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A "Daily Mirror" Photograph.

Scottish Branch Reunion Dinner. Right to Left: Miss E. Lane, (Hon. Treasurer Scottish Branch). Miss E. McIntosh, A.R.R.C., Q.A.I.M.N.S., (Retd.). Miss C. Pike, T.A.N.S., Vice Chairman (Scottish Branch). Miss C. M. Roy, C.B.E., R.R.C., Former Matron in Chief, Q.A.I.M.N.S. Miss A. G. Murrie, O.B.E., R.R.C., Q.A.I.M.N.S., (Retd.), Chairman Scottish Branch. Lt. Col. M. Badgley, A.R.R.C., Q.A.R.A.N.C., A.D.A.N.S., Scottish Cmd. Miss M. Russell, Q.A.I.M.N.S. (Retd)

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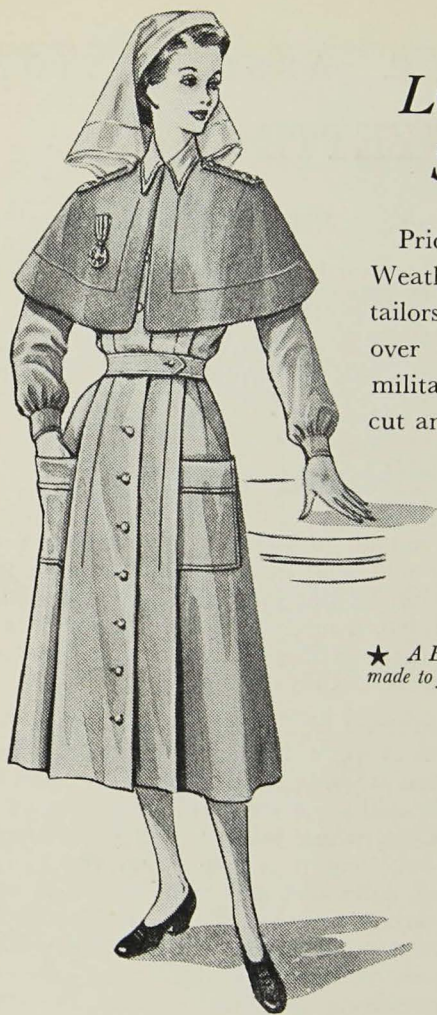


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Editorial

A VERY Happy New Year to you all. I hope one of your New Year resolutions was that you would send more contributions to the GAZETTE. One of the criticisms of this Journal is that it does not contain enough material of interest, surely that is up to you? It is your GAZETTE and without material from individual contributors and Units, it cannot function successfully.

Looking through past numbers I am appalled to find how few Units send anything. This is pure idleness, we want news. Everyone is interested in what is going on in other Units and in other parts of the world. Would it not be possible to appoint a Publicity Member in each Unit, whose job it would be to supply us with news. We would only require a few paragraphs giving details such as sport activities, entertainments held, marriages, etc. Christmas time it should have been very easy, but only The Depot supplied anything, for the next number you will have Q.A. Day to give you inspiration; please get together and see what you can do, make the GAZETTE interesting and we will do the rest. Individual contributors can send material direct to our Headquarters or through their Branches. Photographs of interest can be sent as long as the subject matter is not too small for reproduction.

The Festival of Remembrance this last year evoked numbers of inquiries in regard to tickets, and for the benefit of those members who have been disappointed, it is pointed out that this Festival is run by The British Legion, and they have an allotment for each Branch which are balloted for each year, there is keen competition and this year even the Officers in charge of detachments taking part could not get a seat. The Matron-in-Chief is the only serving member to whom a seat is given.



Miss Nightingales Carriage at the Seat of War

from the Illustrated London News, Aug. 30, 1856.

ONE of the most interesting objects which attracted our Artist's pencil, in his return in the ARGO steamer from the Crimea, was the roughly-built carriage in which Florence Nightingale journeyed in her Christian mission to the seat of war. It is a homely vehicle corresponding with the womanly simplicity of her whom it was employed to convey from place to place upon her errand of mercy. We picture and otherwise record the State coaches of Sovereigns, and statesmen, and municipal authorities, which figure in the gay pageant of an hour, and with their paint and gilding delighting the multitude. Then why should we not commemorate the lowly carriage in which the "ministering angel" went about doing good?

We have said this carriage is of homely construction. It is very light, being composed of wood battens framed on the outside, and filled with basket work, so much the fashion now in England. The interior is lined with a sort of waterproof canvas. It has a fixed head on the hind part, and canopy extending the full length, with curtains at the side to inclose the interior. The front driving-seat removes, and thus the whole forms a sort of small tilted waggon, with a webbed frame, suspended on the back part, on which to recline, and well padded round the sides. It is fitted with patent breaks to both the hind wheels, so as to let it go gently down steep hills. From its appearance, it has been well tested, and proved

itself, notwithstanding its rough appearance, a good friend to hundreds of our unfortunate countrymen.

The Midland Counties Herald relates the following gratifying circumstance :—" We have the pleasure of stating, on the authority of an intimate friend of Miss Nightingale, that, desirous of preserving the strictest incognito, she refused the offer of a passage on a British man-of-war, and embarked on board a French vessel, passing through France by night, and travelled through this country, without being recognised, to the station nearest to her own residence, where she arrived on Friday last. There, however, on the platform, she was met and greeted by Lady Auckland."

The Place of the Nurse in Industry

" When you come to a patient's house you should ask him what sort of pains he has, what caused them, how many days he has been ill, whether the bowels are working and what sort of food he eats"—so says Hippocrates in his work, " Affections." I may venture to add one more question " What occupation does he follow ? "

BERNARDINI RAMAZZINI (1700)

(translated by W. C. WRIGHT 1940).

Attention was first drawn to Industrial diseases by an Italian Professor of Medicine, Bernardini Ramazzini, in his book, " The Diseases of Tradesmen," published in 1703. Before this time, very little attention was paid to the worker and his ailments. It is known that the early Egyptians mined gold and lead, but occupational disease was completely disregarded. Indeed these miners were usually slaves, or criminals, and their lives considered to be of little or no value.

In the history of the Middle Ages, we find a few scattered references to Industrial diseases in other countries, but no mention is made of England ; mainly, of course, because at that time this country was, for the most part, agricultural. Interest and concern for the health of the factory worker in the early 19th Century resulted in Factory Legislation, and in 1802 an Act was passed under the guidance of Sir Robert Peel—" The Health and Morals of Apprentices Act." This Act, which, among other things, prohibited night work for children, empowered magistrates to inspect mills and working conditions, was unfortunately almost completely disregarded. In general, the magistrates were also the local Mill Owners and did not wish to enforce the Act. It was not until 1833 that Factory Legislation was really commenced when

an "Act to regulate the Labour of Children and Young Persons in Mills and Factories" was passed. This Act required the appointment of four Factory Inspectors and Leonard Homes, Thomas Jones Howell, Robert Rickards and Robert John Saunders were appointed at a salary of £1,000 per annum to inspect the Wool and Cotton Mills in England and Scotland.

It is interesting to note that a Yorkshire Mill Owner—John Wood of Bradford—employed a doctor at his Mill as early as 1830 and sent his child workers to Buxton and other health resorts to convalesce after illness. In her book "Handbook for Industrial Nurses," Miss Marion West tells us of the earliest record of a trained Nurse in Industry. In 1878 a Miss Philippa Flowerday was appointed at Colman's Factory in Norwich "to visit the sick in their homes, and to help at the Works Dispensary." There are, of course, other well-known firms with long records of medical and nursing services:—The Quaker firms of Rowntrees at York and Cadburys of Birmingham, to name only two of them. Indeed, my own firm—founded at the beginning of the last century by another Quaker—has a long tradition of Welfare and First Aid Services.

The present day Factories Act lays down that "there shall be provided and maintained, so as to be readily accessible, a first-aid box or cupboard of the prescribed standard, and where more than one hundred and fifty persons are employed an additional box or cupboard for every additional one hundred and fifty persons." The Act goes on to say "each first aid box or cupboard shall be placed under the charge of a responsible person who shall be trained in first aid treatment, and the person in charge shall always be readily available during working hours," but, of course, many mills and factories go much further than this, and up and down the country in the mills and factories and at the collieries and docks may be found well-equipped Medical Departments—many employing a full-time Medical Officer and Sister-in-Charge as well as other S.R.N.'s, S.E.A.N.S. and First Aid Personnel. Some of the larger heavy industries employ also Physiotherapists, while it is not unusual to find a full-time Dental Surgeon and a Chiropodist in attendance. One well-known factory in Cheshire provides all these services with the addition of an Ophthalmologist, who visits twice a week and a Dermatologist who sees all skin complaints referred by the Works' Medical Officer.

The Surgeries at the Collieries which have hitherto been staffed by female S.R.N.'s at the surface have had an innovation introduced by a male S.R.N. in one of the Midlands Collieries:—he has designed and equipped a mobile type of surgery at the pit bottom, so as to be readily available at the scene at the time of the accident.

My own factory, a large Soap and Chemical Works, in South West Lancashire, employing over three thousand people (800 of whom are Office Staff) is situated on the banks of the Mersey. The river flows through the works. We have two surgeries—the

main surgery on one bank and a smaller departmental surgery on the other. Transport between the two surgeries is by means of a ferry service and a transporter bridge. Our Medical Department consists of a full-time Medical Officer, a visiting Ophthalmologist, a Sister-in-Charge with the Industrial Certificate and two Assistant Nurses. There is also a Chiropody service. Attendances at the two surgeries average about 1,000 per week. Hospital people may well express surprise at these figures. At the main surgery, work consists of assisting the doctor with medical examinations (this includes all new employees on joining the firm and the Statutory examinations of all " Young Persons " (i.e. under 18 years of age) employed in the factory), day-to-day dressings of works' accidents, home accidents and outside accidents, a number of skin conditions—fortunately in the minority—eye treatments, ear syringing, penicillin injections, the treatment of minor sicknesses and the ordinary coughs and colds, which, like the poor, are always with us. Psychopaths, I am happy to say, are very few—in fact, practically non-existent.

It has been said " why bother to take a special course in Occupational Health—any nurse with casualty training could do the job." This may be true, but Industry is an entirely new field and just as one must learn something of Army discipline and regulations before being appointed to a commission in the Queen Alexandria's Royal Army Nursing Corps, so one is better equipped with an elementary knowledge of Factory Legislation and the workings of the Trades Union and Works' Councils. Because people frequently come to her with their problems and worries, it is essential that the Industrial Nurse has an up-to-date knowledge of the Social Services and at least an elementary knowledge of psychology and economics. Apart from the knowledge gained during the course, one learns to adapt oneself quickly to new people and new situations, especially when it means a week at a Lancashire Cotton Mill followed by another week at a Colliery in Derbyshire—including a visit underground to the coal face.

From our earliest nursing days we have heard that " a nurse does not diagnose " but, as an Industrial Sister remarked at a recent College Meeting " Heaven help her if she can't ! " especially if she is working without a doctor. This is why so much time is spent during the course on the study of clinical medicine and the dangers of particular industries, such as the lead hazard in the battery industry. More friction and heartache can ensue from a nurse entering industry without specialised knowledge than is generally realised.

Of course, the study of Occupational Health does not end with the granting of a certificate. Lectures, given by eminent physicians and surgeons, such as we on Merseyside are able to attend, (arranged by the Liverpool Association of Industrial Nursing Sisters) and visits to Clinics and Hospital departments all help us

to keep in touch with current medical affairs. Last year, our Organisation arranged a very interesting Medical Conference. Problems discussed included the place of Health Education in Industry and the Employment of the Elderly and the Physically Disabled. We also had the opportunity of meeting two of our overseas colleagues—one sister from Holland and another Sister from India.

In order to keep in touch with modern trends, many Industrial Nurses do voluntary work in the Casualty Departments of their local Hospitals. Through the College I am privileged to attend occasionally at the Casualty and Out-Patients' Departments at Wigan Royal Infirmary. At this Hospital, the Matron, Miss Goodship, is not only extremely interested in Occupational Health, but she and her staff are only too willing to co-operate in helping the Industrial Nurse to keep up with the latest techniques and treatments.

As nurses in Industry, we now have our own Section within the College and when our new Occupational Health groups are established, we hope to have an even closer liaison with our Hospital colleagues, Health Visitors and the District Nurses, and look forward to the day in the not too distant future when we shall all work together as a team.

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News from the Branches

Midland Branch

Nov. 8th, 1953.

Six Members attended the Remembrance Day Service at the Hall of Memory, Civic Centre, Birmingham, and laid a wreath.

Nov. 11th, 1953.

Two Members represented the Midland Branch of the Association at a concert held at the Town Hall, Birmingham.

The Annual General Meeting of the Midland Branch of the Association will be held at the Maternity Hospital, Loveday Street, Birmingham on Saturday, 13th March, 1954 at 3 p.m.

Scottish Branch

Members of the Scottish Branch held their Second Annual Dinner on Saturday, 17th October in the Royal British Hotel, Edinburgh. It was a happy and friendly gathering and was attended by 52 members. Many came from Glasgow, including Miss C. M. Ray, C.B.E., R.R.C., the founder and first Chairman of the Scottish Branch.

It was a great disappointment to all that Brigadier Gillespie was at the last moment unavoidably prevented from joining us, but serving Members were represented by Lt.-Col. Badgley, A.R.R.C., temporarily at Scottish Command and Major B. M. Robertson, who was in Scotland on leave from West Africa.

The Annual General Meeting will be held on Saturday, 6th February, 1954, at 2.30 p.m. in the R.A.M.C. (T.A.) Headquarters, 33, Gilmore Place (near Kings Theatre).

This will also be a social occasion with Tea, a Bring-Buy Sale and a very good attendance is hoped for.

Netley.

QUEEN ALEXANDRA'S ROYAL ARMY NURSING CORPS.
CHRISTMAS PARTY, ROYAL VICTORIA HOSPITAL,
NETLEY, HANTS.

"I'm going to a party!"—"A Party!" What imaginative pictures these two small words conjure; pictures of gaily decorated rooms, of happy smiling faces and of hilarious gaiety. Is this ever more true than of a Christmas Party? And yet as often happens the pleasure of anticipation outshines the enjoyment of the event; for parties are not always successful and sometimes even although many enjoy themselves, there are a few who leave the festive scene unhappy.

What then are the ingredients of a successful party? Someone has said that the ideal hostess is one who is so obviously enjoying the company of her guests that they feel immediately at home, and the ideal guest, the one's who can make their hostess feel free to enjoy herself. This, however, is jumping ahead to the event itself. The first prerequisite for a successful party is preparation and in this the Q.A.R.A.N.C. Other Ranks at the Royal Victoria Hospital, Netley, excelled themselves.

They gave a party on the 14th December, 1953. For weeks prior to this, preparations were in hand, a Committee was formed. Money was put aside after each Pay Parade, beetle drives and raffles were organised, a band engaged, a programme prepared and invitations asking those who could come to wear "fancy head-dress" sent out. About the 1st December, 1953, the Q.A.R.A.N.C. Officers presented the Committee with a Basket, containing MANY GOOD THINGS to raffle.

As the fourteenth approached and the numbers to be catered for ascertained, preparations were intensified, food, drink and decorations to be planned and purchased judging of competitions and presentation of prizes to be arranged. At last the fourteenth dawned and a day of hectic furniture removing, decorations and last minute purchasing began.

The party was held in one of the Q.A.R.A.N.C. Billets, as the

Sitting Room was too small. If the reader can visualise any Army Billet making an attractive Dance Hall, then she will appreciate the extent of this miraculous transformation. Beds were taken down, wardrobes artistically disguised and in their place appeared softly lit wallside tables colourful christmas streamers, holly, balloons and other festive decorations.

On entering the newly constructed "Dance Hall" each guest received a slip of paper which had written on it one name of a famous couple, and so the evening began with a search for partners; Adam for Eve, Minny for Micky and Dr. Dale for Mrs. Dale, etc. The ice was broken, but the question remained could the balance—the golden mean be maintained. There was the formal programme to be adhered to, but nobody at a party wants to feel on R.S.M.'s Orders: "from 'ere to there double quick!" The organisation worked but unobtrusively. Both hostesses and guests enjoyed themselves and the party went with a swing.

The music, provided by the J. Whitfield trio included modern and old-fashioned medleys, and the success of Public Houses and Musical Chairs can be largely attributed to their deceptive playing, fully in accord with the spirit of the game.

The high-lights of the evening were the announcing of the winning raffle ticket numbers and the judging of the fancy dress hat parade. Lt. Mayger, A.C.C., was declared the winner of the raffle basket but he returned it for another ticket to be drawn.

The fancy dress hat parade was a triumph of originality and enterprise over the monotonous convention, and presented the judges, Major E. M. Walsh and Major E. M. Turner, Q.A.R.A.N.C. and Lt.-Col. McGhie and Lt.-Col. Crean, R.A.M.C., an unenviable task. First prize for the ladies was awarded to Pte. Seaman, Q.A.R.A.N.C., for an excellent hand made model of the Kon-Tiki Raft: second prize went to Pte. Jenny Jones for Mass Production a hen sitting on a dozen eggs. For the men, first prize was awarded to "Picasso's Scotland Yard" a little backyard complete with overflowing dustbin, scruffy pram and clothes lines of unmentionables. Second prize went to "Pit-Head"—a model of a colliery pithead including the ingenious feature of a chimney stack belching smoke.

The prosaic business of eating—or refreshments, was made even more pleasureable by the tasteful and attractive arrangement of the food and drink. Everyone tucked in and returned to the affairs of the party quickly.

The evening ended with us all tired but very happy. Slowly the good-nights were said, the lights dimmed one by one and the party had finished. Soon all that could be heard in the room, which had but a short while ago echo'd with music, laughter and happy voices was the crackling and spitting of the embers of a dying fire and the whispering regrets of the streamers and tinsels in the early morning breeze.

A few hours later another transformation was complete. Gone were the charm and grace of flowing evening gowns and in their place uniformed Q.A's stood smartly to attention on parade in the darkness of a foggy morning. Farewell to yester-eve !

Submitted by

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Military Unit Branches are being formed this year wherever possible. Most of the spade work for their foundation is being done during the first half of the year and the actual date of formation is to be the 1st July, 1954. These branches are in addition to those already in existence and do not preclude the creation of others in the future consisting chiefly of ex-service members, but it is very much hoped that members living in the area of a Military Unit Branch will join up with it. Advertisements announcing formation of a branch will be inserted in the local newspaper.

Only by having branches covering the country as far as possible, can membership and interest be kept alive. Individual officers and other ranks on leaving the Corps can then join up with the branch nearest their home.

Co-ordination of the military branches in each area (corresponding roughly to Army Commands at home and overseas) and liaison with Headquarters are being undertaken by D.D's/A.D's A.N.S. who will form Area Committees of Branch representatives responsible for arranging functions and special activities.

Lists of these branches should be ready for publication in the May GAZETTE and members can then apply to join. Those who find these new bases still inaccessible for them will, of course, continue to be administered by Headquarters.

Branch News from New Zealand

Thank you and the members of the Home Association for your letter of sympathy re the disaster New Zealand sustained on Christmas morning, the worst in our history with the exception of the Napier earthquake in 1931.

I am pleased to report that as far as is known, none of our members were directly concerned as the list of passengers safe, injured or known dead were broadcast and revised every two hours throughout the first two days. We felt especially sad that it should have coincided with Her Majesty's arrival in our country. The Queen and Duke paid an unofficial visit to the members of an Auckland family who had travelled on the ill-fated train, and so got first-hand news. Later the Duke flew from Hamilton to

Wellington with the Prime Minister to attend the mass funeral of the 21 unidentified victims.

Except for the day of arrival our Royal Visitors have had lovely weather, but they must have missed the beauty of Auckland Harbour as there was wind, rain and a heavy mist which obscured all view from land and many of the experienced Yachtsmen, who had planned to form a guard of honour on the harbour, didn't take their yachts out in case they couldn't keep them clear of the fairway.

On arrival at the Central Wharf there was the first official function when the Harbour Board presented a 1st Class yacht to the Queen for Prince Charles. It is supposed to be the safest built and popular with the small boys here. Later the Royal Couple drove up Queen Street, our main thoroughfare, to the Town Hall for the Civic Welcome, and in the afternoon a garden party was held in Government House grounds in very fitful weather. On the morning of 24th December, The Queen and Duke paid a visit to the Auckland Hospital and while in the Children's block, Sister Thompson was presented. After an hour at the hospital, Her Majesty drove to an enclosure in the Domain to inspect 16,000 children at a rally. As the Queen and Duke drove in an open "Rover" through the ranks of children I saw her smile and speak to one little girl and in the evening paper I read that she had overheard two children arguing as to whether she was the Queen or Princess Margaret. She couldn't resist telling her "It's really me." Her Majesty looked charming in an off-white frock with black spots, a small hat and black accessories.

Later in the afternoon Mrs. Webster had the privilege to witness the Queen present her Colours to the R.N.Z. Navy. I listened in to the very impressive ceremony.

The women of Auckland presented the Queen on Christmas morning with a diamond and platinum brooch in the form of the New Zealand emblem, the fern leaf. Two members from each woman's organization were invited to the meeting and to arrange the gifts and we drew for the privilege of attending the Christmas day surprise call at Government House. Lady Allan and ex-lady Mayoress who had done everything before the election presented the brooch. Then Father Christmas drove up with a sleigh drawn by six Shetland ponies and presented the Queen with an electric train for Prince Charles and a walkie-talkie doll in a Plunket (cane) Pram and a wardrobe filled with all the outfits any doll could possibly require. The wardrobe is the replica of one Her Majesty will use in Plymouth and is lined with Quilted pale pink satin. 250 children from Uncle Tom's choirs and the Band of the Salvation Army gave some carols. Father Christmas also gave the Duke a gold Parker Pen and Pencil and left a box of gifts for the Royal Household and another for the Governors' Household and left

immediately so as to allow the Queen plenty of time to get ready for the Church service at the ProCathedral church of St. Mary's. Then came the news of the Railway disaster to cast a gloom over all festivities.

Mrs. Webster also attended the investiture, Her Majesty's final Auckland engagement.

We held our final function for the year on 14th November. It took the form of a supper Sherry party and we had Major Kathleen Thompson as guest of honour. The toast "The Queen" was proposed by Miss Brown. Mrs. Webster proposed "The Association" which was replied to by Sir John Allan (the ex-Mayor). "Absent Friends" by Mrs. Hatfield and Miss Wynne, "The Guests" which was replied to by Brigadier Pleasants, chief of Northern Defence Corps and also Col. Rudd spoke of their Association with various Other Ranks Units during the years of war.

Your first letter telling me of Mrs. Pool's residence in Auckland arrived in time for us to invite her to our gathering.

News from New Zealand

At a recent meeting of the Retired Services Association at Dunedin, I was delighted to meet two other ex Q.A's. On several occasions I have been able to attend Branch Meetings of the Q.A.R.A.N.C. Association at Auckland and it has been a great pleasure to meet and talk to other Q.'s so far from Home, and how we talk! Distance, of course is a great disadvantage as I am now stationed 600 miles from Auckland where the New Zealand Branch is situated and R.N.Z.A.F. routine flights do not always coincide with our Meetings. Distance does not seem to have quite so much significance here as at Home, and people seem to travel longer distances—my friends at Bulls, about 450 miles from here, are not unduly surprised if I drop in on Saturday morning and return by the Sunday afternoon plane. I was very fortunate last Christmas when I had three months leave, which I took at home in Stockport, travelling by R.N.Z.A.F. Hastings aircraft, a carrier plane which took us via Australia, Singapore, Ceylon, Pakistan, Iraq, Cyprus and Malta. I visited the Messes of R.A.A.F.N.S. and P.M.R.A.F.N.S. en route and found everyone most hospitable to ten "KIWI" Nursing Sisters. We were able to give a lift to an Australian Q.A. who had been Home on leave and was hitch-hiking back to her hospital at Singapore. She had flown over to Brisbane in the back of a Lincoln Bomber and was very thankful for the comfort of our troop carrying Hastings.

My very best wishes to the GAZETTE, the arrival of which is always eagerly awaited.

ETHEL BARDSLEY (L.412).



The names of the three ex Q.A.'s in the snapshot are, from left to right. Mrs. E. Thompson (*nee* Bennell), who served from 1941-1946 mainly at Aldershot and with 137 Indian B.G.H. and then came to New Zealand and lives in Canterbury. Miss W. T. Fairbairn served in the 1914-18 War at Southampton, Caen and later at Highgate and is now living in Dunedin. Miss E. Bardsley who served from 1944-48 in Southern Command, B.L.A., B.A.O.R. and Scottish Command and who is now a member of the Royal New Zealand Nursing Corps serving at Taieri.

DEPOT NEWS

CHILDRENS' CHRISTMAS PARTY

Once again the Warrant Officers and Serjeants at the Depot & T.E., Q.A.R.A.N.C. spent the weeks of October and November raising money for the Childrens' Christmas Party. This was achieved by organising dances and raffles, and the sum of £88 was collected.

Invitations were sent to all the Children of the Married personnel and the Commandant, Lieut.-Colonel S. E. Hughes, R.R.C. accompanied by the Adjutant, Captain W. M. Hall, A.R.R.C. went to Dr. Barnardo's Orphanage, at Haslemere with an invitation for 20 children.

Two members of the committee went shopping with a set plan

of spending 30/- for a toy for each child, this plan went a little haywire in most instances and attractive presents were purchased for £2. When the committee members came back with the presents, a thoroughly enjoyable time was had by all members of the Serjeants Mess playing with Scooters, Walkie-Talkie Dolls, Tanks which climbed obstacles, fire engines that actually poured forth water, not to mention roller skates, tricycles, Tea Sets and Cooking Stoves that contained small tablets enabling one to boil a miniature kettle of water.

The task of wrapping and labelling the toys was quickly dispensed with by volunteers who, I think, hoped for a last glimpse of the wonderful presents. The problem of entertaining 36 children was discussed and arrangements were made for films to be shown.

Stockings were purchased and filled with oranges, apples, nuts, sweets and crackers. The decorating of the Dining Room and Anti-room accomplished; the R.S.M. obtained the Christmas Tree which was dressed festively and the lights tested to prevent disappointment on this special day.

Another poser of how to carry the toys arose and it was decided that a fireplace had to be erected in a convenient position, so that Rudolf, one Staff Serjeant R.A.M.C., could lower the presents, down the chimney and that Father Christmas, one Education, Corps Serjeant, could carry a few of the smaller presents in a sack.

The Day of the Children's Party arrived, a coach was sent to collect all the children and bring them to the Mess. On arrival the children were greeted by Aunties and Uncles (Mess Members) who escorted their charges for the evening into Tea. The Commandant and Adjutant together with several Staff Officers became Aunties for the occasion.

When tea was over, the Children eagerly awaited the arrival of Father Christmas and shouts of "We want Santa" could be heard throughout the Depot. Not wanting to keep the Children in suspense, Father Christmas arrived promptly and excitement rose to fever pitch as he opened his sack and commenced distributing the presents. As each child received its gift they gave Santa a big kiss and not being too well prepared for this it is regretted that Father Christmas left traces of his beard on each child.

When Santa had finally departed and the first excitement had subsided, the children were shown films and then given their Christmas Stockings which were hastily opened.

The members of the mess watched the smallest child present the Commandant with a bouquet of Red Carnations and then the task of dressing the children, who were reluctant to put their presents down for an instant came and they were all escorted to their coach for their return journey home.

After the departure of the Children everyone collapsed gratefully into chairs amid wrapping papers, orange peel, nutshells and broken balloons ; with a sigh of exhaustion and the comment :
“ What a lovely party ; roll on next Christmas.”

G. R. BAILEY, W.O.II
Q.A.R.A.N.C.

Forthcoming Events

Medforth Cup and Corps Sports

Semi-finals and finals of Medforth Cup will be held on 16th and 17th June, and Corps Sports on 17th June, 1954 at Depot & T.E., Q.A.R.A.N.C., Queen Alexandra Camp, Hindhead, Surrey.

Those wishing to attend on 17th June should notify the Adjutant, the Depot & T.E., Q.A.R.A.N.C. not later than 31st May, 1954, in order that arrangements can be made for tea.

Florence Nightingale Centenary

A Parade Service at Westminster Abbey will be held at 12 noon on 4th November, 1954, the date on which Florence Nightingale landed at Scutari in 1854.

All ex-service officers and other ranks of the Army Nursing Services are invited to be present. They will not parade, but special seats will be reserved for those who notify the A.D.A.N.S., War Office (A.M.D.4), London, S.W.1, by 1st September, 1954, giving particulars of previous service.

An all ranks dance will be held at the Depot & T.E., Q.A.R.A.N.C. on the evening of 4th November.

Further details about these events will be announced later.

Annual General Meeting, Queen Mary's House Fund

The Annual General Meeting of Queen Mary's House Fund will take place on Monday, 29th March, 1954, at 2.30 p.m. in Room 539, War Office, Lansdowne House, Berkeley Square, W.1.

Honours and Awards

Congratulations to the following members whose names appear on the New Year's Honours List :—

C.B.E. Miss D. C. Bridges, R.R.C (L.106), Vice-Chairman of Association.

Miss Bridges has been awarded the C.B.E. for services rendered as the Secretary for the International Council of Nurses.

M.B.E. Captain M. N. Godwin (L.25), For her services in East Africa.

R.R.C.

(1st Class) Major L. E. Thompson (A.1103).
Major V. M. Innes (L.237).

A.R.R.C.

(2nd Class) Major S. A. Raine (A.944).
Captain M. M. Rundle (A.942).
Q/100009 Corporal E. K. Gallant (A.1879).

Corporal Gallant, who joined the Corps in July, 1950, has the distinction of being the first other rank Q.A.R.A.N.C. to be awarded the A.R.R.C. in recognition of her splendid work.

She is a Nursing Orderly Class I, was promoted to the rank of corporal in March, 1953, and is serving at the British Military Hospital, Fayid, M.E.L.F.

Obituaries

BANBURY.—In October, 1953, Mrs. Ellen J. Banbury (*née* Nitton), ex Q.A.I.M.N.S. (A.312).

MACRAE.—On 13th November, 1953, at Queen Mary's House, Fleet. Miss Christina Macrae, Q.A.I.M.N.S. (Retd.) (L.414)

Dame Louisa Wilkinson and Mrs. E. H. Mills represented the Association at the funeral, and flowers were also sent.

HUGHES.—On 12th November, 1953, at Torquay, Devon. Miss Gwendoline Hughes, Q.A.I.M.N.S. (Retd.).

LINTON.—In September, 1953. Miss Winifred Linton, R.R.C., ex Q.A.I.M.N.S./R—World War I.

GRAY.—On 18th December, 1953, in hospital. Miss Miriam Gray, R.R.C., Q.A.I.M.N.S. (Retd.). (A.526).

LOVELESS.—In July, 1953, at Canterbury. Miss A. Loveless, ex T.A.N.S. (A.702).

RAMSEY.—On 11th December, 1953. Miss Jean Ramsey, R.R.C., Q.A.I.M.N.S. (Retd.).

Miss Ramsey served in the Q.A.I.M.N.S.(T) and Q.A.I.M.N.S. from 1927 until her retirement in January, 1947. During this time, Miss Ramsey served in Gibraltar, China, North Africa, and the United Kingdom. For her valuable services she was awarded the Royal Red Cross 1st Class and mentioned in Despatches.

Following her retirement from the Q.A.I.M.N.S., Miss Ramsey was appointed Warden of Queen Mary's House at Fleet for five years where her efficient and kindly management

was greatly appreciated by the residents. She was a life member of the Association.

The following appreciations have been received from a close friend of Miss Jean Ramsey and Miss MacCrea.

“ To me, it is a poignant thought that Miss Jean Ramsey was Warden at Queen Mary’s House, Fleet just 16 months before she died, not really fit, but fulfilling her task to the end, she always gave of her best unstintingly and her standard was high and will be remembered by many friends for her unfailing generosity. It seems sad that she did not have long in which to enjoy her retirement.”

“ Miss Christine Macrae endeared herself to many as a person who could always be relied upon to give a helping hand. She was of a bright and witty disposition and seemed much younger than her years. She was of a courageous and warm hearted nature, a faithful friend who is greatly missed by all her friends especially those at Queen Mary’s House.”

Very vividly, I remember the late Miss Jean Ramsey, R.R.C., as an outstanding personality, full of vitality and energy, with a wide range of interest in all things, and all types of people. Chiefly, perhaps, I remember her for her love of beautiful things, which were always a constant delight to her.

Her love of method was a most marked characteristic which she instilled into her juniors, few of whom did not feel an affectionate regard for her.

She possessed a great capacity of lasting affection for her friends and her sympathetic kindness was unfailing. She was well known throughout the service and popular with all.

Those who were with her latterly will always remember her cheerfulness in the face of a grave illness. Her loss is deeply deplored.

P.E.W.

We deeply regret to announce the death of Matron Mildred Mary Bond, O.B.E., R.R.C., late Queen Alexandra’s Imperial Military Nursing Service Reserve, on 17th January, 1954.

Matron Bond received her nursing training at the Westminster Hospital from 1896 to 1900. She served in the A.N.S.R. from 1900 to 1903 when she transferred to the Q.A.I.M.N.S./R and continued to serve until her retirement in 1926.

During her Army service, Miss Bond served in South Africa, France (B.E.F.), Malta, Egypt and the United Kingdom. For her long and valuable services, Matron Bond was awarded the O.B.E. and was made a member of the Royal Red Cross, First Class.

Retirements and Resignations

OFFICERS

September 1953—Lieuts. C. M. Fitzgerald, D. M. MacMahon, A. T. Symons (*née* Roberts), A. M. Goodwin (*née* Thomas), B. A. Wotherspoon (*née* Scotcher), G. M. Gamble (*née* Bickford), E. M. Walker (*née* Orford), J. Colebrook (*née* McQuin).

October, 1953—Major D. L. Francis, Captains L. S. Lindfield, A.R.R.C., R. M. Johnson, B. E. Orr, M. J. Mullins, M. A. T. Hazzard (*née* Lett), Lieuts. P. L. Saunder, W. E. A. Skinner, M. B. Rowley, C. Sullivan, N. G. Nickols, J. Took, P. L. White, L. J. P. Walker, E. Fowlis, M. O. Howarth, E. G. D. Walker, E. E. Frimeth, F. W. Sucden (*née* Blades), C. H. Fleming (*née* Hume), M. McCusker (*née* Makin), M. Hill (*née* Burns), I. M. Gunns (*née* Mayo), E. A. McVicar (*née* Senior), D. E. Russell (*née* Edwards), M. T. Allison (*née* Casey), J. Blake (*née* Lockwood), S. Griffiths (*née* Killelay), B. J. Orr (*née* Philpott).

November, 1953—Colonel K. M. Brady, R.R.C., Lieuts. R. I. Sharpe, K. M. Hyndman, E. M. Holmes, Z. K. R. Furbank, J. Sutton (*née* Sandeman).

December 1953—Colonel N. P. de B. Bampton, R.R.C., Lieut.-Colonels M. Hobbs, R.R.C., M. Badgley, A.R.R.C., Captain M. J. Tully, Lieuts. N. M. Carter, A. Donaldson, M. L. Cooke, D. M. Drummond (*née* Woollcombe) J. Simpson (*née* Boyd), M. E. Campbell, N. E. Madoc-Jones (*née* Kemp).

Sports News

Cross Country Championships 9th January, 1954

Held at Queen Alexandra Camp. Depot and T. T., Q.A.R.A.N.C.

Distance—3 Miles.

Three members of the Corps competed in this event in which Cpl. J. Allan was placed 9th, and Recruit P. Jackson 15th, out of seventeen runners.

Outstanding performance by Cpl. B. Blythman in giving two National competitors, N. Smalley of Portsmouth and J. Brigland of Southampton, a close fight up to $1\frac{1}{2}$ miles. At this stage she retired through sickness.

Cpl. Blythman has been selected to represent the County in the Southern Counties Cross Country Championships on the 23rd January at Maidenhead and for this has been awarded her County Colours, Cpl. Allan being chosen as first reserve.

Three Silver cups were presented to the Corps last year and a further two silver cups presented this year and all are to be competed annually.

1. The Victor Ludorum Cup, presented by all ranks of the Depot & T.E., R.A.M.C. for the best all round Sportswoman.
2. The Stirling Cup, presented by Lt.-Col. E. J. Stirling, R.R.C., Q.A.R.A.N.C. for the winner of the 880 yds. flat race.
3. The Coronation Cup, presented by the Q.A.R.A.N.C., H.Q. Sports Club for the winner of the 440 yds. flat race.
4. Winner of the 220 yds. flat race, presented by W.O.'s and Sgts. Mess, Depot & T.E., R.A.M.C.
5. Inter-Unit Relay Race, presented by Regular Officers, Q.A.R.A.N.C.
6. The Bampton Hockey Cup—to be played for in Units each Season.

The Depot

Life was serene on the Depot,
Hearts were carefree and gay,
Then one stupid girl asked a question,
“ May I do some work, Ma'am today.”

The Adjutant duly was sent for,
This request needed plenty of thought ;
To have the girls work on the Depot
Was a thing that had ceased to be thought.

The Officers begged and pleaded,
But all that was said, was in vain ;
And so from that day 'twas decided,
That work would commence once again.

The Commandant called us together,
From this day your life will be such ;
That each person must work from morning to night,
And one voice said “ Thanks very much.”

Now at six thirty each morning,
Every person must rise feeling bright ;
To work to keep one person happy,
From the first light of dawn, until night.

Yet for all of the grumbles and grouses,
Each person would do so much more ;
To work for the good of the Depot,
And what's more, for the good of the Corps.

J. MILLER, S/SGT.
DEPOT & T.E.

News of Members

Col. K. M. Brady, R.R.C. (L.81), has been appointed Warden of The Florence Nightingale House, Cromwell Road, S.W.5. She retired from the Q.A.R.A.N.C. in November, 1953. We offer her congratulations on her new post.

Miss M. E. Craven, R.R.C. (275), a former Vice-Chairman of the Central Committee has recently been appointed Matron-in-Chief of the British Red Cross Society. We offer her our congratulations on her appointment.

Miss Mary Cossy (A.401) ex Q.A.I.M.N.S. Reserve has been appointed Assistant Matron of the Radcliffe Infirmary at Oxford.

Miss J. P. A. Campbell (A.2114), has been appointed Assistant Matron of The Southern Hospital, Dartford.

Miss F. J. Chesterfield, (A.276), ex Q.A.I.M.N.S. Reserve, who was at one time a member of the Finance and Grants Committee of the Association has retired from her post of Superintendent of the South London District Nursing Association which she had held for the last five years. We send her our best wishes in her retirement.

PRESS CYPHER

WHILST appreciating the high standard of security necessary in FARELF., the following account of the wedding in "PRESS CYPHER" caused some mirth:—

"A Military wedding took place at St. JOSEPH's Church, Garden Road, yesterday when Eunice Marry McQuade married John Stephen Veitch, a nursing officer.

The bride was given away by Col. Bowle of the Guard Forces who wore a gown of white brocade. She carried a bouquet of red roses. The bridesmaid was Miss K. Kathleen Beanmont who wore a blue crepe gown and carried a bouquet of spray larkspur.

After the ceremony a reception was held at the Sisters' Mess Hall of the British Medical Hospital Bowen Road."

When de-cyphered this should read:—

"A military wedding took place at St. JOSEPH's Church, Garden Road, yesterday, when Eunice Mary McQuade married John Stephen Veitch Mouat.

The bride was given away by Lt.-Col. Boyle of the R.A.M.C. She wore a gown of white brocade. She carried a bouquet of red roses. The bridesmaid was Miss Kathleen Beaumont, who wore blue crepe gown and carried a bouquet of spray larkspur.

After the ceremony a reception was held at the Q.A.R.A.N.C. Officers' Mess, British Military Hospital, BOWEN ROAD."

D.D.A.N.S., G.H.Q. FARELF.

Births and Marriages

Births.

ASHWORTH.—On 13th October, 1953, at the Louisa Margaret Hospital, Aldershot, to Sybil (*née* Gillian), ex Q.A.I.M.N.S./R wife of Major J. Mc N. Ashworth, M.C., a son (A.509).

EDKINS.—On 9th January, 1953, in Southern Rhodesia, to Maire (*née* MacRae) ex Q.A.I.M.N.S./R, wife of Peter Edkins, a daughter Ailsa Margaret (L.402).

In view of the increasing number of marriages and the limited amount of space at our disposal it is proposed to publish only those marriages which are submitted by a member of the Association, i.e., by individual members or through the Unit to which the bride belongs.

Marriages.

<i>Bride</i>	<i>Bridegroom</i>	<i>Place</i>	<i>Date</i>
THOMAS, A. M., Lieut.	Lieut. P. B. Goodwin, R.A.S.C.	Taiping, Malaya	5.9.53
MAYO, I. M., Lieut. (A.1913)	J. Gunns, Esq.	Alfriston, Sussex	6.9.53
ORFORD, E. M. Lieut. (A.2322)	L. Walker, Esq.	Singapore	17.9.53
Bickford, M. G., Lieut. (A.3165)	P./O. D. H. Gamble, R.A.F.	Plymouth	19.9.53
FITZGERALD, C. M. Lieut.	Dr. D. N. Cow	Bombay	19.9.53
SCOTCHER, B. A., Lieut.	R. A. S. Wotherspoon, Esq.	Woodmansterne, Surrey	26.9.53
MAKIN, M., Lieut.	Capt. J. A. McCusker, R.A.M.C.	Gibraltar	30.9.53
Bodes, F. W., Lieut.	F./Lt. C. F. Sugden, R.A.F.	Isle of Ely	3.10.53
HUME, C. H., Lieut.	F./O. P. G. H. Fleming, R.A.F.	Dawlish, Devon	10.10.53
BURNS, M., Lieut.	Capt. K. J. Hill, R. Aust. Sigs.	Kure, Japan	10.10.53
SENIOR, E. A., Lieut.	Dr. MacVicar	Osboldwich Yorks	17.10.53
CASEY, M. T., Lieut. (A.3126)	Capt. M. J. Allison, R.E.	Liverpool	17.10.53
PHILPOT, B. J., Lieut.	F./O. M. K. Orr, R.A.F.	Paddington	28.1.53
EDWARDS, D. E. Lieut.	Dr. J. L. Russell	Vienna	31.10.53
KILLELAY, S., Lieut.	Capt. K. Griffiths, R.N.Z.A.	Kure, Japan	31.10.53
LOCKWOOD, J., Lieut. (A.2687)	G. H. Blake, Esq.	Doncaster	31.10.53
LETT, M. A. T., Capt.	J. Hazzard, Esq.	London	31.10.53
SANDEMAN, J., Lieut. (A.2845)	Capt. K. W. B. Sutton, Gurkha Regt.	Devon	5.9.53
KEMP, N. E., Lieut.	F./O. Maddox-Jones, R.A.F.	Fothabars, Morayshire	14.11.53
BOYD, J., Lieut.	Dr. J. A. Simpson	Wigton, Cumberland	21.11.53
WOOLCOMBE, D. N., Lieut.	Capt. J. B. L. Drummnod, R.A.O.C.	Sutton, Surrey	21.11.53

OTHER RANKS

Muse, V., Pte., to D. J. Stubbins, 21.9.53 ; Rutherford, J., Pte. (A.2074) to H. A. Chase, 26.9.53 ; Roebuck, R., Pte. (A.2489), to W. Watkins, 2.10.53 ; Smith, I., Pte. (A.2759), to F. Pye, 3.10.53 ; Grant, R. P. M., Pte. (A.2332) to Cpl. Black, W. (R.A.O.C.), 5.10.53 ; Manston, M., Pte., to J. I. Goodson, 9.10.53 ; Patrick, J., Pte., to R. Hughes, 10.10.53 ; Gordon, L., Pte. (A.2761) to N. C. Thompson, 10.10.53 ; Turner, B. T., Pte. (A.2778), to W. Hogg, 17.10.53 ; Weston, F. L., Pte., (A.2272) to J. Boldue, 24.10.53 ; Smith, E., Pte. to Sgt. Halliday, M., 24.10.53 ; Bower, J. A., Pte., to Sgt. Churchill, 5.11.53 ; Hardman, J., Pte., to Cpl. Bastion, J., 7.11.53 ; Barraclough, J. L., Pte. (A.2992) to Cpl. Baker (R.A.M.C.), 14.11.53 ; Carson, M. P., Pte., to Pte. Parry (R.A.M.C.), 14.11.53 ; Blake, D. M., Pte., to R. W. Taylor, 14.11.53 ; Burke, T. M., Pte., to Sgt. Singlehurst, 14.11.53 ; Allen, S. J., Pte., to J. R. E. Ryman, 23.11.53 ; Mercer, I., Pte., to R. Howard, 2.12.53 ; Hutchings, J. E., Pte., to Pte. Clarke, R. W. (R.A.M.C.), 5.12.53 ; Gray, A. C., Pte., to I. M. Kelsall, 5.12.53 ; Smith, E., Pte., to M. Stewart-Stevens, 5.12.53 ; Jenkins, N. V., Pte., to Pte. Whittington (R.A.M.C.), 9.12.53 ; Lloyd, D. J., Pte., to G. L. Ferris, 9.12.53 ; Stacey, V. B., Pte., to J. W. Chubb, 24.12.53 ; Riley, J., Pte., to H. Andrvszkiewicz, 26.12.53 ; Gardner, C. R. C., Pte., to G. S. Lieghton, 26.12.53.

Promotions

OFFICERS

October, 1953—Major to Lieut.-Colonel : E. N. Neale, R.R.C. (21st), Lieut. to Captain : J. F. T. Selby (9th), I. P. Davies (12th), J. F. Gunnan (12th), E. M. Coppack (14th).

November, 1953—Lieut.-Colonel to Colonel : E. J. Stirling, R.R.C. (15th). Major to Lieut.-Colonel A. D. Maultby, A.R.R.C. (15th). Lieut. to Captain N. L. Leach (6th), V. M. Connelly (12th), M. Davies (9th), G. N. Smith (16th) M. O. Howarth (23rd).

December, 1953—Lieut.-Colonel to Colonel : E. G. M. Reynolds, M.B.E. (24th). Major to Lieut.-Colonel : K. M. Blair, A.R.R.C. (15th), D. W. Douglas, R.R.C. (24th). Captain to Major : C. O'Neill (12th), N. Kinsella, M.B.E., R.R.C. (14th), B. S. Hackett (29th). Lieut. to Captain : E. Don (6th), K. M. McClancy (10th), K. Whitefield (8th), C. Shaw (14th), A. I. Welsh (28th), E. Stoker (28th), M. M. Rutter (28th), M. J. Evans (28th).

OTHER RANKS

From October/December, 1953

Sgt. to S./Sgt.: J. Harris, K. Giblin, J. Millar. Cpl. to A./Sgt.: R. Rispin, D. Kehler. L./Cpl. to A./Cpl.: A. Jackson, J. Allan, B. Blythman, S. Walsh, D. Marriott, T. Hurrell, M. Hamilton, T. Bocking. Pte. to Cpl.: A. Smyth. Pte. to A.Cpl.: P. Comer, M. Harrison, P. Pogson, P. Briggs, M. Maris, H. Henstock, F. Davison, F. Berrow, E. Ewen. Pte. to L./Cpl. : J. Bower, M. McLernon, M. Davies, A. Naylor, M. Oakes, B. Pawley, R. Nickolls, M. Coggrave, C. Watson, L. Stuart, C. Hamilton, J. Crapper, B. Redshaw, P. Jackson, O. Townsend, K. Kitchen, E. Marriot, A. Graham, H. Waghorn, H. De Mangeat, I. Holderson, G. Read.

1954 MEMBERS' REUNION

This function has been provisionally arranged for the last day of Corps Week. Saturday, 19th June, 1954. It will be held at the Hyde Park Hotel, Knightsbridge.

Postings from and Reversions to Home Establishment, July - Sept. 1953

POSTINGS OVERSEAS—OFFICERS & OTHER RANKS

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

Major M. M. Winny
Major D. E. Rice
Pte. M. J. Barlow
Pte. S. Sampson
Pte. E. Anderson
Cpl. L. Chaves-Carew
Pte. E. M. Cress
Pte. A. P. Canter
Pte. J. Gray
Pte. W. H. Lloyd
Pte. E. Myers
Pte. E. A. Phillips
Pte. M. P. Sullivan
Cpl. V. Verdigi

To B.A.O.R.

Major J. E. Hamilton
Lt.-Col. E. G. H. Reynolds
Capt. M. I. Wilmhurst
Capt. M. N. Lynch
Capt. B. Morgan
Lieut. B. L. Sadd
Lieut. E. M. Holmes
Capt. W. G. I. Hobbs
Major E. Carter
Pte. D. Bowles
Pte. J. P. Bradley
Pte. M. W. Docherty
Pte. S. M. Stokes
Pte. E. K. Godbeer
Pte. B. M. Lowe
Pte. M. G. Savoury
Pte. H. M. Tabberer
Pte. S. A. Tooze
Pte. D. Wells

To M.E.L.F.

Lieut. G. Stoney
Lieut. M. M. Morrison
Lieut. L. Vaughan
A./Cpl. M. Hornsby
Pte. M. Bateman
Pte. J. Allcroft
Pte. C. M. I. Baker
Pte. S. Caves
Pte. P. Furihata
Pte. J. Graver
Pte. P. M. Gay
Pte. T. M. Gallagher
Pte. J. C. Hutchinson
Pte. G. Hasleden

To M.E.L.F. (cont.).

Pte. R. B. Johnston
Pte. S. M. Laing
Pte. B. Major
Pte. B. E. Parfrey
Pte. B. S. Wales
A./Cpl. C. Young

To B.T.A.

Lieut. M. I. Gaston

To Malta

Lieut. B. Foreman
Pte. J. M. Kilbourn
Pte. G. M. McMeekin
Pte. K. O. O'Keefe
Pte. J. Ross
Pte. M. E. Rooney
Pte. G. M. Reddick
Pte. V. J. Sache
L./Cpl. E. Thompson
Pte. C. E. Mathieson
Pte. E. A. Bevan
Pte. J. M. Baxter
Pte. J. Cowell
Pte. J. G. Cooke
Pte. P. R. Chapman
Pte. J. Bolam
Pte. J. Francis
Pte. A. B. Hogg
Pte. M. H. Halliday

To West African Command

Lieut. M. S. Barr
Lieut. J. W. McDonald

To Gibraltar

Lieut. B. E. Gomer
Capt. V. M. Connolly

To East Africa

Capt. M. C. R. Herkis
Capt. M. Dwyer
Capt. A. M. Dickie
Capt. J. Parsons
Lieut. M. E. Flynn
Lieut. P. G. Hobbs
Lieut. E. B. O'Dell
Lieut. M. J. Slater

To Japan

Lieut. M. J. Slidders
Lieut. Y. P. Delacey-Cuffe

To Japan (cont).

Lieut. N. M. L. Shiner
Lieut. P. M. Walpole
Lieut. M. K. Akrill
Lieut. J. G. Dyer

Lieut. F. K. Slack
Lieut. P. T. Sexton
Lieut. M. F. Dingwall
Captain B. J. Tadman
Lieut. M. Highfield

REVERSIONS—OFFICERS & OTHER RANKS

Lieut. J. Sandeman
Lieut. E. M. Holmes
Lieut. E. E. Morgan
Lieut. A. Donaldson
Lieut. M. O. Howarth
Capt. I. Mitchell
Capt. J. C. Otway
Lieut. P. Fitzgerald
Capt. E. Boulter
Lieut. I. Chesters
Lieut. D. Hinde
Lieut. M. E. Conlan
Lieut. G. B. K. Cunningham
Lieut. M. Morphet
Lieut. M. A. Culshaw
Lieut. J. Liversedge
Lieut. M. E. White
Lieut. N. Hargreaves
Lieut. M. Chamberlain
Lieut. M. Whitworth
Major V. M. Innes
Capt. K. M. Knowles
Lieut. M. M. MacDonald
Capt. E. Thomson
Lieut. S. Comer
Capt. A. M. Tully
Lieut. M. E. Campbell
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Capt. A. Boad
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Major K. G. Cowan
Capt. H. Strachan
Lieut. E. H. Hall
Capt. E. Aiken
Major F. V. Hynes
Capt. M. Hill
Lieut. V. Mason
Lieut. D. S. McBryde
Lieut. K. M. Godber
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Lieut. B. M. Horne

Capt. F. MacLean
Lieut. E. M. Monson
Lieut. M. D. Harris
Lieut. E. M. Alford
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Lieut. J. E. Boulby
Lieut. B. Sampson
Lieut. G. R. Dawe
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Pte. B. L. Tooke
Pte. M. B. Shaw
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Pte. M. K. Mason
Pte. D. E. Stewart
Pte. L. Westwood
Cpl. H. George
Pte. M. A. Fay
Cpl. D. I. Walmsley
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Pte. J. Egglestone
Cpl. U. D. F. Mansfield
Pte. L. Chambers
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Cpl. A. E. Moss
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Pte. P. A. Gregg
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Pte. D. Harris
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Personal Column

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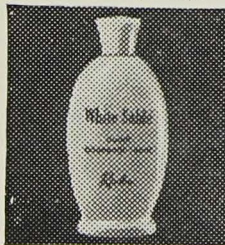
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