A.A.F.I. shop. To them, to their wives and to all those whom we had the pleasure of meeting in Somerset, go our good wishes and the assurance that this mess will always be delighted to entertain them wherever our paths may cross in the future.

The farewell dance held on 5th May, 1961, gave us the opportunity to see the remarkable talent of C.S.M.I. Butcher who offered to take over the entire responsibility of the decorations. He produced a magnificent result, the like of which has never been seen before, or altered the face of a gymnasium so much. He received the thanks of all present from the dance floor, when called forward for his work

to be acknowledged. We were delighted to have this opportunity to say goodbye to our friends. In addition, the Commanding Officer and Mrs. Erskine-Tulloch attended, along with all the officers and their ladies. Familiar faces, too, appeared from all parts of the country to favour us with their company, namely: R.S.M. and Mrs. Russell, R.S.M. Swift, R.Q.M.S. Reynolds, C.S.M. Thompson, C.S.M. Ventress, Sgts. Hammond and Winkle.

CRICKET

Unfortunately, the move to B.A.O.R. coincided with the beginning of the cricket season, so we have had to wait until the battalion was settled in before sorting out players.

The response from companies and departments has been good, and the battalion 1st XI is gradually shaping. Our first game, in the first round of 12 Infantry Brigade Group major units' cup was, however, played two days after our arrival, and so we were, as we expected, well beaten. The scores were: 16/5 Royal Lancers 151 for 9 declared; 2 East Anglian 43 all out.

Since then we have had plenty of practice, with three nets and much fielding, and we are looking forward to getting our revenge at Soltau.

On Sunday, 2nd July, the officers played the sergeants in terrific heat. The game was keenly fought, the officers winning narrowly. Scores were: officers 61 (Denton 35 not out); sergeants 53.

We are all hoping that the glorious weather will continue so that our season can be prolonged into September.

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General

The main events during June and July were the Royal Guard of Honour at Stamford and Annual Camp at Dibgate.

Royal Guard of Honour, Stamford, 19th June, 1961

On 19th June, the Queen visited Stamford in connection with the quinqucentenary celebrations there. The battalion was invited to find the Guard of Honour. We started our preliminary drill parades on 28th May at Lincoln and continued on every weekend at Beckingham Camp until 18th June, 1961, when we rehearsed the guard in Stamford itself. There was great competition to get into the Guard and every company succeeded in earning representation. We were gallantly supported throughout by our cooks and administrative staff under the Q.M. and W.O.II Reeve, who dispatched us in fine form in luxury coaches from Beckingham on the great day. The sun was shining and the men looked magnificent in their No. 1 Dress issued specially for the occasion; no spectator could have guessed how we had struggled to fit men who were not standard size with standard size suits. We were granted special permission by the Mayor and Corporation to march through Stamford with Colour flying, bayonets fixed and band playing, and there were large crowds to welcome us on the march from the T.A. Centre to the station. The drill in the station yard was executed without a hitch and the men were most professionally steady on parade. Her Majesty was interested to see the set of silver drums recently presented to us on permanent loan by the 1st Battalion. The Band and Corps of Drums were particularly proud of themselves in that H.R.H. Prince Philip said that he had never seen such a large Territorial Army Band.

The order of parade was:—

Commanding Officer—Lt.-Col. G. M. Sanders,
T.D.

Guard Commander—Capt. J. C. Graham.

Subaltern—I.t. P. M. Merrikin.

Officer carrying the Queen's Colour—

Lt. S. M. Benton.

Conducting Warrant Officer—R.S.M. R. Swift.

Guides—C.S.M. F. Cressey, C.S.M. K. Morriss,
C.S.M. C. Lowery, C/Sgt. B. Plumley.

Ninety-six rank and file from all companies of
the Battalion.

Annual Camp, Dibgate, 24th June-8th July, 1961

Excellent weather, including the heat wave at the end of June, made for a very happy camp. It included a lot of shooting and two battalion exercises, one set by the Brigadier. We were the first

unit in the army to use the new electrically-operated mechanical targets on the mechanical target range at Hythe. We used our self-loading rifles on this range and most men in the battalion had the opportunity to fire at targets which fall down when hit. No arguments about bad marking on this range! Each rifle company had a day of section field firing and another day of ordinary range work. The first battalion exercise, "Running Flush", coincided with the heat wave. The rifle companies toiled over some 12 miles point-to-point in the heat on the first day before they were able to dig in for the night. If one adds to this distance the ground covered tactically in battles from section to company level, they must have covered upwards of 16 miles. However, if some feet were a little tender, all ranks then took an enthusiastic part in vicious fighting which lasted all night. The enemy, from the Aslt. Pnr. and A./Tk. Pls., reinforced by the H.Q. element of H.Q. Company and led by Lt. S. M. Benton, closed the first phase of the exercise with a dawn attack on "D" Company Group. The next day, the battalion assaulted the biggest hill in the Folkestone area to finish off the exercise looking down on the camp about two miles away. The other exercise was by comparison not so tough physically but in it we found ourselves committed to a night attack which taxed us in a different way. Both exercises were thoroughly enjoyed by all ranks and we learned a lot. Camp finished with a six-a-side football competition which was won by H.Q. Company.

Thirty-eight recruits trained on a separate syllabus during camp. Recruit awards were:—

Best Recruit—Pte. C. Hatfield, "B" Coy.

Best Recruit Rifle Score—Pte. A. Anderson,
"D" Coy.

Best Recruit I.M.G. Score—Pte. R. Cowan,
"D" Coy.

"A" COMPANY

Again we must report a certain number of changes in the Company; Capt. Merrikin has taken over as acting Coy. Command due to Major Sudlow's pressing business commitments and we are very pleased to welcome 2/Lt. Harrison, who has taken over the Bourne Pl. We have had a great deal of help during the past three months from W.O.I Lyon who came to us from the 1st East Anglian Regt. to help us out till he finished his regular army engagement. We are very sorry to see him leave and wish him every success in civilian life. It is pleasant to welcome C.S.M. Coates back to our midst from the Depot.

At Stamford we have had a busy and enjoyable

period preparing for the visit of Her Majesty. Twenty members of the Company were on the Guard of Honour. After the Guard, we were very pleased to act as host Company to the rest of the Bn. at a most enjoyable tea. We would like to thank all of our members who worked so hard, serving beer and clearing up and preparing the Drill Hall, not forgetting our caretaker, Mr. Russell, who did stalwart service behind the bar.

We congratulate Cpl. Edgerley, Cpl. Davies, I./Cpl. Shortland, I./Cpl. Bull and L/Cpl. Richardson on their promotion and appointments. For the next month the Company will be spending all available time at the Oundle School Range, training for the Bn. Rifle Meeting, and we would like to mention how very grateful we are to the headmaster, C.O. and Adjutant of Oundle School C.C.F., for allowing us to use their range.

"B" COMPANY

These notes are written with the sunburn scarcely beginning to fade after a sun drenched Annual Camp. The sun was less appreciated during the long march which was our lot in exercise "Running Flush". At the end of the exercise, there was some suggestion that "B" Company were "tenderfoots", but we did have a rather longer walk than most people.

Annual camp brought success to Pte. C. Hatfield whom we congratulate on being adjudged to be the best all-round recruit in the Battalion.

We are pleased to welcome Lt. Scott Benton whose home is in our area although he is at present living in London. He will be available for most weekend activities.

The Company was very well represented in the Royal Guard of Honour provided for Her Majesty at Stamford on 19th June. Lt. Benton had the honour of carrying the Colour.

We have recently lost the services of Sgt. Dickson who has returned to the Regular Army. As a member of the Regular Army Reserve, Sgt. Dickson attended drills with us and did a great deal of valuable work. Sgt. Thompson has taken over Sgt. Dickson's duties with the Horncastle detachment. We are pleased to have the services of Sgt. Graves who has joined the Territorial Army on completion of his service with the Regular Army Reserve.

"C" COMPANY

We welcome to the Company ex-R.S.M. F. Cressey who has proved to be a very knowledgeable recruit. We wish him good luck, a long stay and some quick promotion.

For many of us this has been the most hectic period of our T.A. service with Guard of Honour duties and Annual Camp falling very close together. The nett result was that 16 members of the Company completed 20 days' training out of a period of four weeks, and returning to work at the end of camp was rather like indulging in an extra-mural activity.

But if it was the most hectic, then it was the most enjoyable as well, and we were granted wonderful

weather to match our keenness and enthusiasm. The Guard of Honour, after much rehearsing, took place in perfect weather, and all members of the Company who were present will long remember the grandeur of that occasion. The Company was well represented in all ranks and age groups and we all benefited from the severe drilling given to us by R.S.M. Swift during the weekends spent at Beckingham.

Guard of Honour duties completed, we all returned to civilian life for four days before leaving for Folkestone and Annual Camp on the 24th June. Folkestone was not strange to most of us and by 20.00 hours on the first day "C" Coy. were preparing for a night attack on the dance halls of the neighbourhood. But training was not far behind and the Sunday found many of us on the recces and already hard at work.

The second week started with rather more men than we anticipated due to the fact that Hepburn and Bramley, having enjoyed the first week so much, decided to stay for more.

Camp over we returned home well and truly satisfied but looking forward to many more camps to come.

"D" COMPANY

Since April our intake of recruits has considerably exceeded our wastage and at the present time the only member of the Company who is leaving us is Pte. Prestedge. This is because the amount of work he is undertaking due to engineering examinations, and he hopes to rejoin the Company again in the not too distant future. Pte. Brennan has applied to join the 2nd East Anglian Regt. We welcome to the Company Ptes. Anderson, Wilkinson, Cowan R., Moncaster, Grocock, Broomfield and Luckham, all of whom are now useful members.

We have recently had visits from Pte. Metcalfe who left us a short time ago to join the Royal Engineers and Pte. Whiteman who recently left for the Paratroops. Officer Cadet Bruce Duncan, formerly a private in the Company, passes out at the Sovereign's Parade on 28th July, at Sandhurst.

On 15th and 16th April the Company attended weekend training at Proteus Camp when the officers and N.C.O.s were introduced to the SL. Rifle.

Much time prior to camp has been taken up with rehearsals for the Queen's Guard at Stamford on the 19th June. This went off extremely well. This Company provided over 30 members of the Guard.

Annual Camp, which took place from the 24th June to 8th July at Folkestone, was much enjoyed by all ranks. The weather was excellent for the whole fortnight and shirt sleeve order was the dress throughout the camp. This camp was one of the best, if not the best, which we have had since the war.

H.Q. COMPANY

There can be few who can recall a more active period than the three months which we are reviewing in these notes. Our amalgamation with Sp. Company was completed most successfully by the second week in May, and credit for the way in

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Photo: Stamford Mercury

H.M. The Queen inspects the Guard of Honour at Stamford, 19th June, 1961. Guard Commander is Capt. J. C. Graham



Royal Salute, Stamford, 19th June, 1961

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which the change-over was completed is due to C.S.M. Morris, C.S.M. Esberger, C/Sgt. Plumley, R.Q.M.S. Toyne, Cpl. Chapman, our P.S.I.s, Sgts. Platts and Mellars, and the storemen, who worked very hard and so quietly that outwardly there was little to denote any change. Our strength is now around the 160 mark.

Due to the geographical layout of the Bn., the Company is divided into H.Q. Coy. and H.Q. Coy. (Sp. Wing), Major G. S. Gammage being O.C. Sp. Wing and Trg. In time, the Support Platoons will vanish from our midst and appear in the Rifle Company locations.

The Guard of Honour naturally received our full attention. The Company provided 31 members of the Guard, as well as numerous cooks, clerks, G.D. men, Officers' and Sergeants' Mess staff, etc., all of whom played a most vital part in making the Guard possible.

For sport the Company was split into two parts. However, this made little difference as H.Q. Coy. I comprising the Corps of Drums, Coy. H.Q. and M.T., had little difficulty in overcoming all opposition and in winning the six-a-side soccer cup for the third successive occasion. The team was C.S.M. Morris, L/Cpls. Bunn, Pullen, Jackson and Ptes. Creasey and Smith. We beat "B" Coy. in the final.

We are sorry to lose 2/Lt. S. Harrison who has been posted to "A" Coy. We welcome on commissioning 2/Lt. N. G. D. Bury who previously soldiered in the anti-tank platoon, and who now assumes command of the signal platoon vice Capt. D. F. Clarke who has been Signal Officer since 1954. We hope under his guidance we will soon have a flourishing signal platoon in Lincoln.

We congratulate the following: Major G. S. Gammage on promotion, Lt. W. Mundy on his marriage, and on promotion, C/Sgt. Moffett, Sgt. Cairns, Cpls. Carter, Fuller, Coulbeck, L/Cpls. Carr, Barker and Bleck.

BAND AND DRUMS

The Band and Drums attended the annual Scout Parade at Lincoln Cathedral on St. George's Day, but subsequent engagements were cancelled due to our long standing engagement with the Lincolnshire Agricultural Society to play at the Lincolnshire Show. The Commanding Officer decided that the Band and Drums would have their camp period advanced one week and only go to Folkestone for one week. This was naturally much regretted but in the circumstances it was unavoidable. One or two members managed to stay the full fortnight, however.

The Guard of Honour took pride of place in our diary. Those who took part in the Lincoln parade of 1958 knew the work involved whilst the remainder soon learned. We paraded on the day 46 strong. The Silverine Drums made their debut on this occasion. They replace our 4th and 5th Bn. Drums which are about 30 years old; they will be greatly treasured. At Stamford they enhanced an excellent turnout. Her Majesty the Queen stopped and looked at the drums on the way to her car and

commented favourably on their appearance, while the Duke of Edinburgh was surprised by our strength on parade, and thought we were a regular band.

We played for two full days at the Lincolnshire Show and also played in the arena each afternoon. We are now looking for engagements of a similar nature. The major event of importance at camp was the Beating of Retreat on the Leas. It was watched by a large crowd of holiday makers. We performed with the 5/8 Bn. The Sherwood Foresters and considering we had three days' rehearsal only it was a very creditable performance. The Corps of Drums took part in the Bn. exercise as Bn. H.Q. Defence Platoon.

SP. WEAPONS WING

At camp the M.M.G. Platoon carried out a night firing exercise and a daylight field firing exercise at Lydd. They had an extremely successful shoot. The rest of the Sp. Weapons Wing carried out limited specialist training and also had the opportunity to throw 36 grenades and fire the self-loading rifle on the mechanical target range.

M.T.

We entered the 49 Div. (T.A.) Safe Driving competition on 13th/14th May, 1961. The team consisted of three vehicles manned by Lt. S. M. Benton, S/Sgt. C. F. Morris, Sgt. D. Etchell, Sgt. R. Hiles, D.S.M., Sgt. E. T. Everett and Cpl. A. G. W. Coulbeck.

There were 22 teams entered and we were successful in winning the major unit trophy and also the Star Sapphire cup for being the best team in the competition.

The M.T. Section had a most enjoyable camp. The standard of dress, driving and efficiency was much improved upon last year.

We are pleased to report that our P.S.I., Sgt. D. Ancliffe, is to remain with us for a further year.

OFFICERS' MESS

We can now look back on our first and most successful year with our own Mess. We have held on average one function a month. In addition, the Mess has been open on drill nights and weekends, and our visitors' book recalls the many distinguished guests who have visited us. Our most successful gathering was on 11th April, when the 1st Bn. 2nd East Anglian Regt. were touring Lincolnshire, and the Mess entertained over 100 guests, including the Colonel of the Regt., Brig. R. H. L. Oulton, the Commanding Officer of the 1st Bn., Lt.-Col. R. P. S. Erskine Tulloch, and his officers, Lord Crookshank, whom we were delighted to see after his recent illness, Canon and Mrs. Ossie Jones, Col. and Mrs. Tony Chamberlain, and many others. On Saturday, 22nd April, we held a most successful ladies supper night. Over 50 officers, ladies and their friends attended, and dancing to a record player in a dimly lit ante-room continued into the small hours. It was at this function that Peter Walter took leave of us, and we place on record

our appreciation for the very great help and encouragement he has given us in establishing the Mess. We welcomed in his stead Dan and Eleanor Francis, who we hope will have a long and enjoyable stay with us. We also welcomed Scott Benton to the battalion at this evening.

During the Guard of Honour rehearsals at Beckingham, the Officers' Mess was established each weekend. In addition, it was necessary to split the staff on Sunday, 4th June, for a Mess gathering at Lincoln. Camp followed with some hectic packing and we were soon firmly established in Dibgate. We had in all 21 officers in camp, and during our stay we were delighted to entertain Brig. Oulton, and Major Alex Greenwood, who came to supper after the Beating of Retreat. On the middle Sunday, we held a cocktail party and invited officers from other units in camp. We were especially pleased to see Robin and Monica Drummond. Robin is at present attending a signal course at Hythe. The Mayor and Mayoress of Hythe and the town clerk also attended. Our guest night was held on Tuesday, 4th July, and our guests included Maj.-Gen. T. H. Birkbeck, C.B.E., D.S.O., our Divisional Commander, Lt.-Col. J. S. L. O'Neill, D.S.O., Lt.-Col. M. A. Chamberlain, M.B.E., respectively the G.S.O. I and A.A. & Q.M.G. of 49 Inf. Div. (T.A.), Lt. I. St. P. Hurley and A.D.C., Brig. F. A. H. Ling, D.S.O., our Brigade Commander, Col. Sir Hugh Cholmeley, Bt., D.S.O., D.L., J.P., Air Commodore N. A. P. Pritchett, D.L., Major M. Cubbiss, M.C., the B.M. Lt.-Col. H. C. W. M. Tulloch, C.O. of the 5/8 Sherwood Foresters and Peter Walter who was either going or coming from Portugal or Kenya (he seemed uncertain, but he left behind some kit to remind us of his visit).

We entertained the Sergeants' Mess prior to lunch on the last Thursday, and scored a notable victory in a six-a-side soccer match the following day by 2-0. As their team was unknown to us until the kick-off, we could hardly be accused of nobbling the whole Sergeants' Mess.

Our thanks are due to Mrs. Sanders, Mrs. Macklam, Mrs. Foster and Mrs. Clarke, who have on many occasions so tastefully decorated our Mess both in and out of camp. Their accomplishments have been much admired and their help is invaluable in putting the final touches to our social occasions. May they continue to support us. As we go to print we have had handed over to us the whole of the Depot Officers' Mess, and we hope we shall remain undisturbed until our new promised Drill Hall is completed.

SERGEANTS' MESS

June saw our first Regimental Dinner. It was held at Folkestone whilst on Annual Camp. This was followed by a social with the Colonel of the Regiment, the C.O. and all officers present. The evening was a great success and most members expressed a desire to have more like it during the out of camp training period.

W.O.II J. Timony spent a few evenings with us and looks very fit. He is at present with a travelling wing at H.Q. Home Counties District, Folkestone.

Congratulatory

We congratulate C/Sgt. A. Toyne on his promotion to R.Q.M.S. and welcome Sgt. A. E. Turrell, Sgt. R. Hiles, D.S.M., Sgt. D. G. Etccl and Sgt. A. E. Cairns to the Sergeants' Mess on promotion.

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Guard of Honour for Her Majesty The Queen

The forecast for the morning of Monday, 19th June, 1961, was "cloudy with showers". Thank goodness it was wrong, because conditions could not have been more perfect for this very great day in our history, when the Battalion provided a Guard of Honour for Her Majesty on the occasion of her visit to Corby.

Her Majesty, accompanied by Prince Philip, arrived at the Market Square, Corby, shortly after 10 o'clock, where Brigadier F. A. H. Ling, D.S.O., Commander 148 Infantry Brigade, and Lt.-Col. G. A. C. Danby, M.B.E., were presented to her. After the Royal Salute she inspected the Guard, resplendent in No. 1 Dress, with the full Band and Drums in the rear.

In a letter to the Lord Lieutenant she congratulated them on their fine performance.

The Guard consisted of:—

Guard Commander	Major V. C. M. Williams
Subaltern	Capt. D. F. Hooton, T.D.
Colour Officer	Lt. J. M. Hardwick
Markers	C.S.M. Ballard, C.S.M. Beales, C/Sgt. Fordham, C/Sgt. Lamb
No. 1 Division	From "B" Company
No. 2 Division	From "A", "C", "D" and H.Q. Companies
Band and Drums	Bandmaster C. Holland, B.E.M. Drum-Major R. Woods

It was an immensely proud day for these men and for their families who watched the parade and had an excellent view of Her Majesty from special enclosures. Afterwards "B" Company provided refreshments for 300 people in their drill hall.

It necessitated a great deal of hard work—many drill nights perfecting individual drill, two whole Sundays of rehearsing and many hours of polishing and pressing by P.S.I.s and individuals. But what a reward! Perhaps not readily appreciated is the part played by employers, who were only too ready to let the men be away from their civilian employments.

History was made in another way. It cannot be often that both Territorial Battalions of a Regiment provide separate Guards of Honour for Her Majesty on the same day. We feel sure that the 2nd East Anglian Regiment can be proud of her two Territorial Battalions.

CAMP

Every fourth year T.A. infantry battalions carry out Civil Defence training at their annual camps. 1961 was the first camp for the Battalion devoted strictly to C.D. training, which was carried out at the Army School of Civil Defence at Epsom in Surrey from 29th April to 13th May. The camp

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itself was at Merstham, some 12 miles from the Civil Defence School, which necessitated an early start each morning. The camp was hatted and extremely good.

During the earlier part of the year the Battalion training emphasised Civil Defence work—first aid, knots and lashings, etc. Out of the ordinary maybe, but the enthusiasm did not dwindle and, possibly for some, the training made a pleasant change from the normal.

On the middle Saturday the Battalion held its annual parade, the salute being taken by the Brigade Commander, Brigadier F. A. H. Ling, D.S.O., who later presented Lord Lieutenant's Certificates to the following: Sgts. Jellis, Grantham, Clarkson, Gibbs, Buckley; Cpls. Masters, Stillwell and Mason.

Following the church parade on Sunday, the Battalion football team played the final for the Eastern Command Football Cup against 5 Middlesex Regt. (T.A.), whom they beat 4-2.

Visitors to camp included our Honorary Colonel, Col. The Earl Spencer, the Mayor of Peterborough (Councillor J. A. Savage), Brigadier R. H. L.

4th/5th Bn. NORTHAMPTONSHIRE REGIMENT (T.A.)*Photo: Northamptonshire Newspapers Ltd., Kettering*

Her Majesty The Queen accompanied by Major V. C. M. Williams, inspecting the Guard of Honour, 19th June, 1961
Front rank: C.S.M. Ballard, Sgt. Fletcher, L/Cpl. Hollands, Cpl. Watts, Cpl. Boyer.
Captain D. F. Hooton, T.D. and Lt. J. M. Hardwick (Colour Officer).

*Photo: Frank Woods, Surbiton*

The Day Exercise at Camp. Setting off to clear the Casualties.

Oulton, Brigadier D. E. Taunton, Brigadier J. Lingham, Col. J. C. Denny, Lt.-Col. F. R. Wilford and Lt.-Col. J. T. Lewis.

It was a good camp, and we are grateful to the Commandant and staff at Epsom and Merstham for making Civil Defence so interesting.

"A" COMPANY

After a successful annual camp at the Civil Defence School at Epsom, we have now reverted to our normal infantry role. As the Company contains a large number of ex-Gunners, the majority of training periods and week-ends immediately after camp were devoted to basic weapon training, which progressed, in due course, to elementary fieldcraft and tactics lectures.

The Signals Section attended the Battalion signals exercise on 27th-28th May. This consisted of a skeleton Company H.Q. and L/Cpls. Loveday, Garlick and Ptes. Wilson and Leach acted as signallers. This type of signals exercise was quite new to the majority of these men but they soon settled down.

Despite very poor weather which seriously curtailed visibility, a map-reading scheme was held on 2nd July. This took place in the Desborough and Kettering area and again proved that further practical training is required in this important subject. Even when told to R.V. at a local inn for lunch, one J/N.C.O. got lost and only just made closing time.

On all these week-end schemes the Company has been very fortunate in having the services of two excellent cooks, Cpl. Masters and L/Cpl. Cookson. Whether in the field or at the T.A.C., these two have produced first-class meals. Cpl. Masters also found himself, on several occasions, in the exalted position of sole commander and representative of the enemy forces at Tiffeld.

The "Q" side at Clare Street has been working under some difficulty recently owing to the re-organisation of our accommodation. However, this should shortly be rectified and C.Q.M.S. Cheney and Sgt. Gibbs will again reign supreme in their own domain.

The following promotions have recently taken place: L/Cpls. Loveday, Westley and Shortland to Corporals, and Ptes. Garlick, Cookson and Billingham to Lance-Corporals.

The Guard of Honour at Corby is dealt with separately in the Journal, but we are pleased to record that C.S.M. Ballard and 13 men from "A" Company took part: C/Sgt. Cheney, Sgts. Butcher, C. B. Freeman and Luck; Cpls. Pegg, Loveday, Shortland; L/Cpl. Cookson; Ptes. Ayres, Barrick, Butcher and Sharp.

The Sergeants' Mess at Clare Street was reopened after camp. This will only be used, initially, on drill nights, but it is hoped this will be used more as the winter approaches.

Quite a number of "A" Company attended the annual reunion of the Regiment on 15th July, and it was gratifying to note that these included several

Notices

T.A. BALL

The Annual Officers' Ball previously organised by "R" Battery 438 L.A.A. Regiment will continue as the Officers' Ball of 4th/5th Bn. the Northamptonshire Regt., T.A.). This year it will be held, as in previous years, at Franklins Gardens, NORTHAMPTON, on Friday, 1st December.

of the younger members of the Company, including two one-week-old recruits, who seemed quite happy to mingle with the veterans. The Company Officers' Mess was made available, and it was pleasant to welcome old friends again.

The Northampton T.A. Club still continues to thrive. Two very successful evenings were held recently, one being a Tramps' Supper and the second a fancy dress dance. Apparently that strange person was Sgt. Butcher.

Training takes place every Tuesday and Thursday evenings, when we would be very pleased to welcome any ex-member, or new recruits.

"B" COMPANY

We welcome L/Cpl. Ritchie and Ptes. Lewis, McLaughlin and Colegate, T. from "R" Battery; Ptes. Branney, Elvidge, Martin and Williams on transfer from other units; and Ptes. Boone, Cunningham, Culpin, J. (whose brother has been in the Coy. for over three years), Coe, Colegate K. (brother of Colegate T. mentioned above), Huckle, Johnston, Jellis (whose brother is serving in "C" Coy. at Kettering), Hurray, Maclean, McCowatt, Robinson, H., Tilson, Tite, Urquhart and Wilson on enlistment. We must give a special welcome to an old club stalwart who has enlisted into the Band, Pte. Hobbs, T. (Senior). The Hobbs brothers have already made use of their father's well-bullied kit!

Lt. G. R. Bensa, who left Corby last August to take up fresh employment at Sheffield, seems to have settled down permanently up there and we must regretfully bid him adieu. We wish to thank him for all the hard work he put in whilst with us, and give him and Mrs. Bensa our best wishes for the future.

Lt. G. P. N. Crooke has taken up an appointment near Nottingham and is no longer available for Company work.

Ptes. McKenna, Redmond and Davies, T., have enlisted in the 2nd East Anglian Regiment, the latter after only a month with us. Pte. Scaife, on his return from Nijmegen, will also be going in the same direction. Pte. Barclay has enlisted in the R.A.P.C., and Pte. Byrne in the R.A.F.

We offer our congratulations to Sgt. Muir on his promotion to Company Sergeant and Ptes. Barnett, Conybeare, McDonald, Mead and Sutton on their appointments to Lance-Corporal.

Our "Q" staff has had a hectic six months with, among other commitments, catering on the occasion

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of the visit of recruiting parties, the Beating of Retreat by the Band and Drums of the 2nd East Anglian Regiment and also by our own Band and Drums, and lastly, catering for all after the Guard of Honour for the Queen. With all these commitments we have only been able to fit in one full-scale social, but there have been several impromptu ones during this period.

"C" COMPANY

These are really the first notes to be written since amalgamation, and from the word go it appears to have been a great success from the point of view of "C" Coy. Men from "R" Battery form our solid nucleus at Wellingborough and Kettering, and the recruiting figures at Rushden have gone up by leaps and bounds. (Corby had better watch out or else they may become a detachment.) Kettering are unfortunately suffering from the close proximity of Corby, but we have a small cadre of N.C.O.s, and in September we hope to start a special course for N.C.O.s of all the Company on Tuesday nights. With R.S.M. Driscoll, C.S.M. Tappin and Sgt. Dixon as instructors, we should have a very high-powered team of instructors.

The whole aspect of the training has been to try and combine with the other detachments and Companies as quickly as possible so that amalgamation takes on its true meaning. We started with a social, the hosts being on this occasion Major Green and the Rushden detachment. Following close on this, Wellingborough played the host to Rushden and Kettering; quite an interesting evening, which finished off with a rousing skittle match. Our first training week-end had tank-hunting as its central theme, Tiffeld being the climax of quite a gory tank hunt. It has never been quite fathomed out how Sgt. Sambrooke's party was left behind—as though anybody could mislay Sgt. Sambrooke!

Camp this year was an ideal one in which the whole Company was split up with other members of the Battalion. Everyone without exception thoroughly enjoyed themselves. The mid-camp parade was very impressive, and considering the short amount of practice, the march past was an eye-opener. We were not quite certain who it was who was threatened by C.S.M. Tappin that if he did not keep in step he would cut his feet off!

On return from camp we were honoured to be given places in the Guard of Honour found by the Battalion on the occasion of the visit of the Queen to Corby. Capt. D. F. Hooton, T.D., as 2 i/c, headed the contingent from this Company.

We must end these notes by extending a welcome to any of our readers who may be passing through either Wellingborough, Rushden or Kettering to join us in the club for a drink or even to join us in our training; either way they would be certain of a very warm welcome.

"D" COMPANY

The changing pattern of the Infantry Battalion has probably affected this Company more than any

other in the Battalion. We have reluctantly dropped our title of "Support Company" of which we were all very proud, and now assume the role of a Rifle Company in the new organisation. Not that there is anything wrong with a Rifle Coy. role; it has its moments. It's just that from the very top downwards tradition dies hard, men adopt an inward pride and satisfaction in their own particular Coy. or unit; they don't take kindly to changes, and to rob them of their individuality is a mortal sin.

So "D" Company is reborn into the 4th/5th Battalion and gladly welcomes to its ranks Ptes. Curson, Kibble, Allgood, Jones, Hinton, Moss and Sallis. These newcomers are a fine example of the type of men we are only too anxious to find, and we sincerely hope their stay with us will be long and enjoyable. A most cordial welcome also to Capt. Philip Grimes, who joins us from the Royal Artillery. To the Gunners we must appear very odd people at first sight, but Gunners are adaptable chaps and Capt. Grimes has quickly got his bearings and settled in to this infantry routine. The same good wishes go to him for a long and pleasant stay with this Coy.

The Assault Pioneers have carried out some useful training with practical demolitions at a nearby farm, and the M.M.G. Section have given a good account of themselves on open range firing in preparation for the forthcoming Brigade and decentralised competitions. The Mortar Platoon, an enthusiastic young group, have progressed enormously in recent months. The lack of nearby suitable firing areas limits their practice somewhat, but sand-filled bombs have been fired at Grafham Ranges with marked success.

A well organised recruiting evening during June has proved very much worthwhile. Six new enlistments have resulted from this event with every possibility of a further half dozen within the next few weeks. We need this new blood badly, and a very determined effort is being made to enlist young men of the right type.

Bisley has again figured in our summer programme. C.S.M. J. Kelly, Sgt. T. Kilty and Sgt. J. W. Capstaff attended from this Coy. and though the overall standard of shooting was lower than in past years, they acquitted themselves well, with Sgt. Capstaff gaining fourth place in the Queen's Prize event.

H.Q. COMPANY

Annual camp presented, for many, an unconsidered role of the T.A., that of C.D. duties. Pendells Camp was excellent as regards accommodation and food, which compensated many of the more militant-minded for the possible joys of spending a couple of nights on Dartmoor or some similar Army resort, wet through to the skin on the more accustomed military manoeuvre. Anyway, we had no real casualties, left no one under the rubble and, once more, topped the barrack damage pole, the latter achievement not escaping the Company Commander's eye and, which everyone will be delighted to know, he will adjust at the next pay parade.

M.T. Section have been fully committed both at camp and on training, and there are special congratulations to the drivers from Companies who have fitted so well into the Section that they only see either at camp or week-end training. Well "mucked-in".

Our National Service drivers are no longer with us. T.A. civilian drivers now shoulder the burden. Sgt. Ellis has taken over as M.T. Sergeant replacing Sgt. Morffew, who has joined the Q.M.'s staff.

Signals Section have had a Battalion and Brigade signals exercise to cope with recently, embarrassing everyone with their ability to maintain communications throughout and eliminating by so doing all the usual unauthorised tea breaks and enabling the battle to be maintained at an unhitherto unexperienced frenzy. A long, hard winter is planned for the Section, together with a recruit signallers programme.

Intelligence Section have fulfilled their obligations on both our recent exercises excellently and have a very full training programme under way with training signallers playing a prominent part. We congratulate Lt. R. Pearce on his promotion.

Recces Platoon. The newcomer to H.Q. Coy. has been born with champagne cork-like enthusiasm. Full use has been made of the past camp period to get the foundation laid, and long recces into the Norfolk area have been made. An additional drill night per week has been put in by the platoon, this being basically spent at Oundle, where Capt. Hogg has unveiled all the "muscle" facilities as only he is capable. Casualties have been light there in spite of the assault course—range firing terminated by scaling the swimming pool wall and a final plunge. The spirit is such that one Lance-Corporal suffered a broken nose unbeknown to the remainder of the platoon. The following day he underwent an operation and reported for more the following drill night. The canoe project is going steadily, and use has been made of this "weapon" on several drill night schemes. Capt. Dowdy's enthusiasm and example in starting the new baby is very much appreciated by all, and when—as unfortunately he must—he leaves us in the autumn to take up a new post in Hertfordshire, he will do so with the knowledge that everything possible has been done in the short time available to ensure the future success of "Dowdy's Night Horse".

OUNDLE DETACHMENT

With stretchers, knots and bandages behind us we have concentrated on training with the S.L.R. under the capable eye of Sgt. Allen, his tuition and patient handling of the squad bore fruit when we had a shoot on the open range at Elmington.

Outdoor training has been varied and interesting with full use being made of the obstacle course and outdoor 25 range belonging to Oundle School. The full value of military swimming has been brought out in various periods spent in the spacious bath in the school grounds, most members have proved themselves to be competent swimmers under various conditions, and we have been pleased to have the company of other members of the Battalion on

several occasions. It might be possible to arrange a swimming get-together for the remainder of the Battalion during the school recess.

OFFICERS' MESS

During the first two weeks of May the Mess came into its own—our annual camp fortnight. A very pleasant Mess which was much improved by our silver and our two sets of Colours—the 4th Battalion and 5th Battalion Colours.

In the first week a lively Guest Night was held which went on into the small hours of the day. The guests who came were Brigadier F. A. H. Ling, D.S.O. (Bde. Comd.), Brigadier J. Lingham, C.B., D.S.O., M.C., Lt.-Col. F. R. Wilford, Lt.-Col. S. F. Saunders (School Commandant), Major J. M. Cubiss (Bde. Major), The Mayor of Peterborough (Councillor J. A. Savage) and Ken Parry (late "R" Bty.).

After the parade on the middle Saturday, which was rather more than warm, the Officers entertained the Sergeants' Mess to a pint or two which went down very easily, and the bar being run dry till the wagon arrived.

The Colonel of the Regiment, Brigadier R. H. L. Oulton, C.B.E., paid us a visit on the second Monday and had an informal dinner followed by the traditional visit to the Sergeants' Mess, which once more proved a most successful evening.

The second Guest Night started on the right foot by an excellent "Beating of Retreat" by the Band and Corps of Drums on the square. The Honorary Colonel, The Earl Spencer, T.D., Brigadier D. E. Taunton, C.B., D.S.O. (the Associate Colonel), Col. J. C. Denny, O.B.E., M.C. (late C.O. 5 Northampton), Col. J. T. Lewis, T.D. (late C.O. 438 L.A.A. Regt.), Capt. J. B. Akehurst (late Adjutant 5 Northampton), Major D. Mosley (a previous H.Q. Coy. Comd.), Lt. Taunton and Major Boe (brother of Major J. L. Boe) were the guests. After dinner the Band once more excelled itself with after dinner music and set the pace for a first-class evening.

In the near future we hope to remove the rather drab look about the Mess in Peterborough and give it an up-to-date look. Besides the Mess in Peterborough we now are the proud possessors of two more Messes, Wellingborough and Northampton. These are mainly used by the respective Company Officers, but are, of course, open to all officers.

SERGEANTS' MESS

For camp the Mess was at full strength. This was the first time that we have had a chance of really getting together since the 4th/5th Battalion came into being. Our new members have proved themselves to be first-class and are an asset in every respect.

On the 6th May we were entertained by the officers after the Battalion Parade. All members enjoyed themselves immensely, although a few of them had difficulty in focusing their vision on the football cup final afterwards.

We held the Mess dinner on Monday, the 8th

May. Thanks are due to Sgt. Elston for putting on such an excellent meal. After the dinner we entertained the Colonel of the Regiment, Brigadier R. H. L. Oulton, C.B.E., and the officers, the P.M.C., C.S.M. Ballard and the caterer, C/Sgt. Jarvis really put in some hard work; it was due to them that the evening was the success it was.

There have been a few changes since we last went to press. Congratulations to C/Sgt. Muir on his promotion. Sgt. Allen has joined us from the 1st Bn. 2nd East Anglian Regt.; he relieved Sgt. Shailes as the P.S.I. of H.Q. Company. We hope that he and Mrs. Allen will have a long and happy stay with us.

We look forward to our next social event which is the Mess dinner and dance to be held at London Road, Peterborough, in November.

To all members past and present we wish the best of good fortune.

BAND NOTES

Camp 1961 was most enjoyable except for the weather. Once again we managed to supply a playing band for the two weeks, and found quite a lot to do. This year we were able to play more to the troops by playing during their dinner hour at Epsom, which was enjoyed by band and troops alike. The second week we were able to put on a first-class "Retreat", due to the fact that we were able to go over the ground and practice every movement, which does help.

Since our return from camp we have played nearly every week-end at Corby, Rushden, Castor, Peterborough, and at the annual reunion in Northampton.

We wish to thank Major J. W. H. Green, T.D., for his very generous gift of a ceremonial sword for the use of the Bandmaster.

We welcome to the Band Mr. Edwards, and hope his stay with us will be a happy one. Our strength is now 31, the highest yet.

We wish Sgt. Allen, our new P.S.I., a happy stay in Peterborough. He has been a tower of strength on the flute and bugle in the couple of months he has been with us.

Bandmaster C. Holland, B.E.M., is getting used to civilian life and finds he can make ends meet after the Army looking after him for the past 32 years. His ambition is to get the T.A. long service medal. Good luck, "Chink"!

SHOOTING

Once again the battalion sent a team, under the watchful eye of Major A. A. Pilgrim, M.B.E., M.M., to Bisley to compete in the T.A.R.A. competitions. After a number of practice days on the local ranges the results promised to be good, but unfortunately the team's luck was not in, and they returned with only money prizes, amounting to about £15.

The team consisted of Major A. A. Pilgrim, M.B.E., M.M., Capt. P. Bryant, Lt. R. Pearce, C.S.M.s J. Kelly, F. Beales; Sgts. J. Kilty, J.

Clinton, J. Capstaff; Cpls. B. Lane, A. Watts; and Ptes. K. Palmer, K. Davidson.

In the "Queen Mary" trophy Sgt. Capstaff finished fourth out of 546 and received a bronze medal. His fine score of eight bulls, two inners, in the ten rounds snap at 300 yards deserves praise. Sgt. Kilty finished 24th. Both Capstaff and Kilty represented the T.A. 50 against the Regular Army 50. Capt. Bryant and Sgt. Kilty came seventh and C.S.M. Kelly and Sgt. Capstaff eighth out of 60 teams in the Volongdis L.M.G. Cup.

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During the last few months, training has been the order of the day.

The Corps of Drums have again had the honour of leading the civic parade on the occasion of Mayor-making Sunday. They also led the Northampton Carnival Parade and many are the tributes that continue to flow into H.Q. Their fame has apparently spread far and wide, and requests for their services have come to hand from as far away as South Bedfordshire. B.M. Hodgkinson is to be congratulated on his achievements with his fine band.

Congratulations, too, to R.S.M. Blunt on his promotion. We wish him well in his new appointment. We welcome 2/Lt. M. J. Smith to the unit. This young gentleman is settling down well amongst us and has already attended an Officers'

Training Course at Frimley Park.

Cadets from the unit much enjoyed a week-end at Junior Leaders' Regiment, and it is rumoured two cadets are considering joining.

Seven cadets are awaiting entry either to Army Apprentice Schools or Junior Leaders' Regiments, and we consider this is a remarkably good record.

Twelve cadets were successful at a recent Certificate "A" Board held at the County Training Centre.

As we go to press our annual inspection has just been completed, the inspecting officer being Col. Tryhitt-Drake, M.B.E.; he seemed pleased with all he saw, and we are now anxiously awaiting his report. Last-minute preparations for camp, too, are under way, and we hope in the next issue to report on our doings at Felixstowe.

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The quarter ending the end of June, 1961, has seen a busy time for the 2nd Battalion. On 5th and 6th June a Youth Exhibition was held in Wellingborough, and the Wellingborough Company under I.t. S. Bamford manned a stand showing the numerous facets of cadet training. Great interest was shown in this stand and I.t. Bamford's Company has increased in strength quite considerably since the date of the exhibition.

The 18th and 19th June saw a Certificate "A" examination at the C.T.C. in Northampton; there was great rejoicing in the Companies when the results were published—99 per cent of the cadets entered had obtained their Part I certificates. All honour to their respective Company instructors for the hard work that they must have put in on their cadets.

Since "R" Battery has been merged with the 4/5th Battalion our Kettering Company has had to change its affiliation; it is now affiliated to 104 Medium Workshop, R.E.M.E. (T.A.), whose C.O. welcomed them and promised all the help that he could give.

Kettering Company has a party of cadets working under R.S.M. Collier for their Duke of Edinburgh's Bronze Award; first aid and expedition have been passed and hobbies now are the order of the day.

We welcome to Corby Company S/I. Page, who has been serving with R.E.M.E. A.F.R. He is now helping S.M.I. Benn in "little Scotland by the blast furnace", and both are to be congratulated on the state of training in this Company.

R.S.M. Collier and S.M.I. Benn were both in evidence on the occasion of the visit of H.M. The Queen to Corby on 19th June. They were helping with the admin. by showing visitors to their proper seats.

The Wellingborough Town Carnival saw two entries from the A.C.F. Wellingborough Company entered a float but were unfortunately unplaced; Rushden Company under S.M.I. Wood entered a party in the "Smartest Cadet Unit" Class and the judges placed them first against considerable opposition.



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Army Cadet Force Stand at Youth Exhibition, Wellingborough, June 5th/6th, 1961



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