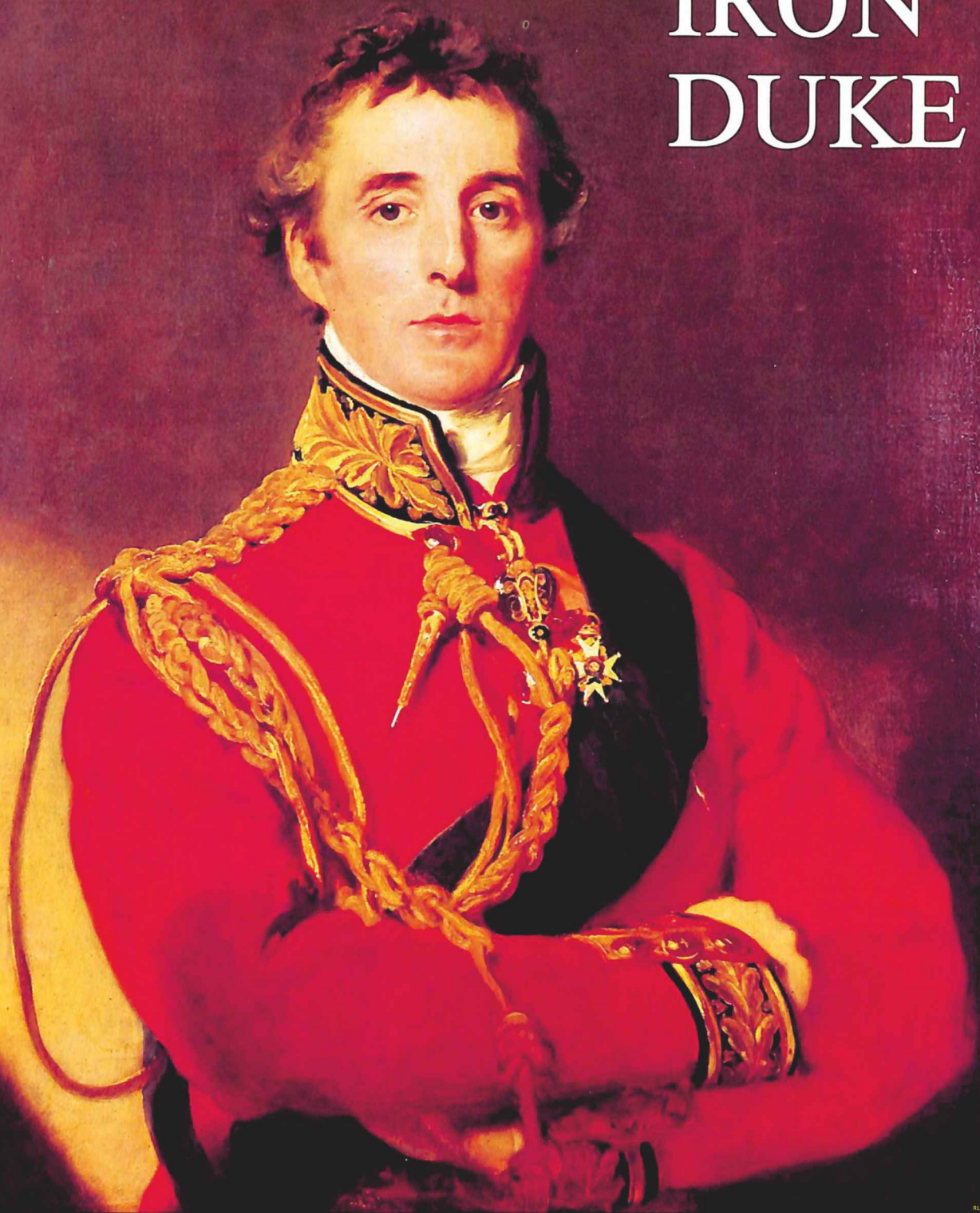


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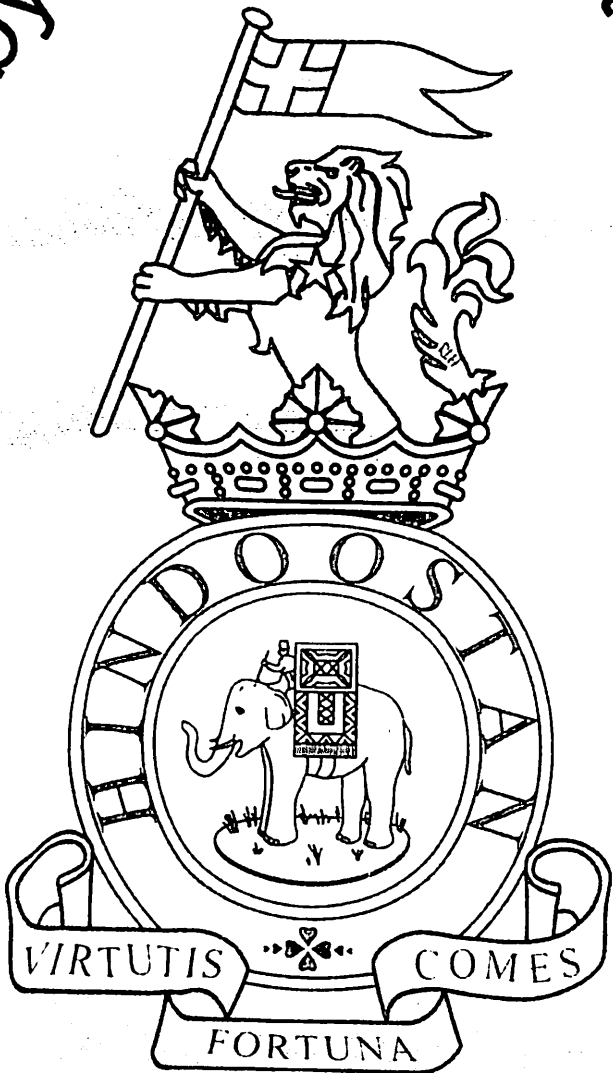
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**The XV - Winners of the Army UK Cup**

**1 DWR 9 - 1 WG 8**

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# Regimental Headquarters

## Regimental Notes

### ARMY RUGBY CUP

The final of the Army Rugby Cup was played at Aldershot on 18th March 1983 between 1 DWR (winners of the UK competition) and 21 Engineer Regiment (the winners in BAOR). The result was a win for the 'Sappers', with a score of 8 points to 4, after the game had gone to extra time.

The conditions were far from ideal, handling of the ball being made difficult by the very wet weather. Because of that the game was not a very exciting one, from the spectators point of view. The XV are however to be congratulated for their determined efforts, which so nearly brought the Regiment its 15th success in this competition. For the 'Sappers' this was their first win. We may well be seeing more of them in the future.

### LIFE PEERAGE FOR SIR JOHN TAYLOR, OBE, TD, JP, DL

Her Majesty The Queen has conferred a Life Peerage on Sir John Aled Taylor. He has taken the title of Lord Ingrow, and was introduced and took his seat in the House of Lords on 2nd February 1983. Lord Ingrow is Chairman and Managing Director of the well known brewery, Timothy Taylor and Co. Ltd., which is situated in the the Keighley suburb of Ingrow.

Lord Ingrow is an old "Duke" and was commissioned into the 6th Battalion (TA) in 1938. He served on the staff of HQ 49 (WR) Division in Norway in 1940, and subsequently saw service in the Middle East, Sicily, North West Europe and the Far East. Since the end of the War he has led an active life in both Local and National politics. Lord Ingrow has been a Deputy Lieutenant for West Yorkshire since 1971 and the Vice Lord Lieutenant since 1976.

### NEW YEARS HONOURS LIST

Major (QM) R. A. Tighe of the 1st Battalion received the award of the MBE, in the New Years Honours List. Also honoured was Captain M. G. Hutchinson, who received the OBE for services to the Order of St John of Jerusalem. Captain Hutchinson, who lives at Hampsthwaite, served in the Regiment in World War II and was one of those on the last ship out of Dunkirk in 1940.

### DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

London and Home Counties Branch: Dinner,  
Saturday 7th May 1983.

Officers Dinner Club: Dinner,  
Friday 10th June 1983.

Regimental Association: AGM and Dinner:  
Halifax, Saturday 22nd October 1983.

York Minster Service:  
Saturday 5th November 1983.

### REGIMENTAL TIE

Following unsatisfactory service from the manufacturers of the Regimental Tie (Universal Club Colours of Manchester), a survey of alternative

potential suppliers was carried out last summer. Filaspun plc of Bradford (professional tie makers of long standing) have now been nominated as the Regiment's official manufacturer of ties, the Colonel of the Regiment having approved the pattern and material. The Regimental tie can be obtained from RHQ at £2.00 (inclusive of VAT and postage).

### HISTORIES OF THE REGIMENT

The following books may be obtained from the Assistant Regimental Secretary at Regimental Headquarters.

(1) "The Duke of Wellington's Regiment (West Riding)", in the Famous Regiment series, by Major General James Lunt. Price £2.30 including p & p. This excellent small book records, in broad terms, the history of the Regiment from the raising of the 33rd in 1702.

(2) "The History of The Duke of Wellington's Regiment 1919-1952" by Brigadier C. N. Barclay. Price £3.00 including p & p. This book details the history of all battalions of the Regiment during the period of the Second World War.

These two books are the only histories of the Regiment that are still in print.

### HEADRESS - BERETS

In 1980 the Yorkshire Regiments of the King's Division, and the King's Own Royal Border Regiment submitted separate applications to the Army Dress Committee to change the blue beret to a khaki beret. The main basis of the submissions was that khaki was a more suitable colour for use in the field, more appropriate for the infantry, and would be distinctive from the majority of Corps wearing blue berets. These submissions were supported by HQ The King's Division, but were not approved by the Dress Committee, largely on the grounds that there was already on issue a combat cap for wear in the field.

In 1981/82 the Ministry of Defence conducted a review of headdress, principally concerned with a proposal to replace the combat cap, which was becoming increasingly unpopular and therefore hardly worn, with a khaki beret. HQ King's Division supported the idea. The Regiment has recently been informed that the Dress Committee has given approval for the Yorkshire Regiments and the King's Own Royal Border Regiment to wear khaki berets.

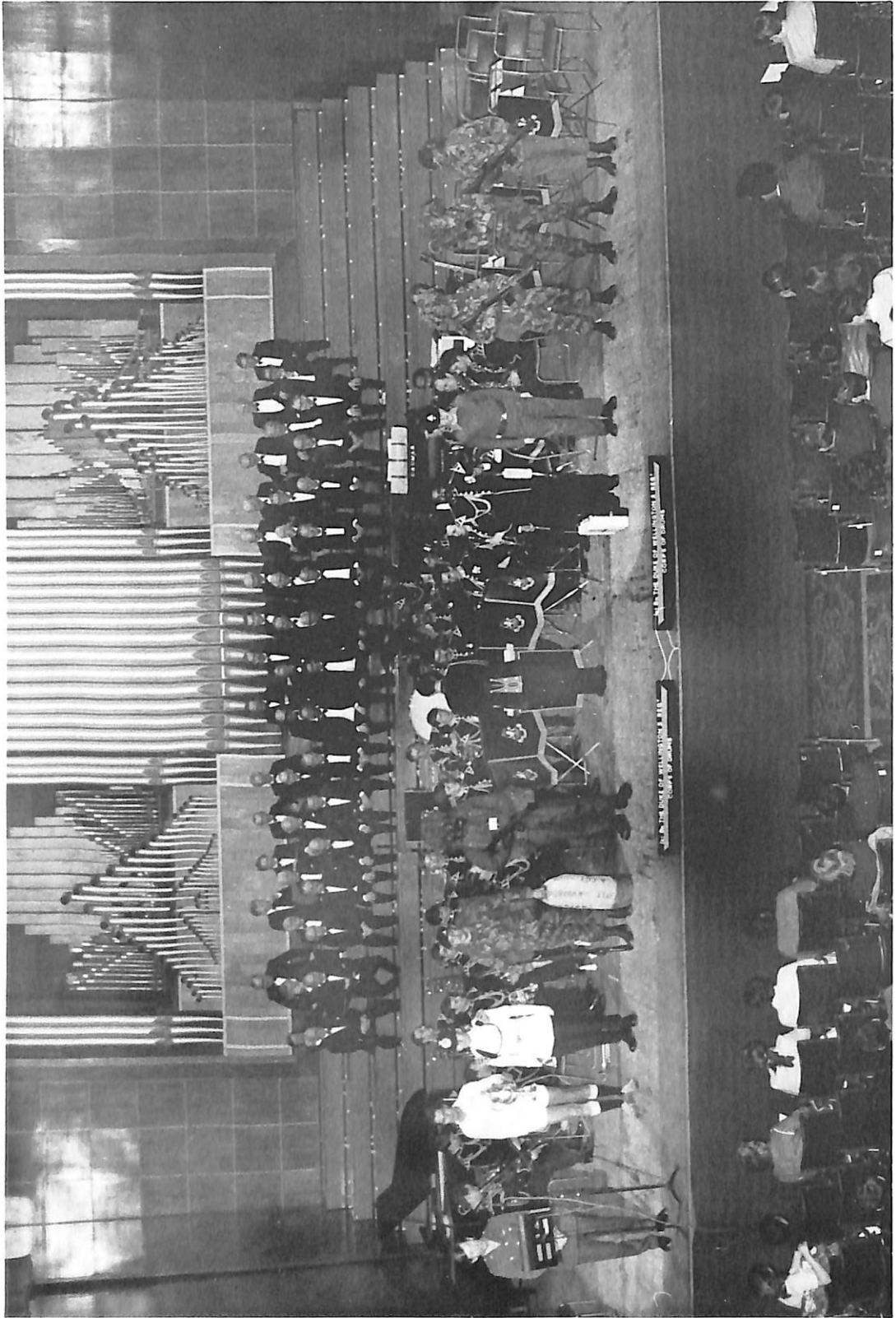
The Colonel of the Regiment has directed that all officers and soldiers who are not serving with the 1st Battalion will adopt the khaki beret at the same time as it is brought into use by the Battalion. When this date is known those concerned will be notified.

### BAND CONCERT, HUDDERSFIELD:

10th February 1983

Reproduced below are extracts from a letter addressed to the Officer Commanding the 1st Battalion from Lieut Colonel George Taylor.

"In my 83rd year I am delighted that I managed



**Band Concert, Halifax, 11th February 1983**  
The Band and the Halifax Male Voice Choir; with, (in front) members of the Battalion illustrating their life in the past year

with some difficulty the many steps to get me on the balcony of Huddersfield Town Hall to watch and listen to one of the most original delightful and impressive entertainments that I have ever been fortunate to witness.

The stage production, showmanship, playcraft and technology were superb. This could have been achieved only by an efficient, loyal and enthusiastic Regiment and for this I wish to congratulate you, the Band and the whole Regiment. It gives me tremendous pleasure to tell you that so many of us, who were in the Town Hall last night, felt very proud to have been members of the Regiment.

All the programme was tremendous fun. The Halifax Male Voice Choir made a splendid contribution to a most delightful evening.

The brass playing was particularly beautiful. I understand one brass instrument costs over £1,000 these days. In 1939 when the Territorial Army had been duplicated and the 4th DWR turned into Anti-Tank Gunners I went over to Halifax and bought from there for the 2/7th DWR the whole of their Band instruments, drums and bugles and scarlet uniforms for a total of £750.

Well done Dukes.

George Taylor".

#### "A BAND OF MUSIC" - a postscript

In an article in the April 1982 issue of the *Iron Duke*, under the heading "A Band of Music", it was stated that no reference to the Band of the 76th Regiment had been found earlier than 1870. A very much earlier reference has now been traced in the

Standing Orders of the 76th Regiment, dated 1807. The reference is in the section headed "Drummers". It read as follows:

"The drum major and the master of the band rank as sergeants in the regiment...

The drummers and band are particularly under the charge of the drum major, who is responsible for their conduct, dress and soldier like appearance; but he will not interfere with the master of the band, who must take charge of the band and instruct them in music, practising at least two hours a day".

#### CHANGES OF ADDRESS

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#### Change of Address - Serving members of the Regiment

The Business Manager keeps the printer advised of changes of address of serving members from lists he receives from the 1st Battalion. However sometimes individuals are posted to new appointments at the time the *Iron Duke* is in the process of being printed and despatched to the subscribers (ie in April, August or December). In such cases subscribers are advised to inform the Business Manager, at RHQ, of their new address if they wish to ensure prompt receipt of their copy of the journal.

## A NEW MUSEUM FOR THE REGIMENT

by

Dr Mike Blanch TD, Director Calderdale Museums Service

First established in 1921 at Wellesley Barracks by Colonel Trench, the Regimental Museum has moved home six times, finally arriving in Bankfield Museum, Halifax in 1960. Back in 1933 Major W. R. Whitaker wrote in the *Iron Duke* that his new premises (an old shed) "might also be termed an exhibit... We have got it equipped with various shelves and showcases, but lack exhibits to fill them". When the collections arrived at Bankfield however, this was no longer the case, for they had grown consistently and since 1960 have continued to grow. As the museum's new curator I am delighted with what surely must be one of the best regimental collections in the UK. What needs to be done now is to plan a total redisplay of the collections, for the exhibition still remains, with minor additions, much as it was when opened twenty three years ago. It is now showing its age, and is also very dated. Modern display techniques with graphic design, photostet labels, photography and visual aids are entirely absent. Material acquired in the last twenty years needs inclusion, and a new design brief could much increase public enjoyment of these collections.

The total display area is 200 square metres, in five rooms, the shape of which to some extent constricts flexibility. What I set out below is not a plan for the

new display, since that is the job of our professional exhibition designer; instead I list the design brief to which he will be working:

**The audience** The new display is to appeal to the general public visiting Bankfield, some 55,000 people each year in addition to members and ex-members of the regiment and their families. Most of these visitors will know nothing of the army or the Regiment, and they will begin with little interest. The display will need to stimulate them. Over forty per cent will be children, increasingly visiting in educational groups. The average visitor reading age is 12-13 years. For this reason long display captions and scripts would be wasted. Many will be visiting Bankfield to see the other ten major galleries and display areas (costume, natural history, toys, art, major temporary exhibitions, ethnographic spinning and weaving, architecture gallery etc.), and the new regimental gallery can reckon with an average visit length of about ten to fifteen minutes.

**Major themes** It is hoped that three major themes will run through the new museum.

1. The history of the Regiment from 1702, focusing on the major campaigns of the eighteenth century (Spanish Succession,

Austrian Succession, Seven Years War, American Independence, French/Napoleonic Wars) nineteenth century, (India, the Crimea, Queen Victoria's "Little Wars", Boer War) and the twentieth century (World Wars I and II, and the modern campaigns). Obviously the extent to which this is possible depends on the availability of objects. Although the collections are not strong for the eighteenth century in particular, it is thought nevertheless that this very important phase of the Regiment's history should not be missed, as it is in the present display.

2. The history of the associated Volunteer, Territorial Militia and Special Reserve Units from 1778 is to be integrated into the chronological displays above. At present they are separately displayed, and this new idea fits the current 'one army' concept.
3. A focus on the experience of ordinary soldiers in the major campaigns - recruitment, training, uniforms and weapons, pay and conditions, food, discipline, wives, life on active service, popular music, medical treatment, pensions and medals. This is a very comprehensive list of course, not easy to fulfil, and made more difficult because many of the items preserved are of officers' rather than other ranks' provenance. Nevertheless this is an important dimension, almost entirely missed in most regimental displays.

**Interpretation** This is a 'museum word' for how the display is to get its message across, and this is the professional responsibility of the designer. We hope to present many of the major campaigns as settings, incorporating the entire range of acquisitions from a particular period - putting together uniforms, equipment, medals and weapons. Within the setting will be a focus on the soldier's experience. Using lighting and audiovisual aids, we will hope in some cases to

"carry the settings out" to the viewer. For instance, a World War I trench display could involve the visitor in actually negotiating a trench, together with sound effects and contemporary song. Elsewhere we might use model dioramas. The whole thing would be backed with high quality graphics and photoset captions.

The cost is estimated at about £20,000 for materials and equipment, on the assumption that the museum uses its own joiners, labourers and design staff. About 43% of this may be available in grant aid from a government funded body. This leaves about £11,500 to be found by the Regiment.

It is hoped to begin with the work in the next financial year (1983/84), finishing in late 1984 or early 1985. So far only the initial design brief has been formulated, and there are bound to be changes. We would welcome suggestions from serving and ex-members of the Regiment and we are always open to receive more objects from the Regiment's past. When finished this should be a display of which the Regiment can be justly proud, one of the most modern displays in the country, carrying the museum into the twenty-first century.

#### THE ARMY MUSEUMS OGILBY TRUST

The Army Museums Ogilby Trust was formed in 1954 by the late Colonel R. J. L. Ogilby with the primary object of "promoting and fostering regimental and military tradition by the encouragement, equipment, care and maintenance of regimental and army museums". The Trust assists financially both in the establishment of museums and in the purchase of items for display in them. In the latter event grants are normally on a 50/50 shared cost basis with the regiment concerned. Since the inception of the Trust the Regiment has received grants in excess of £1,000 and has been promised a further £500 towards the cost of the re-design of the museum.

## GENERAL SIR THOMAS MUSGRAVE bart

**Colonel of the 76th Regiment  
From its raising in 1787 until his death in 1812**

The "Historical Records of the 76th Regiment" includes an appendix which lists the succession of Colonels and Lieutenant Colonels of the Regiment. The information it contains is minimal, the reference to its first Colonel, for instance is restricted to the words:- "Thomas Musgrave 1787-1812", which does less than justice to his career and achievements.

He was born in 1737, the sixth son of Sir Richard Musgrave bart, of Hayton Castle, Cumberland. He entered the army in 1754 as an ensign in the 3rd Buffs, transferring to the 40th Foot in 1775 by which time he had attained the rank of major. A year later he assumed command of the Regiment. He took part in the American War of Independence, greatly distinguishing himself at the Battle of Germantown during Lord Cornwallis's campaign before

Philadelphia. He then served for a period in the West Indies before returning to America where he became the last British Commandant of New York. After the peace of 1783 he returned to England and was made ADC to the King. On 12 October 1787 he was appointed Colonel of the newly raised 76th Regiment the recruits for which chiefly come from the Musgrave family estates in the North of England. The Regiment had been specifically raised for service in India and the Colonel accompanied them there though he seems to have served most of his time on the staff at Madras. He was promoted to Major General in 1790. On his return from India he was appointed Lieut General of the Royal Hospital, Chelsea, but went to Tilbury Fort instead because this did not require residence. He became a Lieut General



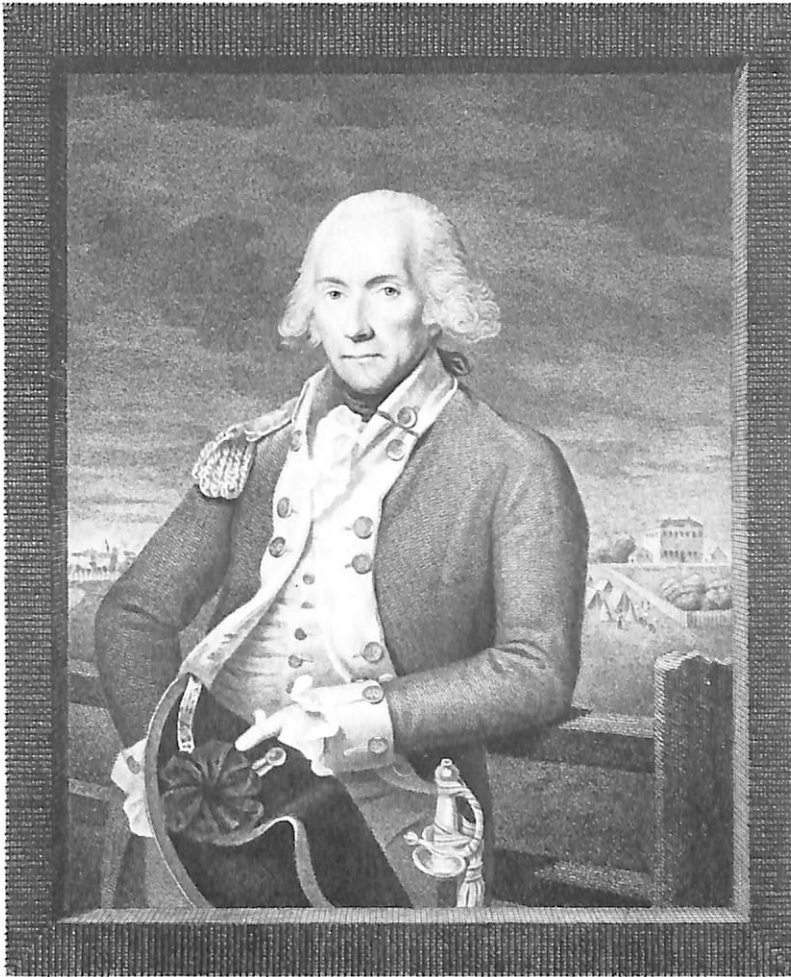
in 1797 and a General in 1802. He is described as General Sir Thomas Musgrave bart in the Standing Orders of the 76th Regiment, issued in 1807; but it is not clear whether he was created a baronet in his own right or inherited his father's title. He died on 31st December 1812 and was buried in the church yard of St George's, Hanover Square, in which parish he had long resided. At the time of his death the 76th Regiment was stationed in Kinsale, Ireland, where the Commanding Officer published the following regimental order:

"The Commanding Officer has to announce to the Regiment the melancholy intelligence of the death of General Sir T. Musgrave, who died on the 31st of last month. In him the Regiment has lost its first Colonel, and the Father of the Regiment; also

one who, during his lifetime, showed every disposition to promote the welfare and respectability of the corps. The Commanding Officer hopes that the Officers will concur with him in paying a slight mark of their regret, and respect for his memory, by wearing cape round their arm for one month, beginning on Saturday next".

The photograph is of a 1797 engraving of a picture painted in 1786. It shows General Musgrave in the uniform of the 40th Foot. The background portrays "Germantown in Pennsylvania", where he distinguished himself during the American War of Independence.

A.C.S.S.



LIEUTENANT GENERAL  
Governor of Gravesend & Tilbury Fort.



THOMAS MUSGRAVE,  
Colonel of the 76<sup>th</sup> Regiment of Foot

**General Sir Thomas Musgrave**

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# 1st Battalion

## COMMANDING OFFICER'S INTRODUCTION

I was recently sent a copy of the "Battalion-Rag" dated July 1916, the magazine of a wartime battalion then stationed in Bedford, by Captain W. T. Lawton of Huddersfield (Ex DWR) who had found it while cleaning out an office. The magazine, clearly a new venture at the time, is fascinating in the way it provides an insight into battalion life while waiting to move to France. The Editor, however, has the usual trouble and beseeches his readers to provide him with worthwhile material. Time changes little.

Our Spearhead duty during 7 weeks leading up to Christmas came and went without incident. Since then our attention has been focused sharply on Gibraltar. As I write the advance party moves in 2 weeks. Any period leading up to a battalion move is different. We have devoted the time to getting the maximum people away on courses, preparing the barracks for handover and saying our farewells. Perhaps I could just mention "en passant" how nice it has been for us in the Battalion to see so many past and present Dukes recently, particularly at our farewell concerts in Huddersfield and Halifax. Our sporting activities have increased in tempo. It would

be invidious to pick out any one sport. It suffices to say therefore, that very many soldiers have excelled at Rugby, Soccer, Cross Country, Boxing, Badminton, Swimming, Volley Ball, and (dare I say it) we are still in the Army Squash competition. Even the Windsurfers have been out in the January snow. It all bodes very well for Gibraltar.

It goes without saying that we look forward to Gibraltar. We go there with our eyes open, fully aware of the unique circumstances, but determined to make the very most of what should be as highly rewarding tour. We start thinking about coming back again at the end of next year, so we want to get on with it! In January 1985 the Battalion will form part of 1 Infantry Brigade in Bulford, with an emergency tour in Belize shortly after. It's an interesting thought that in the 3 years leading up to mid 1985 our soldiers will have been to Northern Ireland, Catterick, Canada, Germany, Gibraltar, Belize, and with reasonable certainty Spain, Portugal and Morocco.

Our next notes will reflect life in Gibraltar, which we hope will be sampled by many visiting 'Dukes'. Book early!

## OFFICERS' MESS

PMC  
Mess Sec

Major M. S. Sherlock  
Captain P. J. Harvey

Since the last *Iron Duke* notes the Mess Committee has changed completely, as you can see. The new committee took over the running of the Mess at the beginning of November and hands over after the move to Gibraltar. The dust had hardly settled when we had the first party in the Mess. Major Don Palmer masterminded the party, which took place on 5th November and the theme of 'Disney Land' was well supported by people dressing up for the occasion. By the end of the evening (I am reliably informed) there were still a few 'Droopys' and the odd 'Gropey' wandering around. On the 9th November the Colonel of the Regiment visited the Battalion, and was dined in by the Mess that evening. On the 24th November General Sir George Cooper (Adjutant General) visited the Battalion and luncheoned in the Mess. The December functions came thick and fast, starting with the visit of Brigadier McGuinness who followed his annual inspection of the Battalion with lunch in the Mess. The annual 'Rupert of the year' award took place on 13th December and Chris Smith was a worthy winner, helped by the padre and a good deal of 'horse trading' by the Sergeants' Mess. On the 17th December we had the final gathering of the year with the Ladies Guest Night, which carried on until 4.00 am on the 18th. The Mess and Mess Staff had a well earned respite over the Christmas leave period before we invited some past members of the Regiment to an

'Old and Bold' Dinner Night. The following guests attended, Col Cumberlege, Col Davidson, Lt Col Kavanagh, Lt Col Le Messurier, Maj Roberts, Maj Tedd, Maj McDonald, Maj Davis, Maj Kenchington, Maj Milligan and Capt Pickersgill. Also attending were the fathers of three serving sons, namely Wing Cmdr Harvey, Lt Col Bruce and Maj Preston.

On the 25th January we invited Col Mike Campbell-Lamerton to the Mess to talk about Gibraltar. It was an interesting and informative evening, which was much appreciated. Now that February is upon us, farewells are in order. We have said our farewells to Maj Gen Palmer (GOC NEDIST) and Brig McGuinness (Comd Tps NEDIST) and we have planned a Cocktail Party to say goodbye to everybody in NE District who have helped us during our time in Catterick. Our final Battalion function was a Steak Night on Friday 4th February which everybody enjoyed and it is hoped that more will be held in Gibraltar. Finally a note about the Mess Staff. As you have gathered the Mess has been hectic with a number of large functions. The Mess Staff have taken all this in their stride and they will do us proud in Gibraltar, judging by the standard so far. We say goodbye to Tony and Angie Redwood-Davies who move off to Belgium shortly, and welcome back to Mike and Kay Stone.

## SERGEANTS' MESS

Recovering from their 'Ranulph Fiennes' - like existence, the mess has lead a rather sedate life style since the Germany expedition, with the 'Rupert' saga starting a short, but frantic period over Christmas. The highlight was the excellent Grand Christmas Draw which was a credit to those Trojans involved in it's organization.

The move to Gibraltar is now foremost in everyones mind and it would be very tongue in cheek to say that we were not looking forward to the dramatic change in both duties and climate. However, we must extend our sincere gratitude to Yorkshire and in particular Catterick Garrison for all the assistance and comradeship offered through out our tour.

To say farewell to a single mess member is a sad affair but this next move leaves a large number of old friends here in the UK. Our thanks and best wishes to WO2's Geoff Harding, Geoff Cookson, Vini Pye, Bill Vaughan, John Hemmings, Eddie Craven and Dave Dickens, C/Sgt's Fred Kendrew, Joe Walker, Roy Arrowsmith, John O'Donald, Barber Hall, Tom Shadbolt, Sgt's Howard Mann, Les Davies, George Waterhouse, Windy Gale and Ron Barlow. To you we all say 'Au revoir' or in a more topical venacular 'Hasta La Vista'. To forget attached members would

be unforgiveable, so it's thank you and goodbye to S/Sgt Eddie Thurbin (REME), Sgt Cullingworth (REME), Sgt Tom Dooley (R Sigs), Sgt Terry Hall (ACC), and finally Sgt Rance (APTC). Good luck for the future wherever it may find you.

Welcome back to WO2's Pete Rawcliffe, Paul Grey, Dennis Exley and John Hogg, C/Sgt's Ernie Atkinson and Derek Dent. We also congratulate and welcome to the mess, Sgt's Mallie Turner, John Wrigglesworth, Sam O'Garro, Andrew Jackson, Scott Flaving and Ken Greenwood on their promotions. C/Sgt Keith Lister and Sgt's Don Campbell and Pete Williams are in Zimbabwe with the British Training Team (looking for Livingstone we presume).

The mess entertained General C. P. R. Palmer CBE, GOC NEDISTRICT during his farewell visit to the Battalion. Brigadier B. P. McGuinness was also entertained at a very enjoyable buffet lunch.

Sgt Pete and Karen Cullingworth are to be congratulated on the birth of their first child, a son, Ian. We must congratulate and welcome Linda into our midst after trapping (our last true bachelor) C/Sgt Terry Butterworth into marriage.

It only remains for me to wish all the mess the very best of luck whatever their future holds.

## ALMA COMPANY

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Sgt M. Connolly

**3 Platoon**

Lieut M. G. Tuley  
Sgt R. M. Pierce

It is always prudent nowadays to take advantage of any time spent in barracks. The past 4½ months have been no exception. Almost upon our return from BAOR and EX KEYSTONE we prepared for the Spearhead tour; but at the same time nominated the maximum number of people for individual training as was possible. In the event of being called out in the Spearhead role, all courses stop - and so there is nothing to lose. As a result cadres have been completed for JNCO and PNCO, our annual classification at skill at arms has taken place and individual upgrading is now up to date. Now that this essential annual internal training is completed we can concentrate upon preparations for handover and our move to Gibraltar.

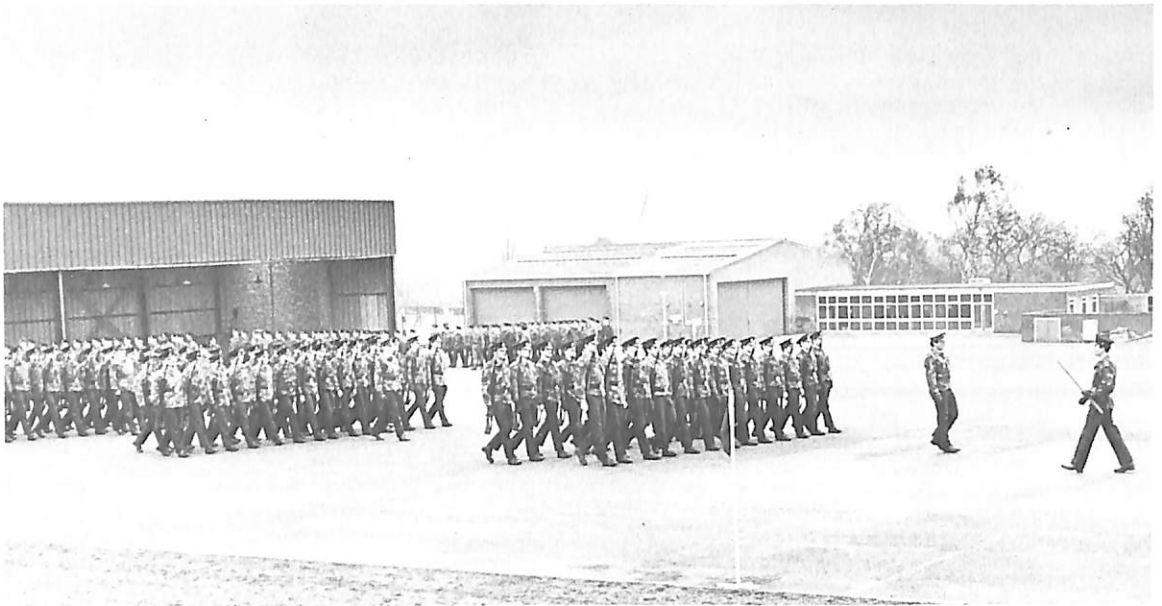
The cadres were spread over a period long enough to enable the instructors to consistently assess the students. Of the JNCO's, L/Cpl Emmitt, Rose and Sutcliffe did exceptionally well, the last named earning promotion as a result. On the PNCO cadres, Pte's Hosty, Davidson and Scott all did well. Overall it was a most satisfactory grounding for all taking part and a chance for the students to demonstrate the skills that they learned earlier in the training year.

Members of the Company have attended major

courses elsewhere. The CSM and Sgt Pierce have passed their Drill courses, Cpl Hargreaves passed Junior Brecon and Cpl Frear joined Cpl Dowdall in receiving a distinction at the JNCO SAA course at Warminster. Even as this is written Lieut's Tuley and Twelftree are 'enjoying' PCD on Salisbury Plain. All the corporals in the Company now have the proper course qualification required for their future careers, except EPC. This year in Gibraltar with a dedicated education centre, we should be able to complete their career profiles satisfactorily.

There has of course been a proliferation of qualifications required for Gibraltar. We now have boat and dog handlers, despatch riders, cavers, rock climbers, boardsailers; and so it goes on.

Before the recent spate of snow storms arrived in early February the Inter Company Competition was progressing well. After our success at the cross country in Canada, we managed, against all odds to win the boxing. Cpl Dowdall and Pte Adamson trained the side comprising of Pte's Bottomley, Lord, McKinney, Arnott, Block, Cpl Hunt and 2/Lieut Twelftree. McKinney was the outstanding performer of the tournament as far as we were concerned. After this success we had high hopes for the swimming.



**Alma Company on Battalion Muster Parade**

Alas Corunna forced us into second place with a powerful display but due credit to Cpl Hargreaves for organising a team which produced finalists of L/Cpl Brown, Pte's Goodall, McNally and Green. McNally was our outstanding swimmer. The Rugby competition is yet to be completed, a win over Somme would give us second place, whereas the football competition is likely to be postponed - as is the drill - until we arrive in Gibraltar.

Our shooting tradition continues. We beat the other rifle coys whilst coming third behind Hook and Somme. Birch and Davidson came first equal in the Battalion as GMPG pairs but were awarded runner up on a count back. Shooting will play a large part in our training in Gibraltar and also as a hobby. Small bore shooting is an excellent training medium and our

shooting team will continue to develop it's skills throughout the tour there.

At long last all the wives will get a well deserved place in the sun. Despite the rigours of packing and moving there is a feeling of anticipation in the air as we prepare for the Mediterranean. It was a hard year for those left behind, but as ever they have supported the Company magnificently.

Our first duty in Gibraltar is guards, what else, and then into ceremonial duties. The Ceremony of the Keys - the first for the Battalion, will be carried out by Alma Company and we are all very conscious of the effort required to make it an outstanding event. It will be, if the practice now is anything to go by. Until then - Hasta La Vista!

#### **BURMA COMPANY**

OC	Major J. R. A. Ward
2IC	Capt M. J. Stone
CSM	WO2 B. Sykes MBE
CQMS	C/Sgt L. Hepworth

**4 Platoon**  
Sgt M. Smith

**5 Platoon**  
2/Lieut A. Brear  
Sgt G. Walker

**6 Platoon**  
2/Lieut P. Lewis  
Sgt T. Woodward

"Spear" n. *A long weapon, with iron or steel point.*  
"Head" n. *The uppermost part of the body containing the brain, jaw etc, the chief part, place or person.*

These two definitions (from over 38,000 in the Chambers Mini Dictionary) together form SPEARHEAD. A word not defined in the dictionary. It may appear in a larger tone but not with

the meaning it held for seven weeks over last October, November and December. During that time the Battalion was ready to go anywhere at a moments notice. Burma was the first Company on leading element duty. This meant being at two hours readiness. On the practice call out the entire company, with support elements paraded within

ninety minutes of the notional balloon going up. Fortunately when the Battalion had a practice call out we were off leading element and had a relatively leisurely time, the last chalk not having to go through the movement control check point until approximately nine hours after being called in.

Although the whole seven weeks was a tense period, especially in Northern Ireland, we were fortunate and the word to go never came.

Concurrent with Spearhead, training continued. The company was responsible for running the fieldcraft and battle handling lessons and tests for a Battalion upgrading cadre. With over seventy men to train and test the company JNCO's had three weeks on the training area. Cpl Sutcliffe was half way to moving his quarter into a foxhole he was out so much.

With Spearhead and Cadres finished the company had a week in which to clean up and wind down prior to three weeks leave. The Battalion boxing competition was also held at this time. All company boxers acquitted themselves well. Special mention must be made of Pte Hawksworth who was the company's best boxer and Cpl 'T P' Stead, the best loser on the night.

Leave finished at first parade on the 10th of January. Burma started as duty company. The Sergeant Major returned from Pirbright ready to disseminate his newly acquired knowledge and wisdom to the eager masses. Sadly his plans went awry. The only person in the company who was not employed on duties was the No 2 Clerk. Drill was

cancelled, the poised pace stick returned to its corner unopened.

Looking forward, there are many changes in the pipeline prior to Gibraltar. C/Sgt Mortimer has already left the company for A company 3 Yorks as PSI. Sgt Elgar and Sgt Metcalfe leave soon for Warminster and IJLB respectively. Lieut Pugh moves to the Adventure Training Wing in Gibraltar as Chief Instructor. Cpl Smith 55 goes to Strensall with a third stripe we hope. We lose the Colour Sergeant to the Training Wing. The final departure is certainly not the least, the OC, Major Redwood-Davies MBE is posted to SHAPE in Brussels to take up a Staff Appointment. He will be missed by all. We who remain wish them all the best of luck in their new posts.

The new team coming in will be Major Dick Ward OC, Captain Mike Stone 2IC, Sgt L. Hepworth as CQMS and Sgt D. A. Campbell as Platoon Sergeant. We must also welcome back Pte Sanders as Coy Clerk after a short spell away in BHQ. He replaces Cpl Wallace who is posted.

Congratulations are in order to the CQMS and we hope Linda makes an honest man of him. Also to Cpl's T. P. Stead and Jesse James on promotion from L/Cpl to Cpl and L/Cpl Oroszlan from Pte.

Rumours to be confirmed in the next *Iron Duke*. Pte Sanders was behind the Watergate Scandal; Lieut Danilewicz's hair will be turned into Brillo Pads when its cut and the CQMS is in fact an eccentric millionaire book maker.

#### CORUNNA COMPANY

OC	Major A. D. Roberts MBE
2IC	Capt P. Wilkinson
CSM	WO2 J. T. Hogg
CQMS	S/Sgt T. Cooper

**7 Platoon**  
2/Lieut C. S. T. Lehmann  
Sgt L. Welburn

**8 Platoon**  
2/Lieut C. R. T. Smith  
Sgt S. O'Garo

**9 Platoon**  
Lieut J. C. Howard  
Sgt P. Elwell

One look at the orbat in the last issue of the *Iron Duke* will show you how suddenly the personalities in a Company can change. Lieut's Borwell and Bruce, two very experienced platoon commanders, have finally been elevated to the peerage (in fact to command the Mortar and Anti Tank platoons respectively). Good luck to them and thanks for all their sterling work for Corunna over several years. Sgt Morton has also left us, staying in the training wing before taking up the PSI post in Keighley on promotion. Finally, although he is still in situ, CSM Harding departs shortly and CSM (as he will be then) Hogg takes over. Geoff Harding has been an important central figure in the Company's affairs over the past two years. An extremely popular man with the officers and soldiers alike, he will be greatly missed not only by the Company but also by the Battalion. He is off to spend his last two years in Halifax. Good luck to him and Jenny.

Since the last notes, operationally we have had a blank period - for a change. Having prepared for Spearhead we were not sent anywhere, thank

goodness. The Spearhead period was therefore put to excellent use with Junior NCO's, Potential NCO's and Upgrading cadres. Corunna men did well, especially in the JNCO's Cadre where L/Cpl's Grogan and Walker gained instant promotion to Cpl by coming in the top six, Cpl Grogan being judged best student. Pte Roche gained promotion to L/Cpl and several others gained recommendations for promotion, in due course, as well as valuable experience for the future. Congratulations to them all.

After 3 weeks very pleasant leave over Christmas, the period since then has been devoted to preparations for Gibraltar, both drill and administration, and to sport. Never have there been so many professional sportsmen in the Battalion - boxing, rugby, cross country - all on full time training for various Army competitions. It will stand in good stead however for Gibraltar where sport is taken very seriously. Corunna's sportsmen have excelled in the Company Competition sports events, being runners up in the boxing and winning the swimming and



rugby. By the time this goes to press we might also have won the soccer. However I have to say that we can only report lots of 'might have beens' in the highly scoring military skills events of the competition leaving Burma as the likely winners. Next year will undoubtedly be our's!

By the time this issue appears we will be old hands

at ceremonial duties, having taken over the first spell of duties from the Staffords on 23 March. Apart from the dubious honour of being 'first on', we have the adventurous training facilities to explore and a whole new routine to look forward to, hopefully without the Catterick wind and rain which has been such a feature of this winter.

### SOMME COMPANY

OC  
CSM  
CQMS

Major M. S. Sherlock  
WO2 E. Craven  
C/Sgt M. Cuss

There have been a number of changes in Somme Company since the last set of notes. In early January the Assault Pioneers and Drums moved across to Hook Company, and the Recce Platoon moved to Somme. I would like to thank the Pioneers and Drums for the part they have played in Company life and hope they enjoy their attachment to Hook Company. I have to admit that I no longer have to check my chair or door in case a trip wire or detonator has been concealed there. I hope that the Recce have an enjoyable attachment to Somme and would like to welcome them on the Company's behalf. Also a

change in Company Headquarters Office Staff; we would like to say farewell and many thanks to L/Cpl Ashton, and welcome L/Cpl Bowes.

As I write these notes we are half way through inspections of equipment and vehicles. This is very time consuming but a necessary part of the handover which is lightened by the occasional sporting fixture linked to the Inter Company Competition. We came second in the rugby recently, but alas Somme swimming team must have had lead lined cornflakes for breakfast, and we came fourth! The platoon notes follow...

### MILAN PLATOON

OC  
PI Sgt

Lieut D. S. Bruce  
S/Sgt D. Dent

After a good Christmas leave the platoon have started to prepare for Gibraltar, which includes many periods of drill because of ceremonial duties we will have to perform. Nearly every morning of the week the Milan Platoon (as well as other platoons in Somme), can be seen on the Battalion Square practising the Convent Guard (a regular occurrence in Gibraltar), and the Queens Birthday Parade. After the drill periods, its back to cleaning vehicles and

preparing the accommodation ready for handover to the Kings Own Royal Border Regiment. Capt White has moved on to the Cadet Training Team at York, and Lieut Bruce has just taken over. He is now enjoying his Platoon Commanders course at Netheravon, and will no doubt come back with new ideas and useful tips. Sgt 'Fat Boy' Birks has moved to 3 Yorks and we welcome S/Sgt Dent, who has just arrived from Depot.

### MORTAR PLATOON

OC  
2IC

Lieut N. G. Borwell  
Sgt G. O. W. Williams

Life has been fairly quiet since the last notes. Spearhead duties tested the platoon packing procedures and a good deal of time was spent on the vehicles, making sure they were fit to fly or float; - then Christmas leave was upon us. Capt Harvey left the platoon to take over as Ops/Training Officer in Battalion Headquarters; he will have to find his beaters somewhere else now! Lieut Borwell took over at the beginning of January and is now thoroughly enjoying trapping his fingers and dropping bombs on his toes at Netheravon on the Mortar Course. S/Sgt 'Compo' Fear has disappeared to Halifax to terrorise

the West Riding while Sgt 'Tannoy' Thomson has moved to Company Headquarters as acting CQMS; it hasn't made any difference, we can still hear him. We must say farewell to Sgt Lofthouse who has left the Army, and Cpl Peace who moves away to the Depot shortly.

The vehicles and 'tubes' are now ready to be inspected and handed over, and then its drill, drill, drill! Finally we must congratulate Cpl Dwight on his marriage, and Pte Pinder who came top of the Mortar Cadre, and was awarded the Errol Pryce Shield.

## RECCE PLATOON

Pl Comd            Capt S. H. Dixon  
Pl Sgt                Sgt A. Walker

As these notes are written there is six inches of snow in Catterick - we are look forward to the warmer climate of Gibraltar! The last four months has been a rather mixed period with much of the time taken up with preparation for our move to the Mediterranean.

After Keystone we returned to Catterick to take part in all the pre-Christmas celebrations, and to embark on a much deserved Christmas leave. Since Christmas many changes have occurred within the platoon not least its move to Somme Company from Hook Company. The move has been to accommodate the Drums Platoon in Hook Company and to leave Somme with three specialist platoons. Capt J. Kilburn, Sgt L. Hepworth, Cpl B. Thomas and L/Cpl A. Kay have all left the platoon, and we welcome Capt S. Dixon and Sgt A. Walker in their

place. Marriages are occurring thick and fast, the latest being Pte Navis, Pte Hall and Pte Machen; to them and their wives the best of luck. Finally congratulations to L/Cpl and Mrs Barber on the birth of their baby girl, a sister for Natalie.

We are now within six weeks of departure to Gibraltar and much activity revolves around packing of boxes and handing over stores and accommodation. A much needed break was due to come in a weeks adventure training in Tywyn, but this had to be cancelled due to the water workers strike. However, in a weeks time the Recce Platoon drivers are all attending a conversion cadre to Ferret in preparation for Gibraltar. Our minds are now firmly fixed on Gibraltar and we look forward to an active and interesting time.

## HOOK COMPANY

OC                    Major A. D. Palmer MBE  
CSM                  C/Sgt C. Flemming

Company Headquarters - "An understanding of the composition of Headquarter Company is assumed" (This is one version of an acceptable military pomposity used in the interests of economy when describing the functioning of an organisation. It is also very convenient if the presenter is bone idle and/or does not understand what he is talking about).

HQ Company has a total strength of something like 300. With wives, we can muster over 450 heads! The numbers change daily for such administrative purposes as the posting in of rifle company offenders taking on strength other regiments' prisoners who, cannot be accommodated in their own over-crowded guardrooms, cripples awaiting suitable disposal, potential dog handlers, prospective butchers, budding sanitary NCO's not to mention CO's, Battalion 2IC's and Adjutants and things.

Then there are "The Departments". It sounds like Harrods you might think, but there the similarity ends. The semi-independant cells advertise their unstinting and loyal support to "The Company". "Come on Hook!" they all cry as we smash our previous record for the slowest time in the inter-company sack race. These hardy stalwarts, always bending over backwards to supplement the trustworthy heroes from the recce and signal platoons never quite manage to produce the goods. "Ah! Sorry we couldn't make the range you booked and provided rations, transport and staff for; but we had an issue of 600 left-footed socks arrive this morning and we need time to exchange 300 of them" or "Love to help old chap but one of my clerks has developed an allergy to duplicating ink, another is suffering from high blood pressure induced by the discovery that he can actually type with two fingers and the Adjutant's dog has eaten another".

As officer commanding and company sergeant major of HQ Company these unfortunate

incumbents are expected by the uninformed to know each soldier in the Company intimately. They are also expected to understand the individual skills of this varied bunch. Do you know how long it takes to roast three sheep, two cows and the Adjutant's dog? Can you estimate how long it will take to convert six trombonists to a passable standard on the Bulgarian bagpipes? How many field dressings do you think it will take to convert a casualty into an Egyptian mummy? Can you identify a useful purpose for a sleeping bag liner?

## SCENE ONE - THE COMPANY OFFICE

OC (enters)        "Good Morning Sarn't Major!  
How's the wife?"  
CSM (seated        "Not married, Sir!"  
and busy)  
OC                    "Ah! Pity! Still playing noughts  
and crosses are we?"  
CSM                  "No Sir, that's the ration roll!"  
OC                    "Oooh! Never mind. Good name  
for it what! You know... ration  
roll... bread roll... you know  
Ha! Ha!  
Oh never mind forget it".  
"Any change to the Company  
strength?"  
CSM                  "Yessir! 66 men posted out 68  
posted in, two absent and one out  
walking the Adjutant's dog".  
OC                    "Anything urgent for me?"  
CSM                  "Yessir, your coffee's going cold".

What about Headquarter Company in the field? Company Headquarters runs the Echelon. The Echelon? What's the Echelon? Good question. The dictionary definition quotes "A formation in which units follow one another but are offset sufficiently to allow each unit a line of fire ahead". In truth nobody

follows anybody and Company HQ is always in the line of fire. In practical terms Echelon draws all departments into a relatively close leaguer which discloses the secrets hidden in the security of their more isolated fortresses in base location. This is when the OC and CSM can identify the true colour of the leopard's spots. Echelon should be permanently deployed... command and control is much simpler. In spite of this brash statement of confidence nobody really understands how Echelon works. Smart study-period presentations only serve to bluff those who have never commanded this unique military medley. If Echelon functions inadequately OC HQ Company catches the can and if all goes well the QM receives a pat on the back and another medal. The CSM actually runs it.

Caring for the Battalion's administration and replenishment is the role of Echelon. Fuel, food and bullets are stock in trade **but...** you want postage stamps, a quick shower between company attacks, a trip for 50 to the nearest zoo when rain stops play,

quails in aspic served at stand-to... we'll fix it! We're a flexible mob... in the field. In Echelon too you can find that exciting element all commanders hunger for - challenge.

Cooking in the field for 130 after dark, wearing gas masks and without lights - there's a challenge.

How about finding petrol for 42 fuelless Landrovers when the nearest petrol point is being moved from its old location 40 miles away to its new one 60 miles away; in 10 minutes. Oh yes! On radio silence. Good Eh?

High standards of military skills and physical fitness are aspects of military life which are naturally key ingredients of any infantry commander's recipe for success. Headquarter Company personnel are no exception. Most of the Battalion's blind, 20 stone, 45 year old limbless gladiators are in Headquarter Company. Finding a company swimming team and coming first in the Battalion rifle meeting can be something of a teaser. Sometimes it happens though and that is really good news.



The Bandmaster hands over his baton at the Leeds Art Gallery, during the visit of HM The Queen to West Yorkshire

#### SIGNAL PLATOON

RSO  
ARSO  
RSGT  
Sig Pl Stores  
568 RLD

Capt S. J. N. Morgan  
WO2 P. V. Grey  
Sgt A. L. Jackson  
Sgt D. B. Fielding  
Sgt P. J. Dooley

As I write this piece the snow lies heavy on the ground and there is somebody called Ivan

Denisovitch outside asking if this is the right place for the Gulag Archipelago! Penguins and Polar Bears

find conditions too cold for them in Catterick these days!

However, all thoughts are now firmly on the sun kissed shores of the Mediterranean and days of idly browning by the good old rock of Gibraltar. However, the Platoon has undergone significant changes. We now have a proper ARSO WO2 Paul Grey waiting to go on his course, which may explain strange bleepings coming from the Sgt's Mess these days! We also have new NCO's in L/Cpl Harley and L/Cpl Barker who did very well on their potential NCO's Cadres. L/Cpl Harley also decided to take the plunge and get married along with Pte Savory and L/Cpl Wimbles. Our congratulations go to them all, particularly as this should ensure more income at the ladies raffle at the next platoon party.

Training has had to take a back seat since Christmas as we have got to get ready to hand over our equipment, vehicles and accommodation to 1 Kings Own Border. Before Christmas the Platoon was ready to deploy on SPEARHEAD but we did find time to get away on a HF Skywave exercise. This was a great success and gets the bitter taste of defeat over the UK/Canada link out of our mouths! It all goes to

show that if Infantiers do the job and not Royal Signallers all is well!

The exercise called NORTHERN LIGHTS II involved detachments going to Edinburgh, Colchester, Taunton, Brecon and Warminster. The detachments were very kindly put up by local Units. The RSO on the other hand had to freeze in a 9' x 9' tent up on the Yorkshire Moors in temperatures of 10° below! All stations talked to one another for virtually 24 hrs and we managed to establish communications just before the Commanding Officer arrived at the Control location!

Before signing off we must say a fond farewell to 568 RLD who, despite almost getting the RSO court martialled on several occasions, did provide a sterling service, made good coffee, and played a mean hand of Nomination whist. Our best wishes go with them and we will give them a thought whilst sunbathing, as they go down to winter in the Falklands!

We look forward now to taking over from 1 Staffords in Gib and we are busy getting used to Bombadier motorcycles and Larkspur radios. This could mean the next issue of these notes will describe the formation of 1 DWR white helmets display team!

#### 568 RLD

.....And so farewell!

I can say without fear of contradiction that this short but happy tour with The Duke of Wellington's Regiment has been, in the main, a hectic eye-opener (this is not a revolutionary new kitchen gadget), giving us all experience of varying value in many fields, ranging from lawn mower maintenance to video engineering.

For the majority of us the tour started almost immediately with your last "Op Banner" tour, which, thanks to the Regiments' efficiency and calm temperament, was almost a pleasure. Followed by Canada and Germany. We can only congratulate the Duke's for being so damn' good at everything they do.

A short note then, to say goodbye and thanks and to wish you all the very best in the future.

Finally... to whom it may concern.

ZULU TIME IS INVERSELY PROPORTIONAL TO THE NOMINAL WEIGHT RATIO VALUES AND SHOULD BE SUBTRACTED ONLY WHEN AUTHORISED AND PROVIDED THE CALORIFIC EQUIVALENTS REMAIN CONSTANT.

Good Luck,

Cetaweyo Dooley and his Assegai wielding bleeps, 568 Rear Link Det, ATT 1 KORB (doesn't sound the same does it?)

#### QUARTERMASTERS/TECHNICAL QUARTERMASTERS DEPARTMENTS

At last, a title that should keep everyone happy! There can only be one subject to open the *Iron Duke* notes, and we all know what that is, the award of the MBE to Major Tighe. Someone in London must have heard of his annual fits of depression when the Honours List was announced, and decided that he really ought to have one, if only to keep the peace! To be serious, no-one doubts for a minute that this award was well earned, and a hearty congratulations from us all!

Gibraltar is now no longer the light at the end of the tunnel, but right around the corner. Preparation for the HANDOVER of Somme Barracks is in full swing, and cap badges of the new Regiment seem to be everywhere. There is plenty of work to be done by everyone, and with thoughts of Gibraltar, the tasks are undertaken with an extra zest, knowing that soon we will all be in the sun.

(The TQMS has just asked me to let everyone

know, that he has worked very hard in Catterick [snigger] and would like to know why he has not been awarded the MBE to go with the BEM he has already). Army equipment apart, there are several other items which need careful inspection before we leave, beach towels for holes, flip flops to have remoulds fitted, and last but not least, brandy glasses for signs of wear and tear! (No names no Pack Drill [Capt Mike Carter]), who intends to tackle Gibraltar at a very sedate pace!

However, some of us are not leaving the UK. TQMS Dave Dickens BEM is leaving to man a market stall. He will be sadly missed, but he is certain to make a great success of everything he does and we wish him a sad farewell. S/Sgt Tom Shadbolt's back injury has caught him up, and due to being downgraded he sadly cannot join us when we leave, but our thoughts will be with him.

Congratulations are in order for Sgt Malcolm

Turner on his promotion to the Sergeants' Mess, not before time. At the time of writing, L/Cpl (Sam) Stoddart is away at London taking a course on the behaviour and management of Rock Apes and we wish him luck. S/Sgt George Sellars has now settled well in the Tech QM's Department. Only last week he was sighted behind the mountain of paper on his desk, a rare event.

Cpl Dickinson leaves to join the BOR and we wish

him well in his new job. Welcome to Sgt Verrall once again, (he likes to get a mention you know) and also Cpl Casey, the winner of the Company "Lack of Interest Trophy". Well done Pat.

To bring these notes to a close; looking back, Catterick has been a very successful posting, with many achievements by all. Yorkshire will be sad to see the back of us, as we will be to leave; but Gibraltar should prove another feather in our caps.

## DRUMS

Having moved yet again, we are back in Hook Company where we shall remain until after Gibraltar - Perhaps!

We all say a fond farewell to Somme Company and especially to the Anti-Tank platoon. If for any reason in the future they need a helping hand, they know that they only have to give a call.

Since November we have been working hard getting ready for Gibraltar, and the progress made by all the members of the platoon has been most encouraging. The culmination of all this hard work was the CO's Young Bugler's competition. The standard displayed was very high and many thanks must go to Sgt Holmes of the band who has been most helpful. Congratulations must go to Pte Christie for

winning the competition, and to Pte Ryder, who was runner-up.

The Platoon's thanks also go to Captain Richardson, the Adjutant, who has started a new tradition in the Drums platoon by presenting us with a Regimental Sash, which will be worn on all parades by the lead drummer.

We wish all the best to L/Cpl Shaw, Pte's Barraclough, Hillam, Johnson and Shaw who have been attached to the Depot, King's Division since last November on a drummers' cadre. They rejoin the platoon in April. The progress reports I have had back from the Depot have all been very favourable - so keep up the good work lads!

## REGIMENTAL BAND

Bandmaster  
Band Sgt Major

WO1 K. Taylor  
S/Sgt T. P. Byrne

The latter part of 1982 proved to be something of a Royal Occasion for the Regimental Band, in that we had the honour of performing at two functions where members of the Royal Family were present. The first was a dinner and dance held at the Royal Corps of Signals TAVR Centre in Liverpool, where the Guest of Honour was Her Royal Highness Princess Anne. This was the first function at which our newly formed Dance Band performed. From all accounts, they excelled themselves until the early hours of the morning. Our thanks go to Major (Baron) Emett, for his assistance during our visit to Liverpool.

The second Royal occasion, was the official opening of the Leeds Art Gallery by Her Majesty The Queen. The Band played incidental music before The Queen arrived, much to the delight of the vast crowd of onlookers.

On the 4th December, the Band gave a two hour concert in the Civic Theatre, in Halifax. We performed such delights as Haydn's Farewell Symphony, and Drummers Delight. The latter was greeted with rapturous applause and appreciation by all, with the exception of the local music critic.

The Band has made another record, the contents of

which we hope will cater for all tastes. However, you will not know unless you purchase one.

In January we said farewell to WO2 (BSM) Bill Vaughan, after some 23 years service. Bill will always be remembered for the meticulous way he always did things and his willingness to help any one and everyone whenever he could. Not least, he will be remembered for his somewhat varied rendition of that well known vocal 'The Fox!' All members of the Regimental Band wish Bill and his family a very fond farewell and much happiness for the future.

We welcome to the Band the following, who have joined us from various locations; Cpl Purkis from the Royal Military School of Music, Kneller Hall. Bdsm Pyrah and Young from Depot the Kings Division, and Pte Potts from the Signals Platoon.

We congratulate the following; Sgt Wigglesworth on his recent promotion to that rank; to Cpl Dyas on his award of the Long Service and Good Conduct medal and to Bdsm Cropper on his recent marriage.

And finally, we say farewell to Bdsm (Boss Hogg) Mears and Bdsm (Woff) Mason. We hope that they will flourish and prosper on the other side of life after serving some 9 years with the Band.

## RUGBY

OC  
Captain of Rugby

Major C. J. W. Gilbert  
Lieut C. A. Harvey

The majority of readers will have seen the UK Final at Aldershot or read the report in 'Soldier' magazine.

It was of course a match in the finest traditions of Army Cup. Two old adversaries whose mutual





Private Phillips wins another ball in the UK Cup Final

respect has grown over the years desperately trying to outwit each other. Some say the better side lost and the right side won. A fitting epitaph is perhaps that the 'Dukes' have a sterner and more mature pedigree when it comes to Finals. The composition of the team had a lot to do with it. All played their hearts out. The outstanding players were Sgt Williams and 2/Lieut Preston. The latter's early opportunist try was crucial whilst Sgt Williams, as ever, was an explosive ingredient of a solid defence.

Our rugby since then has continued with matches involving no less than three XV's. At this late stage, prior to Gibraltar, only the 1st XV have fixtures. These are part of the warm up for the Army Final. Having drawn with Doncaster and beaten Northumbria Police 25-16, matches have been arranged with Hartlepool and Hull and East Riding. Sadly we cannot fit in a match with Halifax.

A special mention must be made of those players who are consistently representing the Army. Captain S. H. Dixon, Lieut C. A. Harvey, Sgt's Rance, and Williams and L/Cpl Kay are all regular members of

the Army squad. 2/Lieut's Preston and Smith, Cpl Pooley and Pte Philips have represented the Army U21 and Pte Samerson the Army Colts. This is the pedigree we need, if we are able to continue our tradition. Our hopes for the future are high. The Cup Final team will contain 4 Combined Services and 7 Army Players.

The Battalion has reached the Final from a position, early in the season, of having gaps at Prop, Hooker, Second Row, No 8 and Scrum Half. We have a squad of about 18 players of note to choose from, of which 4 have been reared internally. This observation might come as a surprise to some, who imagine that we have a factory somewhere, that mass produces Campbell-Lamertons and Gilbert-Smiths. Whoever said small is beautiful was right about our rugby squad. It puts our feat into perspective and highlights again how fortunate we are with the likes of C/Sgt Cuss, Captain Peter Robinson and Major Don Palmer.

## FOOTBALL

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Major A. D. Roberts MBE  
WO2 B. W. Sykes MBE  
C/Sgt B. Hey

Since our last notes the soccer squad has made good progress in the Yorkshire Services League with the First XI lying second in the Premier Division and the Second XI lying second in the Second Division.

It was encouraging to have "Track Pad" Stead and "Pious" Clarke recalled for another game with the Army B team.

In cup competitions the 1st XI are through to the semi-finals in the league cup and are yet to compete in the challenge cup for the Yorkshire Services League.

Considering the Battalion's commitments over the closing months of the tour, it is fair to say that a lot has been achieved. We now wait to see the standard of the opposition in Gibraltar.

## BOXING

Boxing Officer  
Boxing Coaches

Capt M. J. Stone  
Cpl Chapman  
L/Cpl Lindsay

During the period since the last *Iron Duke* notes there has been a tremendous upsurge of interest in boxing. The inter company tournament (won by Alma Company) revealed so much talent, that it was decided to enter teams for both the Inter Unit Novices and Inter Unit Intermediate Competitions. A squad of 25 came back from Xmas leave a week early, to begin to work off the effects of the festivities and get 'boxing fit'.

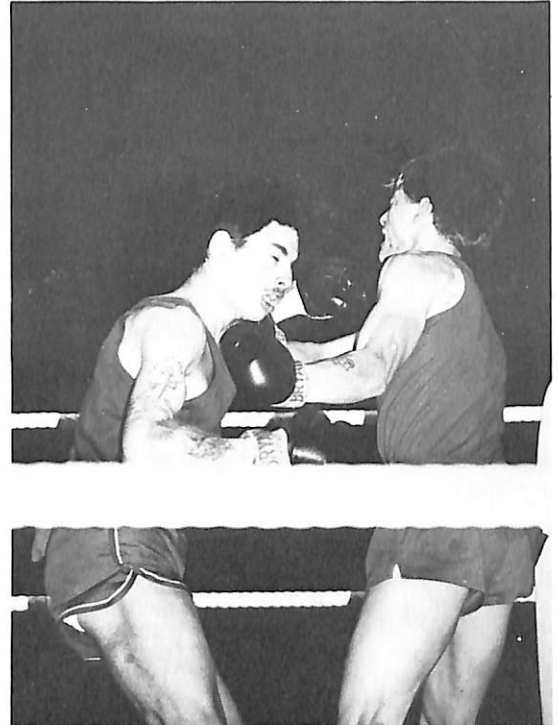
The first tournament we faced was against 2 LI for the North East District Novices title. 2 LI fielded a good team, but despite being 4 bouts to 2 down at one stage, we pulled through and took the tournament by 5 bouts to 4.

We were now in the UK novices semi-final. Unfortunately the toss went against us and we had to travel to Palace Barracks Belfast, to face 3 RRF. The team was fit and there was no problem making the weights. Unfortunately, despite a 100% effort by all the team, we were beaten by 6 bouts to 3. We were particularly unlucky at light heavy-weight, where Pte Ronnie Teal suffered a badly cut eye from a clash of heads, having been in a commanding position.

The squad was obviously disappointed, but there was no time to mope as a week later we were to face 2 R Anglian in the UK semi finals of the Intermediate Competition. Training had a new impetus and there was an obvious determination to do well. In the event it was an extremely hard and entertaining tournament which we lost by 6 bouts to 3. The team was initially very disheartened, especially after a questionable majority decision against Pte Juma at light heavy weight. However a weeks leave and the prospect of tournaments against the Royal Navy ships visiting Gibraltar, soon raised morale.

All in all we had an extremely profitable season and have been unlucky not to make the UK finals in both

Novices and Intermediate classes. The experience however, will stand us in good stead for the future.



Private Block ('A' Company) takes it on the chin from Private Lewis ('C' Company)

## CROSS COUNTRY

The seeds for this years cross country team were sown during the Battalion Cross Country Competition, run in Canada last July. Based around the top twenty or so in that race a squad was formed, which has run in the Northern League against the Civil Service, the Police and other Army units; but

has its sights set on the Army Cross Country Championship.

The inspiration for the squad has come from L/Cpl Chris Jones of the Band, a class athlete, who won the Battalion Cross Country in style and has since produced many notable performances - 1st in the



Lance Corporal Jones competing in the Northern Zone Cross Country. He came 3rd

Caringwols half Marathon in one hour seven minutes, for example. He has given up much of his time and sacrificed some of his own ambitions for the sake of

the team. We wish him luck on his posting which will allow him to remain in the UK and make his mark in Army Athletics.

The Northern League is still in progress. At the moment we are either 3rd or 4th to Civilian Clubs and should end up as the best placed Military team.

In the Army Championships we qualified for the finals by coming 2nd to 1 Royal Irish in the Northern zone on a very hard windy course in Catterick. That in itself was an achievement, something the 'Dukes' have done only once before in the last twenty years to our knowledge. In the finals at Aldershot on 16 February, 14 major units were present and on a very fast flat course we came 10th. Bearing in mind the finalists were drawn from several hundred major units eligible this was a very creditable result. However, the standard of the winners 3 Para and runners up 1 PWO is a long way off. Our intentions now are to expand on the present squad and to tackle the road racing in Gibraltar seriously, in the hope of a genuine challenge at the Army Championship in three years time.

Those who have regularly represented the Battalion include Major Roberts, Cpl's Taylor and Grogan, L/Cpl Jones, Pte's Scott, Proctor, Bottomley, Fowler, Maloney, Howarth, Devanney and Kennedy.

### BATTALION PISCATORIAL SOCIETY

Fishing Officer

Major M. S. Sherlock

With so many exercises and leave there has not been much chance for the Isaac Waltons of the Battalion to shine. The more adventurous members managed 'to get a bit in' during Canada training, but apart from that there is sadly little to report. Flooded rivers, high winds and empty keep nets have been the order of the day, I'm afraid, with many hardened anglers ending up in the nearest public house. There are still a number of stories about 'the one that got away' but I'm not sure at this stage whether we are talking about barmaids or fish!

However, the annual match was fished at Boroughbridge in late January, and you've guessed

it, high winds, floods and almost empty keep nets. Cpl Basu walked away with the trophies having caught one roach and an eel, L/Cpl Herd came second with one dace and we had to draw lots for the other prizes. L/Cpl Mitchell was matchman of the year (only because he was seen on the river bank more times than anybody else). We are now packing up the rods and reels ready for Gibraltar, with the promise of shark fishing and deep sea angling. The next *Iron Duke* notes will no doubt be full of the sharks and deep sea monsters that got away, with some photographs to prove it.

### WO2 J. HEMMINGS

WO2 John Hemmings was born on 26 January 1931. He enlisted into the army as a National Serviceman in May 1949. He joined the 5th Royal Horse Artillery and completed his 2 years National Service with them on 20 May 1951. WO2 Hemmings then joined the TA at Halifax. He served with them from 1951 to 1963 serving with 382 Anti-Tank Regt (DWR), 382 Fd Regt (DWR) and 382 Med Regt (DWR). In 1960 382 Fd Regt (DWR) changed to the West Riding Battalion (TA) and was known as the 'Ever Readies'. They were the first TA unit to serve with the regulars in BAOR. In 1963 WO2 Hemmings left the TA to take up regular service. He enlisted into the Yorkshire Brigade Depot and joined 1 DWR in July 1963 as an acting Cpl. Since that time he has

served in UK, BAOR, Canada, Cyprus, Northern Ireland, Norway, Denmark and Hong Kong. WO2 Hemmings has been awarded the UN Medal, Northern Ireland Medal, and the long service and Good Conduct Medal. During his service he represented the Battalion on numerous occasions on the rugby field and has 4 Army Cup Winners Medals to his credit. WO2 Hemmings now leaves the Army after a total of 34 years service; 2 years National Service, 12 years with the TA and 20 years with 1 DWR.

We would like to take this opportunity to say farewell to WO2 Hemmings, his wife Iris, and his three sons, Paul, David and John and wish them all well for the future.

### EXERCISE "DEEP DALE"

With Gibraltar looming nearer each day, the Battalion is in the throes of getting people qualified as instructors for adventure training activities.

One of the 'On Rock' sports is caving. For this reason Lieut Danilewicz took Pte England 01 (B Coy) and Pte Lyons (Mt Pl) on Ex Deep Dale, a two week caving course in the Yorkshire Dales National Park.

The party was well equipped with a Land Rover and rations from Somme Barracks and departed with a heap of ladders, ropes and lamps and wetsuits on the 11th of January. The day was spent travelling and settling in at Greenclose House, near Ingleton. This is a cottage owned by the Northern Pennine Club, one of the foremost cave clubs in the country and which was to be our home for the next two weeks.

Caving started the next day. We changed in to wetsuits at Greenclose and then drove to Selside in Ribblesdale to "do" Alum Pot. This is an impressive shaft 240 ft deep. We descended via Long Churn Cave which meant the longest ladder pitch we faced was fifty feet. From the foot of the first pitch we walked out into the magnificent open pot, about half way down. Unfortunately we were unable to descend to the bottom because of a volume of water cascading in from the surface. Nonetheless the trip was well worthwhile.

During the following two weeks, a total of fifteen cave systems of varying complexity were explored. These included Ingleborough Cave, a show cave open to the public; but with over two miles of passages beyond the show cave which is only accessible to 'bona fide' cavers. One day was spent in the Gaping Gill system which contains over nine miles of passages and the largest cavern in Britain - 460 ft long, 110 ft high and 90 ft wide, dominated by a 360 ft high column of water and light entering down the Gaping Gill main shaft.

Another day was spent at Whernside Manor Cave and Fell Centre where rope ascending and descending skills were practiced.

The final day of the exercise was the day of the Commanding Officers visit. The weather was beautifully bright, dry and calm. We met the CO at Horton-in-Ribblesdale and then moved to Birkwith on the flanks of Pen-y-Ghent. Here we changed and prepared for a through trip from Browgill Cave to Calf Holes. With the CO was Major Sherlock who was also 'Game for a Laugh'. Even L/Cpl Lloyd the CO's driver could not escape. The trip took about two hours and was enjoyed by all and especially the flask of coffee afterwards. The CO then visited Greenclose prior to returning to Catterick.



Exercise 'Deep Dale'. Practising rope techniques at Whernside Manor. Lieut Danilewicz instructing. Pte England learning

After the visit we packed our kit and in the gathering gloom returned to Catterick. Both Pte England and Pte Lyons are now qualified Unit Caver Leaders after quite a demanding course. We now look forward to the caves of Gibraltar.

We would like to thank the following without whom much of the benefit of the exercise would have been lost. The Northern Pennine Club for the use of their accommodation, Inglesport for use of equipment, Oxford University Cave Club for free use of ladders and ropes, Whernside Manor for free use of specialist equipment, all the landowners and tenants who allowed us to roam at will about the fells and last but not least the Cave Rescue Organisation who allowed us to visit their Clapham Depot and were always there if they were needed.

C.J.D.

## The "Rock" and the Regiment

Gibraltar is essentially a fortress. It is a living museum of defensive architecture; but it is not ideally suitable for habitation. The efficient Romans left it alone and set up their camp in comfort in Carteja nearby. It is however highly defensible as was proved by the Moors, the Spanish and the British Army of Queen Anne and the Georges. The local population in 1705 was some 30 traders and merchants and a

priest; from then on "the Trading Post" lived and thrived in the lee of the "Fortress". Now perhaps the wheel has turned full circle, but it is important today, as it ever was, that the soldiers and the citizens live side by side in the friendly way which is such a very pleasant local tradition.

I spent twelve years in Gibraltar between 1953 and 1977 and even a dull fellow such as I became deeply



engrossed in its history. As one walks about the Rock, drives over it, or sails round it, it is impossible not to think of those earlier soldiers. Just to read a diary of the great Siege brings every well known feature, building, and fortification vividly to life. Now that the Regiment is embarking on its fourth visit to the Rock one cannot help contemplating those previous tours of duty.

### 33rd Regiment 1836-1841

The 33rd did not make an appearance on the Rock until 1836. The following extracts from the letters of Captain H. W. St P. Bunbury 33rd Regiment, written from Gibraltar to his father Lieutenant General Sir Henry Bunbury, bart in 1840 and 1841, provide an intriguing glimpse of garrison life at the beginning of Queen Victoria's reign.

"I told you before of the Sardinian prince whom we had here for some time, and since then we have had no visits from Lions until a week ago when Lord Keane arrived, and, the 33rd being a favourite regiment of his formerly in the West Indies, and Colonel Knight a great friend of his, he dined at our mess with all his party. It caused not a little crowd and trouble as there were some eight or ten people at dinner more than our mess room can comfortably hold. However, it all went off uncommonly well. I sat President, and marvelled much at the prodigious quantity of claret some people could hold, but, as I wished not to make a late sitting of it, I passed the bottles at a pace that was too good to last long, and we broke up at about eleven".

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"Tomorrow or the next day, please the Garrison orders, I am going with Vernon (Captain G. A. Vernon 33rd Regt) in his yacht across to Cueta and Tetuan, and, if time and wind permit, some way further along the Barbary coast, but we cannot be away more than three or four days at the most. I much fear that I shall not be able to see Granada, or even Cadiz or Seville, as our stay here is very uncertain, and at this season when officers have always been allowed to travel, having done with field days and inspections, until the end of the summer, we are this year refused leave by the Governor, in consequence of the Home Government having notified to him that Prince Ernest is coming to visit the Garrison, and that troops must be held in readiness to be reviewed, and drilled for his amusement. He is now in Lisbon, and we do not know when he means to come; whenever he does he will meet with no love or any pleasant looks in this garrison. We should all have been most pleased to turn out for Lord Keane, but he, like a sensible man, would have no field day, and only saw his favourites the 33rd on their own parade. It is really too bad for all officers to be detained for weeks in the Garrison in the hot weather, the regular season for leave, for a man who very likely will not come at all, and, if he does, is quite unable to tell if we are good soldiers or bad ones".

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"I live very quietly here, and although our mess is rather expensive, I find I do not spend much above £25 a month, which enables me to save about £100 a year to pay off debts. I keep but one pony, who is very strong, quiet and useful. He cost me £12; I won five

with him at a race, and then saved two more by riding him to Ronda instead of hiring a hack, so that he now only owes me five pounds, which I have no doubt I shall soon get out of him".

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"You ask me about our destination, but we cannot know until we arrive at Barbadoes, where General Maisters has power to send us where he pleases, but I know that he has had a hint from the Horse Guards to give us a good station. We flatter ourselves that we shall be kept a year at Barbadoes, as the 81st were when they went on from here.

For some days I have heard nothing but praises of our officers and of their appearance at the Governor's ball. The ladies declare they are the best dressed, best looking, and most gentlemanlike people here, so they will be as sorry to lose us as some, or even most, of us are to leave them. I hope the Regiment will keep up it's good name, but I fear that four years in the West Indies will make a woeful change". (1)

The Governor Lieut General Sir Alexander Woodford, also has a high opinion of the 33rd, though for different reasons to that of the ladies. On 4th February 1841 the following Garrison Order was issued:

" Headquarters  
Gibraltar  
3th February 1841

The Headquarters of the 33rd Regiment having embarked this morning, Lieut General Sir Alexander Woodford KCB takes leave of the Regiment with great regret.

During the whole period of its Service in this Garrison its Soldierlike Conduct and good example have merited his warmest commendations.

The Lieut General has not failed to report his opinion of the efficient state which the 33rd Regiment has attained under Lieut Colonel Knight and he desires to assure that Officer, and the officers and soldiers under his orders, of the interest he will always feel in their welfare, prosperity and honour".

"Lions" were distinguished visitors and during the next two years the Battalion will find that "visits" are still a feature of life - usually interesting, and enjoyable, but not always. Some members of the Battalion will have married quarters at Europa. Many of these have been constructed on the sites of old batteries of which only the names remain recorded on the walls along the cliff edge. Woodford Battery is one of these, named after the Governor who thought so highly of the Regiment in 1841.

(1) Captain Bunbury was more correct than he would have wished when he referred to the woeful changes that would take place after four years in the West Indies. In fact the 33rd served only two years; but in that period lost 6 officers, 21 NCO's and 135 dummies and privates (a total of 162) due to the ravages of yellow fever. One of the first to die was the much respected Commanding Officer, Lieut Colonel Charles Knight. He had been given leave to return to UK, but in the words of the Digest of Service of the 33rd... whilst awaiting the Packet... "the Colonel sinking under the encroachment of his disease, expired on the 21st of July..."



### The 1st Battalion 1922-1923

The 1st Battalion was on the Rock again between April 1922 and February 1923 and in the *Iron Duke* of Autumn 1975 Colonel Ben Sayers gave a lively account of what life was like in the twenties. HQ and two companies were in South Barracks, the remaining two companies being in Casemates. The Officers Mess was in South Barracks just above the parade ground and all officers messed there.

"In those days we were free to go in and out of Spain as we pleased. There were no restrictions and ferries ran regularly between Gibraltar and Algeciras. Both the golf course and polo ground were located in the Campo area.

The old racecourse, rugger and football grounds and possibly the rifle range have been replaced by the aerodrome. In addition, there was a riding school and our horses were regularly schooled there. The races which took place three or four times a year on Sunday afternoons were great social occasions. Everyone went.

Polo was played two or three days a week during the season, and I can now see the long string of ponies emerging from South Barracks led by Freddie Wellesley, and behind Hugh Fraser, Duncan Paton, Basil Owen, Babe Webb-Carter, Cocky Haslock, Oscar Westmacott, myself and a string of grooms. All had to be there at the appointed time. Slowly we followed obediently for six miles to the polo ground.

During the winter we hunted with the Calpe, which met once or twice a week. Often we hacked 10 to 14 miles to the meet, returning after 30 or more miles in the saddle. I remember one occasion when 'Babe' Webb-Carter and I walked our ponies back through Gibraltar; they were completely tired out. I think we rode at least 40 miles that day. The barbs did us well.

Bull fighting could also be seen at San Roque, La and Algeciras for those who cared for it.

Existent at the casinos at Algeciras and elsewhere were the gaming tables for those who liked an occasional flutter. Quite a number of us enjoyed the hospitality of Capt Longhurst, then the King's Harbourmaster, which enabled us to make the trip to Algeciras in his launch, returning late in the night when the frontier gates were closed.

One of the most delightful bathing spots was Sandy Bay, as it was known then, which could only be approached through the tunnel which ran underneath the Rock from west to east, for which permits were required. I understand this side of the Rock has been developed and commercialised and that flats and hotels now exist there. Small bathing parties of four or five can no longer be the order of the day.

When the Fleet was in, the harbour was completely filled with big and little ships. The ill-fated Hood and Repulse, the battle squadron cruisers, destroyers, submarines, all added gaiety to the social life.

We are also able to enjoy many other activities: sailing, hockey, tennis, rackets. I wonder if the Rackets Court, which adjoined South Barracks, is still kept in repair? Duncan Panton and I had many enjoyable games.

I was also cajoled by John Scott to play water polo for the Battalion against the Navy, a very strenuous game. One push under and you never came back! I just managed to survive.

The annual race to the top of the Rock and back to the racecourse for the Hoare Cup was also an important event. This was a team event and well worth the effort. I once took part in the race, but was pipped at the post. Is the race still run?

One very rare event occurred whilst we were in Gibraltar. The troopship carrying the 2nd Battalion to Egypt called at the Rock either 'by chance' or 'arrangement', enabling the two battalions to meet".

### The 1st Battalion 1953-1955

The third visit began in the autumn of 1953 when the battalion assembled in Gibraltar at the end of the war in Korea. Some came straight from the East. Direct from England came the families, the reinforcements, and some lucky ones who had been able to fit in some leave in UK. Some arrived by car, if the private transport such as that of Lieut David Gilbert-Smith can be so dignified.

Gibraltar was a very different place in those days. In many ways it was happier, more light hearted, less crowded and confined. There were few cars! Looking deeper, with the benefit of hindsight, it was pretty uncomfortable. The Messes, some outwardly very splendid, were not comfortable places to live in. The junior officers lived in "the gorbals" a quarter of a mile away from the Mess next to Moorish Castle gateway, now a Youth Club. Married quarters were sufficient because a National Service battalion had few families; but the standards were low compared to Germany. There was only one fresh water tap in each house or flat and saltwater baths as on board ship, were universal. Living conditions for Gibraltarians were far worse. The service population was immense in those days before "rationalization". The RAF had many more aircraft including some flying boats. The submarine and destroyer "pens" were in full use as such. The army had a Coast Artillery Regiment, and an AA Artillery Regiment at Duena Vista. The whole of the upper rock above the "unclimbable fence", was an exclusively Military zone as was the East Side of the Rock. Europa was a gunner colony! When the Queen visited in 1954 there was a banner stretched across Europa Pass "The Royal Regiment Welcomes their Captain General". The RA Mess was at Bleak House and there was an HQ RA with a Gunner Brigadier. The Infantry were confined to Casemates and Moorish Castle. All their married quarters were in the town. There were the Fortress Engineers under a full colonel in Engineer House including the famous 1st (Fortress) Squadron. There were all the usual army "services" and the army ran the Military Hospital. Many will remember struggling with courses in Spanish and accounts and so on at the Command Education Centre in Cornwall's Parade. The fine architecture and the enrichments of its rooms indicate that this was probably once an Officers Mess. "REME' Chambers" was in full swing as a highly sophisticated REME workshop and stores, servicing the army equipment in the biggest man made 'cave' in the world.

The famous Rackets Court at South Barracks which Colonel Sayers mentioned is still going strong thanks to PSA and enthusiastic army players in the seventies. It is hoped that the battalion will help in the continued preservation of this court, unique in the

Mediterranean. Perhaps some will learn to play, and to use the facility, as the battalion did in 1922.

Those on the Rock in 1955 will recall the limitations of that rifle range at North Front to which Colonel Sayers refers. I remember Lieut Jim Pell conducting the annual classification of the whole of HQ Company (300 odd strong) throughout one entire very hot weekend virtually singlehanded. The runway ran alongside the range and whenever a 'plane came in to land from the east it hovered just above the butts during its long approach run and firing had to stop. The range was moved to Windmill Hill, but the same interruptions arose with ships from the East on course to clear the lighthouse enroute to the commercial mole. At least one sea Captain was known to have complained to the Admiral, with a hand full of bullets extracted from woodwork at the forward end of his ship. Now there is a "Baffle" range constructed by the Royal Engineers and the problem is solved.

The opportunities for sports and games were tremendous. The Gibraltar Chronicle used to produce a quarterly Booklet which showed "inter alia" the service sports organization and the progress of the various "leagues" and cups. The Booklet for 1955 shows that the Duke's won virtually everything. Major Charlie Grieve, with Natalio Langden, was Champion of Andalusia at Golf.

Sailing was my favourite pastime - racing from April to October and winter days spent sailing navy "Whalers".

One of the most recent books about Gibraltar is "Hounds are Home" by Gordon Fergusson who was ADC to the Governor in the sixties. Although setting out to be a history of the Royal Calpe Hunt this is in fact an amusing social history of the Garrison and an insight of how life on the Rock affects people in

different ways. The book shows that it has always been a strangely concentrated community. Everyone knows precisely what every one else is up to - although some never seem aware of such a truth!! This, combined with hot sun, the Levanter, and the lively, excitable, mediterranean character of the average Gibraltarier, tends to lead to sudden "rows" of one sort or another, within the various groups of the community, including the services. Avoiding "rows" and crisis management is the secret of success.

Battalion after battalion has come and gone for hundreds of years and local people are quick to recognize the good and the not so good, in what is, after all, their home - their crowded city. Above all a battalion is expected to play a positive, inspiring, part in local life whether sporting or ceremonial or just plain socializing. In 1955 for example, Colonel Bob Moran arranged for the battalion pioneers to create the "Wellington Gymnasium" for the St Theresa's Boys Club at North Front. It may need renovation, or their may be other community work to do. Some stalwarts in the Regiment may for instance get enthusiastic about practical conservation. On sunny weekends in Winter I used to organise picnic parties in King's, Queens and Princes lines, with the aim of clearing vegetation away from the fine old stone fortifications and burning the vast accumulation of rubbish.

The Battalion will find that nothing has really changed! It is all great fun and the best policy is perhaps a strong determination by all to get on with everybody. This is the easiest thing in the world, as the Gibraltarierians are the kindest and most generous of all people.

A.D.F.

## The Wynyard Ghost

The Duke of Wellington did not approve of officers of the 33rd seeing spirits, and he held the view that the ghost to which this story relates had come out of a bottle! However, told, and re-told again, the story does ring true - or does it?

The story was first published in the *Iron Duke* 41 years ago. It remains as interesting as ever. Many other references have been made to it over the years. "Ghosts in the Army", by A. B. Turner; "Conversations with Wellington", by Stanhope; "The life and letters of Viscount Sherbrooke" by A. P. Martin; and "Notes and Queries" of London, all variously referred to it.

On service in Canada in 1785, the 33rd Regiment was quartered in newly built barracks at Sydney, Cape Breton Island. The CO was Colonel Yorke, and

### Notes

(1) *John Cope Sherbrooke* became General Sir John Sherbrooke KCB. In 1813 he succeeded the Duke of Wellington as Colonel of the 33rd Regiment. He had a distinguished and varied career finishing up as Governor General of Canada (1816-1818). Wellington described him as a "very good officer, but the most passionate man I think I ever knew".

(2) *George Wynyard* was the eldest son of Lieut General William Wynyard. He had two brothers, Henry, who was an officer in the Coldstream Guards, and John Otway, a Lieutenant in the 3rd Regiment of Foot Guards. It was John

among the junior officers were Capt John Cope Sherbrooke (1), Lieut George Wynyard (2), and Lieut Ralph Gore (3).

On October 15, a bitterly cold day when Sydney Harbour was already blocked with ice, Sherbrooke and Wynyard had gone to Wynyard's quarters after dinner, to do some studying. Neither had had any wine at dinner (an important point!). The room in which they were sitting had two doors, one opening into a passage, the other leading into Wynyard's bedroom, and the only way into the sitting room was from the passage, and the only way into or from the bedroom was through the sitting room. Both men were silently concentrating on their work, when Sherbrooke happened to look up, and there, by the

who died on 15 October 1785 and whose spirit was seen at Sydney Barracks.

George rose to be a Major General. He was killed at the battle of Salamanca in Spain in 1812, "the first day he appeared in the appurtenances of a Major General".

(3) *Ralph Gore* was the son of Colonel John Gore 33rd Regiment. Ralph's brother, John, commanded the 33rd from 1802-1812. Ralph Gore was Adjutant of the Regiment from 1790-1795. He appears to have retired from the Army in 1821 and then emigrated to Canada. Two of his sons served in the 33rd.

door from the passage, stood a very thin, tall youth of about twenty, dressed in light indoor clothes (while both Wynyard and Sherbrooke wore furs and wraps against the severe chill in the room).

Sherbrooke immediately alerted his friend to the unexpected presence of what seemed to him a perfect stranger. As soon as Wynyard saw him, too, he became very agitated, then, "I have heard of a man being as pale as death", Sherbrooke was quoted as saying afterwards, "but I never saw a living face assume the appearance of a corpse, except Wynyard's at that moment". Both men looked silently upon the figure, which slowly proceeded into the adjoining room, looking at Wynyard with melancholy affection. Then Wynyard muttered: "Great God! My brother!" Sherbrooke, believing this to have been a deception, immediately took his friend into the bedroom, which, alas, turned out to be empty. Wynyard felt certain that he had seen the spirit of his brother.

Both officers noted the day and hour of occurrence, but kept silent about it for a while, until Wynyard's anxiety about his brother's health led him to talk about it, and the fate of Wynyard's brother became a matter of universal interest in the Regiment. And the winter being long, no word which could solve the mystery could be expected until late spring or early summer of the following year.

Eventually a ship arrived, bringing letters for all the officers, except Wynyard. When Sherbrooke opened his letter, he took Wynyard aside, for the first line of it read: "Dear John, break to your friend Wynyard the death of his favourite brother". He had, in fact, died on the day, and at the very hour, when the two friends had seen his spirit pass so mysteriously through the apartment.

A letter which appeared in "Notes and Queries" on July 2, 1859 referred to the Wynyard ghost as follows:

"On the 23rd October 1823, a party of disitnguished bigwigs were dining with the late Chief Justice Sewell at his house on the esplanade in Quebec when the story in question became a subject of conversation. Among the guests was Sir John Harvey, Adjutant-General of the Forces in Canada, who stated that there was then in the garrison an officer who knew all about the circumstances and who, probably, would not object to answering a few queries about them. Sir John immediately wrote five queries, leaving space opposite to each one for an answer, and sent them to Colonel Gore, who, if my

memory serves me rightly, was at the head of either the Ordnance or the Royal Engineers Department. The following is a copy of both the queries and the answers, which were returned to Sir John before he and the other guests had left the Chief Justice's house:-

"My dear Gore, — Do me the favour to answer the following queries:-

1. Were you with the 33rd Regiment when Captain's Wynyard and Sherbrooke believed that they saw the apparition of the brother of the former officer pass through the room in which they were sitting?
2. Were you not one of the first persons who entered the room and assisted in the search for the ghost?
3. Were you not the person who made the Memorandum in writing of the circumstances by which the singular fact of the death if Wynyard's brother, at or about the time when the apparition was seen, was established?
4. With the exception of Sir J. Sherbrooke, do you not consider yourself almost the only surviving evidence of this extraordinary occurrence?
5. When, where, and in what kind of building did it take place?

(Signed) J. Harvey

Thursday am, 23rd October, 1823

Answers

1. Yes. I was. It occurred at Sydney, in the Island of Cape Breton, in the latter end of 1785 or 6, between 8 and 9 in the evening. We were then blocked up by the ice and had no communication with any other part of the world. - "R. G."
2. Yes. The ghost passed them as they were sitting before the fire at coffee, and went in to G. Wynyard's bed-closet, the window which was putted (sic) down. - "R. G."
3. I did not make the memorandum in writing myself, but I suggested it the next day to Sherbrooke, and he made the memorandum. I remembered the date, and on the 6th June our first letters from England brought the account of John Wynyard's death on the very night they saw his apparition. - "R. G."
4. I believe all are dead, except Colonel Yorke, who then commanded the regiment and is Deputy Lieutenant of the Tower - and I believe Pantou Jones, then an ensign in the Regiment. - "R. G."
5. It was in the new barracks at Sydney built the preceding summer, one of the first erections in the settlement. - "R. G."

## LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

### *Palestine 1919-1920*

Capt H. Middleton-Hands,  
Fettercairn,  
Broadwindsor,  
Beaminster, Dorset  
5th January 1983

The Editor,  
'The Iron Duke'  
Sir,

I am sad to see the death of 'Cocky Haslock' in the Obituary.

When the 1st Battalion the Duke's went to Palestine 1919-20 the Commanding Officer was Lieut Colonel Tidmarsh, later Freddy Wellesley was CO,

Major Glenn was 2i/c and Fleming the Adjutant. The four Company Commanders were 'Buffles' Bouflower, Willy Ozanne, 'Snikey' Owen and Duncan Paton and supporting subalterns, Ben Sayers, 'Cocky' Haslock, Stuart Kington, 'Dusty' Rhodes and myself.

Quite a few of us met up again at Halifax in 1939.

It is most interesting to read the list of officers of the 1st Duke's in Delhi in 1911.

I read the *Iron Duke* with great interest, though seldom now see the names of my contemporaries.

Yours sincerely,  
Bob Middleton-Hands

***The Delhi Durbar, 1911***

Colonel R. G. Turner,  
13 Amhurst Court,  
Cambridge,  
23 February 1983

The Editor,  
*'The Iron Duke'*  
Sir,

Observant readers of Colonel Waller's letter in the December issue may have wondered what Mrs P. A. Turner was doing at Dunbar without her husband. Major Turner was, in fact, there. He was commander of the King Emperor's British Guard, found by 1 DWR on December 10th. The King Emperor had a British Guard and an Indian Guard, found by different units each day. (The Indian Guard on December 10th was found by 2nd Bn, 1st King George's Own Gurkha Rifles). There was also, each day, a King Emperor's Escort, found by both British and Indian mounted units. It appears that all these

guards were accommodated in "The King Emperor's Camp". This explains why Major Turner is not listed in Camp 135 with the other officers of 1 DWR.

Evidently the guard commanders lunched with Their Imperial Majesties on their day of duty. The menu card for the 10th December read:

"Dejeuner du 10 Decembre 1911  
Oeufs a la Bearnaise  
Poulet au Macaroni  
Boeuf Roti  
Viandes Froids  
Charlotte Russe  
Compote de Pruneaux"

Major and Mrs Turner also each got separate invitation cards from The Lord High Steward to a Reception in the King Emperor's Camp on 12th December (Full Dress) and an afternoon Reception in Delhi Fort on 13th December (Undress uniform).

Yours sincerely,  
R. G. Turner

## 'C' (DWR) COMPANY - 1st Bn Yorkshire Volunteers

It has been some considerable time since we last wrote some notes for the *Iron Duke* so we thought we should let everyone know that we are still alive and kicking.

We must start on a sad note which is that we have to say farewell to Paul Grey. He has left the Company after a very successful couple of years during which time he has helped us in many ventures. We have enjoyed his company and wish him well in his future undertakings in the signals section of the 1st Battalion.

With the departure of one PSI we welcome another. Roy Arrowsmith, who is attached to us for a short time before he leaves the Army has already shown he is a dab hand at sorting out charts etc. The Company Office and Armoury now look like an Information library.

We had a successful Camp in which we were attached to the RAOC for one of our two weeks. We learnt a lot about each other and the roles in which we perform. Needless to say we had a good time and look forward to seeing them again in the near future.

Whilst in Germany we had the good fortune to meet up with quite a few members of the Regiment both socially and on Exercise. Its always pleasing for us to see how the other half live. Well done at the Rugby lads, perhaps one day we could have a team to challenge you?

On the Company front things have really been buzzing, so much in fact that we ended the year by winning the Duchess of Kent trophy for the first time, and finishing fourth overall in the "Martial Merlin" Competition.

We seem to do all our shooting during the winter months and plenty of it. So much in fact that already we have shot CQBR, IBSR, 84mm, 66mm, Grenade and Section in Defence which, by any standards, isn't bad. This of course all leads up to the Annual Personal Weapons Test. We have just completed the



'C' (DWR) Company 1st Bn The Yorkshire Volunteers  
'Over the wall' on exercise MARTIAL MERLIN

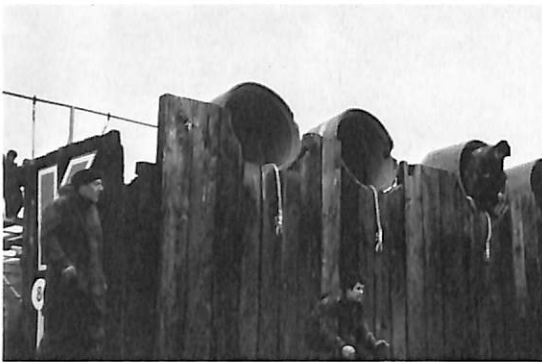
first of three weekends at Strensall during which 44 of the Company passed; which goes to show that practice does make perfect.

## 'C' (DWR) COMPANY - 3rd Bn Yorkshire Volunteers

We entered two teams at Stainton Chase, one of which was led by Capatian Barry Robinson, whom we welcomed back to the company for the exercise. Although neither team was placed, all team members enjoyed their walk in the woods in spite of a downpour which lasted eight hours - it kept us all refreshed.

Next came Christmas and the New Year with one long series of parties. (The C Company Wives Club has asked me to thank the Duke's wives for a most enjoyable evening at Catterick). Once the festivities were over we once again concentrated on training. During the first weekend of 1983 we combined role training (KPs) with NBC at Swynnerton. At one stage we had to deploy to a hide location with an entrance of 18 inches in diameter, and some of our larger members had to be assisted through with a size 10 DMS.

This was followed by an open day at Huddersfield during which we recruited six people who then joined other potential recruits on a selection weekend at Holcombe Moor. The highlight of this, after cracking the ice, was a trip over the Krypton Factor Assault Course, which is as tough as it looks on TV.



'C' (DWR) Company 3rd Bn The Yorkshire Volunteers  
Potential recruits on the 'Krypton Factor' assault course

Hopefully after the present recruiting campaign we should have between 20 and 30 new members.

Shooting will figure a lot in the next few months' training, the finale being our APWT at Strensall at the end of March. We hope that with the assistance of our RSM, WO1 Bob Heron, we will have a greater pass rate this year than in the past.

Recently our outgoing PSI, S/Sgt Ernie Atkinson, and the OC decided to have an escape and evasion exercise. The PSI enlisted the help of C Company 1 Yorks and "captured" the company in the (closed) bar at Huddersfield. Having an idea as to what was to happen, the officers and NCO's removed badges of rank so as not to be singled out for special treatment. However, this was to no avail, as our loyal PSI promptly pointed us out to the enemy.

After being strip-searched and having all money, cigarettes and rations taken off us, we were hooded and taken for a ride in a helicopter (which was really a four-ton Bedford in disguise). We were then rescued, and in groups of four or five went through a series of checkpoints on a 20 mile route in the Ripon area. At the last checkpoint - which happened to be our CMS Shane Marriott - we were given our rations, which consisted of two boiled sweets and one block of chocolate each, and one egg between five people, all to be given out by the team commanders. The egg proved to be the most fun because different people used different methods of sharing it out. Corporal Hellowell decided on the "Yosser" method, and because the egg was raw, the yolk was on him - so to speak! We must thank 1 Yorks, especially the ginger-haired sergeant, who, on finding a Mars bar on the floor, which had fallen from my pouch, promptly pushed it under my nose, said: "Doesn't that smell good", and ate it.

Finally, we say "farewell" to our PSI S/Sgt Ernie Atkinson, who returns to the Duke's in time for going to Gibraltar. We thank him for all his work, and send our best wishes for him and Sheena for the future. With the departure of one PSI, we welcome another: S/Sgt Les Birks DWR. Hallo, Les, and we hope you will enjoy your tour with us.

## WELLESLEY COMPANY DWR ACF

(Huddersfield Area)  
Yorkshire ACF

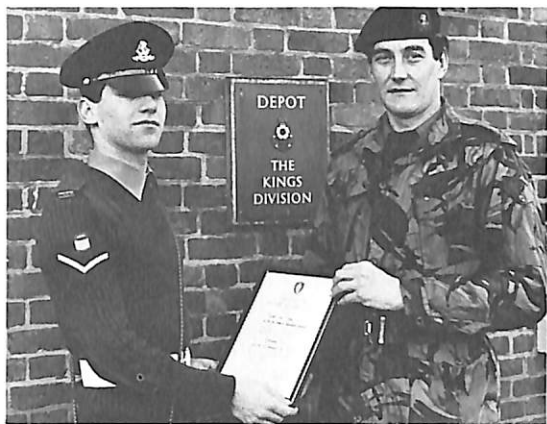
We welcome SSI Brian Kelly, who returns to the fold with a posting to his former detachment, at Halifax. We look forward to a renewal of SSI Kelly's infectious enthusiasm.

We are, at the time of writing, in the middle of the annual visits from senior officers. Lieut Colonel T. J. Nicholson, Commanding the Depot the King's Division and himself a 'Duke', has visited the Halifax and Skipton detachments. We are delighted that he seemed to be pleased with all he saw, which ranged from a super TAC at Halifax to a humble cadet hut at Skipton. Lieut Colonel D. J. Younger QOH visited the Huddersfield detachment and his very pleasant

note following that visit is a good omen for our eventual report. Colonel Younger will be visiting Mirfield and Keighly as these notes go to press. Lieut Colonel G. H. Silvey visited Heckmondwike and had to endure a detachment swamped by works contractors - nevertheless yet another good smart turnout makes us hopeful. Good reports are essential to our continuance, while the cadets are visibly impressed at the interest in which the Visiting Officers undertake their duties. The Divisional Brigadier will himself be visiting Thonesbridge.

Since our last notes we have twice visited Burniston Barracks, Scarborough, for weekend camps. Always





Lieut Colonel T. J. Nicholson, Officer Commanding Depot The King's Division, Strensall, presenting L/Cpl Paul Shaw with his "GOC Northern Ireland Commendation" for outstanding service in S Armagh in February 1982

popular with the cadets, we manage to pack a lot of training into the weekend with shooting, orienteering, gymnasium work, assault course etc.

We are due to attend a Sector weekend at the newly built Wathgill Camp, which is also the venue for our annual camp in August.

We congratulate Cadet A. Comer of Halifax detachment on being Senior runner up in the Individual championship of the Army Cross Country championships. He now goes to represent his County in the NE Region championships. We also congratulate Corporal McCohne of Mirfield and Corporal Cole of Huddersfield who represent the County in soccer.

Thanks to the 1st Battalion we have had an eventful quarter. The Band Master gave up his valuable time to visit our embryo band; Lieut Craig Patterson brought a team of 'Duke's' soldiers to Huddersfield, Halifax and Keighley. They identified with the boys and their visits were superb. For the band concerts at Huddersfield and Halifax we received 60 complimentary tickets. They were stirring nostalgic evenings with good music and the company of our Battalion friends. The Company Commander and his wife Brenda were entertained royally at Catterick on the occasion of the Officers cocktail party. We thank Colonel Cumberlege, the officers and all ranks for the splendid help they gave us while at Catterick and we sincerely hope that they will all enjoy the tour in Gibraltar.

## Infantry Junior Leaders Battalion

On completion of one year's training as an Infantry Junior Leader at Sir John Moore Barracks, Shorncliffe, Kent, Gordon John Coggon of 13 Bardolf Road, Cantley Estate, Doncaster became the Junior Regimental Sergeant Major of the battalion. This appointment was given to him for his achievement during the year not only in military skills and education, but also for all aspects of battalion life.

During his period of training, which began in January 1982, he has taken part in field training and external leadership training exercises in Northumberland, N Wales, Norfolk and Scotland. When he passed out to adult service on 18 December 1982 he commanded a parade of 567 Infantry Junior Leaders. JRSM Coggon will now be posted to the 1st Bn The Duke of Wellington's Regiment.

# Regimental Association

## ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING 1982

Prior to the Annual Dinner on Saturday 6th November 1982, the AGM was held in the Sergeant's Mess, St Pauls Street Drill Hall, Huddersfield. Brigadier D. W. Shuttleworth Vice President of the Association, on behalf of the Association welcomed the new President, Major General C. R. Huxtable CB, CBE, Colonel of the Regiment.

The meeting recorded a vote of thanks to Major General D. E. Isles for all his work as Colonel of the Regiment, President of the Association and in furthering the interests of the Regiment in Yorkshire.

The President welcomed Mr Jack Russell as the new General Secretary and Captain Tom Pickersgill the Officer i/c the Regimental Association.

The minutes of the meeting held on 10th October 1981 were read and approved. There were no matters arising from the minutes.

## General Secretary's Report

The retiring General Secretary, Mr Arthur Wood,

gave his report for the year ended 31st March 1982.

— Grants amounting to £4,924 were distributed to 93 cases (in 1981 there were 72 cases involving the payment of £4,415).

— Five recipients of the OCA Special grant each receive £80 per annum (£400)

— There were no educational grants during the year

— Three ex soldiers enjoyed a two week holiday at the Lord Kitchener Memorial Holiday Home, Lowestoft, arranged by the Association

SSAFA remains the main source by which the Association is notified of cases requiring assistance.

## Accounts

A copy of the audited accounts of the Association were made available for inspection.

(Note: The accounts were published in the December 1982 issue of the *Iron Duke*.)

## Halifax Branch

The General Secretary reported on the problems of



the Halifax Branch due to decline in membership. Following a general discussion it was agreed by all concerned to consider how the situation might be improved and new members attracted.

#### **Mr Arthur Wood**

At the conclusion of the meeting the President, on behalf of all, thanked Mr Wood for all the work he had put in for the Association in particular and the Regiment in general.

#### **MOSSLEY BRANCH**

*Meet at 8.15 pm on the first Wednesday of every month, at the Friendship Inn, Mossley.*

The branch held a Social Evening at Greenfield Mill Social Club on Saturday 2 Oct 82 and was honoured by the presence of the Major General and Mrs Isles. Members of RHQ, Halifax and Huddersfield Branches also attended. The Mossley Branch were especially pleased to welcome their opposite numbers from Mossley's twin town in Northern France, the town of HEM. Les Anciens Combattants de Hem were led by their president M. Marcel Amadais. Entertainment was provided by the East View Concert Party and the hundred or so present enjoyed a meat and potato pie supper. The evening was rounded off by a sing song with a reminder that "The Dukes are still coming up the hill".

On Sunday 3 Oct 82 Mossley Branch together with Les Anciens Combattants attended a Church Parade followed by a wreath laying ceremony at Mossley Cenotaph. The Mayor and Mayoress of Tameside, Councillor and Mrs P. Warne were present and lunch was taken at the Yorkshire Ward Conservative Club. In the evening drinks and a buffet supper were taken at our HQ, the Friendship Inn in Mossley. Our visitors from Hem departed early next morning on their journey home.

At the monthly branch meeting on Wednesday 6 Oct 82 we were pleased to welcome Mr Walter Downs and Mr Ron Ellis both past members of the 1/7th Battalion and current members of Huddersfield Branch. Earlier in the year Mr Downs had spent a holiday in Iceland where he revisited those parts of the island at which the 1/7th Battalion had been stationed during the years 1949-42. During the evening he gave a most interesting and entertaining display of colour slides and cine film taken during his holiday, which was of particular interest to the several ex 1/7th members present who had been in Iceland in 1940-42. Mr Ellis also showed some colour slides which he had taken during a visit to France and the Low Countries some two years ago when he retraced the footsteps of the 1/7th Battalion from Arramanches to Arnhem in 1944-45. This was a most interesting evening for which we are much indebted to Mr Downs and Mr Ellis.

On 10 Nov 82 nine members of Mossley Branch paid a return visit to Hem. Travelling in two cars they arrived in the early evening at the HQ of Les Anciens Combattants, Le Cafe du Longchamps, where they were received with the usual warmth and generous hospitality. The next day was Armistice Day - which is still observed in France. Members jointly attended a celebratory Mass after which they paraded at the Town Hall along with the Mayor, Councillors and

members of military and civil organisations for the procession to the Cenotaph in the Town Cemetery, where a Service of Remembrance was held and wreaths were laid. The procession then moved to another part of the cemetery where lie 16 British Servicemen from both World Wars. The Mayor gave an address, wreaths were laid, and the procession then returned to the Town Hall for the "Vin d' Honneur". There followed a mayoral banquet attended by some 200 people during the course of which each member of the Mossley Branch was presented with a bottle of Genievre by the Mayor.

The following day was more leisurely until the evening when the Mossley members were wined and dined by Les Anciens Combattants. As this occasion marked the 10th anniversary of the exchange of visits between the two organisations there was much speechmaking and exchange of presents. One more day, Saturday remained. It was taken up by shopping and an excursion across the border into Belgium "to visit Albert's cafe". Back in Hem, evening brought an accordionist, and a male voice choir reported to be a "little off-key, perhaps because of overlubrication!" On Sunday the Dukes took leave of their friends and at 0930 hrs set off for home. Twelve hours later, Customs and London safely negotiated they were back in Mossley. Back to earth, but with five days of magic behind them. Planning for the 1983 expedition is already well advanced.

#### **HUDDERSFIELD BRANCH**

*Meet at 8.00 pm on the last Friday of every month, at the Drill Hall, St Pauls Street, Huddersfield*

On 28th January Huddersfield Branch held a Social evening at the St Pauls Street Drill hall, which was well attended despite a sudden strike by the local bus drivers. The Chairman, Mr Ronnie McAlister, Secretary and Treasurer of the Huddersfield Branch of the "D Day and Normandy Landings Association" were amongst those present. This branch of the Association having been disbanded, the balance of their funds, amounting to £40, was handed over to Mr M. Parsons, our Chairman. In thanking them for this gift Mr Parsons invited them to become honorary members of the DWR Regimental Association, which they accepted. Entertainment during the evening was provided by Mr D. Girling on his electric accordion. There was also dancing and a buffet supper; provided by the ladies of the Branch.

The Annual Dinner of the Branch was held on 26th March at the "Eagles Nest".

#### **LONDON BRANCH**

*Meet at 8.00 pm on the last Monday of each month at the residence of Mr Charles Cossins, Flat 316, Vivian Court, 128-134 Maida Vale, London W9*

We had a good turn out for the Remembrance Sunday parade the following being present - Major Wood, Major and Mrs Kershaw, Major and Mrs Miller, Major Connelly, Mr F. Richardson, In-Pensioner Glew, Miss A. Rothie, Mr R. Temple and his son Mr R. Temple (Jnr), Mr K. Waterman, Mr C. Cossins, Mr R. Owers and Mr G. Woodward. The Regimental plot was attended to by Mr G. Woodward.

The Branch was also represented at the Army Cup semi-final and we hope to be there in force for the Final on 18 March.

The cost of a ticket for this year's Dinner will be £8.50 per person and all Dukes are urged to make a great effort to attend this function. Further information regarding the Dinner from the Secretary: Mr R. Owers, 12 Waterfall Road, London N11 1JD

#### 8th Bn (DWR)/145 REGIMENT RAC

The 38th Annual Reunion Dinner was held in London on 23rd October 1982. Lieut Colonel L. Lusted DSO was Chairman. Among the guests was Commander R. A. Howley RN, who was serving in HMS Sheffield when she was sunk in The Falklands.

#### BURMA 1944 - 33rd and 76th COLUMNS

The Regimental Secretary has recently had correspondence with Dr Jack Doupe, who was medical officer of 33rd Column on the second Chindit operation in 1944. He is retired, and now lives at 2 Fleet Way, Shalffleet, Newport, Isle of Wight PO30 4PP. He would be delighted to see or hear from any of those who served in 33rd Column or 76th Column of the 2nd Battalion.

#### CAPTAIN R. T. HESFORD - An Appreciation

The "Daily Telegraph" of Wednesday, 16th June 1982 carried the following obituary:

##### "BOB HESFORD - FAMOUS FATHER"

Bob Hesford, the Huddersfield goalkeeper in the 1938 FA Cup Final against Preston, has died in hospital at Blackpool aged 66.

His three sons have all become leading sportsmen. Eldest son, Bob jnr, is an England Rugby Union international, middle son, Steve, is a record points scorer with Warrington Rugby League Club and youngest son, Iain, the Blackpool goalkeeper, has won England Under-21 international honours".

Bob Hesford was commissioned into the Regiment in early 1941 and was posted to the 1st Battalion. In the spring of 1942, however, he, along with several other officers of the Regiment embarked for India as reinforcements for the 2nd Battalion. After a tedious voyage lasting almost two months broken only by a week or so in Durban, Bombay was eventually reached and the reinforcements were posted to No 4 Base Reinforcement Camp at Meerut. There a limited amount of training was carried out. The pace of life was leisurely and it was evident, in that part of India at any rate, that the war was still far away. There was no sense of urgency. There followed a most frustrating period divided between Meerut, Gaya and Deolali with very few duties to perform. At long last after almost three months of inactivity, the party was posted to the 2nd Battalion which was reforming at Ranchi after its withdrawal from Burma. It was to become a Support Battalion in the 39th Light Indian Division. It was to be fully mechanised, with every manjack in a vehicle, with three fighting companies, one mounted in Jeeps, one in wheeled carriers, and one in Bren carriers. As each vehicle was armed with a Bren and there were 35 vehicles in each company, the potential firepower of the Battalion was formidable. Mercifully the Battalion was never to be committed to battle in this role. The terrain of the India/Burma border, and of Northern Burma itself, was totally unsuited to the use of wheeled and tracked AFV's off the few roads which existed. It can only be

assumed that the two Light Indian Divisions, the 17th and the 39th each with their Support Battalion, were originally formed with the North African Desert in mind rather than NE India and Northern Burma. However, in the spring of 1943 politically inspired unrest in India became a serious problem. The decision was made to disband the two Support Battalions, 1 W Yorks and 2 DWR, and to deploy them on internal security duties. Accordingly both units reformed as normal infantry battalions.

At this time Brigadier (later Major-General) Orde Wingate was leading a specially raised and trained force, of brigade strength, on a long range penetration operation deep into enemy-occupied Northern Burma supported solely from the air. Such was the success of the operation, concluded in mid 1943, that the decision was made to form a much larger force, of approximately divisional strength, for a similar operation on a much grander scale in 1944. Thus was raised a formation which became known variously as 3rd Indian Division, Special Force, and the Chindits. The Jap was to believe, and he did, that each of these formations was of divisional strength whereas, in fact, they were but one. It was at this time that Lieut Colonel "Bul" Faithfull, frustrated by internal security duties and determined to hit back at the enemy as quickly as possible, took flight to Delhi and was successful in persuading GHQ to commit the 2nd Battalion to this new "Special Force".

The Battalion joined 23rd British Infantry Brigade (Brigadier L. E. C. M. Perowne) along with 1st Essex, 4th Borders and 60th Field Regt RA, the latter reorganised as infantry and without their 25 pounders. Each battalion formed two identical but separate "columns"; in our case 33 Column and 76 Column commanded respectively by Lieut Colonel C. K. T. Faithfull and Major E. W. Stevens MBE (J). Brigade HQ had to be capable of fending for itself in the field and to this end a Brigade HQ Defence Company was formed. Troops were found from units in the brigade and Bob Hesford was seconded from 2 DWR to command this company.

There were many happy encounters with Bob both whilst training and during the Chindit operations in 1944. He was a big, jovial, confident, irrepressible man, and he was well chosen to command the Brigade HQ Defence Company. It is certain that he would have preferred to fight with one of the Dukes columns, but he accepted his lot with his usual good humour. The fact that Brigade HQ survived, unscathed, the long hard operation of 1944 was in no small measure due to Bob's skill, determination and leadership of his comparatively small force under the most arduous conditions.

Unhappily, as so often was the case, we all went our separate ways after the war was over and I was never to meet Bob again. Fortunately Capt Bob Shuttleworth, who was the Staff Officer of 33 Column, had a chance meeting with Bob on Preston railway station only a few months before Bob's death

(1) *Shortly before the commencement of the 1944 Chindit operations Lieut Colonel Faithfull was posted at short notice to the Arakan to take command of 1st Wilts whose CO had been killed in action. He was succeeded by Lieut Colonel Stevens and Major S. R. Hoyle MC (later Lieut Colonel commanding the post war 7th Battalion) took command of 33 Column.*

and reported him to be in good blow. All the more sad that he should go so soon and at a comparatively early age.

He will be greatly missed. He will long be remembered by a great many as a great sportsman. Those of us who had the good fortune to serve with him 40 years ago will always remember him with the greatest of respect and admiration.

E.J.B.M

### THE BRITISH KOREAN VETERANS ASSOCIATION

At the invitation of the Koreans Veterans Association in Seoul, the British Association proposes to make another visit to Korea in 1983. The return fare will be in the region of £550. All costs in Korea will be met through the generosity of the Korean Association.. Those who visited Korea in 1981 said it was an experience of a lifetime, the memories of which will long remain.

It is hoped that the visit will take place in October 1983. Further details can be obtained from the Hon Sec, Mr Alan Moody, 35 Leicester Road, London E11 2DW. Tel: 01-989 1707.

Membership of the Association costs £2.00.

### MEMORIAL TO FM SIR CLAUDE AUCHINLECK

A stained glass window to the memory of FM Sir Claude Auchinleck will be dedicated at a special service in the Royal Memorial Chapel, Sandhurst, on 19 June. The service begins at 11 am and tickets for reserved seats are available from Major (ret'd) N. Gulliver at RMA Sandhurst.

### REGULAR FORCES EMPLOYMENT ASSOCIATION

The task of the Association as part of the Forces Resettlement Service, is to assist all non-commissioned men and women of the three Services with all aspects of their civilian resettlement, but particularly in helping them to find employment. The services are free, and ex-regulars may use them as often as they wish throughout their working life.

The Association's network of forty Branch Offices covers the United Kingdom. Their addresses and telephone numbers can be obtained from Resettlement Officers; the Regimental Association; Post Offices, Job Centres and local telephone directories.

### ORDER OF ST JOHN OF JERUSALEM AND THE BRITISH RED CROSS SOCIETY

The joint committee of the above Order maintains a residential home, Maid House, Bexhill on Sea, Sussex, for which all ranks including ex-servicewomen and widows of ex-servicemen are eligible. Priority is given to War disabled and their widows.

It is the aim to provide permanent accommodation and extra care of the elderly and frail. While residents are encouraged to maintain their independence, assistance is available where necessary to help them in the ordinary course of their lives including dressing, bathing and mobility.

Suitable cases for vacancies should be referred to the Director of the above committee at 6, Grosvenor Crescent, London SW1X 7EH.

## Obituary

We deeply regret to record the following deaths, and on behalf of the Regiment offer our sincere sympathy to those bereaved.

### Mr S. E. Code MBE

Mr Sid Code died on 22nd February after having been admitted to the Halifax Royal Infirmary following a heart attack.

Sid joined the army in 1922 and served with the Regiment for 23 years during which he saw service with the 1st, 2nd, 4th, 5th and 2/7th Battalions. In World War II, after two years as RSM at the Depot, he was posted to be RSM of 2/7th Battalion which, in 1942, was converted to a tank unit as 115 Regiment RAC before being disbanded in 1943. He then went to 141 Regiment RAC (The Buffs) who were being trained to become the first Flame Throwing Crocodile Tank Regiment. It was with them that he took part in the Normandy landing in 1944. He was awarded the MBE in 1943. After leaving the service in 1945 he was appointed Secretary of the OCA on a temporary basis, which was to last 23 years. He was thus in almost continuous service with the Regiment for a total of 46 years.

Sid Code, who was a man who consistently displayed high standards of honour and integrity, devoted his entire working life to the well being of the Regiment and all those who had served in it. He was



Mr S. E. Code, MBE

greatly respected by all those privileged to know him for being not only an exemplary soldier and man; but also for being an impeccable member of the Regiment of which he was always so proud to belong.

#### Mrs V. N. M. Orr

Violet Orr, the wife of the late Brigadier C. W. B. Orr OBE, died on 1st February at St Georges Hospital, Milford-on-Sea. The funeral took place at Boldre, near Lymington. Those attending the service included General Sir Robert and Lady Bray, Lieut Colonel J. H. Dalrymple and Major A. C. S. Savory.

#### Major J. H. S. Lane

Major John Stow Lane died on 23rd January 1983. The funeral took place on 28th January at Highclere, Newbury. The Regiment was represented by Brigadier F. R. St P. Bunbury and Major R. H. Ince.

Johnny Lane was educated at Eastbourne College; he was I think, a Supplementary Reserve Officer in the Hertfordshire Yeomanry. He, Bob Moran and I were commissioned into the DWR on 20th January 1932. In March 1932 I first met him at Aldershot railway station, and we shared a taxi to Mandora Barracks, to make our debut to 1 DWR.

In February 1933, exactly (and unbelievably) 50 years ago, Johnny and I sailed in HMT Nevassa and joined 2 DWR in a horrid little station called Kamptee, near Nagpur. We both managed to get away, with the Dukes' Rugger XV, to Bombay and Calcutta (finalists in the All-India). Johnny was a robust and doughty scrum half, and vied with Roy Exham and later Robbo Robinson and John Davis in that position. Johnny was in the Vickers Machine Gun Company (who considered themselves the elite of the battalion); Hugh Fraser was the company commander and Roy Exham and Swazi Waller were the other subalterns.

In early 1934, 2 DWR joined the Nowshera Brigade, and under Brigadier (later Field Marshal) Alexander, took part in the Loe Agra and Mohmand Campaigns in 1935.

Johnny was short, robust and rubicund. His tender skin suffered badly from sunburn and "dhobi-itch" (prickly heat). This did not dampen his mordant wit nor his great sense of fun. Nor did it deter him from persisting in playing polo despite horrendous sore areas between his thighs. No one who was there could ever forget his marvellous performances on Guest Nights, when aided, abetted and loved by the Band, he did his parodies of classical ballet dancing. He was tremendously good company, and very brave withal.

He left 2 DWR to become ADC to a District Commander whose HQ was at Wana, or Razmak or Kohat or possibly Dehra Ismael Khan (those thrilling and nostalgic N W Frontier names!).

In 1938 Johnny and I joined ship, again together, and sailed for England on the P & O liner *Straithead*. He spotted a pretty girl, and told me to "keep her warm" for him, as he proposed to spend the next two days in his cabin, "to accustom myself to the ship's motion". He had a great sense of dignity, relished the good things in life, and did the best to live like a RAJAH!

I next saw Johnny at Sousse (near Tunis) in 1943 when 1st AB Div was preparing to take part in the invasion of Sicily. He was 2i/c 2 Para Bn (commanded

by John Frost, later of Arnhem fame). Johnny was unfortunately dropped on the slopes of Mount Etna (miles from where he should have been) and subsequently taken prisoner.

He retired from the Army in 1948. In the mid-1950's he was running the County Hotel in Salisbury, and we met occasionally. Later he became very ill. I saw him in London during this time, when he was gallantly and ultimately successfully, fighting the malady.

In the early 1960's Johnny was Bursar of a large Roman Catholic preparatory school in Wimbledon. Here he met and married Peggy, who was a teacher at the school. Some six years ago he retired and moved to Highclere in Berkshire.

Since then I have only met Johnny at Regimental Rugger matches or similar occasions. It was always rewarding to see him again; he was a staunch supporter of the Dukes. All his old friends will miss him very much; he was such a true man, with impregnable integrity, and a devout Roman Catholic.

R.G.C

#### WO1 R. C. Fenn

The death of GSM Dick Fenn was reported in the last issue of the *Iron Duke*. The funeral, with full military honours, took place at the Garrison Church, Colchester on 7th December 1982. Among those who attended the funeral were the District Commander Major General J. R. A. MacMillan CBE; the Garrison Commander, Brigadier R. C. Middleton OBE; Brigadier A. D. Firth OBE, MC; Brigadier D. W. Shuttleworth OBE, ADC; Lieut Colonel W. Robins MBE; Major S. H. Kirk and other serving and former members of the Regiment. The 1st Battalion provided a Bearer Party and a Firing Party. The address was given by Brigadier A. D. Firth, who spoke in the following terms:

"I would like to say a few words about Richard Charles Fenn who served in the Duke of Wellington's Regiment for 35 years. He and I served together, in Korea, Gibraltar, Northern Ireland (where he met his wife Grace), Kenya and here in Colchester in the early sixties. His medals tell the story. He was one of the last Warrant Officers serving in the Army who had World War II medal ribbons. He had that rare honour the Meritorious Service Medal. He had a bar to his LS & GC. His General Service Medal had bars for Cyprus, Korea and Northern Ireland.

He was born in London and had a Londoners courage and a Cockney's determination to summon up a smile and be cheerful in adversity. I saw him at Woolwich Hospital two weeks ago. He was sitting up and smiling his broad, well known smile and as calm as you please. One could hardly believe he was very, very ill and that he knew that he was very, very ill. An exceedingly brave man.

Personally I remember him best on the range, loaded down with all the paraphernalia which the Regimental Bisley team always seem to carry... burned almost black by sun and wind. He was one of Brigadier Ramsay Bunbury's famous group of very expert rifle and LMG shots who, for several years, until they gradually dispersed, ensured that the Regiment was always well placed at Bisley. I remember him in Korea as a Corporal in Major Emmett's Company, whose valiant efforts on the

Hook position, under heavier fire than was ever known in NW Europe, made sure that that name is emblazoned on the Colours of the Regiment.

Mr Fenn took up his duties as Garrison Sergeant Major in Colchester in 1977, having handed over similar duties in Lisburn Northern Ireland. This focal position suited him well for he had vast experience and an exceptionally caring nature. He soon involved himself in a host of Garrison activities, which brought him into contact with a large number of people, both military and civilian. Much of his off-duty time was devoted to the Garrison Saddle Club. He decorated and cleaned the stables, built and laid out the manege and re-floored the indoor riding school... he was the driving force behind the Club's first annual show, last year. The local press referred to him as "Mr Fix it" in connection with Colchester Tattoo; he was also the "Mr Fix it" for the Saddle Club.

All those in Headquarters Colchester Garrison, who knew him well, will remember his unfailing courtesy; his humour and, most of all, for his kindness and concern for others. There was never anything selfish about him and he was much loved and respected as a result".

#### **Lieut Colonel A. C. Jackson DSO**

Alan Jackson died on 25th January 1983 at Wareham in his 72nd year, after a long illness. He was commissioned into the RTR in 1932. Jacko was appointed to command 8th Bn DWR/145 Regiment RAC at Langholm in February 1943. Within three weeks the Regiment was on the high seas bound for North Africa and, a few weeks later, committed to battle in Tunisia. The Regiment immediately responded to his leadership in a remarkable manner and finished the North Africa campaign with honours. 145 Regiment remained in North Africa for some months before moving to Italy. It was during this period that the Regiment appreciated his superb qualities as a trainer and organiser. He forged a comradeship and deep affection within the Regiment of a lasting nature. Colonel Jackson was posted to command a battalion of his own regiment in Italy in March 1944. Until he was struck by serious illness in 1976 he presided at every annual reunion of the Regiment.

F.B.M.

#### **Major General E. V. M. Strickland CMG, DSO, OBE, MM**

Major General Eugene, Vincent, Michael, Strickland died on 19th December 1982, aged 69. He was commissioned into the Indian Army, from RMC Sandhurst, in 1934; but resigned a year later. At the outbreak of War in 1939 he enlisted into the RTR and in 1940 was awarded the MM whilst serving with them as a sergeant. In the same year he was commissioned into the RAC. He subsequently commanded 8th Bn DWR/145 Regt RAC from March 1944 to the end of the Italian campaign, being awarded the DSO in the final operations at Monte Cassino in May 1944. After the War he served in the Arab Legion. He was Military Adviser to King Hussein 1958-59. From 1960 to 1963 he was Director of Plans War Office and from 1966 to 1969 Chief of the Joint Services Liaison Organisation in Germany. In addition to his unusual

distinction, for a General Officer, of the MM, he was awarded the OBE in 1955 and CMG in 1960.

General Strickland maintained a keen interest in 145 Regt RAC and in all those who served with him. All ranks held him in high regard and affection.

F.B.M.

#### **Lieut Colonel B. McCall**

Lieut Colonel Barney McCall Royal Fusiliers died recently at the age of 78. During World War II he commanded the 1st Battalion from October 1944 (when the Battalion was in Italy) until handing over to Lieut Colonel C. W. B. Orr in Haifa in April 1945. After retiring from the Army in 1947 he became Secretary of the Cambridge TAFE, a position he held for 21 years. He regularly attended the annual 1st Battalion '1943-45' dinner.

#### **Major P. B. Lowe MBE, TD**

Major Lowe, who served in the 2nd/7th Battalion of the Regiment, died on 21 December 1982, at the Cambridge Military Hospital, Aldershot.

#### **CQMS William Firth**

CQMS Firth died on 29th December 1982 at the Royal British Legion Home at Sharrow, Ripon.

#### **Major Hubert Coop TD**

Major Coop died in hospital on 13th January 1982. "I felt very sad when I heard of the death of my old friend Hubert Coop who had served in the 7th Battalion of the Regiment from the late 20's till the end of World War II. He was, for many years, a Trustee of the Regimental Benevolent Funds and as he was a stockbroker his advice was always of great help to his fellow Trustees. In his later years of retirement he lived in the Lake District, where he was a popular and enthusiastic member of the Windemere Yacht Club. He remained a bachelor all his life, which I feel was unfortunate. Not only would he have been a good husband; but he might have fathered someone of the same rare mould, to come after him".

G.T.

#### **Mr N. Scarfe**

Mr Norman Scarfe died suddenly on 12th January 1983, aged 62 years. He served in Burma during World War II and was taken prisoner.

#### **Mr G. R. Landells**

Mr George Landells, who also served in Burma during the War, died on 13th November 1982.

#### **Mr E. Leaversley**

Mr Edwin Leaversley aged 76 years, died in Chapel Allerton Hospital Friday 7th January 1983. The funeral took place on Friday 14 January 1983.

Edwin had served with the Duke's in India before the War. He was taken prisoner in the European Theatre of War and spent nearly five years in Stalag XIII.

He suffered for many years with Multiple Sclerosis and spent the latter part of his life in hospital, spending his free weekends at the home of a very old friend, Mrs Margaret Dawson, who though blind herself, helped take care of him and his ailing wife prior to her death some years ago.

# Officers Location List

AS AT 1 APRIL, 1983

## Major General

C. R. HUXTABLE, CB, CBE, Colonel of the Regiment;  
DASD Ministry of Defence

## Brigadiers

D. W. SHUTTLEWORTH, OBE ADC, Inspector of  
Physical & Adventurous Training, Ministry of  
Defence, and Comdt APTC, to June 1983.

W. R. MUNDELL, OBE, Comd 6 Armd Bde, and Comd  
Soest Garrison.

## Colonels

R. M. HARMS, MC, Col GS (Ops & Trg) HQ Land  
Forces SE Europe (BAE) - Turkey

P. A. MITCHELL, OBE MA, Tel Aviv

J. B. K. GREENWAY, CBE, Appointment in the  
Cabinet Office

M. R. N. BRAY, Col GS (OR) 2, MOD ACGS (OR)

M. J. CAMPBELL-LAMERTON, OBE, Commander Old  
College, RMA Sandhurst

J. R. P. CUMBERLEGE, Director Biennial IS Ex Hong  
Kong to April 1983. Next Appointment awaited.

## Lieut Colonels

J. E. PELL, OBE, ASLO, HQ NE District (R & L  
Staff)

R. L. STEVENS, MBE GSO1 Live Oak (Belgium) to  
Apr 83. Next appointment awaited

C. W. IVEY, (Local Colonel), SO1 Coord, BMATT  
ZIMBABWE

T. D. LUPTON, AAG, (CRLS) HQ NW Dist

W. F. CHARLESWORTH

C. R. CUMBERLEGE, CO 1 DWR

S. J. NASH, CO Warminster Support Unit

E. J. W. WALKER, GSO1 MOD (ASD3)

T. J. NICHOLSON, CO Depot King's Division,  
Strensall

## Major

P. B. L. HOPPE, OC HQ Sqn, AAC Harrogate

D. M. PUGH, Trg Maj Northumbrian Universities  
OTC

I. P. REID, GSO2 Trg/Cadets HQ SW Dist

P. J. PUTTOCK, Families Officer 1 DWR

P. D. D. J. ANDREWS, Senior Instructor RMC  
Duntroon, Australia

C. N. St. P. BUNBURY, MBE, GSO2/OC Team  
(Army), LSP, Barbados

C. G. FITZGERALD, 2ic Depot King's Division,  
Strensall

P. J. MELLOR, GSO2 (Cadets, CCF) HQ Western  
Dist

A. R. WESTCOB, 2ic 1 DWR

A. R. REDWOOD-DAVIES, MBE, Asst Exec Ops Div,  
SHAPE

P. D. GARDNER, 1 DWR

A. D. M. PALMER, MBE, 1 DWR

A. D. ROBERTS, MBE, 1 DWR

J. M. THORN, GSO2 Ops/Pol Mil, HQ BF Hong  
Kong

M. P. C. BRAY, OC HQ Coy, JSB Taunton, to  
May 83

J. R. A. WARD, 1 DWR

C. J. W. GILBERT, 1 DWR

M. S. SHERLOCK, 1 DWR

D. L. J. HARRAP, Staff College, Camberley

T. J. ISLES, SO3, G3 (Collective Trg), HQ 1 (BR)  
Corps

A. J. FITCHERS, SO3, G2 Int A, HQ Northern Ireland

## Captains

K. BEST, 1 DWR

C. F. GRIEVE (A/Major), OC JS Coy, Depot King's  
Division Strensall. Att to Staff of HQ BF Falkland  
Islands - Jan-Jul 83

A. D. MEEK, Staff College in Australia

A. H. S. DRAKE, MBE, SO3 TCG, HQ 39 Bde

M. J. STONE, 1 DWR

D. I. RICHARDSON, Adj 1 DWR

G. A. KILBURN, 1 DWR

G. D. SHUTTLEWORTH, Adj 1 Yorkshire Volunteers

D. WHITTAKER, 1 DWR

S. J. N. MORGAN, 1 DWR

S. C. NEWTON, Coy Instr, RMA Sandhurst

M. WHITE, OC 10 Cadet Trg Team

## Subalterns

P. J. HARVEY, (A/Capt) 1 DWR

B. COLL, (A/Capt), (SSCC), Coy 2ic JS Bn Taunton.  
For 1 DWR May 83

C. J. DANILEWICZ, BA, (SSC), 1 DWR

S. H. DIXON, (A/Capt) 1 DWR

M. J. B. DRAKE, Instr, SNCO's Div, Sch of Inf  
NCO's Tac Wing

P. R. S. BAILEY, (SRC), (A/Capt), Adj 3 Yorkshire  
Volunteers

J. A. C. KILBURN, (A/Capt), 1 DWR, Att to HQ  
Northern Ireland to Jul 83

C. A. HARVEY, BA, 1 DWR

P. A. ROBINSON, (A/Capt), (SSC), 1 DWR

N. G. BORWELL, 1 DWR

J. W. WOOD, (A/Capt), Instr NITAT (UKLF)

P. WILKNISON, (A/Capt), (SSCC), 1 DWR

R. J. M. PUGH, 1 DWR

M. G. TULEY, BA, (SSC), 1 DWR

D. S. BRUCE, 1 DWR

P. M. RUMBALL, Pl Comd Instr, Dep King's Div

A. J. BREAR, BA, 1 DWR

P. M. LEWIS, 1 DWR

C. R. T. SMITH, 1 DWR

N. F. CASTLETON, (On Probation), Loughborough  
University to Sep 84

M. A. TWELFTREE, (SRC), 1 DWR

J. C. PRESTON, (SSC), DWR

C. S. T. LEHMANN, BSC, (SSC) 1 DWR

## Quartermasters

Lieut Colonel (SQM) W. ROBINS, MBE, SQM RMA  
Sandhurst

Major S. H. KIRK, MBE, QM Depot King's Division

Major R. A. TIGHE, MBE, QM1, 1 DWR

Capt M. CARTER, QM2, 1 DWR

Capt D. HUGHES, QM 1 Yorkshire Volunteers