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EDITORIAL

WHAT a wonderful summer we are having! Perhaps we are not missing our favourite journals and periodicals quite as much on account of these lovely days? For, alas they have been absent from the daily scene for some weeks, and, even now the exact date of their re-emergence appears uncertain. These difficulties will undoubtedly affect our own gazette and for that reason the content of the second issue 1959 is likely to be small compared with some previous issues.

It was a pleasure to meet so many old friends at the Re-union this year, and to learn at the Annual General Meeting that the hand of friendship had been extended so far! Some £2,840 had gone out to give practical help where needed, during the year. Thus the prime objects of the Association are being fulfilled.

Let us look forward to Christmas, now, and help Mrs. Mills to fill her Christmas "stockings" with any small useful, or edible, articles we can send.

A loyal greeting was sent to Her Royal Highness Princess Margaret on the occasion of Queen Alexandra Day, 27th March, to which a gracious reply was received, and as many members already know a loyal greeting was also sent to the Princess on the occasion of this year's Re-union. It was exciting to have our Patron's gracious reply and good wishes read out by the President during the Re-union.

MAJOR D. E. PRICE

Major D. E. Price, whose photograph appears on the cover of this Gazette is unique in that she is the only serving member of the Corps to be an Honorary Officer of the Association.

Major Price is Sister Tutor at the Preliminary Training School, Aldershot, and has an exceedingly busy and interesting task in starting the young Q.A.R.A.N.C. Private on her professional way through the Corps, and as most of us know, it is not only the potential student nurse but students for other branches of the Q.A.R.A.N.C. who pass through her hands.

Just how Major Price manages to combine this work with the editorship of the Q.A.R.A.N.C. Association Gazette we do not know, it is one of those miracles we accept with heartfelt gratitude and the greatest admiration for the excellent and entertaining Gazettes she produces three times a year.

It would greatly help Major Price in her work if members would remember to send her those interesting or amusing experiences which make up our lives, so that she always has plenty of material to hand, and would be a very practical way of showing our gratitude.

NEWS FROM THE BRANCHES

MILLBANK.—The Branch continue to meet on the first Wednesday of each alternate month and the next meeting is on Wednesday, 2nd September, at 7.30 p.m., at 121, St. George's Square. All members of the Association are very welcome to attend the meetings and be members of the Branch.

Lt.-Col. Warner, sent a message to all members which I regret was too late for the last issue of the Gazette. Col. Warner thanked all members for their very kind enquiries and interest during her recent illness and said how very much she had enjoyed the Meetings of the Branch and how very much she was missing them all. We are pleased to say that she is now convalescing very well.

The meeting in May was spent very profitably in playing Tombola so that a sum was put aside for the Benevolence Fund. At this meeting Mrs. Otway came loaded with very nice home-made sweets, the sale of which all added to the Fund.

On Wednesday, July 1st, we again met for a Quiz, but owing to the Corps Tennis, our numbers were much reduced and we were unable to have a team of serving members, but those present made a A and B Team and after a very close fight B Team won by half a point. The Quiz was once more conducted by Mrs. J. M. Jarrett, who taught us a good deal by the answers to many of the questions.

HILDA HAMBLIN, L. 136.

OBITUARY

MISS LIZZIE DIXON, A R R.C.

Miss Lizzie Parrish Dixon, A.R.R.C. passed away on 7th June, 1959, aged 93 years at the Washingborough Hall Rest Home, near Lincoln. She had been a member of Queen Alexandra's Military Families Nursing Service, from which she retired in January, 1922. Many readers will remember her Reminiscences of the Army Nursing Service which appeared in Vol. 3, No. 7, First Issue 1959 of *The Gazette*.

Miss Dixon served in the Boer War and the 1st World War and was awarded the A.R.R.C. and La Medaille Militaire des Epidemies.

For some years after retirement she lived at her home at Grimoldby, Lincolnshire, becoming in 1928 an Honorary Life Member of the Red Cross, North Lincolnshire group. In 1941 she moved to Queen Mary's House at Fleet remaining there until 1955 when with increasing age and infirmity she felt the urge to return to her native Lincolnshire, to be near her own people, led to her going to Washingborough Hall.

Many of our older Q.As. will have happy memories of this frail old lady with her cheerful smile and ready acceptance of her increasing infirmities.

CORPS DAY 1959

TRIPOLI

As Corps Day this year fell on Good Friday it was generally agreed that the celebrations for Corps Day would be held later.

Arrangements were made with the Senior Chaplain to the Forces to hold a special service in the Garrison Church, this could only be achieved by our sharing it with the Royal Corps of Signals on Palm Sunday.

Nine Q.A.R.N.C. Officers and two Other Ranks attended the service, during which Matron Major P. C. Stewart, R.R.C., read the second lesson.

The collection for the service which amounted to £20 was presented in the form of a cheque to Matron who accepted it on behalf of the Corps as a donation to the Q.A.R.A.N.C. Association Benevolent Fund.

The Other Ranks were allowed to have a choice as to their form of celebration for Corps Day, and as Brigadier G. Laing, C.B.E., the District Commander had donated £5 towards their celebrations they decided to have a dinner party in one of the local restaurants in Tripoli, with a taxi to take them there and bring them back in style!

They apparently had a very enjoyable time.

The Q.A.R.A.N.C. Officers Mess also had a donation from the District Commander, a cheque for £10 to put towards the Corps Day celebrations.

On Wednesday the 8th April a very successful Cocktail party was held in the Kadsbah at the Officers Club Piccola Capri. This Club situated as it is on the shores of the sandy Mediterranean Bay made an ideal setting for such a function.

About 80 guests were received by the Matron, Major P. C. Stewart, R.R.C. and Major M. F. Stephenson the P.M.C.

The guests included:

Major-General W. J. Officer, O.B.E., D.M.S., M.E.L.F., who had arrived that day on an official visit to Tripoli. The District Commander Brig. G. Laing, C.B.E. and Mrs. Laing. Counsellor and Mrs. Ogden of the British Embassy. The Commanding Officer of the United States Air Force Hospital at Wheelus Field Air Base, Col. J. Pease and Mrs. Pease. Lt.-Col. S. Mackenzie, O.B.E., our Commanding Officer, and his mother who is out here on a visit. Other guests included heads of services and local units, and personal friends.

Several Mess Members and their guests later dined and danced in the Club, and brought to a close a very pleasant evening which was thoroughly enjoyed by all.

K. E. HIRST.

HERE AND THERE

EDINBURGH.—The Annual Re-union Dinner will be held in the Royal British Hotel, Princes Street, on Saturday, 17th October, 1959, at 7.30 p.m. Approximate cost 14s.6d. Apply Honorary Branch Secretary, 13, Montgomery Street, Edinburgh, 7.

SINGAPORE.—Miss P. Bradford has been appointed Junior Sister at the new European hospital. Trained in the Q.A.R.A.N.C. and lately Corporal. News just received from Miss Bradford says the new hospital is really beautiful "A nurse's dream come true."

WINDSOR.—Miss A. K. Wright (A. 23) writes to thank the ex-Q.A. who kindly sent her some old "nylons" and odd pieces for toy making. No address was included in the parcel. If other members have odds and ends for toy making will they please send them to Miss Wright at 4, Helena Road, Windsor, Berkshire, please?

LONDON.—Miss S. P. White, lately Matron of Bethnall Green Hospital and a member of our Central Committee has been appointed Deputy Nursing Advisor North Eastern Metropolitan Regional Hospital Board.

ELEVENTH ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

The Annual General Meeting was held at the Hyde Park Hotel, Knightsbridge, on 27th June, at 2.30 p.m., Brigadier Dame Monica Johnson, D.B.E., R.R.C., Q.H.N.S., our President, was in the chair.

About a hundred members were welcomed by the President who, after signing the minutes of the last meeting, called upon our Chairman, Mrs. A. G. Monk to give her report.

The Chairman congratulated members who had received decorations during the year, and reviewed the work of the Association. Mrs. Monk said that our present membership numbered 1,040 and that Life Membership was increasing. There were six funds maintained by the Association, *viz.*, the Central, Association Benevolent, Q.A.I.M.N.S. Benevolent, Ethel Herwood Trust and T.A.N.S. Benevolent Funds. From which dividends amounted to some £1,100. £2,840 had been given out in the form of Christmas gifts, cheques, Easter gifts, assistance, quarterly grants and holidays. Serving members addresses remained a difficulty, and a special sub-committee had been appointed to study this matter. It is hoped to publish a summary of their proposals in the next gazette. The Chairman also recalled that members had been represented at various Corps functions, at the unveiling of the Brookwood Memorial and that Queen Mary's Houses had also been visited.

The Chairman's report was followed by a very comprehensive survey of the Statements of Accounts by the Treasurer, Miss Baldock, who said the auditors had recommended no changes.

Following a short discussion about the accounts the election of managing trustees took place.

Miss Roberts, Matron of St. Peters Hospital, Chertsey, was returned unopposed as Vice-Chairman, and we extend a welcome to her. Members of the Central Committee re-elected for a second term of office are Miss S. P. White, Deputy Regional Nursing Advisor, North East Metropolitan Region and Miss Holmes. We congratulate them and thank them for valuable work and time given in the past. The newcomer to the committee is Mrs. Winstanley (known to many of us as "Monty" in her Q.A.I.M.N.S. days in Egypt!) and to her we extend a welcome.

The President then proposed a change of place for the next Annual General Meeting and Re-union. It had been suggested that the Hyde Park Hotel might be a deterrent in some instances. Enquiries had been made, and the Connaught Rooms, Kingsway, could offer the Drawing Room and the Edinburgh Room. Tea to be served in one of these rooms. A bar would be available at 5.30 p.m. After a good deal of discussion it was decided at the meeting to try the Connaught Rooms next year.

The meeting closed, but Dame Monica called our attention to the United Nursing Services Club which would open again early in August at 40 South Street, W.1. (off Cavendish Square). This had been Dame Ethel Hope Becher's project and was maintained by the Nursing Services of the Crown. Particulars would be obtained from the Secretary of the Club.

ELEVENTH ANNUAL RE-UNION

"Just think," remarked a voice, "over two hundred Nurses all together." "Just think—over two hundred Q.A.s all in one spot," exclaimed a second.

As one of that number at the Reunion on June 27th, I enjoyed every minute, in fact I enjoy the Q.A. reunion each year, and I am filled with admiration for the Organisers, never a hitch—at least not one that can be seen—not even a worried frown, but "all with smiling faces," the Q.A.s were ever, efficient; and yet it must take quite a number of people an awful lot of time to have the wheels so well oiled, and I for one take my hat off to them. May I add in passing how well the Hyde Park Hotel lends itself to these occasions, from an overheard conversation I gathered that a member of the Staff had been a patient in 63rd G.H., M.E.F., no doubt they have more than a passing interest.

The Reunion was bigger and better than ever, age was no deterrent, nor distance, and by the crescendo of voices, "old acquaintances were not forgot" (to misquote). At one point we thought Colonel Rose had lost her voice, she stepped to the microphone and invited anyone to use it to find old friends—it wasn't switched on!!!

Captain Connolly, the winner of the Sports Cup, has set up a wonderfully high standard, it does her and the Corps credit, long may it be upheld.

What a pity Cpl. Brown, the winner of the new annual event and £10 in Savings Certificates could not be present.

I think we should all welcome the opportunity to encourage the "Sisters of the future," good luck to them—what about it "other ranks"—"come on and join us!"

Even the weather co-operated, and this for me, and I think for all those present, has been a very happy Reunion.

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THE Q.A.R.A.N.C. MUSEUM

As announced in our last issue our Patron, Her Royal Highness Princess Margaret, Colonel-in-Chief Q.A.R.A.N.C. opened the Museum on 22nd May. The day seemed to mark the opening of this glorious summer. A warm hazy day, that only England, when

it chooses, seems to know. It was a pleasure to sit, surrounded by the green fields and woods of Hindhead and to watch this enterprising project come to fruition in such an elegant way. But let those who took part give their own accounts and impressions! Pte. S. R. Robb, had been a member of the Corps for a few weeks only, and wrote this account during her time in the Preliminary Training School. Many of her colleagues, other young nurses from the School, took part in the Guard of Honour:—

“After weeks of tiring preparation, drilling and polishing, the great day loomed nearer, and a feeling of excitement seemed to run amongst us. As the days slipped past, we could feel in ourselves that everything was taking some shape or pattern and that we were now able to come to “attention” and “stand at ease” in one body. Although the weather was beautiful, we did not seem to appreciate it in fact I hardly think we had time to notice it.



Princess Margaret being greeted by Brigadier Dame Monica Johnson, Director of Army Nursing Services, with Dame Helen Gillespie and Lt-Col. E. M. Walsh (extreme right), on her arrival at the Q.A.R.A.N.C. Depot and Training Establishment. By Courtesy of the NURSING TIMES.

At last the great day came, after an arduous night of pressing uniforms, cleaning cap badges and shoes. We all set off in the luxurious coaches which took us away from our peaceful dwellings to the noisy bustle of the camp at Hindhead. Everyone and everything looked spotless. Being an onlooker, I was feeling quite proud to have been able to watch the proceedings. After last minute adjustments, the Guard of Honour was marched from the car park to the outside of the H. and D. Company Office to get a final reassurance from Mr. Rowlands, the Regimental Sergeant Major, R.A.M.C. Depot (who looked like a big boy who had been made to wash himself) and Mr. Brooks, The Chief Drill Instructor, who looked immaculate.

The Guard of Honour were marched up to the Museum, led by the Royal Army Medical Corps band, and there they took up the position of ease to await the arrival of the Princess. By this time, it was very interesting watching all the officers and their ladies arriving to watch the proceedings. Although we were told to stay behind a battery of camera men, I could not abstain from rushing in front of them to snatch an odd picture with my small camera.

After a while, the Princess's car swung up the drive, gleaming in the mid-day sun. The car stopped outside the Museum and the Princess stepped out to be greeted by our Director, Brigadier, Dame Monica Johnson.



The Colonel-in-Chief inspecting the Guard of Honour. By courtesy of the NURSING TIMES.

The Princess looked radiant in a biscuit coloured coat, shoes, gloves and bag on top of a blue and white, full skirted dress and she had a beautiful duck-egg blue tulle hat. The National Anthem was played and everyone stood to attention to honour the Princess—our Colonel in Chief.

The officers then gave the Royal Salute and when all this was done, Captain Watts marched smartly up to the Princess and informed her that the Guard of Honour was ready for her inspection.

The Princess then inspected the ranks and returned to the dais where she was presented with a silver corps badge brooch from the youngest member of the corps, Private Stacey. When Princess Margaret had read her speech Private Farrimond presented to her the key to the Museum and the Princess declared it open.

After inspecting the Museum and the classrooms, the Princess, accompanied by Dame Monica Johnson and other officers, came along the route we had lined for her. At last the girls were able to catch a grandstand view of this Gracious Lady. In some of our minds dwelt the question of what the name of her perfume was because as she passed, the most beautiful scent was left behind.

The Princess departed with her Lady in Waiting to the Officers Mess for cocktails but she did not stay long as she was visiting the Aldershot Show in the afternoon. She then drove off in the wonderful Rolls-Royce and we all cheered the Princess as she drove away.

And so the twenty-second of June 1959 will go down in our Corps History and we, as members of the Queen Alexandra's Royal Army Nursing Corps, will proudly look back in years to come and say to our friends 'I was there.' "

As Pte. Robb tells us the Corps Badge in gold set with diamonds, rubies and sapphires was presented to Princess Margaret by Colonel S. E. Hughes, and Pte. Joan Stacey, who is seen here making the presentation, saying:



H.R.H. with Corps badge presented to her by Private J. L. Stacey. By courtesy of the NURSING MIRROR

“On behalf of all members of Queen Alexandra’s Royal Army Nursing Corps, I offer to your Highness this Badge, with our humble duty as a token of our loyalty and affection.”

All who saw the badge-brooch described it as really beautiful, and we know how it pleased our Colonel-in-Chief for later in the day at the Aldershot Show she was wearing it and showed it delightedly to Colonel C. M. McMinn, Matron of the Cambridge Hospital. A message was also received later from her Lady-in-Waiting:

“Her Royal Highness has asked me to express again, through you, to all Ranks of the Corps her heartfelt appreciation of the truly exquisite Badge-Brooch which was presented to her. The Colonel-in-Chief thinks that it is one of the most beautifully designed brooches that she has ever seen, and she will always wear it with the greatest pride and joy.”

The time for actually opening the Museum was close at hand. Let us hear Dame Monica’s own words and Princess Margaret’s reply:

“It is indeed a very great honour that your Royal Highness has conferred upon us today in coming to our Depot and Training Establishment. It is my privilege on behalf of all members, past and present, of the Army Nursing Services to offer you our sincere gratitude with our humble duty and to ask you to graciously open our Corps Museum.”

“I am delighted, as your Colonel-in-Chief, to be here this morning to see for myself something of this Depot, and of the work which it carries out.

First, I would like to thank all Ranks of the Queen Alexandra’s Royal Army Nursing Corps for their generosity in presenting me with such a beautiful Badge-Brooch. I am greatly touched, and delighted with this most charming gift, and I will always treasure it.

Today marks another milestone in the history of Queen Alexandra’s Royal Army Nursing Corps in the opening of your Museum.

From those far off days of 1854 when Florence Nightingale pioneered Nursing in Military Hospitals, to the present day, many interesting and important events have been recorded, and it is most fitting for a Corps of the British Army with such a history to have a Museum where can be displayed some of the past and present changes in the Army Nursing Service.

I feel visual objects have sometimes a greater impact than History books, and I am sure that now and in the years to come this Museum will be most valuable to all people interested in Nursing and the Army, and in preserving a record of a noble Corps.

I now have great pleasure in declaring this Museum open.”

And so the Museum was truly opened by the Princess with her silver key. But let our Curator, Major M. Godwin give her account of Her Royal Highness’ inspection of these graceful rooms.

“They say that in moments of stress and excitement, all your life flashes through your mind, I don’t know if that is true, but as we waited for Her Royal Highness in the entrance hall inside the museum, to unlock the door and declare the Corps museum open, I thought of all the weeks in which it seemed the workmen would never be away in time or the new linoleum get a reasonable colour. The arrival and hanging of the new scarlet velvet curtains, which fitted beautifully, though the firm concerned had never even seen the museum.

I also, recalled the countless kindnesses we had received from other and far busier curators and the interesting and valuable loans of medals for the great day.

And now the great day was here! The night before when our transformation became complete, the flowers were ready. Not many, two vases on pedestals in the hall, a wonderful big splash of scarlet in the uniform room and two small bowls in the documents room, the latter mostly sweet peas.

In the days before, Major P. G. Bennett had been over to renew old memories of her curator days, and she was with us now, awaiting the great moment. The museum orderly resplendant and unrecognisable in “Blues” made the third member of our party.

Earlier in the day we had watched the gradual build up of visitors outside. Various people had been in to see us and we too, had taken a good look, especially when the Guard of Honour marched up to take its place. How wonderful they all looked!

Those men, without which no modern function can go on, the television cameramen, had gone, after giving us a near heart attack by pulling curtains and putting blazing lights onto such things as the letters written in Scutari by Miss Nightingale herself.

At last all was ready and quiet, and into this very exciting atmosphere arrived a large car bringing our Colonel-in-Chief: Her Royal Highness, Princess Margaret. We could see her mount the dais outside, the welcome from Dame Monica, leave to inspect the Guard of Honour, the address and presentation of the Corps Badge and then, turning for the first time in our direction. Accompanied by our Director, Princess Margaret picked up the silver key from the cushion held by one of the junior members of the Corps. One second and the door was officially opened—opened on the past ready now for all to see!

Things happened very fast after this. Presentations, and the start of the tour in the documents room. Our Colonel-in-Chief was very interested in the scroll from the wards in Scutari and while looking at the silver communion set, Her Royal Highness remarked on the smartness of the parade as it marched away outside. She was also impressed by one of our photographs of Miss Nightingale.

Several other items received special note, photographs and gifts connected with the last war. From here Major Bennett took over for the tour of the uniform room containing an elegant display of past uniforms, flags and other trophies.

After signing the visitor's book in the hall Her Royal Highness left, thanking us for showing her round.

The start of such a venture has many links with past history; there were a number of ex members of the Corps who served in the 1914-1918 war. Relatives of late members of Princess Christian's Army Nursing Reserve and of course Senior Serving Officers, who could recall those members who gave their lives in all parts of the world and who we have tried to recall in the layout of the gifts from families and friends."

After the departure of the Princess for the Aldershot Show the Officers Mess was opened to visitors for cocktails and luncheon. It was a pleasure to meet so many ex-serving members and members of the Association there, and to know they would be able to visit the Museum in the afternoon.

It was a memorable day and it seems fitting to end these accounts and impressions with the words of Princess Margarets Lady-in-Waiting:—

"Her Royal Highness wishes me to ask you also to congratulate all who were concerned in making the arrangements for such a successful and happy visit."

NON-NURSING OFFICER COMMISSIONS

As announced in a previous gazette, commissions are now open to non-nursing members of the Corps. W.O.1 M. Stephenson has the distinction of being the first to receive this type of commission after attending an O.C.T.U. Course with the W.R.A.C. Lieutenant Stephenson is now the Administrative Officer at the Preliminary Training School, Q A R.A.N.C. Her account of the time in O.C.T.U. is given below.

"As a member of the Q.A.R.A.N.C. I found it a strange but pleasant experience to spend three months at the W.R.A.C. School of Instruction, Hindhead, as an officer cadet.

Our course started just before Christmas and those first weeks were the busiest, so much so that I can remember very little of what was happening, except that along with studying we were also committed to putting on a concert which was quite a success, and we also formed a Carol Singing Party and visited the Connaught Hospital. One incident which we found rather amusing later, was that during the Carol Service in the unit chapel, one of the people who read a lesson fainted, and I was seated directly behind the lectern so she fell into my arms, I was jokingly told that this had been arranged specially for this course to see if I knew what to do.

Our training consisted of Regimental Accounts, Pay, Quartering, Clothing, Messing, Military Law, Army Organisation, Records, practical problems, schemes, preparing and giving a lecturette and a lecture, to the latter we had an awe inspiring audience of junior and senior lecturers, and the Commandant, in spite of this they proved to be quite amusing and very instructive. I must not forget



Lt. Stephenson receiving her commissioning plaque from Major-General Packard.

to mention DRILL, which most people dread, we wondered whether we would ever come up to the standard required, especially for the great day, but I believe we did. In the last few weeks of the course we had a Ceremonial Parade on which we all took part as officers and we really enjoyed it, more so as we had a delightful rendering of "Greensleeves" in the background.

We had two schemes, one the 'Q Stores' schemes where we spent two days working with the Quartermaster, and tackling the work of the stores from all angles, which we enjoyed, and certainly appreciated the amount of work which was done by the Quartermaster and her staff, to make the scheme a success.

The other scheme, was actually made into an exercise called "First Flight" this lasted four days during which we acted as Platoon Officers and were responsible for a platoon of women to whom the most amazing things happened and we had to deal with them. There were ten of us, but only one Controlling Officer plus the C.S.M. and a Company Commander to whom we could go for advice. Occasionally we would try to take the easy way out when dealing with a problem, stating what we had done, but back it came from the Control Room stating that we could not have dealt with it in this way because—and we began again with no short cuts. At the end of four days we had, so we thought, tackled every imaginable problem, and were absolutely exhausted, but not to the extent that our controlling officer, Captain Achurch was, having dealt with ten times as much work as we had. We enjoyed this scheme very much.

During the course we made some very interesting visits, one to the Portsmouth Dockyard where we were taken aboard H.M.S. Victory, shown the Naval Museum and then entertained to luncheon by the W.R.N.S. Officers. We spent one or two days at Sandhurst and saw the Sovereigns Parade there which was most impressive.

After our examinations which consisted of seven written papers, we began to prepare in earnest for the Commissioning Ceremony, which was held in the Camp Theatre. This was beautifully decorated with carpets, desoute cloth, bunting and coloured parachutes. The Ceremony was preceded by a Drumhead Service which was conducted by the Bishop of Guildford. We, the cadets formed the choir and were accompanied by the W.R.A.C. Band. After the service the junior cadets marched into the theatre and then the seniors, about to be commissioned, followed, and marched in to the Q.A.R.A.N.C. March "Grey and Scarlet." As I was the only person on the course who was a member of the Q.A.R.A.N.C., I thought this a charming gesture, but may I add that it was quite in keeping with the W.R.A.C. who were extremely kind and helpful to me during my stay with them. Each cadet was presented with a plaque to commemorate her date of Commissioning, by the G.O.C. Northern Ireland District, Major-General Charles Packard.

This great day ended with a Commissioning Ball which was held at the Angel Hotel, Midhurst, and at midnight, each newly commissioned officer was presented with a slice of cake bearing a pip.

At 2 a.m. on 5th March 1959 half asleep, but very happy, the staff, officers and officer cadets left the Angel Hotel, Midhurst to return to Hindhead, thankful no doubt, that one more Commissioning Ceremony had gone according to plan."

SPORTS NEWS

Table Tennis Championship

16 players took part in the Table Tennis Tournament, held at the Depot and T.E., Q.A.R.A.N.C. on 25th February, 1959. Considering the 'flu epidemic at the time the number who attended, spectators as well as competitors was very good indeed. The enthusiasm was marked and a delightful display of skill by Cpl. Copus of the Cambridge Hospital, Aldershot and Pte. Hand of the Royal Herbert Hospital Woolwich (now of the Connaught Hospital, Hindhead) was witnessed in the final.

Result—Winner: Cpl. Copus (21-16, 21-14); Runner-up: Pte. Hand.

The Championship Cup and prizes were graciously presented by Mrs. Curran, wife of Brigadier Curran, A.D.M.S., Aldershot District.

Swimming Championship, 21st May, 1959

Ten officers and ten other ranks took part in the Q.A.R.A.N.C. Championship Races run at the R.A.M.C./R.A.D.C. Swimming Gala on 21st May. Owing to the welcome increase in entries heats in each race were held on Wednesday, 20th May. The swimming was of high standard and congratulations go to all competitors as well as winners.

Q.A.R.A.N.C. Officers' Championship 66 $\frac{2}{3}$ yds. Free Style

Results—Winner: Lieut. Aubertin, Military Hospital, Cowglen. Time: 1 min. 5.6 secs. Runner-up: Capt. Marshall, Cambridge Hospital, Aldershot.

Q.A.R.A.N.C. Other Ranks 66 $\frac{2}{3}$ yds. Free Style Championship

Results—Winner: Pte. Kett, Connaught Hospital, Hindhead. Time: 49.4 secs. Runner-up: Pte. Francis, Military Hospital, Colchester.

Previous records have not been kept but Pte. Kett's time of 49.4 secs appears an outstanding achievement.

Tennis Tournament—July 1st, 1959

Thirty-two players competed in the Singles Tournament for the Medforth Cup

Twelve couples competed in the Doubles Tournament for the Gillespie Challenge Cup

Owing to the large number of entries, preliminary rounds were played from 1000 hrs. on the 30th June. Unfortunately rain on the morning of the 1st July, held up play and the afternoon programme became very heavy. Lieut. D. S. Pelling, Military Hospital, Chester, deserves special mention as despite the number of rounds in the singles and doubles matches in which she was required to play, this young player delighted us with her skill and resilience. At the end of the afternoon she was the winner of the singles championship and with her partner, Pte. J. C. Batty, also of Chester, in the finals of the doubles championship.

Our Colonel Commandant, Dame Helen Gillespie graciously agreeing to come again the next day to see the finals for her cup being played, it was agreed to postpone the finals of the doubles championship until 2 p.m. on Thursday, 2nd July.

The first afternoon ended with the presentation of the Medforth Challenge Cup Singles Championship.

Winner: Lieut. D. S. Pelling, Military Hospital, Chester. Score: 6-2, 6-3. *Runner-up:* Lieut. Steele, Military Hospital, Tidworth.

It was an added pleasure to have Miss Medforth to present her cup herself this year. She was welcomed by our Director, Brigadier Dame Monica Johnson, D.B.E., R.R.C., Q.H.N.S.

The following afternoon once more it was a delight to watch the playing of Lieut. D. S. Pelling and Pte. J. C. Batty against their worthy opponents, Capt. V. Connolly and Pte. J. Nelson, of the Royal Herbert Hospital, Woolwich. Again the standard was high and the final scores indicate this was a very interesting match.

Winners: Lieut. D. S. Pelling and Pte. J. C. Batty, Military Hospital, Chester. Score: 6-8, 7-5, 6-3. *Runners-Up:* Capt. V. Connolly and Pte. J. Nelson, Royal Herbert Hospital, Woolwich.

The Gillespie Challenge Cup for the doubles championship was graciously presented at the end of the concurrently run sports meeting by the Colonel Commandant, Dame Helen Gillespie.

Sports Meeting, 2nd July, 1959

The very large number of entries for the sports events this year was most gratifying and appreciation is due to the support of the Matrons and unit sports officers. Owing to the running off of the preliminary heats in the morning and the very able assistance of Major Webb, R.A.M.C., of the Connaught Hospital, Major Smith, R.A.M.C., and Major Wright, R.A.M.C., of this depot, the full afternoon's programme was run to time.

Standards in the track events were high, but times were so much faster than in previous years that it was considered advisable to have a check made. It is very much regretted that the track measurements were inaccurate and therefore most unfortunately this year's times cannot be quoted as for records.

Field Event Record—Throwing the Javelin

Pte. Carpenter's magnificent throw of 73 ft. 3 in. creates a new Q.A.R.A.N.C. record and our congratulations go to her. (Previous record, 69 ft. 3 in. held by Lieut. Keifetz of Aldershot in 1954).

Special congratulations also go to Pte. Dove-Edwin of the Cambridge Military Hospital, this year's winner of the Victrix Ludorum Cup for the best all rounder. Total aggregate points 8 (1st High Jump, 1st Long Jump, 2nd 100 yds.). To all winners and competitors congratulations for the high standards displayed.

Victrix Ludorum Cup: Best All-Rounder, Pte. Dove-Edwin, Cambridge Military Hospital, 8 points (1st High Jump, 1st Long Jump, 2nd 100 yds.).

Stirling Cup, 880 yds. Championship: Pte. Cook, Catterick.

Coronation Cup, 440 yds. Championship: Pte. Tyson, Tidworth.

R.A.M.C. Cup, 220 yds. Championship: Pte. Palmer, Cambridge.

Johnson Cup, 100 yds. Championship: Pte. Stacey, Colchester.

Inter-Unit Relay Cup: Cambridge Military Hospital.

Cocking Cup, High Jump Championship: Pte. Dove-Edwin, Cambridge (4 ft.)

Long Jump Championship: Pte. Dove-Edwin, Cambridge (13 ft. 9 in.).

Putting the Shot Championship: Cpl. Elliott, Cambridge (21 ft. 8½ in.).

Throwing the Discus Championship: Pte. Carpenter, Colchester (73 ft. 3 in.).

The Commandant, Lieut-Colonel E. M. Walsh, A.R.R.C., welcomed the Director, Brigadier Dame Monica Johnson, who again for the second day in succession visited the Depot and kindly consented to present the cups and prizes.

Inter-Services (Nursing) Tennis Tournament

Capt. V. Connolly (Royal Herbert Hospital) and Lieut. D. S. Pelling (Military Hospital, Chester) were chosen after their very fine display at the Corps Tennis Tournament on the 1st July, 1959, to represent the Corps at the Inter Services (Nursing) Tennis Tournament held this year at Naval Hospital, Haslar, on the 7th July, 1959.

The first match, Army v. R.A.F. was won by the R.A.F., 6-2, 2-6, 6-2 and the Army pair went straight on to play the Royal Navy. Again although the final score was for the Royal Navy, 6-4, 7-5, our two representatives put up very good opposition indeed.

The Royal Navy then played the R.A.F. The Royal Navy again this year's winners, 6-1, 6-3.

(I. J. ROBERTSON), Secretary, Q.A.R.A.N.C. Sports Club.

ROYAL NATIONAL PENSION FUND FOR NURSES

Sir Charles Hambro, K.B.E., presided at the annual General Meeting of the Royal National Pension Fund for Nurses at the Cowdray Hall, London, on 9th June and drew attention to the main feature of the Fund's report for 1958.

During the year 8,708 new policies were issued and the premium income reached the all-time record figure of £1,602,356. The assets of the Fund increased by over a million pounds during the year and now well exceed 17 millions. The Chairman pointed out that it took 19 years for the Pension Fund to amass the first million pounds; now that growth had been exceeded in one year. Out of every pound received by way of premiums, less than one shilling was used in management expenses.

Sir Charles mentioned that £284,000 was returned in cash on policies held by nurses who had married or had given up nursing for other reasons in the course of the year. This, he said, illustrated the value of a Pension Fund policy as a means of saving, apart from its primary purpose of providing a pension for retirement. More and more Nurses were buying annuities to give themselves additional income on retirement. The high return, combined with the fact that usually less than half the annuity was assessable for tax, made an Immediate annuity a wonderful investment. Similar advantages were obtainable, too, through Last Survivor annuities under which the pension continued to be payable so long as *any one* of two or more persons named in the policy survived.

Mr. David Webster, M.P. was the Guest Speaker in place of Miss Edith Pitt, unavoidably detained on Parliamentary business. In a witty and impressive speech, Mr. Webster explained the principles actuating the Government in promoting the new National Insurance Bill. Most nurses, he said, were already in "excellent schemes" like the Federated Superannuation Scheme and the R.N.P.F.N. It was the Government's wish to preserve, and not interfere with, well-run private schemes but they felt the time had come to extend the benefits of superannuation to others who did not at present enjoy them.

A vote of thanks to Mr. Webster, moved by Mr. Edmund de Rothschild, was warmly received. Miss Daisy C. Bridges, C.B.E., R.R.C., in a speech of singular grace, proposed a vote of thanks to the Chairman and Council. Tea at the end of the meeting afforded an opportunity for the many members present to meet the Council and Officers of the Fund.

APPOINTMENTS

Pullom, Lt. Col. E., A.R.R.C. Appointed Matron, Military Hospital, Hanover, 19th March, 1959.

Turner, Lt. Col. E. M., M.B.E., R.R.C. Appointed Matron The Queen Alexandra Military Hospital, Millbank, 8th April, 1959.

Thomson, Lt. Col. M. K., R.R.C. Appointed Matron Military Hospital, Catterick, 25th May, 1959.

PROMOTIONS

REGULARS

To Lt. Colonel

Major E. M. Turner, M.B.E., R.R.C. 31.3.59.

To Major

Captains:—A. Boad, 31.1.59; E. Swinburne, 5.3.59; J. Godtschakk, 17.3.59;
M. A. Brown, 24.3.59; M. J. Lester, 19.12.58; P. L. N. Walker, 12.5.59;
C. W. A. Fawcett, 29.5.59.

To Captain

Lieutenants:—E. A. A. Meaden, 13.4.59; M. Ord, 21.4.59.

PROMOTION S.S.

To Captain

Lieutenants:—M. O'Donnell, 23.2.59; B. F. Fitzgerald, 29.3.59; B. G. Morgan, 13.4.59; M. C. Lloyd, 16.4.59; M. M. Rees, 18.4.59; B. Wood, 3.4.59; M. M. O'Leary, 6.5.59; E. E. Goodfellow, 20.5.59.

Retirements and Resignations

Major R. V. Hepburn, A.R.R.C. 27.2.59.
Capt. M. P. A. Greaves, nee Revell. 14.3.59.
Lt. Col. I. I. Scruton, R.R.C. 31.3.59.
Major E. Roberts, M.B.E. 12.3.59.
Major E. E. Brewin, nee Englefield. 21.3.59.
Major B. Turner. 31.3.59.
Capt. E. C. Morgan. 1.4.59.
Lieut. E. A. Schofield. 1.5.59.

1st FEBRUARY, 1959—31st MAY, 1959

To Warrant Officer Class I

Cross J.

To Staff Sergeant

Cheesman, R.

To Sergeant

Holton, P. W.

To Corporal

King, E., O'Neill, E., Crellin, H. M., MacInnes, A., Stevens, A., Anderson, I.,
Hutcheson, J., Harrison, M., Morton, J., Morgan, A.

To Corporal—Dental Duties

Palmer, D.

Deletions

Warrant Officer Class I

Stephenson, M.

Staff Sergeant

Ellis, A.

Sergeant

Bannister, T.

Corporals

Andrews, S., Wilkinson, E., Pickering, S. L., Helm, G., Watson, D., Williams,
S., Wells, D., Woodcock, J.

Corporal—Dental Duties

Lockyer, S.

OVERSEAS POSTINGS

Q.A.R.A.N.C. OFFICERS

1st APRIL, 1959—30th JUNE, 1959

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

Major P. L. N. Walker.

Captains:—G. N. Smith, E. Burrows, P. G. Burge.

Lieutenants:—M. T. Harrison, J. M. Cresdee, H. R. Horsman, C. E. Lee,
M. D. P. Reid, M. J. Wagstaff, P. A. P. Walters, P. C. Cleary, D. Clark,
S. M. T. McKinney, H. Niven, E. E. Joiner, F. Pollitt, P. M. Redjeb.

M.E.L.F.

Major:—T. L. Jeffreys-Edwards.

Captain D. W. McDonald.

Lieutenants:—M. Martin, M. A. McPhillips.

B.A.O.R.

Majors:—D. M. Dryden, W. D. McCracken, E. D. Keith, E. M. Marsh, E. F.
Davies.

Captains:—B. Morgan, D. Watkinson, E. Thomas, K. Twohig, B. G. Morgan,
Lieutenants:—M. McGrath, J. M. Rutter, I. B. Cooper, J. M. Coleman, M. M.
Maloney, C. E. Oseland, A. B. Russell, M. N. Storey, S. Watkins, J. Poulter,
C. E. Elias, P. N. Culliton, E. B. B. Shooter, M. V. Wright, M. Duffy,
A. Y. Hughes, M. Bradfield, V. M. Brennan, M. T. Deekes, E. McCurrie,
P. L. Wood, E. A. M. Mason, M. Furze, P. Heslop, A. Prendergast.

Gibraltar

Major:—J. Lester.

Lieutenants:—M. P. Newman, M. C. McCormack.

Malta

Lieutenants:—A. M. Dagorn, K. Mills, L. Wadland, P. E. Murphy, D. G. M.
Anderson, B. M. McKinney, M. M. A. Murray, M. Bemrose, L. Sherwood,
K. A. Prior.

East Africa

Major E. Boulter.

Captain M. G. M. Rowley.

Sierra Leone

Captain M. H. M. Jolliffe.

Paris

Captain J. P. Parker.

Q.A.R.A.N.C. OTHER RANKS

1st February—31st March, 1959

B.A.O.R.

Privates.—Whitloch, N., Moore, E., Dodd, P. J., Andrews, J., Young, J.,
Lang, J. D., Earl, B., McCrory, N., Hickson, R., Robertson, K., O'Malley,
P.

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

Privates.—Wall, I., Wetherall, P. M., Wordsworth, D.

1st APRIL, 1959—30th JUNE, 1959

B.A.O.R.

Privates:—Eckersley, E., Dunne, A., Bell, L. C., Thomas, P. W., Johnson, A., Shearer, H. M., White, G., Sylvester, P. M., Roberts, W. G., Newman, F. D., Curtis, Y., Jones, M., Cooling, S., Mattocks, T., Girvan, D., Petherick, M., Hogan, A., Hagan, E., Pilgrim, C.

M.E.L.F.

Corporal Arnold, W.

Privates:—Smith, E., Brandrick, N. K., Hood-Morris, J., Stagg, A. M., Lloyd, S.

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

Corporals:—Palmer, P. G., Chamberlain, S.

A/Corporal Hutty, I. A.

Gibraltar

Corporal Parker, M. B.

REVERSION TO HOME ESTABLISHMENT

Q.A.R.A.N.C. OFFICERS

1st April, 1959—30th June, 1959

B.A.O.R.

Captain A. Y. A. Healey.

Lieutenants:—O. L. Anderson, J. Romanis, J. M. Clarke, P. Sutton, E. Mason, P. L. Rutherford, C. E. Burnett, H. G. McCarthy, J. L. Dorrington.

M.E.L.F.

Major E. F. Shine.

Captains:—E. O. Caley, P. D. Downing, E. B. Connor.

Lieutenants:—E. A. Schofield, M. A. Somerville, P. M. Murphy, B. K. Uttridge, P. Conway, C. Keaveney, E. I. J. Scharenguival.

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

Major G. E. Thompson.

Captains.—W. H. Huss, M. S. Shaw, M. B. Burroughs, D. C. Gatenby, C. W. A. Fawcett.

Lieutenants:—A. H. Nisbett, M. M. Stevens, D. P. Price, P. M. Hockley, A. M. Cross, M. E. Reece, P. M. Merriman, A. W. Moody, S. M. Macauley.

Gibraltar

Lieutenant M. J. Roberts.

Malta

Major D. F. Austin.

Captain M. J. Plummer.

Lieutenants:—S. M. Jones, A. B. Boulton, E. E. Walsh, A. Clark, E. Johnson.

East Africa

Major K. M. Dallas.

Lieutenants:—E. M. N. Lindsay, S. Gamble.

Q.A.R.A.N.C. OTHER RANKS

1st APRIL, 1959—30th JUNE, 1959

B.A.O.R.

Corporals:—Cotton, J., Charity, V. A., McDougall, P.
Lance Corporals:—Logan, M. A., Bannerman, A. M., Such, M.
Privates:—Wilkie, E., Tart, G. E., Caswell, B., Franks, P. M.

M.E.L.F.

Corporal Martin, V. G.
Privates:—Calderbank, M., Crawley, M. E.

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

S/Sergeant Bucholz, S. M.
A/Sergeant Kirby, I. M.
Privates Braithwaite, E. G., Bennett, B. J., Sterry, E. J., Letts, E. V., Barter, V. M., Kearney, J., Milne, C. E.

Malta

Private Gumbs, Y. R.

NOTICES

Nine Q.A.R.A.N.C. Other Ranks were successful in passing the State Final Examination, February, 1959.

Award of Q.A.R.A.N.C. Prize, 1959

The Q.A.R.A.N.C. Prize consisting of a parchment certificate and National Savings Certificate to the value of ten pounds (£10) has been awarded to Q/1002729 Cpl. D. L. M. Brown (S.R.M.N. Nursing Orderly Class 1) for the best written examination paper in any Class 1 trade for the year 1958.

DONATIONS

NOVEMBER, 1958—JUNE, 1959

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Army Benevolent Fund ...	400	0	0	Miss P. M. Garrard	...	2	2
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Major M. Downing	5	0	0	Miss S. A. White	...	3	6
Colchester Branch	12	8	6	Miss W. M. Gedye	...	6	0
				Lt. Col. M. V. Hind	...	1	0
				Miss D. L. Cockman	...	2	6
				Miss F. C. Craig	...	2	6
				Miss M. Wyper	...	6	0
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Major K. Grimshaw ...	10	0	Day Collections) ...	3	2
Capt. M. Waddington ...	10	0	Milbank Branch ...	1	4
Capt. E. M. Munro ...	6	0			
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Waringfield Military			Col. E. Mackaness ...	1	0
Hospital (Corps Day			Dame Louisa Wilkinson	1	1
Collections) ...	2	6	Col. E. F. W. M. Jolly ...	2	0
Rinteln Branch (Corps			Major E. E. Bulterworth	1	0
Day Collections) ...	3	14	Mrs. R. A. MacCallum ...	10	0
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(Corps Day Collections)	4	0	Lt. G. A. Staines ...	10	0
Q.A. Military Hospital,			Miss M. M. Claye ...	1	0
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Collections) ...	12	0			
Military Hospital—Lagos			Gazette Fund		
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Malta Branch (Corps Day			Miss M. Ely ...	2	0
Collections) ...	6	0	Major D. E. Price (Sale of		
Aldershot Branch (Corps			Gazettes) ...	5	0
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Maj. Gen. K. G. Exham—					
per St. Luke's Church—					
Lagos ...	2	10			

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MARRIAGES

For Period Ending 31st MAY, 1959

- Revell**, Capt. M. P. A. to Lt. Col. C. H. Greaves, R.A.D.C., at St. John's Wood, London, on 14th March, 1959.
- Englefield**, Major E. E., to Major P. W. Brewin, R.E.M.E., at Bramshott, Hants, on 21st March, 1959.
- Gould**, Capt. J. G., to P. Smith, Esq., at Garrison Church, Kluang, on 30th March, 1959.
- Pritchard**, Lt. V., to Dvr. W. R. Ransage, R.A.S.C., at Kowloon, Hong Kong, on 4th April, 1959.
- Rusbridge**, Lt. R. N. D., to Capt. P. R. Lucas, Q.O.N.R., at Kadona, Nigeria, on 28th March, 1959.
- Abraham**, Lt. B., to Lt. A. J. Samson, R.A.S.C., Berlin, Germany, on 28th March, 1959.
- Barrett**, Lt. J. C., to F. Chandler, Esq., at Coventry, Warwickshire, on 25th April, 1959.
- Nisbet**, Lt. A. H., to G. Sanger, Esq., at Abington, Scotland, on 25th April, 1959.
- Dean**, Lt. K. B., to B. T. Lomas, Esq., at St. Austell, Cornwall, on 2nd May, 1959.
- Bayman**, Capt. C. M., to R. J. Preedy, Esq., at Kensington, W. London, on 2nd May, 1959.
- Caley**, Captain E. O., to Major J. H. S. Burgess, East Surrey Regt., at Bromsgrove, Warwickshire, on 9th May, 1959.
- Jones**, Lt. S. M., to G. I. W. Drumford, Esq., at Bromley, Kent, on 16th May, 1959.
- Jenkins**, Lt. E. P., to Dr. H. F. Bolton, at Claines, Worcestershire, on 23rd May, 1959.
- Mcgregor**, Lt. L. M., to Capt. N. F. Burke, Para. Regt., at Aldershot, Hants, on 23rd May, 1959.
- Cross**, Lt. A. M., to J. Watson, at Chagford, Devon, on 30th May, 1959.
- Drever, Pte, to Pte Dunn, R.A.M.C.
- Park, Pte, to L/Cpl. Jefferson, R.P.C.
- Oliver, Pte. J. F., to J. Franklin, Esq.
- Marriot, Pte. E. B., to Pte. Foue, R.A.M.C.
- Pearce Pte. K. T. to Pte. Simmons
- Pring, Pte. J. M., to A/Sergt. Spong, R.A.M.C.
- Sellick, L/Cpl. J. A., to Cpl. Dawson, R.A.M.C.
- Pearce, Pte. K. J., to Pte. Summons, R.A.M.C.
- Lindsay, Pte. J., to B. C. Cootes, Esq.
- Beer, Pte. N., to A/Cpl. Nelms, R.A.M.C.
- Steel, Pte. L., to A. Jones, Esq.
- Smith, Pte. P. A., to E. Thompson, Esq.
- Hicklin, Pte. M., to Pte. Dawson, New Zealand Regt.
- Smith, Pte. G. E., to Cpl. Wynn, R.E.M.E.
- Smith, Pte. J. R., to Pte. Barnard, R.A.M.C.
- Walterson, A/Cpl. A. I., to A/Cpl. Collard, R.A.M.C.
- Cotton, Cpl. J., to M. E. Woodcock, Esq.
- Barber, A/Cpl. B., to G. I. Nutini, A.C.C.
- Smallwood, A/Cpl. R. M., to Cpl. Waretini, New Zealand Regt.
- Watterson A/Cpl. A. I. to A/Cpl. Colland, R.A.M.C.

DEATHS

- O'Brien**, Miss M. M., on 18th May, 1959, at Marymount Terrace, Ballmamore, Co. Leitrim, Eire.
- Baxter**, Miss L. B., in February, 1959, at Aberdeen.
- O'Haire**, Catherine Ann, retired Lt. Col., Q.A.R.A.N.C., on May 7th, 1959, at a Nursing Home near Winchester.
- Dixon**, Miss Lizzie Parrish, A.R.R.C., on June 7th, 1959, aged 93 years, at the Washingborough Hall Rest Home, Lincolnshire. She served in the Boer War and 1st World War and awarded the A.R.R.C. and La Medaille Militaire des Epidemies.
- McNells**, Miss Winifred Josephine, on February 6th, 1959, at St. Peters Hospital, Henriette Street, Covent Garden, W.C.2.
- Conyers**, Miss Louisa Florence, on April 11th, 1959, aged 90, later of 128 Bassett Street, Hurstville, Sidney, Australia. She served as Staff Nurse with Q.A.I.M.N.S. Reserve from 15th May, 1915 to 15th May, 1916.
- Beesby**, Miss E. M., peacefully in her sleep on the 7th May, 1959, at Worthing.

GAZETTES RETURNED

- Miss C. G. D. Robertson, 2, Banow Road, Streatham Common, London, S.W.16.
- Pte. H. Shearer, 40, Ferguson Street, Lockside, Ayr, Scotland.
- Lt. J. M. Coleman, 14, Deans Avenue, Freehold Street, Hull, Yorks.
- Lt. M. Pearce, 58, Hillcroft, Loughton, Essex and tried 23, Hilltoys Close.
- Miss J. Lavery, 2, Laurelbank Road, Muirpark, Hamilton, Lanarkshire.
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