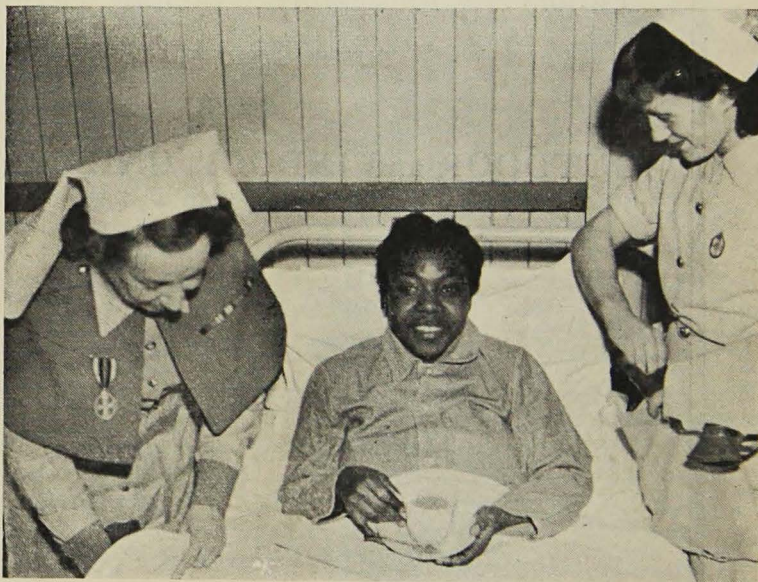




The Gazette



W.R.A.C. Recruit Eleanor Blackwood, from Jamaica, being tended in hospital at Guildford by Major E. Longworth, (left), and Pte. Grace Pearson (right), of Queen Alexandra's Royal Army Nursing Corps.

Journal of The Queen Alexandra's Royal Army Nursing Corps Association

Vol 2 No. 1

February, 1953

HILLIERS LTD.

*Tailors to the Army Nursing Service
since 1940*

OUTDOOR and INDOOR UNIFORMS



*As members of the
BESPOKE TAILORS' GUILD
we give the highest standard of
workmanship throughout, combined
with personal service*



19 SACKVILLE STREET
PICCADILLY, W.1

Regent 3575

32 HIGH STREET
SALISBURY

Salisbury 2548

THE Q. A. R. A. N. C. ASSOCIATION GAZETTE

Patron :

HER MAJESTY QUEEN MARY, *Colonel-in-Chief*, Q.A.R.A.N.C.

Vol. 2. No. 1

FEBRUARY, 1953

Editorial

VOLUME II of the GAZETTE, wearing a new dress, now rises like Venus from the foam, and we hope that a flourishing future lies before it. But this, O Members of the Association and Readers of the GAZETTE, is a matter which lies largely in your own hands, for without material, the Gazette will die of malnutrition.

There are ex-Q.A.'s in every part of the world—do let us hear your adventures, and even if you think that you haven't any, remember that the dullest daily routine, gilded with the magic word "Overseas" has a glamour of its own for those who plod along in England (and in the word England, not being ourselves English, we naturally include Scotland, Wales and Northern Ireland.)

And those at home should remember that they are "Overseas" to those who are "Overseas" to them, and that their doings are also interesting.

But we don't want the GAZETTE to be a sort of "Old Girls' Magazine." What about Serving Members, Officers and Other Ranks? There must be surely quantities of talent blushing unseen amid deserts of drill and wildernesses of washing-up. Do not worry about your spelling or handwriting, our own handwriting is so shocking that we are never defeated by anyone else's, and as for spelling, there is an excellent Dictionary in the Office for consultation over any words that 'look funny.'

The mention of Q.A. Other Ranks reminds us that Q.A.R.A.N.C. can now boast of its own N.C.O.'s. Hitherto, N.C.O.'s. have been seconded from W.R.A.C., but at the Depot during November, eleven sergeants and four corporals took part in the first Passing-Out Parade of N.C.O.'s., Q.A.R.A.N.C.

Lt.-Gen. Sir F. Harris, D.G.A.M.S., who took the salute at the March Past, said that he had never seen a better Parade in the whole of his Service life. He hoped that the N.C.O.'s. would make the Corps their career, and eventually reach warrant or commissioned rank.

Sergeant J. M. Douglas, who passed out top of the Course, was presented with a gilded Corps brooch on a gold pin.

We offer our heartiest congratulations to these N.C.O.'s, wish them all success, and hope that the very high standard which they have set will ever be maintained.

This is Coronation Year : "Coronation Committees" spring into being in the smallest village, the most scattered and thinly populated district ; and as for smoky old London, there is a stirring of new life, far down, as yet, but London is getting ready : getting ready to enjoy herself as only London can, getting ready to welcome the whole world as her guest ; above all, getting ready to lead the Commonwealth in loyal and affectionate devotion to our young Queen.

Those of us who heard Her Majesty's most moving broadcast on Christmas Day, will not easily forget her earnest and confident request for our prayers on the Day of Coronation ; earnest in the knowledge of her need, confident in the expectation of her people's response.

On another page will be found a very interesting account from Major N. H. Hodgman, Q.A.R.A.N.C., Matron of B.M.H., Kinrara, of the visit to the Hospital of the Duchess of Kent, during H.R.H.'s recent tour of FARELF.

The Branch Secretaries have been re-arranged in alphabetical order ; it is felt that this will simplify things as the Branches multiply.

The Friends' Secretary is very grateful for the gifts of groceries and unwanted clothing which were sent in, in answer to her appeal in the November GAZETTE. The Christmas Parcels sent out under the Friends' Scheme were tremendously appreciated by their recipients, and it is hoped that next Christmas it may be possible to do a good deal more in this way.

Honours

WE OFFER congratulations to our members and other friends whose names appeared in the New Year's Honours List.

ROYAL RED CROSS 1st CLASS

Major I. Scruton (L122)

Major M. Mallett (L98)

ROYAL RED CROSS 2nd CLASS

Major F. V. Hynes (L103) for services in Japan and Korea.
Capt. E. M. Scott (A2097).

Grand Dame Commander of the Order of the British Empire.

Lady Freyberg (A2980) for services in New Zealand.

Lady Freyberg is a member of our Association having served as a V.A.D. in Military Hospitals in the 1914-1918 war.

Lord Freyberg, V.C., recently Governor-General and Commander-in-Chief of New Zealand, is succeeding Lord Gowrie as Deputy Constable and Lieutenant Governor of Windsor Castle.

Commander of the Order of the British Empire

Miss Frances G. Goodall. General Secretary of the Royal College of Nursing, and recently elected President of the British Federation of Business and Professional Women—The British Federation works for the wider recognition of women in public affairs.—It is affiliated to the International Federation which has consultative status with the United Nations organisation.

All members of the nursing profession, active and retired, will warmly welcome this recognition of an outstanding nurse who also makes a nation-wide contribution as a citizen.

News of Members

Members of the Association will be very pleased to hear that Brig. H. S. Gillespie, M.B.E., R.R.C., Q.H.N.S., D.A.N.S., has accepted nomination for election to the Council of the Royal College of Nursing in Division (a) (Nurses resident anywhere in England and Wales).

Now that the G.N.C. accepts Student Nurses for training through the ranks of Q.A.R.A.N.C., it is even more important that the Service point of view should be represented at the College, and it is hoped that the Matron-in-Chief will receive the support of all College Members who have served or are now serving with the Army.

Miss E. H. A. Luker, A.R.R.C., (A 68), who is a member of the Central Committee of the Association, has been appointed Assistant Matron-in-Charge, St. Thomas's Hospital, Hydestile, Godalming, Surrey, with effect from January, 1953. During the 1939-45 War Miss Luker served with Q.A.I.M.N.S./R. Latterly, she has been Matron of Haslemere and District Hospital, Haslemere, Surrey.

Miss L. Rothwell, (A.387), Matron of Whalley and Pemberton Hospitals for 20 years, has retired.

Her retirement was marked by presentations from past members of the Nursing Staff and friends; from present members of the Hospitals' Staffs, and from the Wigan Corporation Health Department.

Miss Rothwell served during the late war with the T.A.N.S., in Norway, S.E. Asia and India. She was mentioned in despatches for her courageous work in Burma and for services with the Chindits. For this work she was awarded the Coronation Medal.

Miss Rothwell is a Founder Member of the Wigan Branch of the Royal College of Nursing, and was Honorary Secretary for 20 years.

An Officer and twelve Other Ranks of Q.A.R.A.N.C. took part in the Cenotaph Ceremony of Remembrance on Sunday, November 9th., representing the Corps, 140 members of which, (then Q.A.I.M.N.S.) were killed or died on service during the 1939-45 War.

On November 6th, Miss E. A. Baldock, Miss M. T. McDonnell and Miss M. Walden, representing the Association, planted crosses in the Field of Remembrance at Westminster Abbey.

Colonel E. M. B. Dyson, O.B.E., R.R.C. and Bar, is taking up a very interesting appointment as Secretary Residential Services Department of the National Association for Mental Health. We hope to give an account later of the work of this Association.

Q.A.R.A.N.C. Depot gave a children's Christmas Party at Alexandra Camp, Hindhead. Among the guests were twenty children from Dr. Barnardo's Home at Haslemere.

The Visit of H.R.H., The Duchess of Kent to B.M.H. Kinrara Federation of Malaya

ON WEDNESDAY, 7th October, 1952, everyone in the BRITISH MILITARY HOSPITAL, KINRARA, woke up with a feeling of excitement. It was the day on which H.R.H. the Duchess of Kent had spared time from her heavy programme during her short stay in the Federation to visit the patients in hospital.

For some time previously there has been great activity in preparing for this day and the hospital and grounds looked very nice on a bright and sunny though somewhat sticky morning. About 10.30 a.m. word came through that the Royal Car had left King's House on its way along the eight mile heavily guarded road to Kinrara, guarded only for our Royal visitor.

At 10.45 a.m. the first scout car entered the hospital gates, closely followed by a buff coloured car flying the Royal Standard, in which was seated H.R.H., the Duchess of Kent, looking very lovely in a marina blue silk frock with white polka dots, and a small close fitting hat of the same colour. Accompanying her were her Lady-in-waiting and the A.D.C.

As the car swept past the front of the hospital in the direction of Families Ward the Royal Standard was broken from the flag-pole outside the Administrative Block by a soldier of the King's African Rifles, unfurling out into brilliant sunshine above the Union Jack and the Geneva Cross.

The A.D.M.S., HQ., Malaya was presented to H.R.H., as she alighted from the car, followed by the presentation of the Officer Commanding and the Matron. H.R.H., had asked that she might be allowed to visit the patients accompanied by the Sister on duty and Matron only. Outside each ward the Medical Officer was presented to her then fell out, the Sister on duty taking H.R.H. round the ward and the Matron followed, whilst on outside verandahs, interpreters waited to come forward for interpretation in Malay, Swahili or Gurkhali if necessary, and one official photographer hovered in the background, darting about trying to catch the snap he wanted.

Quite by accident the first patient H.R.H. met was the wife of a R.E.M.E. Sergeant whom he married in Greece and they conversed in Greek, discussing the beauties of the City of Athens, to the enjoyment of the patient who had not spoken her native language for a long time.

In Families Ward there were British, Malay, and Gurkha women and children. H.R.H. had a word and smile for all and was particularly charming with the children in a delightfully natural manner, to which those who were old enough to speak responded as one had hoped they might. One small two-year-old girl, who had been in tears not many minutes before, was enthralled by such charm that she produced her broken doll, and in her baby way discussed the parts of its anatomy and treatment of its injuries.

Throughout the hospital H.R.H., spoke to every patient, patients of many nationalities, but one and all eager to see the Royal Lady of whom they had heard so much. The patients from the Royal West Kent Regiment received a special word or two with kind enquiries about their families at home. Nursing Orderlies too, were not forgotten, British and Malay, who were working on the ward at the time, she spared a moment for all.

Throughout her visit H.R.H. showed a very keen interest in patients and staff alike also the work that was being done and remarked on the layout of the wards, with which she was impressed. She thought them very bright and most suitable for this climate.

Having visited all the wards H.R.H. expressed a desire to be allowed to see some of the hospital equipment in Departments, but owing to the lack of time this unfortunately was not possible. After a cold drink she passed through the last ward out on to a matting which led across the grass to her waiting car.

Outside this ward were assembled Q.A.R.A.N. C., and R.A.M.C. officers with our Physiotherapist and British Red-Cross Welfare Workers who had not been presented to H.R.H. on her tour

through the hospital, all waiting to catch a glimpse of our Royal visitor, many with cameras discreetly behind their backs, one of which must have caught the Royal eye. H.R.H. stopped turned to the line of officers and with a beaming smile said "Want to take a photograph?" There she stood in a hot sun for several seconds after what must have been quite a tiring visit, whilst cameras were produced all round, amateurs and press alike taking photographs of a very gracious and lovely lady whose charm of manner had been felt throughout the hospital.

Then turning towards her car, followed by her Lady-in-Waiting and A.D.C., after having thanked us all for the work that was being done here, she entered the car and drew away, waving and smiling to the assembled crowd, leaving behind her much happiness and maybe with many a feeling that after all England was not so far away, England in which there reigns a Queen and Royal Family to whom we all feel a deep sense of loyalty.

N. H. HODGMAN MAJOR (A1099).
Matron,
British Military Hospital,
Kinrara, Malaya—27.10.52.

"Rommel's on the Run"

(By Sister Miss V. Low, *T.A.N.S.*, No. 5, G.H. Bone, *N. Africa*,
April, 1944).

Once Churchill met with Roosevelt a good way out to sea
To discuss in nineteen forty-two their plans for forty-three.
They talked not then of Lease and Lend, of Carry, Cash or Barter,
But about an unknown Army Form now called Atlantic Charter.
Then Hitler got a headache for he couldn't fathom how
After all his propaganda work they hadn't had a row.
And Churchill said to Roosevelt, "It would be rather fun
If both together, we could just get Rommel on the run."

But they first of all decided that security was best
They must keep the Axis puzzled and disturb it's nightly rest.
So the R.A.F. got busy in it's customary way
And nonchalantly bombed the Ruhr a dozen times a day.
And while they worked their slogan out, this watch upon the Rhine,
And while Mussolini went to bed to take a Number 9,
The Army and the Navy—this is absolutely true—
Manned eight hundred ships and fifty and went out into the blue.

Now in Berlin was a rumour that a convoy was at Gib.,
But 'twas only food for Malta, that was Goebbel's little fib.
And Haw-Haw spoke from Bremen growing weaker day by day
And the "Telegraph's" digressions were approved in every way.
When they spoke of El Agheila and about Bizerta too—
They said of General Montgomery, "The work that man does do!"
And our winter turned to summer and Fleet Street rubbed it's eyes,
The invasion of North Africa was made by the Allies.

There were most offensive landings (or a reputable kind)
And the R.A.F., the Navy and the Army we would find
At Algiers, at Casablanca and also at Oran—
We'd out-witted Adolf Hitler, poor misguided little man.
"It's in the bag already," so said the B.B.C.,
Of this trinity of landings—three in one and one in three.
The Yanks at Casablanca, who disembarked at dead of night
Had brought equipment with them just to photograph the fight.

Mussolini was distracted, he said, "If I'd only known . . ."
And Hitler made another speech to all his folk at home
And Goering commented that in spite of all the strife
He had never seen his Feurher looking better in his life.
So we read the "Daily Mirror" and "The Times" when we had
time,
And all they said is "Weather in Tunisia is fine,"
But one November morning, in the English winter sun
All the headlines shouted "Rommel's on the Run."

There was the First Army, all were working overtime,
And very, very fast they started moving up the line.
On all sorts and kinds of transport which was paid for by the King,
The Army when it's on the move will ride on anything.
They went by day, they went by night, they didn't stop to rest,
Americans preferred their Jeeps, we liked horse-boxes best,
But no-one rode the camel, whose home is by the Nile,
And whose hump somehow, accounts somewhere, for someone
else's smile.

Yet after this excitement there was little left to say,
And once more static warfare was the order of the day.
All the Army watched and waited hourly for it's mail,
And the Navy moved to Bone for the pleasure of the sail
To wile away the waiting time they all laid on a bet—
Was it Buna, Bone or Bona, had it been decided yet?
But an A.C.I. was published, "With effect from First of May,
It, of course, will rhyme with Poona, in the usual Army way."

The Pioneers got busy digging gully, road and trench
Americans enjoyed improved relations with the French.
The R.A.S.C. "did" Algiers amid a cloud of dust,
The Arabs went on scratching, as Arabs always must.
The R.E.s were provided with a job of work to do
By improving sanitation with a petrol can or two.
And the G.O.C. decided he would make it more like home
So Number Five improved it's site with Sisters out at Bone.

On this last there is no comment : 'twould be rather out of place,
And we British are a naturally self-effacing race.
So we'll finish soon with keeping pace with Rommel on the run,
We shall finish off this campaign and perhaps another one.
And back in England we shan't need Vin Blanc or Eau de Vie :
We'll have two fried eggs for breakfast and a decent cup of tea.
So we wait for the inevitable peaceful days to be,
When we'll talk of " Out in Bona, back in nineteen forty-three."

" In Days Gone by "

(From files of the B.M.H., Malta)

The War Office.
15.3.1907.

Dear Madam,

I am to request that the present custom of starching their caps by the Members of Q.A.I.M.N.S. may be at once discontinued, and that you will so inform the ladies serving under you.

The Caps are invariably to be worn as originally intended i.e. unstarched and folded in a complete triangle point to point.

I am, etc.,

G. H. KEEN,
M.-in-C.

The War Office.
11.11.1909.

Sir,

The question of Nurses employed in Military Hospitals being present in balls, dances, and public entertainments having recently been raised, I am directed to acquaint you that these ladies may be permitted to occasionally attend at operas, theatres, concerts and other places of amusement by special authority of the Head Nurse under whom they are serving, who should exercise such authority with discretion ; but they are *not* to attend balls and dances of any description, except when on leave of absence and away from their station.

Sgd. GUBBINS,
Surg. Gen.

D.M.S.

I should be glad if some steps might be taken to restrict the amount of baggage taken on Active Service by ladies embarking for Salonika.

I do not wish to bind these ladies down to the regulation amount, nor do I think that practical under Salonika conditions, but so much baggage has been taken of late that something must be done.

I noticed amongst other articles at the last embarkation, large metal baths, chairs, tables (not camp pattern), bird cages, etc.

The embarkation here is thus delayed and a heavy task is laid by us on the Transport Service at Salonika.

W. RADCLIFFE,
Lt.-Col. A.Q.M.S.

Malta. 22.7.17.

Secret Orders

The Conscientious Deputy

During the very hush-hush period in the War when all Units were being mobilised for the then mythical second front, as fast as our Unit was full strength, secret orders would arrive detailing a number of nursing officers to be equipped for a tropical climate and to proceed at such and such an hour to an unknown destination. No one had knowledge of or access to these orders except the O.C., myself and my Deputy. One day, when I was about the King's business elsewhere, some such orders arrived, and my Deputy took what action was immediately necessary and then being super conscientious, could not bear to be parted from the so secret document. In the evening she walked into my sitting room looking considerably worried, and I noticed that she had what appeared to be a dressing on the calf of her leg, and before she had time to speak, I said, "What have you done to your leg?" She looked amazed and glanced hurriedly down to see what had made me ask the question. There were the secret orders, neatly folded in a square and put for safety into the top of her stocking, then forgotten and in the rush round they had slipped down her leg.

I wonder if the conscientious Deputy will remember this incident and her relief?

The Train That Didn't Stop

During 1943-44, when drafts of nursing officers had to be sent off under secret orders the officers concerned were never told the actual date or time of their departure until the very last minute, and then they were confined to the Mess and 'phones were out of bounds. Orders usually were arranged to take effect some time after midnight. Many a ghostly procession has been escorted down the steep hill from Hatfield House to the station in the small hours, each individual so loaded with this and that, that they resembled the White Knight in Alice in Wonderland! and as sure as fate someone always dropped their steel helmet with a clatter.

On one memorable occasion, the special train went from St. Albans at 2 a.m. It was mid-winter and we went in lorries to St. Albans, bitterly cold. It was a very sober little band of officers who waited shivering on the platform for the special, and when it came chuffing along everyone gathered up their belongings preparatory to entraining, when to our dismay it went straight through the station !! The Station Master rushed to the telegraph and got through to the first signal box to stop the train. In about fifteen minutes, to our intense relief, it came chuffing back to pick up the small group of agitated nursing officers.

Once one of the officers had the bright idea of borrowing a soap box on wheels in which to take her kit to the station, never realising that she would have to carry it sooner or later ! It was a good idea but it didn't work.

NANCY P. DE BAMPTON. COL.(L.8).

Successful N.C.O's of the Q.A.R.A.N.C.

AFTER A six weeks' course at the Depot & T.E. Queen Alexandra Camp at Hindhead, Surrey, eleven sergeants and four corporals qualified for substantive rank—the Q.A's. first N.C.O's.

At a passing out parade recently at the Depot (with more than 200 officers and other ranks on parade under the command of the Depot Commandant, Lieut.-Colonel N. P. de B. Bampton, R.R.C.), Lieut.-General Sir F. Harris, Director-General of the Army Medical Services inspected the parade and later took the salute at a march past.

Lieut.-General Sir F. Harris was accompanied by Brigadier H. S. Gillespie, M.B.E., R.R.C., Q.H.N.S., (Matron-in-Chief and Director of Army Nursing Services) and he presented a gilded Corps' Badge on a gold pin to Sergeant Jean Marjorie Douglas, who hails from Australia, and is 24 years old, for having attained No. 1 position in the course.

Congratulations to the successful N.C.O's. and the officers and other ranks of the Q.A.R.A.N.C. on the parade, and also to the Commandant and her staff at the Depot on Lieut.-General Sir F. Harris's remarks on the smartness of the parade namely that he had never seen a better parade in the whole of his Service Life.

I, myself, was very impressed at the smartness of the Jubilee Parade that took place during the Q.A.R.A.N.C. Corps' weeks in June of last year. That day I left the Depot feeling proud that I belong to the Q.A's. Live up to it Ladies of Grey and Scarlet, as the Senior Women's Corps. in the British Army.

B. COBDEN, née EWBank (A214).

W.O's and N.C.O's Training Wing The Depot & T.E. Q.A.R.A.N.C.

Promotion Courses Q.A.R.A.N.C. Other Ranks

The first course of instruction for Q.A.R.A.N.C. for promotion to Sgts. and S./Sgts. was held at the Depot & T.E. Q.A.R.A.N.C., Hindhead, from 22nd September, 1952 to 31st October, 1952. Sixteen N.C.O.s attended the course and fifteen were successful in the examination. A./Sgt. Douglas was considered the best all round N.C.O. She was presented with a gilt Q.A.R.A.N.C. badge mounted on a gold pin.

Successful Candidates

A./Sgt. T. M. Douglas	A./Sgt. L. Thurlbeck
A./Sgt. J. Harris	A./Sgt. D. S. Davidson
A./Cpl. S. M. Brown	A./Sgt. M. Cameron
A./Sgt. J. Miller	Cp. C. H. Jackson
A./Sgt. B. M. Maasz	A./Sgt. K. M. Giblin
A./Sgt. R. A. Holmes	A./Sgt. M. A. Rae
Cpl. I. D. Fox	A./Sgt. S. M. Rudd
A./Sgt. D. C. Bradfield	

THE COMMANDANT,
The Depot & T.E. Q.A.R.A.N.C.,
Hindhead, Surrey.

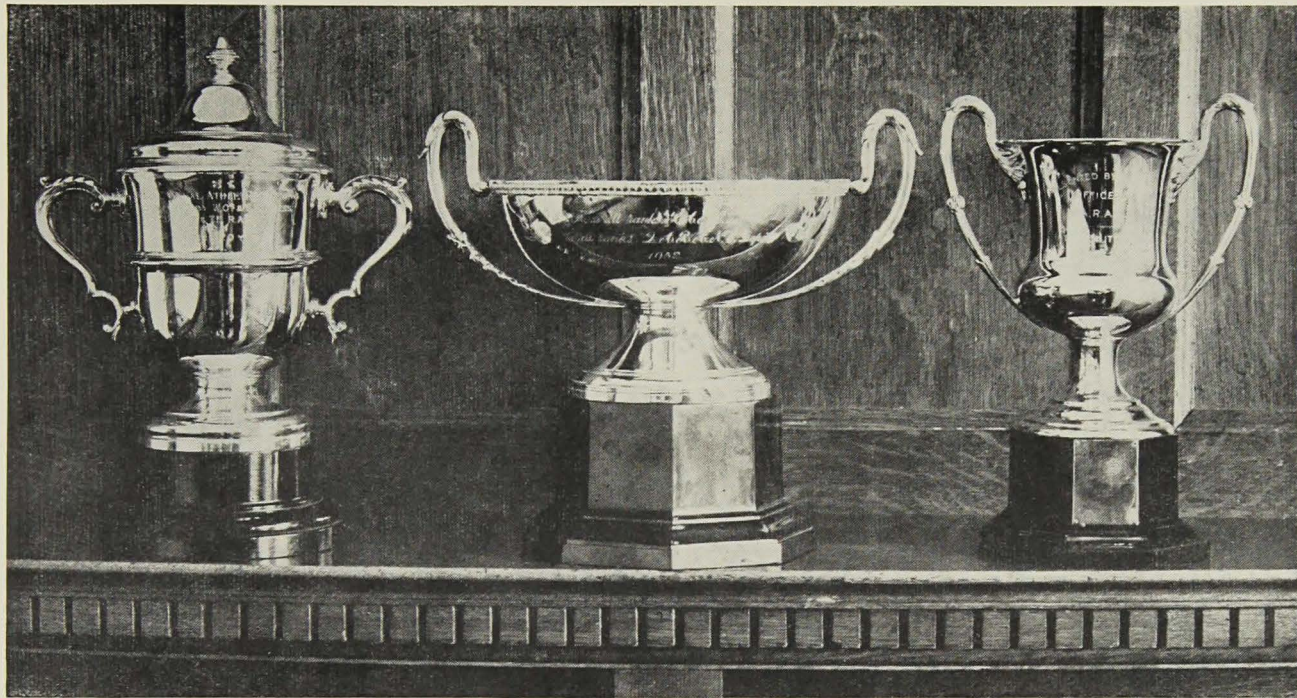
Ex-Service Men's Review, Hyde Park, 5th July 1953

THIS WILL consist of a parade, a short religious service, and a march-past—lasting some two hours in all.

180 Vacancies have been allotted to members of Q.A.R.A.N.C. Association.

Applications to attend should be received at Q.A.R.A.N.C. Association office NOT LATER than 10th MARCH, 1953.

It is regretted that the War Department is unable to provide assistance in respect of travelling expenses, nor can it provide accommodation in London.



(Left) 220 yards Challenge Cup.

(Centre) Victor Ludorum Cup

(Right) Inter-Unit Relay Challenge Cup.

Sports Notes

Challenge Cups, Q.A.I.M.N.S. - Q.A.R.A.N.C.

THE PHOTOGRAPH depicts from left to right the 220 yards Challenge Cup, the Victor Ludorum Cup, and Inter-Unit Relay Challenge Cup.

The centre cup, the Victor Ludorum Cup was presented by All Ranks of the Depot and T.E., R.A.M.C., as a challenge cup to be competed for at the annual Q.A.R.A.N.C. Sports. It is a lovely rose-bowl with silver handles, very prettily shaped, attached to a dark base—It has the following inscription “From all ranks R.A.M.C. Depot to all ranks Q.A.R.A.N.C. Depot 1952,” with the R.A.M.C. and Q.A.R.A.N.C. badge on either side of the inscription.

The present and first holder is Pte. H. Irving, representing Q.A.R.A. N.C. attached to No. 1. Company R.A.M.C.

The right hand cup, the Inter-Unit Relay Challenge Cup, was presented by Regular Officers Q.A.R.A.N.C. and is awarded to the winner of the Inter-Unit Relay Race at the annual Q.A.R.A.N.C. Sports. It is goblet shaped with handles and a dark base, of a similar style to those of the Victor Ludorum Cup—there is a small silver plate in front of the base for names of winners. The Cup is inscribed “Presented by Regular Officers Q.A.R.A.N.C.—Inter-Unit Relay.”

The first holders are Q.A.R.A.N.C. attached to No. 1. Company R.A.M.C., Cambridge Hospital, Aldershot.

The left hand cup, the 220 yards Challenge Cup was presented by the Warrant Officers and Sergeants, Depot and T.E., R.A.M.C., to be awarded to the winner of the 220 yards race at the annual Q.A.R.A.N.C. Sports. This Challenge Cup has a lid and stands on a detachable round base.—It is inscribed “Q.A.R.A.N.C. Annual Athletic Meeting. Presented by W.Os. and Sgts. Mess, Depot and T.E., R.A.M.C. for winner of 220 yds.”

The present and first holder is Pte. H. Irving, representing Q.A.R.A.N.C. attached to No. 1. Company, R.A.M.C.

News from the Branches

New Zealand

Miss Clyffe and Mrs. Hatfield attended the Civic Farewell to the retiring Governor-General and Lady Freyberg (A2980).

There was also a special farewell party given at the New Zealand Retired Army Sisters' Club, of which Lady Freyberg was patron. Lord Freyberg came to the party too, as he said he wished to see *his* sisters. Many of those who served in Egypt during the 1939-45 War were well acquainted with both Lord and Lady Freyberg.

The death of the first New Zealand member, Miss Helen Thom, is reported on another page.

Scotland

The Reunion Dinner, which was held at the Royal British Hotel, Edinburgh, in October, was so successful that it was unanimously decided to make it an annual affair, to be held alternately in Edinburgh and Glasgow.

Miss Murrie, who presided, welcomed the forty-eight members present, and said how happy they were to have Lieut.-Col. A. Dexter, R.R.C., Q.A.R.A.N.C., present with them that evening, the more so, as she would shortly be leaving Scottish Command.

All present agreed that it had been a most enjoyable evening, giving many opportunities of renewing old friendships and making new ones.

In order to further the activities of the Association in Edinburgh, it has been decided to begin monthly social meetings. These will be held in the R.A.M.C. (T.A.) Headquarters, Gilmore Place, on the first Tuesday of each month, at 7.30 p.m., and a good attendance is hoped for.

The Glasgow members held a dinner in December, in place of their usual monthly social meeting. The dinner was well attended, and greatly enjoyed by all present.

Midland

The Matron-in-Chief Brigadier H. S. Gillespie, M.B.E., R.R.C., Q.H.N.S., was the guest speaker at the Branch Annual General Meeting held on January 19th, 1953. Her subject was "Changing Conditions in the Army Services."

Army Sisters Memorial Fund

Members of the Q.A.R.A.N.C. Association will be pleased to know that the Memorial Book will be published by Messrs. Cassell & Co. towards the end of April at the price of 21s.

Postings from and Reversions to Home Establishment, Oct. - Dec., 1952

OFFICERS

To F.A.R.E.L.F.

Major R. V. Hepburn
Major J. C. Condon
Major D. M. Dryden
Major H. F. E. Payton
Major M. L. Holt
Major W. Delaney
Capt. H. K. Robinson
Capt. J. C. Clark
Capt. E. W. Wren
Lieut. U. N. Bunce
Lieut. M. I. McDonald
Lieut. V. E. Bell
Lieut. J. M. Egerton
Lieut. G. Farnsworth
Lieut. O. Bradley
Lieut. M. Casson
Lieut. B. Shepherd

To B.A.O.R.

Major F. Ratcliffe
Major E. J. Crook
Major J. Howe
Major C. M. McMinn
Capt. M. J. Lester
Capt. H. J. Stewart
Capt. C. Cloke
Capt. M. P. A. Revell
Capt. E. Thomas
Capt. E. O. Bassett
Capt. M. Marrinan
Capt. A. W. Dickie
Lieut. H. M. Cahill
Lieut. M. L. Howden
Lieut. J. Leigh
Lieut. P. G. Payn
Lieut. A. S. L. Anderson
Lieut. J. Sutherland
Lieut. A. B. Finlay
Lieut. M. D. F. Vaughan
Lieut. D. F. Liddington
Lieut. D. E. Beale
Lieut. Y. M. Andrews
Lieut. M. L. Barnes
Lieut. B. M. Diplock
Lieut. A. B. Findlay
Lieut. J. I. M. Finlayson
Lieut. N. Hargreaves
Lieut. P. W. Plater
Lieut. A. M. Ward

To B.T.A.

Lieut. M. Porter

To M.E.L.F.

Colonel F. M. Smith
Major M. J. Scannell
Major M. Moreton
Major J. M. S. Wilson
Capt. J. M. Orford
Capt. I. G. Duncan
Capt. E. M. Paterson
Capt. M. C. McGlinchey
Lieut. J. M. Page
Lieut. I. M. Russ
Lieut. D. M. Rutter
Lieut. E. M. Neal
Lieut. J. E. Boulby
Lieut. E. E. Cook
Lieut. B. L. U. Clifton
Lieut. A. M. Henchy
Lieut. P. M. G. Fricker
Lieut. C. M. McMinn
Lieut. B. Malohan
Lieut. L. F. Pettman
Lieut. M. E. Phipps
Lieut. J. Harvatt
Lieut. E. M. Duguid
Lieut. M. Potter
Lieut. M. E. Burrows
Lieut. H. W. Greenaway
Lieut. G. J. Edwards
Lieut. D. E. Dare
Lieut. A. M. Lockerby
Lieut. M. E. Betts-Gray
Lieut. H. B. Baker
Lieut. O. G. Budd
Lieut. E. M. Bryans

To Malta

Lieut. D. M. Rutter

To West Africa Command

Major M. E. Lewis
Capt. M. Bradley
Capt. F. M. Roberts
Lieut. M. J. H. Cowan
Lieut. M. H. Murchie
Lieut. M. L. Boleat
Lieut. D. Woods

To B.E.T.F.O.R.

Major P. A. Jones

To Gibraltar

Major E. M. Neale
Capt. M. A. Brown
Lieut. M. Makin
Lieut. G. White

OTHER RANKS

To F.A.R.E.L.F.

Cpl. A. Steele
 Pte. C. Arkley
 Pte. I. Carter
 Pte. I. Connell
 Pte. M. A. Fleming
 Pte. T. Linsdell
 Pte. B. Lea
 Pte. I. Pow
 Pte. A. Saunders
 Pte. M. Shankland
 Pte. W. Stuart
 Pte. E. Spencer
 Pte. D. Thistleton
 Pte. I. Turner
 Pte. L. Wilson
 Pte. D. Watson
 Pte. J. Welton
 Pte. E. Yeoman
 Pte. M. Stokes

To Gibraltar

Sgt. J. Sigsworth
 Pte. J. Patrick
 Pte. E. A. Grant
 Pte. E. Crawford
 Pte. J. Tracey
 Pte. O. Ashworth
 Pte. M. Whyte
 Pte. E. Howell
 Pte. R. P. Grant
 Pte. J. Venables
 Pte. U. Briggs
 Pte. R. Jacobs
 Pte. Millard
 Pte. J. P. Spencer
 Pte. S. Griffiths
 Pte. E. Berrow
 Pte. M. F. MacBeath
 Pte. J. McKim
 Pte. D. E. Pickles
 Pte. P. A. Gregg

To M.E.L.F.

Cpl. S. Arnold
 L., Cpl. A. Lawrence

From F.A.R.E.L.F.

Major E. R. Barnet
 Lieut. S. A. Bindloss
 Major M. C. Hilson
 Major G. C. M. Gill
 Major A. O'Connell
 Capt. A. Looram
 Capt. R. Denby
 Capt. M. Fabien

To M.E.L.F.

Pte. J. A. Bell
 Pte. J. Corson
 Pte. S. A. Kelly
 Pte. M. Mitchinson
 Pte. J. M. Murphy
 Pte. E. M. Radford
 Pte. B. Toothill
 Pte. L. Wilkinson
 Pte. I. Williams
 Pte. I. Ancliffe
 Pte. N. M. Parker
 Pte. P. Curley
 Pte. E. M. Whyte
 Pte. M. Foster
 Pte. D. Laverick
 Pte. H. Morris
 Pte. L. Scott
 Pte. F. N. Moore
 Pte. L. G. Emery
 Pte. G. M. Jones
 Pte. N. C. Jones
 Pte. J. Murphy
 Pte. D. Robinson
 Pte. I. Houldey
 Pte. P. Richards
 Pte. M. Gordon
 Pte. H. Peden
 Pte. M. Whitmarsh
 Pte. D. Robinson
 Pte. M. Warwick
 Pte. B. Richardson
 Pte. C. Hughes
 Pte. J. Hill
 Pte. V. Kingston
 Pte. J. Rowley
 Pte. M. J. Goddard
 Pte. S. Gladwin
 Pte. K. E. Pugh

To Malta

Cpl. I. Smith
 Pte. L. Beardmore
 Pte. L. Gordon
 Pte. A. Hill
 Pte. T. Keenan
 Pte. D. Temple

OFFICERS

From F.A.R.E.L.F.

Lieut. A. C. O'Neill
 Lieut. M. Clarke
 Lieut. P. Warwick

From West Africa Command

Major J. M. Canny
 Capt. M. Mullins
 Capt. M. F. Eldon

OFFICERS

From West Africa Command

Capt. B. Spencer
Lieut. M. T. Anthony

From Malta

Lieut. Sutton

From M.E.L.F.

Col. M. A. V. Soutar
Major R. M. Hey
Major C. E. Rowles
Major E. Ballesty
Capt. H. J. Kendall
Capt. M. C. Maguire
Capt. M. J. C. Ellis

From M.E.L.F.

Capt. E. M. Scott,
Capt. L. A. Baker
Capt. D. M. Wilson
Capt. I. Wrightson
Capt. C. B. Mackerron
Capt. M. Coffey

From Gibraltar

Lieut.-Colonel S. E. Hughes
Capt. M. Morris
Capt. E. M. Stonham
Capt. E. M. Makepeace
Capt. M. A. Pinson
Lieut. S. A. Gardner

OTHER RANKS

From B.A.O.R.

Pte. V. G. Bridges

From Gibraltar

Pte. B. S. Knappett

From M.E.L.F.

Pte. J. R. Hook

From M.E.L.F.

Cpl. B. Terry
Pte. N. E. Jackson
Pte. H. Eastham
Pte. F. A. Clifford
Pte. M. Docherty
Pte. I. Ancliffe
Pte. M. E. McAloney
Pte. A. V. Thomas

Promotions

OFFICERS

October—Lieut.-Colonel to Colonel : K. M. Brady, R.R.C. (27th).
Major to Lieut.-Colonel : E. H. Owen, A.R.R.C. (27th).
Captain to Major : O. M. Marchant (16th), E. J. Crook,
A.R.R.C. (17th), K. M. Cross (17th), D. E. Price (21st).
Lieut. to Captain : M. J. Inglis (Aug. 8th), D. C. Gatenby (6th),
M. A. Hillard (26th).

November—Captain to Major : F. M. Sands (27th). Lieut. to
Captain : E. W. Wren (30th).

December—Major (T. Lieut.-Colonel) to Lieut.-Colonel : C. M.
Coneys, A.R.R.C. (8th). Captain to Major : E. M. Stonham
(10th), F. MacDonald (14th). Lieut. to Captain : B. Molohan
(8th), M. H. M. Jolliff (27th).

OTHER RANKS

July—Private to Corporal : Z. M. Crawford (25th).

August—L/Cpl. to A./Cpl. : H. George (8th).

September—Cpl. to A./Sgt. : B. M. Speckley (21st). Pte. to A./Cpl. : J. E. Bates (6th), E. R. Crump (1st), W. L. Blackmore (30th), R. S. O'Brien (16th), C. E. Smith (27th), M. Stephenson (8th). Pte. to A./L./Cpl. : M. A. Young (1st), H. R. Bevan (2nd), H. J. Eagle (2nd), E. Jeffries (2nd), M. Irving (2nd), H. Savoy (2nd), C. Crisp (13th), M. E. Rooney (16th), R. Danby (16th).

October—Cpl. to A./Sgt. : P. Hamilton (9th). L./Cpl. to A./Cpl. : M. Irving (3rd), E. S. Toyer (3rd), M. G. Savory (23rd), C. M. F. Garrett (23rd), P. James (23rd). Pte. to A./Cpl. : D. I. Andrews (23rd), D. S. Marshall (23rd), P. B. Turner (16th).

November—L./Cpl. to A./Cpl. : A. C. Steele (19th).

Retirements and Resignations

September—Capt. M. W. Shaw (*née* McConnell), Lieuts. N. M. Stewart (*née* Glass), M. E. Cowderoy (*née* Richardson), M. Mackworth (*née* Wilding), L. B. G. Evans (*née* Marchant), M. E. Ellock (*née* Holliday), E. Stewart (*née* Wood), J. E. M. King (*née* Thompson), M. M. Bradshaw (*née* Selby), M. Murray (*née* Leahy), J. M. Coates, M. A. B. Hearne.

October—Colonel E. M. B. Dyson, O.B.E., R.R.C., Major J. Everitt, Capts. M. G. Nicholls, V. Fenton-Jones (*née* Lithgow), J. Smith (*née* Whittle), Lieuts. A. Hinton (*née* Pope), W. T. Muxton (*née* Kettle), B. Wilson (*née* Rees), E. Eyelons (*née* Jones), M. M. Owen (*née* Tannahill), J. B. Clarke (*née* Kilby), B. J. Jackson (*née* Richard), B. J. Townsend (*née* King), C. B. Borgoyne, D. M. Baker, R. M. Beveridge, C. Stewart.

November—Major H. E. Whale, R.R.C., Capts. H. T. Stewart, F. G. Hill, F. G. Brock, T. M. McGuinness, Lieuts. A. A. Selkirk (*née* Porter), M. Forsyth (*née* Soutar), S. N. Rowe (*née* Cowling), M. B. Birmingham, E. J. Youngson, Y. G. Marshland, P. J. Ashley.

December—Lieut.-Colonel A. Dexter, R.R.C., Capts. E. M. Coppack, E. M. B. Murphy.

Cowdray Club

The special concession to Nurses enabling trained nurses to join the Cowdray Club, 20, Cavendish Square, London, W.1, without entrance fee, provided they are elected before March 31st, 1953, has now been extended throughout the whole of Coronation Year.

There are also special rates for members of the Royal College of Nursing, and for Country and Overseas Nurses.

Enquiries should be made to Miss A. M. Kempe, General Secretary, who will supply particulars and application forms.

Births Marriages and Deaths

Births

HARTWELL.—On October 11th, 1952, at Bedford General Hospital (North Wing), to Mollie (nee Church), M.B.E., ex-Capt. Q.A.R.A.N.C., wife of Sir Roderick Hartwell, Bt., a daughter, Penelope Kathleen (L.21).

MACKENZIE.—On August 9th, at Kings College Hospital to Christine MacKenzie (*née* Lessey), ex Q.A.I.M.N.S. (R), wife of Brig. D. MacKenzie, a daughter, Fiona Mary (A2526)

LEITCH.—On September 22nd, at the British Military Hospital, Benhasi, to Topsey (*née* Ayriss, ex Capt. Q.A.R.A.N.C.) and and Angus Leitch, a daughter Nicola Fiona. (A954).

LANG.—On December 20th, at Ronkswood Hospital, Worcester, to Patricia Mary (*née* Turnbull, ex Lieut. Q.A.R.A.N.C.), wife of Capt. W. Lang, R.E., a son. (A1866)

Marriages

On 27th September, 1952, at Scarborough, David H. E. King to Lieut. Joan E. M. Thompson.

On 20th September, 1952, at Wakefield, Dr. John M. A. C. Stewart to Lieut. Elsie Wood.

On 22nd September, 1952, at Harrogate, Edward W. Elcock to Lieut. Marjorie E. Holliday.

On 4th October, 1952, at Bury, Lancs, Antony Muxlow to Lieut. Winifred T. Kettle.

On 11th October, 1952, at Durham, Captain W. D. Smith to Captain Joan Whittle.

On 4th October, 1952, at Llanfabon, Antony B. Wilson to Lieut. Beryl Rees.

On 12th August, 1952, at Foxrock, Co. Dublin, Kelvin J. Murray to Lieut. Mary Leahy.

On 27th September, 1952, at Lytchett Minster, Dorset, Lieut. John R. Bradshaw, R.E., to Lieut. Margaret M. Selby.

On 4th October, 1952, at Sheffield, Dr. Norman C. W. Owen to Lieut. Murial M. Tannahill.

On 4th October, 1952, at Conway, Caernarvon, Roy Eyeions to Lieut. Elizabeth Jones.

On 11th October, 1952, at Hunwick, Durham, Donald C. Fenton-Jones to Captain Vera Lithgow.

On 11th October, 1952, at Great Ikford, Essex, Dr. Albert G. Jackson to Lieut. Barbara J. Richards.

On 25th October, 1952, at Horley, Surrey, Lieut. Clifford O. Townsend, R.A., to Lieut. Betty J. King.

On 4th October, 1952, at Wood Green, Middlesex, David R. Clark to Lieut. Jean B. Kelly.

On 5th November, 1952, at Exeter, Dr. Alan A. Rowe to Lieut. Sheila N. Cowling.

On 15th October, 1952, at Ipoh, Malaya, Lieut. Peter J. Hinton, R.A.S.C., to Lieut. Audrey Pape

- On 6th November, 1952, at Singapore, Robert A. Selkirk, to Lieut. Audrey A. Porter.
- On 14th November, 1952, at Malaya, Captain Angus A. Forsyth, R.A.S.C., to Lieut. Margaret F. Soutar.
- On 6th December, 1952, at Paignton, Devon, Dr. Robert Yule to Lieut. Nova Randall.
- On 22nd November, at Kluang, Malaya, Robert J. Wardell to Lieut. Dorothy E. Aufrey-Jones.
- On 20th December, 1952, at Bedford, Dr. Norman C. Low to Lieut. Pamela Warwick.
- On 6th December, 1952, at St. Albans, Leonard J. Woodger to Lilian V. Redgers, ex Q.A.I.M.N.S.(R) (A1752).

Other Ranks marriages :

- On 20th September, 1952, David John Cross to Pte. J. Kirby.
- On 4th October, 1952, Arthur Monk to Pte. F. E. Dean.
- On 6th September, 1952, Charles Husband to Pte. E. M. Smith.
- On 27th September, 1952, William Herbert Harold Keegan to Pte. J. Devonshire.
- On 7th October, 1952, Frank Townend to Pte. T. Burns.
- On 13th September, 1952, William Henry Downs to Pte. Spilby.
- On 20th July, 1952, Patrick David Moorman to Pte. S. J. Jackson.
- On 5th August, 1952, William Stannard to Cpl. J. M. Godden.
- On 4th October, 1952, Gordon Keith Horn to Pte. P Tucker.
- On 4th October, 1952, George Irwin Law to Pte. M. Sproul.
- On 4th October, 1952, Peter Nelson Allen to Pte. J. Ireland.
- On 20th September, 1952, D. Roberts to Pte. M. Davies.
- On 11th October, 1952, John Daniels to Pte. R. C. Russell.
- On 1st November, 1952, Ronald Bardgett to Pte. J. Lamb.
- On 25th October, 1952, David John Moloney to Pte. J. V. Roberts.
- On 25th October, 1952, John Waring to Cpl. M. A. Young.
- On 25th October, 1952, Alfred William Anthony Fox to Pte. McFarland.
- On 8th November, 1952, C. K. Strong to Pte. P. McDonald.
- On 30th October, 1952, K. M. Hardy, U.S.A.A.F., to Cpl. J. Martin.
- On 1st November, 1952, John Parker to Pte. A. F. Reid.
- On 7th November, 1952, Basil Frederick Hind to Pte. S. Hurford.
- On 15th November, 1952, David Douglas Kimber to Pte. G. M. Reed.
- On 19th November, 1952, Raymond Lawton to Pte. J. R. Hook.
- On 1st December, 1952, Angus McKenzie to Pte. M. M. McNiel.
- On 8th November, 1952, Colin Russel Sanders to Pte. M. Dow.
- On 28th November, 1952, Francis Heenan to Pte. J. H. Halliday.
- On 6th December, 1952, Raymond Williams to Pte. F. H. Clifford.

Deaths

BONSER.—On October 27th, 1952, at Cromer, Norfolk, Mrs. Jessie Bonser, ex Q.A.I.M.N.S.(R).

LOWTHER.—We regret to announce the death at Little Baddow, Essex, on 2nd November, 1952, of Lieut.-Colonel Florence Mary Lowther, R.R.C., late Queen Alexandra's Royal Army Nursing Corps. (L185).

Lieut.-Colonel Lowther received her nursing training at the Royal Infirmary, Manchester, 1915-1919. She served in Queen Alexandra's Military Nursing Service for India (T) from 1923-1926 when she was appointed to Queen Alexandra's Imperial Military Nursing Service, and served in India, Middle East, North Africa, Germany, Far East and in the United Kingdom, until her retirement from Queen Alexandra's Royal Army Nursing Corps in 1951.

For her valuable service Lt.-Colonel Lowther was made a Member of the Royal Red Cross, First Class.

The Association sent a wreath to the funeral, but unfortunately Lieut.-Colonel O. Clarke, O.B.E., R.R.C. (L187) who was to have represented the Association, was unable to be present owing to an attack of influenza which had developed on the previous day.

OSBORNE.—In September, at Newmarket, Cambridgeshire, Mrs. S. Osborne (*née* Tillbrook, formerly Hanman) ex Q.A.I.M.N.S.(R) (A293).

RITCHIE.—On October 10th, 1952, at Thorpe Bay, Essex, Miss Mary I. Ritchie, ex Q.A.I.M.N.S.(R).

THOM.—On December 24th, 1952, in New Zealand, Miss Helen Thom, ex Q.A.I.M.N.S.(R), 1916-1918. (A2942).

TULLOH.—On December 14th, at Boscombe, Hants, Miss Louisa W. Tulloh, R.R.C. & Bar, Order of St. John, ex Q.A.I.M.N.S., in her 93rd year. (A1582).

Miss Tulloh, who was one of our oldest and most notable members, joined the Army Nursing Services as a Sister in 1887, and retired in 1919, having reached the position of Matron, after 32 years of service, most of which was abroad. Three outstanding events which Miss Tulloh loved to talk about were a visit to see Miss Florence Nightingale, in 1894, when she had tea with her—the day she had the honour of having luncheon at Windsor Castle, in Queen Victoria's Diamond Jubilee year, and afterwards she visited Her Majesty in Her Private Apartments, and thirdly, in the evening of her life

the visit to her at Boscombe of the Screen's 'Lady of the Lamp' Miss Anna Neagle, accompanied by her husband, Mr. Herbert Wilcox. We have lost a wonderful and remarkable old lady who delighted in being a member of the Q.A.R.A.N.C. Association.

Miss A. P. Wilson, R.R.C. (A1592), represented the Association at the funeral and a wreath was also sent.

BRADSHAW.—On December 20th, 1952, at Buckland Hospital, Dover, Miss F. Bradshaw, ex-Q.A.I.M.N.S.(R).

CAWOOD.—On December 19th, 1952, at Hove, Sussex, Miss Bessie Cawood, ex-P.C.A.N.S.(R) (A862).

EMLYN.—On January 26th, 1953, Miss Emily S. Emlyn, late Matron Q.A.I.M.N.S.

The Association was represented at the funeral by Miss I. C. C. Withers (A284) and a wreath was also sent.

KINKEAD.—On February 7th, 1953, at Millbank Hospital, Miss Isabel Kinkead, O.B.E., R.R.C., Q.A.I.M.N.S. (Retired) (A216). Lt.-Col. J. Dunn (L.118) represented the Association and a wreath was also sent.

WE REGRET to announce the death at Queen Alexandra's Military Hospital, Millbank, on 7th February, 1953, of Principal Matron Isabel E. M. KINKEAD, O.B.E., R.R.C., late Queen Alexandra's Imperial Nursing Service.

Principal Matron Kinkead received her nursing training at the London Hospital, Whitechapel, 1909-1911. She served in Queen Alexandra's Imperial Military Nursing Service from 1913 to 1945 and served with the British Expeditionary Force during the first world war, and in Egypt, India, and in the United Kingdom until her retirement in 1945.

For her very long and valuable services, Principal Matron Kinkead was made an ordinary member of the British Empire, and a member of the Royal Red Cross First Class.

PACKARD.—In January, 1953, at Buckland Hospital, Dover, Miss F. Packard, ex-Q.A.I.M.N.S., aged 82.

PRESTON.—On January 26th, 1953, at Bude, Cornwall, Miss Gertrude Preston, ex-Q.A.I.M.N.S.(R) (A1296).

WILLIAMS.—Recently at Ilkey, Yorkshire, Miss A. E. Williams (ex T.A.N.S.)

Q.A.R.A.N.C. Association

Head Office : 20 John Islip Street, Millbank, London, S.W.1.

Honorary Officers :

Administrator and Chairman ...	DAME LOUISA WILKINSON, D.B.E., R.R.C.
General Secretary and Membership Secretary ...	MRS. A. HUMPAGE
Friends' Secretary ...	Mrs. E. H. MILLS
Treasurer ...	MISS E. A. BALDOCK
Gazette Editor ...	MISS M. C. DRUMMOND-HAY
Assistant Editor ...	MRS. B. COBDEN

Branch Secretaries :

Australia

(Joint Secretaries) ... MISS M. CHALMERS, The Women's Hospital, Carlton, N.3, Victoria.
MISS M. J. MITCHELL, Williamson General Hospital, near Melbourne, Victoria.

East Africa ... MRS. E. D. B. BRÖWSE, P.O. Box 1538, Nairobi, Kenya.

Midland ... MISS W. B. MOUNTAIN, c/o Royal Orthopædic Hospital, Northfields, Birmingham, 21.

New Zealand ... MRS. A. E. HATFIELD, 77 Bassett Road, Remeura, Auckland, S.E.2.

Scottish ... MRS. H. D. B. ANDERSON, 13 Montgomery Street, Edinburgh, 7.

Association Membership : Life £5 5s. Annual 2s. 6d.

GAZETTE issued quarterly. Subscription, 5s. per annum.

Membership and GAZETTE subscriptions may be paid for any number of years in advance.

Association Brooch, 2s. 6d. each, available to members only. Quote membership number on order.

Branch members should send subscriptions for membership and GAZETTE, also orders for brooch through their own Branch Secretary, others direct to Head Office.

All material and advertisements for GAZETTE to be sent direct to Head Office.

The Annual General Meeting of the Q.A.R.A.N.C. Association will be held at 20 John Islip Street, London, S.W.1, at 2.30 p.m., on Saturday 28th March, 1953.

Members hoping to attend are asked to notify the Association Secretary who will then send them copies of the Agenda.

Central Committee

Chairman and Administrator : ... DAME LOUISA WILKINSON, D.B.E., R.R.C.

Vice-Chairman *MISS M. E. CRAVEN, R.R.C.

Committee :

*MISS J. PATTERSON, C.B.E., R.R.C.

MISS J. C. C. WITHERS, R.R.C.

MISS C. M. COURTENAY

*MISS E. H. A. LUKER, A.R.R.C.

MRS. B. COBDEN

*MISS B. JONES, R.R.C., Queen Mary's House

COL. N. P. DE B. BAMPTON R.R.C., Commandant, Depot.

LT.-COL. E. J. STIRLING, War Office, A.M.D.4.

Chairman of each Branch.

MRS. A. HUMPAGE, R.R.C., Hon. Gen. Secretary.

MRS. E. H. MILLS, Hon. Friends Secretary

MISS E. A. BALDOCK, A.R.R.C., Hon. Treasurer

Annual General Meetings

IT IS brought to the notice of all members of the Association that the Annual General Meeting will be held on Saturday, March 28th, at 2.30 p.m., at 20 John Islip Street, S.W.1. Members wishing to attend should please inform the Hon. General Secretary in writing so that a copy of the Agenda may be sent to them.

At this meeting members are reminded, that nominations are required for Election of a Vice-Chairman, and three members of the Central Council, retiring members are eligible for nomination. In every case permission of nominee must be obtained before name can be accepted. Any members although not attending the meeting may forward names for these vacancies.

Retiring members of the Central Committee are marked with an asterisk.

Queen Mary's House Fund Annual General Meeting (21st) will take place on Monday 30th, March, 1953, in Room 539—War Office—Landsdowne House, Berkeley Square, London, W.1, at 2.30 p.m. Members attending please notify Secretary.

Personal

FLORAL COTTON EVENING
DRESS.

Height 5 ft. 4 in.

Bust 34 ins.

As new. 30/-. (No. 1)