



The Gazette



Her Royal Highness unveiling the Commemorative Plaque of the opening of the Depot

Queen Alexandra's Royal Army Nursing Corps Association

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EDITORIAL

A very Happy Christmas to one and all but we are not too certain about happy reading in the GAZETTE. We still find difficulty in procuring articles of news, views, etc. The Serving members are most helpful and do their best to keep us up to date with changes in location, new buildings and other experiences. We have heard it said that the GAZETTE is of interest to Serving members only, but this is not our wish and really without their help we fear there would be little to publish. So what about it, members all, any hope of items such as unusual Exhibitions in your locality, changes of face of town, house hunting or renovation. All sorts of interesting things must be happening to many of you, why not share that interest with us?

We welcome with joy the large number of newly-joined Serving members and do hope that they will continue to be members after posting and attend Branch functions.

It has been proposed that a West Country Branch be formed based at Bath where accommodation has been offered for members to meet. Mrs. E. C. Vick, R.R.C., Chatters, Sturford Lane, Corsley, Warminster, Wilts., would welcome a postcard from Association Members who might be interested in joining this branch. Please, also give address, and suggest the most suitable weekday to attend. In the event of there being sufficient numbers to form a branch a meeting will be arranged and potential members notified.

Our warmest congratulations to all those who have been successful in examinations and courses, and we wish all our members a Very Happy and Prosperous 1968.

CHAIRMAN'S CHRISTMAS MESSAGE

DEAR MEMBERS,

"We have seen His star in the East, and are come to worship Him". As we remember that first Christmas, and those who gathered round the manger, and the joy of all who came, we appreciate anew the meaning of "A Happy Christmas".

A time for remembering all our friends, not forgetting those who have passed into His nearer presence. A time too for seeking out the lonely ones, and extending our hand of "Friendship".

If as you read this, you think, "I am one of the lonely ones", reach out, and find another. In giving friendship, you will receive it. The wise men brought gifts, and went away, richer by far.

And so I wish you all, a truly joyful and Happy Christmas, and a New Year full of hope.

Yours sincerely,

E. FREDA DAVIES.

FIELD OF REMEMBRANCE

Many of our retired and serving members came to Westminster Abbey for the dedication of the Field of Remembrance on November 9th. Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth, the Queen Mother, was present and laid her own cross at this short service. Afterwards she visited the plots and spoke to Dame Margot Turner, the Matron-in-Chief, who was standing at the Association plot.

Dame Margot conducted our brief service and the crosses were laid by Major V. Jones for Q.A.I.M.N.S., Miss M. V. Hind for the Reserve, Miss L. Mills for T.A.N.S. and Miss Baldock for the V.A.D.

QUEEN MARY'S HOUSE, ST. LEONARD'S

The weather was kind on the 28th of September for the Coffee Morning and Bring and Buy Sale.

It was pleasant to meet old friends and we were particularly delighted that Dame Margot Turner, General and Mrs. McLellan, and many other distinguished visitors found time to be with us on the day, some having travelled quite long distances.

To have raised £118 shows the great interest taken in Queen Mary's House and its residents and underlines how generous Q.As. and their friends really are.

We send our grateful thanks to all who helped to make the day such a happy and successful one and also, we wish to assure them that the money will be well spent.

M.B.

ADVANCE NOTICE

The Annual Reunion will be on Saturday, 15th June, 1968, at the usual place, that is The Cafe Royal, Regent Street, London, S.W.1., and cost remains unchanged, i.e. 12/6 for members and 15/- for non-members.

SUBSCRIPTIONS AND DONATIONS CONNECTED WITH THE CORPS AND THE ASSOCIATION

The above must be a little bewildering to many of our members, particularly the younger serving members and it is hoped the following list will help to clarify matters.

1. **Q.A.R.A.N.C. Association.** Address: Haig House, 26 Eccleston Square, London, S.W.1.

Membership subscription 15/- per annum due January 1st. This may be paid by a bankers' order or cheque made payable to Q.A.R.A.N.C. Association Funds.

2. **Q.A.R.A.N.C. Association Benevolent Fund**

Voluntary donations of half day's pay are made by Serving Officers and Junior Ranks—paid through unit arrangements on April 1st. (This is not paid by banker's order.)

N.B.—If any non-serving members who still draw a salary wish to donate in this way it would be greatly appreciated.

3. **Queen Mary's House Fund.** Address: c/o Q.A.R.A.N.C. Association, Haig House, 26 Eccleston Square, London, S.W.1.

All donations to this fund are voluntary and are for the upkeep of Queen Mary's House at St. Leonards. An annual subscription of £1 1s. 0d. or more entitles the donor to become a member of the Fund and a deed of covenant for seven years, paid by banker's order greatly increases the value of the original subscription. This is payable at any time. Cheques are made out to the **Queen Mary's House Fund** and not to the Association. This includes donations to the Lift Fund.

4. **Queen Mary's House Television Fund**

The Association has made itself responsible for paying the rental of the television and this has been done entirely by the help of military branches. Cheques for this should be made out to Q.A.R.A.N.C. Benevolent Fund and earmarked Queen Mary's House Television Fund.

5. **Q.A.R.A.N.C. Headquarters Mess Fund.** Address: 20 John Islip Street, London, S.W.1.

A compulsory subscription is made by Serving Officers only, of one day's pay (or as arranged by the D.A.N.S.) payable January 1st. This may be made by banker's order. This fund is a Corps matter only and has nothing to do with the Association.

Retired officers may elect to pay a modified subscription of 5/- per annum.

6. Q.A.R.A.N.C. Museum Fund

Just to finish off, this fund will also be very grateful for any voluntary donations ! These should be sent to the Hon. Treasurer, Q.A.R.A.N.C. Museum Fund, Ministry of Defence (AMD 4), Lansdowne House, Berkeley Square, London, W.1.

ANNUAL CORPS COCKTAIL PARTY

Once again, Her Royal Highness the Princess Margaret honoured the Officers of the Corps by her presence at their Annual Cocktail Party at the Royal Hospital, Chelsea, on 27th October, 1967.

On arrival she was met by the Colonel Commandant, Brigadier Dame Barbara Cozens, and the Matron-in-Chief, Brigadier Dame Margot Turner, and escorted to the beautiful Governors' Apartments. Here the Princess was presented with a bouquet of Lily-of-the-Valley, pink rose buds and freesias by Lieut. P. M. Mathews. Her Royal Highness wore a diamond-patterned brown velvet frock, and her hair was arranged so that it was well off her face and forehead, caught at the back with a bow of brown velvet, and formed a long page-boy bob. Most attractive.

As always, it was a most enjoyable and successful evening. The Headquarters of the Association was represented by the Chairman, Lt.-Col. Davies, Mrs. Mills and Miss Holmes. Dame Louisa Wilkinson, our Founder Administrator, returned from Canada the day before, looking very well after her holiday, was also present.

NEWS OF BRANCHES

Manchester Branch

It was decided this year to hold a luncheon instead of a dinner and this we had on 7th October, 1967.

The luncheon was held at the Lancashire County Cricket Club and twenty-two members and guests were present.

We were fortunate in having a really beautiful day and were able to go out on to the balcony where we had a lovely view over the ground. It was a very happy and friendly occasion and I think the luncheon was more successful than a dinner.

A collection was taken for the Christmas parcels fund.

The next meeting is the Annual General Meeting which we hope to hold in the Nurses' Home at the Manchester Royal Infirmary on Saturday, 23rd March, 1968.

A. YATES.

Northern Ireland Branch

A meeting of the Branch was held in the Military Wing of Musgrave Park Hospital on 27th September, 1967, and twenty-seven members were present.

After the normal Association business had been discussed a collection was taken and 75 per cent was sent as a donation to the

Benevolent Fund. It was also agreed that next year a Reunion be held in the South of Ireland. This would enable retired members living there to meet half way as some find the distance to Belfast too long a journey.

When the meeting closed, tea was served and an unofficial "meeting" continued.

Bournemouth Branch

Commander Douglas Duff, Royal Navy, wearing the tartan of the Clan MacDuff was the guest-of-honour at the Annual Luncheon held at Linden Hall Hotel on Wednesday, 4th October.

A prolific author (85 books); authority on Middle East affairs and television panellist (he replaced Gilbert Harding in "What's my Line" for six sessions), Commander Duff described the Q.As as the quintessence of the nursing profession. Quoting a line spoken by Nankipoo in the *Mikado* "O, when a man's afraid, a beautiful maid is a cheering sight to see", he dwelt on episodes in his own experience in World War 2, and in particular of his enduring friendship with the Matron and Sisters of the 13th General Hospital at Suez. Those reminiscences were reinforced today at Bournemouth through meeting members he actually knew during his years of service in that particular theatre of war.

Chairman Mrs. Blenkinsop proposed a vote of thanks to Commander Duff, which was graciously seconded by Colonel Margaret Hey.

A raffle followed in which Mr. Blenkinsop caused considerable merriment by drawing his wife's lucky number for the first prize. After shouts of "it's a fiddle" and "shake the bag" had subsided, Mr. Blenkinsop courageously plunged again only to draw the second winning ticket for his wife.

President, Dame Monica Golding, D.B.E., of whom it may be said "Brevity is the soul of wit", both opened and closed the proceedings with a few well chosen words.

While there is always news of illness to a great or lesser degree, it was heartening to see Miss Lidstone, a former senior Principal Matron, in our midst again, as she had been brought very low with an almost fatal illness and has come up smiling.

The overall success of the occasion was due in no small measure to Colonel Dowling's diligence. She recently succeeded Colonel Blair as Branch Secretary. The latter is busily preparing to embark on a tour of Australia and New Zealand.

Hearing in the minutes of a previous meeting that forty-five members with two husbands attended, I hasten to correct any implications of bigamy. This time sixty members and six husbands were present, although the visual impact of the increased male guests was slightly diminished by one of them wearing a skirt.

K. A. TYE.

Brighton and Hove Branch

Since last reporting on our activities we have enjoyed two very different forms of entertainment.

On July 26th, twenty of our members visited Heaver Castle by coach. Our first stop, at a delightful village "local" near Hartfield, for stimulating refreshment, set the keynote for a cheery day. Heaver Castle and contents were absorbingly interesting, and its environs truly gorgeous. They provided a feast of beauty enhanced only by the glorious sunshine.

On September 22nd, comfortably ensconced in the Langford Hotel, we listened to a unique discourse on "Hats and Houses" by Mrs. Greta Raikes. We had no idea what to expect, but the skill and artifice employed in demonstrating the association between architecture and headgear through the ages, served to produce a most amusing and informative collection of data. This was elegantly illustrated in costume by the lecturer and her two wardrobe mistresses, who combined forces most effectively.

It was good to see Miss Stanley present after her serious illness, and she has particularly asked me to thank all those who have been so solicitous and interested in her well-being, both in our branch and elsewhere. The spirit of friendship has been keenly appreciated; (and richly deserved, I might add).

Requests for tickets for our Christmas luncheon are rolling in and we anticipate the best attendance of any function so far. May we take this opportunity of wishing all branches a happy, and memorable Christmas and when the toast at our luncheon is "Friendship", we shall be thinking nostalgically of our contemporaries wherever they may be; trusting they may experience a similar moment of enjoyment.

TERRY BABBAGE.

The proposed South-East Kent Branch of the Association is now a *fait accompli*—almost!—as it officially joins the ever-growing list of new branches in January 1968. Brigadier Dame Barbara Cozens convened an inaugural "get-together" in Canterbury on 2nd October and eighteen people, all ready and willing to join, travelled from a fairly wide area to spend a very pleasant and friendly afternoon together and enjoy an excellent tea prepared by the local Red Cross ladies. As a result of the excellent press coverage given in the various county papers there have been more enquiries since this event took place and the Christmas tea-party, which will be held on 27th November, again in the Red Cross Hall, Canterbury, promises to be an even larger gathering. Dame Barbara kindly allowed her name to be nominated for the office of Chairman and she was duly elected, Mrs. Heywood is the Hon. Treasurer, and Major Mary Bell, 7 The Shrubbery, Upper Walmer, Deal, is the Hon. Secretary to whom all enquiries should be sent.

MARJORIE P. MARRIOTT (Mrs.)

**THE OPENING CEREMONY OF THE DEPOT AND TRAINING
ESTABLISHMENT, Q.A.R.A.N.C. ALDERSHOT, ON
17th OCTOBER, 1967**

Tuesday, 17th October, 1967, will always be a "Red Letter Day" in the Royal Pavilion's Calendar of Events. For on this day, H.R.H. Princess Margaret, Countess of Snowdon, C.I., G.C.V.O., came to open our new training establishment here in Aldershot.

Throughout the morning after a stormy night, threatening grey clouds were prominent and tension mounted as time grew nearer to the exciting event. By 1100 hours the dais had been erected, the carpet laid, microphones were in place and had been tested, umbrellas had been arranged in case of inclement weather, there was much activity on the upper terrace as important guests began to arrive, and the sun was shining. Wonderful !

At 11.30 hours the excitement rose as horses' hooves were heard on the drive. This was the escort of Mounted Military Police heralding the approach of the Princess. Her personal Standard was broken and this was the signal that she had arrived.

At the front steps H.R.H. was received by Lord Ashburton, Lord Lieutenant of the County of Hampshire, and it was here that the Princess met our Colonel-Commandant, Brigadier Dame



The arrival of Her Royal Highness

(By courtesy of the Nursing Times)



Her Royal Highness watching First-Aid Demonstration

Barbara Cozens, D.B.E., R.R.C., Brigadier Dame Margot Turner, D.B.E., R.R.C., Q.H.N.S., the Director of our Army Nursing Services, and last, but by no means least, our own Commandant of the Depot, Colonel B. M. Robertson, A.R.R.C.

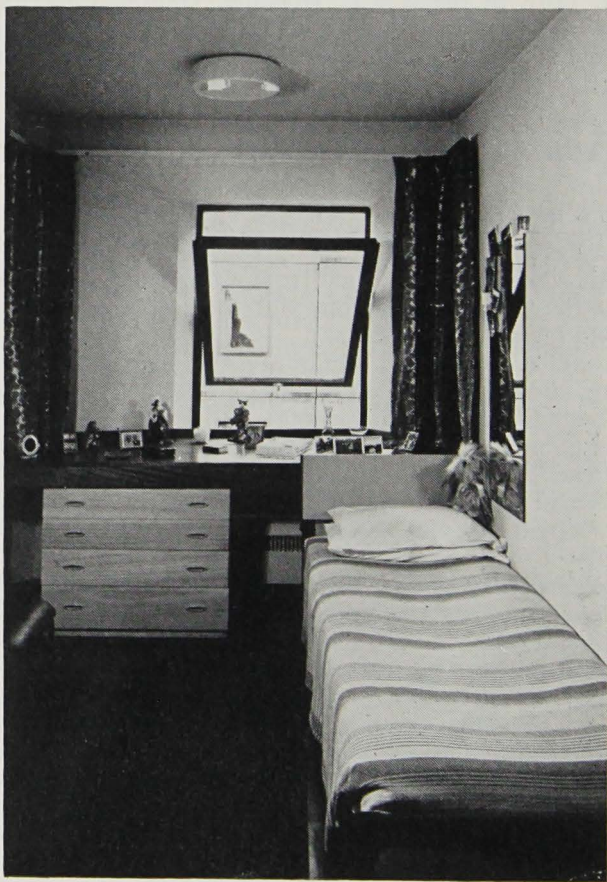
Wearing an off-white coat with a beaver collar, and a close fitting hat of brown and white pony skin and the Q.A. badge brooch at the throat of her frock, Her Royal Highness was then escorted up the steps towards the dais, past the lining party of Q.A.R.A.N.C. recruits. On the dais, she was received with a Royal Salute, the National Anthem having been played by the Band of the Royal Army Medical Corps.

Dame Margot then gave an address of welcome and invited H.R.H. to unveil the commemorative plaque. This was a large, circular, bronze plaque, beautifully engraved and placed in situation on the outside wall of the Officers' Mess.

After the unveiling ceremony and the Band, accompanied by the Trumpeters playing "Gentle Maiden", the Corps march, Her Royal Highness gave an encouraging speech and was afterwards presented with a small posy of rosebuds and lily of the valley by Private V. Denton, the youngest student. The Princess then met the guests on the upper terrace and commenced her tour of the Depot.

Her first stop was the Museum, where she spent quite some time, after which she met Senior Mess members of the W.O's and Sgts.' Mess and also instructors and recruits of the Basic Training Unit where she was met by Major Hilliard, Senior Nurse Tutor, and was shown a demonstration of First Aid by the students.

After visiting the Library and showing great interest in the visual aids, Her Royal Highness proceeded to the Officers' Instructional Wing where she met our Chief Instructor, Lieutenant Colonel M. Gara. From there the Princess visited the N.A.A.F.I., or Junior Ranks Club as it is now called, their Dining Hall, and toured one floor of their living accommodation. Here she showed concern as there appeared to be no bathrooms. Reassured on this point and satisfying herself by inspecting them, one realises that she is keenly



Student Nurses' Study Bedroom

interested in the day-to-day welfare of the members of the Corps and not just in seeing them from time to time.

In the Officers' Mess, where she lunched, Her Royal Highness met the Rt. Hon. G. W. Reynolds, Minister of Defence (Army), Mess members and many guests and left the Depot at 14.30 hours by way of the Officers' Mess front entrance. Again Q.A.R.A.N.C. personnel and guests lined the route.

October 17th was a memorable day for those retired members of the Q.A.R.A.N.C. as well as for those of us who are still serving in a Corps with a proud and noble reputation such as ours.

F. J. CHALMERS (L/Cpl.)

INTER-NURSING SERVICES TENNIS TOURNAMENT

The Inter-Nursing Services Tennis Tournament was held on 19th July, 1967, at the R.A.F. Hospital, Halton. Captains E. M. Steele and B. A. Fennell represented the Corps. The result: a win for the Q.A.R.N.N.S., with P.M.R.A.F.N.S. as runners-up. Better luck next year Q.A.R.A.N.C.

TREK TO RUSSIA VIA THE ARCTIC CIRCLE

JUNE/JULY 1967

To visit Russia and Malaysia was something I often dreamt about when I was at school.

A short while ago, I returned from a thirty-day camping trek to Russia via the Arctic Circle, along with fourteen other people whose ages ranged from 21 to 50 years.

We took a route via Hamburg, Copenhagen, Stockholm, Jonkoping, Sundsval, Skelleftea, Arctic Circle (Rovaniemi), then down through Finland to Lapenranta.

Before going on to tell you about Russia, I must mention the rising of the Midnight Sun in Rovaniemi, a most unusual and delightful experience. It was also in Finland that I went "log walking". Great fun for swimmers, but nerve-racking for non-swimmers.

Lapenranta was our place for cleaning up. The minibus had to be thoroughly cleaned, as it is an offence for tourists in Russia to have a dirty vehicle. Why did our minibus have to be white?

Vyborg was where we crossed the border, and waved goodbye to our smiling Finnish guard, only to be greeted by a solemn Soviet Border guard. For two and a half hours we waited while the guards searched our luggage, equipment and minibus. The lower part of the bus was examined with the aid of mirrors on wheels. Much to our amazement, fresh fruit is not allowed to be taken into Russia, so we had to sit and consume it on the spot, or have it confiscated. Our two and a half hours were not wasted.

The countryside for the first few miles was desolate and depressing. We passed many Red Army vehicles and police checkpoints.

The soldiers are very smart, but the roads are dreadful. Shabby-looking farms and poor villages began to appear along the way. Children ran out on to the road shouting and trying to stop the bus. We later discovered that they wanted chewing gum. This happened throughout our stay in Russia; also people asked for biro pens, offering one rouble (8/-) each. Some Australian men that we met, obviously knew beforehand, they did a wonderful trade.

At last we arrived in Leningrad. Our camping site was pleasantly situated near the sea. The majority of its occupants were American. For our stay in Russia, we had to have an intourist guide travel with us. Our guide was called Valentine—a rather abrupt gentleman (definitely brain-washed!) He seemed quite human towards the end. We were very amused when he told us that he was married with two children, and still paid bachelor tax. It seems that they do this until they have had three children; then they pay income tax. The State Department encourage large families.

Valentine drilled us around Leningrad, which was wrapped in scaffolding. They are preparing for the celebrations of the 50th Anniversary of the 1917 Revolution. We were lectured on Lenin, Lenin and more Lenin. Political history before 1917 was not mentioned. Statues of the city's namesake greeted you at every corner.

In Nevsky Prospekt (main street), I met a Russian student of music, who told me of his longing to travel, especially to London. I was treated to my first Russian icecream—which really is delicious. I spent one afternoon roaming around the beautiful fountain gardens of Petrodvorek, a summer palace. Leningrad, although a great historical City, cradle of three revolutions, so full of museums and galleries, it left little impression upon me.

Novogorod was our next stop. Here a female guide walked us around, and talked for two hours about how the town was demolished by the "Nazi". A word she spoke with obvious distaste.

A night stop was made at Kalin, where we were invaded by mosquitoes. The first thing that Valentine brought to our notice at each camp site was the hose for car washing. He inspected the bus each morning. We were thinking of parading up alongside, but he failed to understand the British sense of humour.

Moscow at last, the capital of U.S.S.R. The centre of politics, administration and culture. A wonderful city, with an incredibly fast pace of life. Wide new streets, the old Kremlin, and vast palace-like Metro station. Theatres, galleries and museums. Relaxing green boulevards and picturesque parks. I could hardly believe it when I was there, standing in Red Square and seeing such places as the Kremlin, Lenin's Tomb (a rather morbid attraction), the Bolshoi Theatre and Gum (the main department store in Moscow).

Although I enjoyed my stay in Moscow and liked the city very much, there were still things that kept reminding me that Russians live such an entirely different way of life. I am certainly glad that it is

not my homeland, for I could not visualize myself driving a steam-roller, or working on road repairs as some of the Russian women were doing in Moscow.

Smolensk and Minsk were our last calls in Russia. Smolensk was completely demolished by war and is just in the process of being rebuilt. The children here had never heard of chewing gum, so we were popular; there I met a student of English, whose father turned out to be a military doctor in the Red Army. We also saw here three Chinese men wearing the uniform of the Soviet Army.

En route to Minsk, we came across a local funeral in one of the villages. It seemed very strange to us. The corpse in an open coffin was being carried by a group of men and escorted by other adults and children playing drums and ringing bells through the village.

Minsk is quite a modern town, rather like Moscow on a smaller scale.

We crossed from Russia into Poland at Brest. It was here we said farewell to Valentine, who stated he was envious of our freedom to travel, and that it would not come in his lifetime, for Russians to do this.

Our homeward journey brought us through Poland, Germany and Belgium.

Many people have asked me of my impressions of Russia and her inhabitants. It is very difficult to answer all of the questions put to me. Russian people are so different and the majority appear to be very simple-minded individuals. I fail to see how Communism can be a happy way of life. Slogans head department stores and apartment buildings saying—"Progress to Communism". The Hammer and Sickle, with Lenin, are dominant everywhere.

Driving through the poverty stricken villages and countryside, it seemed as if we were in another age, only to be brought abruptly back to the present in places like Moscow and Minsk; modern and reasonably prosperous, but not modern enough for the mini-skirt fashion.

Visiting the U.S.S.R. was most interesting and very enjoyable, but I certainly have no wish to make a return journey, unlike Malaysia, where I was fortunate enough to be stationed for a while, and would willingly return tomorrow.

J. HAYES (Q/Cpl.)

CAMBRIDGE MILITARY HOSPITAL, ALDERSHOT

The Prize-Giving Ceremony at the Cambridge Military Hospital took place on Tuesday, 18th July, 1967. The Commanding Officer, Colonel J. Irvine, O.B.E., welcomed all relatives and friends and introduced Brigadier R. J. Niven, M.C., who was to make the presentations. He then asked Major M. J. P. Webster, A.R.R.C., for her report on the nurse training for the year.

Major Webster reported that Block-Week Training continued which permitted nurses to be full-time students for six to eight weeks annually. The total number of nurses under training on that day was 148, of which 56 were R.A.M.C. and 92 Q.A.R.A.N.C. Since 1966, 33 candidates became Army Trained Nurses and 17 passed the State Final Examination. The chief aim of the Teaching Department was to produce good nurses, and while it is inevitable that a few students should show outstanding qualities during their training—and it is fitting that these students should be suitably rewarded—it should never be forgotten that the term “A Good Nurse” is a certain prizewinner throughout life and this should be the aim of all who pass through this Training School.

She then requested Brigadier Niven to present Certificates and Prizes to the students who successfully completed their courses.

CERTIFICATES AWARDED

Operating Theatre Technician, Class II... Pte. Whiting, R.A.M.C.
Medical Assistant, Class II Pte. Bull, R.A.M.C.

Certificates were presented to Students who had qualified as Operating Theatre Technicians, Laboratory Technicians, Radiographers, Hygiene Assistants, Army Male Nurse and Army Nurse Class 1 and 2 during the last year.

Army Trained Nurse Certificates were received by:

R.A.M.C.:	Cpl. Stott	Pte. Webster
	L/Cpl. Foulds	Pte. Cumberbatch
	Pte. Nicholson	
Q.A.R.A.N.C.:	A/Sgt. Chambers	Cpl. Basneth
	A/Sgt. Nelson	Cpl. Earls
	A/Sgt. Reid	Cpl. Cooper
	A/Sgt. Whelan	L/Cpl. Joensen
	A/Sgt. Yeomans	L/Cpl. Roberts
	Cpl. Allen	L/Cpl. Whalley
	Cpl. Fagan	A/L/Cpl. Loughry
	Cpl. Pars	Pte. Evans
	Cpl. Treacey	Pte. Stacey

Army Trained Nurse Certificates and Passed State Final:

R.A.M.C.:	Sgt. Grant
Q.A.R.A.N.C.:	Pte. Rolfe.

PRIZES AWARDED

1st Year

1st Prize	...	...	Pte. Cheshire	Q.A.R.A.N.C.
2nd Prize	...	...	Pte. Bridges	Q.A.R.A.N.C.

2nd Year

1st Prize	...	...	Pte. Hoare	R.A.M.C.
			Pte. Hoare	Q.A.R.A.N.C.

2nd Prize	...	...	Pte. Williams (<i>in absentia</i>)	Q.A.R.A.N.C.
3rd Prize	...	...	Pte. Matthew	R.A.M.C.

Final Year

Medicine	...	...	Cpl. Emmerson	Q.A.R.A.N.C.
Surgery	...	...	Pte. Osborne	Q.A.R.A.N.C.
Practical Nursing	...	...	Pte. Evans	Q.A.R.A.N.C.

Tutor's Prize for Academic Progress

Cpl. Thomson R.A.M.C. S.R.N.

Matron's Prize for General Efficiency

Pte. Webster R.A.M.C.
L/Cpl. Quinan Q.A.R.A.N.C.

The Dame Monica Golding Prize for the Best Pupil Midwife 1966-67

Lieut. V. A. Poole Q.A.R.A.N.C.

No. 2 (BRITISH) GENERAL HOSPITAL REUNION DINNER

Once again over fifty members of the Unit, their wives or husbands, met at the V.A.D. Ladies Club, 44 Great Cumberland Place, for the annual dinner on 7th October, 1967. It really does show the great spirit of comradeship which always prevails in the Unit that so many meet each year, either to hear about the doings of the past year or, for those who cannot attend each year, what has been happening to colleagues since last they met. Messages were read from several members who were unable to be with us this year but hope to come next year.

This year we were very happy to have with us Betty Lorimer of the Y.W.C.A. We can never forget how kind she was to us and made life in the desert more bearable.

As always it was a most enjoyable evening coupled with an excellent dinner.

The Dinner next year will be on 12th October, 1968, same time, same place, and the Chairman will be Mrs. Ruth Newberry.

As stated previously, any Nursing Officer who ever served with No. 2 (British) General Hospital and would like to attend this function would be most welcome, and should contact Mrs. E. Casenove (Effie McLean), 14 The Little Boltons, Kensington, London, S.W.10.

A MATCHBOX ON A MUFFIN

It is only whilst it is happening that one can remember enough to record true impressions and feelings about any events.

So, whilst still preparing to move into the new B.M.H. Berlin, here are a few impressions jotted down at random.

It always seems a little unfair that those who have been with it "since it was just a hole in the ground", those who have had most to do with the planning and preparation of the building, are not

there to see and use the fruits of their labours. However, we who are here to reap the fruits, still have many headaches ahead so let us not get too starry-eyed about the joys until the many settling-in problems are surmounted. With time no doubt the scales will balance in our favour.

It is said to be the most modern military hospital in the world. The main differences between the old and new will perhaps be an intensive care unit, with duty station and a patient monitoring machine. There will also be closed circuit television in essential places. There is to be a radio pillow in which the patient can listen to the radio, and can also call and speak to one of the nursing staff or they can call him. The bleep system for calling itinerant members of the staff is not new generally, but it will be new for us. There is also to be an intercom system between administrative offices which saves the telephone lines.



Major E. M. Hewson and Lieut. L. J. Tabener at the entrance of the new British Military Hospital, Berlin, opened on 1st June, 1967.

It is a vast building and of a very modern design, shaped like a matchbox on a muffin. The muffin is the extensive ground floor filled with clinics, out-patient departments, and others such as the operating theatres, pathological laboratory, the dispensary, X-ray and central supply department. The administrative offices are there too and all these surround an entrance hall where an ultra-modern fountain plays in a pebble-lined pool and the walls are to be lined with flower boxes and a gold fish tank. The Medical Centre will be there too. This will be convenient for the families as the hospital is right on their doorstep. I don't suppose any Medical Centre has ever been so close to practically all the married quarters. There will be no travelling problem for them so it will probably increase the numbers attending, and of course it will be easier for friends and relations to visit. When they arrive, up-patients will be able to entertain their visitors in the entrance hall with all its scenic beauty and a Toc H Canteen for refreshments.

The matchbox towers up from the centre of the muffin and provides six more storeys of stark masonry and glass. Fortunately, an important part of the modernity of this hospital is its lifts. There are four of them. Two for beds and trolleys and two for passengers only. They glide smoothly and quietly from top to bottom and vice-versa, the top being the nurses' quarters, the bottom being the Cellar where there is a warren of tunnels leading to the hospital kitchens and the various stores. And that is not all. There is another underground hospital with walls six feet thick; we are, after all, in a divided city surrounded by "The Wall".

But to stay in the lift for a while. With an imperceptible movement and a melodious ding-dong the door glides back and you're probably at the first floor, so this is the Surgical Ward immediately above the operating theatre, and as the lift is big enough to take a bed there will be no problem in transporting the patient in warmth and comfort from one to the other.

Going up, and ding-dong we alight on the second floor which is the Medical Ward. Then the third floor which is the Officers' Ward, Families and Children's Ward. (Problems are forecast from first impressions of that quarter.)

The fourth floor, the Maternity Ward, and still ding-donging we reach the fifth floor where St. John provides space and relaxation, books and billiards for the adventurous patient, and the Chaplains' and tutors' departments provide more than enough space for the occasional church service and/or the student in search of knowledge. The nurses' quarters on the sixth floor are extensive and provide everything they could want, including a magnificent view of Berlin, and if they care to climb another few stairs they can take their deck chairs on to the flat roof and sunbathe in the summer sun without a thought of being overlooked, unless perhaps from a low flying aircraft. These quarters are for civilian nurses and any Q.A.R.A.N.C.

junior ranks who might be lucky enough to be posted to Berlin, or just come on holiday. It is not everywhere they will have a brand new room with fitted carpet and thick gold curtains, beds that fold away in the day time and, of course, their own bathroom. A kitchen with electric cooker, a fridge with individual locker space and a laundry room with deep sink and electric twin-tub washing machine. It is all there. The Officers' Mess has nothing on these quarters and most of us would be quite happy to change over if only for the view and the silence of a sound-proofed building.

The Officers' Mess is in the same compound as the hospital. Just a few yards away across a nicely landscaped garden. Officers of the Medical, Dental and Nursing Corps are under the same roof, though in fact there are two messes separated by sliding doors. There is plenty of space, and though we say the nurses' quarters are much better placed, fitted and furnished than the Officers' Mess, no doubt we shall make do.

There is a feeling of excitement and a crescendoing of the work load now that the *move* is so near. But it is an excitement tempered with sadness because we shall miss this rather ugly old building which is imbued with a sort of lived-in character, built in over the years by the hard work and forethought of those who have administered it. It has needed a lot of improvisation to make it into a workable and comfortable hospital, but only the other day a patient said to me "you know we'll miss this creaking old building. It's a happy place and it's got atmosphere". I think my reply was "well I would like it to have a few more and better bathrooms and drains. As to atmosphere, we will soon live the right atmosphere into the new B.M.H. when some of the newness has rubbed off."

To quote:—"There is beginning to every great matter, but it is the continuing of it unto the end, till it be thoroughly finished that yields the true glory".

NEWS OF MEMBERS

Miss Josephine Condon has now left Yeovil and is living with her sister in Blackrock, Co. Dublin. We are very sorry to hear of her recent illness and send our best wishes for a speedy recovery.

Major Grace Thompson, having retired as Matron of the Erith Hospital, is now re-employed in the Corps and stationed at the Medical Reception Station, Rhyl.

Mrs. Kit Hinde (née Stanley) of the Bournemouth Branch, who has been ill for some time, we are very pleased to say, is now in her own home and progressing well. Our very best wishes to her.

Mrs. Ann Holt (née Catherall) is now living in Crowborough and although has a husband and three small girls to look after, finds time to do part-time nursing duties at a local hospital.

Capt. A. E. Hughes, ex-Q.A.R.A.N.C., who left the Corps in 1966, married in October 1967 and emigrated to Canada. Her name is now Mrs. Gordon Leslie Dobson and we wish her the best of luck in her new life out there.



Lieut.-Col. B. C. Jennings, T.D., late R.A.M.C. (T.A.), and Mrs. Jennings (*née* Watson, former Q.A.I.M.N.S.(R)), who were married quietly at Market Harborough in May this year. They met in July 1940, en route for Malta, and served there for over three years. This happy picture was taken at the wedding of a friend, two weeks after their own wedding.

YOU CAN'T HAVE THAT IT'S PACKED !

"In June we will close the hospitals at Bowen Road and Mount Kellett and simultaneously we will open King's Park".

How very simple it all sounds.

This does not, of course, give any indication of the geography of the move or the politics of the local population, both of which were to complicate the issue.

Hong Kong consists of an island and a peninsula of the mainland backed by a small area of the New Territories. The two original hospitals are on the Island, the new one is half way up the peninsula.

In June 1966 we had very heavy rains which washed the only main road to Mount Kellett away leaving a track which had to be crossed with great care. Three-ton trucks were out of the question. A year of work on this road had almost restored it to full weight bearing . . . almost . . . This was snag number one.

The movement of all stores and equipment and finally the patients and staff to the new hospital was planned down to the last nut and bolt and required the use of many trucks and the Vehicular Ferry to cross the water to the mainland. The ferries went on strike in early June . . . Snag number two.

The appearance of a large fleet of military vehicles. All heading for the border (actually for King's Park but the direction is the same), might make our Chinese neighbours uneasy in view of the Left Wing activities at this time . . . snag number three.



BRITISH MILITARY HOSPITAL, HONG KONG
Main entrance to Hospital on right—to Quarters on the left.



The move of the Q.A.R.A.N.C. Officers' Mess, B.M.H. Bowen Road,
on the 15th June, 1967.
Lieut. E. Glennon, Q.A.R.A.N.C. and S/Sgt. Jones, R.A.M.C. loading luggage.

Finally, it is extremely difficult to move anything anywhere if two or three thousand left wing Chinese are rioting on all routes and abandon their vehicles—buses and trucks at strategic points. Every other military unit was confined to its unit area. *How* were we going to move hospitals?

This was the general position in early June but by a system similar to “dodging the raindrops” the move went on.

Unrecognisable local transport was employed at first and on the quiet days loads of stores and equipment left the two old hospitals and made their way to the new buildings in Kowloon when the

ferries were running, "our men" were on them; when the left wing elements were quiet we were on the move; on riot days we waited patiently (well almost patiently, actually the left wing must have had red ears as well as red books !). The Mount Kellett Road opened only five days late so their move became possible.

Roughly half the equipment from each ward and department was packed and sent to Kowloon, the remainder and the patients were to follow soon after. For a day or two "But we've only got one" became second most popular phrase to "You can't have *that* it's packed".

More than half the staff left the old hospitals and went to Kings' Park to be followed by the remainder four days later. On June 15th,



The move of B.M.H. Bowen Road, June 1967

with the temperature at 93° F., we closed the Q.A.R.A.N.C. Mess at Bowen Road, not without feelings of regret as it holds happy memories for most of us. A week later Mount Kellett Mess closed, and we are now in our new home at King's Park.

Each room has a balcony with a lovely view and has been furnished with new furniture, lifts serve each floor and senior staff have a sitting room and bedroom linked by their own private staircase in what is really a miniature flat.

So here we are in our new hospital with the usual "teething troubles". Lifts take time to "run in"; air conditioners stop conditioning and water is rationed for civilians and may soon affect us.

To round off the first week Mrs. Cassal, wife of a L/Bdr., produced triplets, all girls, and all doing very well.

It has been "never a dull moment" in the last few months but the new B.M.H. Hong Kong will be worth it.

CAPT. SHEILA GARRICK.

SOMEONE TO LUNCH

Salmon Mousse (or Crab)

1 envelope ($\frac{1}{2}$ oz.) Davis Gelatine dissolved in 3 tablespoons hot water.

One 8 oz. tin cheapest Salmon or Crab or fresh Crab if obtainable.

$\frac{1}{4}$ pint Mayonnaise.

1 tablespoon Vinegar or Lemon Juice.

1 small tin Ideal Evaporated Milk.

Flake Salmon and mix with Mayonnaise—seasoning well. Whip evaporated milk and fold it in, then add gelatine and lemon juice or vinegar. Pour into serving bowls and leave to set.

Can be served with green salad (shredded), potato salad or peas with rice and tomato jelly.

Tomato Jelly

$\frac{3}{4}$ pint Tomato Juice.

$\frac{1}{4}$ pint boiling water.

1 envelope ($\frac{1}{2}$ oz.) Davis Gelatine. Worcester Sauce, salt and pepper to taste, chopped chives or green from spring onions.

Dissolve Gelatine with $\frac{1}{4}$ pint boiling water—cool—add Tomato Juice and seasoning. The Worcester Sauce adds piquancy. Allow to set firm. Sprinkle with chopped parsley.

The Sweet

One small tin of Ideal Evaporated Milk.

$\frac{1}{2}$ oz. Davis Gelatine.

1 Orange or Lemon or $\frac{1}{2}$ pint Bottled Fruit Juice (any flavour) or $\frac{1}{2}$ pint Black Coffee.

If fresh fruit or coffee is used, add sugar to taste, less is required for bottled fruit juice.

Basic plan of action using fresh fruit—

1. Stir Gelatine in a teacup of boiling water till dissolved.
2. Finely grate peel from lemon or orange.
3. Squeeze juice from the chosen fruit.
4. Place 1, 2 and 3 in a bowl and add $\frac{1}{2}$ pint water—the sugar—
(taste).
5. Place bowl in fridge. or cool place until sloppy jelly has formed—
then
6. Add to bowl of stiffly beaten Evaporated Milk.

Pour into individual dishes or into serving bowl and place in fridge. or cool place till required.

Decorate with anything suitable, *i.e.* coloured or chocolate hundreds and thousands. Serve with Boudoir biscuits or sponge fingers.

If using coffee or bottled fruit juice just add $\frac{1}{2}$ pint to the dissolved gelatine and allow to set till sloppy.

This sweet is light, tasty and easily digested and no trouble for oral furniture : real, plastic, or none at all.

OFFICERS PENSION SOCIETY

The Annual General Meeting of the Officers' Pension Society was held on Wednesday, 28th June, 1967, at the Victory Club, Seymour Street, London, W.2. Before the meeting, members who wished to do so, were able to take luncheon with members of the Council.

General the Lord Bourne, G.C.B., K.B.E., C.M.G., the Chairman, opened the meeting and the annual report was given. Membership was now 30,012. Members of the Council were trying to persuade newly retired officers to join the Society. Letters from the Council were being sent to these officers.

The Captain Bullock Presentation Fund stood at £528. Money was still coming in.

Although the Chairman said that he could not point to any substantial success made by the Society during the past year, persistent efforts were being made for parity of pensions and top priority was being given to increases for the older officers and widows. Repeated consultations with the Minister of Defence or his representative had been unfruitful, because of the financial state of the country. Even a Bill put forward at a Private Reading in Parliament recommending increases in Army Pensions, was defeated by nine votes.

The meeting was closed at 3.30 p.m. The Association was represented at the luncheon and the meeting by Colonel P. G. Bennett, C.B.E., R.R.C., Vice Chairman, and Mrs. J. Hamilton.

If any member of the Association wishes to know more about the Society she should write to:

The General Secretary,
Officers' Pension Society,
137 Victoria Street,
Westminster,
London, S.W.1.

ITEMS OF INTEREST

Do you know the present rates of pay, etc., for Army Nursing Sisters, in other words, Officers of Queen Alexandra's Royal Army Nursing Corps?

Starting salary as a Lieutenant is £794 (slightly different to £62 10s. 0d. in 1932). As a Captain, *i.e.* after four years, £967, and a Major (after twelve years' service) £1,469. Full board and living quarters, uniform, laundering of same, and sports facilities are either free or subsidised.

Your grand-daughters, daughters or young relatives might be interested and we know it is a good life, don't we?

The British Red Cross Society Holiday Home for physically handicapped persons at Minehead is in urgent need of an Assistant Matron. Any retired or about to be retired Q.A. interested should write to Miss P. F. Hill, County Welfare Officer, B.R.C.S. Somerset Branch, Red Cross House, 220 Greenway Road, Taunton.

The Territorials—now Army Volunteer Reserve

The Queen Alexandra's Royal Army Nursing Service (Territorial Army) was formed on July 1st, 1950, for the purpose of maintaining an establishment of fully trained nursing officers who were prepared to undertake full-time military service at home or overseas in times of national emergency. During peacetime, nursing officers were posted to and trained with particular medical units. The Territorial Army was thus an auxiliary service not a reserve.

Once again this voluntary service has been reorganised. In a nuclear war the United Kingdom could be a target for massive attack. The force which replaces the Territorial Army and the Army Emergency Reserve is known as the **Army Volunteer Reserve**. Where it differs from the old Territorial Army is in its modern equipment and closer relationship with the Regular Army.

Units are being established at the following locations:

217 (Eastern)	General Hospital, Walworth, S.E.17.
257 (Eastern)	General Hospital, Harrow.

219 (Wessex)	General Hospital, Bath.
211 (Wessex)	Casualty Clearing Station, Plymouth.
207 (Manchester)	General Hospital.
208 (Liverpool)	General Hospital.
202 (Midland)	General Hospital, Birmingham.
203 (Welsh)	General Hospital, Cardiff.
201 (Northern)	General Hospital, Newcastle upon Tyne.
212 (Sheffield)	Casualty Clearing Station.
205 (Scottish)	General Hospital, Edinburgh.
204 (North Irish)	General Hospital, Belfast.

If you are interested in this type of service which has much to give to the individual, then you can write to the units mentioned for information about their vacancies.



Opening of the new Nurse Training Department at the Military Hospital, Colchester. The ceremony was performed on 24th May, 1967, by Major-General A. Maclennan, O.B.E., M.B., Deputy Director of Medical Services, H.Q. Eastern Command.

The Reference Library was presented by Mrs. F. N. Huckson, wife of the late Mr. Huckson, in appreciation of the care he received as a patient in the Hospital.

Front row, from left to right: Major M. F. J. Treacy, A.R.R.C., Q.A.R.A.N.C., Nurse Tutor; Lieut.-Col. F. M. Sands, A.R.R.C., Q.A.R.A.N.C., Matron; Major-General A. Maclennan, O.B.E., M.B., D.D.M.S., H.Q. Eastern Command; Mrs. F. N. Huckson; Colonel W. J. Irwin, L/R.A.M.C., Officer Commanding Military Hospital, Colchester.

THE OFFICERS' ASSOCIATION

The Officers' Association was formed by the late Field Marshal Earl Haig in 1919 for the purpose of promoting the welfare of all those who have at any time, held a Commission in our Naval, Military and Air Forces and of the wives, widows, children and dependants of such persons. On the formation of the British Legion in 1921, the Officers Association adopted the additional title of "The Officers' Benevolent Department of the British Legion" but continued to operate under its own Royal Charter, with the Monarch as Patron and with its own Presidents, Vice-Presidents, Council and Committees.

The Association's activities are four-fold:

(a) **Relief of distress.** The Association gives financial help to needy ex-officers and their dependants including the provision of clothing. In the financial year 1965/66 it made 7,947 awards at a cost of £129,060, of which £26,184 was provided by other Charities.

(b) **Homes.** The Association maintains a Country Home in South Devon for 35 elderly ex-officers of limited means and, near Watford in Hertfordshire, it has a Garden Homes Estate of twelve bungalows for needy disabled ex-officers and their families.

The Association holds the right of nomination in some other Homes for the elderly and will assist generally in finding suitable permanent and convalescent Homes for elderly applicants. In the financial year 1965/66 it placed 154 individuals in Homes and also gave financial assistance to a further 61 who found places in Homes for themselves.

(c) **Pensions.** The Association advises on all matters concerning Service Retired Pay and Pensions, assists in the preparation of disability and war widows' pension appeals and arranges representation at the hearings of the Pensions Appeal Tribunals. In its general work on pension questions the Association co-ordinates its activities with all the other ex-Service organisations interested in the welfare of ex-Service officers and their dependants. In the financial year 1965/66, 912 cases were handled.

(d) **Resettlement and Employment.** The Association assists ex-officers to re-settle in civilian life and to find employment. It is available for advice to serving officers at any time but will not register them for employment until they are within three months of leaving the Service. It works in close co-operation with the Ministry of Labour and with other Service Employment agencies and is linked with the Regular Forces Resettlement Service administered by the Ministry of Labour.

Many thousands of ex-officers have been placed in employment by this Department. In the financial year 1965/66 it directly placed 563 ex-officers in employment and helped a further 697 to place themselves.

The Association is greatly assisted by Honorary Representatives throughout the United Kingdom, in Commonwealth countries and in many foreign countries where there are sizeable British communities, and these Representatives investigate cases and recommend appropriate action to the Association's Headquarters. Members of the Relief Committee visit the Association's Headquarters every working day to decide what assistance should be given. Under this system help is swift and effective. Over £100,000 a year is distributed in this way on the relief of distress.

Funds to carry on the Association's work come mainly from the Annual Poppy Day Collection, the British Legion, the King George Fund for Sailors, the Army Benevolent Fund, the Royal Air Force Benevolent Fund and from legacies and private donations which are greatly welcomed. It works in close co-operation with all the Service charities and with Corps and Regimental Benevolent Funds. The Association has special working arrangements with the Officers' Families Fund, the Housing Association for Officers' Families and the ex-Services War Disabled Help Department of the Joint Committee of the Order of St. John and the British Red Cross Society.

The Association also works very closely with other National charities and benevolent funds from whom it obtains assistance in cases of ex-officers who have had a professional or other civilian career.

Calls on the Association for financial help have been so heavy that expenditure has exceeded income for many years, resulting in considerable depletion of the Association's funds.

Anyone hearing of cases of distress among ex-officers or their widows or dependants, or any ex-officer requiring help, is invited to contact the General Secretary, The Officers' Association, 28 Belgrave Square, London, S.W.1 (Tel. 01-235 8112). The Association also has Branches in Scotland at 223 Drumsheugh Gardens, Edinburgh 3 (Tel. 031 6684) and at 1 Fitzroy Place, Glasgow, C.3 (Tel. 041 CDN 8141) and the Scottish Branch runs a Nursing Home for male ex-officers in Edinburgh. It also has Branches in Northern Ireland at the War Memorial Building, 5 Waring Street, Belfast 1 (Tel. 0232 24025), and in Eire at 2 Martello Terrace, Sandycove, Co. Dublin (Tel. Dublin 801673).

JOURNEYS THROUGH TIME

Extracts from a research project given to young students at the Depot who are waiting to start nurse training and do not require additional courses.

INTRODUCTION

Most of the visitors to the historic city of York find their way sooner or later to the York Castle Museum. This institution is one of the largest and most noted of the Folk Museums in England, and it

possesses unique features of interest which, since its opening in 1938, have attracted visitors not only from the British Isles but from many other countries.

Its collections of antiquities and by-gones offer a story in simple terms, at once homely and historic. They cover the ordinary everyday things of life and objects of personal use in the home; the equipment of private and work-a-day existence. They tell us in fact, the story of our own heritage, background and traditions.

The collections in the Castle Museum include objects of antiquity connected with practically every aspect of domestic and social life from the 17th century onwards, arranged in a series of period rooms and galleries, each dealing with a particular era, trade, occupation or activity and presented, wherever possible, in natural setting.

The Museum is visited by at least half-a-million people every year. There is no substitute for a visit to the Castle Museum and it is hoped that readers will feel the desire to see for themselves. Only on such a visit will the value of the following be appreciated.

MOORLAND COTTAGE

This tiny, raftered room represents "industry in quiet places". The 200-year-old sliding sash windows—typical of 18th century Yorkshire must have rattled under Moorland gales, heard the soft whisper of the snow and helped to shelter generations of north-country folk as they sat around the glowing peat fire.

The spinning wheel catered only for the use of the household and was not in use for cottage industry.

The 17th century cradle was still in use in Victorian times and the sash windows are still to be seen in at least one village near York.

Propped up in one corner are two quite useless, hollow glass walking sticks filled with "hundreds and thousands" and the candle box holds dry rush lights. It was a child's task to replace these quickly-burning straws.

What a warm centre of family life the chimney corner must have been.

ALDERMAN'S WALK

The visitors first enter Alderman's Walk, which forms one arm of the 'L' with Kirkgate. Here will be seen Joshua Tumar's China Shop with its attractive Crown Derby and Spode China, the Silversmith's premises and the Grocery stores, filled with oriental tea cannisters. Next will be seen William Whinney's Spirit Shop with its assortment of colourful wine and spirit barrels and Ebenezer Ellerliers' dignified establishment bearing the pawnbroker's sign of three gilded balls.

KIRKGATE

It is when you pass from Alderman's Walk into Kirkgate that the full effect of the street is revealed. Here is the hub of things—the centre of some by-gone community that comes to life with every step you take.

Gay little faces seem to peer down from lattice windows whilst beneath are the beguiling displays of coppersmith and toyman, snuff-dealer and glass-blower. Quaint trade-signs hang overhead. The tallow-chandler in his premises nearby dips another row of candles, in readiness for tomorrow's customers.

Night falls naturally in this street as in any other. As candles are lit a pink glow flushes the tiny window panes, and the goods displayed within seem more attractive than ever. The street-lamp adds to the soft radiance.

This is a street which is loved and remembered by all its visitors as the only one of its kind. It leaves its print deep in the mind and haunts memories for ever more.

CONCLUSION

It is impossible in such a short project to tell you everything about the Castle Museum, York. In fact, I have told you practically nothing. There is one way only to become acquainted with the life portrayed in this Museum—that is to visit it and not only the Museum but the whole of York City. Visit the Shambles and see medieval houses still in use, visit York Minster, bar walls, Clifford's Tower and other places of interest. When you become exhausted you can relax in the sun beside the river and watch life go by. I can personally promise you that it would not be a wasted visit.

PTE. HINCHCLIFFE

OBITUARIES

MISS NANCIE KINSELLA, M.B.E., A.R.R.C.

Miss Nancie Kinsella trained at the Melbourne Hospital in 1929 and later did her Midwifery training at the Women's Hospital in 1934. In 1936 she went to Rhodesia and South Africa as a Ward Sister in different hospitals in both countries. 1939 found her taking a postgraduate course in children's nursing in Kensington and in September of that year joined the Q.A.I.M.N.S., seeing war service in France in Le Treport and La Baule. From 1940 to 1944 she was in the Middle East and from 1944 to the end of the war was Sister-in-Charge of a Casualty Clearing Station in France and Germany.

After the war, Nancie saw service in Malaya, Hong Kong, Trieste and the United Kingdom. On completion of the Q.A. service in 1955, she returned to Australia and was appointed Matron of the Peter MacCallum Clinic and remained there until her retirement in 1967.

Miss Kinsella brought with her a depth of experience in nursing and a very fine personality which contributed to the nursing standard of the Clinic. Her whole outlook and dedication to her vocation was instrumental in making both her own activities and those of her colleagues very much patient-orientated.

She believed that the welfare of patients always came first and was a keen believer in bedside nursing. She, nevertheless, was able to readjust to the changing methods of treatment and the introduction of modern technology into the nursing field.

She leaves behind her a distinguished nursing tradition.

The Peter MacCallum Clinic propose to establish a patients' library to commemorate Miss Kinsella's work for the Cancer Institute to be known as the Nancie Kinsella Patients' Library, and anyone wishing to give a donation should send it to:

The Manager and Secretary,
Cancer Institute,
278 William Street,
Melbourne C.1,
Victoria, Australia.

MISS CAROLINE BELL, Q.A.I.M.N.S.(R)

Miss Caroline Bell, who, after a short illness died in Sydney, Australia, in September, served in the Q.A.I.M.N.S.(R) from 1939-1946 and was Secretary of the New South Wales Branch of the Association for several years. She will be sadly missed by her many friends in Australia and the United Kingdom.

MISS MARGERY LOUGHNAN, O.B.E., R.R.C.

It is very sad to pay tribute to an almost lifelong friend. I knew Margery Loughnan for the greater part of my Army career. We were colleagues in India and she was my Chief Principal Matron in Italy during the war.

She was a splendid little person in every way, intensely proud of and devoted to her military nursing career. She was quiet and unassuming but always so kindly, friendly and pleasant to everyone. Her many friends will miss her and I deeply regret her sudden, short illness and death. I have lost a close and valued friend.

E. MCINTOSH, Q.A.I.M.N.S. (Retd.)

The news of the death of Miss Margery Loughnan brings sorrow and a great sense of loss to all her friends. She will always be gratefully remembered for her unfailing kindness and generosity. She was never happier than when giving pleasure or being of service to others. She had a strong sense of duty and great courage. She loved all beautiful things. Memories of times spent with her are very happy ones.

H.M.L.

HONOURS AND AWARDS

JUNE 1967

M.B.E. MAJOR M. B. T. HENNESSY

FORTHCOMING MARRIAGES

MR. R. W. SMITH AND CAPTAIN J. M. DAY, Q.A.R.A.N.C.

The marriage will take place in Terendak, Malaysia, on September 30th, 1967, between Robert Wayne Smith, Royal Australian Signals, only son of Mr. and Mrs. L. T. Smith of Queensland, Australia, and Julie Mary, daughter of Colonel R. W. Day, O.B.E. and Mrs. Day of Knutsford, Cheshire.

MR. G. F. HAVILAND AND MAJOR E. M. G. SCOTT, Q.A.R.A.N.C.

The engagement is announced between George Francis Haviland of Richmond, Virginia, U.S.A., and Elizabeth Scott of Kirkwall, Orkney Isles.

MARRIAGES

MISS M. E. PERRY was married on the 25th March last and is now Mrs. M. E. Flasby. She is residing in Doncaster.

MISS ANNE HALL was married to the Reverend Albert Jenkins in St. John's Cathedral at Bulawayo on Saturday, 2nd September, 1967.

DEATHS

MISS L. F. M. MOORE, T.A.N.S. 1939-45, died on the 19th May, 1967.

MISS A. MURPHY, R.R.C., Q.A.I.M.N.S. 1918-46, died on the 18th July, 1967.

MRS. A. VIGRASS died on the 25th August, 1967.

MISS B. R. WOLLMAN, aged 83, late Q.A.I.M.N.S. 1918-22 and 1939-44, died on the 3rd September, 1967.

MISS C. SANDBACH, R.R.C., Q.A.I.M.N.S., late of Queen Mary's House, St. Leonards-on-Sea, died on the 14th September, 1967.

MISS A. B. HUGGINS, late Q.A.I.M.N.S.(R) 1914-18, aged 77 years, died on the 8th July, 1967.

MISS K. P. BAKER, late T.A.N.S., died on the 17th August, 1967.

MISS CAROLINE BELL died on the 21st September, 1967, in the Concord Repatriation Hospital, Sydney. Served in Q.A.I.M.N.S.(R) from 1939-46. Secretary of New South Wales Branch of the Association.

MRS. L. M. MACKENZIE, Q.A.I.M.N.S.(R) 1915-19, died on the 25th September, 1967.

MISS S. A. W. WADE, R.R.C. and Bar, Q.A.I.M.N.S. Mentioned in dispatches three times, died on the 29th September, 1967.

MISS MARGERY LOUGHNAN, O.B.E., R.R.C. Principal Matron Q.A.I.M.N.S. (retired) 1916-19, Q.A.I.M.N.S. 1919-47. Died on 20th June, 1967.

MISS MARGARET BESSIE WILLIAMS, R.R.C., Q.A.I.M.N.S. Died on 14th October, 1967.

MISS HELENA MARY TOMPKINS, A.R.R.C., aged 85. Died on 10th August, 1967. Served in Q.A.I.M.N.S. 1915-38.

MISS C. P. A. (KATE) LAMBE died at Nazareth House, Hammersmith, London, on 25th October, 1967, after a long illness. Miss Lambe served with the Q.A.I.M.N.S.(R) from 1939-48 and before her retirement was at the Agnes Hunt and Robert Jones Orthopaedic Hospital, Oswestry.

MISS D. E. TAYLOR. Died on 3rd November, 1967, suddenly at St. Leonards-on-Sea. Miss Taylor served with the Q.A.I.M.N.S.(R) 1915-1948.

APPOINTMENTS—SENIOR OFFICERS

- Col. H. C. Thayer, R.R.C.: Appointed D.D.A.N.S., Southern Command on 3rd July, 1967.
- Lieut.-Col. M. Moreton: Appointed Matron, Royal Herbert Hospital, Woolwich, on 19th June, 1967.
- Lieut.-Col. K. Duncan, A.R.R.C.: Appointed Matron, Royal Victoria Hospital, Netley, on 5th June, 1967.
- Lieut.-Col. M. R. Fougere, R.R.C.: Appointed Matron, Military Maternity Hospital, Woolwich, on 26th August, 1967.
- Lieut.-Col. M. A. Thompson, T.D.: Appointed Matron, Military Hospital, Catterick, on 12th June, 1967.
- Lieut.-Col. M. A. Gara: Appointed Chief Instructor, Depot & T.E. Q.A.R.A.N.C., on 27th July, 1967.
- Lieut.-Col. F. M. Marsh: Appointed Matron, Military Hospital, Terendak, on 25th September, 1967.
- Lieut.-Col. N. Marson: Appointed Matron, British Military Hospital, Iserlohn, on 10th August, 1967.

PROMOTIONS—REGULAR OFFICERS

To Colonel

Lieut.-Colonels: H. C. Thayer, R.R.C., 31.7.67; A. J. Orford, 1.7.67 (acting).

To Lieut.-Colonel

Majors: M. A. Gara, 30.6.67; F. M. Marsh, 31.7.67.

To Major

Captain P. L. Rutherford, 10.7.67.

PROMOTIONS—SHORT SERVICE COMMISSIONS

Lieutenant to Captain

Lieutenants: P. A. Buck, 4.6.67; M. T. McCrory, 5.6.67; M. P. Loe, 14.6.67; P. Astwood, 22.6.67; J. P. Bruce-Gardyne, 6.7.67; B. Sparey, 12.7.67; C. A. Pollard, 7.8.67; J. A. Thewlis, 13.8.67; C. M. Richards, 30.8.67; P. Brennan, J. V. Whitlock, V. A. Greig, P. C. Hopkins, E. Kenny, M. D. Ledgard, 6.9.67; M. A. Williamson, 16.9.67.

SHORT SERVICE COMMISSIONED OFFICERS

Transferred to R.A.R.O. on Completion of Service

Captains: D. N. Green, 30.6.67; E. Dale, M. A. Gould, M. Edwards, 4.6.67; M. A. Gregory, 11.6.67; T. M. McDermott, 4.6.67; A. Barnard, 15.6.67; E. Tidswell, 20.6.67; V. P. Hannagen, 4.6.67; M. V. Gillender, 1.7.67; E. M. Koss, 15.8.67; J. Simpson, 10.8.67; E. Simpson, 12.8.67; E. A. Vincent, 13.8.67; M. J. Smith, 19.8.67; J. P. Skelton, 10.9.67; S. J. Smith, 16.9.67.

Lieutenants: J. A. Wintle, 21.6.67; J. A. Beer, J. D. Fernie, 31.8.67; V. S. Storey, 28.9.67.

RETIREMENTS—REGULAR OFFICERS

Colonel M. B. Kneebone, 31.7.67.

Lieut.-Colonel T. L. Jeffreys-Edwards, 30.6.67.

Majors: B. M. Cochlin (*née* Coveney), 7.7.67; K. M. Dallas, 16.7.67; M. J. Lester, 12.7.67; E. M. Haviland (*née* Scott), 26.8.67; A. W. Dickie, 23.9.67; N. Letch, 26.9.67.

Captain C. E. Robertson (*née* Lee), 10.8.67.

RETIREMENT ON MARRIAGE

Captains: M. Weatherall (*née* Higginbottom); M. M. O'Loughlin (*née* Brennan); K. M. Khalil (*née* Gaines).
Lieutenants: M. D. Thompson (*née* Goodyer), D. A. Jefferson (*née* Elias), M. E. Frane (*née* Charles), J. A. Palmer (*née* Thistleton), E. J. Read (*née* Storey), G. Bean (*née* Jones), D. M. Benn (*née* Day), J. M. M. Steele (*née* Smith), F. H. Parsons (*née* McAinsh), B. J. Lockyer (*née* Green), G. M. Strickland-Taylor (*née* Hillman).

OFFICERS POSTED OVERSEAS

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

Hong Kong

Captains: L. E. Nicholson, 1.9.67; H. K. Savage, 24.7.67; E. B. Pengel, 15.8.67.
Lieutenants: T. Wan, 11.7.67; S. Mahoney, 1.9.67.

Singapore

Majors: M. C. O'Sullivan, M. Rutter, 11.7.67.
Captains: J. Waters, 15.8.67; O. E. Pinnions, 11.7.67.
Lieutenants: M. J. Sloman, P. Laidlow, C. Edwards, 13.6.67; A. G. Smallwood, 11.7.67.

Terendak

Major M. A. Geraghty, 13.6.67.
Lieutenants: M. P. Maginnis, 11.7.67; S. J. Legh, 15.8.67.

Penang

Lieutenant C. H. Tanner, 13.6.67.

Benghazi

Lieutenant V. M. Pontin, 3.6.67.

REGULAR OFFICERS POSTED TO HOME ESTABLISHMENTS

Major K. Grimshaw, A.R.R.C.	27.6.67	Royal Herbert Hospital, Woolwich
Major V. M. Jones	... .. 18.6.67	Queen Alexandra Military Hospital Millbank.
Major E. J. Millington	... .. 30.8.67	Cambridge Military Hospital, Aldershot.
Capt. J. Sutton	... .. 29.5.67	Royal Herbert Hospital, Woolwich.
Capt. D. Buncl	... .. 18.6.67	Military Hospital, Colchester.
Capt. C. M. M. Holmes	... .. 23.8.67	Military Maternity Hospital, Woolwich.
Capt. M.B.T. Hennessy, M.B.E.	30.8.67	Cambridge Military Hospital, Aldershot.

CIVILIAN APPOINTMENTS

MISS NOREEN M. COMPTON, S.R.N., R.F.N., has been appointed Superintendent of Nursing to the Prince of Wales and St. Ann's Hospitals, Tottenham. Before her present post as Matron of Mile End Hospital, London, Miss Compton was Deputy Matron of Stoke Mandeville Hospital, Aylesbury and she has also served in the Q.A.I.M.N.S.(R).

MISS PAMELA WHEABLE has been appointed as one of three senior nursing officers to the Radcliffe Infirmary, Oxford. Miss Wheable had been Theatre Superintendent at Salisbury General Hospital and a Captain in Q.A.R.A.N.C.

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Earls, Mary Teresa	Hansford, Stephanie Evelyn
Ekeocha, Patricia Ann (<i>née</i> Lackenby)	Marsden, Linda
Farrow, Ann	Wright, June Evelyn Mary
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Major S. Clapham	Capt. M. M. Brennan
Capt. M. N. Pedley	Capt. M. A. Jenkins.

AWARD OF A PRIZE ANNUALLY TO Q.A.R.A.N.C. OTHER RANKS BY OFFICERS OF Q.A.R.A.N.C.

The prize for 1966 has been awarded to Q/1005156 L/Cpl. I. C. Jeffrey, Q.A.R.A.N.C. As Miss Jeffrey is no longer serving, a Certificate and National Savings Gift Token to the value of ten pounds (£10) will be forwarded to her.

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MOVEMENTS OF Q.A.R.A.N.C. JUNIOR RANKS

1ST JULY, 1967 TO 31ST OCTOBER, 1967

To Queen Alexander's Hospital, Millbank

A/Sergeant M. M. D. Hunt.

Corporal D. S. Hart.

A/L/Corporal J. Yeomans.

Privates: M. L. Cook, P. R. Shipman, S. Robinson, C. F. Evans, K. E. Earl J. Dennis, D. M. Chisem, P. A. J. Britnell, C. A. P. Beck, I. M. Stark M. Murphy, M. K. Erasmus, J. E. Dingle, H. W. Stubbs, S. Lewis, A. Fallow, K. A. Boon, W. H. Bates, A. Bleakley.

To the Depot and T.E., Q.A.R.A.N.C.

Privates: E. A. Roberts, R. E. Partridge, M. M. A. Crabb.

To P.S. Depot and T.E. Q.A.R.A.N.C.

Privates: P. M. Lainchbury, C. R. Hain.

To Military Hospital, Colchester

Privates: B. Roka, P. Bhotia, L. Truesdale, E. Douglass, V. Thomas, M. Nicholson, M. Linahan, E. H. Henderson, M. A. Hyland, E. S. Fleming, C. M. Hotchkiss, S. Browne.

To Military Hospital, Catterick

Privates: J. A. Deadman, J. E. Burford, E. West, M. H. Stafford, M. Love.

To the Cambridge Hospital, Aldershot

S/Sergeant U. Gowing.

Sergeant J. Guyler.

Corporals: M. J. Docksey, C. A. Sunley.

L/Corporal C. Cairney.

Privates: V. Nelson, J. E. Chambers, T. E. Grant, J. E. Clough, S. L. Potter.

To Military Hospital, Tidworth

L/Corporal C. R. Everest.

Private L. Maw.

To Louise Margaret Maternity Hospital, Aldershot

A/Sergeant K. E. Jones.

Corporals: V. A. Grant, M. M. J. Pillay.

A/Corporal J. E. Wright.

A/L/Corporals: O. A. Choisy, P. A. Strickland, P. A. Cross, S. E. Clark, H. N. Chancy.

Private M. Donnelly.

To the Royal Herbert Hospital, Woolwich

A/Sergeant W. Wilkinson.

Private J. Varley.

To Depot R.A.D.C.

Private J. Allison-Barrett.

To the Royal Military Hospital, Shorncliff

Privates: K. Hughes, A. R. C. Kerr.

To A.O.I. Sheffield

Corporal J. Hayes.

PROMOTIONS—Q.A.R.A.N.C. JUNIOR RANKS

To Corporals

P. J. Dick, S. Basneth, M. E. Tucker, J. K. French, M. Sandrawich, M. Brunt, B. Charlesworth, M. A. Parry, J. A. Whalley, D. Shambrook, S. Bristow-Jones, E. G. Wyles, C. S. Monsey, H. I. Curl, S. Lewis, V. A. Brown, 1.6.67.

To L/Corporal

S. Pande, C. S. Thompson, A. M. Allan, M. E. Bruce-Quay, C. Moore, P. A. Cross, E. J. Williamson, B. Richards, M. Love, C. D. Mercer, S. P. Bailey, S. Band, J. D. Lord, S. L. Potter, 9.6.67; S. M. Browne, 20.7.67; M. E. Krivda, G. I. Kasher, J. M. Kasher, 17.8.67.

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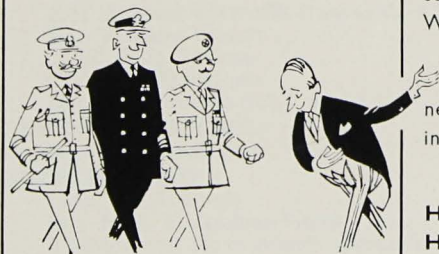
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