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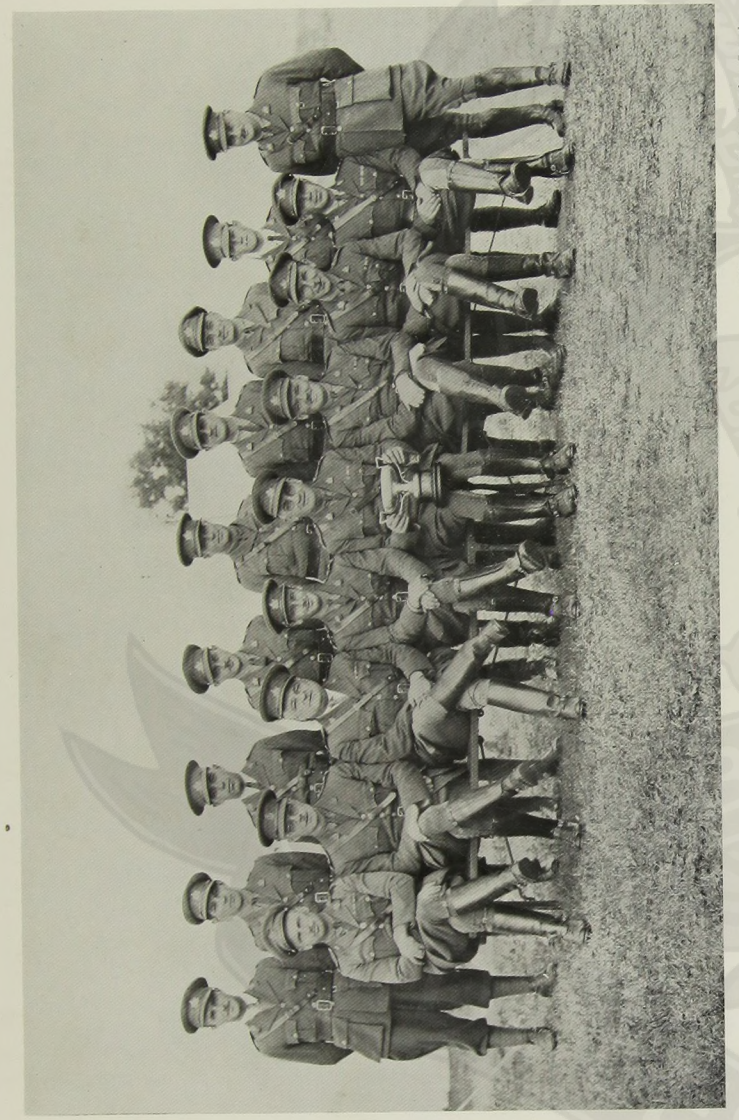

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The Plume of the Prince of Wales. In each of the four corners the late Duke of Cambridge's Cypher and Coronet.

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"Le Cateau," "Retreat from Mons," "Aisne, 1914, '18," "La Bassée, 1914," "Armentières, 1914," "Neuve Chapelle," "Gravenstafel," "St. Julien," "Frezenberg," "Bellewaarde," "Aubers," "Hooge, 1915," "Loos," "Somme, 1916, '18," "Delville Wood," "Pozières," "Ginchy," "Flers-Courcelette," "Morval," "Thiepval," "Le Transloy," "Ancre Heights," "Ancre, 1916, '18," "Bapaume, 1917, '18," "Arras, 1917, '18," "Vimy, 1917," "Scarpe, 1917, '18," "Arleux," "Messines, 1914, '17, '18," "Pilckem," "Langemarck, 1917," "Menin Road," "Polygon Wood," "Broodseinde," "Poelcappelle," "Passchendaele," "St. Quentin," "Rosières," "Avre," "Villers Bretonneux," "Lys," "Estaires," "Hazebrouck," "Bailleul," "Kemmel," "Scherpenberg," "Canal du Nord," "St. Quentin Canal," "Courtrai," "Selle," "Valenciennes," "Sambre," "France and Flanders, 1914-18," "Italy, 1917-18," "Struma," "Doiran, 1918," "Macedonia, 1915-18," "Landing at Suvla," "Scimitar Hill," "Gallipoli, 1915," "Rumani," "Egypt, 1915-17," "Gaza," "El Mughar," "Jericho," "Jordan," "Tell 'Asur," "Palestine, 1917-18," "Murman, 1919," "Dukhovskaya," "Siberia, 1918-19."

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5th Bn. (R. Elthorne Mil.)	Mill Hill.
6th Bn. (R. East Middlesex Mil.) ...	Mill Hill.

Depot—Mill Hill. Record and Pay Office—Hounslow.

Territorial Army Battalions.

7th Bn. ...	Drill Hall, Priory Road, Hornsey, N.8.
8th Bn. ...	Drill Hall, Hanworth Road, Hounslow.
9th Bn. ...	Drill Hall, Pound Lane, Willesden, N.W.10.

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7th City of London Regiment ...	24, Sun Street, Finsbury Square, E.C.2.
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The Wentworth Regiment	Dundas, Ontario.
The Middlesex Light Infantry	Strathroy, Ontario.

Allied Battalion of Australian Infantry.

57th Battalion ... ... Preston, Victoria.

Allied Regiment of Dominion of New Zealand.

The Taranaki Regiment ... New Plymouth.

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Colonel:

Brig.-General R. M. Heath, C.M.G., D.S.O.

Officer Commanding Depot:

Major T. S. Wollocombe, M.C.

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EDITORIAL

COL. THE RIGHT HON. LORD ROCHDALE, Lord Lieutenant of the County of Middlesex, has very kindly consented to become Vice-Patron of the Regimental Association and the Officers' Club.

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The *London Gazette* of September 28th announced the placing on half-pay of Lieut.-Cols. V. L. N. Pearson, D.S.O., and H. E. Stanley-Murray, M.C., of the 1st and 2nd Battalions respectively, and the promotion in their places of Majors M. Browne, M.C., and G. L. Brown, D.S.O.

We take this opportunity of wishing the old and new Commanding Officers the very best of luck.

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Our heartiest congratulations to Lieut.-Col. V. L. N. Pearson, D.S.O., on his promotion to Colonel, with seniority January 1st, 1922.

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We congratulate Lieut.-Col. S. C. M. Smith, T.D., on his Brevet-Colonelcy on transfer to the Reserve of Officers, T.A., and Major H. A. Murray, on his promotion to Lieutenant-Colonel to command the 7th Battalion in sucession to Col. Smith.

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We regret to announce the death, on October 3rd, of Lord Wolverton, who was Honorary Colonel of the 10th Battalion when it was first formed.

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Our obituary in this issue contains the names of Mr. E. J. Warren and Mr. J. W. Howell, two of the Regimental Association's most valued supporters. We are sure that our readers will be grieved to hear of their deaths.

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We offer our congratulations to Brig.-General Wallace Duffield Wright, V.C., C.B., C.M.G., D.S.O., the late Commanding Officer of the 3rd Battalion, on his being appointed one of His Majesty's Body Guard of the Honourable Corps of Gentlemen-at-Arms.

REGIMENTAL FIXTURES.

1932.

Dec. 9th.—Annual Dinner, The South and Tenth Middlesex Officers' Club, Constitutional Club. See Notices.

1933.

Jan. 7th. — Old Comrades' Concert, A.O.D. Memorial Institute, 14-18, Lamb's, Conduit Street, W.C.1, at 7.30 p.m.

April 1st. — Old Comrades' Concert. Place to be notified later.

June 26th to July 1st.—Cricket Week (June 26th, *v.* Criptics; 27th, *v.* Col. Airey's XI; 28th, *v.* Free Foresters; 29th, *v.* I Zingari; July 1st, *v.* Hampstead C.C.).

June 29th.—Officers' Club Dinner.

June 30th.—Old Comrades' Summer Gathering at Depot and Depot Sports.

Nov. 4th.—Annual General Meeting of the Regimental Association and Old Comrades' Annual Dinner. Place to be notified later.

Nov. 11th.—Remembrance Day Service, at the Regimental War Memorial.

REGIMENTAL HISTORICAL LIBRARY AND MUSEUM.

THE following letter from Col. Savile is printed below with the object of stimulating interest in the Museum.

COLLATONS,
BOW, DEVON.
September 6th, 1932.

DEAR SIR,

In the August number of the *United Services Journal*—and here may I say that *up to the end of this year* any officer can join that institution, *free of any entrance*, on payment of £1 5s. a year, the subscription carrying on to January, 1934—there is an interesting article on the Management of Regimental Museums, and as we have one now in the making I would venture to make the following suggestions, many of which I have copied from the aforesaid article:—

(1) To get our Museum on a firm basis funds are needed, so I would suggest that the two Line Battalions should be invited to make a grant of, say, £20 each from Regimental Funds, and £5 or £6 from the Depot, and, if they will help us, £2 or £3 from each of our Territorial Battalions. This would give a sum of £50 to make a start, and pay for making the necessary cases to display the various articles.

(2) I would also suggest a small annual grant from the same sources, say, of £2 from the Line Battalions, 10s. from the Depot, and any gift from old officers and others interested, to be held by the Museum Committee as a "Purchasing and Upkeep Fund." This would be found most useful to enable the Committee to buy any Regimental article of interest coming into the market, and also for repairs, etc., to the Museum.

(3) Of course, for the Museum a room must be set apart at the Depot, and a small Museum Committee formed of the O.C. Depot, a representative from each of the Line Battalions, one from the Territorial Regiments, and one from amongst the retired officers or N.C.Os., making five or six in all.

(4) A caretaker, an old soldier serving or retired, is necessary to look after the Museum, for which he would receive a small payment.

(5) Now having got certain funds, together with a room and a Committee, cases should be made to hold the articles to be displayed, and as the space will naturally be limited only a few dress articles, like tunics, head-dresses, and other articles of clothing can be exhibited.

(6) Whether the centre-pieces and plate of the two disbanded battalions should be displayed in a central case (as is done with the plate of some other disbanded regiments in the United Services Museum) would be a question for the Museum Committee, with the approval of the Colonel of the Regiment, to decide.

(7) What material should be admitted is always a difficult question to decide, but generally the following might be refused, viz.:—

(*a*) Replicas and duplicates.
(*b*) Articles not directly concerned with any unit of the Regiment.

(8) For record purposes an *Accession Book*, *i.e.*, a book containing a list of all materials accepted, is required, containing (*a*) the serial number of each article, (*b*) date it was received, (*c*) description of the article, (*d*) donor's name. Labels, with the serial number, should be attached to each article, in the form of a typewritten card, giving description of the article, viz., "Full-dress Coatee, worn by General Kent at the time of the Crimea."

(9) When the Museum is ready for opening, some local authority, like the Mayor, might be invited to open it, as this would bring it to the notice of the public, to whom I would suggest the

Museum should be open, say, one afternoon in the week on payment of a small sum for entrance.

(10) A further appeal might be made in THE DIE-HARDS JOURNAL for more articles of Regimental interest to be either given or loaned, and I notice in the *United Services Journal*, under the heading of "Regimental Museum Notices," a request from the King's Regiment for gifts to their Museum now being formed in Liverpool, and I am sure the Secretary, if asked, would insert a similar request for our Museum.

G. W. W. SAVILE,
Colonel.

P.S.—If you think this article would be of interest to the readers of THE DIE-HARDS, perhaps you would find room for it.

The Museum has now been transferred from the Officers' Mess to a large room next to the Welfare Centre, at the north-east corner of the barracks, and by the gate leading to Partingdale Lane.

A considerable amount of practical work has now been done in the arranging and classifying of the exhibits, and for this we are chiefly indebted to 2/Lieut. K. R. M. Biggs, S.R.O.O., who has spent many hours in the Museum for this purpose. Pictures, arms and albums are now arranged on the walls and shelves, and smaller items are exhibited in a showcase which has recently been purchased, while it is hoped shortly to evolve a scheme for the better presentation of the old uniforms which have been given. A card-index system of cataloguing has also been started.

It is hoped that visitors to the Depot will make a point of seeing the Museum. The keys are kept by the Depot Adjutant, who will always be very pleased to open up the Museum, while spare keys are kept in the Depot Guard Room.

The following additions have been made to the Museum during the past quarter, and are acknowledged with many thanks:—

Helmet centre-piece (foreign service helmet) and "Absent-minded Beggar" handkerchief. (Both from Capt. George Johnson, late Middlesex Regiment.)

11th Battalion.—Two sports medals. Awarded at sports meeting held behind the lines in France. (Major L. L. Pargiter, D.S.O.)

6th Battalion.—Photograph. Group of officers, 1894.

77th Foot gun, captured at the storming of Seringapatam in 1799. Lent to the 2nd Battalion by the R.U.S.I., and deposited at the Depot. (This gun is in front of the flag-staff on the Depot Barrack Square. A photograph appears below.

5th Battalion. Photograph. Group of Officers, 1911. (Major E. H. Amor.)

South African War. Queen Victoria's chocolate box, with original ribbon and chocolate. (Major E. H. Amor.)

Two German automatic pistols, one German aerial torpedo, and two German bombs, captured on the Western Front. (Major E. H. Amor.)

A REGIMENTAL CUSTOM REVIVED.

19, NELLIE VIEW,
RICHMOND HILL,
LEEDS.
September 10th, 1932.

DEAR SIR,—

Enclosed herewith I am sending you a copy of a short article on the restoration of the Red Feathers to The Duke of Cornwall's Light Infantry. This forms part of the series of articles on various military subjects which I am contributing to your contemporary, *The Men of Harlech*, under the title of "A Military Miscellany."

I think the attached article may be of some interest to you, in view of the fact that the Fifty-Seventh were closely associated with the Forty-Sixth in the winning of the Red Feathers, and did, in fact, cherish a similar distinction themselves for some years after the American Revolutionary War. So far as I am aware, this is the first time a list has been published of the regiments whose Light Companies were associated with the Forty-Sixth in the winning of the Red Feathers. At any rate, I have spent much time during the past few months searching without avail for such a list in various histories of the campaign, and have finally succeeded in compiling the list given in the attached article mainly by going through the regimental records of most of the corps engaged in the American War of Independence.

Yours faithfully,
R. MAURICE HILL.

The Army Council have recently approved that, providing no expense to the public is incurred, feathers dyed red may be worn on the left side of the foreign service helmet by all ranks of The Duke of Cornwall's Light Infantry.

Behind this rather prosaic-looking announcement of a slight change of uniform, issued in the year of grace, 1932, there is a very interesting background, redolent of the romance of regimental history, for the red plume will be worn not merely for ornamental purposes, but as an outward and visible symbol of the keeping in memory of a gallant feat performed 155 years ago.

During the American War of Independence the Light Company of the 46th Foot (now 2nd Bn. The Duke of Cornwall's Light Infantry), together with the Light Companies of five other regiments (43rd, 52nd, 57th, 49th and 63rd), formed part of a Light Infantry Battalion which particularly distinguished itself in the action at Brandywine Creek in September, 1777.

Major-General Sir Charles Grey (afterwards Earl Grey) was in command of a small column of three battalions sent out to surprise an American force 1,500 strong, with four guns, under the rebel General Wayne. The attack was to be made at night, and Major-General Grey was so anxious that no chance shot should give the alarm that he ordered the flints to be removed from the men's muskets to render them incapable of firing. The Officer Commanding the Light Infantry Battalion said that his men's muskets were always loaded, but he could vouch for the fact that no man would fire under any circumstances whatever if the General wished the attack to be made with the bayonet alone. Grey knew the Light Infantry well, and had sufficient confidence in their discipline to agree to this; nor was such confidence misplaced.

The troops marched through the darkness in perfect silence until they came in touch with the enemy's pickets, who challenged them. At once Major-General Grey gave the order, "Dash in, Light Infantry!" Immediately the men charged into the wood, rousing the enemy with their cheers. Some of the Americans sprang to arms, and were killed while resisting; others, startled by the sudden attack, and believing that the whole British Army was upon them, fled for their lives. The camp was set on fire, and the enemy were pursued for two miles. Four hundred and sixty dead Americans were counted after the engagement, while the British lost only twenty killed and wounded.

It was about midnight when the British attack took place, and it is interesting to note that General Wayne had intended to rouse his men at 1 a.m. to attack the British as they crossed the ford of the Schuylkill River so that the successful night attack not only inflicted a severe defeat on the enemy but also undoubtedly saved many British lives.

The "Continentals" (as the Americans used to call themselves) were very vindictive about this defeat, and vowed that they would give no quarter to the men of the Light Infantry in future. This savage threat came to the ears of the "Light Bobs," but it entirely failed in its object of terrorizing them. Hitherto they had worn white feathers in their head-dress,

but on hearing that the enemy intended to take no prisoners from the troops engaged in the attack on Wayne's camp they dyed their feathers red, and sent word to the enemy that they had done so in order that there might be no mistaking the men of the Light Infantry Battalion when they met the enemy in battle, and because the Light Infantrymen were anxious that no other troops should have to suffer on their behalf.

A fortnight later, General George Washington attacked Biggerstown, north of Philadelphia, with his whole force. The place was garrisoned by the Light Infantry Battalion, and the enemy's advance guard was under the command of General Wayne. Needless to say, he was burning to have his revenge for the disgrace which had so recently befallen his force. The attack took place in the early hours of a foggy morning, when it was impossible to see what was happening a hundred yards away. Within one minute of the first shot being fired the Light Infantry were under arms. Although they were only 300 strong, and had no supports within a mile, they charged the enemy thrice, and drove them back each time. Rallying again, the Americans came on with loud cries of "Have at the Blood Hounds! Revenge Wayne's affair!" and the Light Infantry Battalion, now much reduced in numbers, were ordered to withdraw to join their supports (two brigades), who by this time had reached Biggerstown.

The battle ended in another defeat for the Americans. Washington's Army lost 1,300 killed, wounded, or prisoners, as against a British loss totalling 535, of whom only 70 were killed. Fifty-four American officers, including a General, were captured.

Later in the campaign the British Light Infantry surprised an American corps known as "Lady Washington's Dragoons," of whom "the whole regiment, with the exception of a few who were bayoneted, were taken prisoners."

After the War of American Independence had finished, the wearing of the Red Feather was continued for several years by the Light Companies of at least three regiments—the 49th (Hertfordshire), now 1st Royal Berkshire; the 57th, now 1st Middlesex, and, of course, the 46th (South Devonshire), now 2nd D.C.L.I.

In the course of time, the practice appears to have died out in other regiments, but the Light Company of the 46th seem to have clung tenaciously to the privilege, and in 1863 (after Flank Companies, *i.e.*, Grenadier and Light Companies, had been abolished), Her Majesty Queen Victoria gave permission for a red ball tuft to be worn by all ranks of the Regiment on their shakos, and for a red puggaree to be worn on the foreign service helmet.

Major Catty, addressing the 46th Regiment on a parade in honour of the Queen's birthday, at Cawnpore, on May 24th, 1863, after outlining the origin of the Red Feathers and of the red ball tuft, which was first worn by the whole battalion on that day, said: "Her Majesty, participating in a feeling which must actuate the Regiment, has graciously accorded sanction to the red ball and puggaree being worn by the entire Regiment; that for ever the gallantry recorded in its blood-red colour should be handed down in the annals of military fame. Sensible of the honour conferred, I selected that, as a mark of respect and loyalty, the Regiment should first generally adopt the badge on the anniversary of that queenly lady's birthday, and so, amidst the roar of guns celebrating the occasion, we, in a time of peace, have mounted a trophy gained by our brother soldiers in the midst of blood and battle long years gone by; and thus, whilst honouring with loyal hearts the name and fame of our Royal Queen, we, at the same time, immortalize the glory achieved by brave men."

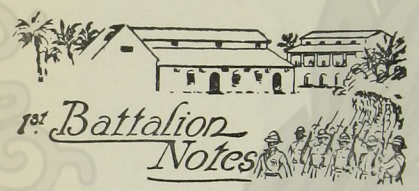
On the shako being replaced by the spiked helmet, the memory of the Red Feather was kept up by wearing a piece of red cloth under the centre of the helmet plate.

In 1881, the 32nd Foot (Cornwall Light Infantry) and the 46th (South Devonshire) Regiment of Foot were united as 1st and 2nd Battalions of The Duke of Cornwall's Light Infantry, and it was ordained that both battalions should wear the red patch under their cap and helmet badges, also the red puggaree. Besides these marks of distinction a new badge was designed for the full-dress helmet, including in its design two brass feathers, as a reminder of the old traditions of the gallant 46th.

Since 1914 Service dress has become the usual wear of the soldier, and the distinctive puggaree or helmet plate has ceased to be worn by all ranks, though the red cloth patch under their cap badges has never ceased to remind the Cornwall's of what their ancestors did in the days when the richest nation of the present day was merely a collection of rebellious colonies.

In January, 1932, application was made to the War Office, on behalf of the Regiment, for permission to resume the wearing of the Red Feathers in the foreign service helmet, and after three months' consideration the authorities gave their consent. So, at long last, the distinction, an interesting link with the past, which has never yet been lost sight of by the old 46th, resumes its original form.

R. Maurice Hill.



It is with the deepest regret that all ranks of the Battalion will say goodbye to Col. and Mrs. Pearson when they sail for England on October 2nd on completion of Col. Pearson's tenure of command of the Battalion. Space prevents us from recording a complete summary of his service, but we feel that his many friends would appreciate a brief outline of his Army career to date, which was practically all spent with the Middlesex Regiment.

In January, 1900, Col. Pearson was commissioned in the 4th (Militia) Middlesex Regiment; soon after he was appointed to a Regular commission. He served with distinction throughout the Boer War and later he was appointed Garrison Adjutant at Peking, China. On the outbreak of the Great War he was Adjutant to the 7th Battalion, with whom he served on mobilization. Posted to the 3rd Battalion in France in 1915, he rose from the rank of Adjutant to Commanding Officer in the space of four months. As a Major he went to Salonica and then on to Egypt to command the 2nd/10th Bn. The Middlesex Regiment. Promoted to the temporary rank of Brigadier-General, he commanded the 160th Infantry Brigade and assisted in the capture of Palestine from the Turks. After the war he served in Germany, where he commanded in succession the 53rd Royal Warwickshire Regiment, the 1st/5th Devonshire Regiment and the 20th Durham Light Infantry. In September, 1928, he was promoted to the rank of Lieutenant-Colonel and was appointed to command the 1st Battalion, with whom he returned to Palestine in 1932 to assume command of the British Troops in that country.

We feel certain that everyone will join with us in congratulating Col. Pearson on his promotion to Colonel, and wish him and Mrs. Pearson *bon voyage* and a happy return to England.

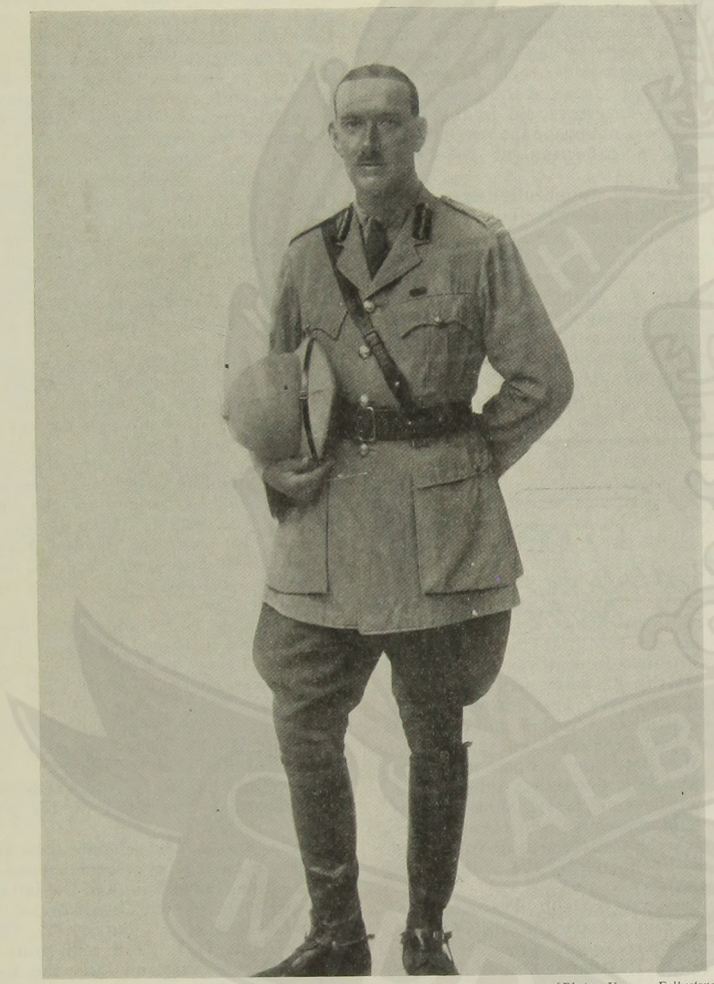
The date of the move to the Citadel, Cairo, is now fixed for January next year, when we shall exchange barracks with the 1st Bn. The Royal Ulster Rifles, who, coming out from the United Kingdom without their turn-over, had to make a temporary stop in Egypt before coming on to Palestine.

On Sunday, September 18th, the Battalion found a Royal Guard of Honour for King Feisal of Iraq. The guard of honour was commanded by Capt. B. B. Rackham, M.C., Lieut. D. Y. Cubitt being the Subaltern of the Guard, and Lieut. R. W. D. Sword acted as Colour Ensign for the King's Colour.

We should like to take this opportunity to congratulate the latter on his promotion.

Lieuts. C. C. Musselwhite and H. F. Mackenzie have now returned from leave to the United Kingdom, and the latter has also been down to Cairo on a short Ordnance Course. Lieuts. J. H. Clowes and 2/Lieut. J. P. Hall will soon have returned from England, and the former will go straight on to Cairo, where he will take up the duties of Garrison Adjutant.

Battalion Training this year is going to be carried out at Sarafand and the whole Battalion will march down there and go under canvas for the second half of October and the beginning of November, so



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COLONEL V. L. N. PEARSON, D.S.O.
Late Officer Commanding, 1st Battalion.

let us hope that the local weather prophets are wrong when they prophesy heavy rain in the latter part of October, otherwise the Battalion may expect to find itself swept away into the Mediterranean!

We were very pleased to welcome quite a large party of the 1st Bn. Grenadier Guards, who came up from Cairo in September to play a series of cricket matches in Jerusalem, and hope that they enjoyed their visit as much as we did.

An intensive programme of games is now in progress in the Battalion, and each company is giving a concert in turn in the N.A.A.F.I. before Christmas, when we hope to be able to produce a complete play.

A very merry Christmas and a happy New Year to all at home from all ranks of the 1st Battalion.

CRICKET.

The cricket season has been very successful, in spite of the fact that we have not won very many matches. There have been some extremely pleasant matches and some very close results.

The following are to be congratulated on receiving their Cricket Colours for the season:—

Sergts. Kennett, Thomas and Northcott, L./Sergt. Williams, L./Cpl. Painter and Ptes. Rogers and Jones.

The Inter-Platoon and Company Knock-out Competitions have been completed. No. 9 Platoon, C Company, are to be congratulated on winning the former by defeating No. 6 Platoon, B Company, in the final. H.Q. Wing won the Inter-Company Knock-out by defeating D Company in the final after an extremely good game, which H.Q. won by 8 wickets. Scores: H.Q., 176 and 53 for 2 wickets; D, 62 and 166. The Cricket Shield has been won by H.Q. Wing.

We are now just commencing an Inter-Company Colts' K.O. and League. One officer of any age, service or qualifications has to play in the colts' team and the rest of the team is made up with men of under three years' service.

The details of Battalion matches played are as follows:—

1st Bn. The Middlesex Regiment *v.* Jerusalem Sports Club.

Played at Jerusalem on June 11th, and left drawn. Scores:—

Middlesex Regiment, 205 for 8 wickets (dec.) (2/Lieut. Sword, 95; Lieut. Clowes, 29; Sergt. Thomas, 31; 2/Lieut. Gwyn, 24); Jerusalem Sports Club, 136 for 6 wickets.

1st Bn. The Middlesex Regiment *v.* No. 2 W/T Company, R.C.O.S.

Played at Jerusalem on June 15th, and lost. Scores:—

Middlesex Regiment, 90 (Capt. Parker, 24); Royal Corps of Signals, 183.

1st Bn. The Middlesex Regiment *v.* Palestine Police.

Played at Jerusalem on June 19th, and lost by 2 runs. Scores:—

1st Bn. The Middlesex Regiment.

Sergt. Thomas lbw b Doxey	15
Pte. Rogers b Macadam	22
L./Cpl. Painter b Macadam	7
2/Lieut. Sword c Pitt b Imary	12
2/Lieut. Gwyn st —— b Imary	0
L./Cpl. Brittain c Pitt b Imary	0
Sergt. Kennett b Doxey	0
Capt. Parker st —— b Imary	13
Lieut. Herapath c Wainwright b Doxey	2
Pte. Long c Jeffries b Doxey	2
Cpl. Williams not out	6
Extras	5
Total	84

Palestine Police.

Good b Kennett	4
Holdstock b Kennett	12
Macadam run out	0
Jeffries c Thomas b Kennett	6
Alderson b Kennett	5
Imary c Williams b Brittain	21
Watson c Painter b Sword	8
Pitt c Kennett b Sword	8
Wainwright b Kennett	6
Woodnough c Thomas b Kennett	5
Doxey not out	3
Extras	8
Total	86

1st Bn. The Middlesex Regiment *v.* 1st Bn. The Royal Scots Fusiliers.

Played at Haifa on June 21st and 22nd, and left drawn. Scores:—

1st Bn. The Royal Scots Fusiliers.

1st Innings.

Capt. Syfret c Clowes b Sword	103
Bdsn. Pearse c Brittain b Northcott	6
Capt. Orr b Brittain	33
Capt. MacLeod c Williams b Brittain	16
Lieut. Goldie b Brittain	2
L./Cpl. Evans c Northcott b Kennett	17
Capt. Boyle st Thomas b Sword	1
Fus. Cruze c Thomas b Sword	16
Lieut. Stuart b Kennett	1
C.S.M. Trout b Kennett	1
Sergt. Cragg not out	1
Extras	10
Total	207

2nd Innings.

Capt. Syfret c Kennett b Brittain	20
Bdsn. Pearse not out	28
Capt. Orr c Kennett b Brittain	7
Capt. MacLeod c Thomas b Brittain	4
Lieut. Goldie run out	1
L./Cpl. Evans run out	4
Capt. Boyle c Thomas b Kennett	1
Fus. Cruze c Painter b Brittain	0
Lieut. Stuart run out	12
C.S.M. Trout c Williams b Brittain	8
Sergt. Cragg st Thomas b Kennett	38
Extras	20
Total	143

1ST BN. THE MIDDLESEX REGIMENT.

1st Innings.

Sergt. Thomas c and b Thomas	8
Pte. Rogers c Cragg b Boyle	25
2/Lieut. Sword lbw b MacLeod	0
Lieut. Clowes b Boyle	0
Sergt. Northcott c Cruze b MacLeod	9
L./Cpl. Brittain c Stuart b MacLeod	13
2/Lieut. Gwyn st Syfret b MacLeod	0
Sergt. Kennett b Evans	24
Capt. Parker c MacLeod b Boyle	9
L./Cpl. Painter not out	25
Cpl. Williams run out	9
Extras	20
Total	142

2nd Innings.

Sergt. Thomas lbw b Orr	35
Pte. Rogers c Pearse b Boyle	36
2/Lieut. Sword c and b Boyle	41
Lieut. Clowes lbw b Orr	8
Sergt. Northcott not out	15
Sergt. Kennett c Trout b Orr	19
L./Cpl. Painter b Orr	7
Cpl. Williams b Orr	11
Extras	10
Total (for 7 wickets)	181

1ST BN. THE MIDDLESEX REGIMENT *v.* R.A.F. HEADQUARTERS, PALESTINE AND TRANSJORDAN.

Played at Jerusalem on June 29th, and won. Scores :—

Middlesex Regiment, 118 (Pte. Rogers, 51; 2/Lieut. Gwyn, 23; 2/Lieut. Sword, 28); R.A.F. Headquarters, 53 (2/Lieut. Sword, 10 for 24).

1ST BN. THE MIDDLESEX REGIMENT *v.* R.A.F. HEADQUARTERS, PALESTINE AND TRANSJORDAN.

Played at Jerusalem on July 6th, and lost. Scores :—

Middlesex Regiment, 65; R.A.F. Headquarters, 165 for 7 wickets.

1ST BN. THE MIDDLESEX REGIMENT *v.* JERUSALEM SPORTS CLUB.

Played at Jerusalem on July 10th, and lost. Scores :—

Middlesex Regiment, 71; Jerusalem S.C., 145.

1ST BN. THE MIDDLESEX REGIMENT *v.* NO. 2 W/T COMPANY, ROYAL SIGNALS.

Played at Sarafand on July 27th, and lost. Scores :—

Middlesex Regiment, 142 (Pte. Rogers, 30; L./Cpl. Painter, 40); Royal Signals, 154 (Sergt. Kennett, 6 for 57).

1ST BN. THE MIDDLESEX REGIMENT *v.* 1ST BN. THE ROYAL SCOTS FUSILIERS.

Played at Jerusalem on August 9th and 10th, and left drawn. Scores :—

1ST BN. THE MIDDLESEX REGIMENT.

1st Innings.

Sergt. Thomas lbw b Evans	11
Pte. Rogers b Evans	12
2/Lieut. Gwyn b Evans	3
2/Lieut. Sword b Cragg	67
Pte. Jones c Collins b Cragg	16
Capt. Phillips b Cragg	1
L./Cpl. Painter c Dunlop b Cragg	6
Sergt. Northcott run out	18
Sergt. Kennett b Evans	46
Cpl. Williams c and b Stanley Clarke	0
Lieut. Herapath not out	14
Extras	4
Total	198

2nd Innings

Sergt. Thomas not out	5
2/Lieut. Sword b Orr	2
L./Cpl. Painter b Orr	3
Sergt. Kennett not out	30
Extras	9
Total (for 2 wickets)	49

1ST BN. THE ROYAL SCOTS FUSILIERS.

1st Innings.

Capt. Syfret c and b Northcott	14
Capt. MacLeod b Kennett	9
Capt. Orr b Northcott	27
Col. Stanley Clarke b Northcott	22
Lieut. Stuart c Thomas b Kennett	0
Fus. Pearse lbw b Northcott	0
Fus. Collins st Thomas b Herapath	10
Lieut. Goldie not out	8
Lieut. Buchanan-Dunlop c Williams b Northcott	1
Q.M.S. Cragg b Kennett	1
L./Cpl. Evans b Kennett	0
Extras	4
Total	96

2nd Innings

Capt. Syfret b Northcott	3
Capt. MacLeod c Phillips b Northcott	3
Capt. Orr c Phillips b Northcott	93
Col. Stanley Clarke c Northcott b Kennett	59
Lieut. Stuart lbw b Northcott	0
Fus. Pearse not out	11
Fus. Collins b Kennett	0
Lieut. Goldie b Painter	24
Lieut. Buchanan-Dunlop st Thomas b Northcott	0
Extras	14
Total (for 8 wickets dec.)	207

1ST BN. THE MIDDLESEX REGIMENT *v.* PALESTINE POLICE (BRITISH SECTION).

Played at Jerusalem on August 31st, and won. In this match Sergt. Kennett, who took 9 wickets for 33 runs, performed the "hat trick." Scores :—

PALESTINE POLICE.

Spicer c Northcott b Kennett	3
Good b Kennett	4
Macadam c Painter b Kennett	1
Imary b Kennett	0
Lovely b Kennett	0
Taylor b Kennett	20
Fletcher st Jones b Painter	32
Nye b Kennett	0
Pent b Kennett	0
Woolnough not out	7
Doxey b Kennett	0
Extras	8
Total	75

1ST BN. THE MIDDLESEX REGIMENT.

Pte. Rogers c Spicer b Fletcher	14
Pte. Jones b Nye	7
2/Lieut. Gwyn c Taylor b Nye	64
2/Lieut. Sword b Fletcher	9
Sergt. Northcott b Fletcher	11
Capt. Phillips st Taylor b Imary	4
Sergt. Kennett b Nye	19
L./Cpl. Painter c Taylor b Fletcher	9
Pte. Freestone c and b Fletcher	0
Cpl. Williams b Fletcher	9
Lieut. Herapath not out	0
Extras	11
Total	157

1ST BN. THE MIDDLESEX REGIMENT *v.* R.A.S.C.

Played at Jerusalem on August 25th, and won. Scores :—

Middlesex Regiment, 160 for 8 (L./Cpl. Painter, 24; Sergt. Northcott, 38; L./Sergt. Williams, 27 not out; Pte. Dyer, 23); R.A.S.C., 64 (Sergt. Kennett, 7 for 21).

GLIMPSES OF PALESTINE.

BETHLEHEM.

Palestine is truly the home of religious history, and amongst the many places of interest to the Christian nations of the world Bethlehem is surely of premier importance, as well as being one of the most authentic sites in the country.

Before going into a description of the town as it stands to-day, let us travel back through the ages and imagine what it must have looked like when the Roman Governor ordered a census of the Hebrew nation to be made, thus causing all those who had followed fortune to other towns and cities to return again to the place of their birth.

In accordance with this decree we can visualize, among many others, Joseph and Mary, his wife, travelling southwards from Nazareth to Bethlehem, their place of registration, Joseph leading an ass on which, owing to special circumstances, Mary is riding (the ass is still the means by which people travel from place to place, although normally the man rides and the woman walks behind).

They arrive at their destination to find, on inquiry, the town full of travellers like themselves and, as the day is far spent, the inns all full, people are even sleeping in the courtyards and stables attached. From the ruins that remain we can reconstruct a picture of these inns. Built at the foot of a hill, we see a fairly large flat-roofed building of one storey; this is the inn proper. In front is a fair-sized piece of roughly evened ground, which, surrounded by a wall, forms the courtyard. The stable is a cave in the hillside and is often inside the compound wall.

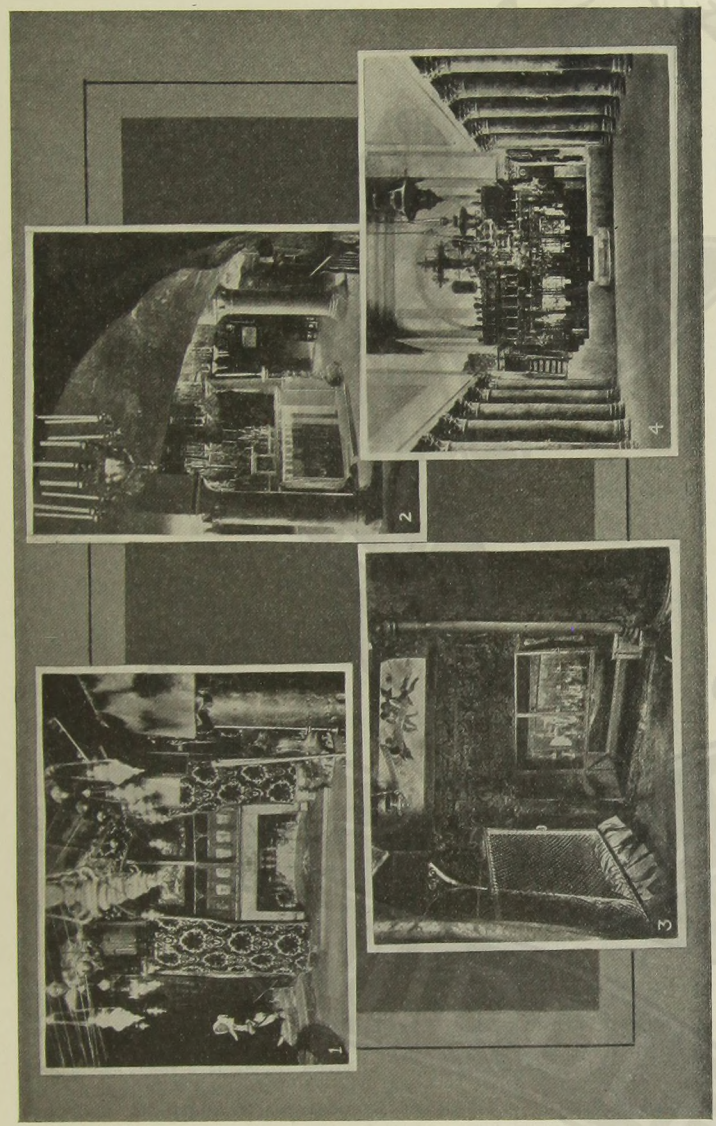
Joseph and Mary are at last offered the use of a cave stable by a friendly innkeeper, and in this they settle down to rest.

Let us now look over the town. Westward we see a collection of buildings made of mud and straw (an art the Israelites learned during their stay in Egypt), and between them very narrow paths or streets all congested with people and beasts of burden, everyone talking at once, as old friends meet and talk over the topics of the day. A riot of colour and a medley of smells, typically Oriental.

To the south we can see the flocks of sheep, while the shepherds guard against wolves and other dangers. Beyond this the hills roll away into the distance. One is now looking over the "Fields of the Shepherds," as they are called to-day, and can easily imagine the consternation of these men when they saw the Angel, also the excitement that arose when the message given had sunk into their minds. The rush to spread the news, the searching of the heavens for the wonder star that was to guide them to the Babe which had just been born.

The effect of this event on the world has been tremendous, but on the town of its origin the effect is not nearly so marked.

Bethlehem to-day is a fairly clean and well-ordered town, with well-built houses and good roads, well policed, and possesses a good motor service to and from Jerusalem, a distance of about four miles.



GLIMPSES OF PALESTINE.

1.—Inside the middle of the brass star on the floor is supposed to be the exact spot where Jesus was born. There is always a Mahomedan policeman in here to stop the Christian priests fighting. Lately a tapestry in here was slashed with a knife.

2.—This grotto, which has a white roof, is supposed to be the place where Mary rested with the child Jesus and fed him. Deposit scraped from the walls is supposed to be beneficial to mothers.

3.—The Manger in which Jesus lay is supposed to have been below the floor, but it has been taken to Rome, and all the place is littered with brass work, etc., and one cannot see any original stone.

4.—This shows one or two of the English oak beams in the roof and the Greek altar screen. The wall hiding this was pulled down by order of Allenby; the base of which can be seen in the centre of picture. The pillars are of local marble and are very old.

Its principal revenue is derived from the sale of religious relics and souvenirs (unfortunately many are faked or imported) and a constant flow of tourists and pilgrims.

Churches are numerous, as is to be expected, but only one of these is worthy of mention, and that is the Church of the Nativity built over the stable in which that Babe was born. This is the centre to which all sightseers, pilgrims and casual visitors gravitate.

Seen from outside, the Church of the Nativity is a monstrously ugly building. The doorway is the original entrance to the church, and one has to stoop to enter. Once inside, everything changes and we now stand in a large rectangular hall with pillars up each side and an English oak roof. This roof was presented by King Edward III in the twelfth century. Around the walls and above the pillars is a frieze of mosaic work dating from about the sixth century. This unfortunately is showing signs of age, and a considerable amount of it has fallen down.

From the roof of this hall hang huge lamps, each a work of art and representing a sect or creed of the Christian Faith. Although most of the building is in the hands of the Greek Orthodox Church, it is free to all Christians irrespective of creed or persuasion.

Passing through the hall and down some steps, we find the birthplace of our Lord. This is marked by a large fourteen-pointed star. This star was stolen during the Turkish occupation of Palestine and is reputed to be one of the causes of the Crimean War. This is by far the most important part of the building, although there are many other chapels to be seen, all of interest to the visitor, such as:—

The Chapel of St. Jerome, who translated the Bible in one of the caves of the church. The Chapel of the Wise Men who followed the Star, the Chapel to the Shepherds, and a good many more of the same type.

I have said that this is the most authentic site in the country. It is. But even in this there are many fables and, although they are not true to fact, they make very pretty tales and hold the interest of the listener when told on the spot.

One example of this is in a building to the south of the church, called the Milk Grotto. Here has been laid a panel of black marble in the floor and into this has again been inserted a spot of white marble. The story is that at this place, while the Mother Mary was feeding the Child, a drop of milk fell from her breast and the spot is for ever marked in the manner indicated. Whether this story can be true or not I leave to the imagination of the reader, but local inhabitants to this day believe that the white deposit scraped from the walls is of medicinal value to mothers.

W. S.

A (M.G.) COMPANY.

In our last quarter's notes we mentioned the probability of marching from Sarafand to Jerusalem. This has now become an accomplished fact and a most enjoyable march it proved to be.

The Company marched off from Sarafand in the very early morning of June 15th on the first stage of the march. After marching a couple of hours we passed D Company going in the opposite direction to take our place on detachment. The march was then continued without any special events until the Monastery near Latrun, where we bivouacked for the day, was reached at about 6.30 a.m.

The camp was pitched in a small wood, and the shade of its trees was indeed welcome. The feeding arrangements called forth numerous comments by their excellence, and altogether the Company spent an ideal time under the shade of the Latrun trees.

In the early morning the second stage of the march was started, and in contrast to the previous march, which had been on flat ground, this one took us through the foot-hills and on to the summit of the Judean Hills. The end of this march brought us to the village of Einab, famous for its statue of the Virgin Mary, where we again camped under some trees and amongst many rocks. This camp was on exactly the same lines as the previous one.

Again starting when all good people should be asleep, we attacked the third and last stage of the journey. The only incident worthy of note was the march down the "Seven Sisters": this piece of

road has seven hairpin bends—hence the name. To negotiate this stretch in the dark it would be desirable to have the feet of a mountain goat. The march then continued easily and quietly to Jerusalem, which we reached on the morning of the 17th.

Here we would like to thank the Company messing staff and the men who were responsible for the cooking arrangements during the march, especially for their untiring efforts.

Since our arrival in Jerusalem training has been going on by leaps and bounds. Section and Platoon Training are now completed, and we are all looking forward to Battalion Training, so that we can apply the knowledge gained.

We congratulate L./Cpls. Parker and McLeod on their appointment, and wish them every success in their new sphere, and also all members of the Company who have gained their 2nd Class Certificate of Education during this quarter, and hope that they will bear in mind that old maxim "Knowledge is power."

In the sports line, cricket has eclipsed all other sports, as is expected in this climate and at this season. Up to date we have taken part in the following games:—

Battalion Inter-Platoon Knock-out.—In this No. 4 Platoon beat No. 2 Platoon by 24 runs, but were in turn beaten by No. 6 Platoon in the semi-final by 16 runs.

Battalion Inter-Company Knock-out.—The Company was beaten by D Company by 100 runs.

Company Inter-Platoon League.—Nos. 1, 3 and 4 Platoons, having won two matches each, made replays necessary, and the winners of Nos. 1 and 4 will play No. 3 in the final.

Outside matches:—

Company *v.* Air Headquarters 2nd XI, lost by 30 runs.

Company *v.* Police Depot 2nd XI, won by 29 runs.

Company *v.* Police Depot 1st XI, lost by 8 wickets.

Company *v.* Police Depot 1st XI, won by 10 wickets.

Lieut. Herapath and Pte. 05 Rogers have played regularly for the Battalion, and Lieut. Chattey and Pte. James have played occasionally. We congratulate Pte. Rogers on being awarded his Battalion Colours.

ACK EMMA GEE.

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A (M.G.) COMPANY *v.* M (M.G.) COMPANY, ROYAL SCOTS FUSILIERS.

A Sports Meeting was arranged between A (M.G.) Company of the Middlesex Regiment, and M (M.G.) Company of the Royal Scots Fusiliers, stationed at Haifa. The arrangement was that a team from our Company should visit Haifa and a team of the Royal Scots Fusiliers' company should visit Jerusalem at a later date, thus complying with the terms "home and away."

Our team travelled by bus through Nablus and Samaria, and, although the journey is a rather long one, the places of interest passed on the way, plus some wit, took away any tediousness which might have been felt.

The route taken enabled the party to see various signs of the Roman occupation, as indicated by a bridge and numerous other remains. A thrilling moment was felt when the party actually passed some running water—yes! actually running wild and unguarded. Then a brief glimpse of the excavations at Old Sebastia and a few of that famous race known as the Samaritans were also seen. (These people, only now about two hundred strong, are all that remain of a once fairly strong nation.)

Pte. Brewer surprised his companions by developing into a fair copy of Sam Mayo. In this he was ably assisted by Pte. Marling. They, with their merry querks and quips, helped greatly to pass the time pleasantly.

The journey continued through a series of S-bends, obviously a feature of travel in this country, and, like the poor, always with us, through the battlefields of Northern Palestine, both ancient and modern, and amidst scenery which was comparable only to a landscape target for vivid colouring, and so to Haifa.

Haifa was reached about 12.30 p.m., where the party was welcomed by the C.S.M. of M Company, and conducted to their place of abode and also to dinner—both very welcome after a cramped journey.

That night was spent in settling into quarters and exploring the town—more exploring than settling—under the able guidance of our generous Scottish comrades.

Next day, swimming before breakfast, and Pte. Marling, assisted by Cpl. Green, showed a few of their world-famous aquatic tricks which brought the house down, and Nature, every kindly, having placed a few rocks handy for the use of non-swimmers, enabled them also to get all wet.

After breakfast the teams met for the Swimming Contest. Teams of ten were entered and we were able to emerge from the sea victors by 58 points to 115, Pte. Marling winning after a very good race.

In the evening our hosts entertained the party to dinner and a concert, during which the C.S.M. put all other entertainers, both "pro." and "non-pro.," in the shade. Thus ended a most enjoyable day.

On the second day the order was Tug-of-War, and it was so. Catch-weight teams and the best of three pulls. This finished in favour of the Royal Scots Fusiliers, who put up a very fine performance, in spite of the fact that our team looked heavier when stripped. The evening was filled by a hockey match, which, after a good fast game, ended in a draw of 3—3. We have one query to make here: why did the centre-forward go to outside right?

The third day was football day, and in this the Scotsmen were absolutely supreme, winning easily, but even in the face of such superiority the game was very enjoyable to both players and spectators. The score was 3—2, largely due to Pte. Coleman's fine goalkeeping. Billiards filled the evening of this day. Teams of six took part in a tournament, which, after some close and well-played games, ended in a draw.

Cricket filled the fourth day, the Royal Scots Fusiliers winning, due, we think, to the fine performance of the opening batsmen, who defied all bowlers.

This also finished the sporting events of the visit, and the party very reluctantly began preparations for the return journey.

The fifth day dawned and at 7 a.m. our party embussed for home, well supplied with water, tea, lemonade, and food. At Nazareth the route was changed to take in Tiberias and the Sea of Galilee, where more swimming was indulged in. The contrast between fresh-water and sea swimming was very noticeable. The gorgeous colouring and scenery of this district beggars description. Lunch was eaten on a spot immediately opposite to the cliff over which the herd of swine were driven when the devils entered into them, and near the believed site of the miracle of the loaves and fishes.

A start for home was made at 11.30. Things went very well until the bus developed a knock which became a complete

cessation of movement, and police assistance was called for and given. As many of the party as possible were taken into Nablus and the remainder of them played cricket on the roadside until another bus had been phoned for and arrived from Jerusalem. This one took all the remainder into Nablus, where tea was served, and at 9.30 p.m. the final stage was started, all arriving in barracks about 11.45 p.m., somewhat tired but very cheerful.

Thus ended a very enjoyable and sporting holiday, and we all look forward to the return visit in October by the M.G. Company of the Royal Scots Fusiliers, and, although we cannot outdo them in hospitality, we intend to equal theirs, thus cementing still stronger the ties of comradeship between kindred units.

ACK EMMA GEE.

B COMPANY.

The subject of feet seems to be the current topic in the Company at the moment, due to the fact that Latrun and Enab have been left behind, and we have just completed the march from Sarafand to Jerusalem.

Before proceeding to Sarafand we completed our Company Training with an interesting fortnight on the heights of .809 and Katamon. We appreciate the undying effort made by a certain Platoon Sergeant to capture the headquarters of the enemy: he earned fame and renown, not to mention the V.C.

The march to Sarafand was brightened during camps by an improvised and entirely untrained concert party, which proved a great success. This concert party also gave an excellent display at Sarafand, and again on the return march. We congratulate all concerned, especially Pte. Francis and the leading light—in fact, night-light—Pte. Rogers.

Three days after our arrival, His Excellency the High Commissioner inspected the Detachment and expressed his approval of the cleanliness of the barracks.

The two companies—B, 1st Middlesex Regiment, and B, 1st Royal Scots Fusiliers—showed a wonderful spirit, which deserves full mention in these notes. At sport, such as football and hockey, the Jocks were our superiors, all our platoons being knocked out in the first round of the Hockey Competition, and only one remaining after the first round of the football. We, however, held our own in a cross-country run.

The Musketry Course ended with the issue of orders for extra instruction in the handling of a Lewis gun for several unfortunate thirds, but on the whole the shooting was quite good. A sad story is to be told of the course, and it is to be found in these notes under the title of "The Shot that Went Astray."

The Sergeants' Mess ran a very successful dance on Friday, August 26th, which attracted a large attendance. This was unfortunately lessened by the inability of the members from Jerusalem to attend.

The Jocks were given a good send-off. Almost the whole of the Company turned out to cheer them good-bye, and even the train signal was against their departure. We take this opportunity of wishing every member of B Company, 1st Bn. The Royal Scots Fusiliers, the very best of luck, and we will always have the very best of memories of our all-too-short union.

It seems to be the habit of the senior members of the Company to walk about wearing gas-masks, and we should like to know when two members are likely to be able to chew something solid. We are glad to say that Lieut. Bellers, and Sergts. Griffin, Bennett and West are all fit again after a visit to the P.G.H.

Cricket has not played a very important part in life of late, only three matches being played, two being won and one lost. Owing to the absence of Lieut. Bellers in hospital the team has been captained by Sergt. West, and the brunt of the bowling and batting has fallen on C.Q.M.S. Raindle, Cpl. Blackman, and Ptes. 91 Price and Freshwater, all these players having done exceptionally well.

In conclusion we welcome Cpl. Blackman to the Company, who, we feel sure, will strengthen our sporting talent; and congratulate him on his promotion, as we also do L./Sergt. Chillery and L./Cpl. O'Connor on their respective appointments.

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One of B Company's make-ups on the march back from Sarafand:—

ANOTHER THIRD.

Whilst gazing at the rifle scores outside the office door
I was thinking of the men who had got their pay;
I am a third-class shot, 48 is all I got,
And now I'm losing ninepence every day.
Then I sez to myself, sez I,
Something's wrong with my right eye,
Then I laid my head against the door and cried.

Chorus:

I wish I had taken tips from Cpl. Sheffield,
I'm fed up with these constant thirds I get;
I've been in this Army now five years and six months,
And I've never gone above two shillings yet.
I wish I had listened to my Sergeant-Major,
A Company Shot to-day I might have been;
But now it's too late, so pity me, comrades,
I wonder what the O.C. thinks of me.

I went before the Major to see what he could do,
And I told him that my hardest I had tried.
The L.G. fired left, and my rifle fired right,
And the shots ploughed up the bank each time I fired.
Then when he said, "My lad, you're firing rather bad,"
I laid my head upon his chest and cried.

Chorus:

I wish I had taken tips from Cpl. Sheffield,
I'm fed up with these constant thirds I get;
I've been in this Army now five years and six months,
And I've never gone above ten ackers yet.
I wish I had listened to my Sergeant-Major,
A marksman on both guns I might have been,
But now it's too late, so pity me, comrades,
It means a lot more R.F.T. for me.

C COMPANY.

The Company carried out Platoon Training from June 16th till the end of the month. Company Training would normally have followed, but, owing to the uncertainty of the date of the Battalion's move to Cairo, a month of duties was substituted, during which time No. 10 Platoon, under 2/Lieut. Gwyn, was stationed at Nablus.

After much alteration of times and programmes we began our Company Training on August 5th with an advanced-guard exercise to Bittir. The following week two "night shows" were carried out; one, a night outpost scheme, after a very hot march to the 20th kilo-stone from Jerusalem on the road to Hebron; the other a dawn attack at Kolundia, an R.A.F. landing-ground on the road to Nablus. By the time the three-day Company March arrived, we were all thoroughly trained in mountain climbing and were consequently able to carry out this somewhat energetic scheme with great vigour; in fact, the umpires allowed us to sleep in barracks on the last night instead of on French Hill among the reservoirs. We hate to boast, but at the same time it must be mentioned that our reputation for making bivouacs has spread far and wide over Palestine, and it is rumoured that the C.Q.M.S. is holding nightly classes, instructing the local Bedouin chiefs in this gentle art!

A week of cleaning up and packing followed, and at 7 o'clock on August 29th the great trek to Sarafand began, together with the Drums and a detachment of H.Q. Wing. The first day took us to Einab, where many of us, in the cool of the evening, were able to visit the old Crusader's Church. It was well worth while, for the building, now used as a monastery, is full of authentic Crusader carvings and an ancient Roman well (the local wine is also very excellent!). The next day a down-hill march took us out of the mountains, through the foot-hills and on to the maritime plain. The site for the camp that night was in a small fir wood at Latrun. After an hour's march on the last day we met B Company returning to Jerusalem, and after passing through Ramleh we arrived, hot but thankful, at Vittoria Barracks, where we were able to partake of the almost-forgotten luxury—a shower-bath of unlimited water!

A word of praise is due to the Drums, who played so gallantly all the way down and made the march seem so easy.

We are just at the end of a very successful cricket season, having lost only three games. In the Company Knock-out we unfortunately drew H.Q. Wing, the

eventual winners, and were given a thorough beating. The scores were 148 to 52. 2/Lieut. Gwyn alone could cope with the bowling, and carried his bat for 30. In the Platoon Knock-out our formidable No. 9 Platoon carried all before them, beating No. 15 Platoon, D Company, after a keen struggle at Sarafand, and in the final defeating No. 6 Platoon, B Company, by 49 runs. We have had some extremely good encounters with the British Section of the Palestine Police, generally resulting in very close finishes. Since our arrival at Sarafand we have had the assistance of Sergt. Kennett, Cpl. Dyson and L./Cpl. Britton, and have therefore been playing as a detachment.

We should like to take this opportunity to congratulate L./Cpl. Painter on being awarded his Battalion Cricket Colours.

Hockey and football are coming into their own in the evenings now, and several of our novices have already knocked holes in the punch-bag!

A merry Christmas and a happy New Year to all.

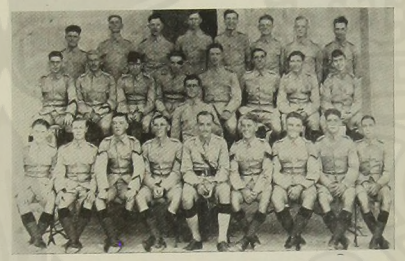
"Cork."

D COMPANY.

Since we last mentioned ourselves we have marched from East to West of Palestine and back again, and are now training for another Company march, so that by the time we have again marched down to Sarafand and back with the whole Battalion we shall be able to say that we have done a good 200 miles of marching in Palestine, not to mention all the mountaineering that we are doing on Company Training. The countryside off the main roads here has to be seen to be believed; there is nothing quite like it anywhere else, and ordinary boot leather simply cannot stand up to it for long. It is not really surprising that the Jew of old times left the mountains of Judea in favour of more pleasing lands, and to-day it is significant that, whereas the Bedu and semi-town Arab live in these regions and attempt to earn a living, the modern colonizing Jew is fast buying up all the best of the very fertile plain lands. However, all this has precious little to do with our Company notes, so we must not digress farther on this subject.

The Company again found a detachment at Nablus during August under the command of 2/Lieut. Marsh, and, whilst there, Nos. 13 and 14 Platoon factions found plenty of opportunity to work off excess energy at cricket, football, six-a-side hockey, and rounders, and in the late evenings the British Section, Palestine Police, joined them with billiards, dart competitions, whist drives and concert parties which had been started at Sarafand during June and July.

The Company got to the finals of the Company Knock-out matches, but lost finally to H.Q. Wing, partly owing to the absence of Lieut. Clowes, who is now enjoying some leave in England. In the Inter-Platoon Cricket, No. 15 Platoon did very well to get into the semi-finals, but were finally beaten by No. 9 Platoon, C



Some of D Company's Detachment at Nablus, August, 1932.

Company, who were the eventual winners of the competition. New types of cricket and other matches are being devised every day, and "colts" teams are now taking the field; in fact, men who have never before revealed themselves are now being dragged remorselessly into the world of sport. Whilst we were at Sarafand we made full use of the football ground there and worked off a couple of knock-out competitions, each platoon raising two teams, these were won by No. 16 Platoon's A team and No. 15 Platoon's B team.

Now that we are back in Jerusalem we are in the midst of playing off an Inter-Section Six-a-Side Knock-out Football Competition in which everybody in the Company gets a chance of getting his own back on somebody else's shins and at the present moment we are about to start "colts" matches too. The same type of matches is also being played at hockey, and we still find time to play pass-ball and rounders, which at one time were a great craze in the Company. We must mention here that Yo-Yo at present has not reached our Company sports store, but we hope in time to have a strong team!

"Don."

H.Q. WING.

BAND.

During the past quarter some notable events have taken place, the chief (and most profitable) being, the firing of our W/T Course. Many budding Wallingfords are now in the Band, at least a great improvement has been made all round, much to the delight of the Wing C.S.M., for he is set on bringing all the trophies to the Wing at the Battalion Rifle Meeting.

During the firing of our course at the "front line" (Sarafand) the Drums did at least plunder one of our engagements. We were not in the least bit worried, though everybody is hoping that they will soon deputize for us again. "How about Sunday?" However, we have heard very pleasing remarks about their performance and congratulate them on their display.

H.Q. Wing organized a Section Basketball and Rounders Tournament during August. The Boys reached the final of both events, so did surprisingly well against much older and stronger opponents. Under the guidance of L./Cpl. Chillery they are becoming proficient at most games (not including House), which augurs well for us when they later represent the Band at various games.

At the end of August the Band of the Royal Scots Fusiliers came down from Haifa to see the sights of the Holy City. On the first day we played them at cricket, and it proved a very interesting match. We led on the first innings by 36 runs, but they were too good for us, and finally won by 43 runs. The final scores were: England, 75 and 14; Scotland, 39 and 93.

On our side Bdsn. Amy (Amos) and Lloyd were the stars.

After the match both Bands sat down to a sumptuous tea, which may recall to several of our ex-members similar occasions which we had whilst we were at Catterick. We hope to pay the hardy Scots a return visit ere these notes are in print.

Several of our Boys have attained the "On Service" age recently, and can be seen at any time throwing their rifles about in a very uncertain manner, and counting "One, two, three, one, two, three—down!" in order to get on the best of terms with everybody.

Our best wishes to ex-members. We would like to hear from them sometimes.

Before closing, congratulations to L./Cpl. Hawksworth on getting his foot on the first rung of the promotion ladder.

"Flat Pitch."

SIGNALS.

Continuing our notes of the last issue, we congratulate the Signals of the Home Battalion on their result at Annual Classification. A very good show, and apart from digging, etc., which will come along, we trust that they maintain their good start.

The A.W.T.C. for us is finished and the shooting standard improved by a large percentage. The number of marksmen has increased, and the number of second-class shots reduced to four. Come along, those seconds; a little more care and practice is all that is required.

We have looked to sports with real earnest and have successfully turned the tables on the "Wooden Whistles" and thrashed them soundly at cricket. However, we allowed them to pass on in the Rounders Tournament, just to give them further games.

The football season is going to be a good one for us, as we shall have quite a number of the turn-over men with us, who all seem to have a good standard and who we hope will bring the youngsters on.

The Dead Sea, in which it is impossible to sink, was visited by the Section, and, believe it or not, "Beauty" nearly drowned. This has seriously affected our water-polo team, and we must look for a more worthy centre-forward! Of course, he is on extra swimming parade *when* we get water, and maybe he will still retain his much-coveted position.

All the best wishes are extended to L./Sergt. Williams, and L./Cpls. Keefe

and Collier on their appointments. May they soon have another.

Just one more month and our Classification will have been a thing of the past. On a practice Classification recently three of the "young hands" went west. Maybe they will and maybe they will not.

"Roll on, Cairo," is the cry of the day. Maybe we shall have a few weeks there before the Battalion, as Dame Rumour has started whispering "Signal Concentration," but the usual economy cry has yet to come, so we leave it as most unlikely.

DOTS.

MOUNTED SECTION.

At last we have decided to do our little bit towards the Journal to let the other battalions know that we are still alive after taking over our "long-eared pals," which we are expecting to hand over shortly, according to Dame Rumour.

Although a bit late, we thought we would publish the results of our Mounted Gymkhana held on Albuhera Day, which was done exceptionally well, considering the short time in which we had for practice, and for which we have to thank the "ex-Cowboy King."

The results of competitions were as follows:—

Tent Pegging.—1, Pte. Wellman; 2, Sergt. Christie.

Jumping.—1, Pte. Ransom; 2, Pte. Lay.

Pig Sticking.—1, Pte. Wellman; 2, Major Sloane-Stanley.

Musical Chairs.—1, Pte. Wright; 2, Pte. Wellman.

Donkey Derby.—1, Pte. Ross (Dog); 2, Pte. Wright.

Potato Race.—1, Sergt. Christie; 2, Pte. Wellman.

It was brought to a conclusion with trick tent-pegging done by Sergt. Christie assisted by Ptes. Hack and Ransom. Our Bill was able to sit down afterwards, so the board in his pants managed to withstand the strain that had been imposed upon it.

We held the grand finale in the wet canteen the same evening, and quite a few ackers were spent on Daisy Powders.

Congratulations are due to Ptes. Wellman, Ransom and Scott on gaining their 2nd Class Certificates of Education; also to L./Cpl. Urquhart on being promoted.

DRUMS.

This epistle is written in the midst of "S's"—namely, Sarafand, Sweat, Sand, and Shooting.

C Company being due to move to Sarafand, we accompanied them as a Corps of Drums and thoroughly enjoyed the experience of the three-day march.

We are now in the middle of Classification, and everyone seems to be in good form.

Our next-door neighbours here are the Royal Scots Fusiliers, so we hope to show the music butchers a thing or two when we beat Retreat.

Dmr. Mitchell has been in hospital for quite a considerable period, and rumour has it that he will shortly be leaving us for the Home Establishment. We all join in wishing him a speedy recovery, and the best of luck.

While the Band were firing their course the Drums played a musical programme, followed by the beating of Retreat, at the Jerusalem Sports Club.

Congratulations to Cpls. Blackman and Castle, also L./Cpls. Ormes and Smith on their recent promotion and appointments.

Cpl. Blackman has been transferred to B Company. Our loss and their gain with a vengeance, for he was a great sportsman and a fine drummer.

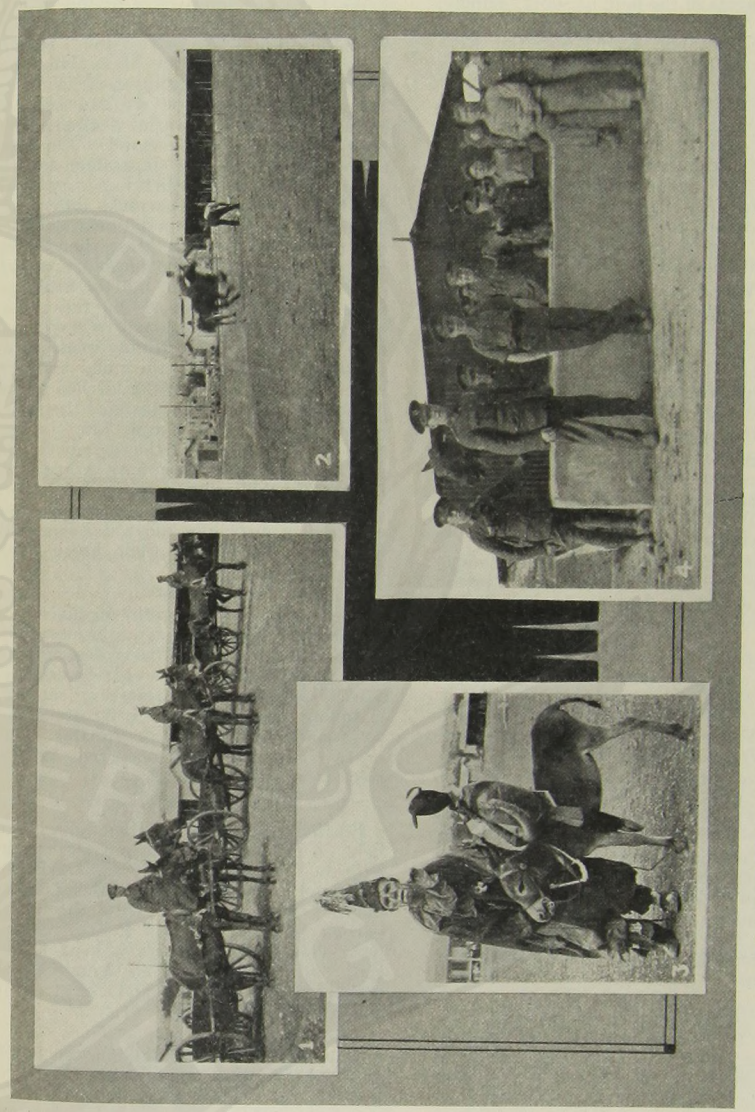
Our best wishes to all ex-members of the Corps and members of the 2nd Battalion Corps.

SNAKE CHARMER.

EMPLOYED GROUP.

Looking through a few dusty manuscripts we find that once upon a time the Employed Group did have notes in the Journal—but that is rather a long story, and many years have since passed. Now another generation has taken this problem in hand.

The Group has been somewhat separated during the past three months, and has been on a pilgrimage to Sarafand to fire its Annual Rifle Course. A few select personages scounged a rifle—one in particular who was on friendly terms with the Transport N.C.O. of C Company. We hope that he returned the compliment and did not ruin the said N.C.O.'s constitution like he has ours.



1.—TRANSPORT INSPECTION.
2.—TRICK TENT PEGGING.
3.—JENNY THE DONK.
4.—WATER AND FEED.

We have had one or two little disappointments in the field of sport, namely, cricket. We had strong hopes of winning the Battalion Knock-out, but were unfortunate to lose to the Drums by one run. We retaliated by winning the Passball Knock-out that was ably run throughout the Wing by our C.S.M. We might mention that a certain policeman had a lot to do in the gaining of this victory for us. In the Rounders Knock-out we were not so fortunate and (we blush greatly) were beaten by the Boys after a very tight game. It remains to be seen what we can do at football.

The Wing has started a concert party and we are rather eager to stage a show if only we can bring out the talent which we have. A certain party from the vicinity of the cookhouse has already offered to lend his trousers, which are of the pattern favoured by Dick Norton. With such help as this, who can say what heights we may attain?

We congratulate A./S./Sergt. Baysting on his marriage and wish him the best of luck. We also wish Johnny the best of luck in civilian life.

As this is our first attempt at journalism we hope that the "old stagers" in the game will not scoff at us, for we are, as we have already mentioned, rather young.

OVER EMPLOYED.

SERGEANTS' MESS.

The Warrant Officers, Colour-Sergeants and Sergeants tender their hearty congratulations to Lieut.-Col. G. L. Brown, D.S.O., who, from September 28th, 1932, assumed command of the Battalion, *vice* Col. V. L. N. Pearson, D.S.O., placed on the half-pay list on that date, having completed his tenure of command of the Battalion. Every member of the Mess congratulates Col. Pearson on his promotion to that rank, and wishes him and Mrs. Pearson the very best of fortune in the future.

"FAREWELL, HOLY LAND."

With these notes we bid farewell to Palestine, as by the time the February, 1933, edition of the Journal is published we shall be settled at Cairo, whence we are due (it is now definitely established) in January, 1933.

"PADDLE OVER THE SALT."

We have now enjoyed a period of five months in our spacious new Mess, and the addition of a fern or two and "round-table" dining, places the Mess almost on a par with a Lyons eating establishment. Throughout this period we had enjoyed continuous fine and warm weather, with no rain and scarcely a cloud. On September 12th, however, Jerusalem experienced a cloud-burst, which in a very short time transformed the barracks into a sea of mud. It was the first downfall since our arrival in the new Mess, hence this was to be a test of its durability. The roof endured the storm, but the drainage system proved a failure. One tiny drain, which had been constructed to dispel the rush of water, proved totally inadequate. It became blocked with mud, and the water, overflowing into the kitchen at the higher end of the Mess, invaded the mess-room and ante-room and, but for the timely intervention of the members and staff with a battery of brooms, would have flooded the billiard room and bar at the lower end of the Mess. Members not engaged in dispelling the water from the mess-room sat eating their lunch—with their feet up!

DONKEYS.

After a long silence, the organizer of the donkey tours has again broken out, and further trips over hazardous ground were performed on donkeys in September. We passed through interesting country, including vineyards, under fig trees and trees laden with ripe pomegranates. One or two minor mishaps occurred, but the rides were enjoyed by all.

"ON THE GREEN."

Further tournaments that have been held on the billiard table include a competition for the Mess Billiards Challenge Cup, and a Snooker and Skittles Tournament. In accordance with the rules, entries for the Billiards Challenge Cup were voluntary and there was no handicap. L./Sergt. Edmonds won the cup (held for six months) and Sergt. Clift was a close runner-up.

Other results were:—

Snooker.—Winners, Bandmaster Judge and Sergt. J. West; runners-up, C.Q.M.S. Raindle and C.S.M. Russell.

Skittles.—Winner, L./Sergt. Hale; runner-up, Sergt. Blake.

DETACHMENT DANCE.

The Detachment Mess at Sarafand (B Company) ran a very successful dance on Friday, August 26th, under the able guidance of C.S.M. Brockman and his Committee. A contingent from the Mess at Jerusalem attended, and the dance was well supported by Mess members of the 1st Bn. The Royal Scots Fusiliers, a company of which battalion was at the time stationed at Sarafand to fire its Annual Musketry Course. So warm was the evening that permission was obtained for the wearing of the conventional blue patrol uniform to be displaced by flannels and white shirts. Towards the end of the dance, to display as much white shirt as possible seemed to be the chief aim of the R.S.F. members!

WEDDING.

Friday, August 19th, was a hectic day for many of the members when "Tiffy" (Armr.-S./Sergt. J. Baysting, R.A.O.C., attached to the Battalion) was wedded to Miss E. Boulton, a Queen's Army Schoolmistress from Cairo, at Christ Church, Jerusalem. We heartily congratulate them both. The reception was held at the house of Mr. Alex Bowden, an honorary member of the Mess and an Englishman of much standing in Jerusalem. The reception was by no means finished when the guests returned to the Mess, and a razor-blade was introduced. The N.A.A.F.I. registered an abnormal sale of bootlaces on that day!

TEETH.

News reaches us that L./Sergt. Bean is to be invalided to the United Kingdom from the Palestine General Hospital. We are sorry to lose him, but feel sure that he does not bear that sentiment. Quite a few of the members are sampling beds in the Palestine General Hospital (training is not at all strenuous)—Sergts. Bennett, Griffin, Thomas and 67 West, and even C.Q.M.S. Steadman have taken a turn; but we wish them all well. It is remarkable what a passion P.G.H. has for old teeth!

EX-MARKSMAN.

Below is published an ode dedicated (as will be seen) to a "hefty" member of the Mess! It was presented to the Detachment Mess at Sarafand by members of the 1st Bn. The Royal Scots Fusiliers.

A few words beforehand would, perhaps, enlighten its purport. The member in question had in previous years been a marksman rifle shot; as he was due to complete eighteen years' service before the next Weapon Training year he would be exempt from firing, and he therefore fired his last course at Sarafand this year. He scored 94 and failed for his marksmanship by 1 point. One evening, to the strain of bagpipes, the Scotsmen (known to this member as the "Foreign Legion") with mock ceremony buried his marksman badge behind the Sarafand Mess.

THE GRIEF OF GRIFF.

O massive, hefty, stalwart friend,
To fail by one point at the end!
Fresh butter was your downfall, true,
Bad beer, and probably nurses too.

In P.G.H. you had a scrounge,
With nothing to do but eat and lounge!
Then when you came to qualify
The markers scorn'd you—passed you by.

You missed your detail once, 'tis true,
And that was rank bad luck for you.
Through the slight mistake you made that day
Someone draws proficiency pay.

Your common fault too fine a sight,
I mean at dinner every night;
For your "fine sight," I heard them say,
Was two dinners on one plate each day.

No sound was heard but the "pie-hards'" howl
As the cortege slowly wends its way
To the grave of damp and new-dug earth
With dragging steps at the close of day.

The wail of the pipes was the only sound
As the "guns" were lowered in the cold, cold ground;
The tears ran down, and his face was pale
As he prayed for the markers who made him fail.

When poor old Griffo's time is done,
The man who went down in the hole by one,
They will meet again in the lower region,
"Griff" and the lads of the "Foreign Legion."

"PUKKA MARKSMAN."

ARRIVALS AND DEPARTURES.

We welcome L./Sergts. Williams and Chillery to the Mess and congratulate them on their appointments. Before the next notes are due we shall have lost Sergts. Rogers and Kennett, who are due for the United Kingdom this trooping season for a tour of duty at the Depot. We wish them luck. In the latter the Mess and the Battalion will be the losers of an enthusiastic cricketer. To replace them, Sergts. Kruck and Paterson will be posted to us from the Depot.

C.Q.M.S. Wilcockson also leaves this trooping season to attend a Vocational Training Course at home, and (subject to being allotted a Vocational Training Course) Sergt. Clift will follow closely in his footsteps. The entire Mess will miss them very much, and wish them the best of everything in the future.

QUID NUNC II.

CORPORALS' CLUB.

We have quite a number of new members since our last notes appeared, and we extend to them, one and all, a hearty welcome and congratulations on their appointments. We will not give any names, since they are too numerous to mention individually.

Our somewhat quiet evenings were brightened up a short time ago when we entertained our friends of the British Section, Palestine Police Force. A most enjoyable evening was spent, and we were all very sorry when it came to a close. (Ask McEwan's friends who were under the spreading chestnut tree singing "Bare-foot Days"!)

We are sorry to lose Cpls. Williams and Chillery, who have been appointed Lance-Sergeants, and wish them the best of luck.

At present a promotion examination is taking place, so perhaps this accounts for the emptiness of the Corporals' Room these nights, as we suspect most of our members are "breezing up."

Since it has been generally known that the future R.S.M. is in our midst, a certain bandsman cannot enter the room without blushing. However, no more can be said on this subject at present. All members are advised to order their 1938 copies of this Journal in advance.

GIMPER.

A HOLIDAY IN ITALY.

I AM sending you a few details of our recent holiday in Italy, as I feel that the information might be useful to some of the readers of the Journal.

Accompanied by my daughter, Col. Beach, and my nephew, we proceeded by car to Italy. On the outward journey we took the road over the Mont Cenis Pass, and we made our return journey by the Riviera and Paris.

We spent the month of August at a delightful unspoilt seaside resort called Levanto. It is a village of about 1,500 inhabitants, situated in a small bay—part of the Bay of Spezzia—14 miles from Spezzia, and about 80 miles from Genova. The railway station of Levanto is on the main line from Genova to Rome. By road it can only be approached one way, and that is by a road 12 miles long, winding down from the main road to Rome, which runs along the top of the Appenines. It has many hairpin bends.

My principal reason for writing these few lines is in order to let everybody know what a delightful holiday one can spend at Levanto, and how very cheaply one can live there, including such things as the hire of a bathing cabin, and subscription to the Casino, etc., etc.

We stayed at the best hotel, called the Excelsior, during the height of the season, and paid inclusive terms of nine shillings per head per day, and no extras were put on the bill at the end of the week.

It is a delightful hotel, situated on the slopes of the Appenines, about fifteen minutes' walk from the village and the sea. The hotel has a bus and several cars continually running up and down, and no charge is made.

In addition to the bathing, which is simply wonderful, the day is pretty well occupied with tennis or a walk in the afternoon and dancing at the Casino every evening. On Tuesdays, the dance takes place at the Excelsior.

There is always a rubber of bridge to be had in the afternoon and in the evening.

It is certainly very hot in August, but it is a dry heat, and always a little breeze from the mountains.

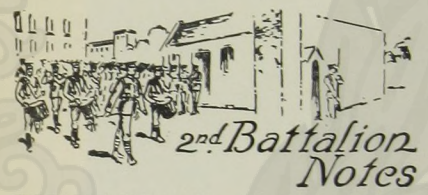
The climate is mild all through the winter, and the air is wonderful, and those looking for a winter resort at a very reasonable price might do worse than try Levanto. I understand from Mr. Gaietta, the proprietor of the Excelsior, that quite a number of English are beginning to winter there.

In conclusion, it may interest some to know that my daughter (with my nephew as a relief) drove our car. The road was entirely new to them, but we did the 2,000 miles without any difficulty or mishap.

We took five nights over the journey each way, but it can be done quite comfortably in four.

All arrangements in connection with the transport of the car, permits, deposit, etc., etc., were made by the Automobile Association, and we had not the slightest difficulty.

A. ANWYL PASSINGHAM.



BREVET-COL. H. E. STANLEY-MURRAY, M.C., relinquished command of the Battalion on September 28th, and was succeeded by Lieut.-Col. M. Browne, M.C. An account of Col. Stanley-Murray's career appears on another page. The good wishes of all ranks of the Battalion follow him, and we hope that the best of luck and happiness attend him.

Collective training ended on September 16th, at 7.30 a.m., on the banks of the Roman River—a fitting end since this important waterway always dominates the situation in the battles which take place on the Colchester training area. During training a great deal had to be left to the imagination, as eight rifle platoons and the Anti-Tank Platoon were represented by flags, while the Machine Gun Company had the curious habit of leaving part of its armament in barracks and proceeding to war armed with arrows. Despite the records of history and the gallant deeds of the English archers at Crecy and Agincourt, one great lesson was brought out, viz., in modern war arrows are no good against umpires.

The Garrison Horse Show took place on September 21st, but we did not manage to achieve any success. Very little better were the results of the Garrison Rifle Meeting, which was held later in the same week. In both these events, however, very valuable experience was gained, and provided the lessons taught to us were taken to heart there is no reason why we should not gain much higher places in future competitions. To obtain this result two things are needed, keenness and constant practice, and we hope that this is realized by all ranks. A very high standard has been set by other units in the garrison, and if we are to compete with them on level terms we must be prepared to sacrifice much of our leisure.

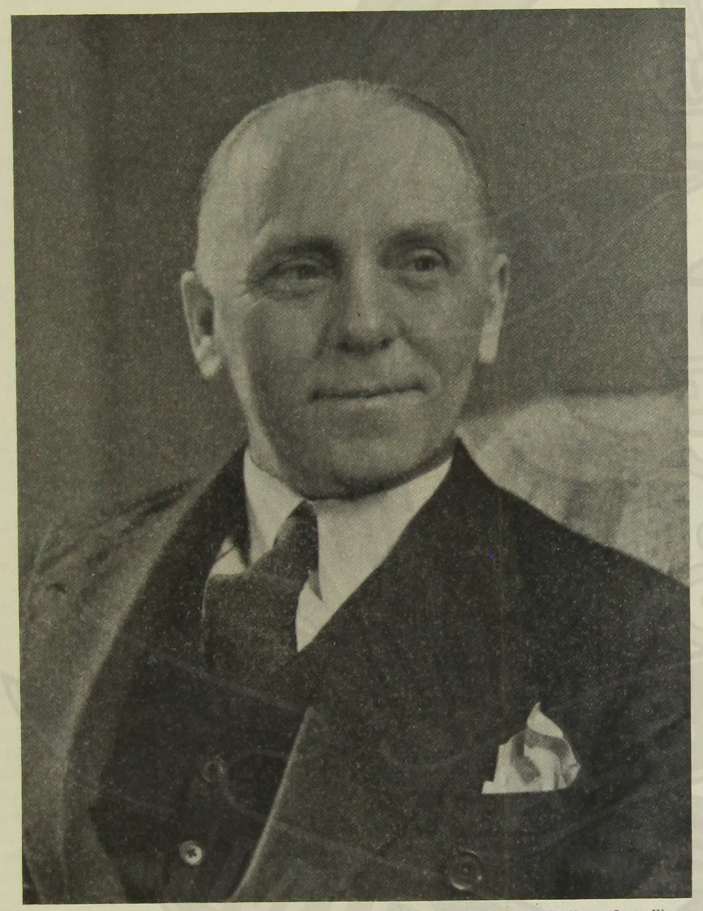
Lieut. Walden, who should have rejoined us after his summer attachment to the 17th Field Brigade, R.A., has been appointed Adjutant of the 7th Battalion, but Capt. Hedgecoe is with us again. Lieut. Ayscough has disbanded his Brigade Intelligence Section and has returned to B Company, while Lieut. Gordon has joined us from the Depot, being replaced there by Lieut. Gilbert.

Capt. Procter has completed his tour of duty as Adjutant, and Lieut. Clark has succeeded him. The former has now transferred his activities to the training Cadre.

In July the 19th London Regiment spent a fortnight with us, when old friendships were renewed and many new ones made. If the financial situation prevents the Territorial Army from having their own camps next year, we hope that we shall have the pleasure of another visit from this regiment.

BREVET-COL. H. E. STANLEY-MURRAY, M.C.

Col. Stanley-Murray was born on February 8th, 1879, and was educated at Framlingham College, Suffolk. He enlisted in the ranks of the City Imperial Volunteers in 1900, with whom he served during the South African War. In 1901



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COLONEL H. E. STANLEY-MURRAY, M.C.
Late Officer Commanding 2nd Battalion.

he received a temporary commission in the Army Service Corps, and on obtaining a regular commission in 1902 he transferred to the Manchester Regiment. He was promoted Lieutenant in 1904. In 1907 Lieut. Stanley-Murray commenced a tour of duty with the West African Regiment, serving with this corps in Sierra Leone. During his service in West Africa he transferred to the Royal Scots, joining them in 1912 on his return from the coast. He was promoted Captain in 1913, and appointed Adjutant of the 1st Battalion in August, 1914. Capt. Stanley-Murray served for a year in France, and then proceeded to Macedonia, staying in the Near East until October, 1918, when he again went to France. In the meantime he had been promoted Major, and had been wounded at the Battle of Gaza.

In 1919, Major Stanley-Murray proceeded to India and filled various staff and regimental appointments in India, Burma and Aden until 1926, when he returned to the United Kingdom.

In September, 1928, he was promoted Lieutenant-Colonel, and assumed command of the 2nd Bn. The Middlesex Regiment, serving with it in Ahmednagar, Madras, Khartoum and Colchester, He was promoted Brevet Colonel in July, 1932.

Col. Stanley-Murray was awarded the Military Cross and the Star of Roumania, and was three times mentioned in despatches.

A COMPANY.

Since our last notes the Company have taken part in Battalion and Brigade Training, and throughout the operations managed to keep their "flags" flying.

During this period the Company practically ceased to exist, the platoons, etc., being represented by flags, and, if lucky, by an N.C.O. and a man. However, we got over it, and except for the Orderly Sergeant we are now giving our imagination a rest.

We are also getting down to barrack-room soldiering again, and trying to forget "the horrors of war."

The most important question now is "How about our sports team?" We all hope that we do not have to use our imagination for these. Here, of course, as we mentioned in our last notes, we are relying on our drafts from the Depot. There are quite a number of good men among these who, with training, should do well.

We are getting a glimpse of the old faces again in that we have some of the old men of the Company back from C (M.G.) Company and H.Q. Wing. To these we extend a hearty welcome, and wish them the best of luck during their stay with us.

Among the old soldiers who have lately left us are C.S.M. Kent and C.Q.M.S. Capel, both of whom have gone to civilian life. We wish them the best of luck, and hope to see them in the near future. In their places we have C.S.M. Simmonds and C.Q.M.S. Stacey. The former we have had for such a long time in the Company whilst waiting for promotion that we look upon him as our own. The latter came from B Company. To both we offer our congratulations on their respective promotions, and hope they will enjoy being with us.

"DULEEP."

B COMPANY.

We feel that our first duty is to welcome the new members of our Company, as during the last two months we have received two drafts from the Depot. We have already tested their worth on training, and in the Dining Hall, and we now look to equally great deeds of prowess on the field of sport.

In addition to the above we welcome the following N.C.Os. transferred to us:—Sergt. Smith (of musical fame), L./Sergt. Hows and Cpl. Gatehouse. We congratulate C.Q.M.S. Stacey on his recent promotion. "Well done, Joe!"

The beginning of August saw the Company taking part in the Colchester Tattoo, and we were assured by everyone that it was a great success. The Company, ably led by Mr. Green, carried out a brilliant raid on a Chinese village, and we were to repeat this performance one month later, when we landed on the rocky coast of Friday Wood, and once more drove all opposition before us. The rest of training can be summarized in two words, "Roman River," and by the time we leave this station we feel we shall be even calling the fishes in it by their Christian names. Before leaving this subject, we

must thank Mr. Man and Mr. Beadnell, who were attached to us for training, for their valuable assistance, and we wish the latter the best of luck when he sets out abroad.

In the Battalion Rifle Meeting half-way through August the Company tied for second place in the Inter-Company Shoot, while C.S.M. Colbourne and Pte. Cosgrove also greatly distinguished themselves in the Individual Competition.

We are now busy training for the coming football season, and as we have a large proportion of our old stalwarts with us we hope to blend them with our new talent into a very useful side. The following look like becoming regular members of the Battalion team: Ptes. Winterburn, Harriss, Mann and Stagg; and we also hope to provide some players for the Battalion Rugby team.

We almost forgot to welcome our very latest recruit, to whit, "Jumbo," and we feel we can hardly end these notes without congratulating our Company Commander on his masterly handling of him on the Battalion parade ground, but we hope that he will grow a tail soon (we mean "Jumbo").

C (M.G.) COMPANY.

On return to Colchester from Larkhill the Company found itself taken for numerous duties, both Garrison and Regimental employ. In consequence, little or no training was possible. Very little sport has been carried out, but great efforts were made to build up a strong team for the Garrison Swimming Sports. These were held in August, and C (M.G.) Company provided two representatives.

The Battalion was not very successful, but we hope to do better next year.

Sergt. Johnson is to be congratulated on obtaining a Life Saving Certificate.

On August 17th and 27th we received a new draft from the Depot. We welcome this new blood, and hope they will become as efficient gunners as our old hands, many of whom are leaving us, alas, for civil life.

August was a very hot month, and the opening of Battalion and Brigade Training brought no change. In order to meet the exigencies of training, we were organized into four skeleton platoons, each platoon finding one section of two guns and one section of arrows and flags. This worked very well, and all ranks benefited by this experiment. A great deal of useful tactical work was carried out and many lessons were learnt. Some of our N.C.Os. now know what it is to take to a horse.

Lieuts. Reid and Green and Cpl. Brown have gone on a Netheravon course, and we look forward to their return in December, if possible with Ds.

The end of the training season usually entails the disappearance of several old gunners. This year is no exception to the rule, and we have lost several old hands and good friends who have returned to companies. Our greatest loss is the transfer of Lieut. Baldwin to B Company. This officer has been with the Company since its formation as a Machine Gun Company. No officer has taken a keener interest in the work and the welfare of the Company as a whole.

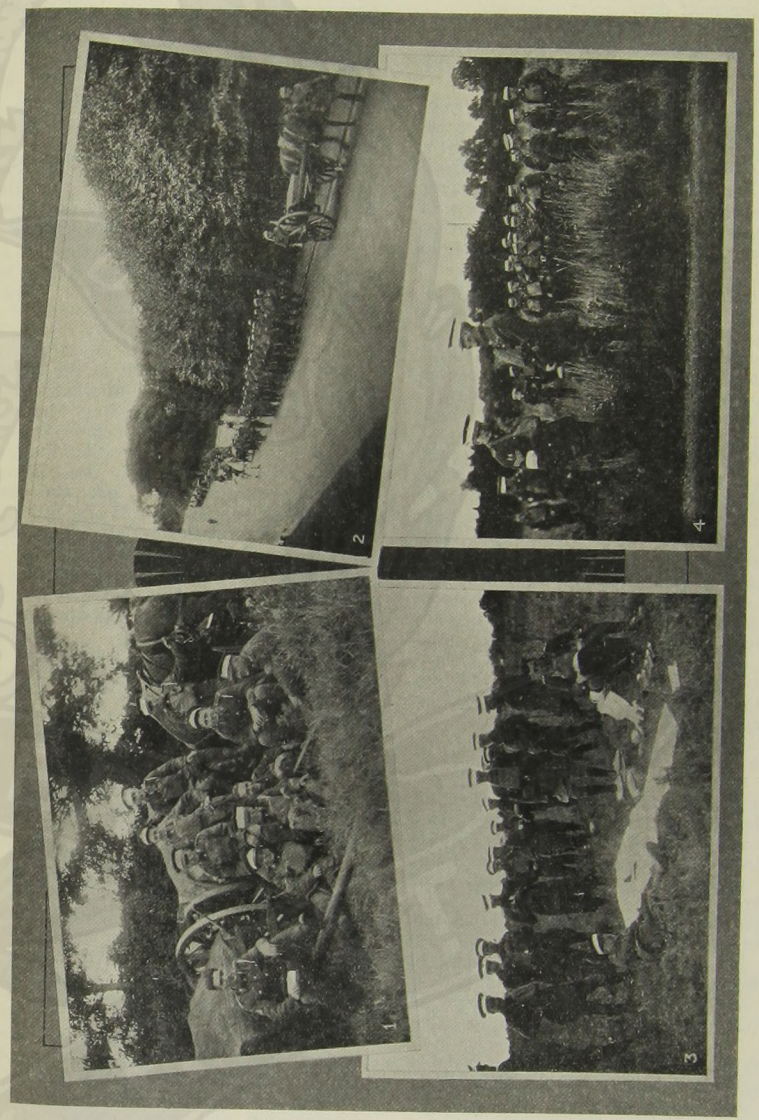
The Garrison Rifle Meeting is now over and we cannot claim to have done very well. In the Suffolk Cup we only managed to get two targets up. In the Inter-Company we did not shine.

It is obvious that more and more practice is required in all forms of sport if we are to hold our own with units in Great Britain. If only the M.G. Company will concentrate on building up good teams for these competitions in both work and games there is no reason why we should not go very near to capturing a few trophies next year.

D COMPANY.

A reference to the notes submitted by us for the last number of the Journal discloses the interesting information that Company Training had not commenced. Well, it is now finished, and so has Battalion and Brigade Training. Peace has been declared.

To most of us it was a new experience, and, once our feet were hardened to marching, it was not an unpleasant one, not even our trip on the "sea" and the landing on "Kingsford Grove" beaches! It is not unworthy of note that during our last battle we were honoured by no less an august personage than *The Times* correspondent, who witnessed the launching of our Kapok bridge on the Roman River shortly before dawn, and referred



2nd BATTALION—BATTALION TRAINING.

to it in complimentary terms in his great paper the next day.

Now Collective Training too is over, and we are bidden to beat our swords into ploughshares and " hedge and ditch " the training area.

In the meantime we feel we can now turn our minds to games, and before we go any farther we would like to record a notable event which somehow got missed from our last notes. At the Boxing Meeting held last May, Cpl. Warnes won the light heavy-weight belt. We offer him our congratulations and may he hold it against all comers.

At the Battalion and Garrison Swimming Sports Cpl. Warnes, L./Cpl. Bromley and Pte. Short represented the Company and put up a very good show, especially Pte. Short, who was only beaten in the Garrison event by a small margin. He is a promising youngster and we look forward to hearing more of him.

Boxing is now occupying our thoughts, perhaps more than all else just now. Everything is being done to encourage beginners in the noble art. In the near future we have the Novices' Individual Meeting on the 3rd and 4th, and the Novices' Team Competition on the 31st. So far the response in the form of entries has been good, and every endeavour is being made to train the young idea. To this end the services and experience of Joe Mullings have been secured, and it is hoped that much benefit will be derived.

It is a good opportunity for the novice, but it means hard work and devoting spare time to practice, for, although Joe Mullings is available during morning parades, very few of us are free then, and we must therefore rely on getting to the practice ring during the voluntary periods in the afternoons and evenings.

Soccer is just beginning: it is an unknown quantity. We must again build up. L./Cpl. Knights holds his place in the Battalion team, and you can take it from us that at least three more of D Company will also be selected for that team.

Rugger is still further in the region of the unknown at present, but Cpl. Warnes, L./Cpls. Knights and Oliver, and Pte. Armitage will have to be considered for Battalion honours.

There is little else to record. No. 14 Platoon won the Efficiency Cup for putting up the best fifty yards' length of double apron-wire obstacle. This is the second time they have done this, though they only had to compete against one strong team from No. 13 Platoon, as Nos. 15 and 16 Platoons, being flagged, did not compete!

It is difficult to regard C.S.M. Simmonds as belonging to any other than D Company, and we offer him our hearty congratulations in attaining his warrant.

We welcome Sergt. Donaldson, and hope he is bringing the welter-weight belt with him. We also welcome Cpl. Wilson.

H.Q. WING.

We have nothing much in the way of fresh news this quarter, but what there is you will find rather interesting (I hope).

During Battalion and Brigade Training it was difficult to recognize the Wing, as, with the exception of the Signals, Stretcher-bearers, Anti-Tank and Anti-Aircraft personnel, the Wing was split up into transport drivers and riflemen.

It is surprising how much one can forget of tactics after a short tour of duty with the Band, but more surprising still is the fact that a *gentle reminder* quickly brings it all back to mind.

The bandsmen who performed the duties of drivers are to be congratulated on the efficient way they carried out their duties. Strange to relate, very few of the bandsmen acting as riflemen succeeded in " taking the can back."

The call of duty has sadly reduced the number of full N.C.Os. in the Wing, and the following take our very best wishes with them:—

Sergt. 72 Smith and Cpl. Gatehouse, to B Company; and Cpls. Gribble and Gromm to A Company.

We tender our hearty congratulations to the following on leaving bachelor days behind them, and hope that their troubles will only be small ones: Sergts. Deane and Boen, Bdsn. Hoare, and Ptes. Morrison and Evans.

The Battalion Rifle Meeting was a success as far as the Wing was concerned, as Q gained first place and G tied with B for second in the Inter-Company Rifle Competition, and quite a number of pool-bull prizes found their way into the Wing.

We are very pleased to welcome Capt. Procter back to the fold after his well-earned leave; he is looking very hale and hearty.

We must close down now, wishing all ranks of the Regiment the best of luck.

WINGER.

STOP PRESS.

We wish Col. H. E. Stanley-Murray, M.C., the very best of luck, and feel very sorry to lose such a fine Commanding Officer, and at the same time congratulate Major M. Browne, M.C., on taking over command.

EMPLOYED GROUP.

Greetings to all for a happy Christmas and a prosperous New Year. Yes, I know that it is rather early for it, but I had to get it off my chest before I forgot it, and, besides, it is the last chance the family has before Father Time puts a finish to Chapter A.D. 1932.

With a few exceptions work has gone on much the same as usual during the past three months. One of the exceptions was L./Cpl. Wray, who did his stuff as a signaller during training. (We wonder what is hard in the duties of a linesman?)

Congratulations to Sergts. Deane and Boen on their marriages. (Who has the pluck to be the next? Why, Pte. Evans, of course! Congratulations, Duke.)

L./Cpl. Ayles has just left us for a tour of duty at the Depot, and takes with him our very best wishes. (But no late nights, Bill!)

The following did their share in Q Company's success in the Battalion Rifle Meeting: Lieut. Else, Sergts. Glover and Kemp, Cpl. Grainger, and L./Cpls. Day and Wray. (Q gained first place in the Inter-Company Rifle Competition.)

Congratulations to L./Cpl. Ayles on representing the Battalion at the Garrison Swimming Sports.

While on the subject of swimming, L./Cpl. Wray and Pte. Darby are to be congratulated on being awarded the Royal Life Saving Association's Intermediate Certificate and Bronze Medallion. (Monty was heard to remark that he would rather do his life-saving abroad, as the water is slightly warmer there.)

Pte. Price will depart for Civvy Street shortly, and we wish him the very best of luck, and hope that he will soon be in regular employment.

Congratulations to Cpl. Grainger on his promotion. (What does it feel like to be Company Orderly Sergeant, Len?)

THE EMPLOYMENT EXCHANGE.

BAND.

Before we endeavour to contribute our notes we would like to wish Sergt. Smith every success with B Company.

As the old saying goes, " Our loss is B Company's gain," but we are still hopeful of his assistance in the future.

The chief topic of late has been Battalion Training. For this we have been split up into various sections of Transport, Stretcher-bearers, Anti-Tank, etc.; six of us were employed with the Transport and many and varied were the comments passed about our jockeyship. Many were the objections we made to these, but they were all over-ruled, and in passing we would like to suggest mechanical transport for next year.

Football is now in full swing, and we hope to have a few more fixtures than were obtainable last year. Up to this date we have not played any games, but are hopeful of retaining the Platoon Knock-out Shield when the time comes.

Band engagements this year have been few and far between, but we hope for more next year when we are better known.

In concluding these notes we wish the 1st Battalion Band the best of luck.

SEMI-QUAVER.

BOYS.

Before we get down to business we would like to congratulate L./Cpls. McEnery, Drane, Walker and Carpenter on their recent promotions in their respective groups. We were sorry to lose Cpl. Jennings (not to mention his garden), and take this opportunity of welcoming L./Cpl. Drane to our family circle. Great regret is experienced in the Band, as the recently promoted Sergt. 72 Smith goes to B Company, but our loss is B Company's gain, so good luck to " Uncle Dick."

Among our recent recruits we are pleased to welcome Boys Haigh, Grogan, Stemp, Carpenter, Plummer and Firman, and our ranks are rapidly swelling. On

Saturday night, September 17th, to our great surprise and delight, our old friend Phipps arrived after five months in hospital. This is very fortunate, as he will be a great asset to our football team.

We were not entirely unsuccessful in the Garrison Swimming Sports, Boy Humberstone again winning the Boys' Breast-stroke Championship. We also secured first place in the Diving Competition. Two Boys, including Haigh (a newcomer), won a place in the finals, and Copeland, White and Humberstone had the same success in the breast-stroke.

Just recently several Boys gained their "Seconds," and we hope to see them in possession of a "First" in the near future.

King Football now reigns supreme, but so far we have had only one game, with the King's Shropshire Light Infantry, which resulted in a draw 2—2, but as we were without our three stalwarts, Phipps, Humberstone and Cox, it looks decidedly promising for the future, especially as the "Shrops" have a very strong side.

We will not take up any more valuable space in the Journal, so will now "pipe down," as our nautical friends express it.

YOB II.

SIGNALS.

During the past three months we have been busy with training and have just finished a strenuous month of Battalion and Brigade Training; which, as far as the Section is concerned, was successful, if not always quite pleasant, for on one occasion we were out for two days on a Divisional scheme, and the rain—oh, how it rained! Unfortunately this year will be the last in which the Section will be comprised of the people we brought home.

We already have new people posted to the Wing who will form part of the new class which will be initiated in the mystic art of signalling at the beginning of October. We wish them all the best of luck, and hope that they will do well at their new job.

In the field of sport we have not done much, but succeeded in getting a game of football with the Black Watch Signals, and, though we were rather badly beaten, we discovered new talent that will make its presence felt with a bit more practice; for, alas, we were able to field only three members of the team that gained fame at Khartoum.

We heartily congratulate Cpls. Hawkins and Day on their promotion, and hope that they will attain dizzy heights on the promotion ladder. Cpl. Hawkins has gone on an A.I.'s Course at Catterick, and we wish him every success.

L./Cpl. Buckland has now been back from Catterick some time, and he passed Q.1. Well done.

Before we draw these notes to a close we should like to congratulate Mr. Stephenson on being chosen to play regularly for the Army throughout the cricket season. Needless to say, he had some outstanding performances to his credit before King Cricket bade us a sad farewell.

We will come to a timely finish by wishing all signallers, past, present and future, the very best of luck.

VIC-EDDY.

DRUMS.

Since our last notes we have been rather busy with Battalion and Brigade Training, which, according to higher authorities, turned out to be very satisfactory.

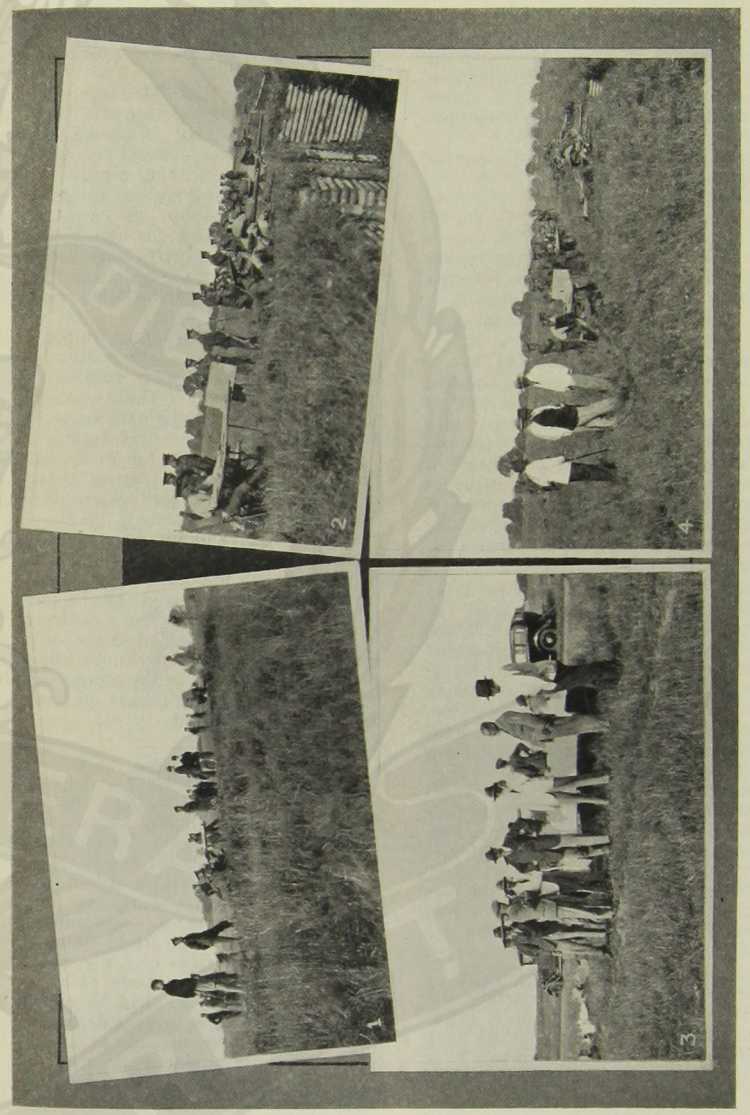
We are very sorry to lose our late Adjutant, Capt. Procter, and we welcome Lieut. Clark as the new Adjutant, and hope that his tour of duty as such will be a pleasant one.

Football is now in full swing and we are pleased to see that Dmr. Jones has retained his place in the Battalion team, and we hope that he will show consistent good form throughout the season.

While the 19th London Regiment were staying with us we held a dinner instead of an outing, which was a great success, as everybody present enjoyed themselves. The Drums of the 19th London Regiment have presented us with a handsome clock, with which everybody is pleased. We hope to renew our friendship in the near future.

We have lost Cpls. Gribble and Gatehouse to A and B Companies respectively and are very sorry to see them go, but at the same time wish them the best of luck.

Dmrs. Dowsett and Girdlestone have returned from their courses with good results.



2nd BATTALION RIFLE MEETING.

Dmr. Doolan has been admitted to hospital with eye trouble, and we hope that he makes a speedy recovery.

Congratulations to Dmr. Morrison on his marriage, and to Dmrs. Hamlin and Morrison on being appointed C.O.'s and Adjutant's Buglers in this year's competition.

Congratulations to L./Cpl. Carpenter on his appointment.

SERGEANTS' MESS.

There appears to be nothing to report regarding the Sergeants' Mess for this quarter's Journal, but, just to show that we are still alive and kicking, we will attempt a few notes.

In the first place, we should like to take this opportunity of saying good-bye to our late Commanding Officer, Col. Stanley-Murray, M.C., and wishing him the best of health and prosperity for the future; also, if we may be permitted to do so, congratulating Lieut.-Col. Browne, M.C., on his appointment to command the Battalion, and assuring him of our loyal co-operation and support during his tenure of command.

We have had a long list of promotions and appointments to the Mess since the last notes and we congratulate all the members who appeared therein, especially C.S.M. Simmonds and C.Q.M.S. Stacey; also Sergt. Quick, our newly appointed Pioneer Sergeant. On the other hand, we have also lost one or two members—and very old members, too—C.S.M. Kent and C.Q.M.S. Capel in particular. They both shared the same office for some years while serving with the Battalion, and they are both working in the same district now they have returned to civilian life—in another Government Service, viz., the Post Office. We wish them both the best of luck, and C.Q.M.S. Capel the best of happiness from his marriage. We are sorry to lose them both.

Our congratulations to Sergt. Boen on his marriage. The married quarters' roll of the Mess is gradually but surely growing, and by this time next year we shall find half our present single members have joined the happy band of pilgrims in the married quarters.

A party from the Mess attended the final day of the Depot Cricket Week and stayed on to the dance given by the Depot Sergeants' Mess. They all had a thoroughly good time, and crept home to their Colchester beds with the milk the next morning.

The Garrison Rifle Meeting was held recently in Colchester and the Mess entered a team. That is all we can say about it this year, except to wish for better luck at the next meeting.

Owing to training and the ranges being completely booked up, we have not yet been able to fire off for the Kent Cup this year, but the experts have been busy and fixed the shoot for a date in the near future. We shall publish the results in the next notes.

There is nothing to report on the social side—this being the "off season"—but now the cold weather is coming (or is here) we hope to get things moving in this direction and anticipate some happy social evenings in the near future.

We must not close our notes without putting on permanent record that only one of our members was lucky in the draw for the Colchester Carnival Week: he is the R.Q.M.S., and his prize was half a ton of coal, presented by the local coal firm! "To the rich shall more be given." It is rumoured that he has had it dumped in the Battalion's coal-yard to help wipe off the deficit caused by the Sergeant-Cook in his strenuous efforts to provide generously for the troops, via the medium of the field kitchens on Battalion and Brigade Training.

CRICKET.

Our record for the past season is: played, 16; won, 9; lost, 6; drew, 1. This may not compare very favourably with our past record abroad, but it should be borne in mind that cricket at home, under a constant change and varying of conditions, was a strange game to most of us. We were deprived at various times of the season of the services of many whom we should normally have been able to call upon. However, we had to expect it, and next year hope to be able to remedy it with new talent, capable of taking the places of those whom we lose.

We were very sorry to lose Major Wollocombe, who got command of the Depot whilst we were still in Khartoum. This meant a change of captaincy, and as it was largely due to him that we were so successful abroad, this was a severe loss. A 2nd Battalion side without him seemed very strange, and we shall unfortunately not have him back again for two years yet. However, we were very glad to see him playing again in our final match of the year, and hope his appearances will not be so rare next season.

Lieut. Heywood was hardly able to turn out at all owing to varied and various appointments, and we were deprived of the services of a forcing opening batsman (two sixes in his first—and, regrettably, nearly last—match will not be forgotten). Of Capt. Procter we also saw far too little. C.Q.M.S. Capel left for Vocational Training before the season opened, and we were at once left without a wicket-keeper. We were very sorry to lose him, as, besides his capabilities as a wicket-keeper, he was a first or second-wicket batsman on whom we could always rely for runs. His loss was dearly felt this season, and he will be missed on the cricket field as well as in many other forms of sport in the Battalion. We were lucky, however, to find Lieut. Else, once his Physical Training had been completed—and that was not until the end of June—so capable of stepping into the breach, and where he performed valorous deeds in standing up to almost everything with great success. Cpl. Wilson kept at times and steadily improved as the season progressed, and created a favourable impression when asked to turn out for the Garrison.

Pte. Addinall, who left us towards the end of the season for the Depot, is another old and seasoned 2nd Battalion player whom we could ill-afford to lose, as he had recovered his bowling to great effect this year and made runs when they were least expected.

But we must not grumble, and this is not intended for a general bewailing. Far from it. We had a very good season and were not altogether unlucky, as on arrival home we were very glad to see Capt. Whinney once again in the team after his two years at the Depot, and also to find Major Lyon, Major Paul, Lieut. Reid and 2/Lieut. Weston had been posted to us. We were lucky that Lieut. Hudson was so willing to play whenever asked, and we were glad he could turn out so often. We were very grateful to all the above-mentioned on various occasions when things would not go right, and no one who was fortunate enough to see it will forget 2/Lieut. Weston's winning innings against H.M.S. *Ganges*, when things looked bad for us. It was a "ticklish" business! Major Lyon ran into form late in the season, and we wish he could have done so earlier. Capt. Savile's average rose consistently each time he played, owing to an inability on the opposition's part to get him out. He ended a good second in the batting averages.

The matches were all very closely fought out except for our sorry collapse at Witham, which was reported in our last notes, and all were very enjoyable games. We were handicapped by arriving home so late in the year as regards arranging fixtures, as we found so many clubs were booked up or could only offer us a date late in the season which was not our best time. However, we shall not have this difficulty next year, as our fixture list has already opened.

Our most exciting game was undoubtedly almost our last game and our first versus Colchester and East Essex, on their ground at Castle Park. 27 for 7 on their score-board looked an easy thing for us, but when their last three wickets put on 60 odd runs and we were left 91 to win, it almost proved too much for us—for us, that is, except Major Lyon and our last three wickets. The former played an invaluable innings of 29, and our last three wickets each made their 4 or 5 runs which knocked off the 12 remaining runs when the seventh wicket had fallen. The last twenty minutes were very exciting, and the enthusiasm could be felt on both sides. Cpl. Wilson made the winning stroke with a mighty cover hit, and was promptly caught next ball in trying to emulate it. The only drawback to an excellent game was the weather, which was unkind enough to try to spoil the enjoyment.

Looking back, and with an eye on next year, the two chief weaknesses were (1) no solidarity in the batting, and (2) lack of variety in the bowling. The latter seems to call for more comment. Sergt. Kemp was unable to find a length at home and another regular member of the eleven, Sergt. Glover, who has perhaps taken more wickets for the Regiment than any other bowler, is beginning to feel the

advance of years. He played on occasions, but he is, I think, the first to realize that one must one day leave one's best years behind one. He has had a very good innings—and bowl. Pte. Winterburn bowled very steadily and well throughout the season and thoroughly deserved his place in the Garrison side. His year's cricket with the experience he should have gained should help him to be even more successful next year. He has learnt the value of keeping a good length, and at times, though not unplayable, was certainly amazingly difficult to score off. (If *only* bowlers will learn to vary their pace, and try to scheme the batsman out —attack him, find his weak point, and keep him guessing—they will find, I am sure, they will be better bowlers and take more wickets.) As it was, we relied on him a great deal, and the averages show that we were in no way disappointed. Capt. Whinney was as useful as ever as a bowler for keeping the runs down and getting the all-important wicket which no one else seemed able to get.

A word on fielding. Good as it was at times, it was not consistently good, and fielding is as important a factor in the game as batting or bowling. We can never afford to be slack for one moment in the field. There is no doubt that it makes or mars a side. The saying is very true—" You can't win your matches if you can't hold your catches." Moral: you must keep " on your toes."

And so to pack our bags until next April—possibly March, as we shall start our new concrete net as early as possible —when we hope to unearth some new talent from the new drafts, which arrive very regularly. Amongst them we hope to find someone who can bowl " the slow stuff." Either left hand or right, who can keep a *good* length, who does not mind being hit and who can also break the ball a bit. Anyone who can do this is sure of his place in the Regimental XI. It will not be long before his chance is here—and we hope to find him (or them) early next year.

2nd Bn. The Middlesex Regiment *v.* 2nd Bn. The Black Watch.

Played at Colchester on May 26th.

Scores :—

2nd Bn. The Middlesex Regiment.

Lieut. Heywood b Pain	13
Lieut. Stephenson lbw b Pain	23
Cpl. Wilson c and b Morgan	21
Lieut. Gilbert c Brown b Pain	3
Pte. Broadbridge c Cant b Brown	10
Sergt. Glover b Morgan	3
Sergt. Addinall c Morgan b Smedley	7
Pte. Brailey not out	7
Dmr. Sewell b Brown	2
Bdsn. Riseley c Pain b Brown	2
Dmr. Thompson b Brown	0
Extras	12
Total	103

2nd Bn. The Black Watch.

Capt. Williamson c Wilson b Riseley	27
Lieut. Sir Dick Cunyngham c Wilson b Riseley	7
Capt. Bucknall b Riseley	0
Lieut. Rennie b Stephenson	9
L./Cpl. Brown b Heywood	17
Lieut. Grant c Heywood b Stephenson	3
Capt. Ruck c Heywood b Stephenson	0
Pte. Morgan not out	1
Extras	5
Total (for 7 wickets)	68

2nd Bn. The Middlesex Regiment *v.* 2nd Bn. The Royal Fusiliers.

Played at Colchester on June 24th.

Scores :—

2nd Bn. The Royal Fusiliers.

Capt. Mardall c Weston b Whinney	17
Lieut. McCall c Else b Thompson	35
Lieut. Butler c Else b Winterburn	0
L./Cpl. Whiteing not out	75
Lieut. Nevill c Weston b Winterburn	19
Capt. Chester-Master c Gilbert b Winterburn	8
Lieut. Henry not out	25
Extras	7
Total (for 5 wickets dec.)	186

2nd Bn. The Middlesex Regiment.

Major Paul c Nevill b Bennett	11
Lieut. Heywood c Bennett b Butler	0
Lieut. Gilbert c Whiteing b Henry	22
Capt. Whinney not out	38
Pte. Winterburn c and b Mitchell	10
Pte. Addinall c Butler b McCall	34
Lieut. Reid not out	2
Extras	4
Total (for 5 wickets)	121

Major Lyon, Lieut. Else, Lieut. Weston and Dmr. Thompson did not bat.

2nd Bn. The Middlesex Regiment *v.* Colchester and East Essex.

Played at Castle Park on September 1st.

Scores :—

Colchester and East Essex.

H. Friend b Stephenson	11
R. Lord b Winterburn	10
T. Sleigh c Winterburn b Stephenson	0
T. Diggins c Brailey b Winterburn	4
J. Henry b Winterburn	0
R. Wray b Stephenson	1
G. Wenden b Winterburn	0
A. Girling b Thompson	0
R. Hunt lbw b Winterburn	13
Rev. A. Fenn b Winterburn	28
L. Dennis not out	11
Extras	12
Total	90

2nd Bn. The Middlesex Regiment.

Capt. Whinney c Lord b Hunt	0
Major Lyon st Lord b Wenden	25
Lieut. Else c Friend b Wenden	8
Lieut. Stephenson c Lord b Fenn	0
Lieut. Green c Sleigh b Wenden	5
Pte. Winterburn c Girling b Wenden	19
2/Lieut. Weston lbw b Sleigh	7
Pte. Brailey c Girling b Wenden	3
2/Lieut. Man b Hunt	3
Dmr. Thompson not out	10
Cpl. Wilson c Hunt b Fenn	5
Extras	9
Total	94

2nd Bn. The Middlesex Regiment *v.* Colchester and East Essex.

Played at Colchester on September 9th.

Scores :—

2nd Bn. The Middlesex Regiment.

Capt. Whinney c Dennis b Matthews	6
Major Lyon b Unwin	28
Lieut. Hudson b Fenn	26
Capt. Worton not out	12
Pte. Winterburn run out	4
Lieut. Else b Unwin	0
Major Paul b Unwin	0
Major Wollocombe c Matthews b Unwin	0
2/Lieut. Weston lbw b Fenn	3
Sergt. Glover c Friend b Unwin	8
Pte. Brailey c Fenn b Unwin	6
Extras	5
Total	98

Colchester and East Essex.

H. Friend c Winterburn b Hudson	22
A. Sleigh b Whinney	30
J. Sleigh b Winterburn	9
G. Unwin not out	36
T. Digins b Winterburn	0
A. Dennis not out	8
Extras	8
Total (for 4 wickets)	113

REGIMENTAL CRICKET AVERAGES.

Batting.

	No. of Innings.	Times not out.	Runs.	Most in an Innings.	Average.
Lieut. J. W. A. Stephenson	11	0	362	94	32.9
Capt. H. B. W. Savile	5	2	73	21	24.3
Capt. C. T. Whinney	15	1	242	52	17.7
Major N. H. B. Lyon	9	0	151	29	16.7
2/Lieut. G. P. L. Weston	10	3	117	44	16.7
Lieut. F. H. Else	5	0	81	37	16.2
Pte. Addinall	9	0	132	34	14.6
Pte. Winterburn	12	0	151	49	12.7
Lieut. N. G. Gilbert	7	0	77	28	11.0
Lieut. J. G. Reid	7	0	68	31	9.7
Lieut. E. V. H. Hudson	4	0	36	26	9.0
Major H. W. M. Paul	5	0	32	11	6.4
Lieut. A. E. Green	6	0	31	16	6.2

Bowling.

	O.	M.	R.	W.	Aver.
Lieut. J. W. A. Stephenson	89	26	159	21	7.5
Pte. Winterburn	124	22	331	37	8.9
2/Lieut. G. P. L. Weston	10	2	40	3	13.3
Pte. Addinall	88	15	233	16	16.5
Dmr. Thompson	25	4	94	5	18.8
Pte. Daly	34	4	114	6	19.0
Capt. C. T. Whinney	111	12	383	19	20.1
Lieut. E. V. H. Hudson	47	8	163	7	23.2
Sergt. W. Kemp	30	2	101	4	25.2

SWIMMING.

Owing to the recent return of the Battalion from abroad it was impossible to begin building up a team for the Garrison Swimming Sports as early as one would have liked.

The trials that were held in July produced a number of keen swimmers, but not as much talent as was hoped. Ptes. Short and Lomax, however, proved to be the best all-round performers.

After the trials, training began in real earnest. Every morning at 6.30, and during the afternoons, when possible, the selected few put in all the practice they could. R.S.M. Tyler, late 4th Battalion and now of the Army Physical Training Staff, who had come to Colchester to supervise a P.T. Course, undertook to assist in coaching, and we are very grateful to him for his help.

Lieut. Guscott and Sergt. R. Smith developed into plungers of no mean ability —both being capable of reaching over 50 feet.

In the Garrison Individual Competition Boys Caney and Humberstone won the Boys' Diving and Two Lengths' Breaststroke respectively, and Lieut. Guscott the Open Plunging, with two plunges of 51 and 49 feet.

In the Inter-Unit Team Competition the Battalion was fourth with 19 points, the Royal Fusiliers were the winners with 35 points, followed by the Royal Signals and the King's Shropshire Light Infantry who were equal with 26 points. The Royal Fusiliers are to be congratulated on a very fine performance, with five firsts and one second to their credit.

The Battalion team's display was quite up to expectations, defeating as it did two other units, and it was unfortunate not to gain first place in the Plunging and the Two Lengths' Free Style Relay.

Next year's team will benefit by the experience gained this year, and, with some promising swimmers amongst our new

drafts, should come a little nearer winning the competition.

It is not the best two individuals who win team events, but the last two members of each team, as was seen this year very clearly, and so it is to these latter that the greatest attention must be paid.

The team was as follows:—

Two Lengths' Back-stroke Relay.—L./Cpl. Bromley (D), Sergt. Harper (B), Pte. Lomax (A) and Bdsn. Boughton (H.Q.).

Two Lengths' Breast-stroke Relay.—Cpl. Livens (D), Boy Humberstone (H.Q.), Lieut. Clark, and Pte. Pusey (H.Q.).

Two Lengths Free Style Relay.—Pte. Short (D), L./Cpl. Ayles (H.Q.), Pte. Lomax (A), and Pte. Cosgrove (B).

Seven Lengths' Free Style Relay.—L./Cpl. Bromley (D), Pte. Short (D), L./Cpl. Fuller (B) and L./Cpl. Grant (B).

Plunging.—Lieut. Guscott, L./Sergt. R. Smith (H.Q.) and Lieut. Clark.

Diving.—Lieut. Ferguson, Pte. Short (D), and L./Cpl. Ayles (H.Q.).

OFFICERS' CLUB.

A MOST enjoyable and successful Tennis Tournament was held at the Depot on August 27th and 28th. The winners had to play rather a large number of sets during the tournament, but everyone agreed that it was better to play the best of three sets. The weather was very kind and the courts were in good condition.

Lieuts. A. S. Page and R. C. Atherton won the Doubles for the 19th London Regiment, and 2/Lieut. E. F. Miskin, of the 8th Battalion, won the Singles. They had to work hard to achieve victory, and fully deserved to win.

The Regimental "At Home" next year will take place as usual at the Depot on the last Wednesday in June. The Committee wishes it to be fully understood that ladies having any connection with the Regiment are cordially invited to attend. They should apply to the Hon. Secretary for tickets. As some ladies concerned are not likely to see these notes, it is hoped that readers will bring this point to the notice of any whom they happen to know.

Results of tennis tournament:—

SINGLES.

First Round.—Major J. N. Lamont beat Lieut. R. Bartram; Major T. S. Wollocombe beat Major P. Lloyd-Williams. Capts. F. G. Hogg, G. W. Kempster and H. K. Hardcastle, Lieuts. T. P. Coubro, G. C. Scott-Lowe, H. G. Petrie, R. C. Atherton, P. E. C. Tuckey and A. S. Page, and 2/Lieuts. E. F. Miskin, A. C. Clark, B. J. Paul and N. M. Blair—byes.

Second Round.—Major Wollocombe beat Major Lamont; 2/Lieut. Miskin beat Lieut. T. P. Coubro; Lieut. Scott-Lowe beat Capt. Hogg; Capt. Kempster beat 2/Lieut. Clark; Capt. Hardcastle beat 2/Lieut. Paul; Lieut. Atherton beat Lieut. Petrie, Lieut. Page beat 2/Lieut. Blair; Lieut. Tuckey, walk-over.

Third Round.—2/Lieut. Miskin beat Major Wollocombe; Capt. Kempster beat Lieut. Scott-Lowe; Lieut. Atherton beat Capt. Hardcastle; Lieut. Page beat Lieut. Tuckey.

Semi-finals.—2/Lieut. Miskin beat Capt. Kempster; Lieut. Page beat Lieut. Atherton.

Final.—2/Lieut. Miskin beat Lieut. Page.

DOUBLES.

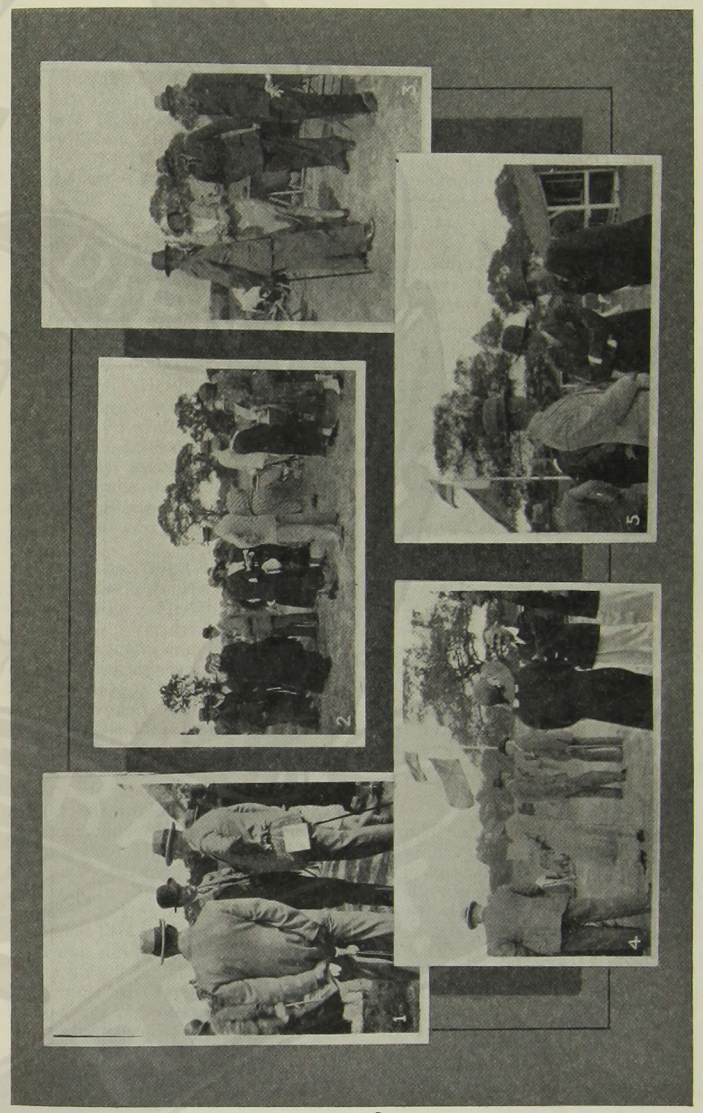
First Round.—Lieuts. R. C. Atherton and A. S. Page (19th London Regt.) beat Lieuts. R. Bartram and G. C. Scott-lowe (7th Battalion); Capt. G. W. Kempster and Lieut. P. E. C. Tuckey (Depot) beat Major J. N. Lamont and Lieut. T. P. Coubro (9th Battalion); 2/Lieuts. N. M. Blair and E. F. Miskin (8th Battalion) beat Major T. S. Wollocombe and Lieut. N. G. Gilbert (Depot); 2/Lieuts. B. J. Paul and A. C. Clark (7th Battalion) beat Capts. F. G. Hogg and H. K. Hardcastle (9th Battalion).

Semi-finals.—Lieuts. Atherton and Page beat Capt. Kempster and Lieut. Tuckey; 2/Lieuts. Blair and Miskin beat 2/Lieuts. Paul and Clark.

Final.—Lieuts. Atherton and Page beat 2/Lieuts. Blair and Miskin.

I ZINGARI COLOURS.

Those who know the colours of the I Zingari Cricket Club (and who does not?) may be surprised to find that a horticulturist has been able to reproduce



OFFICERS' CLUB AT HOME.

them in a rose. You will find the I Zingari in bed 37 in the Regent's Park garden —"true orange flowers, gold beneath, dark brown stems." Looking at it I recalled that the last time I watched an I Z. match—against one of our regimental elevens, not far from London—any dull intervals there might have been in the batting were filled by those of us who were in the pavilion by watching the parental assiduity of a swift tending her young. Her nest, after having been built on one ledge in the pavilion, had, for convenience, been placed on a board by the solicitous hands of subalterns and moved to another, without any protest on the mother's part. There were now four young birds, two of whom, however, being thrust into the background by the others, got too little food. Every now and then, therefore, during the match a kindly British officer would rearrange the family, bringing the starvelings to the fore, but, so far as I could see, the manœuvre had no effect; the vigorous, clamorous birds always received the mouthful. Still, the intention was, for professional killers, memorably humane.

EXETER CATHEDRAL WEDDING.

Miss N. B. Hull and Capt. H. R. Swinburn.

V.A.D. nurses formed a guard of honour at the Exeter Cathedral wedding of Miss Naomi Barbara Hull, younger daughter of the late Major-General Sir Amyatt Hull, K.C.B., and Lady Hull, of Pinhoe, and Capt. Henry Robinson Swinburn, 2nd/11th Ludhiana Sikhs, elder son of Mr. and Mrs. Henry Swinburn, of Keswick, Cumberland.

The ceremony took place in the choir, which, decorated with gladioli and palms, was filled with about 300 invited guests.

The Bishop of Crediton (Right Rev. W. F. Surtees) officiated, assisted by Rev. O. Puckridge (Vicar of Pinhoe) and Rev. R. C. B. Llewellyn (Succentor). Dr. T. Armstrong (Cathedral organist) played bridal music while the guests assembled. Met at the west door by the choir, the bridal procession passed up the nave to the singing of the hymn "Lead us, Heavenly Father." During the choral service, "O perfect love" and "Praise my soul, the King of Heaven," were also sung.

DEPOT NOTES.

During the past quarter detachments from the 7th, 8th and 9th Battalions have been carrying out their Annual Training at the Depot, in lieu of the normal training camps. We were very pleased to see them, and hope that they enjoyed their time here.

The Divisional Commander (Major-General H. R. Peck, C.B., C.M.G., D.S.O.) and the O.C., 132nd Infantry Brigade (Col. G. H. Harrison, D.S.O.), visited the Depot during the stay of the Territorials and saw them at their work. Signalling and range-takers' tests were carried out, the latter by Lieut. Ferguson, of the 2nd Battalion, while two N.C.Os. of the 2nd Battalion were attached to assist with signalling instruction.

The annual inspection of the Depot was due to take place on September 13th, but was postponed owing to the sudden illness and subsequent tragic death of the son of our Area Commander, to whom we desire to offer our deepest sympathy. The inspection is now to take place on October 13th.

The Annual Sports of the Depot took place on the Friday of Cricket Week and were completed successfully. An account appears elsewhere. We were very pleased to see Capt. Paiba come up to present the (Paiba) Best Loser's Cup and replica.

The football season is now in full swing and the All Ranks' League has been commenced. The Depot side is quite strong and we hope it will have a successful season. The Recruits' side is also very promising at present, but most of the good players leave for the 2nd Battalion in the middle of November. It is hoped that more talent will have been discovered in the junior squads by that time. Matches are also being played with the Mill Hill Nondescripts, a team composed of masters from Mill Hill School, with the assistance of two of our officers. They play their first match against the W.Os. and Sergeants on October 3rd. Incidentally the latter team has just been defeated by Nivelle Squad by 4 goals to 0.

A Recruits' Table Tennis Tournament was held in the Library in August and attracted forty entries. The standard of play was quite high. Pte. Bridge (Somme) was the winner, and Pte. Delaney (Nivelle) was the runner-up. A Billiards Tournament, open to recruits and Depot staff, is now in progress, the table having been recovered.

Lieut. I. D. S. Gordon left the Depot in July on the completion of his tour of three years as Adjutant. We were very sorry to lose him, and wish him every success.

2/Lieut. K. R. M. Biggs, Supplementary Reserve of Officers, was attached to the Depot from August 8th to September 7th for preliminary training. He stayed on for some time afterwards, and during this period did an immense amount of work in the Regimental Museum. We hope to see him again before long.

A panoramic photograph of all ranks of the Depot was taken on the lawn in front of the Officers' Mess in September. It is hoped that it will be possible to insert reproductions in the Depot Christmas cards.

The barracks and surroundings are now involved in a network of repairs and renovations, and in places resemble a devastated area. Roads are being entirely remade, the range is assuming a new aspect, the barrack square is being re-covered, and we are again at the mercy of the minions of Messrs. Edwards; the sound of the road-breaker's drill is continually inflicted on our ears, and deep trenches appear in most unexpected places. We can only suffer these trials with patience, hoping that some day everything will be straightened out.

The following squads have been posted to the 2nd Battalion during the past quarter: Albuhera (Squad Commanders, Sergt. Sadler and L./Sergt. Swadling), July 16th; Mons (Sergt. Jones and L./Sergt. Scott), August 13th; Ypres (Sergt. Bray), August 27th.

ATHLETICS.

The Annual Sports were held on the Friday during Cricket Week. Results were decidedly satisfactory, although certain men took part in as many as five and six events. If the results are to be improved in the future, some scheme must be devised whereby men may be able to compete in their own particular event without the opportunity of being able to compete in others. The recruits are very keen, and they must understand in this early part of their military training that in these days, when the standard of athletics in the Army is so very high, if they wish to attain any success in this branch of sport, they must learn to specialize. Unless a man is of outstanding ability, it is practically impossible for any competitor to take part in more than two or three events.

In the future it is hoped that the Depot will hold a few subsidiary athletic meetings spread over a number of days. With this method working it will be much easier for those concerned to decide in which events the recruits should specialize.

The Band of the 2nd Bn. The Middlesex Regiment (D.C.O.) at the Depot Sports, 1932.

The results of the Depot Sports for 1932 were as follows:—

Open Events.

100 *Yards*.—1, Cpl. Overy; 2, Cpl. Smith; 3, L./Cpl. Oliver. (Time, 10.6 sec.)

220 *Yards*.—1, Cpl. Overy; 2, Cpl. Smith; 3, L./Cpl. Oliver. (Time, 23.2 sec.)

440 *Yards*.—1, Sergt. Paterson; 2, L./Cpl. Oliver; 3, Pte. Coombes (N.). (Time, 57.2 sec.)

880 *Yards*.—1, Pte. Berryman (Y.); 2, Pte. Weller (D.S.); 3, Pte. Williams (S.). (Time, 2 min. 22 sec.)

One Mile.—1, Pte. Berryman (Y.); 2, Pte. Phipps (N.); 3, Pte. Collison (D.S.). (Time, 5 min. 6 sec.)

Three Miles.—1, Pte. Day (M.); 2, Pte. Thundow (Y.); 3, Pte. McCarthy (S.). (Time, 17 min. 15 sec.)

Long Jump.—1, Sergt. Paterson; 2, Cpl. Jenkins; 3, Cpl. Overy. (Distance, 19 ft. 0½ in.)

Discus.—1, Cpl. Overy; 2, Pte. Marshall (D.S.); 3, Pte. Tye (N.). (Distance, 99 ft. 4 in.)

RECRUITS' EVENTS.

100 *Yards.*—1, Davis (N.); 2, Coombes (N.); 3, Chapman (A.). (Time, 11 sec.)

220 *Yards.*—1, Chapman (A.); 2, Coombes (N.); 3, Bridge (S.). (Time, 24.6 sec.)

440 *Yards.*—1, Allen (Y.); 2, Stagg (A.); 3, Bridge (S.). (Time, 59 sec.)

880 *Yards.*—1, McAndrew (Y.); 2, Hayden (A.); 3, Nicholls (N.). (Time, 2 min. 20 sec.)

Long Jump.—1, Davis (N.); 2, Allen (Y.); 3, Chapman (A.). (Distance, 18 ft. 6½ in.)

High Jump.—1, Stagg (A.); 2, Coombes (N.); equal 3, Davis (N.) and Allen (Y.). (Height, 5 ft. 0¾ in.)

Heaving the Shot.—1, Tye (N.); 2, Fuller (A.); 3, McAndrew (Y.). (Distance, 30 ft. 8½ in.)

Paiba Cup (awarded to the best loser).—Winner, Peasley (A.).

(*Note.*—D.S., Depot Staff; N., Nivelle Squad; S., Somme Squad; A., Albuhera Squad; Y., Ypres Squad; M., Mons Squad.)

BOXING.

In an endeavour to discover talent for the Battalion Open Novices' Boxing Tournament, to be held in Colchester at the beginning of October, the Depot decided to hold an early boxing competition. Very little warning was able to be given to the men, but with only a fortnight in which to train fifty-nine entries were received, forty-nine of which came from the recruits, and the remaining ten from the Depot staff. These numbers enabled us to have three very good evenings' sport. Everyone agreed that they had seldom seen keener or harder fighting. The Depot staff, in particular, gave us a very good display of hard-hitting boxing where no quarter was asked or given. They all seemed to hate each other intensely. It has been decided, as a result of the tournament, to send Ptes. Delaney, Tyler, Baxter and McCarthy to Colchester as entries for the Battalion Novices' Competition.

The Commanding Officer, before presenting the prizes, made a very apt speech and laid great stress on the fact that the recruits had plenty to learn and that they should take every opportunity of acquiring knowledge from those men who had more experience, and who would be only too willing to teach them. If the recruits take heed of the Commanding Officer's advice, more will be heard of quite a number of those who took part.

A list of prize-winners follows:—

RECRUITS.

Feather-weight.—Pte. Macarthy; runner-up, Pte. Shrub.

Light-weight.—Pte. Tyler; runner-up, Pte. Chapman.

Welter-weight.—Pte. Delaney; runner-up, Pte. Winstanley.

Light Heavy-weight. — Pte. Baxter; runner-up, Pte. Izzard.

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Light-weight.—L./Cpl. Berks; runner-up, Pte. Knight.

Welter-weight.—Pte. Matthews; runner-up, Pte. Collison.

Middle-weight.—Cpl. Overy; runner-up, Pte. Addinall.

Heavy-weight.—L./Sergt. Jenkins; runner-up, Cpl. White.

Best Loser's Prize.—Pte. Izzard.

SQUAD PLACINGS.

1, Nivelle; 2, Albuhera; 3, Somme; 4, Ladysmith.

SHOOTING.

During the past quarter three squads have completed their weapon training at the Depot, and the following list gives the winners of the Empire Tests and Classifications respectively:—

EMPIRE TEST.		CLASSIFICATION—30 YARDS.	
Mons Squad—			
Pte. Day ...	80	Pte. Day ...	86
Ypres Squad—			
Pte. Burch ...	80	Pte. Bruniges ...	91
Nivelle Squad—			
Pte. Davis ...	78	Pte. Green ...	95
Pte. Davidson ...			
Pte. Hayden ...			

In the Classification practices the record average for a recruits' squad has been broken by Nivelle Squad. The record average now stands at 75.1. Not only should Nivelle Squad be congratulated on this account, but they established a very fine performance when they defeated a team from the Depot The Royal Fusiliers in a shooting match, held during September, by 31 points.

The following are the scores:—

Depot The Middlesex Regiment, 446.

Pte. Hayden ...	56	Pte. Coombes ...	47
Pte. Delaney ...	60	Pte. Aslin... ...	56
Pte. Davis ...	66	Pte. Tye	62
Pte. Davidson ...	60	Pte. Nicholl ...	39

Depot The Royal Fusiliers, 415.

It should be recorded that on the day on which this match took place the team had only fired ball ammunition on two previous occasions on the previous two days. The above eight men must be congratulated on putting up a very fine performance.

Monthly shoots have been carried out regularly, and it would take too long to give a list of the winners. C.S.M. Hart and Sergt. I.M. Wright have been the most consistent shots amongst the Depot Staff, and Ptes. O'Connor, Bond, Phillips, Young, Hipson, Burt and Reed have been most successful in the Recruits' Class.

The annual Depot Rifle Meeting has been postponed to a later date, since at present there is only one squad of recruits which is able to shoot ball ammunition. The results of this meeting we hope to give in the next issue of the Journal.

CRICKET.

The Depot cricket side ended the season quite strongly. Of the four matches lost, three were only lost by very small margins, and the other, *v.* Hampstead C.C., was a very creditable defeat. We fielded an abnormally weak side against a definitely strong side, and yet the scores looked very encouraging until three of the side succumbed to an unfortunate hat-trick.

The Depot would like to take this opportunity of thanking Capt. Worton and Lieut. Hudson and the officers of the 2nd Battalion who have so kindly come to help us in the more important fixtures.

A Depot Cricket League resulted in a win for the Depot Staff Privates, whilst Ladysmith Squad, the junior squad at the time, put up a noble fight.

E team, composed of the senior members of the Depot staff, must needs be mentioned. These worthies struggled courageously, but age, lack of talent, leg-pulling, back-biting, frostbite, good conduct medals, long service (not to mention that on the Frontier), injuries or the antagonism of the umpires must have constituted the cause of their failures and their consequent adornment of a *very* prominent position in the league table.

A *résumé* of the end-of-season matches is given below:—

v. Old Finchleians, won by 93 runs. Capt. Worton, 41; L./Cpl. Elcome, 42; Pte. Addinall, 4 for 23; Lieut. Gilbert, 4 for 5.

v. Golders Green Police, lost by 2 wickets. Pte. Addinall, 30; 2/Lieut. Sherwin, 20.

v. Lieut.-Col. MacGregor Greer's XI, won by 8 wickets. Lieut. Hudson, 64; Lieut. Gilbert, 49; Major Wollocombe, 24; Lieut. Hudson, 5 for 19.

v. Hampstead Heathens, won by 7 runs. Lieut. Stephenson, 102.

v. Finchley Municipal C.C., lost by 8 runs.

v. Depot The East Surrey Regiment, won by 5 wickets. Pte. Addinall, 32; Capt. Procter, 27; Pte. Addinall, 6 for 27; Sergt. Paterson, 4 for 10.

v. Hampstead C.C., lost by 66 runs. Lieut. Gilbert, 45; Pte. Addinall, 8 for 60.

v. 19th London Regiment, lost by 14 runs. Major Wollocombe, 35; Sergt. Paterson, 6 for 16.

v. Depot The Royal Fusiliers, won by an innings and 7 runs. Sergt. Paterson, 7 for 28.

SERGEANTS' MESS.

"The British soldier is the policeman of Empire." The striking proof of this phrase has been vividly brought home to us during the past quarter. It has been the alleged summer period, and most of the members, braving the elements with that do-or-die spirit which has won them fame and glory far and near, have devoted themselves to outdoor games and pastimes with commendable fortitude. One indoor game, however, has survived, but it has come to our notice that its devotees wish it transformed into an outdoor one, and it is rumoured that plans are afoot for the construction of two trellissed bowers

near the tennis courts, so that during next summer these policemen of the Empire may disport themselves out of doors, grimly sitting with joker and two and taunting the unfortunate dealers with Punchinellian sneers of "Pass, clown, pass."

Elsewhere in this Journal in an article entitled "Depot Cricket" may be found a passing reference to the prowess of the cricketing members of the Mess. It may appear that their performances were hardly worthy of record, but in extenuation may we add to the remarks in that article that the mingling of certain of the élite of the cricketing members with the *hoi polloi* in general and designating them "E team" possibly tended to cramp their style and spoil their averages.

On the tennis court, play, when permitted by the absence of cloud-bursts, has been regular and good. We have just concluded a mixed doubles tournament, in which Mrs. Baldwin and R.Q.M.S. Pilley were the victors, and a men's doubles tournament wherein R.Q.M.S. Pilley and C.S.M. Hart proved successful against Sergts. Shaw and Bishop.

On our own hard court we are invincible (among ourselves), but on the occasion of our being entertained by the Officers of the Depot at a Tennis "At Home" our representative team found the grass court and the finer technique of our opponents hardly to their liking, but by strenuous efforts they managed to force the issue to a draw, the final score being 74 games each. Thanks are due to the official scorer, who made use of the new modified metric sliding-scale system of scoring. (This may be found in the Handbook of Sports and Games in the Army under the section "Referees—Football.")

While our team were dividing the ashes the non-playing members and their wives indulged in a whist drive which resulted in prizes being shared by O.R.Q.M.S. Baldwin and C.Q.M.S. Clarke and their respective wives. (Four prizes—two Quarter-blokes and their families! Comment is superfluous.) A very enjoyable afternoon and evening were spent, and our gay young Lothario was heard to murmur "Life is all beer and skittles."

In other realms of sport we submitted for the approval of the world in general a football team—the result of the first game is immaterial, for it will assuredly be found elsewhere in the thickest of type; but least said soonest mended—a sentiment in which Jonah, Bish and "young" Pat most certainly concur.

On September 14th a party of fifty-five, comprising members, honorary members, their wives and offspring, embussed for the Lido of Essex—Southend. Jupiter Pluvius smiled upon us and, except for occasional low clouds, the weather was at its best.

Space does not permit of an account of our doings by the sea, but all on their return were unanimous in their expression that they had had a really good day. (Note.—As a result of our visit to the Kursaal, it has come to our notice that a certain Warrant Officer is submitting to higher authority that the Small Arms School, Hythe, shall embody in the syllabus of its next "refresher" a course on "zig-zag driving of mechanical-transport vehicles as a protective measure against concerted attack by mobile armoured units.)

Congratulations are cordially offered to Sergts. Kruck and Scott and L./Sergts. Bedward and Jenkins on their promotions, and we wish Kruck and Scott the best of luck during their stay on the banks of the Colne. Let us hope the fair damozels of the Eastern Counties are as generous in the future with their favours to our departed Don Juan as those whom he has left in despair and desolation were in the past.

Whist drives, the forerunners of what we hope will be a successful winter social season, have been held at regular intervals and the attendances and support given to them have been pleasing to the Committees generally.

CONFIDENTIAL.

If anyone desires a picture of an O.R.Q.M.S., complete with boots, ammunition, belt slung, puttees (slung on), and resplendent with orders and decorations, a limited supply is available. With each copy supplied a guarantee will be given that it is an authentic portrait and not an example of trick photography which sometimes leads us to doubt the fact that the camera cannot lie.

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CORPORALS' NOTES.

Since the last notes appeared, things have been rather quiet, but with the approach of winter all members of the Club have been observed going through weird evolutions which they assure the onlooker are leg-strengthening exercises. Whether football or dancing is the object of all this we cannot say, but we hereby give warning to all and sundry that we have eleven good men and true to put in the football field.

Our first dance takes place on Saturday, October 1st, to which we are all looking forward. Some Corporals are brushing up their steps and some their "blues" (patrols, of course).

A boxing tournament was held on September 21st, 22nd and 23rd, and some very good fights were seen. (Both the Orderly Corporal and Orderly Sergeant were on the Tattoo roll call.) We suggest that, should they fight again the manufacturers of Kensitas be informed so that an artist can be present to take down a possible sketch for their next advertisement: "Nature in the raw is seldom mild."

We congratulate L./Sergts. Bedward and Jenkins on their recent promotion, and are very sorry to lose them to the higher Mess. In their stead we welcome L./Cpls. Bird, Ayles and Armstrong, and wish them a happy tour. We also extend congratulations to Cpls. Thorne, Riches and Clarke on being promoted to full rank, and here I must add that Dasher wears puttees to forestall attacks of varicose veins.

EDUCATION.

The results of Educational Training during the past quarter have certainly been gratifying to all concerned.

Examinations for the 3rd Class Certificate have been held monthly, and the number of certificates awarded was 63.

One examination for 2nd Class Certificates was held and seventeen candidates successfully qualified for educational and proficiency pay.

Sundry and various non-commissioned officers, with one eye on the improvement of their mind and the widening of their mental outlook, and the other on the fluctuations of the seniority roll, are assimilating learning at high pressure for their forthcoming struggle with the examining board for the 1st Class Certificate in October. Let us hope their efforts are rewarded and that they may freely use the blue pencil which, it is understood, now forms part and parcel of the impedimenta of a "complete seniority roll."

The actual state of educational qualifications among the recruits at the moment is well up to standard. Of 119 recruits thirty-one are uncertificated and of those the majority have completed only one week of training.

Three squads, totalling sixty-three men, have been posted to the Home Battalion during the period under review, and included one First, twelve Seconds, and the remainder Thirds. The two squads who are due for posting in the very near future are 100-per-cent. qualified with Thirds, and it is hoped that before they are actually posted a large number will have obtained Seconds.

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It should be added that Sergt.-Instr. Benwell, A.E.C., and Sergt. Patterson deserve high praise for the excellent educational standard which has been, and is being, attained by the recruits at the Depot. It very rarely occurs now that a squad proceeding to join the Home Battalion contains any men without 3rd Class Certificates, whilst quite a number have reached a higher standard.

REGIMENTAL ASSOCIATION NOTES.

HON. SECRETARY'S REPORT FOR QUARTER ENDED SEPTEMBER 30TH, 1932.

Amount of grants and loans made: £174 15s. 3d.

Grants and loans specially sanctioned by Committee: £17 14s.

Number of cases dealt with: 225.

Number of cases assisted: 125.

Number of men registered for employment: 58.

Number of men found permanent employment by Regimental Association: 16.

Number of men found permanent employment by Acton Branch, N.A.: 3.

Number of men found temporary employment by Regimental Association: 3.

Number of men found temporary employment by Acton Branch, N.A.: nil.

Number of men who took up employment: 22.

Wives of ex-Middlesex Regiment men found employment by Regimental Association: 1.

Number of parcels sent out by Ladies' Guild: 14.

A meeting of the Executive Committee was held at the Library, Central London Recruiting Zone, Whitehall, S.W.1, on July 20th, 1932. Present:—

Lieut.-Col. A. M. O. Anwyl Passingham, O.B.E., D.L. (in the chair); Lieut.-Cols. W. H. Samuel, H. E. Stanley-Murray, M.C., F. S. Steed, O.B.E., D.C.M. (Hon. Treasurer), and G. W. Tupper, T.D.; Major T. S. Wollocombe, M.C. (Hon. Secretary); Capts. H. E. Foster and A. N. Overell; R.S.M. C. Davis, R.Q.M.S. W. Pilley, C.Q.M.S. L. Clarke, Mr. R. E. Evans, D.C.M., Mr. F. E. Holmes and Major E. H. Amor (Assistant Secretary).

The Chairman proposed a hearty vote of thanks to General Sir Ivor Maxse, K.C.B., C.V.O., D.S.O., for all he has done for the Regimental Association during the time he has been President. This was carried unanimously.

The Chairman welcomed Brig.-General R. M. Heath, C.M.G., D.S.O., on his succession to Sir Ivor Maxse as Colonel of the Regiment and President of the Regimental Association.

The continuance of a weekly allowance of 5s. was approved for a further period of one year.

It was decided to convert the Cottage Homes holding of 5 per cent. War Loan and to sell and reinvest that belonging to the Regimental Association.

The following donations to charities were approved on behalf of all Battalions:

	£	s.	d.
Alexandra Orphanage	2	2	0
British Legion (affiliation fee) ...	1	1	0
Charity Organization Society ...	4	4	0
Ditto (Registration Branch) ...	1	1	0
Hospital for Sick Children ...	2	2	0
Imperial Ex-Service Association of Australia	1	1	0
Gordon Boys' Home	2	2	0
Netley Charitable Fund	2	2	0
Royal Female Orphanage ...	1	1	0
Royal Soldiers' Daughters' Home	2	2	0
Soldiers', Sailors' and Airmen's Families' Association	2	2	0
Soldiers' and Sailors' Help Society	2	2	0
Special Fund for Blind (National Institute)	1	1	0
St. Dunstan's	1	1	0

It was announced that the new Branch of the National Association for Employment of Ex-Regular Sailors, Soldiers and Airmen had been opened at Gipsy Corner, Victoria Road, North Acton, W.3; telephone Acorn 0481.

An educational grant of £5 a year for three years was sanctioned in the case of the orphan son of a man killed in action.

The following letter is published at the request of the writer, whose remarks and generous subscription are much appreciated:—

" 37, Vicarage Farm Road,
" Hounslow, Middlesex.
" *September 30th*, 1932.

" Hon. Secretary,
" Regimental Association.

" Dear Sir,

" I am pleased and proud to enclose £1 for the Regimental Association, which is doing such excellent work.

" I have very happy memories of my long service in the Regiment, which I joined when unemployed and hungry, and in which I found friends who have remained constant through all the changing years.

" Very best wishes to the Association and all connected with it.

" Yours faithfully,
" W. Blackwood."

7th BATTALION NOTES.

In previous years, in this issue of the Journal, our notes included a review of our camp activities, but to our great regret the suspension of Annual Training has this year taken from us the pleasure of this retrospect; it left us conscious of a depressing void in our Territorial year, and the three days' training carried out in lieu of camp just saved us from dejection.

Later on in our notes, however, we give an account of this training.

On July 3rd our first batch of signallers were classified at Headquarters, and with extremely good results; the seven candidates who presented themselves for classification passed the tests successfully.

The following Sunday, July 10th, saw what we hope will be an annual event, namely, a shooting match versus the Hertfordshire Regiment, at Panshanger Park, near Hertford. Last year the teams consisted of eight, but this year teams of sixteen fired the T.A.R.A. Lord-Lieutenant's practices. We have a lot to learn from the Hertfordshires as regards shooting, but this year we gave them a reasonably close competition, and next year we hope to do better still. The scores were: Hertfordshire Regiment, 924; Battalion team, 876. At the conclusion of the shoot the Battalion entertained the Hertfordshire team to a picnic lunch. "Chillie" Carter made an excellent " host." Our team gained considerable experience, which was found of great assistance at the 132nd Infantry Brigade Rifle Meeting, which took place on the following Sunday, July 17th.

In our notes in the last issue we referred optimistically to our chances at this meeting, and they were handsomely fulfilled. The successes gained by the Battalion were: The Middlesex Justices' Shield, the Young Soldiers' Trophy, the Lewis Gun Trophy, and the Cheylesmore Cup. H.Q. Wing were third in the High Sheriff's Shield, and 2/Lieut. B. J. Paul tied for the Steers Cup.

The following are the scores made by the winning teams:—

Middlesex Justices' Shield.—Score, 829 points. Team: Lieuts. R. Bartram and G. C. D. Scott Lowe, 2/Lieut. B. J. Paul, Sergts. Webb, Knight, Rockall, Thomas, Porter, Lenney and McNally, Cpl. Beale, L./Cpl. Tassell, and Ptes. Clark, Heard, Williams and McGee.

Cheylesmore Cup.—2/Lieut. B. J. Paul, 70 points.

Steers Cup.—2/Lieut. B. J. Paul tied with 2/Lieut. F. Theobald, Queen's Own Royal West Kent Regiment, with a score of 70, the latter officer being awarded the trophy as a result of making the highest score in the Fire and Movement practice.

High Sheriff's Shield. — Score, 413 points. Team: 2/Lieut. B. J. Paul, R.Q.M.S. Roberts, Sergts. Clarke, Carter, Webb and McNally, and Ptes. Clark and Gilbey.

B.S.A. Guns, Ltd. (Young Soldiers).—1, D Company, score 275. Team: Ptes. Wood, Taylor, Binhammer, Levett, Burbridge, Holman, Phipps and Payne.

In this competition the following received prizes as individual winners: Ptes. Ovenden, York, Taylor, Clark and Wood.

Lewis Gun Competition.—1, D Company, score 314. Team: Cpl. Sutton, and L./Cpls. Bundy, Allinson, Kernot, Hobrough and Stratford.

In the Perring Machine Gun Trophy we were assured by our machine gunners that the points lost in Part I of this competition would be made up in Part II. They were, however, too optimistic, and the team finished a very bad third.

The Battalion feels very proud of its efforts at this meeting. The scores made were considerably better than those made in previous years, and are a result of the frequent visits to the range on the Sundays preceding the meeting.

Sunday, July 30th, saw the commencement of our summer training. The Signallers and certain personnel of the Machine Gun Company proceeded to the Depot, at Mill Hill, for an eight-day attachment. The Signallers were classified on Friday, August 5th, and the Range-takers also underwent their annual test. Eight of the ten Signallers classified successfully, and L./Cpl. Phillips, of B Company, is to be congratulated on being our only Range-taker to qualify. The remaining seven, however, need not feel in any way despondent, as, generally, they put up quite good performances, and should have no difficulty in passing the tests at Annual Training next year.

All those attending at the Depot enjoyed their stay immensely, and we should like to take this opportunity of expressing our appreciation and thanks for all the assistance rendered by the Officer Commanding the Depot, and the Depot staff.

The Transport Section proceeded to Colchester for eight days, under Lieut. C. P. Gliksten, and returned on Saturday, August 6th, after a most pleasant and instructive time. They were made entirely at home by the 2nd Battalion, and already

one hears of intended further visits later in the year.

On Saturday, July 30th, the Battalion carried out its first day's training in the vicinity of Totteridge. We paraded at Battalion Headquarters at 9.30 a.m., 11 officers and 168 other ranks being on parade. We entrained at Crouch End Station, and carried out a tactical scheme on land kindly placed at our disposal by the Express Dairies, Ltd., and the A.1 and Dollis Dairies. A picnic lunch was taken at the conclusion of the exercise, to the accompaniment of popular airs by the Band. Afterwards the Battalion entrained at Woodside Park Station, detrained at Crouch End Station, and marched back to Battalion Headquarters for dismissal.

On Sunday, the 31st, the numbers attending were considerably larger; 11 officers and 194 other ranks paraded at Hornsey, and before proceeding to Crews Hill for training, a Divine service parade, conducted by Rev. H. C. Montgomery-Campbell, M.C., M.A., took place at Battalion Headquarters. At the conclusion of this we proceeded to Hornsey Station and entrained for Crews Hill, where a Platoon Tactical Competition for the West Middlesex Cup was carried out. The result of this competition was:—

1. D Company ... ... 80 points
2. A Company ... ... 66 points
3. C Company ... ... 42 points

Lieut. G. D. C. Scott Lowe and his platoon are to be congratulated on a most excellent show.

The Battalion on this day returned to Battalion Headquarters, and were dismissed about 5 p.m.

On August Bank Holiday, August 1st, the Battalion again went to Crews Hill and carried out a Battalion Tactical Exercise, returning to Hornsey about 5 p.m., where, after a short address by the Commanding Officer, the Battalion was dismissed until the Drill Halls reopened on September 1st.

The numbers attending this summer training were somewhat disappointing, and one can truthfully say that all those who did come had a most enjoyable time. The train arrangements were excellent, and the messing and canteen facilities were all that could be desired. The Quartermaster and his assistants are to be congratulated on making such excellent arrangements. We were most fortunate with the weather. Most parts of England had terrific downpours during these three days. Apart from rather heavy rain during the church service on Sunday, and a couple of showers that day, we arrived home dry on each occasion. All ranks were very pleased to see with us at this training two of our former Commanding Officers, namely, Col. J. K. Maitland, M.C., T.D., and Col. S. Cedric Smith, T.D., but we were very sorry that our Honorary Colonel, Col. E. J. King, C.M.G., T.D., D.L., A.D.C., could not be with us owing to ill-health.

On Saturday, July 30th, we received a visit from the Divisional Commander, Major-General H. R. Peck, C.B., C.M.G., D.S.O., who was accompanied by the Brigade Commander, Col. G. H. Harrison, D.S.O. The specialists at the Depot received a visit from these officers on Friday, August 5th.

The Drill Halls were closed during the month of August, except for the training of Signallers and for Band practices. August has therefore been a somewhat dull month except that the Brigade Commander carried out his annual inspection of the Battalion on Tuesday, August 9th. Our Adjutant left us on August 31st, and we welcome his successor, Capt. F. Walden, from the 2nd Battalion, and we hope his tour of duty will be a pleasant one.

On Saturday, July 23rd, an Officers' Tennis Tournament was held on the Rectory tennis court, which was kindly placed at the Battalion's disposal by the Padre. The Singles were won by Major H. E. R. Ford, M.C., and the Doubles were also won by this officer partnered by Lieut. R. Bartram. The full details are:—

SINGLES.

First Series.—2/Lieut. Clarke beat Lieut. Christodoulo 6—2; Major Ford beat Lieut. Scott Lowe 6—2; 2/Lieut. Paul beat 2/Lieut. Spooner 6—1; Lieut. Bartram beat Rev. Montgomery-Campbell 6—2.

Semi-finals.—Major Ford beat 2/Lieut. Clarke 6—3; Lieut. Bartram beat 2/Lieut. Paul 6—5.

Final.—Major Ford beat Lieut. Bartram 6—3.

DOUBLES.

First Series.—Lieut. Scott Lowe and 2/Lieut. Paul beat 2/Lieut. Spooner and Lieut. Christodoulo 6—1; Major Ford and Lieut. Bartram beat 2/Lieut. Clarke and Rev. Montgomery-Campbell 6—2.

Final.—Major Ford and Lieut. Bartram beat Lieut. Scott Lowe and 2/Lieut. Paul 6—4.

A COMPANY.

War having broken out on September 1st, Highgate now presents a scene of feverish activity. In addition to the normal programme that we are faced with during this period of training we have to cope with a guard of honour to H.R.H. Prince George at the Alexandra Palace on October 15th, as well as the Warner Drill Cup. This trophy is usually competed for in camp, but this year it is being held on a Sunday morning in late October.

On top of this we have the Battalion Boxing to contend with, while selected N.C.Os. will shortly be attending Headquarters for a Weapon Training Course under the Adjutant.

The response in this Company for volunteers for the guard of honour has been magnificent, and the training they are receiving from C.S.M. Stevenson should be of great benefit, and should gladden the heart of the R.S.M.

Congratulations are extended to L./Cpl. Edwards on his appointment, and to L./Cpl. White on his marriage.

We take this opportunity of welcoming Capt. F. Walden, of the 2nd Battalion, on his appointment as Adjutant. May his stay be free from trouble, and replies to his chits punctual and to the point.

The Company strength is being maintained, the magic figures of seventy already being recorded. A special bonus of one pint will be given to the hundredth recruit. In accordance with Company Regulations, Act III, para. 14, sub-sec. 9, this must be lowered in at least 8 seconds without detriment to the neckwear (if any) or the moustache (if visible).

B (M.G.) COMPANY.

Our last notes closed almost on the eve of our departure to the Depot for a week's training; so we must deal with this week, our substitute for Annual Training, first of all.

We had permission to take up to twenty-five other ranks to Mill Hill, but actually only sixteen appeared. This question of numbers was the one black spot on a very good week's work. We think everybody enjoyed his stay, and we should like to take this opportunity of thanking, most sincerely, the staff at the Depot for all they did for us during our all-too-brief stay.

It seems that there is very little to write about this quarter. Without our usual Annual Training we are rather short of notes of interest.

We have already arranged a rather heavy programme of fixtures for the coming winter, including miniature-range shoots, indoor sports and dances. On the range we shall, besides the King Cup, compete against several teams of the London T.A. battalions. Last year we were quite successful in these outside matches, and we hope to do even better this year.

Our boxing team, under Sergt. Parker, is already in training, and several members have been seen inspecting the badminton courts. Our message to every individual of the Company is, "Come up and do your stuff."

In a more serious vein, we offer our respectful congratulations to Lieut.-Col. Murray, Major Pringle, Major Ford and Capt. Christodoulo on their recent promotion.

It is with the deepest regret that we have had to say good-bye to Major Ford, our Adjutant. His breezy appearances at the Drill Hall, if somewhat rare, will be sadly missed, and we hope that when he again returns to England he will not forget the geographical position of Enfield or the fact that B (M.G.) Company will always be there to welcome him. We wish both Major and Mrs. Ford Godspeed to Malta and a safe return home later.

We welcome in Major Ford's place Capt. Walden of our own Regiment, and hope that we shall frequently see him, both officially and unofficially at Enfield.

C COMPANY.

Northland and Southland having this year settled their annual quarrel in three days, there is not much to write on the subject of Battalion Training. We must,

however, sympathize with a certain officer who chartered a taxi to take him to the Depot, and apparently murmured "Mill Hill" so indistinctly that he was rushed off to Millbank.

Our performance at the Brigade Rifle Meeting was sufficiently good to avoid getting into serious trouble, but that is all. Sergt. Porter and L./Cpl. Williams fired in the Battalion team, and Pte. Clark was among the individual prize-winners in the Young Soldiers' Competition.

We are pleased to welcome 2/Lieut. B. J. Paul from H.Q. Wing, and regret that his stay with us will not be long.

We congratulate Sergt. Powell and L./Cpls. Williams and Newman on their recent promotion and appointments.

C.S.M. Allin is now back to duty.

We much regret the death of Pte. Vaughan, who died on September 15th of cancer of the throat. Vaughan served only since April last.

D COMPANY.

The Brigade Rifle Meeting will go down in D Company history as the most successful day we have had for years. On that occasion we won two out of the three competitions competed for by teams from all the companies in the Brigade, the Lewis Gunners and the Young Soldiers excelling themselves. The first-named were a long way in the lead at the close of the competition, but the Recruits' team only won by a single point. There was not one bad score in either team, and the members are to be heartily congratulated on their shooting. Incidentally, the Young Soldiers won last year and have also held the Battalion Trophy for the past three years. The High Sheriff's team by no means disgraced themselves by coming in fifth, and they also provided five of the successful Battalion team. The practices previous to the Brigade Meeting were very well attended, at least 75 per cent. of the members of the three teams putting in an appearance at Rainham each Sunday for two months prior to the competition.

Altogether we may say that we have had a very successful shooting year, having previously won the Brigade Winter Weapon Training Competition.

On Sunday, July 10th, those members in the Battalion rifle team spent a most enjoyable day in the country. The Hertfordshire Regiment, who have a fine shooting record, only beat us by a small margin, and we hope to take revenge next year, when we trust the weather will be a bit cooler!

Annual Training this year was spent in the northern suburbs of London instead of on the South Coast. Everybody will agree that the three days were an unqualified success, but we are expecting a first-class camp site next summer to make up for this year. We took the opportunity to add another pot to our collection—the West Middlesex Cup (Tactical Competition). Mr. Scott Lowe commanded our platoon, which was successful by a good margin, chief credit going

D Company Young Soldiers' Team, 1932, Winners of Young Soldiers' Competition at Brigade Rifle Meeting, 1932.

to the Section Leaders, who put in excellent work. In fact, the Section Leading during the three days was excellent in every way, and a distinct advance on previous years.

The Company held a Tactical Exercise at Totteridge on July 24th, when twenty officers and N.C.Os. endeavoured to improve their military knowledge. A certain "fruit tree" kindly obliged us with refreshment during the luncheon break. Unfortunately, this had the effect of creating a curious drowsy feeling, which did not help the great minds to function with any great speed in the afternoon!

Congratulations to Capt. Christodoulo on his recent promotion; also to L./Sergt. Sutton, Cpls. Allinson, Bundy and Kernot, and L./Cpls. Desborough, Morley and

Stratford on their respective appointments. We also note with satisfaction the promotion of our late Company Commander to field rank. Nobby Clark is finding it rather difficult to say "The Major" instead of "The Captain."

We were very sorry to lose both our Commanding Officer, Col. Smith, and our Adjutant, Major Ford. To run a Territorial battalion is by no means an easy business, and the way in which the 7th has progressed during the past few years speaks volumes for the energy of these two officers. We congratulate Col. Murray on his promotion, and would also like to take this opportunity of welcoming our new Adjutant, Capt. Walden, who is no stranger to this Battalion, having been with us in camp at Myrtle Grove last year.

The Battalion Band came over to Tottenham recently and gave us an excellent programme of music. We hope to see them over here again during the winter; meanwhile we are endeavouring to find out the difference between a euphonium and a mouth-organ, in order to appreciate them all the more.

We are looking forward to a boxing revival this season. Last year we lost the Battalion Competition after having held the cup for several years. Fortunately we have a lot of new and very promising material, and we are confident of improving on last year's performance.

Lastly, the time-honoured subject of recruits. Although at the moment of writing we are well over 150 strong, there are still vacancies for the right type of man. Having already supplied the Battalion with a whole M.G. Platoon and a Signal Section, no doubt we will be called upon for an auxiliary Transport Section or a battery of Sano-men in due course!

HOTSPUR.

H.Q. WING.

The outstanding event of the past three months is, of course, the training which was carried out in the first week of August as a substitute for Annual Camp. Under existing circumstances this training was the best that could be devised, and much useful work was accomplished, but we all hope it will not be necessary to make similar arrangements another year.

Of H.Q. Wing as a whole there is very little to report. Work in the various sections has been and is going on very diligently, but there are still a number of men whom we should like to see on parade more often. Too much is left to the few stalwarts who rarely, if ever, miss a parade.

SIGNALLERS.

The Signal Section carried out their August training at the Depot, where, from all accounts, they had a very good time. The result of their work was shown in the number who were able to classify. Another Classification is taking place before these notes are printed, when we hope to achieve still further successes.

2/Lieut. J. R. Spooner has now taken complete command of the Section, our late S.O., 2/Lieut. B. J. Paul, having been posted to C Company, where we wish him every success.

TRANSPORT.

At the August training, as is not unusual, the Transport Section had the "jam." Whilst other poor mortals, on account of "economic and other considerations," had to be content with a meagre three days' training, returning home each night, the Transport Section, or most of them, had a very enjoyable week attached to the 2nd Battalion at Colchester. They were treated most hospitably, and, although up to the moment we have not been able to gather quite how much Transport work they learned, many have returned with a knowledge of the "inns" and "outs" of Colchester which is truly amazing. From a surreptitious examination of the mileometer on the Transport Officer's car we understand that the 2nd Battalion transport lines are at least fifty miles from the officers' quarters.

At the moment all is bustle in preparation for the Albuhera Cup Competition, which takes place under somewhat strange conditions, but we are confident that, whatever the conditions, we shall make a good showing.

The Transport is suffering particularly keenly from that ailment—the non-playing member—and all the more praise is due to those keen ones who have put their backs into it and got the Section to its present condition of efficiency.

BAND.

The Band played the Battalion out and home each day during the training, and spent the intervening hours in useful practice (?), the first day at the Depot, and the other two days at Headquarters, owing to the inclement weather.

During July we visited the various companies' Drill Halls and played selections which we think were appreciated. We hope to repeat this during the winter months.

Engagements are somewhat lacking at the moment, but there are several in the offing which we hope will materialize.

Our Dance Band is also getting busy, and we hope to receive the support of all companies holding dances during the season.

DRUMS.

The Drums carried out a similar programme to the Band during the training, and small numbers was the only complaint. We badly need some new young blood in the Drums. Too many of our old members have drifted away, through various causes, and we are now carrying on under great difficulties.

Drum-Major Lamprell is very energetic and his motto is "Catch them young," so if any reader knows of a youngster in the district who would like to learn to "drum" or "fife," send him along, any Monday or Wednesday evening.

8th BATTALION NOTES.

THE event of outstanding importance during the quarter under review was an attachment to the Depot, Mill Hill, where signallers, rangetakers, N.C.Os. and recruits carried out extensive training. As a result, twenty-seven signallers and two rangetakers qualified.

Two Guards of Honour have been furnished by the Battalion recently: one in connection with the opening of the Ashford Recreational Ground by the Lord Lieutenant of the County of Middlesex, and the other on the occasion of the presentation of the Charter of Incorporation to the Heston and Isleworth Urban District Council by the Duke of Gloucester. On both occasions laudatory remarks were made in connection with the smartness and steadiness of the Guards.

Congratulations are due to 2/Lieut. Miskin on winning the Officers' Singles at the Middlesex Regiment Officers' Club Tennis Tournament, and 2/Lieut. Turner on passing Certificate A, Part I.

H.Q. WING.

Owing to yet another change in command and P.S.I.'s, we have had little time in which to prepare our notes for this issue, which must therefore be rather brief, and we must tender our apologies for being absentees from the last issue, but apparently no one would own up to their editorial capabilities.

We all enjoyed our training at Mill Hill, and the recruits especially have shown marked improvement. We congratulate Lieut. Cloutte and his Signallers upon the excellent results obtained in the classification.

Our Transport Section are going all out to win the Albuhera Cup, and we must say we have never seen the harness and equipment in better condition.

Football is now in full swing, and our team is again in the League, and has also been entered for the Middlesex Junior Charity Cup. This season we are pleased to say that every member of the team is a serving member of the Company. Dmr. Dollery, who last season secured the record individual goal average, has again found the net five times in the last two matches, and well deserves his position as captain of the team this season.

On September 3rd we entertained the Police to a Social evening, during which we took them on at various games and competitions. The Shooting Match was the chief attraction, and after an exciting contest we won by 22 points (not pints). We also excelled at the card games and table tennis, but were beaten at darts. However, our officers did their best in this contest. The Yo-Yo contest between the Commanding Officer and the Chief Inspector did not take place.

Boxing is proving very popular, and quite a number of enthusiasts put on the gloves every evening.

Dances, under the supervision of C.Q.M.S. Hards, the Club Secretary, and his Committee, are still very popular, and draw 150 to 200 people every Saturday.

In conclusion, we express our regrets for a somewhat scrappy contribution this month, but promise our readers something better for the next issue.

A COMPANY.
(HAMPTON)

Congratulations to 2/Lieut. K. E. Turner on his having passed Certificate A (O.T.C.), Part I. His transfer to D Company at Uxbridge makes us envy D Company their good fortune.

Summer training was carried out at the Depot, Mill Hill, for N.C.Os. and recruits from July 24th to July 31st inclusive. Recruits concentrated on Arms Drill, and made good use of the thirty yards range, under the capable instruction of C.S.M. Cook, D.C.M., and C.S.M. Wade. A special squad was formed for the N.C.Os., who were given instruction in musketry, drill and tactical exercises, etc.

Five Company Signallers attended the full period of fifteen days, and, we are pleased to note, that three passed the annual classification test.

Heartiest congratulations are due to all ranks of the Company for the very special effort they have made during the past six months. The firing of the Annual Weapon Training Course has resulted in 97 per cent. of the actual strength of the Company having fired their course. Bluebottles to you, Don plus Cork and H.Q. Wing!

From the social side of the Company, Pte. Winter, better known as "Sandy," has been appointed bar steward. Pte. Winter does not need any introduction to readers of these notes, as his association with the 8th Battalion through all its stages from Volunteer days to Territorial, including active service in France, totals twenty-eight years, and we feel confident that at last we have found the ideal steward.

The Annual General Meeting of the Company was held at the Drill Hall, Hampton, on September 1st. A very attractive games programme was arranged, and it is hoped by this method to make the Club more attractive during the winter evenings.

B (M.G.) COMPANY.

In commencing these notes for the period under review, we cannot help reflecting how strange it feels to have no reminiscences of Annual Training, 1932. Stranger still, how we felt when the usual time for going away to camp arrived, and we realized that we were going to remain "behind the line."

However, we made the best of a bad job, and whilst hoping for better things next year, concentrated on what the "powers that be" offered us, and sent of our best to Mill Hill and Woolwich.

At the Depot, B (M.G.) Company were represented by three officers and twenty-three other ranks, of whom, we are pleased to record, we passed two rangetakers, whilst two men unfortunately missed qualifying by a very narrow margin. Well done, the rangetakers!

To Woolwich we sent two officers and six N.C.Os. on the Machine Gun Course at the Royal Military College of Science, all ranks obtaining satisfactory reports.

We are now looking forward to the new training season, which will, we hope, be terminated by camp.

It is with much regret that we say "good-bye" to Major Ellis as O.C. Company, as he has again taken over his old command of H.Q. Wing, and in his place cordially welcome back Capt. Maddex, our new old Company Commander, whom we are very pleased to have with us again.

We heartily congratulate 2/Lieut. Miskin on a very fine show at the Regimental Tennis Tournament at Mill Hill, where he won the Officers' Singles. Well done, indeed, sir!

We passed a very enjoyable day recently at Bisley in firing Part III (Field Firing) of the Machine Gun Course, when we realized some of the odd spots of bother encountered by M.G. Platoon Commanders and N.C.Os. in getting the "beaten zones" in the right place. However, under the paternal supervision of our Adjutant, we succeeded in winning the war. We are now going to grow a piece of ground suitable for fire "indirect" in the Drill Hall, and concentrate on becoming past masters in this part of our training.

To turn to the lighter side of things, we have already commenced our Saturday night Dances at the Drill Hall, which are now in full swing.

The football team is already in action, several matches having been played to a successful conclusion.

STOP PRESS NEWS.

We have just heard of another change in the Company; this time it is R.S.M. Goodall, who has been transferred to H.Q. Wing, whilst C.S.M. Nash has been drafted to us from the 2nd Battalion, and whilst regretfully saying farewell to R.S.M. Goodall we extend a hearty welcome to C.S.M. Nash and wish him the best of luck.

C COMPANY.

(STAINES)

After a jolly month or so of a delightful game entitled "Find the Company Commander," we have finally settled down comfortably under Major R. B. Hirst, coupled with a warm welcome for him. We must add a word of regret for the departure of Capt. Summers, and his visit, although spasmodic, was both entertaining and instructive.

Owing to an economic crisis, we have been compelled to abandon our cricket this season. Our summer sports, therefore, have been confined to darts and Yo-Yo.

We missed our Annual Training very much; not so much on account of the fear of losing our efficiency, but chiefly because early morning parades were always so peaceful that it was easy to imagine ourselves in Arcady.

We have kept our gravest news till last. A great sadness is upon us; C.S.M. Warren, our permanent Staff Instructor, has left us for civilian life. For three years he has worked hard to give us some idea of how things should be done.

We shall miss him very much, and wish him the very best of luck. We are, however, very pleased to have with us C.S.M. Cook, who has come to us from Hounslow. May his stay be a long and cheery one.

SEE.

D COMPANY.

Before going on to the more general news, we extend a hearty welcome to 2/Lieut. K. E. Turner, who has been posted to us from A Company.

By the time these notes appear in print we shall have lost our able P.S.I., C.S.M. Wade, to A Company, and can but regret his "passing" as a painful but necessary evil. However, if we may be permitted to use a somewhat overdone old proverb, "It's an ill-wind that blows nobody any good," the whole point being that we cannot see how A Company can possibly fail to win all the cups, shields and other trophies for the ensuing year with such an addition to their Company.

At the Brigade Rifle Meeting held at Purfleet on July 12th, we were fortunate in winning the Battalion Young Soldiers' Competition and also the Lewis Gun Competition, both results being immensely gratifying to us as the keenness and enthusiasm shown throughout the Company deserved its own reward.

Summer Training took place at Mill Hill this year during the last week in July and the first week in August, eighteen N.C.Os. and men attending from D Company, C.S.M. Sparkes classifying as a signaller. The following might go under the heading of "Heard at Mill Hill":—Scene: Parade ground just after the Signallers and their flags had received a wetting. Subject: A certain important personage in D Company mugging up for classification.

FIRST RECRUIT: "Hey, look at him waving that flag about. He's signalling. I didn't know he had enough intelligence."

SECOND RECRUIT: "Intelligence yourself; he's drying the flag."

We are now training fast and furious for the Fire Direction Competition, having a break now and again with a little instruction on bayonet fighting, a most exhilarating sight being that of C.S.M. S——s creeping slowly down the centre of the Drill Hall at the "On guard," a fierce, and yet cunning, look on his face, lips curled back due north, and teeth bared, the only sound being an almost imperceptible he-man hiss of escaping breath.

Having decided to make a hit this season with a social side, we staged an opening Dance on August 27th, this proving an immense success, an active part being taken in the evening's proceedings by our officers and their friends, and, to use the stock expression of all local newspapers, "everybody went home tired but happy."

Since then the dances have become a popular, not to mention profitable, weekly event, whilst at present we are in the throes of a waltz competition.

Please apply to the Dance Committee, Drill Hall, Uxbridge, for any information as to how to make a dance pay, and to send the dancers home "tired but happy." Enclose 6d. in stamps to cover cost of packing.

9th BATTALION NOTES.

BEFORE giving an account of our four days' August training, a few words are necessary about the Brigade Weapon Training Meeting which took place just too late for inclusion in the last issue. Although disappointing in that we did not win anything, the standard of our shooting was definitely higher than last year, as is shown by the fact that H.Q. Wing High Sheriff's team scored 8 points more than the winning team last year. The Young Soldiers' team of A Company, although only scoring 3 points less than the winners, could only secure third place to the 5th Bn. The Royal West Kents, so close was the scoring. But for the fact that one of the team unaccountably failed to turn up at the last moment, which made it necessary to include a reserve, it is more than likely they would have won. The Lewis-gun teams shot steadily but not quite well enough to win.

It is hoped that the improvement and keenness shown this year will be maintained and improved upon next year.

The route march to Hatfield Park, which began on July 30th, was an unqualified success, 187 men attending. The Battalion "rendezvoused" at Hendon Drill Hall on the Saturday afternoon, C Company being unlucky and having by far the longest march, and then marched with the Band and Drums to the Depot, the Band incidentally putting up a fine performance in playing all the way up Bittacy Hill. At the Depot the men were accommodated in the Gymnasium, and the officers in the billiard room of the Officers' Mess. Everybody was quite comfortable, but apparently it was rather difficult to get any sleep in the gym. between those who retired to bed late and those who rose extremely early. Incidentally, the Sergeants' Mess Caterer considerably underestimated the thirst of our Sergeants, and the cupboard was nearly bare on Sunday morning.

We thank the Officer Commanding the Depot and the members of the Depot for housing us for the night and the trouble they took to make us comfortable.

We moved off at 9.30 next morning on the fourteen-mile march to Hatfield, and it soon began to rain. Luckily it was not heavy, and mostly in showers, and stopped at dinner-time. The halt for dinner was made in Hawkshead Wood, and we marched in from there to Hatfield in brilliant sunshine, arriving soon after 4 p.m. The advance party had done their work well and everything was ready for us, including the canteen, which was soon doing a roaring trade. There were many cases of sore feet (including the P.R.I.!), but the troops had stuck it splendidly, only four men falling out. Special mention must be made of the Drums, who did noble work both on the march out and back.

As we were sleeping out in the open, anxious eyes were cast at the sky, but after a shower about 8 p.m. the rain held off till breakfast on Monday, thereby making life much more pleasant. On the Monday morning we did Platoon Training in and around the park and were visited by the Commander-in-Chief, Eastern Command, and also the Divisional and Brigade Commanders.

The rain again held off on Monday night, and on Tuesday morning the Battalion embussed, two companies at a time, for Shenleybury, whence the march back began. A different route was taken this time through Boreham Wood, and one of the hourly halts took place outside the studios of the British Dominion Film Company. High hopes were entertained of seeing bevies of beautiful film stars at work, but the only person visible was a bored-looking gatekeeper.

Soon after dinner C Company branched off to return to Wealdstone, whilst the Willesden Companies turned off at Stag Lane and D Company continued their way down the Edgware Road.

The march was a great success in every way and we were particularly lucky to be granted the privilege of making use of Hatfield Park, a really beautiful place. A wish to do Annual Camp there was

expressed by more than one man, and for pleasant surroundings no one could wish for a better place. We owe a debt of gratitude to Lord Salisbury.

As regards the coming winter our prospects for football and boxing are decidedly promising. We shall make another bid for the T.A. Cup and hope to be even stronger this year.

We are sorry to see, by the way, that we shall not have an opportunity of meeting the 8th Battalion in the Divisional Cup.

Our boxing team may not be quite so strong, as Pte. Townes is now in the Midlands and may not be able to fight for us. We shall, however, have another good crack at the Divisional Cup and a T.A. title or two.

On September 26th a guard of honour, mostly from D Company, was furnished at Hendon Town Hall on the occasion of the presentation of a Charter by the Lord Mayor of London, making Hendon a borough. This was commanded by Major G. L. Fox and was favourably commented on by Lord Rochdale, the Lord-Lieutenant of Middlesex, who inspected it.

NINES.

A COMPANY.

The great event of the quarter, and indeed almost the only event of importance as far as A Company is concerned, was, of course, our " pub-crawl " through the Home Counties, otherwise known as our Battalion Route March to Hatfield Park, where we spent a very pleasant August Bank Holiday week-end bivouacking in Lord Salisbury's back garden, which he kindly placed at the Battalion's disposal. Thanks to a merciful Providence, although heavy cloud-bursts took place all round us, we did not get rained on very much.

Nobody in the Company went sick, in spite of blisters, and there were no casualties, although we hear several cats were shot by a certain N.C.O.

All the other events of this outing will no doubt have been described by pens much worthier than ours, so, beyond offering our thanks to the Q Department, whose miraculously produced dinners had the remarkable effect of making the hills appear much less uphill after dinner than before it, we will make no further comment.

It only remains to say a word about the Brigade Rifle Meeting held at Purfleet in July, where our Young Soldiers who had put in many weeks of hard training, were very unlucky to miss winning their competition by a bare three points against some exceptionally strong opponents. However, it is the spirit that counts, and the work put in must bear fruit in the future.

We offer our congratulations to Pte. Hylton, who gained a prize for the best score in the third practice. Also we congratulate Sergt. Bateman and Ptes. Rutland and Richardson on being in the Battalion football team. Pte. Rutland has made a promising start by scoring six goals in three games; we hope he keeps up the average! And with such material at our disposal we hope to see the Battalion Football Cup coming our way next camp.

B (M.G.) COMPANY.

After six weeks of activities so far as the Territorial Army is concerned, it is difficult to remember all that has happened during the past three months. Three events do, however, stand out prominently: first, the August Bank Holiday week-end trek; secondly, the Machine Gun Competition; and thirdly, our first Company Shooting Meeting.

The first event, I think, we all enjoyed, in spite of the weather, and it certainly gave those with " guts " an opportunity of showing them. The fact that none fell out on the march reflects great credit on those who were obviously only using their " guts " to carry on. The week-end also gave some members of the Company (who shall be nameless) an opportunity of showing their ability to look after their comforts.

The second event we will not dwell on. It was not pleasant, and we were very lucky not to be worse placed than second.

The third event was a happier one, the weather assisting, and we hope it will be the forerunner of many such meetings. The names of the winners of the various competitions are set out below, and we hope that next year we shall have greater numbers.

Class I (Officers and N.C.Os. to Corporal).—First Competition (maximum, 80 points): Lieuts. Wright and Gray, 38 points each. Second Competition (maximum, 30 points): Capt. Hardcastle, 25.

Class II (Corporals and Privates).—First Competition (maximum, 80 points): Pte. F. A. Smith, 58. Second Competition (maximum, 30 points): Pte. P. Brown, 28.

Class III (Recruits).—First Competition (maximum, 80 points): Pte. Bryden, 41. Second Competition (maximum, 30 points): Pte. Bryden, 13.

The pool shoot—a clear gamble—had many supporters, despite gloomy forebodings by many of the bankruptcy of those responsible for the solvency of the pool. The only person to get a pool bull was one of those responsible.

Our thanks are due to Mrs. Hardcastle for coming down to present the prizes, and also to C.S.M. Campbell, who did so much to ensure the success of the meeting —not only in the preparations, but also in the butts.

C COMPANY.

Taking things in the correct sequence, the first thing we have to record is the birth of a prospective recruit (A.D.1950) in the person of Pte. Goddard, jun., to whose father we offer congratulations and our hope that he will be the receiver of the recruiting reward when he becomes eligible for it.

Speaking of recruiting, we entered a tableau in the Harrow Carnival procession this year—a suitably bedecked lorry laden with members of the Company, depicting in varied apparel, representing training and sport in the T.A., which was arranged by Lieut. Exeter, to whom we are indebted for obtaining the lorry for the occasion free of cost.

The most exciting event was the Battalion's march to Hatfield Park, via Mill Hill, on July 30th, and we believe we are right in saying that C Company had the best average attendance. The thirty-three members of the Company who were present all marched splendidly and completed the eleven miles to the Depot on the Saturday as though they were only just starting the march—a very fine effort after a week's work and no training. All were ready for tea, which some of us were able to enjoy, and, though the menu consisted of 2 lb. of cold meat, 1 lb. of tomatoes, one beetroot, one loaf, half a pound of butter, one cucumber, and two pints of tea per person, it is reported that at a certain Sergeants' table nineteen souls starved as the result of the amazing appetite of the other occupant, who must remain anonymous, though a similar incident has occurred previously.

Though we had a certain amount of rain and were threatened with heavy black clouds, the latter withheld their fire except for a few sighting shots, and we were able to spend our two nights in the open instead of on the peaty floor of His Lordship's riding school. Mention has already been made of the splendid marching of all ranks, but special praise is due to the grit shown by Pte. Silk and by the several newly joined members of our Company.

C Company, 9th Bn. Middlesex Regiment, Dart Club Outing, Horton-cum-Studley, September 11th, 1932.

On August 28th we entered a tug-of-war team in the Hamilton Brush Works Sports, which was unfortunately beaten in the semi-final—not a bad effort, considering that the team had had no training —while Sergt. Spivey and Cpl. Campkin won prizes in the cycle races.

Our Dart Club had an outing on Sunday, September 11th, going by charabanc to a charming little village a few miles from Oxford, where, needless to add, all had a most enjoyable day. On arrival all the different brews were hastily sampled and perhaps it was just as well for the party in general that the draught beer turned out to be " flat "—it was really remarkable the assortment of well-known and strange liquors that Horton-cum-Studley possessed!

Everyone did justice to the sumptuous repast (just as well, perhaps!), and took part in various English sports, such as darts, Housey-Housey, and rounders, though many insisted on calling the latter by the American name of baseball. After a struggle the P.S.I.'s team beat Capt. Sherwood's, but it was noticeable that both team captains had great difficulty in persuading many of the players from sneaking off the field of battle for a peaceful snooze behind the adjoining hedge.

Our journey home was uneventful apart from the difficulty experienced by the driver in silencing the over-exuberance of his party when passing through villages, and home was reached before midnight with the pleasant feeling that the world was not such a bad place after all!

During August three of our members—Ptes. R. Pinner, Green and Rhodes—transferred to the Regular Army, and, though we are very sorry to lose them, we hope that they will have a successful career in their new profession and will not forget to pay us a visit when they get an opportunity of doing so. Green and Rhodes had only been with us for a few months, but Pinner was one of our enthusiastic supporters, and until a damaged wrist prevented him from taking further part, had the making of a promising young boxer.

Lastly we would like to offer our congratulations to our Drum-Major and his efficient Corps of Drums on their fine effort on the march to and from Hatfield. They helped enormously!

H. S.

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INSTRUCTOR: "How many files are there in this section?"

RECRUIT: "None, sir; they were left in the armoury."

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At Hatfield:—

INSTRUCTOR (*after lecturing recruits on badges of rank, and pointing to the C.-in-C., Eastern Command, who was visiting the camp*): "Who is that officer with the red band round his cap, with batons on same?"

RECRUIT: "The Adjutant, sir."

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IMPORTANT DATES.

Sunday, November 13th.—Serving members' and Old Comrades' united service of remembrance parade, Wealdstone Drill Hall, 2.15 p.m.

Saturday, December 3rd. — Serving members' and Old Comrades' Annual Dinner, Wealdstone Drill Hall, 7.15 p.m. sharp.

D COMPANY.

In reviewing the past quarter's events one finds very little of great interest to record.

We were fairly well represented on the hike to Hatfield Park, and I think the Company enjoyed the change. We were lucky in not having to move our quarters when once we were settled. The weather was good to us and therefore we did not see the inside of the riding school. We spent one night at our Regimental Depot, and I think everyone enjoyed himself.

Quite a number of N.C.Os. and men received instruction in the manipulation of the Yo-Yo.

The Drill Hall was closed for six weeks after August training and reopened on September 19th. Training was commenced at once in preparation for Hendon Charter Day. The Hendon Detachment furnished a guard of honour for the Lord Mayor of London. Major G. L. Fox, our O.C. Company, commanded the guard, the Regimental Colour being carried by Lieut. Exeter.

All ranks showed great keenness in the performance of this duty, which was good, although we say it ourselves.

DON.

H.Q. WING.

There is not much to write about in this quarter's notes except the march to Hatfield Park, which the Wing enjoyed very much.

The first day we had one of those rare occasions of having the Band on parade with us, and they supplied the usual ration of "Colonel Bogey" till we got to Mill Hill, and from thence onwards the Drums carried on.

We must congratulate the Quartermaster and his staff on the good meals he had ready on arrival at all our resting-places, and, whilst I am handing out bouquets, I must award one to our Pioneer Sergeant for the photo-frames he erected at Hatfield Park—at least, a recruit called them photo-frames.

Owing to most units being mechanized, our Company Sergeant-Major took it into his head to be so also, and the result was that he took the wrong road to Hatfield Park, and was found in Yarmouth having a course of kipper-curing. Anyhow, he made some fishy statements because he was not on parade. I hear that he has sold his car and bought a horse in its place. May he keep in rear of the column, thus making sure that he finds his way to camp next year. There must be a few good scouts in the Battalion—at any rate, there were at camp, because they never came home the same way as they went out.

The Company have settled down to their usual routine, and are looking forward to winter training.

We wish to congratulate our new Company Quartermaster-Sergeant on his promotion, and the Drummers on the way they played on the march to and from Hatfield Park.

WINGER.

THE COUNTY OF MIDDLESEX CADET ASSOCIATION NOTES.

CAMP, 1932.

THE 1st Cadet Bn. Middlesex Regiment (the Schools' Battalion) and the contingent from Priory School Company of the 2nd Cadet Battalion were at the Public Secondary Schools Camp, in Earl Bathurst's Park, Cirencester, from July 27th to August 10th. The following account thereof has been written up by Lieut.-Col. J. Huck, O.B.E.:—

P.S.S.C.A. CAMP, 1932.

This Camp was held from July 27th to August 10th in Earl Bathhurst's Park, Cirencester, and was attended for the whole fortnight by 980 cadets and 87 officers, a total of 1,067.

Twenty-nine Secondary School Cadet Corps sent contingents.

The 1st Cadet Bn. Middlesex Regiment was represented by three schools, the Lower School of John Lyon, Christ's College, Finchley, and the Stationers' Company's School, and contributed 103 cadets and 6 officers, and Ealing Priory School (2nd Battalion) sent 34 cadets and 3 officers, together totalling 137 cadets and 9 officers.

The cadets were organized into two Battalions, a Senior Battalion for cadets over fourteen years of age and a Bantam Battalion for those under fourteen. Besides the usual drill, physical training and tactics, the Senior Battalion carried out a course of work on topography, whilst specialist instruction in signalling and ambulance work was given daily to those cadets desirous of taking up such work.

The War Office arranged for a board of Regular officers to visit the Camp and carry out Part I of the examination for Certificate A of the Officers' Training Corps. Out of 95 candidates 81 passed, and the majority of these will sit for Part II in November.

Six cadets of the Signalling Section passed the examination of the Postmaster-General's Certificate, sending and receiving in Morse at twelve words per minute. Several cadets qualified for 1st, 2nd and 3rd Ambulance Badges and Certificates.

The usual competitions took place, Christ's College again being placed first in the Walton Shield Competition for the most efficient contingent in Camp, but this year the Latymer Upper School Contingent tied with them for first place.

By the kindness of the authorities of the Royal Agricultural College, the College playing fields were placed at the disposal of the cadets for cricket, football and athletic sports, whilst the town authorities provided special facilities at the fine open-air swimming baths.

Field-Marshal Lord Allenby spent a day in camp, and the Adjutant-General of the Forces (General Sir Montgomery-Masingberd) also came down to see the Camp.

After the first three days the weather improved so that the full scheme of training which had been planned could be carried out.

So successful was the camp that it has been decided, subject to Earl Bathurst's permission, to hold the Camp at Cirencester again next year.

The open battalions, *i.e.*, contingents from the 2nd, 3rd and 4th Cadet Battalions, forming a "Composite Battalion," under the command of Lieut.-Col. H. H. White, M.C., left Victoria Station on

Saturday, July 30th, to join the City of London Cadet Brigade at Sandown, Isle of Wight, for a week's training.

The weather during the period of the Camp was ideal, and some very good work—and play—was carried out.

The programme was as follows:—

Monday.—Training as by unit arrangements.

Tuesday.—Training as by unit arrangements.

Wednesday.—Brigade field operations.

Thursday.—Training by unit arrangements; Brigade night operations.

Friday.—Training by Units.

Saturday.—Brigade route march.

Sunday.—Striking of Camp.

Col. G. R. Crosfield, C.B.E., D.S.O., T.D (Honorary Colonel of the 4th Cadet Battalion), and Capt. G. J. Leatham, M.B.E., M.C., stayed in Camp a couple of days. The Bishop of Portsmouth and Col. Sir H. McMahon paid a visit to the Camp.

The strength of the Middlesex Composite Battalion in Camp, was as follows:—

	Officers.	*Cadets.*
2nd Cadet Battalion ...	—	28
3rd Cadet Battalion ...	4	34
4th Cadet Battalion ...	3	54
	7	116

In conclusion, we must add our grateful thanks to Col. P. Carlebach, C.M.G., T.D. (Colonel-Commandant, City of London Cadet Brigade), for his kindness to us during our attachment, and for the splendid arrangements made for our comfort in camp.

Competitions, 1932.

The following competitions have been entered by the various Units for 1932:—

The Prince of Wales's Shield;

The Lady West Memorial Shield (P.T.);

The Lucas Tooth Competition (drill).

It was unanimously agreed at the Association Meeting to ask the Supervising Officer for Physical Training, Eastern Command (Lieut. E. V. H. Hudson, Middlesex Regiment), to judge the Prince of Wales's Shield and Lady West Memorial Shield Competitions, and Capt. G. J. Leatham to judge the Lucas Tooth Competition again.

Commanding Officers' Conference.

The Quarterly Conference of Commanding Officers to discuss the winter training programme took place at the Officers' Mess, Duke of York's Headquarters, Chelsea, S.W.3, on Thursday, October 20th, 1932.

Resignation.

We regret to announce that General Sir Ivor Maxse, K.C.B., C.V.O., D.S.O., has resigned his appointment as a co-opted member of the Middlesex Cadet Association on the ground that he now permanently resides in Sussex, and is actively engaged with the cadet movement in that county.

2nd CADET BN. THE MIDDLESEX REGIMENT.

The Camps this year appear to have been a great success; A and C Companies were at Sandown with the City of London Brigade and B Company with P.S.S. Battalions in Cirencester Park, Gloucestershire, by kind permission of Earl Bathurst. During the period Field-Marshal Lord Allenby thoroughly inspected the Camp, and upon that occasion B Company supplied the orderlies, and received high praise.

The new Company formed in July at Northolt is going ahead, and has to carry out the parades in the local school at present pending arrangements for a local drill hall. The Commanding Officer is making arrangements to start a similar Company at Norwood Green, a secluded spot lying between Southall and Osterley. It is in such districts as these, where there are no attractions in the evenings, that the cadet movement meets with the greatest success.

The Battalion is polishing up for the Guard of Honour to Prince George upon the opening of the new wing at the Ealing Hospital, which will be over by the time this appears in print.

Councillor A. E. Cobbin, Mayor Designate of Ealing, has consented to become a patron of the Battalion.

A very successful Battalion Camp was held during the first week-end of September at Ruislip.

St. James's Palace, S.W.
20th October, 1932.

To:
Lieut.-Colonel P. W. Heanly,
O.C. 2nd Cadet Bn. Middx. Regt.

Dear Sir,

I am desired by The Prince George to request you to convey an expression of appreciation to the officers, non-commissioned officers and men of the Battalion under your Command who formed the Guard of Honour on the occasion of the extension of the King Edward VII Memorial Hospital, Ealing.

His Royal Highness was much impressed by the turn-out, steadiness on parade, and efficiency in arms drill of the Guard of Honour, and considers that it reflects great credit on all those responsible for the training of the Battalion under your Command.

Yours truly,
(Signed) Ulick Alexander, *Major*,
Comptroller to
H.R.H. The Prince George.

3rd CADET BN. THE MIDDLESEX REGIMENT.

The Battalion is going ahead strongly, and recruits are coming in with the most satisfactory regularity.

On the night of October 1st-2nd the Battalion carried out night operations over the countryside in the neighbourhood of Hadley Woods. This is a yearly event, and is enthusiastically supported by all ranks.

Platoons are at present putting in strenuous training for the approaching Marching and Shooting Competition for a silver cup. The competition requires platoon teams to march over a carefully selected route, upon which officers are posted at varying intervals. At the end of the march the teams are required to fire upon the miniature range. The whole competition is governed by a time limit, and marks are won or lost for general smartness, marching, range discipline, and musketry. There is great keenness in the Battalion over this competition.

CORRESPONDENCE.

WAR GRAVES WREATH SERVICE.

37, Rue de Haerne,
Ypres,
Belgium.
August 5th, 1932.

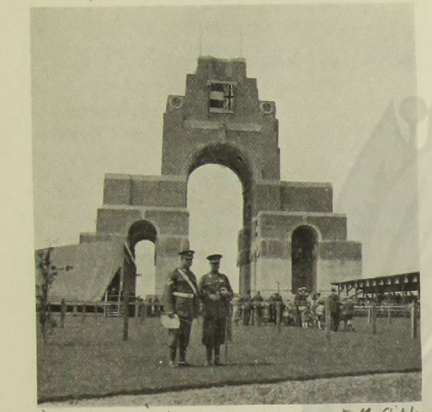
The Hon. Secretary,
Regimental Association,
The Middlesex Regiment,
The Barracks,
Mill Hill.

Dear Sir,

I enclose a photograph of wreath made in accordance with your esteemed order dated 8/3/32, and placed by Lieut.-Col. Johnson on August 1st.

I also enclose a photograph of the memorial with the Bandmaster and Sergeant of the Regiment taken by one of my men prior to the ceremony.

We are pleased and proud to have again served the Association in this way, and I



Sgt R.W.J. Smith. Bandmaster H. Clibbens, ARCM

beg to enclose one of our business circulars, which may be of interest to your members.

I am, sir,
Yours faithfully,
J. H. O'Callaghan.

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11, Kennedy Road,
Maybush,
Southampton.
October 17th, 1932.

Dear Sir,

Please note that I have removed from the "Sir John Falstaff," Dover, to the above address. I would be pleased if you would kindly insert new address in the Journal for information of Old Comrades.

I am sorry to say I had information of the death of 57/1159 Bdsn. George Bath, who served twenty-one years in the 57th and 1st Battalion. I was unable to attend the funeral on account of the letter being sent to my old address. He was buried when I received it.

About the Annual Dinner. I am not sure that I can manage to attend; if possible, I will try to attend: if not, it will be the first one I have missed.

Yours faithfully,
A. Stephens.

NOTICES.

THE SOUTH AND TENTH MIDDLESEX OFFICERS' CLUB.

Please note that the Annual Dinner will be held at the Constitutional Club on December 9th next.

Full details will be sent later. Please book the date.

C. Jarrett, *Major*,
Hon. Sec. and Treasurer,
440, Strand, W.C.2.

October 20th, 1932.

BALANCES OF DECEASED SOLDIERS UNDISPOSED OF.

Atkinson, W. (*alias* Thompson), Pte., Middlesex Regiment—£61 14s. 9d.

OBITUARY.

ERNEST JOHN WARREN.

It is with the deepest regret that we announce the death, which occurred on August 31st, 1932, of this old veteran. He had been ill for some months and had undergone an operation. Shortly after attending the Old Comrades' Summer Gathering in June he was admitted to hospital for a second operation, and hopes were entertained of his ultimate recovery, but this was not to be, and he passed away peacefully at the age of 74 years.

The funeral took place at Finchley Cemetery on September 3rd, but unfortunately the sad news of his death did not reach the Depot until three days later, otherwise there would have been many representatives at the graveside.

Warren, after serving in a London Volunteer Corps, enlisted in the 77th Regiment in 1875. He was a Lance-Sergeant when transferred with a draft to the 57th Regiment for service in the Zulu War of 1879. He was promoted Sergeant in the 57th, and received the medal and clasp for the campaign.

Warren came home with the 57th, which was sent to Dublin, where the 77th was stationed, and was reposted to the latter regiment. Later the 77th moved to Dover, whence it embarked, on August 14th, 1880, for India, and Warren, who accompanied it, was one of the five officers and other ranks still serving when that regiment (now the 2nd Bn. The Middlesex Regiment) returned home in February, 1898.

He had been Paymaster-Sergeant for many years, and was probably the last soldier to hold that position in the British Army. Shortly after arrival home, he was discharged to pension in the rank of Quartermaster-Sergeant, after twenty-three years' service.

In addition to the Zulu Medal, Warren was in possession of the Medal for Long Service and Good Conduct, and the Meritorious Service Medal with annuity.

He was for many years a most valued member of the Executive Committee of the Regimental Association, and his work on behalf of Old Comrades, and his interest in everything connected with the Regiment, will long be remembered.

We extend our sympathy to his sister and other relatives in their sad bereavement. He was unmarried.

JOHN WILLIAM HOLWELL.

We also much regret to announce the death, on September 18th, 1932, of this Old Comrade, at the age of 50 years.

Holwell enlisted in the Middlesex Regiment on January 26th, 1892, and was discharged to pension as a Quartermaster-Sergeant in 1916, after twenty-four years' service. He was drafted to the 2nd Battalion in India in November, 1892, and returned home with that Battalion in February, 1898. He served with the 2nd Battalion in the South African War, 1899-1901, and received the Queen's Medal with seven clasps. He was Orderly-Room Sergeant of the 4th Battalion, and accompanied that Battalion to France in 1914, remaining at the base for clerical duties. For his service in the Great War he received the 1914 Star and British War and Victory Medals. He was also in possession of the Medal for Long Service and Good Conduct.

Holwell re-enlisted in 1918 and became W.O., Class II, being discharged on demobilization in April, 1920.

After final discharge he was employed for many years as Superintending Clerk at the Record Office, Hounslow, and afterwards in a similar position at the Royal Military School of Music, Kneller Hall, where he was still engaged up to the time of his last illness.

Holwell was devoted to the Regiment, and rendered valuable service as a member of the Executive Committee of the Regimental Association. His presence and assistance at Old Comrades' Dinners and other functions will be sadly missed.

The funeral took place at Kensal Green Roman Catholic Cemetery on September 23rd, when the Depot and Regimental Association were represented by two Sergeants. Wreaths were sent from Kneller Hall and the Regimental Association.

Our sincere sympathy is tendered to the widow and her sons.

BERNARD THOMAS HINEY.

We also regret to announce the death, on October 2nd, 1932, of this Old Comrade, at the age of 47 years, at Camberley, Surrey. He was buried at Camberley on October 6th with military honours, the escort, firing party and bearers being furnished by the 5th Bn. The Queen's Royal Regiment, and the Band of the 2nd Battalion of that regiment from Aldershot. Detachments from practically every civil and military body in the district attended the funeral and assisted at a most impressive ceremony. A wreath was sent from the Regimental Association.

Hiney enlisted in the Middlesex Regiment in June, 1902, became W.O., Class II, and was discharged to pension in June, 1926. He re-enlisted in the 5th Bn. The Queen's Royal Regiment at once in the rank of Company Sergeant-Major, and served therein until his death. He was in possession of the 1914-15 Star, the General Service and Victory Medals, the Meritorious Service Medal, and the Medal for Long Service and Good Conduct. He was mentioned in despatches in the Great War.

He leaves a widow, to whom we tender our sincere sympathy.

L./CPL. R. J. SMITH.

We deeply regret to announce the death of No. 6196038 L./Cpl. R. J. Smith, which occurred at the Palestine General Hospital, Sarafand, on September 25th, 1932. He died from malignant malaria (cerebral).

L./Cpl. Smith enlisted as a Boy and joined the 1st Battalion in February, 1924. He became a Private soldier in November, 1926, and was posted to the Depot in April, 1927, rejoining the 1st Battalion in January, 1928. He held the appointment of Lance-Corporal for short periods in 1927 and 1928, and was finally appointed Unpaid Lance-Corporal in August this year. Before his admission to hospital he was employed as a drummer.

He was interred at the British War Cemetery, Ramleh, Palestine, on September 26th. The grave was completely covered with wreaths, which were contributed by:—

The Officers, 1st Bn. The Middlesex Regiment; The Corporals, 1st Bn. The Middlesex Regiment; The Drums, 1st Bn. The Middlesex Regiment; All Ranks, 1st Bn. The Middlesex Regiment; The Officers, 2nd Bn. The Royal Scots Fusiliers; All Ranks, 2nd Bn. The Royal Scots Fusiliers; All Ranks, No. 14 Company, R.A.S.C.; Officers and Other Ranks, Royal Air Force, Palestine; Matron and Sisters, Palestine General Hospital; and Major and Mrs. L. F. Sloane-Stanley, 1st Bn. The Middlesex Regiment.

ELIZABETH MITCHELL.

We regret to announce the death, which occurred suddenly on October 12th, 1932, of Mrs. Mitchell, wife of Major E. A. Mitchell, late Middlesex Regiment. Mrs. Mitchell was the daughter of the late Pte. and Mrs. Sweeney, 57th Regiment, and was born at Plymouth on September 16th, 1870.

JOHN NEWTON LOWEN.

We regret to announce the death on October 17th, 1932, of this Old Comrade, aged 77 years, at the Memorial Cottage Homes, Mill Hill, where he had been residing for about five years.

Lowen, who was originally in the Royal Fusiliers, came to the Middlesex Regiment in 1883, and was discharged to pension in 1908. He re-enlisted in 1915 and served for two and a half years. He had five sons, all of whom served during the Great War, the eldest, George, being killed in action at Hooge on July 19th, 1915, in the 4th Battalion. His wife predeceased him a few years ago.

The funeral took place at Hendon Park Cemetery on October 21st, and was attended by a bearer party of Sergeants from the Depot, also a bugler. The following Old Comrades were present: Messrs. Clarke, Hewitt, Morris and Stephens. Among the relatives were Mr. and Mrs. Butters, and Mr. and Mrs. Terry. A wreath was sent from the Regimental Association.

We tender our sympathy to the family.

THE MIDDLESEX REGIMENT (DUKE OF CAMBRIDGE'S OWN).

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(Reproduced from the Army List by permission of the Controller of H.M. Stationery Office.)

1st and 2nd Battalions (Regular).

Lt.-Colonels (2).

Browne, M., *M.C.* (*s.c.*) (2) 28/9/32
Brown, G. L., *D.S.O.* (1) 28/9/32

Majors (8).

Jefferd, W. W. (1) 16/12/24
Sloane-Stanley, L. F. (1) 30/7/26
Tidbury O. H., *M.C.*, *p.s.c.* [*I*] *s.* 5/5/27 3/6/18
Pargiter, L. L., *D.S.O* (1) 28/9/28 3/6/19
Wollocombe, T. S., *M.C.* (2) *d.* 10/12/28 3/6/18
Lyon, N. H. B., *M.C.* (2) 26/1/32
Newnham, L. A., *M.C.*, *p.s.c.* *s.* 28/9/32 3/6/19
Thorp, J. R. [*I*] *s.* 28/9/32

Captains (14)

Savile, H. B. W., *M.C.* (2) 3/2/32 1/10/15
Phillips, H., M.C. (1) *Adjt.* 26/8/16
Bucknall, G. C., M.C., *p.s.c.* *m.c.* 26/8/16 *bt. maj.* 3/6/19
Paul, H. W. M., *O.B.E.*, *M.C.* (*s.c.*) (2) 26/8/16 *bt. maj.* 1/1/32
Horrocks, B. G., M.C. [*I*] *s.c.s.* 1/1/17
Haydon, C. W., M.C., *c.o.* 25/4/17
Lawrence, F. A. L. (2) 7/5/17
del Court, S. F. W. M., *M.C.* [*I*] (1) 28/9/20
Wainney, C. T., *M.C.* (2) 23/3/21
Procter, N. P., M.C. [2] 1/4/21
Lyons, E. F., *M.C.* (1) 18/2/22
Manson, E. P., M.C., *t.* 29/6/26
Roberts, W. L., M.C. *t.* 9/5/27
Mirams, S., *M.C.* (1) 9/5/27
Rackham, B. B., *M.C.* (1) 9/5/27
Weller, A. V. (1) 9/5/27
Pain, E. T. (2) 9/5/27
Kempster, G. W. (2) *d.* 20/4/28
Dobbs, J. E., M.C., *t.* 28/9/28
Jones, W. H. V. (2) 10/12/28
Hedgecoe, S. F. (2) 10/12/28
Parker, F. G. (1) 10/12/28
Overell, A. N. (1) *d.* 10/12/28

(*Subalterns* 34).

Lieutenants.

Clowes, J. H. (1) 1/11/18
Wray, E. M. G., *D.S.O.* (2) 27/8/19
Clayden, H. W. (1) *d.* 27/8/19
Howell, H. A. A., M.B.E., *p.d.* 24/10/19

1st and 2nd Battalions—*contd.*

Lieutenants—contd.

Clark, S. J. (2), *Adjt.* 21/2/20
Walden, F., *t.* 21/2/20
Heywood, E. L. (2) 29/2/20
Ayscough, E. S. M. (2) 20/12/20
Reid, J. G. E. (2) 18/7/21
Hudson, E. V. H. (*Phys. Trng. Staff*) 17/12/21
Musselwhite, C. C. (1) 16/7/22
Cubitt, D. Y. (1) 24/12/22
Tuckey, P. E. C. (2) (*d.*, *Adjt.* 10/7/32) 14/7/23
Worton, J. B., *t.* 14/7/32
Gordon, I. D. S. (2) 14/7/23
Crawford, M., *o.* (1) 23/12/23
Newton, W. C. (1) 30/8/26
Jacob, M. A. (2) 30/8/26
Goulden, G. A., *c.o.* 29/1/27
Gilbert, N. G. (2) *d.* 4/2/29
Baldwin, C. M. (2) 4/2/29
Else, F. H. (2) 30/8/29
Herapath, L. H. J. de la M. (1) 1/9/30
Stephenson, J. W. A. (2) 2/2/31
Powell, P. D. ff. (1) 2/2/31
Mackenzie H. F. (1) 30/8/31
Chattey, W. H. P. (1) 31/8/31
Batten, R. H., *u.* 31/1/32
Green, A. E. (2) 31/1/32
Ferguson. W. M. (2) 31/1/32
Sword, R. W. D. (1) 29/8/32

2nd Lieutenants.

Man, A. M. (2) 30/1/30
Marsh, H. (1) 30/1/30
Hall, J. P. (1) 28/8/30
Weston, G. P. L. (2) 29/1/31
Gwyn, R. A. (1) 29/1/31
Bellers, R. C. H. (1) 29/1/31
Beadnell, L. C. (1) [2] 27/8/31
Whiting, F. B. [2] 1/9/32
Peal, A. W. F. [2] 1/9/32
Oclee, H. D. [2] 2/9/32

Adjutants (2).

Phillips, H., *M.C.*, *Capt.* (1) 24/7/31
Clark, S. J., *lt.* (2) 3/8/32

Quarter-Masters (3).

English, J., *a.* 25/8/14
lt.-col. 5/8/32
Clark, A. W., *lt.* (1) 26/4/29
Guscott, R. T., *lt.* (2) 22/1/30

5th Battalion (Militia).

6th Battalion (Militia).

Captains.

⚔Josephs, L. H. O. 22/4/14
⚔Granaan-Toler, L. J., *M.C.* 20/3/15
⚔Pechell, H. C. 1/1/17

7th Battalion (Territorial).

Drill Hall, Priory Road, Hornsey, N.8.

Hon. Colonel.

⚔*King, E. J.*, C.M.G., T.D. (*Col. Terr. Army*) A.D.C. *t.a.* 13/8/25

Lt.-Colonel.

⚔Murray, H. A. *t.a.* 22/6/32

Majors.

⚔Bower, G. A. H., *M.C.* 1/4/30
⚔Pringle, W. E., *M.C.* 22/6/32

Captains.

Arnold, H. G. 1/3/30
Brown, S. A. W. 27/3/30
Pratt, S. M. 28/3/30
Christodoulo, N. E. I. 22/6/32

Lieutenants.

Bartram, R. 28/11/31
Johnson, A. K. 12/12/31
Lowe, G. C. D. S. 2/1/32
Gliksten, C. P. 12/2/32

2nd Lieutenants.

Paul, B. J. 29/3/30
Westcott, J. G. 3/12/30
Spooner, J. R. 25/4/31
Irving, G. D. 18/7/31
Catt, R. G. 26/7/31
Clarke, A. C. 22/6/32

Adjutant.

⚔Walden, F., Lt. Middx. R. (*temp. Capt. T.A.* 1/9/32) 1/9/32

Quarter-Master.

Denton, C. F., *lt.* 17/4/31

[Uniform—*Scarlet.* Facings—*Lemon Yellow.*]

Cadet Unit affiliated 1st C. Bn. Middlesex Regt.

8th Battalion (Territorial).

Drill Hall, Hanworth Road, Hounslow.

Hon. Colonel.

⚔*Garner, W.* C.M.G., T.D. (*Lt.-Col. late T.F. Res.*) *t.a.* 5/4/21

8th Battalion (Territorial)—*contd.*

Lt.-Colonel

⚔Parmeter, W. H., *t.a.* 11/6/30

Majors.

⚔Hirst, R. B. 25/2/31
⚔Ellis, H. C., *O.B.E.* 9/2/32

Captains.

Maddex, S., *M.B.E.* 8/12/29
Warlow, R. E. 26/11/30
Hartley, G. 10/1/31

Lieutenants.

Pattison, D. R. 10/9/30 13/11/24
Warrell, W. R. 5/2/31 13/3/28
Mayer, R. W. 1/12/31

2nd Lieutenants

Cloutte, J. L. H. 28/12/29
Russell, K. T. V. 5/2/30
Wheeler, E. C. A. 1/3/30
Marks, T. L. 16/4/30
Miskin, E. F. H. 21/5/30
Sadler, E. C. K. 4/6/30
Davey, F. C. 28/6/30
King, M. C. D. 10/12/30
Blair, N. M. 7/11/31
Turner, K. E. 3/2/32

Adjutant.

⚔Dobbs, J. E., *M.C.*, Capt. Middx. R. 1/10/29

Quarter-Master.

Cox, S. A., *lt.* 25/4/31

[Uniform—*Scarlet.* Facings—*Lemon Yellow.*]

Cadet Unit affiliated 2nd C. Bn. Middlesex Regt.

9th Battalion (Territorial).

Drill Hall, Pound Lane, Willesden, N.W.10.

Hon. Colonel.

⚔*Blumfeld, J. L.*, T.D. (*Col. late T.F. Res.*), *t.a.* 10/1/22

Lt.-Colonel.

⚔Tupper, G. W. H., *T.D.*, *t.a.* 17/8/29 1/1/29

Majors.

⚔Lamont, J. N., *M.C.*, *T.D.*, *t.a.* 17/8/29
⚔Fox, G. L. 1/4/30

Captains.

⚔Sherwood, H., *T.D.* 26/10/22 31/7/20
Hardcastle, H. K. 13/7/27
Hogg, F. G. 17/8/29
Hewson, A. S. 20/2/30

9th Battalion (Territorial)—*contd.*

Lieutenants.

Wright, L. C. 24/12/23
Heffer, H. 17/3/26
Furness, G. J. B. 30/7/26
Coubro, T. P. 23/6/27
Gray, H. W. W. 24/3/29
Sutcliffe, B. L. 24/7/29
Townell, S. H. 1/12/30 25/6/23
⚔Bedwell, L. J. 18/1/31
Mordue, L. H. 5/12/31
⚔Petrie, A. G. 1/2/32
Gunston, C. A. 1/7/32

2nd Lieutenants.

Exeter, G. W. M. 14/2/31
Pearson, M. F. 2/3/32

Adjutant.

Worton, J. B., *lt.*, Middx. R. (*temp. Capt., T.A.* 21/12/30) 21/12/30

Quarter-Master.

⚔Wright, W. S., (Lt. ret. pay), (*Res. of Off.*), *capt.* 20/5/29 20/2/32

[Uniform—*Scarlet.* Facings—*Lemon Yellow.*]

Cadet Units affiliated 3rd C. Bn. Middlesex Regt.

Supplementary Reserve.

Category B.

Subalterns (9)

Lieutenants.

Jupp, C. F. 14/10/30
Morley, J. F. 24/10/31
Wilcox, G. L. M. R. 5/12/31
Cowley, L. D. 9/2/29

2nd Lieutenants.

O'Dowd, P. L. 20/8/30
Willoughby, R. W. H. 13/6/31
Clifton, P. A. 22/8/31
Biggs, K. R. McK. 28/10/31
Sherwin, J. H. R. 25/6/32

Territorial Battalions affiliated to the Regiment.

7th City of London Regt. (Post Office Rifles).

24, Sun Street, Finsbury Square, E.C.2.

Adjutant.

⚔Roberts, W. L., *M.C.*, *capt.*, Middx. R. 4/12/30

19th London Regt. (St. Pancras).

The figure of St. Pancras.

76, High Street, Camden Town, N.W.1.

Adjutant.

⚔Manson, E. P., *M.C.*, *capt.*, Middx. R. 17/12/31

SENIORITY ROLL OF WARRANT OFFICERS AND N.C.Os. NOVEMBER, 1932.

1st BATTALION.

Rank and Name.	Date of present promotion.
*R.S.M. P. Newman	13/8/31
*Bdmr. A. Judge	12/4/31
*Q.M.S. (O.R.S.) A. Finch	13/6/28
*Q.R.M.S. E. Crouch	28/4/29
*C.S.M. G. Anderson	20/10/30
*C.S.M. A. Russell	1/4/31
*C.S.M. E. Burt	13/8/31
*C.S.M. B. Brockman	10/12/31
*C.S.M. E. Fleming	10/12/31
C./Sgt. (C.Q.M.S.) S. Steadman	23/7/23
Sgt. W. Christie	1/5/20
C./Sgt. (C.Q.M.S.) J. Wilcockson	10/6/27
Sgt. V. Osterholm	18/10/23
Sgt. H. Griffin	11/6/24
Sgt. W. Rogers	26/5/25
*C./Sgt. (C.Q.M.S.) W. Raindle	10/12/31
Sgt. E. Hazledene	5/4/26
Sgt. W. Bennett	19/6/26
Sgt. T. Tiller	1/7/26
Sgt. G. Clift	9/2/27
*C./Sgt. (C.Q.M.S.) E. Robbins	10/12/31
*Sgt. R. Challis	30/10/27
*C./Sgt. (C.Q.M.S.) C. Misso	19/1/32
*Sgt. H. Thomas	5/3/28
*Sgt. A. Stenning	23/2/29
Sgt. J. West	15/1/30
*Sgt. W. Northcott	25/2/30
Sgt. C. Soper	17/12/30
*Sgt. G. Blake	10/1/31
*Sgt. C. Kennett	16/1/31
*Sgt. L. Honeybun	13/8/31
*Sgt. L. Priddy	18/9/31
Sgt. S. Thompson	30/9/31
Sgt. R. Bayles	10/12/31
Sgt. L. West	10/12/31
*Sgt. C. Painter	19/1/32
*Drum-Major D. Drew	22/1/32
Sgt. F. Donovan	4/2/32
L./Sgt. R. Glover	1/8/28
L./Sgt. H. Hull	26/11/31
L./Sgt. A. Mason	16/1/31
*L./Sgt. (O.R.C.) P. Hale	31/10/29
L./Sgt. J. Little	26/11/31
L./Sgt. F. Chasney	10/12/31
Cpl. L. Williams	8/8/29
L./Sgt. W. Bean	1/9/31
Cpl. A. Lawrence	26/9/28
L/.Sgt. J. Ayres	18/9/31
L./Sgt. P. Edwards	10/12/31
*L./Sgt. R. Chaplin	19/1/32
L./Sgt. E. Edmunds	4/2/32
Cpl. J. Chillery	20/3/30
Cpl. L. Beck	9/4/30
Cpl. F. Payne	11/4/30
Cpl. J. Smith	28/4/30
Cpl. E. Zetter	15/4/30
Cpl. C. Ives	16/8/30
Cpl. S. Green	17/10/30
Cpl. H. Padgett	1/1/31
Cpl. R. Simmons	3/1/31
*Cpl. W. Snell	10/1/31
*Cpl. C. May	16/1/31
Cpl. S. Bullock	23/1/31
Cpl. E. Moir	20/2/31
Cpl. H. Ramsden	1/4/31
Cpl. E. Wilson	9/7/31
Cpl. G. Herbert	20/7/31
Cpl. L. Sheffield	24/7/31
Cpl. J. O'Neill	13/8/31
Cpl. A. Stone	2/9/31
Cpl. S. Phelan	15/9/31
Cpl. A. Nicholls	18/9/31
Cpl. F. Connett	30/9/31
Cpl. J. Robinson	24/11/31
Cpl. C. Bolton	10/12/31
Cpl. J. Thirkettle	10/12/31
Cpl. C. Pantling	19/1/32
Cpl. G. Bayford	21/1/32
Cpl. A. Cladd	28/1/32
Cpl. J. Donegar	4/2/32
Cpl. G. Barnett	/ /
L./Cpl. E. Rochester	26/8/27
L./Cpl. A. Allison	14/9/28
L./Cpl. G. Jeffree	5/6/30
L./Cpl. W. Belcher	30/6/30
L./Cpl. R. Blackman	20/8/30
L./Cpl. T. Castle	21/8/30
*L./Cpl. P. Ward	20/10/30
L./Cpl. E. Wadsworth	17/11/30
L./Cpl. E. Whichello	17/11/30
L./Cpl. F. Gardiner	29/11/30
L./Cpl. G. Endersby	11/12/30
L./Cpl. L. Jerman	11/12/30
L./Cpl. C. Clark	30/12/30
L./Cpl. A. Moore	3/1/31
L./Cpl. H. Chillery	16/1/31
L./Cpl. A. Lane	23/1/31
L./Cpl. A. Windows	2/2/31
L./Cpl. W. Watts	18/2/31
L./Cpl. M. Duddy	22/3/31
L./Cpl. C. Jacob	23/3/31
L./Cpl. K. Simpson	1/4/31
L./Cpl. L. Roseblade	24/4/31
L./Cpl. F. Britton	29/4/31
L./Cpl. F. Thorn	11/6/31
L./Cpl. L. Mallard	16/6/31
L./Cpl. H. Game	14/7/31
*L./Cpl. T. Brind	23/7/31
L./Cpl. P. Hopwood	13/8/31
L./Cpl. W. Gadsden	29/8/31
L./Cpl. F. Dell	2/9/31
L./Cpl. A. Willis	15/9/31
L./Cpl. G. Sach	30/9/31
L./Cpl. W. Lambert	2/1/32
L./Cpl. G. Brewer	2/1/32
L./Cpl. S. Sibley	2/1/32
L./Cpl. R. Abell	2/1/32
L./Cpl. L. McDowell	2/1/32
L./Cpl. G. Wordley	2/1/32
*L./Cpl. C. Benningfield	2/1/32
L./Cpl. J. Howie	2/1/32
L./Cpl. A. Cokeley	2/1/32

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Rank and Name.	Date of present promotion.
L./Cpl. W. Purland	19/1/32
*L./Cpl. J. Painter	31/1/32
L./Cpl. J. Groves	28/1/32
L./Cpl. W. Sampford	4/2/32
L./Cpl. A. Keeler	7/3/32
L./Cpl. B. Stripe	4/4/32
L./Cpl. R. Kent	11/4/32
Unpaid :—	
L./Cpl. J. Robinson	5/1/31
L./Cpl. T. Fitzgerald	23/7/31
L./Cpl. V. Simpson	7/7/31
L./Cpl. L. Image	11/7/31
L./Cpl. A. Brown	1/9/31
L./Cpl. W. Lane	5/9/31
L./Cpl. R. Bowden	22/9/31
L./Cpl. E. Staley	25/9/31
L./Cpl. W. Want	29/9/31
L./Cpl. F. Mills	29/9/31
L./Cpl. C. Adams	16/1/32
L./Cpl. J. Stickley	16/1/32
L./Cpl. J. Barnes	20/1/32
L./Cpl. H. Burrows	20/1/32
L./Cpl. F. Crawshaw	9/2/32
L./Cpl. F. Munday	7/3/32
L./Cpl. A. Smith	12/3/32
L./Cpl. H. Payne	12/3/32
L./Cpl. J. Baldrey	12/3/32

2nd BATTALION (Home Establishment).

NOTICE.

Warrant Officers and N.C.Os. are, in their own interests, requested to write direct to the **Adjutant**, 2nd Bn. The Middlesex Regiment, Colchester, Essex, should they observe any omission or error in the **Seniority** Roll of the Home Establishment.

Rank and Name.	Battalion.	Date of present promotion.
*R.S.M. C. Davis	Depot	13/4/29
*R.S.M. W. Ward, M.M.	2nd	18/3/31
*Bdmr. H. Clibbens	2nd	22/2/24
*R.Q.M.S. W. Pilley	Depot	7/3/26
*R.Q.M.S. W. Fletcher	2nd	31/3/30
*Q.M.S.(O.R.S.) B. Baldwin	Depot	2/7/30
C.S.M. W. Beasley	2nd	30/1/15
*C.S.M. H. Rand	9th	28/1/25
*C.S.M. G. Goodall	9th	4/6/25
*C.S.M. J. Hart	Depot	20/1/26
*C.S.M. C. Cook, D.C.M.	8th	15/8/26
*C.S.M. T. Smith	19th London	28/2/28
*C.S.M. F. Peck	2nd	18/2/29
*C.S.M. R. Colbourne	2nd	13/4/29
*C.S.M. C. Goodall	8th	28/4/29
*C.S.M. F. Stevenson	7th	4/1/30
*C.S.M. H. Hewett	2nd	19/4/32
*C.S.M. L. Simmonds	2nd	3/9/32
Col./Sgt.(C.Q.M.S.) C. King	2nd	26/5/26
Col./Sgt.(C.Q.M.S.) L. Hills	2nd	2/11/26
Col./Sgt.(C.Q.M.S.) W. West	2nd	22/2/28
Sgt. H. Glover	2nd	1/5/20
*Col./Sgt. (C.Q.M.S.) W. Saddler	2nd	19/4/32
Sgt. H. Tisdale	7th London	22/1/22
Sgt. R. Mewett	2nd	12/12/23
Sgt. E. Shaw	Depot	19/1/24
Sgt. H. Campbell	9th	16/2/24
*Col./Sgt.(C.Q.M.S.) L. Clarke	Depot	15/1/30
Sgt. J. Beaveridge	Depot	28/1/25
*Sgt. E. Jones	Depot	1/3/25
Sgt. S. Mason	2nd	2/2/26
Sgt. J. Bray	Depot	9/2/27
Sgt. A. Wright	Depot	10/2/27
Sgt. W. Harwood	2nd	17/8/27
Sgt. S. Bishop	Depot	24/11/27
*Col./Sgt. (C.Q.M.S.) F. Stacey	2nd	3/9/32
*Sgt. F. Denchfield	2nd	20/3/28
Sgt. A. Webb	19th London	15/5/28
Drum-Major H. Poulter	2nd	13/10/28
*Sgt. C. Champion	2nd	1/1/29
*Sgt. A. Jones	7th	18/2/29
*Sgt. H. Short, M.M.	2nd	21/2/29
Sgt. A. Jones	2nd	8/4/29
Sgt. A. Boen...	2nd	13/4/29
*Sgt. C. Donaldson	2nd	24/5/29
Sgt. R. King...	Supnmy., Fire Bde., Bordon	5/7/29
Sgt. G. Sherriff	2nd	9/12/29
Sgt. F. Nash	8th	11/12/29
*Sgt. A. Russell	Depot	16/2/30
*Sgt. W. Tibble	7th	17/10/30
*Sgt. W. Green	2nd	27/12/30
Sgt. J. Quick	2nd	23/4/31
*Sgt. W. Kemp	2nd	19/1/32
*Sgt. E. Patterson	Depot	18/2/32
Sgt. H. Cartwright	2nd	27/3/32
*Sgt. R. Parsler	2nd	1/4/32
Sgt. J. Harper	2nd	19/4/32
Sgt. (O.R.S.) F. Deane	2nd	10/6/32
Sgt. C. Trestain	2nd	14/6/32
Sgt. J. Ramsey	2nd	23/6/32
Sgt. S. Smith	2nd	30/7/32
*Sgt. H. Kruck	2nd	24/8/32
Sgt. R. Smith	2nd	2/9/32
Sgt. J. Scott	2nd	3/9/32
Cpl. E. Wright	2nd	26/4/26
L./Sgt. H. Ison	2nd	27/12/29 (Cpl. 9/2/28)
Cpl. W. Webster	2nd	12/4/28
Cpl. W. Chalkley	2nd	26/4/28
Cpl. F. Davis	2nd	7/11/28
Cpl. R. Wilson	2nd	24/8/29
L./Sgt. A. Brett	2nd	1/4/32 (Cpl. 28/1/30)
*Cpl. J. Hood...	Depot	25/2/30
*L./Sgt. G. Newstead	2nd	14/6/32 (Cpl. 20/4/30)
*L./Sgt. V. Cooper	2nd	23/6/32 (Cpl. 1/5/30)
Cpl. H. Taylor	2nd	8/5/30
L./Sgt. A. Allchorne	2nd	14/6/32 (Cpl. 15/5/30)
L./Sgt. E. Patterson	Depot	2/9/31 (Cpl. 8/6/30)
L./Sgt. L. Johnson	2nd	18/2/32 (Cpl. 25/10/30)
L./Sgt. A. Hows	2nd	27/3/32 (Cpl. 25/10/30)

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L./Sgt. A. Whitcombe ...	2nd	30/7/32 (Cpl. 31/10/30)
L./Sgt. B. Bedward... ...	Depot	24/8/32 (Cpl. 19/11/30)
L./Sgt. F. Livens	2nd	2/9/32 (Cpl. 20/1/31)
L./Sgt. R. Jenkins	Depot	3/9/32 (Cpl. 17/2/31)
Cpl. A. Etheridge	2nd	28/4/31
Cpl. F. Smith	2nd	25/6/31
L./Sgt. E. Swadling ...	Depot	3/10/31 (Cpl. 2/10/31)
Cpl. E. Jennings	2nd	28/12/31
Cpl. S. Moore	2nd	28/12/31
Cpl. F. Gribble	2nd	19/1/32
*Cpl. H. Frewin	2nd	18/2/32
Cpl. E. Warnes	2nd	4/3/32
*Cpl. H. Dujardin	2nd	27/3/32
Cpl. E. Bennett	2nd	1/4/32
Cpl. F. Housden	2nd	15/4/32
Cpl. (O.R.C.) J. Miles ...	2nd	13/6/32
Cpl. B. White	Depot	17/5/32
Cpl. W. Flude	2nd	30/5/32
Cpl. P. Maloney	Depot	1/6/32
Cpl. R. Soden	Depot	13/6/32
Cpl. L. Gromm	2nd	13/6/32
Cpl. H. Walker	2nd	13/6/32
Cpl. R. Overy	Depot	14/6/32
Cpl. R. Smallridge	2nd	14/6/32
Cpl. W. Brown	2nd	23/6/32
Cpl. F. Hawkins	2nd	28/6/32
*Cpl. J. Bond	2nd	29/6/32
*Cpl. P. Doubleday	2nd	2/7/32
Cpl. L. Grainger	2nd	30/7/32
Cpl. W. Day	2nd	5/8/32
Cpl. C. Gatehouse	2nd	6/8/32
*Cpl. H. Parnell	2nd	17/8/32
Cpl. W. Makewell	2nd	17/8/32
Cpl. J. Riches	Depot	19/8/32
Cpl. A. Thorne	2nd	24/8/32
Cpl. H. Clarke	Depot	2/9/32
Cpl. W. Poulter	2nd	3/9/32
Cpl. W. Murcott	2nd	25/9/32
L./Cpl. P. Oliver	2nd	5/6/30
L./Cpl. A. Smith	2nd	28/4/31
L./Cpl. G. Frost	2nd	14/5/31
L./Cpl. A. May	2nd	5/6/31
L./Cpl. S. Day	2nd	15/6/31
L./Cpl. J. Harris	Depot	10/7/31
L./Cpl. A. Baxter	2nd	24/7/31
L./Cpl. W. Hathaway ...	2nd	24/7/31
L./Cpl. H. Buckland ...	2nd	29/8/31
L./Cpl. A. Tuckfield ...	Depot	18/9/31
L./Cpl. A. Bird	Depot	28/12/31
L./Cpl. E. Brown	2nd	28/12/31
L./Cpl. E. Mead	2nd	28/12/31
L./Cpl. A. Marshall ...	2nd	28/12/31
L./Cpl. W. Ayles	Depot	19/1/32
L./Cpl. A. North	2nd	4/3/32
L./Cpl. A. Gurr	2nd	27/3/32
L./Cpl. A. Wray	2nd	13/4/32
L./Cpl. W. Goodall	2nd	13/4/32
L./Cpl. A. Cross	2nd	15/4/32
L./Cpl. E. Elcome	Depot	19/4/32
L./Cpl. H. Marshall ...	2nd	25/4/32
L./Cpl. F. Knights	2nd	28/4/32
L./Cpl. E. Byrne	2nd	2/5/32
L./Cpl. C. Holmes	2nd	17/5/32
L./Cpl. J. Burgess	Depot	30/5/32
L./Cpl. R. Harman	2nd	1/6/32
L./Cpl. R. Outram	2nd	5/6/32
L./Cpl. E. Leonard	2nd	13/6/32
L./Cpl. F. Knight	Depot	13/6/32
L./Cpl. R. Hatt	2nd	13/6/32
L./Cpl. W. Evans	2nd	13/6/32
L./Cpl. B. Armstrong ...	Depot	13/6/32
L./Cpl. J. Johnson	2nd	14/6/32
L./Cpl. E. Buck	2nd	14/6/32
L./Cpl. W. McEnery ...	2nd	23/6/32
L./Cpl. J. Walker	2nd	23/6/32
L./Cpl. A. Drane	2nd	28/6/32
L./Cpl. D. Walker	2nd	30/7/32
L./Cpl. J. O'Neill	2nd	5/8/32
L./Cpl. J. Bromley	2nd	6/8/32
L./Cpl. E. Soden	2nd	17/8/32
L./Cpl. A. Gigg	2nd	17/8/32
L./Cpl. H. Sayer	2nd	19/8/32
L./Cpl. D. Chapman ...	2nd	24/8/32
L./Cpl. G. McKay	2nd	2/9/32
L./Cpl. E. Fuller	2nd	3/9/32
L./Cpl. G. Grant	2nd	25/9/32
Unpaid :—		
L./Cpl. D. Baker	2nd	9/10/31
L./Cpl. W. Patterson ...	2nd	29/8/32
L./Cpl. C. Carpenter ...	2nd	12/9/32
L./Cpl. H. Webb	2nd	20/9/32
L./Cpl. A. Drake	2nd	22/9/32
L./Cpl. T. Sargent	2nd	27/9/32

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