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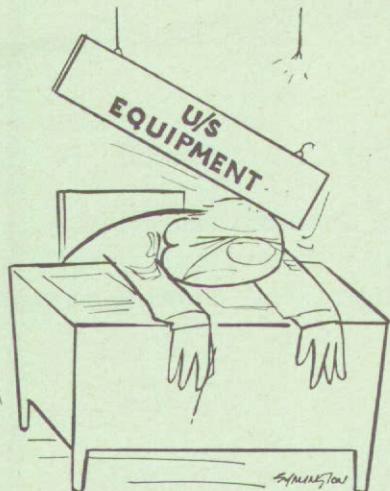
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In this regular feature SOLDIER keeps you up-to-date on tattoos, open days, exhibitions, at homes, Army displays and similar occasions on which the public is welcome to see the Army's men and equipment. Amendments and additions to previous lists are indicated in bold type.

## NOVEMBER 1972

- 11 Royal British Legion Festival of Remembrance, Royal Albert Hall, London.
- 11 Lord Mayor's Show, London.
- 12 Remembrance Sunday.
- 17 1972 Westminster Festival of Music (Kneller Hall Band and Trumpeters), Westminster Central Hall, London (in part aid of SSAFA).

## MAY 1973

- 16 Kneller Hall band concert.
- 19 First rehearsal, Trooping the Colour, Horse Guards Parade, London.
- 23 Kneller Hall band concert.
- 26 Tidworth Tattoo (26-27 May).
- 26 Second (dress) rehearsal, Trooping the Colour, Horse Guards Parade, London.
- 30 Kneller Hall grand (band) concert.

## JUNE 1973

- 2 Trooping the Colour, Horse Guards Parade, London.
- 6 Kneller Hall band concert.
- 13 Kneller Hall band concert.
- 16 Open Day, Depot The Queen's Division, Bassingbourn Barracks, Royston, Herts.
- 17 Welsh 3000s (17-18 June).
- 20 Kneller Hall band concert.
- 23 Aldershot Army Display (23-24 June).
- 27 (Provisional). Freedom of Aldershot, Royal Army Medical Corps.
- 27 Kneller Hall grand (band) concert.

## JULY 1973

- 4 Kneller Hall band concert.
- 7 Military Musical Pageant, Wembley Stadium (in aid of Army Benevolent Fund).
- 11 Kneller Hall band concert.
- 11 Royal Tournament (11-28 July).
- 18 Kneller Hall grand (band) concert.
- 27 Air Day, Middle Wallop (27-28 July).

## AUGUST 1973

- 3 Cardiff Tattoo (3-11 August).
- 6 Edinburgh Tattoo (17 August-8 September).
- 15 Kneller Hall band concert.
- 22 Kneller Hall band concert.
- 29 Kneller Hall grand (band) concert.

## SEPTEMBER 1973

- 5 Kneller Hall band concert.
- 12 Kneller Hall grand (band) final concert.
- 12 Cambrian March (12-16 September).



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The four are: Captain Robert Williams, Royal Army Ordnance Corps; Staff-Sergeant Clifford Oliver, 22nd Special Air Service Regiment, and two members of the Royal Marines Special Boat Service, Lieutenant Richard Clifford and Corporal Thomas Jones.

Their citation states: "There is no doubt that under ordinary conditions the mission would have been abandoned but in view of its urgency and importance it was decided to proceed . . . despite the risks to those involved . . ."

## Northern Ireland awards

The following awards have been made to troops serving in Northern Ireland.

**Distinguished Service Order:** Lieutenant-Colonel R F Vincent, Royal Artillery.

**Officer of the Order of the British Empire for Meritorious Service:** Lieutenant-Colonel K Dodson, The Queen's Regiment; Lieutenant-Colonel R L Jackson, The Royal Anglian Regiment; Lieutenant-Colonel B W R Pearson, Royal Artillery; Lieutenant-Colonel D Wilford, The Parachute Regiment.

**Member of the Order of the British Empire for Gallantry:** Warrant Officer II L D Moodie, The Queen's Regiment.

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**Military Cross:** Lieutenant D P Cangley, The Gloucestershire Regiment, Captain J J Field, The Devonshire and Dorset Regiment; Major B C M Harding, Royal Artillery; Major R G Long, The Royal Hampshire Regiment; Lieutenant W B Stevens, Royal Artillery; Second-Lieutenant S J Young, The Royal Green Jackets.

**George Medal:** Sergeant A E Dedman and Captain R F Mendham, both Royal Army Ordnance Corps.

**Military Medal:** Staff-Sergeant K Bridge-  
man and Sergeant C G Williams, both Royal Military Police; Corporal K Callaghan, Royal Marines; Lance-Corporal D Grant, The Royal Green Jackets; Sergeant J D Hughes, The Royal Scots

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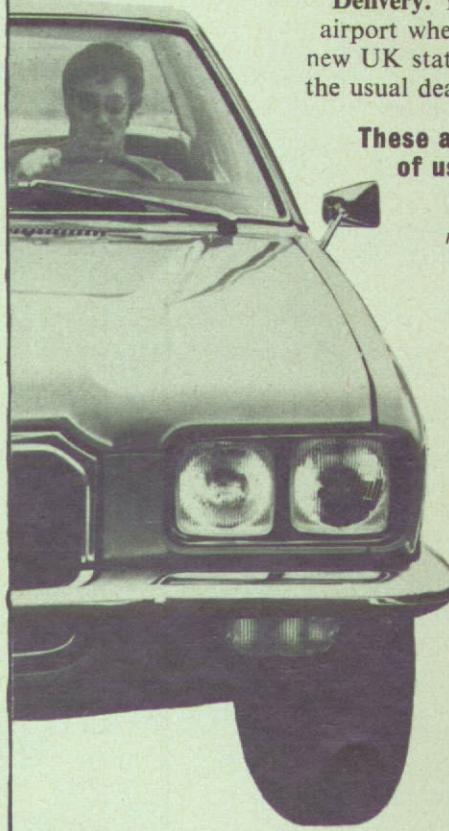
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**British Empire Medal for Gallantry:** Sergeant R B Crisp, Royal Army Ordnance Corps; Sergeant G Forsyth, The Light Infantry.

**British Empire Medal for Meritorious Service:** Staff-Sergeant P G Allsop, Royal Military Police; Sergeant G Devroux, The Parachute Regiment; Sergeant L Ingham, The Royal Regiment of Fusiliers; Corporal J F Wilson, The Royal Scots Dragoon Guards.

**Mentioned in Despatches:** The Royal Green Jackets—Corporal D J Barker, Lieutenant A B C Dollard, Rifleman J McA Ferrier, Lieutenant A M D Palmer, Corporal J W Seeney. Royal Army Ordnance Corps—Staff-Sergeant J Beattie, Major B C Calladene (died of wounds). Royal Signals—Major R Bell. Royal Tank Regiment—Sergeant R L Bentley, Corporal J Johnson. The Devonshire and Dorset Regiment—Corporal R F Bridgeman, Second-Lieutenant N Marden. Scots Guards—Second-Lieutenant J Clarke-Beven. Royal Artillery—Bombardier B C Corser, Lance-Bombardier J A Harrison,

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## Senior appointments

The following senior Army appointments have been made:

Major-General G C A Gilbert, formerly General Officer Commanding 3rd Division, to be Commandant, Joint Warfare Establishment, this month, succeeding Rear-Admiral E F Gueritz.

Major-General F G Caldwell, Engineer-in-Chief (Army), is to become Assistant Chief of the General Staff (Operational Requirements) in December in succession to Major-General I G Gill who is retiring.

Brigadier M E Tickell, Chief of Staff, HQ Northern Ireland, takes over as Engineer-in-Chief (Army) in the rank of major-general.

Major-General W N R Scotter, Chief of Staff, HQ United Kingdom Land Forces, this month becomes Director of Military Operations, Ministry of Defence, taking over from Major-General R E Coaker who is retiring.

In October, Brigadier G W D Crookenden, Chief of the British Commander-in-Chief's Mission to the Soviet Forces in Germany, became Chief of Staff Contingencies Planning, SHAPE, in the rank of major-general, succeeding Major-General J M Strawson.

As from April next year the Director-General of Army Medical Services will be Major-General J P Baird, in the rank of lieutenant-general. He will take over from Lieutenant-General Sir Norman G G Talbot.

## SOLDIER to soldier

The last ten years have seen many changes in the British Army—and too in its magazine. But while the Army has now thankfully reached a period of stability, in terms of reorganisation, SOLDIER continues to change and improve its readers' service. This issue sees the introduction of SOLDIER News, the successor to the Army News Bulletin which, under the editorship of Captain P E C Jeal, Royal Army Educational Corps, provided an interim flow of "troop information"—the up-dating on matters

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of general Army interest that 82 per cent of SOLDIER's readers requested in their replies to the questionnaire in the magazine's March issue.

Last month it was announced that this trooper information would take the form of a loose insert in the magazine. But that was a month ago. Through several changes it has evolved as the centre "spread" of the magazine itself. SOLDIER News has been designed as a pull-out supplement which can be displayed on notice boards or kept in a barrack room or club for handy reference. Page numbering of the magazine omits this supplement.

SOLDIER News will be prepared each month by feature writer Mike Starke whose aim will be a continuous expansion of this information service. His telephone extension is 2590 on either Aldershot Military or (civil) Aldershot 24431.

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**DATE FOR YOUR DIARY!** Next year's military musical pageant—the third—will be held at Wembley Stadium on Saturday, 7 July. This will be the event of the year in military music—there is nothing in the world to compare with it. At the previous pageants, in 1969 and 1971, more than a thousand bandsmen were on parade. As before the pageant will be in aid of the Army Benevolent Fund.

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The inside back cover of this issue lists SOLDIER's reader services—and will surely go a long way towards solving that perennial problem of what to give as

Christmas presents. There is a wide choice to which have been added three new items, all of which were introduced, with great success, on SOLDIER's stand at four major Army displays this year.

First, the constantly growing range of those very attractive ice buckets in the form of replicas of regimental drums. Then the two different sets of six wine mats, or coasters, featuring British soldiers in the Napoleonic period. These coloured prints from the National Army Museum were made from drawings by C Hamilton Smith who was Quartermaster-General and who, in 1812, introduced new clothing regulations which for greater clarity he illustrated. And finally the Army Diary 1973, on the same lines of and still at the same price as last year's diary.

There is just one price change which current subscribers will quickly spot. As announced last month, SOLDIER will go up from 7½ to ten pence in the New Year—and of course the subscription rates have had to be increased. Current rates for UK and BFPO addresses have been pegged since April 1966 and have had to absorb not only continually rising production costs but also two alarming jumps in postage. Overseas postal costs rose to such an extent that last year the overseas subscriptions were increased. The new subscription rates include a postage element and discounts for the longer terms of two and three years. Current subscriptions extending to January 1973 and beyond will be honoured at the old rate. The new rates will be applied on 1 January 1973 after which any subscribers who order at the old rate will be supplied with fewer copies, to the amount of their order, and invited to follow up with the difference.



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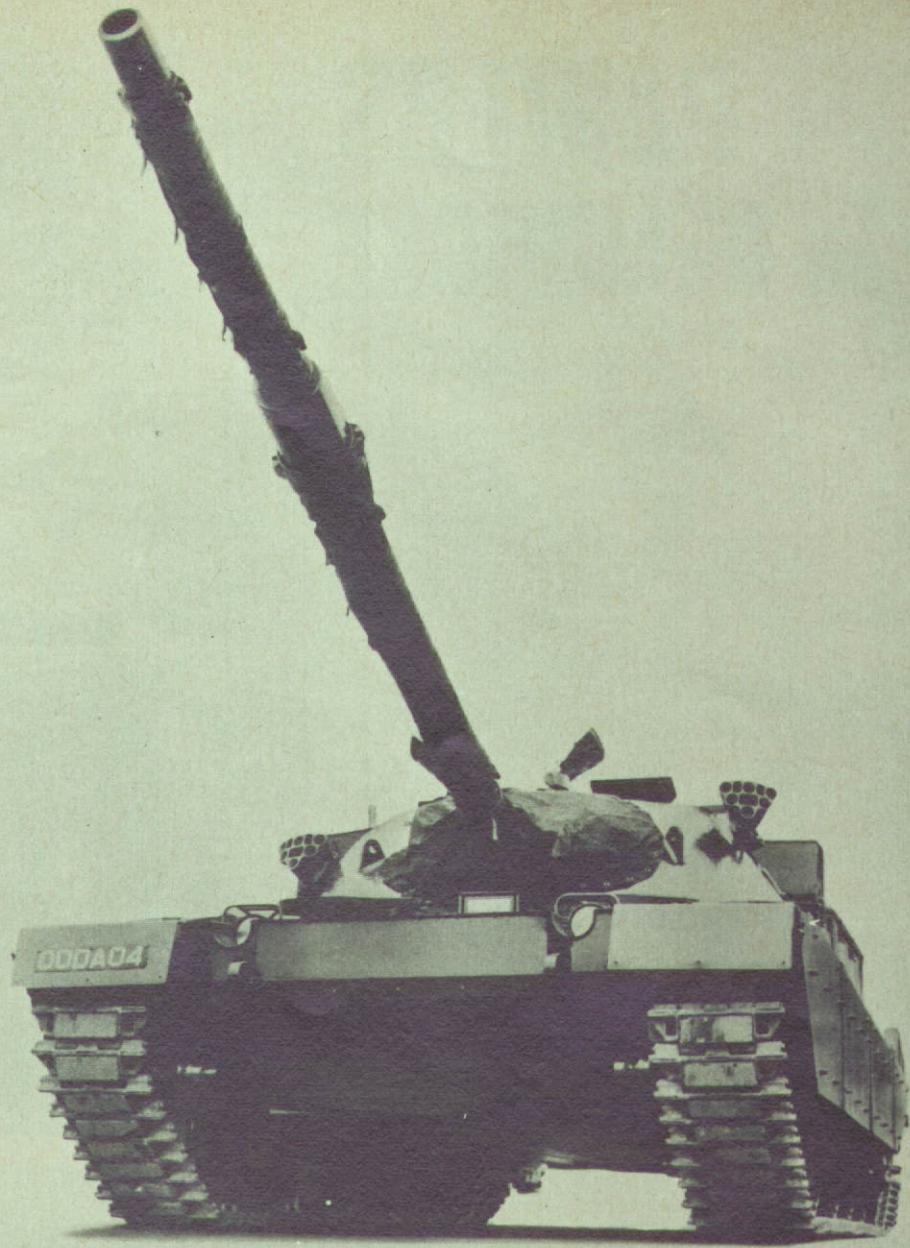
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# PANZERS IN PEMBROKE

Story by John Walton  
Pictures by Leslie Wiggs



TANKS bearing the familiar iron cross markings rumble across the skyline. Field-grey uniforms are seen in the town streets and in a public house the jukebox is playing a Bavarian drinking song . . . all on British soil. This is the summer scene on the Pembrokeshire coast as the annual peaceful German invasion takes place.

This is the twelfth summer that the West German Army's panzers have come to Castlemartin range for their annual tank firing. At first the invasion was controversial—the 1961 arrivals were met by demonstrators—but today the Germans are accepted locally as being as much a part of the scene as the holidaymakers who flock to this part of Wales.

The commandant at Merrion Camp, Castlemartin, is Lieutenant-Colonel John Walton, of The Royal Scots Dragoon Guards. He heads a British staff of five officers, four senior non-commissioned officers and about 140 civilians, many of them employed only in the German firing season.

Every June German cargo ships arrive at Pembroke Dock, about seven miles away, with up to 50 tanks, assorted wheeled vehicles and ammunition. Using Royal Corps of Transport tank transporters, the whole lot is moved to Castlemartin in three days.

During the five-month period until the end of November the equipment is used by eight different panzer battalions, each up to 300 strong, who train in fortnightly cycles. This year they used American M48 tanks but next year the German-built 105mm Leopard tank will be in action as it was in 1969 and 1970. The veteran M48 has probably paid its last visit to South Wales.



Above: German observers checking the firing performances prefer to be at ground level.

Top left: American M48 tank, bearing the iron cross markings, ready in the firing position.

Left: The panzers come rumbling back after a good morning's firing out on the range.

Below: The grub queue in the field is much the same in any Army. A panzer lunchbreak.





Top: Captain Denis Townsend, range officer, phoning from the control tower. Above: Visiting battalion commander signs the visitors' book when making a courtesy call on the Mayor of Pembroke. Right: Cook emerges with freshly smoked sausages made from British rations.

Why do the Germans come to Castlemartin? According to Major Gerd Haudel, the German liaison officer at the camp, the answer is simple—ranges in Germany are crowded out with American, French and British troops. "We are able to come here and carry out a whole firing programme without having to fit in with other forces. And, of course, it gives our soldiers the chance of some overseas service."

The range at Castlemartin covers nearly 6000 acres and was established in 1938. The Germans are particularly impressed with its safety—tanks fire out towards the sea. During firing periods a danger area of up to 15 miles out is prescribed and launches patrol the perimeter advising shipping to keep clear. The British-manned control tower also keeps a watch on shipping from the busy oil terminal at Milford Haven, a few miles away, by means of radar and lookout points.

Particularly impressive is the battle run, which is said by the Germans to be one of the best in Europe. Five tanks can operate together over a run of two-and-a-half miles firing at targets in many different positions.

The tank battalions get little time to fraternise with the local people for in their two weeks' stay they have ten days' hard firing, some of it at night, and they also spend a long weekend in London.

It is the men of the 140-strong support company who have managed to make friends with the Pembrokeshire people. In the last nine years 30 of them have married local girls. Several have since left the German Army to live in Pembroke while others come back each year with the supply company. The wives, housed in married quarters, are then able to spend five months near their parents.

Sergeant Klaus Ruprecht first came to Castlemartin in 1965 and met his wife, Violet, at a dance organised after a football match between the panzers and a side from Milford Haven. Recalls Violet: "It was love at first sight. I walked into the dance and as soon as I saw him I told my friends to keep their eyes off. He couldn't speak any English and I couldn't speak any German and he proposed to me by writing on a piece of paper." Next year their eldest daughter will start school in Germany and the summer periods in Castlemartin will have to end. But for Klaus and Violet, Anglo-German friendship is real and permanent.

The most remarkable and best-known of the German soldiers is Hauptfeldwebel (Warrant Officer II) Heinz Knothe. This year was his twelfth summer at Castlemartin and he has so integrated into the locality that his colleagues have dubbed him "The Welshman."

His knowledge of Pembrokeshire is so comprehensive that he has produced a German language guide to the county which he sells to visiting soldiers, the proceeds going to a local old people's charity. He even gives illustrated lectures to Pembrokeshire organisations on their own county!

Regarded as the social headquarters of the Germans in Pembroke is the Castle Inn Hotel where landlord Mr Ronald Stock, an ex-Royal Navy officer, keeps a large stock of German beers and a wide

selection of German records for his jukebox. He says: "I was fighting them during the war but now we are all part of NATO and I do all I can to make the Germans welcome here. I have never had any trouble in the bars from Germans in all the years they have been coming."

For the vast majority of the troops the camp itself is their main recreational centre. Their own cooks convert normal British Army rations into German-style food with its emphasis on sausage.

In the Naafi bar they can buy their drinks duty free with imported whisky at 5p a nip and gin only 3p. Biggest seller is German beer at the rate of about 6000 cans a week.



The Naafi menu includes such items as Bockwurst, Landleberwurst, peppered chicken and salami and during the firing season takings run at about £3500 a week.

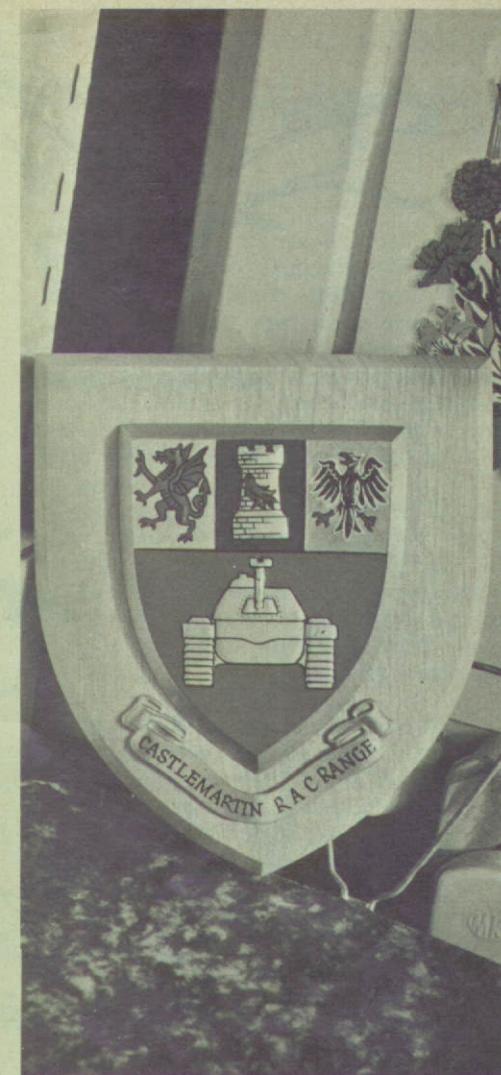
Every battalion holds its own farewell party to which local people are invited. It includes a game of bingo in which the familiar callers' terms blend incongruously with the German numbers "acht und achtzig—two fat ladies, ein und zwanzig—key of the door" . . . .

Every year the supply company, mainly of Bavarians, celebrates the traditional Oktoberfest with a monster party. Well over 1000 litres of draught beer were flown in from Germany for this year's feast and the food included German sausage and a roast pig.

For the people of the surrounding villages this was the night of the year. More than 400 people crowded into the men's dining room and, after purchasing a German beer mug for 50p, were allowed as much beer as they wanted. One of the guests, Mrs Evelyn Gough, of Pembroke, summed up the local view of the visitors: "They are always impeccably dressed and their manners are pleasing."

During the winter months 12,000 sheep and 600 cattle are brought down from the surrounding hillsides to graze the range land as they have done down the ages. From time to time they are penned off when British armoured units use the range for short periods but firing does not take over again until British units come for their annual firing in May and early June.

The spirit of Castlemartin today is embodied in a special coat of arms on the pin badges, pennants, plaques (above, right) and ash trays which the panzers take home as souvenirs. It incorporates a castle, a martin, the Welsh dragon, the German eagle—and a tank.

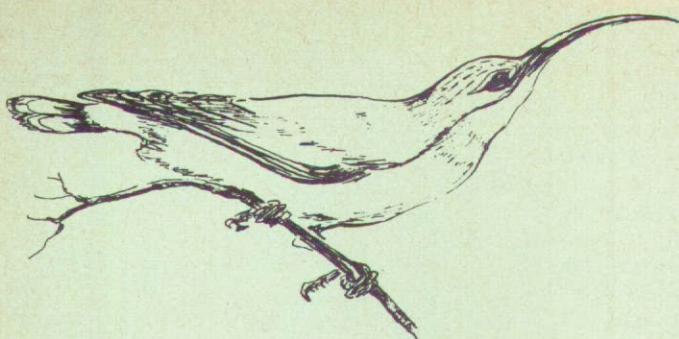


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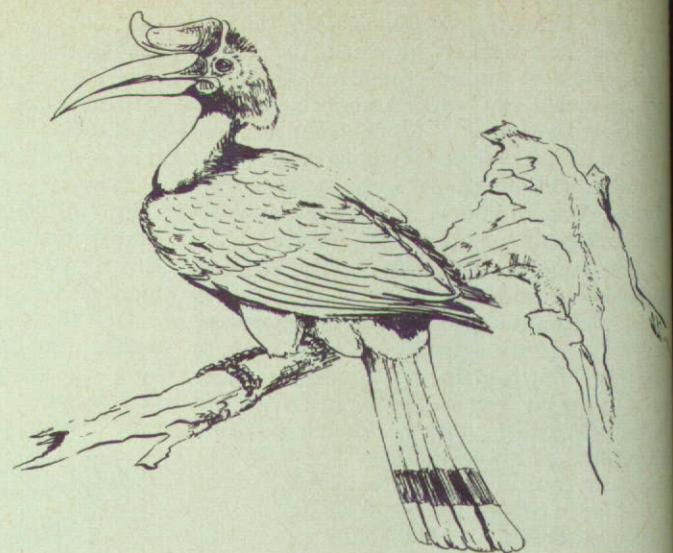


## Front cover

High above a sweltering Hong Kong a Scout helicopter appears to hover, like a giant dragonfly against a spectacular mountain backdrop. In true joint Service tradition, the picture was taken by Sergeant Paul Moth of the Royal Air Force to show this Army aircraft taking a whirly-bird's eye view of the colony.



**Little Spider-Hunter**



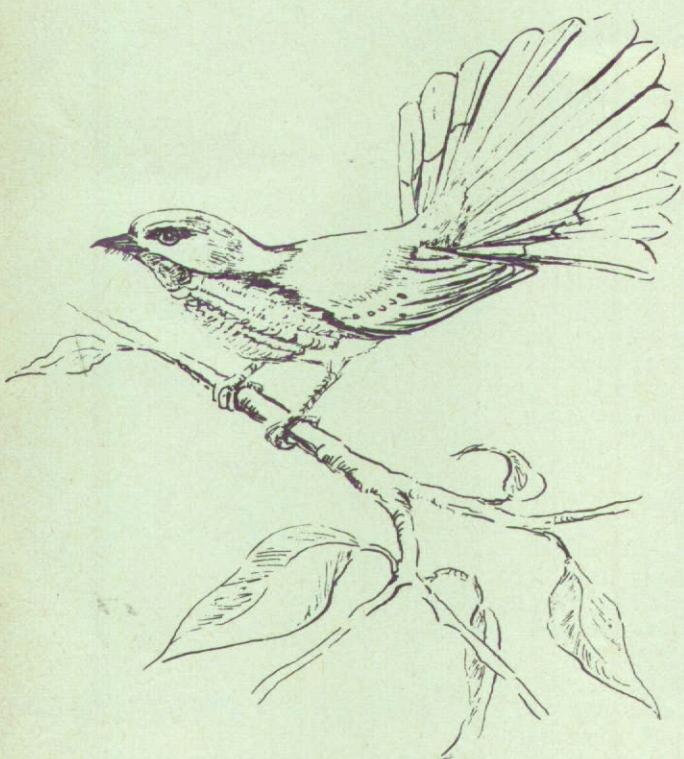
**Rhinoceros Hornbill**



**Crested Green Wood Partridge or Roulroul**



**Brown-Breasted Bee-Eater**



**Spotted Fantail-Flycatcher**



**Lesser Green-Billed Malcoha**

*Drawings by Mrs Jean Clayden of birds her husband, Lieutenant-Colonel C N Clayden, netted in Singapore and Malaysia. Wives of birdwatchers often find themselves drawn into the hobby that occupies most of an enthusiast's leisure time.*

Looking for a peaceful and rewarding pastime, an escape from stresses and pressures? Then join the growing band of enthusiasts in the Army Bird Watching Society

# "IT'S FASCINATING . . . RELAXING . . . ALL-ABSORBING . . ."

Story by Mike Starke/Photographs by Arthur Blundell



Safe in the hands of an expert, a Long-Tailed Tit is studied at close quarters.

WORLD attention centred on Northern Ireland's Magilligan Point earlier this year when violence flared at the internment camp there. But a battle in the war for conservation passed unnoticed at Magilligan Point when the efforts of Army ornithologists allowed eleven pairs of Little Terns to nest where only two pairs had bred in the previous season.

This small triumph, engineered by the Army Bird Watching Society's three members serving in Northern Ireland at the time, with the help of the local branch of the Royal Society for the Protection of Birds, is part of a worldwide bird study taken on by a growing band of dedicated soldiers.

Formed in 1961, the Army Bird Watching Society now numbers 260. This year alone 60 people from all ranks have joined. The secretary, Lieutenant-Colonel C N Clayden, said: "We try to get representatives in each English county and every theatre where the Army is stationed as well as getting someone on all Army expeditions—we had one on the recent Darien Gap expedition (SOLDIER, August 1972), one down the Congo River and another to Ethiopia."

Members regularly report in from as far away as Zambia, Australia, Nova Scotia and the Far East to add to the ever-growing dossiers of ornithological knowledge the society is collecting. Even the divided city of Berlin has proved a fruitful area for the ringing of birds to discover the movements they are free to make despite the disputed man-made frontiers they overfly.

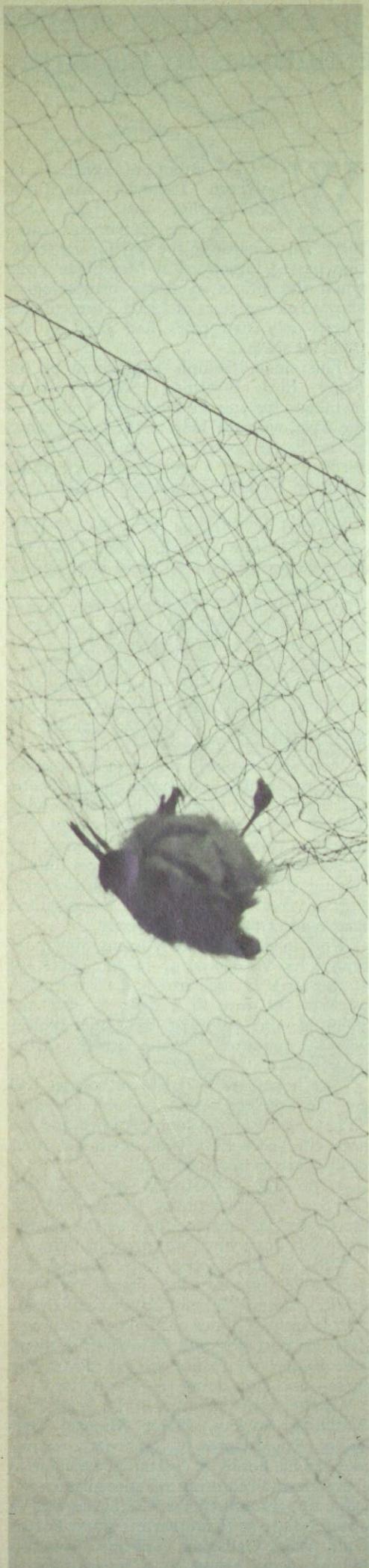
Work in the particularly strong Singapore branch has yielded an up-to-date check list of the birds in that area and its members were to the fore in a fight to stop the shooting and trapping of some species whose migratory routes were being threatened.

"We hoped by 1971 the authorities had got the message," said Colonel Clayden. "They have set up some aviaries and we hope the seeds have been sown for other birds there to be protected."

A posting to Guyana gave Colonel Clayden the opportunity to see bird life there—the last major study of the former British colony's birds was made in 1876.

What is the driving force behind this passionate interest the small band of soldiers shares? Colonel Clayden explained: "Birds are part of our natural surroundings. They are part of us and we are part of them. The sooner we realise we are destroying them—and stop doing so—the better."

Another active member of the Army Bird Watching Society, Major Michael Gallagher, Royal Corps of Transport, recommended his hobby as "relaxing, available to everyone and requiring no specialist knowledge to gain enjoyment." While serving as a staff officer at Headquarters Land Forces Gulf, Major Gallagher used one of his two Bahrain mess rooms as a museum-cum-



laboratory and was joint author of "A Guide to the Birds of Bahrain." He has written a paper on Christmas Island's birds and has carried out studies in Aden, Germany and—like Colonel Clayden—in Guyana.

Most bird watchers boost their general interest with some specialised branch of study. Several concentrate on recording bird song, many on photography, some ring birds to follow their movements and habits, a few even collect the parasites which live on birds as part of the study of bird biology. "It's a thing that becomes all absorbing," said Colonel Clayden. "A lifetime is not enough even if you just study, say, the common sparrow."

Army ornithologists' work spans several lifetimes. Although they did not form themselves into an organised body until the 1960s, serious studies can be traced back to World War One. Soldiers' interest contributed to the formation of the now thriving civilian societies which study birds and their protection.

Several men stationed in Palestine and Egypt found ample material for their hobby—enough for Captain Eric Hardy, Royal Corps of Signals, to produce between 1944 and 1947 a four-volume book on Palestinian birds.

Ornithology relies on pooled information and the Army society has close links with sister clubs in both the Royal Navy and Royal Air Force as well as a thriving group in the Diplomatic Service which has members dotted all over the globe producing a useful network of contacts for the soldier-ornithologists posted overseas or visiting out-of-the-way places on exercises or expeditions.

In Britain, the Army Bird Watching Society is in the middle of a two-year census of birds on major training areas which form natural sanctuaries for wild life. Safe from the ravages of public invasion, the birds on military land become accus-

Even in the mechanised army of the 20th century one bird, the pigeon, has seen distinguished service in action. A hundred thousand pigeons were conscripted into the British Army in World War One; nearly a million were mobilised for World War Two. A hero of 1917 was Army Pigeon 2709 which was despatched from the battle of the Menin Road with an urgent call for reinforcements. A German bullet wounded the bird but it flew on to cover in nine minutes the nine miles to divisional headquarters—where it died soon after landing.

Pigeons have won more Dickin Medals for gallantry than any other bird or animal—32 have been awarded this animals' Victoria Cross. One of the outstanding heroes of war pigeons was "GI Joe," an American bird seconded to the British in Italy in 1943. While American aircraft prepared to bomb a village, the British liberated it unexpectedly early. Hundreds of lives were at peril if the air-raid were not stopped... and the radio was out of action. "GI Joe" was given the most important mission of his life and flew arrow-straight to the airfield with the vital news just in time to stop the bombers taking off. At a special ceremony after the war, on Tower Hill, the winged hero was invested with the Dickin Medal. In the United States, a Service citation and celebrated retirement awaited him.

## IT'S FASCINATING . . .

## RELAXING . . . ALL-ABSORBING

tomed to the relative peace of the disturbance caused by training and many species are preserved as a result.

Bird-ringing sites are being set up on Army land and the society is encouraging more members to qualify with the British Trust of Ornithology as ringers. The qualification is hard to gain—and easy to lose. Just one mistake by a ringer which could harm a bird or produce an error in the data he records about it brings instant loss of his licence.

The process of ringing a bird is not as simple as it sounds. Having selected a site, lightweight nets are strung between poles to catch birds on the wing without harming them. Sometimes enthusiasts have to watch helplessly as some £10-worth of net is torn to shreds by a large bird—or by bats, which once proved a hazard to society members catching nightjars in the Far East.

Sergeant Slim Sreedharan, a Royal Army Medical Corps first-aid instructor, recalls: "For every one nightjar we caught there were ten bats. With the claws on their wings they would draw more and more of the netting around them—you just had to cut a hole in a valuable net to free them."

A qualified ringer, he now regularly works on the reed beds—unique in southern England—at Fleet, near Aldershot. Here he has found other hazards to his equipment. "I haven't only caught birds here," he said. "A cyclist once rode into my nets." Did he "ring" the cyclist? "No, but I nearly wrung his neck—he ruined the nets." But studies at Fleet have provided more constructive excitements for the Army birdwatchers. Last year a visiting osprey—the very rare fish hawk—was spotted feeding.

Once captured, birds are carefully removed from the nets and put in cloth bags to prevent damage. The ringer then establishes the sex of the bird and estimates its age. This can be told by various features. The feather colouring of some birds tells their age. A robin's age is assessed by the colour of the inside of the upper half of its beak.

The wing size and weight of the bird are measured and all is recorded on paper before a metal ring is fixed to the bird's leg making a permanent, living part of ornithological research.

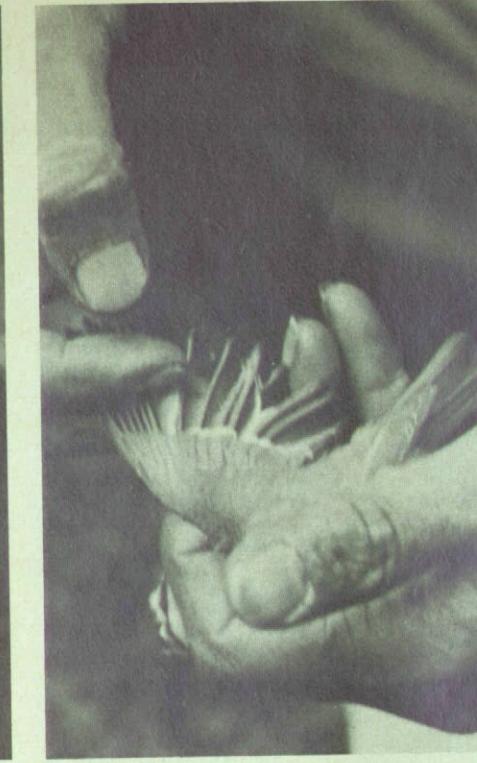
Many bird watchers claim insanity as a prerequisite for their hobby. Sessions at a "run" can mean a fruitless wait from 7 am to 10 pm and still leave the enthusiast's zeal undented.

One of the Army Bird Watching Society's younger recruits, Apprentice Sergeant Steven Arnold (18), of the Royal Army Medical Corps, sums it up: "There's a lot of satisfaction about watching birds in the wild without any harm coming to them. There is a particular attraction in studying birds for the fantastic distances they cover and the variety of the species.

"It's fascinating—you get so involved you just want to go on and on."



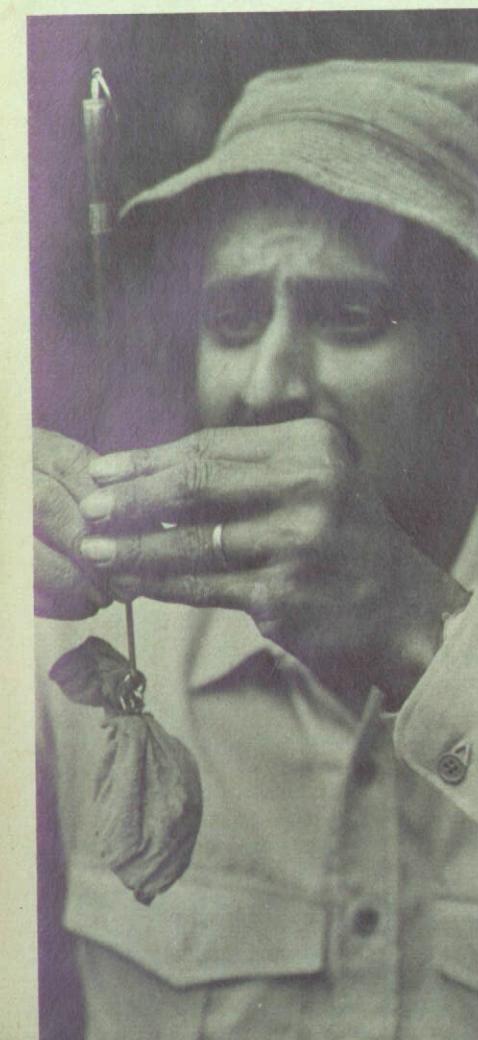
Skilled hands work quickly giving the bird as short as possible a period of captivity.



Subtle blends of blue and green colourings in this bird's wing feathers tell its age.



Sgt Slim Sreedharan sets up his nets for a twilight catch of birds returning to roost.



Left: The toe of an old stocking is enough to hold a bird still whilst it is weighed.

Far left: Captured in mid-flight, the bird comes to no harm in this web of fine nets.

Below: Wing length is one of the statistics recorded before a bird is ringed and freed.



"I can hear their machine-guns quite clearly now."

Membership of the Army Bird-watching Society is open to anyone serving in or retired from the Regular Army or Territorial Army Volunteer Reserve, Commonwealth armies and the Civil Service who works—or has worked—in military establishments. The fee is 50p a year and members get a quarterly bulletin and the annual journal. Membership forms can be obtained from Lieutenant-Colonel E D Wardleworth, Regimental Headquarters, The Light Infantry, Sir John Moore Barracks, Calthorpe, Shropshire, or from Lieutenant-Colonel C N Clayden, Candlewick Cottage, Avenue Road, Fleet, Hampshire.

For would-be recruits, a no-strings-attached look at the Army and, as the result . . .

## SQUARE PEGS IN

## SQUARE HOLES



Major Sam Robertson gives recruits a first look at .22 rifles. Shooting is not part of the centre's curriculum—just an activity.

Right: Shaggy recruit says goodbye to his long hair as the camp hairdresser, Mr Roy Ryan, speeds into action with his scissors.



**I**N the old days, or so the story goes, to have a little knowledge of anything before joining the Army was fatal—you would immediately be assigned to a job which involved anything but that knowledge.

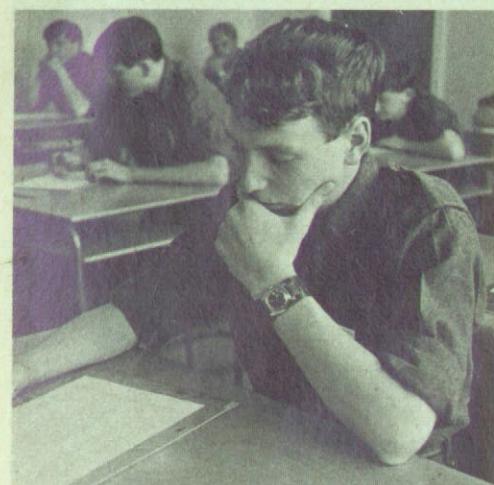
Today it is just the opposite. All adult recruits from England, Wales and Ireland pass through a process which selects "horses for courses" in the highly technical British Army of the seventies.

The Recruit Selection Centre at St George's Barracks, Sutton Coldfield, opened a year ago, finally completed a recruiting revolution which began at the end of National Service. The aim of a professional Army today is to have soldiers who are skilled, efficient and happy. And for the first time an adult recruit is allowed a brief taste of the Army—during which he can opt out at any time.

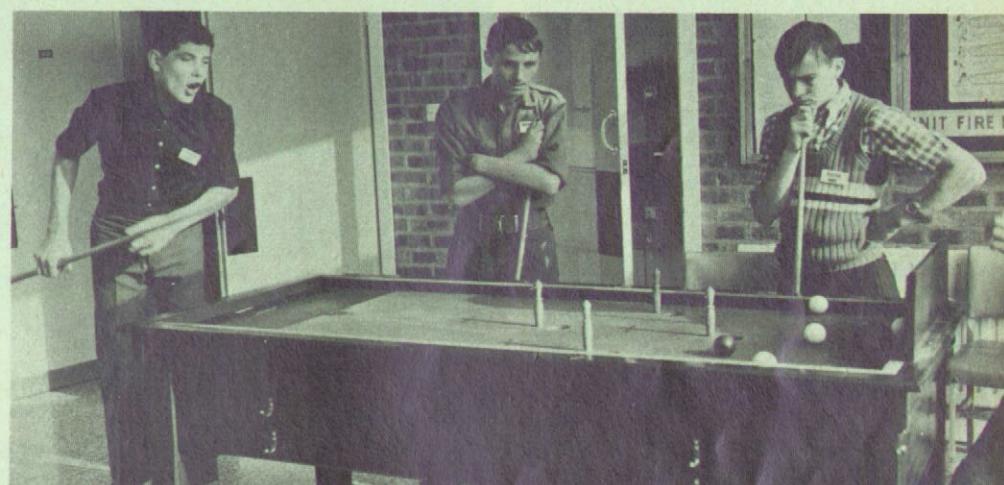
Although the selection centre is a military establishment there is no attempt to train the recruits during their brief stay. They do their own bedmaking and chores but marching, for example, is no more than a vague keeping in step and there is no spit-and-polish.

This policy did not suit everyone when Sutton Coldfield opened. Sceptical pressmen referred to the "Sutton Coldfield Hilton" and added with knowing winks and nudges that the recruits would not know what had hit them once they passed out of its gates to their units.

This misses, of course, the whole point of the operation. Says Captain J Varley, adjutant at the centre: "We do not pretend that this is what life in the Army is like. We do not have time to do any training here but there is no point



Above: The face of concentration. A recruit ponders over an answer in one of the written papers which will assess his capabilities.



Above right: Although they are confined to camp while at Sutton Coldfield the recruits are able to play bar billiards in the NAAFI.



Three lads walked (above) through the gates of St George's Barracks, Sutton Coldfield, to begin their Army careers. Robert Draycott (19) was a farm labourer from Huntingdon, Bernard Tinkler a 22-year-old highways maintenance worker from Devon and 18-year-old Ian McCormick a clerk from Cumberland. All three were selected for the Royal Engineers. A few weeks later SOLDIER found the trio hard at work (right) at Southwood Camp, Cove. Their verdict? "Life here certainly isn't like Sutton Coldfield. We have been drilling, learning about rifles, camping and building improvised rafts."



## SQUARE PEGS IN

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continued

This questionnaire, originally designed for civilian use, was adapted for the Army after a profile had been built up of the interests of every group in the British Army. Every man now receives a slip of paper giving four interest areas, all including combat, on which he must receive a job briefing.

The test produces remarkably accurate results. **SOLDIER**'s Deputy Editor, John Walton, was told that his main interests were literary and clerical with a zero rating for practical work while Picture Editor Leslie Wiggs, ex-Royal Signals, emerged with high marks for outdoor, practical and computational work and was told he would be suitable for the Royal Signals!

Having a calculator work out your interest areas might be seen as the first step on the way to computer selection for the Army, but Major Sam Green, senior personnel selection officer, is at pains to scotch this.

"The machine can only mark results—it cannot evaluate a man and his motivation. There is never going to be any question of just feeding results into a machine and its coming out with where the man has to go. The human factor must always be there."

Job briefing, the next stage, involves the showing of a film and a closer look by the recruit at the interest areas which the questionnaire elicited. Major Sam Robertson, commanding the holding wing, says that no attempt is made to influence the recruit in any way at this stage—"the briefing is strictly impartial and there is no attempt to glamourise anything."

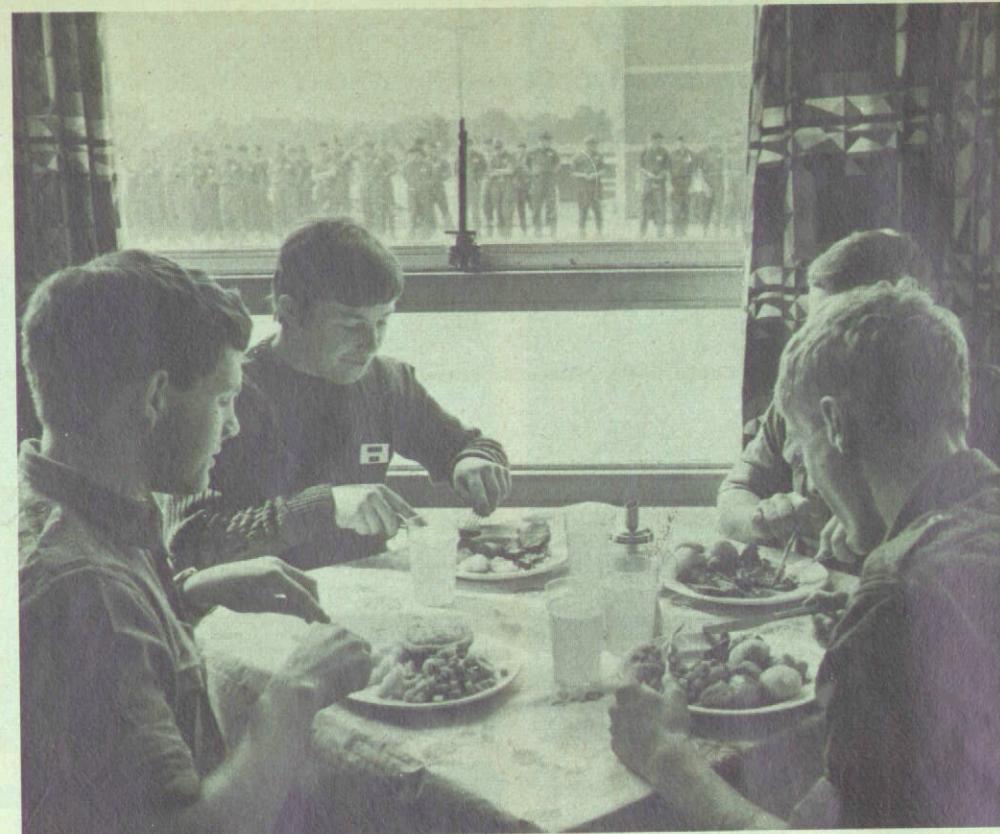
Synchronised coloured slide projectors and tape recorders show the recruit the available jobs within his interest areas.

During the selection course half a day is allowed for activities which include football, physical training and for some a first introduction to rifles on the camp's small-bore shooting range. This is strictly a sideline and there is no attempt to teach the recruit anything military while he is at Sutton Coldfield.

Culmination of the selection process is an interview by a member of the centre staff, which embraces all arms. Lasting for about an hour it consists of a personal assessment and a look at the three jobs which the recruit has chosen in order of priority.

While every effort is made to fit the recruit if he has the capability, into his chosen slot, for some jobs there are no vacancies. In the case of the high-grade recruit no attempt is made to coerce him into something else and he is free to leave the centre and return to civilian life. "We discharge him, tell him he is highly suitable for an Army career and let him go home to think it over," says Captain Varley.

Sometimes the boot is on the other foot and the would-be recruit is told that he is



Above: The new soldiers get a foretaste of the food they will eat while in the Army.



Left: The opening talk to new recruits in which Major Robertson tells them all about the centre and welcomes them to the Army.

not acceptable to the Army. For the new selection process also serves to weed out undesirables. "We are not a home for the misfits of society. The soldier has to reach very definite standards of personal integrity and self-discipline and our job is to make an assessment of each individual," observes Captain Varley.

Between seven and eight per cent of the recruits opt out during the brief stay at Sutton Coldfield, giving such reasons as pining girlfriends, dislike of getting up early or homesickness. Discharges on suitability and medical grounds bring the overall discharge rate up to one in ten.

There is no doubt that the Sutton Coldfield experiment has been highly successful and has set a pattern of recruiting

## PURELY PERSONAL



Geared up for charity

Driver David Jackson (above) swapped the ten gears of his 60-ton tank transporter for the ten gears of his bicycle for a marathon sponsored charity ride. He made a round trip from Sennelager, Germany, where he is stationed with 3 Tank Transporter Squadron, Royal Corps of Transport, to Carlisle and back to raise money for guide dogs for the blind.



Freedom of Namur

Autograph hunters (above) mobbed Captain D S Kimberley, Director of Music of the Alamein Staff Band, Royal Tank Regiment, after he had been granted the Freedom of the Belgian town of Namur. Captain Kimberley directed massed bands from the Rhine Army which played during a British Week in the town and the honour conferred on him was the climax of the goodwill festivities.



CGS on Sea Quest

General Sir Michael Carver, Chief of the General Staff (right), pictured with Mr C F Laidlaw, a director of BP, during a visit to the company's drilling rig Sea Quest in the North Sea.



Lucky break

A broken wrist brought about a meeting (above) with Mr Edward Heath for Apprentice Tradesman Ashley Kennedy (17) when the Prime Minister visited Kiel, Germany, to see the Olympic sailing. Ashley, too, was there to watch the sailing when he was based near Kiel for an adventure training exercise. The plaster on his wrist provided a handy autograph album when Mr Heath passed by.



21, 36-24-36, 5'8"

A hit amongst the blades of 1st Regiment, Royal Horse Artillery, is Miss Anna Freyne, the unit pin-up from Sherwood, Nottinghamshire. The blade of a ceremonial sword occupied at least part of her time (above) during a visit to the regiment in Germany. For the record: Age 21, single, five feet eight inches tall, 36-24-36, and interested in badminton, swimming and walking.

# FARNBOROUGH 72

Story by Mike Starke



## WHAT'S IN THE AIR—FOR THE ARMY



Above: Unusual view of Puma helicopter put in Farnborough's static display this year.

Top: Near disaster for a Swedish trainer doing an unscheduled "wheels up" landing.

Below: A trio of Westland Sea Kings. There are plans in hand for a commando version.

WITH the trio of Anglo-French helicopters now complete and new missiles on the launch pad, Army interest in this year's Farnborough air show centred on the wingless aircraft displayed.

Westland/Aerospatiale's Puma helicopter (see SOLDIER, November 1970) was joined by the smaller Lynx (SOLDIER, June 1971) which was put through a rotor-rattling "victory roll" before Farnborough audiences. The manoeuvre brought the gloomy prediction "He can afford to do that about three times only" from one air correspondent onlooker, but it proved the pilot's confidence in the machine's reliability.

The Lynx gained two world records for its type in June this year when it flew a 15 to 25 kilometre straight course at 200 miles per hour and covered a 100-kilometre closed circuit at 197.9 mph.

Also on show was the third model, the Gazelle, which appears to combine the size and visibility of the Sioux with the seating capacity of the Scout and boasts a top speed of 167 knots. The inspiration for its name can be seen in its sleek lines with the tail rotor mounted inside a backswept rear fin. Gazelle is due to go into Army service soon to join its two elder sisters.

Westland's mighty Sea King helicopter, up to now geared to naval requirements, courted wider military interest with a commando version now being developed with five possible tasks in view. As a troop transport it can carry 24 to 30 fully equipped soldiers or eight to ten stretcher cases in a casualty evacuation role. Internal and external cargo can be carried for logistic support work, a wide range of weapons can convert it into a formidable gunship and long-range rescue operations can be mounted over an operational radius of 350



Above: Even the static show was dominated by the vast Lockheed Tri Star, but the smaller Gazelle helicopter (below) drew Army interest.



nautical miles. Extra fuel tanks can expand this range. The Army has no plans at present to use this version of the Sea King.

Army attention focussed on another trio at the show provided by the British Aircraft Corporation's missile division. The long-established Vigilant anti-tank system (SOLDIER, November 1960) was on display. A lightweight one-man portable wire-guided missile, Vigilant has been ordered in quantity by the Army for infantry use. It is also mounted on Ferret scout cars of the Royal Armoured Corps and Shorland armoured patrol cars. It is effective between 230 and 1375 metres.

The latest addition to the Army's anti-tank missile arsenal is Swingfire (SOLDIER, January 1971) which has been in service a year. It is designed for firing from a wide range of vehicles and at Farnborough BAC announced its development in a "palletized" form for infantry use under the name Beeswing. Like Vigilant, Swingfire and its variants are wire-guided with a maximum range of about 4000 metres. The Royal Armoured Corps has the system mounted on a modified version of the FV 432 personnel carrier, redesignated the FV 438, and the FV 712 Ferret scout car. The latest development mounts Swingfire on the new version of the Scorpion converted to a

mobile missile launcher called Striker. A helicopter-mounted adaptation of the system, called Hawkswing, is also on its way.

The newest from the BAC stable is Rapier (SOLDIER, May 1968) which will be in the hands of a trials battery early next year. Rapier missiles aim to combat the threat of low-level air raiding. The system is operated from the ground by one man and for maximum speed of deployment a five-man team is the ideal. But it can be operated by as few as three men and the missile can be loaded into its launcher by two men without lifting gear. Designed for use either on its own or with other systems, Rapier can easily be moved by land or air over long distances to its firing area.

The Farnborough show-stealers were Concorde and the Lockheed Tri-Star with its RB 211 engines salvaged from the wreckage of Rolls-Royce. But military aircraft developments took their share of the limelight.

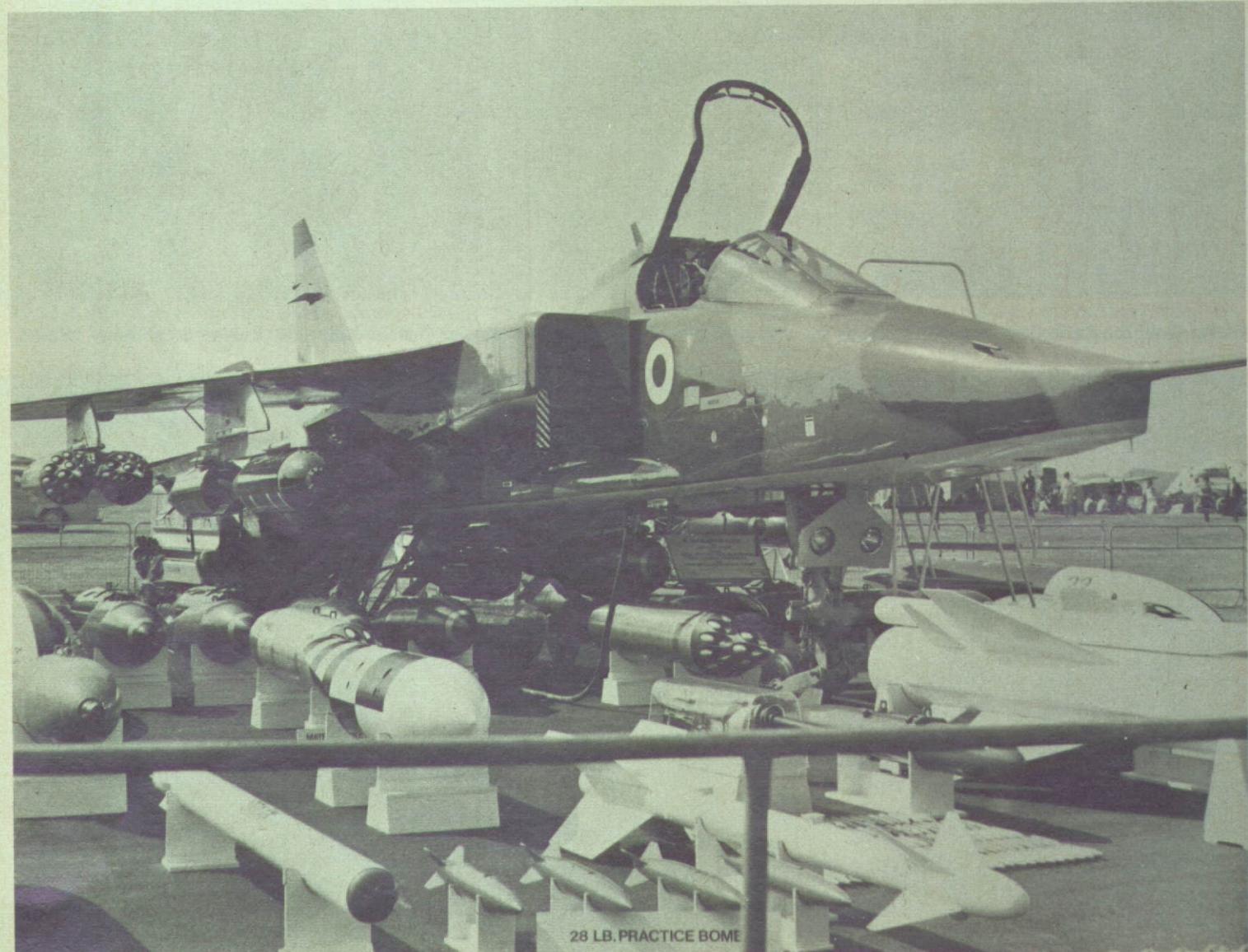
Although it has been in service with the RAF and United States Marine Corps for a while now, the revolutionary Hawker Siddeley Harrier "jump-jet" is still a source of amazement. It was shown to full advantage dipping and waltzing in its hovering configuration and streaking past the crowd in conventional flight. The combination of these capabilities gives the

Harrier its unique value in tactical support in forward areas of the roughest terrain.

One of the major themes of Farnborough 72—Anglo-European co-operation—was epitomised by the BAC-Avions Marcel Dassault/Breguet Aviation Jaguar tactical support aircraft (SOLDIER, November 1970). The brief for the designers included short take-off and landing, better known as STOL, a word which was repeated as another major theme of the show this year. Soft field performance, twin-engined safety, supersonic speeds at all altitudes, large weapon loads, variety of weapons, long action radius, high reliability and low running costs were among the other specifications. A programme of 400 Jaguars has been approved—200 for Britain and 200 for France. Deliveries to the Royal Air Force are due to start in 1973 leading to a nine squadron formation. France's order is already being delivered.

The ghost of the ill-fated TSR 2 appears in the form of a multi-role combat aircraft being developed jointly by Britain, West Germany and Italy. The project has reached prototype stage. The British requirement of the MRCA will be for interdictor strikes, air superiority, maritime strikes and air reconnaissance in the late 1970s replacing Vulcans, Buccaneers and Phantoms with this Mach 2 swing-wing aircraft.

The Anglo-French Jaguar tactical support aircraft shown with its massive arms load on the ground. It was put through its paces in the air.



# SOLDIER

# NEWS

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## LEAVE FOR RHINE ARMY MEN SERVING IN NORTHERN IRELAND

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## FIGHTING AND OPERATING AT NIGHT

(continued from Army News Bulletin No. 4)

Seats on the airtrooping charter flights from Luton are now being made available for servicemen to visit their families in Germany during emergency tours of duty in Northern Ireland. This experimental scheme supplements the flights by RAF aircraft to Rhine Army but the journeys take longer than normal since connecting flights under the United Kingdom concessional air fare scheme are to Heathrow. (DPS)

As a result of the sudden reinforcement of Northern Ireland for Operation Motorman some servicemen had to cancel their leave bookings etc. Their financial losses will be met in full. Claims should be made through unit orderly rooms. (DPS)

Issue of the General Service Medal (Northern Ireland) has been subject to delay. The Army Medal Office staff has been increased to cope with the extra load and the rate of issue should speed up soon. (DPS)

A ten per cent rise in the education allowance has followed its annual review. From 13 July 1972 the new rates are: £363 a year for the first eligible child, £432 for the second and £519 for the third and subsequent children. The rate for mentally handicapped children also goes up to £519. (DPS)

The small two-man portable ZB 298 radar will detect moving targets to ranges of several thousand yards. The device ignores the static background and will distinguish between running or walking men and between wheeled or tracked vehicles. It will also track helicopters and observe mortar and gun fall of shot. ZB 298 will give accurate ranges and bearings of these moving targets.

Low light television (LLTV) is also under consideration. This combines normal television with image intensification and has the advantage of multi-presentation from one sensor head and needs only a small cable-sized hole through the armour of an AFV instead of the large hole needed for direct view sights.

The potential of thermal devices is being explored. These form a picture based on the variations of heat reflected from the surfaces scanned. Vehicles, especially those with hot engines, and human beings can be picked up even through camouflage, smoke and bad weather when an image intensification device would be blind.

Lasers are being developed for use in range detection and target illumination. The accuracy of the technique allows a target to be engaged from ground or air with a first round hit capability.

Night detection devices are not limited to the visual. TOBIAS is a seismic device which eavesdrops on ground vibrations. Using earphones, an operator can distinguish between the sounds of vehicles and men and careful placing of the sensor head allows large areas to be "watched."



"What do you mean—we never give the Army a good show?"

Theoretically all these devices could be combined to feed their information into a computer in a central control point. To a limited extent this has already been done with air-dropped sensors in Vietnam.

Electronics technology is developing fast, bringing inevitably more complex and expensive equipment into being. This will make increasing demands on the users. Used wrongly these devices could actually limit the soldier's night fighting ability. Used correctly they will add a new dimension to that ability. (ACGS (OR))

#### 7.62mm rifle L42

Infantry battalions have had the .303 inch 4T sniping rifle since World War One and when sniping was reintroduced in recent years it was decided to convert the rifle to 7.62mm.

The new weapon has the same bolt action but a longer, heavier barrel. This and special new ammunition produce excellent accuracy up to 800 metres. Sighting has been improved with the overhaul of telescopes. Training and care of the weapon must be meticulous to get good results in the field against difficult targets at unknown ranges.

Deployment of this rifle to Regular infantry is now complete and it is soon to be issued to the Territorial Army Volunteer Reserve.

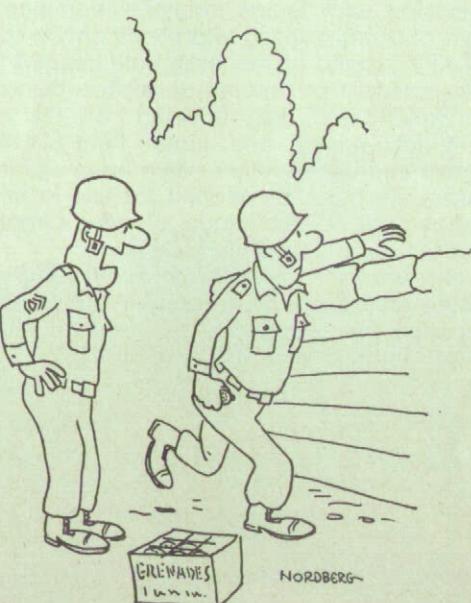
#### Swingfire long-range anti-tank guided weapon

The Swingfire system on FV 438 and FV 712 is already in service with the Royal Armoured Corps. Striker, a member of the combat vehicle reconnaissance (tracked) family of vehicles, is also to be equipped with Swingfire for some RAC units. Beeswing, a B vehicle version, is being developed for other infantry uses (see SOLDIER, November 1972).

#### Grenades

The L 2A2 HE grenade, lighter and more efficient than the 36 grenade, should be in service soon.

XL5E1 and XL6E1 smoke screen and coloured smoke grenades will replace the 80 WP and 83 grenades. The XK5 is best hand-thrown while the XL6 can also be projected from the self-loading rifle. These grenades are still under development. (ACGS (OR))



"You lob a beautiful pin, Swenson.  
Now about the grenade . . ."

#### COMBAT CLOTHING AND PERSONAL EQUIPMENT DEVELOPMENTS

##### Cold weather tests of temperate combat clothing assembly 1970

Trials in a cold chamber at the Army Personnel Research Establishment, Farnborough, have proved that the assembly gives adequate protection down to minus ten degrees Centigrade. Field trials were carried out in Germany on Exercise Chillog to confirm the laboratory findings. The trial also examined the problem of NBC protection in winter and results are now being evaluated.

##### New tropical combat clothing assembly

Trials of the jacket, trousers and hat, similar in colour to the DPM combat dress, are in progress. Desert tests have been completed and the Jungle Warfare School, Malaya, has finished its tests.

The United Kingdom battalion with the ANZUK Force in Singapore will be testing the

dress this year. The new tropical combat boots are still in the development stage but it is hoped they will be accepted for troop trials soon and be sent to the Far East for trial with the combat dress.

##### Personal load carriage equipment 1975 pattern (PLCE 75)

Production of the first 1000 sets of PLCE 75 is in progress. This new equipment will eventually replace all the present different patterns now in service. The worldwide trial will take place this year. (QMG)

##### Cooking outfit field No. 4 (150-man trailer-mounted cookset)

A prototype of this cookset, designed to replace the old No 1, has been accepted for troop trial using in-service RAF burners. It provides centralised cooking for about 150 men and has facilities for the distribution of hot food to outlying sub-units using new 13-litre insulated food containers of Norwegian design. A 12-foot by 12-foot shelter is also provided. Fifteen cooksets are being manufactured this year for worldwide troop trials starting in March 1973.



"As a Catering Corps sergeant, how long do you think we should leave you on?"

##### Cooking outfit field No. 5 (25-man table-top models)

Troop trials of this cookset are now complete and reports are being considered.

##### Cooking outfit field No. 6 (4/5 man food heater)

A prototype of this heater has been accepted for troop trial. It is designed to replace the No 2 cooker and will be compared with it during trials. Worldwide trials began in September this year. (QMG)

#### RECORD JUNIOR INTAKE

A record 5700 boys joined the Army in the September intake of juniors, nearly 800 more than the previous best figure at the same time last year. The total for the three intakes for the year, of which September is always the largest, is 10,547. Of the 1972 September entry, 2668 chose the infantry, 581 the Royal Engineers, 508 the Royal Signals, 508 the Royal Artillery, 314 the Royal Corps of Transport, 310 the Royal Electrical and Mechanical Engineers and 242 the Royal Army Ordnance Corps. More than 100 opted for the Army Catering Corps. (DPR)

#### JUNIOR INFANTRY EXPANSION

Dramatic rises in the intake of infantry junior soldiers have led to the expansion of the training organisation to make sure suitable youngsters are not turned away. Training units at a number of infantry depots have been extended as well as the Infantry Junior Leaders' Battalion and Junior Infantrymen's Wing, Oswestry, the Junior Infantrymen's Battalion, Shorncliffe, and the Junior Infantrymen's Wing, Preston.

A new sub-unit has been created at the Scottish Infantry Depot, Cameron Barracks, Inverness, for 112 junior infantrymen of The Scottish Division, under command of the Scottish Infantry Depot, Bridge of Don. A Junior Infantrymen's Wing has been formed at Howe Barracks, Canterbury, for 400 junior infantrymen under command of the Junior Infantrymen's Battalion, Shorncliffe.

Extra staff for the expansion was drawn from the hard-pressed battalions and, although it put a strain on them, it was agreed the infantry had to do everything

## JUNIOR INFANTRY EXPANSION

continued

possible to recruit and train the juniors who play an increasing part in keeping the infantry up to strength.

The largest share of staff was needed at Canterbury and was drawn mainly from the two infantry representative companies—4th Queen's Company and 4th Royal Anglian Company.

Great credit is due to the Department of the Environment, the staff and units themselves for the improvements to existing buildings and new construction which had to be provided in a short time to cope with the increase. (D Inf)

## SAVINGS SCHEMES

Soldiers are urged by the Army Board to save money and three methods are recommended. The Army sponsors the "Save While You Serve" scheme involving regular deposits with a building society of the saver's choice. Information can be got from Royal Army Educational Corps officers advising on resettlement, or from paymasters.

Unit pay staffs will also advise on National Savings and information is available through the British Forces Postal Service overseas from Command Postal and Courier Communications Officers or British Forces Post Offices. Details can also be provided by the Secretary, Her Majesty's Forces' Savings Committee, or from area savings officers who will visit units from time to time.

Those wishing to invest in private or public industry and commerce are strongly advised to consult their bank managers before making a firm decision. Free confidential advice can be sought from the Army Agents using forms produced by unit pay staffs. (DPS)

## COUNCIL OF VOLUNTARY WELFARE WORK

Forces' clubs, canteens, bookshops and mobiles run by a number of religious and philanthropic organisations are linked to the Ministry of Defence by the Council of Voluntary Welfare Work.

Some of these bodies have been working with servicemen for more than 100 years and the council, formed in 1939 to co-ordinate their activities, operates for the same purpose to this day.

Clubs run by the Church Army, Church of Scotland, CESSAC, Methodist Church, MMG, Royal Sailors' Rests, Salvation Army, Sandes' Homes, Toc H, YMCA and YWCA are to be found not only in the United Kingdom but in Germany, Gibraltar, Cyprus, Sharjah, Hong Kong and Singapore.

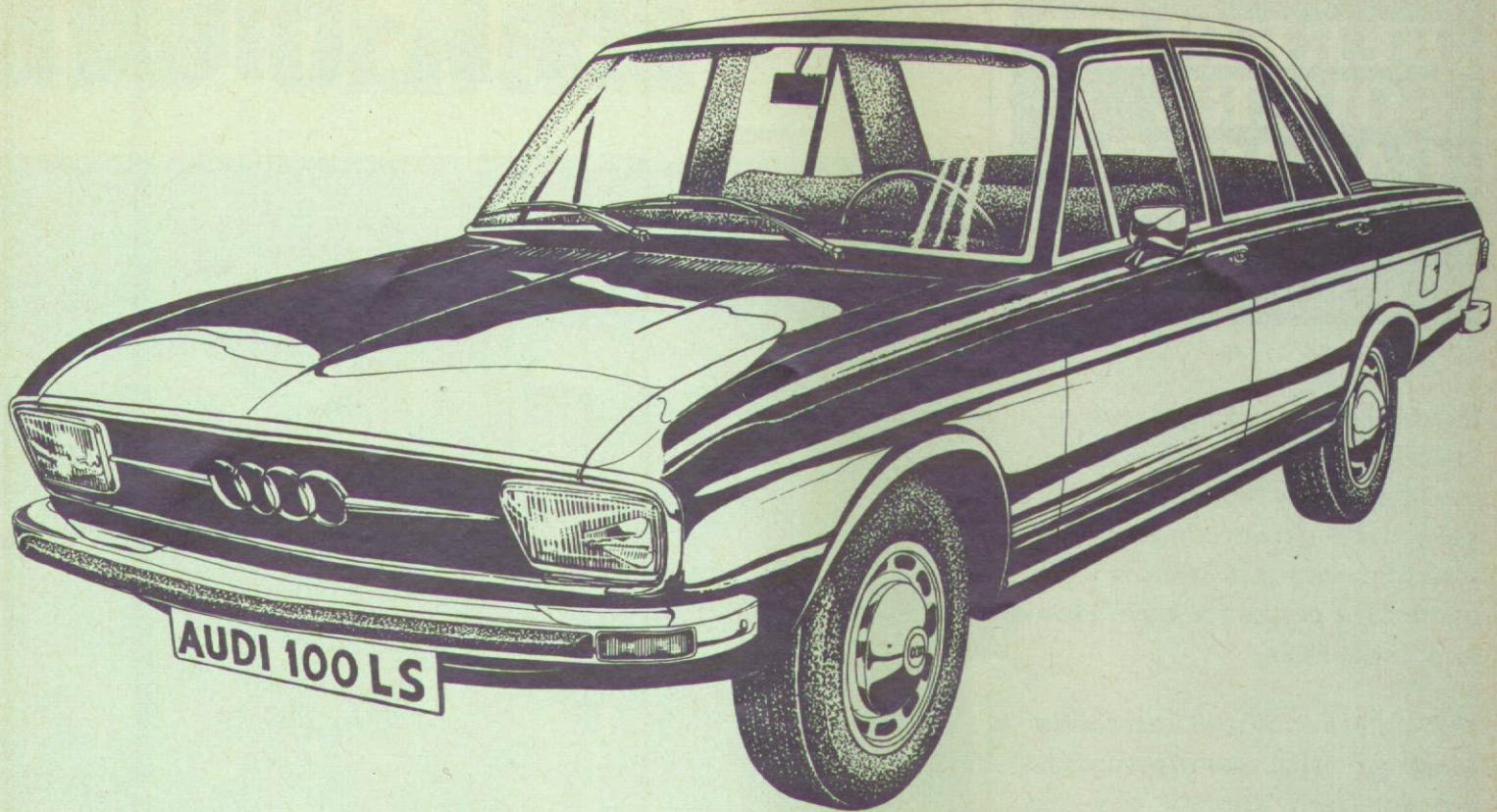
## THE HANDICAPPED SERVICE CHILD

A department exists in the Institute of Army Education to deal with the problems of educating handicapped Service children.

The help which can be given to parents varies from simple advice to practical help in dealing with local education authorities or, where necessary, actually finding a place for a child in a special school. This specialist department can be a great help to both child and parents when dealing with the sometimes difficult administrative problems arising in the education of handicapped children.

The service offered by the handicapped children's department is confidential and each child's progress is carefully watched to see that it runs as smoothly as possible. It is not a function of the department to organise future postings of the parents. The department's aims are better described as being to see that the child's education does not suffer because the parent is a serviceman, and that the parent's service career should reach its full potential despite the additional responsibilities created by a handicapped child.

The department is at the Institute of Army Education, Court Road, Eltham, SE9 5NR, and the officer in charge is Major M J Bryan, Royal Army Educational Corps. Parents of physically or mentally handicapped children can contact Major Bryan either directly or through their unit or group education officer. (DAEd)



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Racing driver Graham Hill (above, driving a Scorpion) put L plates up for a driving "test" at Bovington Camp, Dorset, where he drove a number of the Army's fighting vehicles. The Royal Armoured Corps Centre invited Mr Hill to the camp after he had expressed an interest in the work at

Bovington. Mr Hill was interviewed for Radio Poole by two soldier-announcers, Warrant Officer II Dennis Sherwood, Royal Electrical and Mechanical Engineers, and Sergeant Steve Reeves, Queen's Own Highlanders. The recently opened station serves Poole General Hospital.

Aldershot's Wellington Street branch of the National Westminster Bank has its own unique link between civilian and military communities in the "Home of the British Army." It is this specially commissioned relief mural (above) over the bank's exit. Model figures, set against a stylised background of the town centre, depict 30 warriors down the ages. On parade, left to right, are: King's Dragoon Guard, Luckner Hussar 1765, Geoffrey Plantagenet 1151, Royal American Regiment 1799, Yakima warrior (Hood River), English archer 1350, Federation of Malay Police drummer 1956, Spartan warrior 500BC, West Indies Regiment, Hong Kong Police

(Sikh) 1897, 2nd Troop Horse Guards trooper 1740, Royal Malta Artillery 1904, American rifleman 1776, Royal Military Asylum (Orphanage) drum-major 1832, Peruvian warrior 900AD, Royal Military Asylum triangle boy, Homo Britannicus 4000BC, Duke of York's Greek Light Infantry 1813, Norseman 800AD, Bengal Lancer 1850, two Peninsular War Spanish guerrillas, King's African Rifles drum-major, Sir E Filmer 1629, Sussex Militia 1803, Iroquois warrior, Light Dragoon, Royal Hospital In-Pensioner 1832, Honourable Artillery Company horner, Bombay Light Cavalry and finally Coldstream Guards 1821.



The airborne landings at Arnhem in September 1944 were re-enacted on an anniversary "drop" by Territorial Army Volunteer Reservists of 10th Battalion, The Parachute Regiment—one of the units which took part in the original assault. Some 5000 citizens welcomed the paras on their dropping zone and a tour of the town included a visit (left) to the reconstructed bridge around which some of the fiercest fighting raged in 1944. The last of the official pilgrimages to Arnhem was in 1969 on the 25th anniversary (SOLDIER, November 1969).



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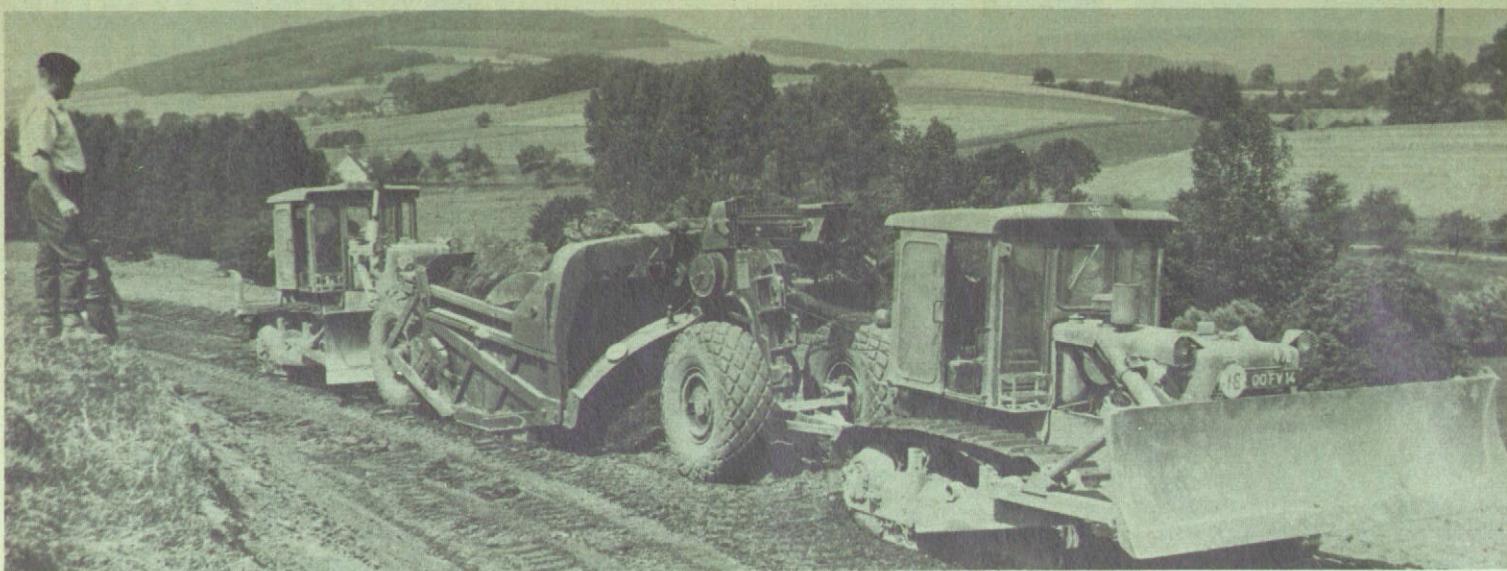
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# LEFT, RIGHT AND CENTRE

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When the villagers of Niese, Germany, wanted a sports field, sappers came to the rescue. Men of 44 Field Support Squadron carved the crest from a hill (above) to level a valley area and carefully replaced topsoil on the hill when they had finished. The job gave Niese a valuable amenity and the sappers a useful exercise to test their skills.



Krefeld has become the first German city to grant its Freedom to a Royal Signals unit. The honour bestowed on 16 Signal Regiment (left) marks the 15 years it has been stationed in the city during which time it has "won for itself the complete trust of the citizens and has made and fostered excellent contact with them," to quote the citation. Only days later a second Signals unit, 7 Signal Regiment, was given the Freedom of Herford (above) after 21 years in the town.



Some fifty canoes raced around Hong Kong island in this year's Sir David Trench Trophy event, paddling the 30-mile course in a sweltering 90 degrees. The winner, in five hours 45 minutes, was Sergeant David Young (above), a Royal Army Ordnance Corps ammunition technician.



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Light reading proves heavy work (left) for Sergeant John Smith who took over a stack of books that poured in after an appeal by Nottingham's Lord Mayor for reading matter to be sent to troops serving in Northern Ireland. The first consignment of the 6000 books so far donated is destined for 1st Regiment, Royal Horse Artillery, which began a tour of duty in September.

## Some less-known MILITARY PRINTS



A second triumph for the 7th Duke of Edinburgh's Own Gurkha Rifles in the first year of their tour in England came with a win in the Cambrian March. They carried off first prize in the Welsh 3000s earlier in

the year. Eight teams took part in the four-day Cambrian March and the nine-man Gurkha team (above) was led by Lieutenant John Guy of the Australian Pacific Regiment which is affiliated to the Gurkha unit.



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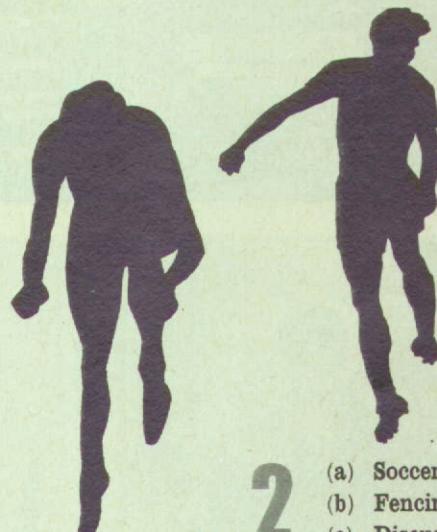
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**1** (a) Trampoline  
(b) Diving  
(c) Gymnastics

## SPORTS FINAL



**2** (a) Soccer  
(b) Fencing  
(c) Discus

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**4** (a) Tossing the caber  
(b) Tug-of-war  
(c) Rock climbing

FOR all those readers who puzzled over the previous sets of sporting silhouettes in Competition 156 (May 1971) and 170 (July 1972) here is a final group. There are two or three obvious activities although the silhouettes omit all equipment etc.

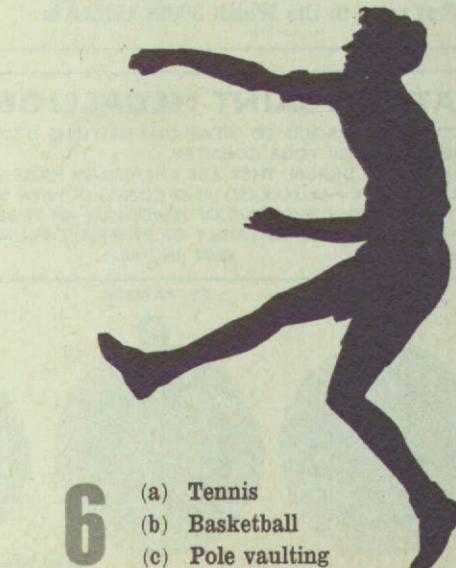
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**5** (a) Old-time dancing  
(b) Skiing  
(c) Cycling



**6** (a) Tennis  
(b) Basketball  
(c) Pole vaulting



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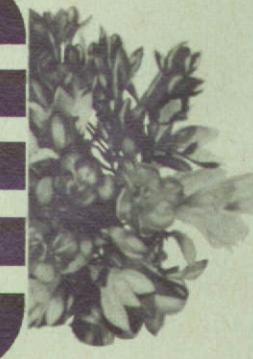
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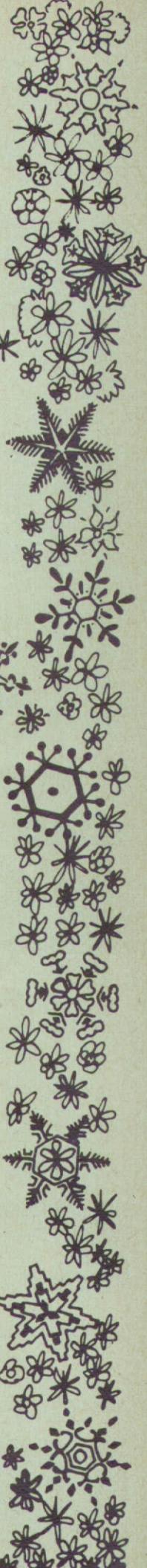
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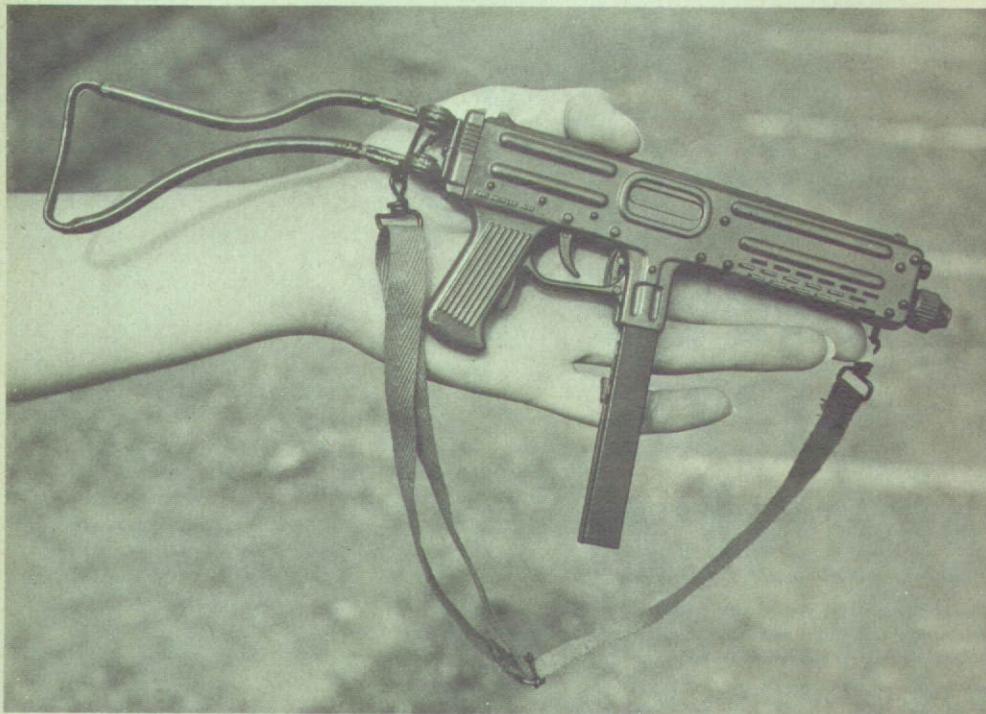
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## Miniatures in metal

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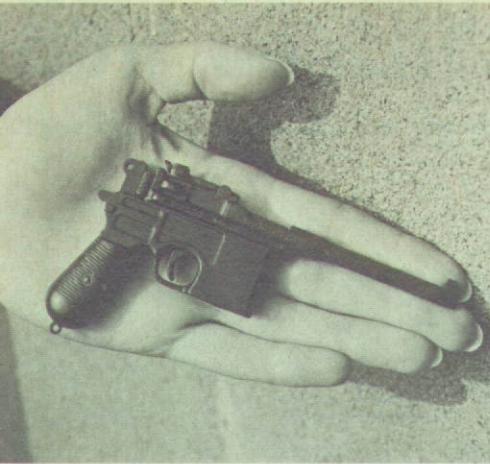
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Above: The 7.63 mini-Mauser cocks like the real thing and has an adjustable rear sight.

Right: This M4 A3 Sherman carries the markings of the Leclerc 2ème Division Blindée.

working cocking and firing mechanism designed for the special "Hi Powa" caps, which are not supposed to be sold to anyone under 15. Ordinary strip caps can be cut to fit.

The models are in an unusual 2:5th scale which means that the trigger guards are so small that the trigger must be squeezed with a finger tip. On the Franchi LF 57 sub-machine-gun supplied to us, we found that the cocking handle operated much too short and that the removable butt snapped when being attached and had to be fixed with a pin and epoxy resin adhesive.



However, the models have an authentic look and a weight and feel comparable to the real thing.

In the range are 11 models including a German officer's Luger of World War One, a lever-operated Winchester of the overland stage, a Wild West Colt .45, and a Mauser like the one used in the battle of Omdurman by one Lieutenant Winston Churchill.

These guns, which cost from £1.04 to £4.50, are obtainable from the British importers: Model-Time, 6 St George's Walk, Croydon, Surrey, CR0 1YG.

Model-Time also market the French

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The overall finish is crisp and detailed though the tank tracks, of individual metal links, look glaringly shiny to an expert eye. They are ideal for the modeller who is fed up with fitting together finicky pieces of plastic and, being almost entirely of metal, make excellent paperweights. **HH**

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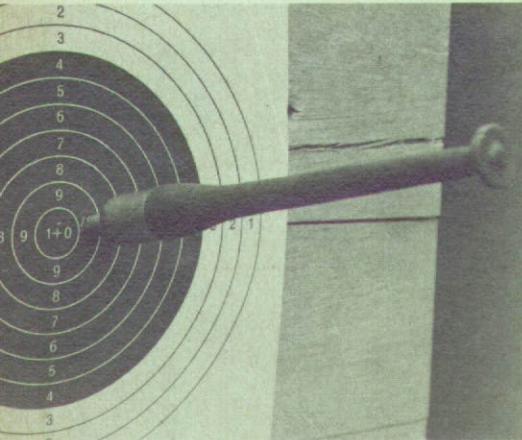
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# WILLIAM TELEX



Steady... aim... fire! The Gurkha team's top scorer, Sgt Chandru Rai, shoots a bolt from his crossbow as near the bull's eye as any champion might with many years' experience.

Below: Signallers' skills were put to the test as scores were relayed by telex link.



THE legendary Swiss crossbowman William Tell would never have believed that 20th century marksmen could stage a simultaneous contest between two teams, one in his homeland and one in far-off Hong Kong. This mind-boggling notion became a reality thanks not only to the shooting skill, but the signalling skill of today's soldiers.

All started two years ago when Gurkha Signals units in Hong Kong played host to a group of Swiss businessmen on their way to Tokyo's "Expo 70." Several members of the Swiss delegation were also members of the Swiss Signal Corps consisting of reservists' units of the Voluntary Citizen Army in Switzerland. They presented their Hong Kong hosts with a crossbow and some bolts.

Major-General E Honneger, Director of the Swiss Signal Corps, was later elected vice-chairman of the Swiss national crossbow championships held annually near Berne. He suggested that—starting this



year—one of the practices to be fired should be between a Swiss Signals team in Switzerland and a Gurkha Signals team in Hong Kong.

The challenge was taken up and men of 48 Gurkha Brigade Headquarters and Signals Squadron and 248 Gurkha Signals Squadron went into training. The event was to be fired simultaneously with the scores reported by direct telex link between the firing points in Hong Kong and Switzerland.

Adjusting to the time zone differences, the contest began in Hong Kong at 4 pm and at 9 am in Switzerland. First to fire were Lieutenant-Colonel Tony Lewis, Commander Royal Signals in Hong Kong, and General Honneger in Switzerland.

The five-man Gurkha team was not expected to outshoot the Swiss marksmen with five centuries of tradition behind their expertise with the crossbow. But the Hong Kong targets were peppered with a creditable 209 points in answer to the

Swiss score of 229 out of a possible 300.

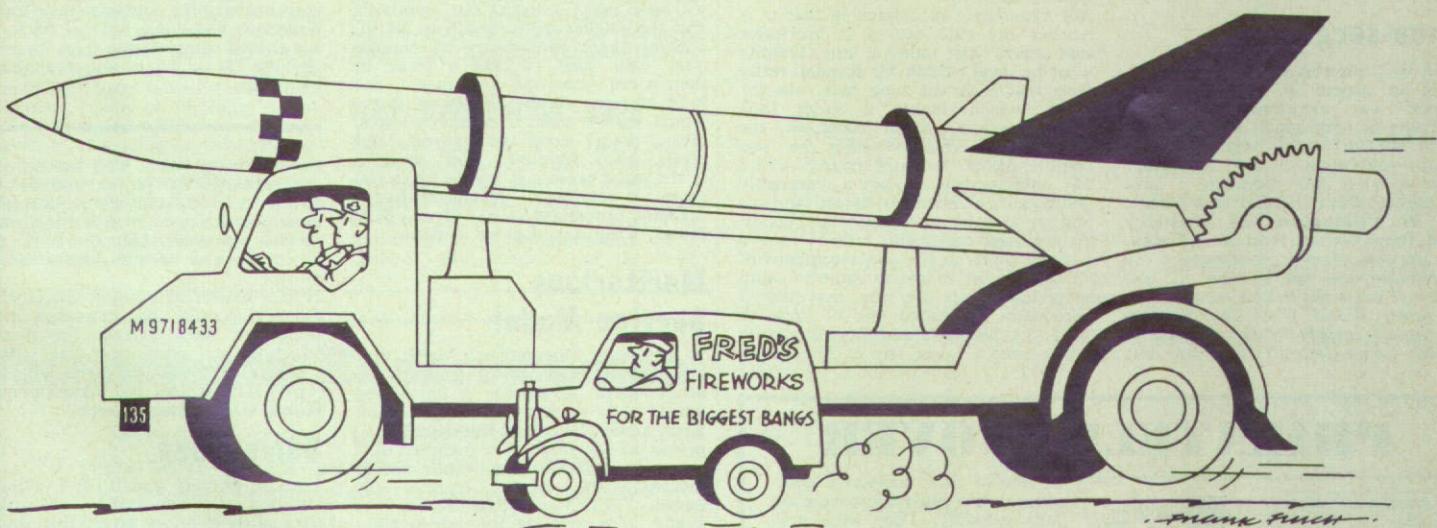
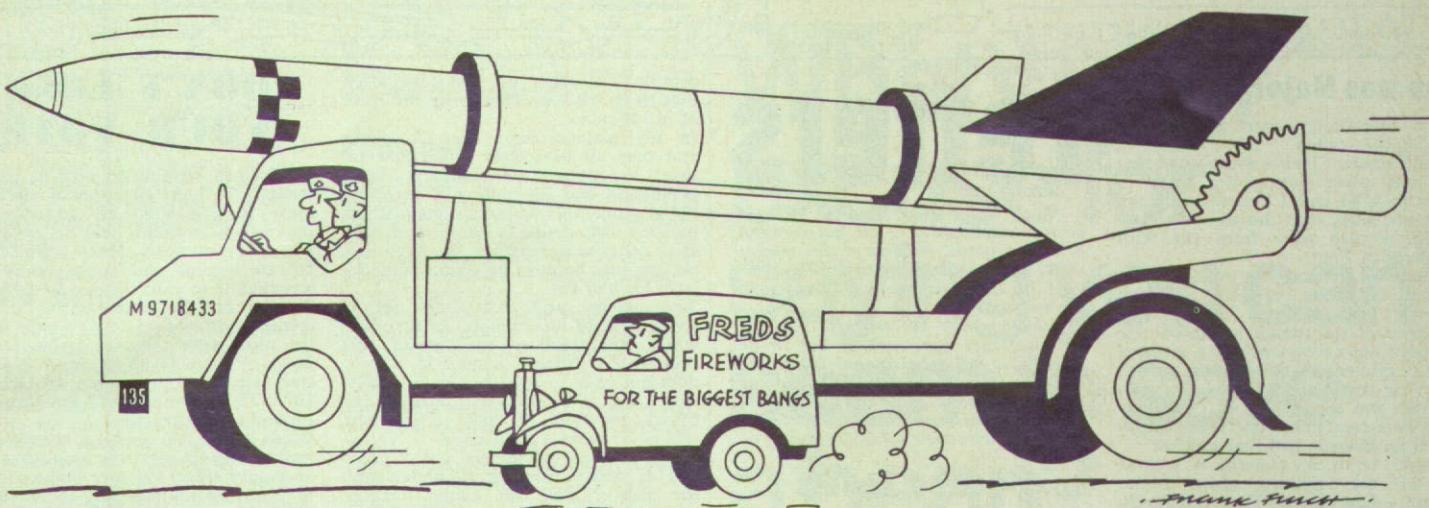
A consolation prize for the Gurkhas came in the form of an enormous Swiss cheese three feet in diameter, one foot deep and weighing 200 lbs. In Switzerland, the Swiss Signal Corps was presented with a ceremonial kukri with a personal gift of a kukri to each member of the Swiss team.

Major General Honneger closed the specially established telex link with the message: "Never mind. The example of William Tell and our more-than-500-years tradition of crossbow shooting proved to be too much a deciding factor. Even the renowned marksmanship of the Gurkha soldier could not be expected to compete under such circumstances with our local crossbow champions. We hope, nevertheless, that you enjoyed this competition and the spirit in which it was organised and carried out."

*From a report by Joint Service Public Relations, Hong Kong.*

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These two pictures look alike but they differ in ten details. Look at them carefully. If you cannot spot the differences see page 41



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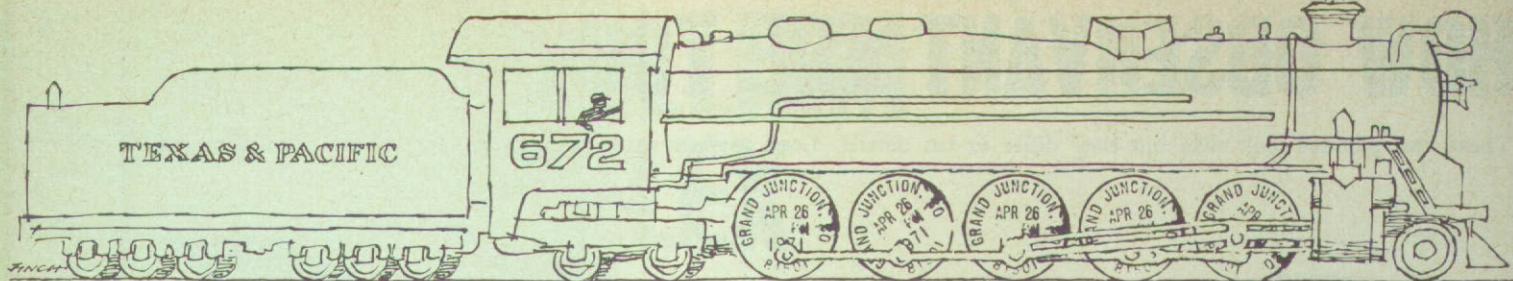
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## Who was Major Peirson?

In the Tate Gallery there is a painting by Copley called "The Death of Major Peirson." I have established that this took place during the Siege of Jersey in 1781 and I believe, although I am not sure, that the troops shown in the picture were from the 95th Regiment of Foot.

If this is so, Peirson was presumably a member of that regiment although someone has suggested he was the Governor of the island, in which case he would not necessarily be a member of the regiment. I think I am correct in saying that although in later years the 95th was a battalion of The Sherwood Foresters, in the late 18th century The Rifle Brigade had that number.

I would be most grateful if anyone can tell me anything about Major Peirson.—Col (Retd) W J Cockerill.  
HQ Eastern District, Flagstaff House, Colchester, Essex, CO2 7ST.

## Lance-sergeant

I read with interest in the July SOLDIER an article in which a lance-sergeant was mentioned. I would appreciate it very much if you could inform me in which regiments this pertains—although I am a regular reader of your fine magazine I have not heard of this particular rank before.—D W Pilkington, 38 Wolseley Road, Rush Green, Romford, Essex.

★ In the first place lance-sergeant is an appointment and not a rank. It was in common use in the British Army during and before World War Two but has since lapsed, except in the Brigade of Guards. Lance-sergeants today are only

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on the establishment of the five regiments of Foot Guards. Holders of the appointment, although wearing three stripes, are paid as corporals but are members of the sergeants mess.

A lance-sergeant has an extra gold ring on his forage cap, making two in all, whereas a full sergeant has three rings and also wears a red sash. In the Grenadier Guards both lance- and full sergeants have the additional distinction of wearing a grenade with their three chevrons.

## Long-haired cadets

I feel I must take issue with Mr Kendall (September) on the length of Army Cadets' hair.

My experience in Sussex is that it is neither the rule nor is it inevitable that cadets' hair today is long. Despite what he says, I think Mr Kendall really feels that it is the long hair, not the beret, which makes a cadet look "anything but smart." After all, the beret hasn't changed since he was Commander of "a smart troop."

My commandant expects a reasonably short hair cut from his cadets (and his adults) and by and large he gets it. At training camp this year I was a platoon officer in the senior company of 75 cadets, two of whom came to camp with long hair. On the first day I personally persuaded one of these to have his hair cut and he voluntarily hitch-hiked a round trip of 20 miles to

comply. The other was sent home after four days, his long hair being the least of his offences.

In my platoon there are 17 cadets and they all have hair which is kept short by today's standards. A little persuasion and leg-pulling is involved but generally this standard is maintained by their own desire to conform in this as in other requirements. We have lost no one just because he didn't want to have his hair cut.

The officers and instructors set a standard (and an example) in turn-out which approximates to that of the present-day British Army. If a boy does not wish to conform, he probably won't wish to conform with many other things required of him. That boy will never make a good cadet.

A boy is never condemned out of hand and is always helped to understand the reason why we expect certain standards of him—and he almost always sees the point.

Our job is probably easier because we have never lowered our standards and the rot has never begun to set in. I think there will always be enough boys who want to take a pride in themselves provided we create the kind of unit which will attract them, which makes them feel like soldiers, gives them their self-respect and treats them seriously. Our strength is the same now as it was in 1965 and morale is very high.—Michael Sharp, 2/Lieut, Queens (ACF), Hyes, Mill Road, Ringmer, Lewes, Sussex.

## Meritorious Service Medal

In his letter (September) Mr E Gay has made some mistakes. As far as I am aware there is neither a qualifying period of 27 years' outstanding Regular Army service laid down nor a qualifying period of 15 years as a member of a sergeants mess (for few would qualify thereby); the name describes the award, "For Meritorious Service." I would also contest the description "WOs and Sergeants Mess" as Queen's Regulations specify "Sergeants Mess." The recipient is supposed to be in possession of the Long Service and Good Conduct Medal although there are instances of the MSM being awarded during World War One to "duration of war" personnel.

It is appreciated that the medal is extremely hard to earn yet I do not think there is a limit to the number of medals awarded periodically. There is certainly a limit to the number of annuities granted and I have yet to learn of a recipient of the medal under

## DON'T LOSE YOUR VOTE

Servicemen wishing to vote at parliamentary or local government elections must be registered as electors, and Service declarations have to be completed every year. Many servicemen fail to register and consequently are not eligible to vote.

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Make sure you obtain the form and explanatory leaflet from your unit. If you are serving outside the United Kingdom and your wife is with you she should complete the form for wives (F/Vote/34) which is also available at your unit.

the age of 80 years who has received the annuity. My father, awarded the MSM in 1917, told me he would be extremely lucky to receive the annuity (if he survived) before he reached 84 or 85—alas he died before the age of 70.

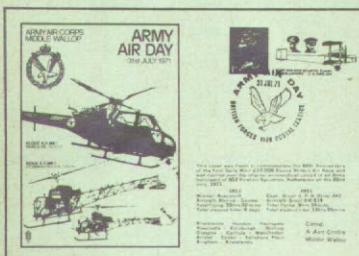
It is a matter of opinion whether the annuity should be increased when there are some awards for bravery which do not even carry the sum of £10 annually.—H W Corke, Captain (QM) RE (Retd), 249 Marlborough Road, Gillingham, Kent.

## Darien Gap

I would be very grateful if I could be afforded the opportunity to qualify the superscription over the photograph of horses being loaded on to a raft in the article "Across the Darien Gap" (SOLDIER, August).

The impression has been gained, not only from SOLDIER but from other articles and interviews, that the horses that did not end up on the Columbian border died. This is far from the truth. Twenty-eight horses began the expedition, 23 were still living at the end of it. I shot four for humanitarian reasons and one died in isolated circumstances. The five "survivors" were the only horses required to make the latter part of the trip so we either

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Hall, Tower Street, York); B Squadron is now A Squadron (Yeomanry House, Ayr); C Squadron remains as C Squadron, at the Dale, Chester. Regimental Headquarters is at New Clifford Fort, Tynemouth, Northumberland.

gave away or sold the others. Their new owners were carefully selected and each horse was fit to be handed over. The two horses in the photograph were the subject of an ingenious river rescue thanks to the inventiveness of WO II D (Ticky) Wright RE. The other military figure standing in the boat is myself. **Maj K R Morgan-Jones RAVC, 1 Army Dog Training Unit RAVC, BFPO 16.**

### Dad's Army

I was interested to read Mr Nash's letter (August) with reference to the type of equipment used in the BBC television serials, "The Regiment" and "Dad's Army." Despite his knowledge of the subject, Mr Nash is mistaken on one point—his reference to "binocular cases" being worn in "Dad's Army" instead of normal basic pouches. The pouches shown are not binocular cases but ammunition pouches issued to the Home Guard to hold .303 SAA. I joined the Home Guard in 1940 when I was 15 and it was not until 1942 that we were issued with some real musketry equipment. I never saw an officer in the Home Guard wearing belt and gaiters made of webbing, as in "Dad's Army" (all ranks wore leather), a peaked cap, Canadian-style battledress and permanently with a revolver. The officers wore practically the same as the men, sometimes having a slightly better quality side cap with black badge. **—A Dawson, 24 Surrey Road, Bournemouth, Hants.**

★ Most Home Guard detachments were affiliated to their local Territorial Army units and wore the appropriate cap badge.

### Pensions

I must reply to "Ex-Badge's" letter (August) regarding pensions for the benefit of those readers who have been misled by his refusal to accept the true fact that the whole of his Service pension is regarded as "earned income" by the Inland Revenue.

There is, however, some slight doubt in my mind regarding Mr MacDonald's tax assessment which I have attempted to clear up in correspondence with him. Unfortunately I have not received a reply and I suspect that the matter has now been resolved at his local taxation office.

The correspondence has clearly underlined the difficulties experienced in understanding the present taxation rules and I am sure that Mr MacDonald will join the rest of us in welcoming the unified taxation system next year and the disappearance of earned income relief! **Lieut C Kirk, 14 Webster Road, Tag Down, Winchester, Hants**

### RAF armoured cars

My colleague, Mr R M Cook, and I are writing a history of the six companies of armoured cars, Royal Air Force. During World War Two, No 2 Armoured Car Company (RAF), under the command of Squadron-Leader M P Casano, was attached to the 11th

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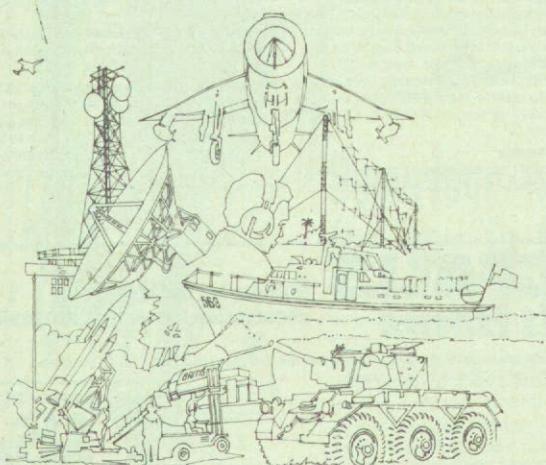
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Hussars as D Squadron. It took part in the "Habforce" and "Kingcol" operations during the Rashid Ali revolt in Iraq and the subsequent actions fought at Homs and Palmyra.

Whilst we have extensive coverage on these operations from former members of No 2 Armoured Car Company (RAF), we would like to hear from any reader who took part in these actions. We are also interested in any recollections dealing with the Royal Air Force armoured cars in the Western Desert and in photographs which, once copied, would be speedily returned. Any assistance given will be acknowledged in the final work.—**Chf Tech K C Bastian, Lab Dev Flt, Trenchard Hall, RAF College, Cranwell, Lincs.**

## Muzzle brake

A caption beneath a picture of the German version of the 105mm pack-howitzer (July, page 25) states: Note the distinctive flash eliminator. I would like to point out that with a hole in front and a larger hole each side of the muzzle this would spread the flash over a larger area. Back in 1941 in the Middle East, when we first captured some guns with this appendage we also thought it was a

flash eliminator but after trials it was found to be a muzzle brake to retard recoil when a heavier charge was used. It was not long before we also started fitting them to 17-pounder and 25-pounder guns. —**W W Field (ex-ASM REME), 12 Dolland House, Newburn Street, Kennington, London, SE11 5LR.**

★ You are absolutely right, Mr Field, this was no flash eliminator but a muzzle brake.

## Chester Assizes

I would refer to the picture at top left on page 21 of the September SOLDIER showing part of the opening ceremony of Chester Assizes in May 1963. It would, I think, be of interest to readers to know that this guard was provided by 1st Battalion, The York and Lancaster Regiment, when stationed at Saigton Camp, Chester. It was produced in colour as the cover picture of the May 1963 SOLDIER and shows Mr Justice Veale and Mr Justice Stephenson inspecting the guard of honour accompanied by the parade commander, Major D L H Owen, The Cheshire Regiment, and the guard commander, Captain E E Cornut, The York and Lancaster Regiment.—**Lieut-Col A W Stansfield, Regimental Secretary, The York and Lancaster Regiment, Endcliffe Hall, Endcliffe Vale Road, Sheffield, S10 3EU.**



## MYSTERY BADGE

This badge, sent for identification by an Australian reader, has us stumped! Neither we nor any of the experts we have consulted have been able to name it. Can any reader supply the answer to this teaser?

## Group therapy

Odd men out in Competition 169 (June) were:

**Alexander** (not a British sovereign as are Charles, John, Elizabeth, Henry, William and George).

**Manchuria** (not a musical group as are The Who, Rolling Stones, Soft Machine and The Beach Boys).

**Seychelles** (British, which Poland, Portugal, France, Yugoslavia, Turkey and Tibet are not!)

**Eighty-four** (84) (not a square number as are 1, 9, 49 and 100).

**London** (Nothing, Lost, Dream, Well, Measure, It and Venice are the last words of Shakespeare play titles). **N** (not a musical note as are A, B, C, D, E, F and G).

**Grey** (not a colour of the rainbow as are blue, yellow, green, orange, red and violet).

**Radish** (not a fruit as are orange, lemon, apple and pear).

**Bone** (not a metal as are iron, steel, copper, tin and zinc).

**Eight** (8) (an even number—3, 5, 7 and 11 are odd numbers).

**L** (A give-away! Take your pick of odd man out but they all begin with L—Leningrad, London, Leeds, Los Angeles, Liverpool, Lille!)

**Icarus** (not a planet as are Mercury, Pluto, Jupiter and Venus).

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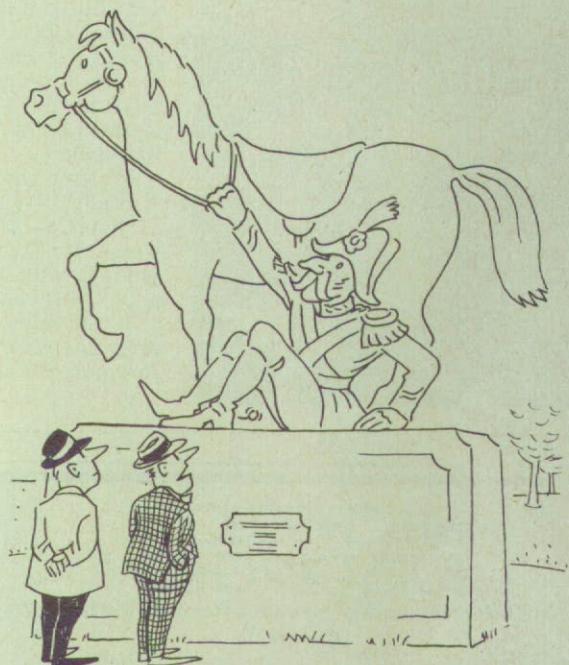
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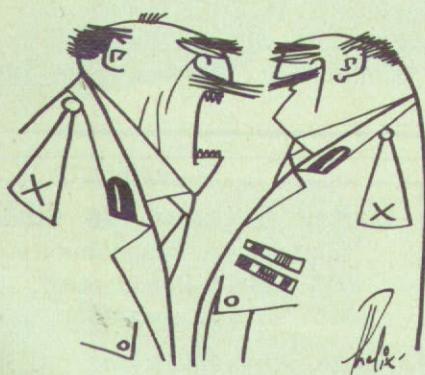
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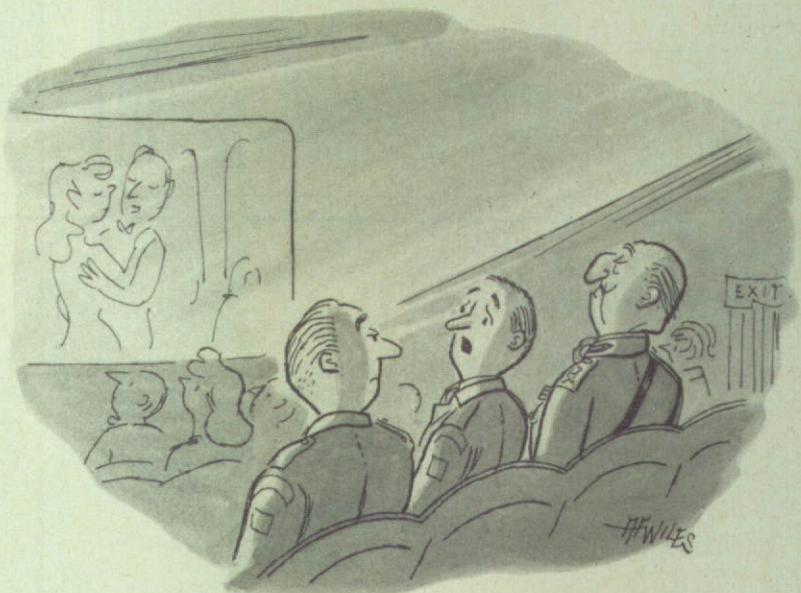
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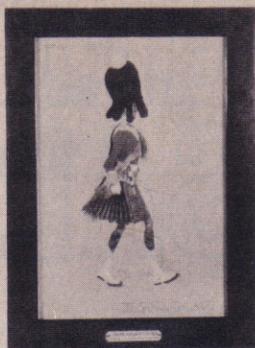
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"The Gay and Gallant" (The Military Band of The Gordon Highlanders) (Bandmaster: Frank A Renton) (Waverley SLP 2130).

The gay and gallant Gordons succeed here in a well thought-out and varied selection of band or band and pipe tunes. The recording and balance are fair enough, if lacking in clarinet tone in places, and the playing and general approach to the music for the most part gay, as promised.

Of the four straightforward marches, "Steadfast and True" is not quite the German thumper it should be, "Castle Hills" is a 6/8 by Flight-Lieutenant Eric Banks and "Minuteman" by R Pearson is a good one new to me; the classic "National Emblem" suffers (as do the others, only more so) from variations of tempo. The band has a habit of getting faster as it gets louder.

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verve and colour, "Do You Know the Way to San Jose?" and "Up, Up and Away" showing the band off in rhythmic mood. One of Clare Grundman's better arrangements, his "Hebrides Suite," is excellently done but the march from Trevor Duncan's "Little Suite" (better known as the theme tune of Dr Finlay's Casebook) loses all its character in a too slow and turgid performance.

By far the most successful part items on this LP are two medleys of Scottish tunes for solo piper and band arranged by the conductor. The first comprises "Highland Cradle Song," "Atholl Highlanders" and "Cock o' the North" and begins with piper alone, the band joining in for all three tunes and ending as it began with solo piper and a fade-out. All tremendously effective but the second medley, "Scottish Lollipops," is even better shaped except that the piper is allowed to expire on that peculiarly droll falling-glissando-with-final-grunt instead of a fade-out. The tunes are "Dream Angus," "Back o'Bennachie," "Monymusk," "Tail Toddle" and "The Gordons' March." A very good buy.

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**“Splendour in Brass” (The Luton Band)**  
(Musical Director: Albert Coupe) (Polydor  
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The Luton boys give a very competent rendering of some old favourites and a couple of new numbers. A *paso doble* (*pasa noble* on sleeve), "El Matador" by Zutino, and an Irish-cum-Yankee mixture called "Pat In America" would seem to be two of the new items while the "Farandole" from "L'Arlesienne," an arrangement of the "Londonderry Air," overture "Light Cavalry" and one of those Handel choruses beloved of brass bands, "And the Glory of the Lord," account for some of the oldies.

The well-known cornet trio "Three Jolly

Sailormen" gives the top players a chance to shine and Jack Helyer's "Tricky Trombones" does the same for that particular section.

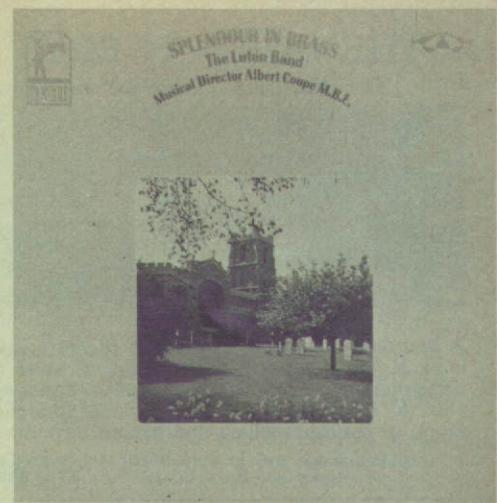
The remaining pieces include a little Latin-American number called "An-An," "Echo de Baston" (in one place on the sleeve) and "Weiner Strassen," which are meant to be my very old friends "Echo des Bastions" (without its fine introduction) and "Wiener Strassen," the waltz by Charles Ancliffe—at a quick count I make eleven mistakes on the sleeve. **RB**

RF

**"In Concert" with the Concert Band of Her Majesty's Life Guards** (Director of Music: Captain A J Richards) (CBS 64877). I have had my say about the new sound being produced and recorded by the Life Guards band under Captain Tony Richards with additional help from professional string players. I consider it a worthwhile venture but on the evidence of this, the second in the series I have heard, the pendulum has swung a little too far towards orchestral sound for those who will think they are buying a military band record.

But my advice is to buy just the same. Such composers as our old friends Albert Ketelbey, Haydn Wood, Victor Herbert and even Grieg get a face-lift at the hands of the arrangers to brilliant effect. The situation has been reached, I strongly suspect, where that old barking iron the euphonium has become an embarrassment to the arrangers. It wanders like a lost sheep, finding no refuge in these orchestral pastures.

In lush new guise (and with occasional disconcertingly odd choices of harmony) are the "Troika" from Prokofiev's music to the film "Lieutenant Kijeh," "Morning" from Grieg's incidental music for Peer Gynt (currently advertising coffee on TV) and Vivian Ellis's fine little loco-motif "Corona-



tion Scot" (or introduction to the BBC's Paul Temple series.) Two trumpet solos by Band Corporal-Major Harry Dunsmore, "Roses of Picardy" and Leroy Anderson's sad little "Forgotten Dreams," are played in appropriately traditional manner.

But three Ketelbey pieces, "In a Persian Market," "Bells Across the Meadow" and "In a Monastery Garden," are not too happy in their Piccadilly setting—I fancy we did them better before most of these lads were born. The same with Victor Herbert's "March of the Toys." The original is a minor masterpiece in its own right and the old band arrangement achieved a charming toyland atmosphere this one misses by a mile.

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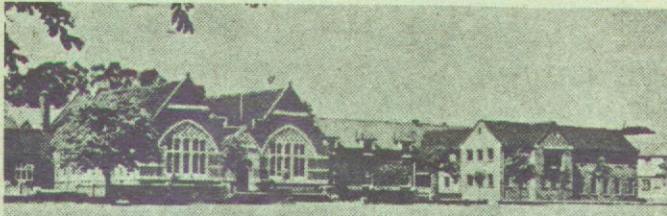
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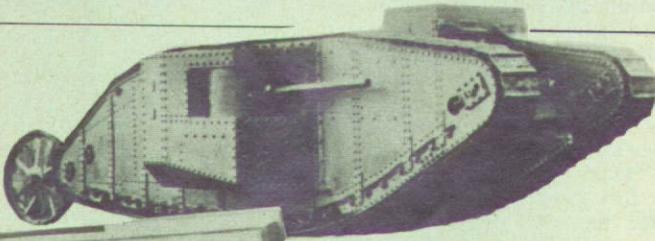
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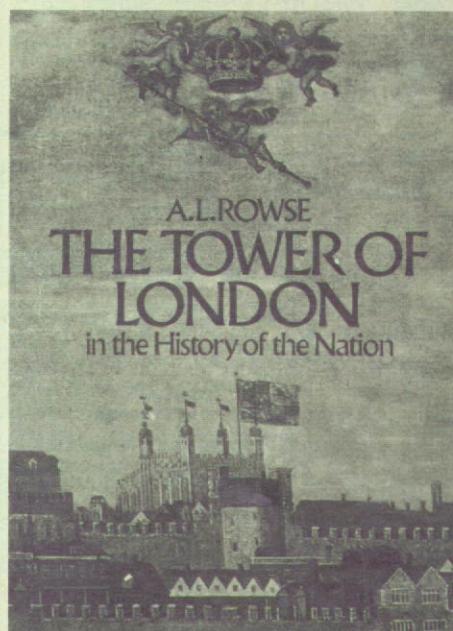
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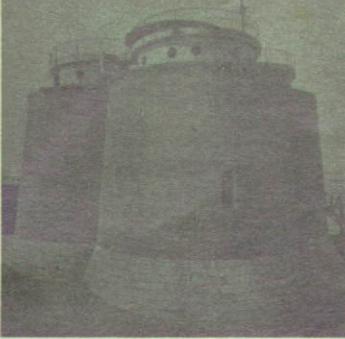
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"Martello Towers" (Sheila Sutcliffe) The Martello towers owe their ancestry to the watch-towers built in the Western Mediterranean as a precaution against Barbary pirates. Their name is a corruption of the Mortella Point tower in Corsica, the resistance of which made a considerable impression on British officers concerned in capturing it and inspired the construction of towers in Britain.

The 103 on the south and east coasts of England were built between 1805 and 1812 and mounted guns

## CARDIGAN OF BALACLAVA



PIERS COMPTON

to repel a French invasion. They were too late for the danger. Some were later used as semaphore stations, others were demolished as artillery targets. A few were washed away by the sea.

Survivors saw varying forms of service in the two world wars, even to the extent of having guns mounted on them. No. 13, at Hythe, was an observation post for the cross-Channel guns which shelled the French coast from near Dover. No. 63, on Pevensey Bay, the author says mysteriously, was "blown up by the enemy" in World War Two.

Today, 43 remain in England. A few have become homes and cafés, not an easy transformation since the masonry is harder than most and up to 15 feet thick at the base. One or two are nursed as historical relics; more are neglected. One is a water storage tank at Butlin's Clacton holiday camp.

Besides a detailed study of the English towers, the author looks at those in Ireland, Orkney, the Channel Isles, Canada and the United States.

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"Cardigan of Balaclava" (Piers Compton)

James Thomas Brudenell, 7th Earl of Cardigan, who led the charge of the Light Brigade at Balaclava, is usually described as empty headed, harsh, domineering, bad-tempered and callous with only personal courage redeeming his personality.

In fact this Harrow-Oxford-educated Tory was a military perfectionist whose vast wealth enabled him to indulge in his hobby at the expense of others. Although attached to the 8th and 15th Hussars his real love was the 11th Hussars, the famous "Cherry-pickers," to command which he paid £40,000. He then dressed them in splendid uniforms covered with fur, gold and lace. So proud was he of his regiment that he demanded the highest possible standards from both officers and men. The former, especially, hated him for his harsh criticisms always delivered in public.

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times, fought duels, was hissed at the theatre, had his effigy burned and was eventually ostracised from society by the Queen. Nevertheless, as the author proves, he was not all bad. At the Crimea he won a "halo of heroism" by simply doing his duty as he had always done. Even then the popularity soon waned.

Cardigan, who died in 1868 aged 71, did not lead a happy life, even though it was a full one. Oddly, his men seemed to understand him better than either the officers or the general public.

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