

The Mayor of Cambridge hands the Freedom Scroll to D Coy Commander, Maj. D. Shervington, TD.

Old Comrades Association, and detachments from the cadets, the Royal Signals Sqn. TAVR and the University OTC. The Major presented a framed scroll recording the granting of the freedom to Maj. Dick Shervington, CO, who in his turn presented to the City a suitably inscribed sword. The scroll was paraded and the company then exercised its rights to march through the streets with bayonets fixed, colours flying, swords drawn, band playing. Tea was provided for those on parade and for the guests by the county TAVR Association and the occasion ended with a band concert and beating retreat. Music was provided by the band of the 5th Bn. and by the Corps of Drums of the Depot the Queen's Division. Despite the dull, overcast day and the cold wind it was most encouraging to see so many of the public out to watch the parade. What we want to know now is whether or not it will boost the recruiting figures.

From ceremonial back to soldiering and on the evening of 19th October, the Bn. concentrated on Stanford Training Area for an exercise run by Eastern District. The setting was aid to the civil power. Companies laid ambushes, set up road blocks, controlled crowds, patrolled and established OPs. The grand finale was a dawn cordon and search on Tottington Village and by the time we finished there wasn't a man in the battalion who hadn't done something for the first time, and quite a few had their first trip in a helicopter either on recce or being lifted into battle.

It is now 18 months since we started recruiting and a year since our first camp. Though recruiting has in some areas been slower than we hoped, our numbers now stand at 303 and a tremendous spirit has been generated that bodes well for the future.

The parade adjutant, Capt. D. Stewart, TD, marches the Regimental Colours and escort on parade. The colour is carried by Capt. B. McNab; the escort to the colour WOII Shailes, WOII Hall and Sgt. Birch.



## QUEEN'S REGIMENT (SURREY YEOMANRY) RECEIVES NEW BADGES





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