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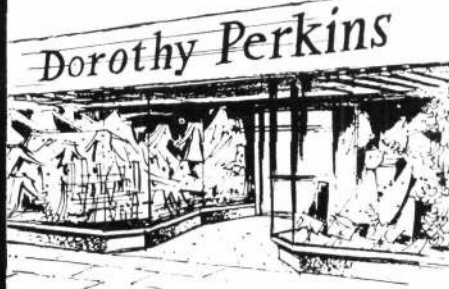
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Editorial

WATERPROOFS, plastic hoods and boots were the order of the day for the Association Weekend in March, but even the steady downpour, turning on Sunday to sleet and snow, failed to damp the enthusiasm as members splashed through the puddles on the way to the Annual General Meeting and tea-party.

Looking round the stalls, so generously organised by Northern, Southern and Headquarter Areas and by London Branch, it was obvious that Service life had not affected the domestic instincts and skills of members; the supply of delicious home-made cakes, jams and other preserves, the beautiful needlework and knitting, must have entailed hours of work, would have done credit to any organisation and realised the splendid total of £117 18s. 4d. for the W.R.A.C. Benevolent Fund.

The Benevolent Fund also had another unexpected, and very welcome, windfall at the A.G.M. The oldest member present made an anonymous gift of £100. The announcement of this generous gesture brought a round of applause and played a large part in the success of the afternoon.

The Forces Help Society tell us that they have reorganised and improved "Craigston," their convalescent home at Knaphill, near Woking. They have appointed a new Warden and have some single rooms available for residents at a very reasonable cost.

The British Legion is also helping with our accommodation problem. Regina House has been converted into 12 flatlets for ex-Service women and the widows of ex-Service men. All the applicants have to be needy in some way, not necessarily financial, and the original list included four A.T.S. We are grateful to our good friends for their continued interest in the well-being of Service women.

Out of this World

MEMBERS of "G" Troop, 4 Squadron, W.R.A.C., 14 Signal Regiment, stationed at Robinswood Barracks, Gloucester, recently handed a cheque for £30 to the Headmistress of Oak Bank School for the Physically Handicapped.

The money was raised by the Troop's Dramatic Society, who wrote and produced a revue, "Out of this World," that was put on for two nights in the ballroom at the Barracks. The idea for the show came from Pte. D. M. L. MacMillen, who also wrote a large proportion of the script. It was produced by 2/Lieut. T. R. M. Denvir, and the average age of the cast was 19.

Association News

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

THE Annual General Meeting was held at 3 p.m. on Saturday, 14th March, 1964, at the Duke of York's Headquarters, by kind permission of the County of London Territorial and Auxiliary Forces Association, Her Royal Highness The Princess Royal presiding.

Her Royal Highness expressed her great pleasure to see so many present. Although there was no Grand Reunion in the evening, she hoped everybody would stay for the tea-party after the meeting and patronise the stalls, so kindly organised by Northern, Southern and Headquarter Areas, in aid of the Benevolent Fund.

Her Royal Highness continued by saying Mrs. Stevenson would finish her two years' appointment as Chairman of Council before the next Annual General Meeting. She had been an indefatigable worker for the Association on the Benevolent Fund Grants Committee, as Chairman of the Reunion Committee and as Treasurer, as well as on Council. Her Royal Highness was sure members would like her to thank Mrs. Stevenson on their behalf for her years of varied and invaluable service.

The past year had been one in which thoughts had turned to the 25th Anniversary of the A.T.S. Members would hear, later in the meeting, of plans for the future of the A.T.S. and W.R.A.C. Benevolent Funds and would be sorry to learn that one of the results of this reorganisation had been the closing down of the Employment Office at 73 Elizabeth Street. Many thousands of ex-Service women owed a debt of gratitude to Mrs. Macfie, who had been a guide, philosopher and friend as well as an Interviewing Officer. She had been offered honorary membership of the Association and all wished her many years of happy retirement.

Her Royal Highness said we would also suffer another sad loss when the resignation of Miss Perceval as General Secretary took effect at the end of May. For almost 17 years, Miss Perceval had devoted herself to the Fund; in fact, for most of the members, she had been the A.T.S. Benevolent Fund, and it was almost impossible to imagine it without her. Her vast knowledge and experience in dealing with the many complex problems that arose would be missed. Everyone was deeply grateful for all she had done for so many former members of the A.T.S.

Apologies for Absence

Her Royal Highness read a message from the Director, W.R.A.C., who was unable to be present, as she was touring B.A.O.R.

Further apologies were received from 38 members.

Minutes

- 1 The Minutes of the Annual General Meeting held on Saturday, 16th March, 1963, having been circulated in the May issue of THE LIONESS, were taken as read and signed as correct.

Business Arising from the Minutes

- 2 (a) *Premium Bond Draw*. The Chairman said that the Draw, which had been run by the W.R.A.C. Association for the benefit of the W.R.A.C. Benevolent Fund, would take place immediately after the meeting. The winning numbers would be published in the May issue of THE LIONESS.

(b) *Plaque in Westminster Abbey*. The Chairman explained that it was not possible to obtain permission to erect a plaque in Westminster Abbey. The Dean and Chapter of St. Paul's Cathedral would be agreeable for the Association to erect a plaque in the Crypt. The work would have to be done through the official Architect and Surveyor of the Fabric of St. Paul's. The estimate for the cost of plaque, erection thereof, dedication ceremony, etc., would be in the region of £350. After discussion, Mrs. Chilvers (Norfolk) proposed, and Mrs. Wells (Canterbury) seconded, that a plaque be erected in the Crypt of St. Paul's Cathedral. This was put to the vote and was defeated.

Election of Officers

- 3 *Chairman of Council*. It was proposed by the Chairman of Council, seconded by Miss Acland, O.B.E., and carried unanimously, that Colonel V. K. Stead, O.B.E., T.D., J.P. (Retd.), be elected.

Council Vice-Presidents. It was proposed by the Chairman of Council, seconded by Colonel Crewe-Read, C.B.E., T.D. (Retd.), that Miss B. Harvie-Anderson, O.B.E., T.D., J.P., and Miss M. Thomson be elected to the two vacancies. This was carried unanimously.

The re-election of Colonel M. K. Crewe-Read, C.B.E., T.D. (Retd.), and Mrs. N. Giles as Council Vice-Presidents was proposed by the Chairman of Council, seconded by Miss K. Acland, O.B.E., put to the vote and carried *nem. con.*

Reports

- 4 *Report of Council*. The Report of Council (printed elsewhere) was read by Mrs. A. J. Stevenson.

- 5 *Hon. Treasurer*. The Treasurer reported that the last year had been very successful financially; £300 had been invested and, after paying the debit balance of £77 2s. 9d. for the Reunion of 1963, we closed the year on 31st October with a balance at the bank of £189 8s. 7d. Up to March this year, receipts had totalled £1,169 19s. 10d. and expenditure had been £265 4s. 11d. About £400 would be handed over to the W.R.A.C. Benevolent Fund as the profits of the Premium Bond Draw, and £95 would be required for the prizes. The account for the printing of the February issue of THE LIONESS was also outstanding, roughly £175. Mrs. Holliss said that Council had undertaken to pay, for a time, the salary of the Secretary of the reorganised Benevolent Fund.

The Treasurer concluded by presenting the audited accounts to the meeting, copies being available for inspection in the hall.

- 6 *"The Lioness."* Lieut.-Colonel Millington said that THE LIONESS was happy to report that, in spite of the rising cost of living, her account was, at last, "out of the red" and actually had a credit of £17. This was due to a revision of the mailing list, a slight increase in the number of subscribers, and the Advertising Manager, Major Coven, who had worked hard and increased the revenue from advertisements. The Editor thanked all the Branches, Units and individuals who had contributed during the year, particularly those who sent their articles in on time. The November issue had been an A.T.S. Anniversary Special. Judging from comments, the "Readers Remember" series was particularly enjoyed. She asked readers to remember that they wrote the paper and that the Editor depended on them for reports, suggestions and contributions of all kinds.

- 7 (a) *A.T.S. Benevolent Fund*. Miss Perceval began by saying that the Report was the last she would make to the Annual General Meeting as Secretary of the A.T.S. Benevolent Fund, as she was retiring in May. She welcomed Colonel Hingston, who would be taking over from her and who was already working in the office at Elizabeth Street. The Fund's offices were being moved to the Duke of York's Headquarters on 1st May, where the work would be carried on, eventually under a new Committee, but without any break in continuity, so that all ex-Service women of the A.T.S. could rest assured their problems would still be sympathetically dealt with. As the house was sold last year, the move could be accomplished without any legal complications. Miss Perceval continued by saying that in 1963 the Fund spent £300 more on benevolence than in 1962, a total of £8,000 gross; 736 cases were considered by the Grants Committee and only 91 were turned down. Financial help was given for a variety of reasons, ranging from illness, unemployment, etc., to cost of convalescence, passages overseas and funeral expenses. Among those helped had been over 20 ex-Service women who lived abroad. Such grants were given through the auspices of the British Commonwealth Ex-Services League or the appropriate Consul. Miss Perceval quoted two examples to give some idea of the sort of case dealt with.

Miss Perceval said she would like to thank the members of the Grants Committee who attended weekly meetings. She expressed her personal thanks to them and concluded by saying that the secretary of an organisation was, she thought, in a privileged position and could assess the gratitude of beneficiaries. Not only had the Princess Royal's deep interest in the work been appreciated by ex-Service women themselves, but it had been a wonderful inspiration and encouragement to the Staff over the years.

- (b) *W.R.A.C. Benevolent Fund*. Colonel E. W. Gibson



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said that she would confine her Report to the work of the Fund since the last meeting. As usual the figures showed a slow but steady increase. During the financial year ending 31st October, 1963, 116 cases were considered and 108 were given grants amounting to £1,068, an average of nearly £10 a head. Seventeen cases came from Scotland, 16 from Lancashire, 14 from Yorkshire and ten from the London Area. Others were fairly evenly distributed over the country and included three serving members of the Corps and three serving part time with the Territorial Army. As the assets of the Service Women's Benevolent Fund were frozen, the Fund had started to help ex-Q.M.A.A.C. and had, so far, made grants to six of them. Once again the cases followed the familiar pattern. Unemployment in some areas, and the severe weather during the winter of 1963, caused considerable hardship. Several families had been helped to set up house; and she quoted two typical examples. She wished to thank all the Units, Branches and individuals who had supported the Fund so generously during the past year. Income from donations went up by £294. It was impossible to measure, by the amounts actually given, the effort and sacrifice entailed in raising the money. Colonel Gibson said she would like to mention two outstanding contributions; these were £500 from the W.R.A.C. Depot and Training Centre and £90 from a Territorial Unit, 42 (Lancs) Signal Regiment (T.A.). The Committee were most grateful to the members, and some of their families, who had knitted so beautifully for the Fund. All the garments went to really deserving cases.

Colonel Gibson said the audited accounts were available for inspection and showed an excess of income over expenditure of £8,489. At the end of the financial year the invested capital was £71,821. This included a £3,600 grant from the Army Benevolent Fund on short-term deposit; £3,000 of this had since been paid over to the A.T.S. Benevolent Fund to prevent their having to sell capital at a loss.

The Committee wished to extend their thanks to S.S.A.F.A., who investigated and administered about 75 per cent of the cases, and also to the Forces Help Society, the British Legion and other societies, without whose co-operation it would not be possible to function. Colonel Gibson ended by saying the Fund needed the members' help and support in the future just as much as in the past, and perhaps even more than ever this year during the difficult period of reorganisation.

(c) *Museum.* Brigadier Dame Mary Railton reported that the W.R.A.C. Museum continued to play a useful part in teaching Corps history to the W.R.A.C. recruits. There had been 1,924 visitors in 1963; donations in the collection box amounted to £21. This sum was a great help in paying for the insurances, which were necessarily rather heavy.

There had been no major gifts to the Museum, but the Trustees had bought an engraving of Hannah

Snell from the Royal United Services Institute. Dame Mary said that the Trustees met in June 1963 to transact routine business and again in March to look at the new building at Guildford. This had great possibilities. It was very modern and had glass windows down to the ground on three sides. That meant an entirely different layout and would involve some new screens and a large central showcase. The Trustees would be meeting again in the near future to consider estimates of costs for those items. (d) *Grand Reunion.* Colonel Hammond began her Report by saying the Chairman and Treasurer had really said all she was going to say. She wanted to correct the figures given by the Treasurer. The excess of expenditure over income for the Reunion was £63, the difference being the cost of transporting the Staff Band on the Sunday for the Service. A total of 613 tickets had been sold; this was very good because of the extremely hard winter of 1963.

Colonel Hammond thanked her Reunion Committee for their hard work. She also thanked London Branch and, especially, the Regular Corps for all the help they gave so willingly to make the evening a success.

Resolution

- 8 "That admittance to the Grand Reunion be by ticket only, and that no male guest be allowed to attend" (Birmingham Branch).

Proposed: Mrs. M. Bolton (Birmingham).

Seconded: Miss Low (Newbury).

After speeches for and against the resolution, it was put to the vote and was carried.

Any Other Business

- 9 Mrs. Rumbold (Bournemouth) asked why, when a resolution was passed at one Annual General Meeting, it should be brought up again, and defeated, under "Business Arising" at the next meeting.

The Chairman explained that the amended resolution passed at the 1963 Annual General Meeting was for a plaque to be erected in Westminster Abbey. This was found to be impossible. Bearing in mind that the original resolution favoured St. Paul's Cathedral, Council decided to investigate this possibility and lay a full report before the Annual General Meeting.

Date of Next Meeting

- 10 Her Royal Highness The Princess Royal graciously approved the date of Saturday, 13th March, 1965, for the next Annual General Meeting.

REPORT OF COUNCIL

YOUR Council has met four times during the year and has dealt with all current business.

The Grand Reunion took place on the evening of Saturday, 15th March, 1963, at Derry and Toms. We were happy to be honoured by the presence of our President on that occasion, and on the following day, when Her Royal Highness read the lesson at a service at the

Chapel of the Royal Hospital, Chelsea. The Chairman of the Reunion Committee will give a fuller report of these events.

A Drumhead Service was arranged on Sunday, 20th October, to commemorate the 25th Anniversary of the formation of the A.T.S. and, in spite of bad weather, the service was well attended. Council and all those who were present are most grateful to the organisers, whose efforts contributed to the success of the arrangements.

Members of the Association took part in the parade at the Cenotaph on Remembrance Day, and a wreath was laid, on behalf of the Association, by Miss Court of the Maidstone Branch. Representatives also attended the Dedication of the Field of Remembrance and a cross was planted by A.D.W.R.A.C. London District.

Following the resolution of last year's Annual General Meeting, Dame Helen Gwynne-Vaughan has been appointed the first Honorary Life Vice-President of Council; and since there is provision in the Rules for Honorary Members, two have been elected by Council in the past year. Mrs. Macfie, who was for many years the Employment Interviewing Officer at the A.T.S. Benevolent Fund and retired at the end of 1963, and Miss Norris, who is Clerical Officer at Corps Headquarters, have been honoured in this way.

A donation has been sent to the Garrison Church at Bordon towards the Memorial Mural, which includes A.T.S. personnel operating A.A. instruments. A Litany Book has been presented on behalf of the Association to the Guards' Chapel, in memory of A.T.S. casualties when the Chapel was destroyed by a flying bomb in 1944.

During the year the Association has continued to be represented on the Co-ordinating Committee and also on the British Members' Committee of the World Veterans' Federation, as well as on the W.V.S. Advisory Council.

The Association suffered great loss by the early deaths of two of our devoted Branch Secretaries, Mrs. Claff of Guernsey and Mrs. Harris of Salisbury; also Miss Wareham, who, in the two years she had been at Corps Headquarters, had been mainly occupied with Association affairs.

During the past year, five Branches closed owing to lack of local support—at Torbay, Grimsby, Tripoli, Gibraltar and Singapore, where there had been two Branches. Four new Unit Branches have been formed, one in Aden, the others in this country. Nearly 100 per cent of serving W.R.A.C. are now members of the Association, and ex-Service membership has increased in the year as well—26 Life Members have joined since last March.

May I, on your behalf, thank all those Branch officers upon whom the burden of running the Association falls. They give generously of their time and energy to keep the Branches going and to arrange interesting programmes.

Before closing, I would like to mention one interesting development which has taken place in the last few months—strictly speaking, not within the year under review, but none the less of such importance that I think you will want to know about it. Some months ago

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More than £500 worth of tickets were sold and the profits should amount to nearly £400 when all bills have been paid.

Reunions

NORTHERN AREA

THE Northern Area Reunion will be held at the Lounge Hall, Harrogate, on Saturday, 12th September, 1964, from 3 p.m. to 6 p.m.

Tickets, price 5s., including refreshments, may be obtained from D.A.D.W.R.A.C., H.Q. Northern Command, York.

Apply before 29th August, enclosing a stamped addressed envelope.

WESTERN AREA

WE can now confirm the Western Area Reunion will be on Saturday, 9th May, 1964, at the Imperial Hotel, Temple Street, Birmingham, from 3 p.m. to 6.30 p.m.

Colonel Sheila Van Damm, Honorary Colonel of 48 Div. (T.A.), will be present and we hope that many of you will be able to join us to make this a festive occasion.

Applications for tickets at 7s. 6d. each, including buffet, with cash and stamped addressed envelope, to Mrs. M. Bolton, 26 Boden Road, Hall Green, Birmingham 28, not later than 6th May, 1964.

Q.M.A.A.C. REUNION

HOW the years come round! On Friday, 13th March, at 7 p.m., once again the annual Q.M.A.A.C. Reunion was held at the Duke of York's Headquarters, Chelsea. This time it was upstairs in the Officers' Mess, as downstairs the Far East Prisoners of War were gathered.

Amid the babel of talk, as a round hundred of us eagerly greeted each other and fitted ourselves into the rather smaller space, was heard: "I wonder if Dame Helen will make it?" and "Is the Princess coming?" Refreshments were kindly served by London Branch members and their tastiness enjoyed. A stir at the door and Dame Helen appeared, having driven up from Sussex and due to return there the same night. Knowing her, we were not surprised, but just delighted at her determination to be with us. Another stir, and Her Royal Highness The Princess Royal arrived almost direct from an official ceremony in Hove. Her kind interest in this very informal gathering of ours is much appreciated, and many of us had the pleasure of a word with her as she sat at

our various tables. We were pleased also to see the Chairman of Council, Mrs. A. J. Stevenson, among us.

Then the indefatigable Mrs. Giles, who has so much to do with this event, entertained us, aided by friends, to some lively nonsense, and we sang the old songs, ably led by the pianist. It was not a quiet gathering!

The Princess Royal left after "Auld Lang Syne," and on her way out graciously looked in on the prisoner-of-war party below, who said they were awaiting the arrival of some of the "Waacs" to liven them up!

H. A. B.

News of Old Comrades

WE extend our sincere sympathy to **Lady Digby** (ex-Chief Commander A.T.S.) on the recent sad loss of her husband. Colonel The Lord Digby had a distinguished war record and had been Lord Lieutenant for Dorset since 1952.

Mrs. E. H. Rossington (ex-Q.M.A.A.C. and A.T.S.) greatly enjoys meeting and hearing from her old comrades and wishes her friends to note that she has moved to 10 Chesterman Road, Hillcrest, Hamilton, New Zealand.

Miss M. C. Bartlett tells us that she retired in 1958, visited her brother in Victoria, Australia, and, after nearly 12 months' holiday, has returned to her office for three days a week. This is a happy arrangement that will train her for full retirement, but she finds that she has never been so busy in her life. She sends greetings to any who may remember her in the Connaught Club, swimming or hockey clubs.

The Ex-Services R.S.V.P. Scheme, Three Tuns Yard, North Road, Preston, Lancs., has inquiries for the following: **Susan Hoyland**, ex-Q.M.A.A.C. England and France; **Doris Evans** (née Pilcher-Clayton), ex-Q.M.A.A.C. Rouen, 1918, Camps 3 and 10; any who served with the R.A.O.C.; **Ada Moss**, ex-A.T.S., Lancs.

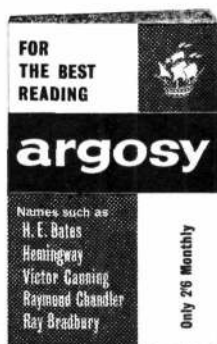
Mrs. E. Adnett (ex-Cpl. Eva Buckingham) wishes to contact all ex-A.T.S. of A6 Camp, Kandy, Ceylon, serving in 1945, with a view to a Reunion. She invites them to write to her at 24 Nine Elms Avenue, Cowley, near Uxbridge, Middlesex.

Mrs. E. M. Suttle writes that whilst in London for the A.G.M. she met an ex-Service comrade who had made the journey from Auckland, New Zealand, hoping to meet old friends at the Q.M.A.A.C. Reunion and A.G.M. Her name is **Mrs. Daisy Menzies** (ex-W.A.A.C. 5873, née Palmer). She is hoping to attend the Q.M.A.A.C. Dinner Club Reunion. She wishes to be remembered to any who recall her—she served in Yorkshire, Lincolnshire, Rouen and Calais, and remembers particularly a **Mrs. Peggy Harrison**, née Pickles, of Cornwall Terrace, Bradford. Her address is 34 Wainui Avenue, W.3, Auckland, New Zealand.

Major H. Gildea, of H.Q. W.R.A.C., 42 (Lancs.) Div. (T.A.), Southport, was one of the judges for the North Western Area, British Legion Women's Section, Standard Bearers' Competition, which was held at the T.A. Centre,

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Kendal, on 31st January, 1964. Mrs. T. Wilkinson won the competition for the third year running.

Mrs. Eileen Mullins (ex-A.T.S.), who has recently become a Life Member of the Association, made history when she won the British Legion Metropolitan Area Standard Bearers' Competition in 1963 and became the first ex-Service woman to do so. She repeated her success in January this year, winning by a comfortable margin.

We congratulate **Major E. O. Coven** on the success of her letter, "Portrait of an Officer," published in *The Times* on 20th February.

Correspondence

DEAR EDITOR,

I read with interest the item by A. Gibson in February's LIONESS, as I, too, served in No. 1 Military Port for three years, and many happy memories I have.

I was in the M.T. Office and have met one of the Malone twins since coming to Aldershot, also R.S.M. Mackay. I still hear every Christmas from Sgt. Win Owen, now Mrs. Alexander, and it would be grand if ex-members of No. 1 Military Port could have another reunion as we did in 1948. I am living at 2 Varney Close, Cove, Farnborough, Hants, and would be glad to hear from anyone who served with me at Garelochhead.

M. DEWAR
(ex-Sgt. Telfer)

Director Designate

COLONEL J. E. HENDERSON, who assumes the appointment of Director, W.R.A.C., later this year, joined the A.T.S. in August 1941, was commissioned shortly afterwards and reached the rank of Chief Commander within five years. A large proportion of her service has been spent in Scotland, where she has held appointments ranging from Platoon Commander to A.D.W.R.A.C. at the Command Headquarters.

Colonel Henderson qualified at the W.R.A.C. Staff College in 1951, reverted to her substantive rank of Major and subsequently held Grade II staff jobs in

B.A.O.R. and M.E.L.F. After a tour in the U.K. as a Company and T.A. Battalion Commander, she was again promoted to Lieutenant-Colonel and posted to FARELF as C.W.R.A.C.

Her present appointment as A.A.G., A.G. 16, at the War Office will have given her an insight into the structure and needs of the Corps that will be valuable to her as Director, as will her wide experience and many interests in every aspect of Service life. We offer our sincere congratulations and best wishes in her new appointment.



Colonel J. E. Henderson, Director Designate

Photo by Hay Wrightson



Queen Elizabeth Camp, Guildford



Looking Back

WE wonder how many of our readers started their Army career at Guildford? Later this year we hope to publish pictures of the beautiful new modern Barracks that are being built there for the W.R.A.C.

Depot and Training Centre. In the meantime these photographs of the old Camp will bring back memories to many wartime A.T.S. as well as to the present Corps.

Unit News

W.R.A.C. DEPOT

ON Wednesday and Thursday, 29th and 30th January, 1964, the Permanent Staff presented the favourite of all pantomimes, "Snow White and the Seven Dwarfs," in the camp cinema. Although the actual performances were a howling success in more ways than one, the performances at rehearsals were an even greater success from the "cast" angle. A month of rehearsals ended in all members of the cast feeling more at home in their acting roles than in their everyday ones; for instance:

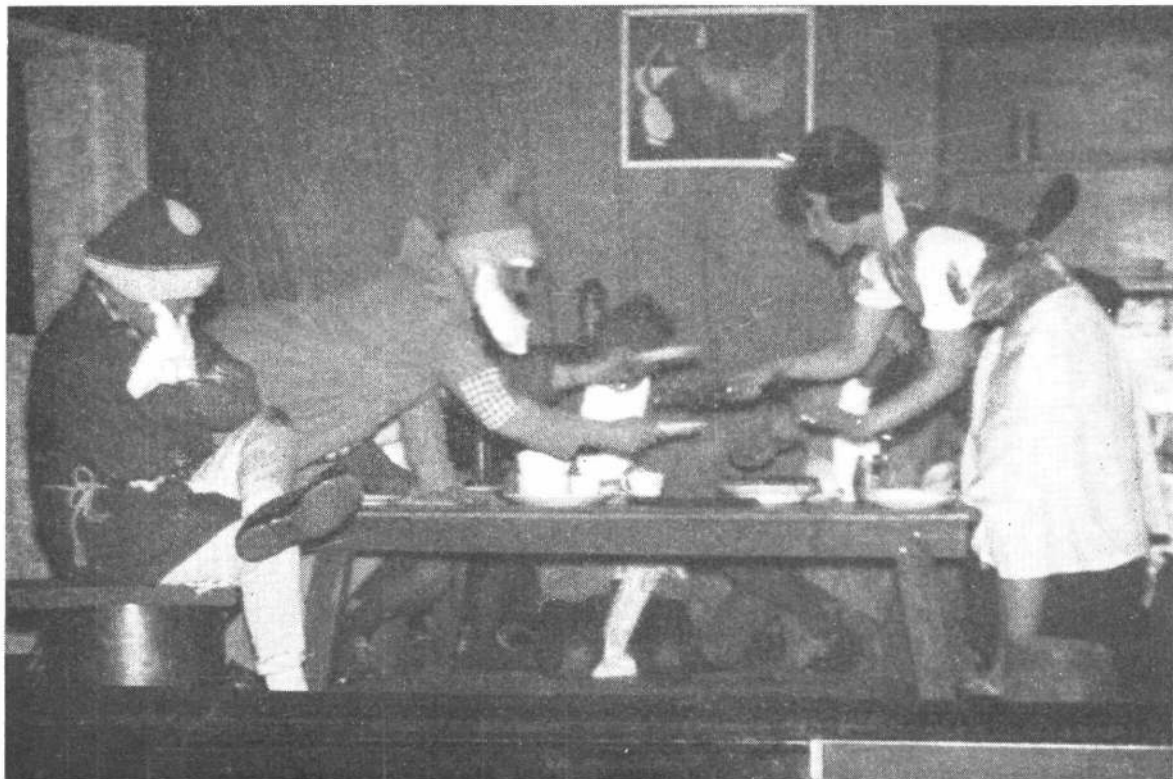
Snow White (Cpl. Sharpe of No. 2 Training Company) could be seen going around camp, in between escorting recruits, talking to herself; in actual fact she was learning the words to her songs (which were actually sung by L/Cpl. Barrett, W.R.A.C. Staff Band). Sleepy (W.O.II F. Shooter, B.E.M.), so much in earnest to really look the part, spent most of her off-duty time doing just that—sleeping! Dopey (W.O.I A. Kitchen, P.T.I.), having nothing actually to say, made up for everything by putting her daily routine to good use gambolling across the stage. The Wicked Queen (Mrs. H. Bell, known to many as ex-W.O.I H. Bell) was seen quite unconsciously walking

down the steps of R.H.Q. as if she were, indeed, descending the steps of her throne, and a certain R.S.M. (who shall be nameless), having learnt the role of Thumper, the rabbit, is now able to get her feet at an angle of 60° and finds it quite comfortable.

Members of the W.R.A.C. Staff Band played an important part in the production: the producer was the Drum-Major, Sgt. J. Bulbrooke, who also sang the songs for the Prince (2/Lieut. Bance) and to whom all our thanks go for her patience and endurance. Sound effects were provided by W.O.I Hopkins and numerous others helped with other important jobs such as ushers and scene shifters.

After the final performance, all members of the cast, including the scene shifters, adjourned to the Warrant Officers and Sergeants' Mess for a party, and all voted the two evenings a great success. General comment from the audience afterwards was: "Why didn't you put the show on for a week?" This made all the cast feel as if the time given up for rehearsals was very much worth while.

Voluntary collections were taken on behalf of the W.R.A.C. Benevolent Fund and amounted to £24 13s. 6d.



"Snow White" at the Depot

T.A. News

44 (H.C.) SIGNAL REGIMENT
(CINQUE PORTS), T.A.

FIFTY members of the Regiment, comprising officers, junior N.C.O.s, clerks, cooks and stewardesses, assembled at Crowborough on Saturday, 22nd February, for a training weekend. The officers and N.C.O.s received regimental training, and the clerks, cooks and stewardesses training in their trades. The advance party worked like Trojans so that, when the students arrived, the sleeping quarters were warm and snug with the heat from a multitude of sizzling fires. Drill was a popular item on the programme, as it improved the circulation. The cooks were instructed by an A.C.C. Q.M.S.I., and the results were first class. The students on the weekend consumed the products of the cooks' trade tests; there were no complaints and it seems that all the cooks passed.

We had an invitation to a Royal Signals Association dance at Tunbridge Wells to which many people went on the Saturday night. Our visitors included Lieut.-Colonel M. H. Seys-Phillips, T.D., Commander Royal Signals, 44 (H.C.) Signal Regiment (Cinque Ports), T.A., and Lieut.-Colonel M. M. Salt, T.D., Commander W.R.A.C., 44 (H.C.) Div./Dist. The Sunday passed rapidly and all too soon it was time to return home, but there was still the March weekend to look forward to. We are grateful to R.S.M. Ship, W.R.A.C., from H.Q. W.R.A.C., 44 (H.C.) Div./Dist. and Sgts. Collihole and James from 9 (Kent) Platoon (Composite), W.R.A.C. (T.A.), who so kindly assisted with the instruction.

Company to Company

IT'S hard to leave one T.A. Company and transfer to another. As a regular serving member of the W.R.A.C., one is prepared for postings at some time, but T.A. is a bit different. You don't expect, usually, to leave the Company with which you enlist.

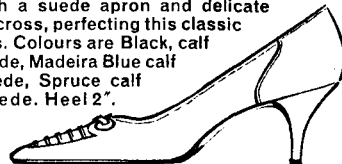
So, on moving to a different county, it suddenly dawned—what will happen about T.A.? That question was soon answered—a transfer will be arranged. Gosh, what a thought! Leaving a Company in which so much pride and attachment existed. There could never be another one like it—such a grand crowd of girls. T.A. would never be the same again. Farewells were said. Recollections of being told "The best Company is the one you are in" didn't really help; the old Company would always be best.

The day, or rather evening, came for the first drill



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night with the new Company. The welcome was very warm; everything seemed so different, though—not a bit like the other Unit. Nostalgia crept in for several weeks following, then it became less frequent. There was so much to do, many new friends to make. It was interesting to see and hear different ways and points of view on training. This year's camp promises to be an enjoyable one and is fast becoming the topic of conversation in our Company, which is, of course, the best Company.

Naturally, it is so very pleasant to receive invitations to various social activities from the previous Unit and to meet old friends again.

M. E. B.

Regular Forces Employment Association

DURING 1963 the National Association for the Employment of Regular Sailors, Soldiers and Airmen found good jobs for 66 ex-members of the W.R.A.C. The W.R.A.C. Association pays a subscription on your behalf for the service and you are strongly recommended to make use of it. If you have mislaid the address of your Area Jobfinder, you can apply at any big post office and they will be able to give it to you.

Sport

HOCKEY

THE Inter-Service Hockey Championship was held at the Officers' Club, Aldershot, on 4th, 5th and 6th March, 1964, with the Army as hosts. In fine but very cold weather, the matches were extremely well played and keenly fought, and the games were all much harder than the score suggests. The W.R.A.F. again won the Championship and the final results were:

Royal Air Force 5, Army 1; Royal Air Force 2, Royal Navy 1; Army 0, Royal Navy 2.

Personal Column

For Sale. No. 1 Dress in good condition, height 5 ft. 3 in., size 35-27-38. Hat and sundries. £8 complete. Thomas, 1 Richmond Ave., The Barracks, Chichester.

For Sale. Officer's No. 2 Dress, excellent condition, £15. Also greatcoat, £2. To fit height 5 ft. 4½ in., bust 36 in., waist 28 in., hips 38 in.—Box No. 3/64.

Maureen Lees and her friends, the "Good Neighbours," invite you to patronise their display centre at 46 Beaconsfield Road, New Ferry, Wirral, Cheshire, where work of the blind and disabled is on sale. Orders taken. White Elephant Stall to defray costs. Open weekdays 10-3 p.m. (Thursdays 1 p.m.).

Wanted. Officer's No. 2 Dress, jacket and skirt. Bust 40 in., waist 30 in., hips 40 in. Reasonable. Lieut. M. O. Ridout, T.A. Centre, Church Street, Darlaston, Staffs. Tel.: James Bridge 2376.

Wanted. Two Sgt. Drivers P.S.I. on Type "R" Engagement to work in Birmingham. Applicants should be under 40 years of age, competent drivers and able to instruct learner drivers. Applications to 109 (West Midland) Company, W.R.A.C. (T.A.), Brandwood House, Dawberry Fields Road, Kings Heath, Birmingham 14, stating age, qualifications and previous service.

Vacancies exist for two Sgt. Permanent Staff Instructors (Type "R") with 44 (H.C.) Signal Regiment (Cinque Ports), T.A. One Sgt. is required to work at Shorncliffe, but she should be prepared to work occasionally at Canterbury. The other Sgt. is required to visit T.A. Centres at Brighton, Eastbourne and Worthing and preference will be given to a candidate who lives at Brighton. Signal experience is desirable but not essential, as training can be provided. For further particulars write to: Yeomanry House, Boxley Road, Maidstone, Kent.

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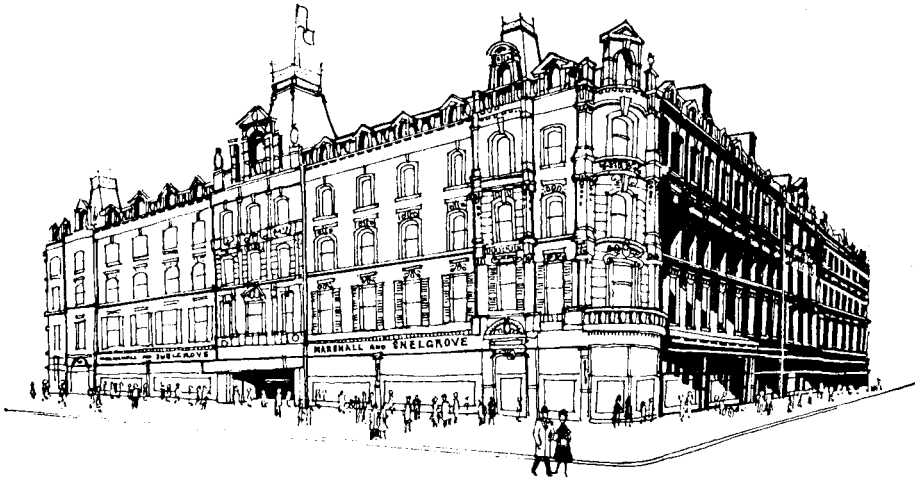
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It was in 1837 when the first Mr. Marshall opened his shop in Vere Street, to be joined very soon after by the first Mr. Snelgrove. This was an era when ladies favoured the pelisse—robes, wide spreading skirts and leghorn bonnets loaded with flowers and ribbons. A very far cry from the trim and easily relaxed suits by Nabre, Dior of London, Mattli and Country Life, which you can see in the Model departments of the Marshall and Snelgrove store of today on Oxford Street, where they still live up to their original policy of being "The First Name in Fashion" while remembering that to their customers they must give the very best value, the best possible quality. Now Marshall and Snelgrove have a whole family of shops, actually eleven, where they take pride in the fact that there is a special courtesy and understanding between the customers and the staff, and even though the pace of life and living has changed through the years they insist that good manners are one of the nicer aspects of successful shopping.

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She'll Be Coming Round The Mountain

CAPT. L. P. GULSTON

IT began, like indigestion, after dinner. We were dallying over the mangled remains of an apple pie when the phone in the hallway rang and the Mess Sergeant beckoned the Adjutant, Capt. Bea Cain. She returned grim-eyed.

"Lorna," she said, "some of the girls haven't reported to location. We'll have to try to find them. Will you drive and I'll map-read?"

To avoid confusion, I might explain that Ulster W.R.A.C. (T.A.) were at Annual Camp at Milton Bridge, Midlothian, a combined R.A.S.C.-W.R.A.C. mobile scheme was taking place in the Highlands for classified drivers, and our lost section was overdue round the Bridge of Orchy.

In my room I carried out Frost Precautions—khaki slacks, thick socks, two jumpers, blazer, mac and gloves. On the vehicle park high drama ensued as Sgt.-Major Powell-Price flew with a jerrican in case we ran dry *en route*; Capt. Maurice Knight, the R.A.S.C. Quartermaster, flew with a startling collection of motor-cycling jackets and trenchcoats to blunt the fangs of night which would assail us through our sideless Austin Champs; Major Eileen Adair, our 2 i/c, flew with good wishes and a torch; and finally, unwary strolling couples flew like startled chickens from what I considered a smart emergency take-off.

The night was very dark and smelt like tempered steel as we sped through Penicuik and out along the broad road which heads towards West Linton. The moon flickered between clouds, casting shadows suggestive, to our anxious imaginations, of such nasty phenomena as overturned vehicles and arms waving for help. We made true as an arrow for Airdrie—and there we stuck. The signposts were enigmatic and no road seemed to be following our course.

"Excuse me," said Bea, hanging across the pavement where a group of teenagers were watching us with vacant interest. "Which way to Aberfoyle, please?"

"Yiknocurrrrbalk," declared a stunted youth, pointing to the left.

"Nahnah, yikbograahsuggin," contradicted his girlfriend shrilly, pointing to the right. A passionate argument blew up in broad Scots, which soon involved the entire clique. Leaving them to it, we drove straight ahead to faint cries of "Yeberraska polismon." With more hope than confidence we found ourselves careering through perilous mountain lanes while eyes shone from ditches and rabbits bounced into our path, to crouch, terrified, in the glare of our lights, so innocently bewildered that I never could bring myself to kill them.

"My God!" wailed Bea, after a particularly sharp evasive action. "Must you? You nearly had me out that time."

"Adjutants," I retorted, braking for the eighth life of a

cat, "are expendable." A further exchange of pleasantries was interrupted by Crisis in the person of three Aberdeen-Angus cattle who lay across the road regarding us with mild benevolence. We skidded to a halt.

"Oh," said Bea, peering at the map and stroking her ribs, "I think we're not quite right."

"Mooooo," agreed the largest cow, sniffing our radiator.

"Now if we turn and go to that crossroads—see?—and take *that* way . . ."

We reversed in the narrow gate of a farmhouse. At the sounds of our grinds and revs a frightful apparition in some sort of night attire burst from the door to defend its gateposts. It looked capable of defending them with a shotgun. Round the yard dogs barked, fowl screeched and a horse kicked and whinnied. I let in the clutch and we fled from the wrath to come, off down the right-hand crossroad.

"This could even be a short cut," enthused Bea. "We might come out almost at Aberfoyle."

Half an hour later we were, frustratingly, back at Airdrie. This time we asked a "Polismon."

Outside Aberfoyle we phoned Milton Bridge, but no message of the section's safe return had yet come through. It was 1 a.m. and we were stiff and hungry.

"There's a slot machine down there," observed Bea wistfully. "It might have some chocolate."

"I'll go," I said.

It was, to be precise, a twin slot machine, and quite, quite chocolateless. One side held cigarettes, the other milk. Milk, I reasoned, was more edible.

"Milk, Bea," I said, trudging back triumphantly with a brace of freezing cartons. "It'll waken us up."

"Ugh—I can't *stand* the stuff." She shuddered glumly. "You'd better have it."

I drank one of the icy half-pints and left the other in the front for later (I forgot it, and would like to think that it ended up in the teacups of my "L" drivers next day).

We clambered into our well-ventilated transport and took to the road once more, straining for a sight of the search-party from Bridge of Orchy which was to meet us halfway. By 2 a.m. we were badly worried and beginning to sag.

"We'd better phone again," sighed Bea. "We're off the end of this map and I haven't got the continuation sheet."

The next kiosk was outside a country pub, now (unfortunately) closed and shuttered. After a tedious argument with Trunks—who were apathetic and suspicious about reversed-charge calls to military establishments at witching hours, and patently believed us to be Subversive Elements—contact was made and the joyful edict received that the section was safe and that we could come home.

Defiant of laid-down speeds for service vehicles, we blazed through the night, fighting Nature, who with mulish insistence demanded that we should go to sleep, there and then, however inconvenient it might be.

"Let's sing," mumbled Bea through a yawn.

We raised a feeble chorus of "Clementine" (punctuated by two rabbit-stops and a Z-bend), followed by "They Say That In The Army" and other threadbare favourites.

Ninety miles, however, requires an extensive repertoire, and ten miles from Edinburgh we were dumber and somnolent, Bea brooding on her "cats and rabbits" bruises and me blinking like a mole at the petrol gauge. There wasn't even "Caviare Comes From a Virgin Sturgeon" left. We'd had that a long way back. The road began to blur and telescope and the Champ swooped at the ditch.

"Sing something—anything," I croaked, "or we'll be sitting in the heather."

"There's only . . ." said Bea, and hesitated.

"Only what?"

"Oh, some things I picked up at University—not quite . . ."

We had them, the lot. Braying bawdy verses, we roared desperately round and round the Ring Road three times, like a toy train, until we found an outlet towards Penicuik. We should have been arrested for indecency or speeding, or both, but Mars must have been crossed with Jupiter, for the entire population of Edinburgh emulated the Three Wise Monkeys.

We reached Camp at 4.30 a.m. By that time we were neither Gentle in Manner nor Resolute in Deed, just plain antisocial. Like an angel of mercy the pale, weary figure of our friend Maurice Knight, the R.A.S.C. Q.M., glided from the dusk.

"There's something hot in the Mess," he comforted, "and Eileen and I have lit your stoves in your rooms."

Then there was the bliss of steaming soup and a fire and Major Adair and Maurice telling us how they had groped and skulked in the coke-heap for our stoves, and the soup pot that kept boiling over on the range and putting the gas out, and the way they'd poked each other awake and rushed to the door at the sound of every passing engine, and the message that came . . .

But all that, of course, is really another story.

Readers Remember

INDIA AND CEYLON

MRS. E. ADNETT

EXCITING, adventurous and madly romantic is how I would describe the life we lived in India and Ceylon in 1945-46.

How well I remember leaving the Holding and Drafting Unit at Bristol one rainy morning with a party of other A.T.S. We boarded a troop train bound for Liverpool, where we eventually embarked on the *Monarch of Bermuda*, a 28,000-ton luxury liner carrying 3,500 passengers. We travelled second class and the food and conditions were excellent.

It was very rough in the Bay of Biscay; many were ill and the heavy seas made it almost impossible to dance. Next day we saw a submarine off the coast of Spain and also porpoises and dolphins. We stopped at Gibraltar for water; it looked like fairyland in the evening with all the little twinkling coloured lights.



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Next we dropped anchor at Malta and stayed for a few hours. Small boats surrounded the liner with goods to sell, mostly fruit and leatherwork. We bargained over the side, shouting down to the men what we required. Up the side of the ship came the goods in a bucket on a length of rope and we sent the money down in the same way.

We also dropped anchor in the Suez Canal for one night, as we were stuck on a sandbank and floated off next morning. We saw a number of ex-P.O.W.s on their way home and, of course, they shouted to us to get our knees brown.

Then on through the Red Sea, with Bombay the next stop and, from there, to the Holding Unit at Kalayan for a fortnight. We used to make trips into Bombay to see the sights and go swimming.

We continued our journey by train. We stopped for breakfast at a station *Hotgi* and I was amazed to see the Indians washing their feet in a square cement bath on the platform and cleaning their teeth in full view of everyone. We had a day to spend in Madras and all went to a very nice Y.W.C.A. for a wash and brush up and a meal. Two other girls and I decided to see the town. We had gone only about 100 yards when a Military Police van drove up. "Blimey! British A.T.S.! Where are you going?" We told them we were on our way to see the sights and they took us with them to Fort St. George, where we had lunch in the Warrant Officers' Mess. It was there that Clive of India used to reside. After lunch they took us in a jeep round the town, then to Elliot's Beach and back to the Y.W.C.A. When we left later that evening, the M.P.s had turned out in full force at the station to see us off and we were showered with chocolates, fans and books.

When we arrived in Ceylon we were billeted in a very nice house in Colombo, and charming J/Cdr. Enid Hill was in charge. I was attached to the 3rd C.M.D. Signals Unit as a medical orderly and became great friends with a very pretty girl, Jane Webb, the hairdresser, who, by the way, now lives in South Africa.

In our off-duty time we used to swim at Mount Lavinia, a beautiful palm beach with a lovely hotel that jutted out into the sea, where we could have refreshments on the balcony. Some of us were sent to A6 Camp, Kandy, right opposite the famous Perideniya Gardens. A few of the girls worked there in offices that had previously been used by Lord Louis Mountbatten. Our officers were Sub. Ann Churcher, Sub. Norah Green and Sub. Lambert.

Ceylon is a delightful island with its paddyfields, tea plantations and lovely flowering trees and plants. I can still recall the sound of the beating tomtoms, the noise of the crickets, and the fireflies.

I had a wonderful two weeks' holiday in Calcutta with my friend Jane. We flew up and stayed at the Lady Mary Herbert Club.

It sounds as if our service abroad was one round of joy, but, believe me, we worked as well, and the names of Nawalapitiya, Negombo and Bentota must bring back memories to anyone who served in Ceylon.

Home and Leisure

SUMMER FRUIT AND DRINKS

Spiced Cherries

- 1 lb. dark cherries
- $\frac{1}{2}$ lb. sugar
- $\frac{1}{2}$ pint red wine vinegar
- 1 in. cinnamon stick
- 2 cloves
- Thin strip of lemon rind

Stone the cherries and put them in a covered dish in a slow oven (gas mark 2 or 320°) till the juice begins to run. Simmer the vinegar, sugar and spices together for ten minutes. Remove the spices, add the cherries and bring to the boil. Pour into jars and cover while still hot.

These pickled cherries are particularly good with veal, pork, chicken or duck.

Gooseberry Shortcake

This recipe makes a change from the more usual gooseberry tart or pie.

- For the filling: 1 lb. green gooseberries
- 3 tablespoons sugar
- A little water

Cook the gooseberries and sugar slowly in a little water until they are soft but unbroken.

- For the shortcake: $\frac{3}{4}$ lb. flour
- 2 oz. sugar
- 2 oz. butter
- 2 teaspoons baking powder
- Pinch of salt
- A little milk

Sieve the flour, salt, baking powder and sugar into a bowl. Rub in the fat and add enough milk to form a soft but not sticky dough. Knead lightly on a floured board and roll out into a circle about $\frac{3}{4}$ in. thick. Bake in a hot oven (gas mark 7 or 425°) for 15-20 minutes. When cooked split the cake in half, spread some of the drained gooseberries on the bottom half, cover with the second half, cut side up, and spread with the rest of the berries. Top with whipped cream or serve with a sauce made from the juice and thickened with a little cornflour.

Raspberry Vinegar

This old-fashioned favourite is still a popular drink at summer parties, particularly with children. It will keep well and makes a soothing drink for sore throats in wintertime.

Put one pint of fresh, cleaned raspberries in an earthenware or glass container. Pour one pint of white wine or cider vinegar over the fruit, cover and set aside for four to five days, stirring occasionally. Strain, measure the juice and add 1 lb. of sugar to each pint of liquid. Bring to the boil slowly and simmer very gently for ten minutes. When cold, bottle and cork tightly. Dilute to taste.

Iced Tea

Our English weather may be responsible, but iced tea is not nearly so popular here as it is in America. Both the following make delicious and refreshing drinks when the sun shines.

Make a pot of strong, hot, freshly brewed tea. Fill glasses with ice cubes, top with a slice of lemon or a

sprig of mint, add sugar to taste and pour on the hot tea. The tea must be freshly brewed and not allowed to stand too long or the liquid will be cloudy and look much less appetising.

China Tea with Orange

- 1 pot of freshly made China tea
- 3 oranges
- Juice of 1 lemon
- 3 tablespoons sugar
- Ice cubes

Slice one orange thinly and squeeze the juice from the other two. Pour the tea on to the sugar and add strained orange and lemon juice. Serve with ice cubes and a slice of orange in each glass.

HISTORY OF HERBS

Mint

NEXT to parsley, mint is probably more widely used than any other herb in the English kitchen. For new potatoes, green peas and that essential accompaniment to roast lamb that puzzles so many foreigners, mint sauce.

Mint has been cultivated for so long that it is nowhere known in its wild state. The early herbalists used it freely and there is an old superstition that it should never be cut with iron.

There are many species and varieties—spearmint, apple mint, lemon mint and peppermint—all with distinctive flavours and fragrances. Lemon mint is supposed to enhance the scent of other fragrant plants and is used in the manufacture of chartreuse.

Peppermint is a native of Britain and has been grown here commercially since 1750. The oil produced in England is of a particularly fine quality and commands high prices. It takes one ton of the herb to produce 8-10 lb. of the oil, which is used in the making of sweets, medicines, toothpaste and crème de menthe liqueur. Mint is a water-loving plant and this is natural, for the nymph Menthe was the daughter of the river Cocytus, Pluto fell in love with her and she was changed into the plant by the jealous Proserpine.

W.R.A.C. Officer Cadets

THE Commissioning Ceremony of the Thirty-fourth Course of Officer Cadets will take place on Wednesday, 12th August, 1964, at 3.15 p.m. at the W.R.A.C. School of Instruction, Huron Camp, Hindhead, Surrey. The Ceremony will be preceded by a Drumhead Service and by a Service of Benediction at 2.30 p.m.

Members of the Association will be welcome and applications for tickets, together with 2s. 6d. each for tea, should be sent by 4th August, 1964, to: The Adjutant, W.R.A.C. School of Instruction, Huron Camp, Hindhead, Surrey.

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Branch News

BIRMINGHAM. Our A.G.M. was held in January, and it is with much regret that we have to report that our Chairman, Miss E. E. Mapp, has resigned after many years as Chairman. To mark the occasion, Branch members presented Miss Mapp with a briefcase as a token of appreciation for her untiring efforts on our behalf. We now have no Chairman, but are fortunate in having two Vice-Chairmen—Mrs. Whittle-Wills and Mrs. M. Hill. A most enjoyable visit to the theatre took place last December, when we saw "Old Time Variety," with such old-timers as Billy Danvers, Randolph Sutton and Clarkson Rose, to mention just a few of the excellent cast. Those members who were able to be present thoroughly enjoyed their evening. In February we once again were hostesses to members of other ex-Service organisations in Birmingham at a Social Evening, and were pleased to have with us the Old Contemptibles, Royal Engineers, Royal Army Ordnance Corps, Royal Air Force and W.R.N.S. Associations. A fair number of members managed to get to London in March for the Q.M.A.A.C. Reunion and the A.G.M., when it was pleasant to meet and chat with old friends.

BRADFORD. Since our last report we held our A.G.M. in November, when our Chairman, Miss Gertie Armitage, resigned after being in office six years. Miss Madge Mitchell was elected to succeed her, but unfortunately, has been unable to attend our meetings since January, when her mother suffered a serious road accident. We are pleased to know that, thanks to the constant attention of Madge and her devoted friend Mary Brett, Mrs. Ward is making a slow recovery. Madge, Mary and Bertha once again provided our Christmas Party in December, which was thoroughly appreciated by both the young and "not so young." Owing to the very cold winter, our Q.M.A.A.C. members, Miss Cocksedge, Mrs. Bakes, Mrs. Lumb and Miss Julian, O.B.E., have been almost housebound, but we hope to see them when the warmer weather comes. Mrs. Ross, who was prevented from coming to our Northern Area Reunion because of illness, is now fully recovered and hopes to be with us at the September Reunion. In November we attended the Remembrance Day Parade, sold poppies in the streets of Bradford and carried our Standard on the March of the Units at the Festival of Remembrance. Various Bring and Buy Sales have been held to augment our funds and Mary Brett organised an Old Time Dance on a very wet Saturday, 14th March. Our thanks are due to the M.C.s, Mr. and Mrs. Bentham. Our President, Miss Gummersall, who attained her 88th birthday in January, sent us a

birthday cake to celebrate, and she was accorded musical honours. We have recently suffered a great loss by the sudden death of Mr. Cecil Lingood, M.B.E., the Secretary of Bradford British Legion, who was a very good friend of our members and an inspiration to us all.

BRIGHTON. It is some time since we reported in THE LIONESS, but we have been meeting regularly and have been out on several Sunday afternoons also. We find that there are some very interesting places to visit under the National Gardens Scheme. On 28th July, we went to one of these—Rawdon House, Worthing. It was a really hot day and the gardens were looking wonderful. On 22nd September we visited Dame Helen Gwynne-Vaughan at Storrington. Again we were favoured with fine weather, and after a delicious tea we inspected the very pleasant garden. It was nice to see Dame Helen looking so fit, and we thoroughly enjoyed our visit. In November we held our Annual Bring and Buy Sale, and on 27th January we had our Annual Dinner at the Melbray Restaurant, King's Road. This was attended by 24 members and friends, and after the meal we joined in songs sung by Mrs. Wye and Mrs. Attwater, accompanied at the piano by Miss Keene.

DERBY. We held our A.G.M. at the end of January and all officers were re-elected, Miss S. Limbert as Chairman, Mrs. M. Potts as Treasurer and Miss E. Cook as Secretary. In November 1963 a trip round the Boots factory was taken instead of our usual meeting. After a very enjoyable tour, tea was provided in the canteen and everyone received a gift of soap or talcum powder.

GLASGOW. Since the beginning of the year there have been two meetings. The first was in January, when we had a Cookery Demonstration by Mrs. C. O'Neill, one of our members, and in February we had a "Tupperware" Party. These functions were well attended and were enjoyed by all who attended them. On 5th March we had our Annual General Meeting. This also was well attended. The office-bearers are: President, Miss M. D. Swanson; Vice-President, Mrs. T. B. Calderwood; Secretary, Miss E. H. Butters; and Treasurer, Mrs. R. Armstrong. A varied programme has been drawn up and the Committee are hoping for good attendances during the year.

HEADQUARTERS AREA. Many heartfelt thanks to all members who contributed to our stall at the Sale of Work which was held at this year's A.G.M. We took £30 19s. 6d., which was a very handsome proportion of the total sum made. Will any members who may not have received a personal acknowledgment of their gifts please forgive the Secretary, who succumbed to a rather sharp bout of flu just before the event and very nearly did not get to it. However, all's well that ends well and, thanks to the stalwart efforts of Mrs. Bailey, Colonel Cooke and Hingston, it was all a great success. There were many admiring comments on the variety and attraction of our goods, which had come from all parts of the Commonwealth as well as from the United States.



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LONDON. Our meetings have been well attended during the winter months. In January we enjoyed a programme of songs given by the Acton Male Voice Choir; we look forward to their next visit in June. In February Miss Norton gave us a show of her colour slides, taken during her travels in America and Canada; it included some magnificent views and an interesting description of the places she had visited. In March we had a very successful Bring and Buy Sale.

SHEFFIELD. We started the New Year with a visit to the Playhouse, as a change from our usual pantomime. The A.G.M. was held in February. All officers were re-elected. On 19th March we had our Annual Dinner, held at the Old No. 12 Restaurant; an excellent dinner was followed by a get-together of the 30 members and friends who attended. The boat trip planned for May has had to be cancelled, as British Waterways have informed us they no longer run day trips.

YORK. We continue to meet once a month whenever possible. In October a well-known local personality came to talk to us about the Lion Club and their work, followed by a party provided by Capt. Walton, T.D. The A.G.M. was held in November, this being the nearest date to the 25th Anniversary of the formation of the A.T.S. A sherry party followed: Miss Masters cut the iced cake, which was made by the Secretary, and a toast was made to all three Services. We did not have the usual Party at Christmas, instead we went to the Theatre Royal to see "No Time for Love," a very pleasing play which was enjoyed by all the party, especially as we were invited to take drinks and refreshments prior to the theatre with Lieut.-Colonel M. R. Appleby, O.B.E., T.D., at her flat. Again we thought of those people less fortunate than ourselves at Christmas; members and friends contributed either funds or groceries to make up 20 really good parcels, which were distributed to ex-Service men and women. We came across an ex-A.T.S. corporal of the Ack-Ack, Mrs. Oldfield, who is now blind after being in hospital for some considerable time, also a Sgt. Butler, who was with the Pay Corps during the war and is now confined to her flat with rheumatism; she too has been in hospital some time. Members have since visited both of them. Thanks must go to Mrs. Leach for using her car and delivering the parcels and to Mrs. Fletcher and Mrs. Metcalf for their individual money-making efforts, which helped a great deal. The Annual Dinner was held at Old Nunthorpe House in March. A real regimental dinner was served by Sgt. Harrison and her staff, which was thoroughly enjoyed by all attending. A presentation was made afterwards to Sgt. Harrison for the work she always does so willingly for the York Branch.

Bequest

Miss N. F. Corner left part of her residual estate to charity and a cheque for £1,200 has already been received by the A.T.S. Benevolent Fund.

Obituary

Miss N. F. Corner

WE regret to announce the death of Miss N. F. Corner, who had been a member of the Association since 1921. She was a Forewoman Q.M.A.A.C. at Etaples, Boulogne and Amiens and served with the A.T.S. during the last war.

Miss C. A. Edwards

LONDON Branch regret to report the death of Miss C. A. Edwards, who had been a member of the Association for 30 years and served overseas as a Forewoman Q.M.A.A.C. at Rouen and Dieppe.

Miss C. Entwistle

AFTER many, many years of illness and much suffering, Clarissa Entwistle died last November. She joined Q.M.A.A.C. and was in France as a telephonist in 1917 at Dannes, Boulogne and other stations. After demobilisation she returned to Bootle Telephone Exchange and in 1934 she went to the Gold Coast as a telephonist. It was while here that she had an accident which was the cause of years of illness and she never walked properly again. She was so very determined to do things and, with the aid of two sticks, came all the way from Liverpool for many of the reunions. She spent many hours cutting up Christmas cards, which she made into scrapbooks for children's hospitals. Until a short time before her death she was trying to run her flat by propelling herself around in a chair, as she was determined to walk again.

R. W. and A. C. B.

Miss B. Hale

IT is my sad duty to announce the death of Miss Barbara Hale (Adjutant), late of Didcot Garrison Group, on 24th March, 1964, in St. Thomas's Hospital, London.

Miss Hale was with us at our annual Didcot Garrison Group Tea Party on 14th March, an event she never missed. She was commissioned into the A.T.S. in 1939, and served most of her time at Didcot until demobbed in 1945. Her loyalty to the Service was outstanding, and we who served with her have lost a very dear friend.

A. M. W.

Miss M. Humphreys

OMAGH Branch regret to announce the death, at Enniskillen Hospital, of Miss Mary (Molly) Humphreys on 24th January, 1964. She was the youngest daughter of the late Dr. Humphreys of "Clareview," Kesh. "Nursie," as she was affectionately known, served with "C" Company in Omagh throughout the war and was in charge of Sick Bay. She had an exceedingly kind and sympathetic nature, and her devotion to all who were laid aside for a spell in Sick Bay was without equal. A few of our members who knew her when she joined us in Omagh in 1939 were privileged to attend her funeral. A poppy wreath was supplied by the Branch.

W.O.II A. F. Lowe

WE regret to announce the death of W/23826 W.O.II A. F. Lowe, in Queen Alexandra Military Hospital, Millbank, on 12th February, 1964, after over 24 years of unbroken service. C.S.M. Lowe joined the A.T.S. as a volunteer and served in various training units in the United Kingdom. After the war her postings included a mixed H.A.A. Regt., R.A., a three-year tour in the Middle East, two years at the W.R.A.C. Depot and Training Centre, and various Independent Companies. At the time of her death she was serving with 15 Independent Company, W.R.A.C., at Bovington.

Miss Lowe was a loyal and steadfast member of the Corps with a high sense of duty. She was well liked and respected by everybody, she had the knack of getting the best out of her subordinates and always had their welfare at heart. She showed courage and an unfailing sense of humour during her last illness and will be greatly missed by all who knew her.

Miss A. Rawson

M. C. B. writes:

"Q.M.A.A.C. Old Comrades who served at Connaught Club will be sorry to learn that Miss A. Rawson died in hospital at Doncaster on New Year's Day at the age of 83. How well one remembers this outspoken, independent little Yorkshire woman who organised the "B" Company pay parades each Friday—and woe betide any absent-minded person who ignored the Hostel Fund collecting box! Rawson mothered the other two company clerks and kept them in order in a manner they loved. She was the kindest soul. We three, Mansfield (now Mrs. Horsley), Bartlett and Rawson, together with Miss Rogers (now Mrs. Jackson), managed to keep in touch and meet occasionally."

Mrs. Shapland Dobbs

WE announce with regret the death of Mrs. Shapland Dobbs (Capt. Audrey Barfoot), who served in the A.T.S. and W.R.A.C. Mrs. Shapland Dobbs was a talented artist and was responsible for the design of the Corps print of a "W.R.A.C. Recruiter in No. 1 Dress, 1953," the original of which hangs in the Regimental Museum. She was working on a book illustrating British uniforms at the time of her death.

Mrs. F. C. Gibson
Miss M. B. Murray
Miss M. A. Roberts
Mrs. O. M. Shearer
Miss H. C. Todd

WE regret to announce the death of five other members of the Association: Mrs. F. C. Gibson, of Ayrshire Branch; Miss M. B. Murray, who served in the Q.M.A.A.C. at Kimmel and Boulogne; Miss M. A. Roberts, ex-Q.M.A.A.C., of Derby Branch; Mrs. O. M. Shearer, ex-Senior Commander A.T.S., of Leeds Branch, a Life Member since 1945; and Miss H. C. Todd, ex-Sgt. A.T.S. and a Life Member since 1947.

ACKNOWLEDGMENT

Mrs. E. M. Lowe was unable to thank all the Units and individuals who sent flowers to the funeral of her daughter, W/23826 W.O.II A. F. Lowe, on 14th February, 1964, and wishes to take this opportunity of expressing her appreciation.

British Legion

MEMBERS of the Association living in the Kensington-Chelsea area are invited to join the Chelsea British Legion Women's Group and help to organise activities on behalf of infirm ex-Service men and their families. They will be welcomed at 484 King's Road, S.W.10, where the Group meets usually on the first Tuesday of the month at 8 p.m. Subscription: 6s. 6d. on joining and thereafter 3s. 6d. annually. For further particulars write to the Hon. Secretary at the above address.

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