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*At the front lines near the Yongdong position, Korea, with the 3rd Bn. Princess Patricia's Canadian Light Infantry, January, 1953.  
Left to Right: Capt. Dave Elliott, "Staff" Shawcross, Capt. Marcel Marchessault and Capt. Art Kemsley.*



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CANADIAN LIGHT INFANTRY ASSOCIATION

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FROM  
THE



EDITOR'S  
DUGOUT

This is an extremely important and challenging time for the Association and The Regiment. Policy reviews and new initiatives are before us almost daily. The Regimental Museum and Archives building plans dominate our day-to-day life. Yours truly, as Councilor for the Alberta Museums Association is dealing with proposed changes to the copy right act; task forces on Funding of the Arts and the National Museums of Canada; the proposed revisions to The National Museums Policy.

All these things herald a time of change in the museum world and also unparalleled opportunity. Your Association is keenly interested in these matters as these policies will ultimately affect our own Regimental Museum and Archives. In addition, the 75th Anniversary plans are taking shape (you will find a questionnaire enclosed). Throughout the coming months, it is essential for you to be kept informed of developments.

The past year has been an extremely important one for your Association. We have a strong sense of direction and a determined commitment to meet the changing needs of our membership. There are now more paid-up members than ever, due to the simple fact that the Association is playing an effective role. Admittedly, we still have a long way to go to reach our goal of 2,500 paid-up members in 1989, but, being the optimist, I am confident that we shall be successful.

Your personal support is one of the reasons why the Association has been so effective in the past year. Your support and encouragement have helped us establish a large network which gives us real strength when addressing issues of importance. Your President has provided a high quality leadership to the Association Secretariat in his efforts to represent the interest of the Association Members in a rapidly changing environment, always with a view to improve efficiency and effectiveness. The ongoing exercise of adjusting programs and expenditures to revenues has been achieved with little real reduction in services to the Membership.

NOTE: In this Newsletter you will find a questionnaire. We appreciate you taking the time in completing it and forwarding it to the Association Secretariat immediately.

MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT

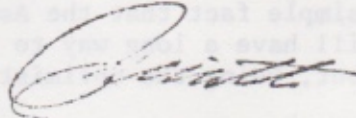
Fellow Patricias:

The Annual General Meeting, so well hosted by the Edmonton Branch on 31 May marked a turning point in the history of our Association. Minutes of that meeting are reproduced in full in this issue of the Newsletter.

The turning point? The majority approval of a motion to raise the status of wives of members and widows of former members to that of associate member with full voting privileges. With that step we, as an association, have moved into a new era, one in keeping with the times and one that pays full recognition to the status of women in our society. I take the liberty of summarizing the sentiments so eloquently put forth by the ladies in attendance at that meeting: -- "When we married you, we did not know it at the time, but we married the Regiment. We followed you with our children in tow across this land and overseas on postings. When you were away on what seemed to be never ending exercises we took care of sick children, minor accidents, had cars repaired and washers fixed, celebrated birthdays and anniversaries without you and welcomed you back with your kitbag of dirty laundry. We rejoiced in your promotions, shared in your sorrow and frustration when things went wrong, but always stood behind you with our encouragement, support and our love. We want to continue in your association endeavours and seek such recognition as voting members."

Ladies, we welcome you into the Regimental family and look forward to working together with you to form an even stronger Regimental Association.

Regimentally Yours,



Rod Middleton  
National President

MINUTESOF THE 38TH ANNUAL GENERAL MEETINGPRINCESS PATRICIA'S CANADIAN LIGHT INFANTRY ASSOCIATIONHELD AT THE GARRISON OFFICER'S MESSCANADIAN FORCES BASE EDMONTON

31 MAY 1986

Calgary, Alberta

2 June 1986

EXECUTIVE

President	Mr. R.M. Middleton, CD
Vice President	Mr. C.A.H. Kelmsley, CD
Vice President East	Dr. J. Pariseau, MBE, CD
Vice President West	Mr. R.C. Watt, CD
Secretary-Treasurer	Captain R. Raidt, CD

IN ATTENDANCE

Colonel of the Regiment	Colonel W.B.S. Sutherland, CD
President	Mr. R.M. Middleton, CD
Secretary-Treasurer	Captain R. Raidt, CD
President Victoria Branch	Mr. R.C. Watt, CD
President Vancouver Branch	Mr. W.E. Harrington, MC, CD
President Calgary Branch	Mr. T. Reid, CD
President Winnipeg Branch	Mr. N.L.G. McCowan, CD
Representative Saskatchewan Branch	Mr. R. Harris, CD
Representative Okanagan/Thompson Branch	Mr. D.A.W. McDonell, CD
Chairman Regimental Executive Committee	Lieutenant-Colonel J.A. Almstrom, CD
Regimental Major	Major P.A. Ronksley, CD

INTRODUCTORY REMARKS

1. The President welcomed all members present and expressed his hopes that the discussions ahead be conducted in an atmosphere of comradeship and in good spirit. He especially welcomed the lady members present, a first for the Association. He also stated that it is the first time that the Association held its General Meeting away from the Head Office and it would be his intentions to move the location for the meeting to other major locations across Canada. The 1987 Annual General Meeting has been tentatively scheduled for Victoria. Other meetings would be held in Eastern Canada as well. The President expressed a special welcome to the Colonel of the Regiment who had kindly accepted the invitation to stay over after participating at the civic ceremony of the presentation of "Chain of Office" to the Mayor of Edmonton.

ITEM	DISCUSSION	ACTION BY
I	<u>CALL TO ORDER</u>	
	2. In the Chair, the President, Rod Middleton, called the meeting to order at 0915 hours.	
II	<u>MINUTE OF SILENCE</u>	
	3. A minute of silence was observed in memory of departed comrades.	

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## MINUTES

ITEM	DISCUSSION	ACTION BY
III	<u>NOTICE OF MEETING</u>	
	4. The Secretary tabled the Notice of Meeting to be held this date. The Notice was dated 12 March, 1986.	
IV	<u>ACENDA</u>	
	5. The Agenda was circulated before the Meeting.	
	<u>MOTION:</u> Mr. R.C. Watt moved approval of the agenda as circulated, Mr. T. Reid seconding the motion. CARRIED.	
V	<u>REVIEW OF MINUTES</u>	
	6. The Minutes of the 37th Annual General Meeting as circulated in the March Newsletter were accepted as presented.	
	<u>MOTION:</u> Mr. R.C. Watt moved acceptance of the Minutes, Mr. Wally Mills seconding the motion. CARRIED.	
VI	<u>REPORTS</u>	
	7. The President asked the Treasurer to present the 1985 audited financial statements for inspection:	
	a. <u>Association Operating Account (ANNEX A)</u>	
	The Treasurer explained to the members the legal position of the Operating Fund. The Fund holds as assets all Regimental and Museum property. Unfortunately, the fund is still to be audited since the appraisal of the property has not been completed.	
	b. <u>Hamilton Gault Memorial Fund (ANNEX B)</u>	
	The Treasurer explained the nature of the Fund. He stated that the Fund, in addition to the General Fund, contains the Korean Student Bursary Fund, Building Fund and the Museum Fund.	
	<u>MOTION:</u> Captain Raidt moved, Mr. Tom Reid seconding the motion that the audited financial statements be accepted. CARRIED.	
	8. Mr. Larry Harrington said in speaking of the motion, that he is not entirely satisfied with the present arrangement excluding the Association in the decision-making process. He suggested that the Association consider the election of a Treasurer to allow the Association to monitor the affairs much better. The President replied that it would be unlikely that the Association could find an individual to fill the position of a full-time Secretary or Treasurer and he urged that the present arrangement be continued.	
	<u>NOTE:</u> At this time the Chairman of the Regimental Executive Committee entered. The President welcomed LCol Almstrom on behalf of the membership.	
	9. <u>75th Anniversary Plan.</u> The President gave a brief description of the current status of the plan for the upcoming anniversary. The options considered were published in the spring Newsletter. The President added that he has a committee together from the Calgary Branch and that the committee would begin meeting in September on a monthly basis. The concern at this time is the numbers of Patricia's to be expected from across the country, ie 300, 500, a thousand or 1,200. We don't know and we will not know until the plan is circulated to the Branches. Our overall plan is based on activities other than the Regimental Trooping. We feel that if we expect members to come from across the country to Calgary for that "four" day period, we feel that	

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ITEM

DISCUSSION

ACTION BY

VI we have to offer them fully integrated, interesting exciting programmes that would make them want to come and we send them home happy that they did come. The President then further detailed his ideas how the plan was arrived at and how the plan will look. The Association would have to work closely with the First Battalion, but he stressed that it is the desire of the Association to have the plan completely self-financed by the members attending and that the Association is only looking for assistance from the Regiment in getting the minor details looked after. Periodic reports will be sent to the members to keep them abreast as the plan develops, including costs. The President concluded with the remarks that the package plan promises to be a superb package which would bring credit to anyone ever served with the Regiment. He then asked Lieutenant Colonel John Almstrom to present the position of the Regiment with respect to the 75th Anniversary.

10. Lieutenant Colonel Almstrom stated that the Regimental Executive Committee had recently met and during a three-day working session developed a concession that the main activity of the 75th Anniversary be in Calgary. There would be regional activities, but those would be performed not to the detriment of the main event. Some refinement to these activities are still required. The main priority of effort must go to the Calgary event, however, Colonel Almstrom offered his cooperation to work together with the Association and make the 75th Anniversary a success. The President thanked LCol Almstrom for his very informative remarks.

11. The President added that the Association had contacted an Advertising Agency to do a survey of our requirements to publicize our plans but not to do the advertising themselves. The director of the agency, a former DND Information Officer, and a good friend of the Regiment, is based in Calgary. They are putting a package together which will be paid from the 75th Anniversary Fund. The bill for the service is approximately \$1,500.00. The advertising campaign will probably cost substantially more. The President concluded his remarks and declared a recess at this time for 20 minutes.

NOTE: The meeting re-convened at 1030 hours.

11. Associate Membership-Status. The President explained to the membership that a series of discussions had been held at Branch and National Executive level on this matter. He stated the applicable By-Law and added that various Branches already violate the By-Law by allowing various categories of Associate members. The President added further that the implication of the Charter of Rights might force the Association to meet the requirement to admit wives and widows as voting members rather sooner than later. He also spoke of the age gap between members and the still persistent problems of officers and other ranks. He again affirmed the position of the Association that there is no distinction in the latter case. There is no room for various categories in the Association. To permit the membership to grow, we must overcome these petty perceptions and work for the ideals our Founder had set. After making these remarks, the President asked for comments from the floor. Mr. Norm McCowan, opened a lively discussion questioning the remarks of the President that the Association had indeed associate members. The Secretary-Treasurer intervened at this time and read Resolution 83/1 which in fact established associate member status for wives and widows. (See ITEM III, para 5 dated 28 Nov 1983). Mr. Bob Watt raised the issue of serving members joining the Association and questioned their status. He added that in his opinion the Association consists of retired or ex-serving members of the Regiment. Ladies were never thought to be included in this concept and added further that he had great difficulty getting the ladies out in Vancouver. Larry Harrington of Vancouver added his concerns that the Association should consist only of serving or former members. Gord Holmes urged members to rethink the issue and added that ladies served equally well in support of the Regiment. Other speakers supported the notion of ladies being associate members. A lively discussion again ensued

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with various members expressing strong opinions. The Colonel of the Regiment, was prompted to give his personal opinion on the matter. Colonel Sutherland gave a brief description of the history of the Association and pointed out to the members that ladies had always played an important role in the Regiment. He pointed out that our original Colonel-in-Chief was a lady and that our present one is also a lady, a magnificent lady indeed. He urged the members to be outward looking rather than inward looking and not be tied up in technicalities. The President thanked the Colonel of the Regiment for his most interesting comments. Larry Harrington again raised the point that they must not become ordinary members, but he could accept ladies as associate non-voting members. The President clarified once again the categories of ordinary membership and added that the motion considered add the category of "Voting - Associate Membership" for wives of members and widows of former members.

**MOTION:** Tom Reid moved, Bob Harris seconding that the By-Laws of the Princess Patricia's Canadian Light Infantry Association be amended to include in the Category of Voting Membership, a new category. Article 2.03 to include:

"Voting Membership-Associate Members. Wives of members, or widows of former members of Princess Patricia's Canadian Light Infantry, shall be eligible for associate membership of the Association, subject to the payment of an annual fee as prescribed by Council from time to time."

CARRIED.

**NOTE:** The vote was 130 yes and 51 no. The vote was carried by a two-thirds majority.

NEW BUSINESS

VII ELECTION OF OFFICERS

12. The President informed the membership that two vacancies exist as of this moment. The position of President and the position of Vice-President West. The President asked the Chairman of the Nomination Committee, represented by Larry Harrington, to announce the nominations submitted. Of the nominations submitted for President, C.A.H. Kemsley, the Secretary informed the membership that he was directed by Mr. Kemsley to withdraw his name. This was done. The President was then asked if he would stand for re-election. He agreed and was re-elected by acclamation. Larry Harrington was then asked to give the nomination for Vice-President West. Bob Watt was nominated. They then asked for additional nominations from the floor. George Arthurson nominated Bob Harris. No further nominations were made and subsequently, Bob Watt was voted in as Vice-President West.

13. 1987 BUDGET. The President presented the financial plan and situation of the Association. He highlighted the ever increasing cost of mailing. It was the general consensus that two editions of the Newsletter be maintained and the discussion clearly indicated that the Association should be self-sufficient. The President added that the increased annual dues in the proposed budget would assist in a small measure to relieve the travelling costs of members of the National Executive and encouraged Branches to do likewise. With an increase of the dues to \$7.50 the costs can be met but an increase to \$10.00 per year would provide added cash to the Operation Fund and afford us greater flexibility. (See ANNEX C).

**MOTION:** Mr. Norm McCowan moved, Mr. Larry Harrington seconding the motion, that the Annual Membership Fee of the Association be raised to \$10.00 and the 1987 Budget be approved.

CARRIED.

**Note:** There is no charge to paid-up members who have contributed to the 75th Anniversary Fund.

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14. World War II Battle Honour. The President gave a brief background on this idea. He then asked Mr. Bob Watt to present to the membership the rationale for commemorating a World War II battle honour, in particular the Hitler Line. (The Victoria Branch is the originator of this recognition). Bob Watt gave a grief presentation including letters from Patricias who had served in World War II, particularly in Italy. Since the Regiment celebrates only one battle, the Battle of Freezenberg, and since Korea, the Battle of Kapyong by the 2nd Battalion, the Victoria Branch felt that due respect should be paid to those who fought at the Hitler Line. Some discussion arose over the pros and cons of this issue. It was generally felt, however, that the Regiment should continue to celebrate only one battle honour, the Battle of Freezenberg, and that the Victoria Branch, if they so wish, may celebrate the Hitler Line on May 23rd, annually.

MOTION: Mr. Bob Watt moved, Mr. Gord Holmes seconding the motion, that the PPCLI Association commemorate on an annual basis the battle of The Hitler Line, 23 May, in a manner of their choosing.

CARRIED.

CONSTITUTION AND BY-LAWS

15. The President informed the membership of the attempt by previous Executives to update the Constitution and By-Laws to reflect current operating procedures and bring both in line with the requirements of the Income Tax Act and the Department of Consumer and Corporate Affairs. The Association, being a corporation without share capital is a non-profit organization with two charitable activities within the Hamilton Gault Memorial Fund and the Regimental Museum. Even the revised documents do not meet the current requirement and the Association, along with the Regimental Major and Regimental Adjutant, have had several meetings with a lawyer who specializes in corporate law who has had the opportunity to look at our documents and to remedy the shortcomings. The problems, the President added, arose during the recent fund raising campaigns the Regiment conducted for the Museum project. Any corporation or any other potential donor wants to know in detail who they are giving money to and also, who are the individuals in that organization. We have been unable to provide the proper answers to those questions. It is for these reasons primarily, the President stressed, that the Constitution and By-Laws must be updated but, because of the substantial work to be done, he is not in a position to ask for any motion. The Executive will, together with Regimental Headquarters, produce an acceptable document which will encompass the whole Regiment and which will meet the requirements of the law. It is hoped that the new document will be ready for approval at a Special General Meeting on 1 November 1986. Drafts will be sent to members/branches for review and comments.

16. Several questions were raised from the floor as to where the shortfalls are. The President asked the Regimental Major to give a brief summary of the discussions held to date. Major Ronksley outlined the shortfalls, ie who is the regimental government, who is the legal holder of regimental property, who owns the museum artifacts and who is accountable to whom under the Income Tax Act. The driving force behind the changes is the Museum project which is to be opened on 10 August, 1989, as part of the 75th Anniversary celebration. The second part is that the Regiment received permission to accumulate the funds collected until 1989, when we can be assured that an audit will be performed. Tax receipted income versus non-tax receipted is of peak concern and will undergo some scrutiny in the coming months. Larry Harrington raised some mutual concerns of who is currently authorized to spend money and who is accountable. He urged to go slow but deliberate so that a proper document will be produced. The President concluded the discussion with the comments that it is his intention to produce a proper documents by November incorporating all legal requirements. He then asked the Chairman of the Regimental Executive Committee, LCol John Almstrom to brief the members on the museum project.

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DISCUSSION

ACTION BY

VII 17. The Chairman gave a brief summary where the program presently stands. He stated that the Museum is the No 1 priority of the Regiment at this time. The Regiment intends to move the Museum to a new or different location outside of Currie Barracks, into a vacant school building being returned to DND. Sir Sam Steele School is expected to be returned sometime this summer. The problem which had to be addressed by the Regiment was to either face losing the collection, because of lack of proper environmental condition in the present building, or take the challenge and preserve the history of the Regiment for future Patricias to enjoy. Sir Sam Steele School offers that opportunity. LCol Almstrom added that we have a good project which the public will support and which the public will be able to visit easily with ready access. The cost of the project is approximately \$800 K with about \$275 K coming from funds already collected. If we can prove to the museum world and various city, provincial or federal agencies that we are serious about the project, we are confident that the funds can be collected, LCol Almstrom added. The President thanked LCol Almstrom for his comments and promised the support of the Association. Ken Campbell echoed the President and added that the conservation of our artifacts is indeed expensive and promised the support of the Edmonton Branch. The Regimental Major added that Ken is indeed correct. Conservation is a very expensive business but that he is confident that we can get the funds to pursue the project and preserve our collection. Bob Watt added that he wished he had a tape recording of LCol Almstrom's explanation for his branch. The figure of \$800 K scared many of his members, but now he has a much better picture. Other speakers added their support to the project.

18. Norm McCowan raised the point of curatorial decisions in respect of accepting or refusing artifacts to the Museum. After being told that it is the curator in consultation with the accession committee, Norm McCowan stated that a plaque given to the Museum recently had been returned to him as not "historically significant to the Regiment". He then added that he considered the plaque indeed significant since it was given to him by an English lady on behalf of the Royal Devon Yeomanry, a supporting artillery/anti-tank unit in Italy and the Irish North Horse Regiment. After a brief exchange of views Norm McCowan was invited to return the item to the Museum. The President thanked all of the speakers for their great support of the Museum project and gave a special thank you to LCol Almstrom. The President added that LCol John Almstrom's comment added much to the substance of the project and at the same time eliminated much of the concerns Branches had as a result of a letter sent to Branches in February/March 1986. He urged Branches to re-think their position and come up with any way to raise funds for the Museum. Any effort would be appreciated.

1987 Annual General Meeting (AGM)

The President stated that the proposed 1987 AGM is tentatively scheduled for Victoria, BC, on or around the 5th of July in conjunction with the change of Colonel of the Regiment. No firm dates can be given at this time as the official change-over of Colonels may even happen in Calgary. Nevertheless, wherever the change-over is to take place, the AGM will be held in conjunction with that ceremony.

VIII OTHER BUSINESS

Larry Harrington raised the matter of Members at Large. What in fact constitutes the category and what would be done to ensure those members belong to a Branch. The President pointed out that Members at Large are those who cannot physically attend Branch activities, ie members who are geographically too far away to expect them to join a Branch. Larry Harrington added that he has several members in Vancouver listed as members at large who could attend Branch meetings but have decided not to do so. The President reiterated that The National Executive could monitor closely and that in future all applications would be closely scrutinized.

Communications

Norm McCowan raised the matter of too little information being received by Branches of Regimental/Association activities. While the Newsletter serves its purpose in a terrific way, members are looking for more current news. Norm requested that members should be kept abreast of all regimental activities, even if the news is simply a one page flyer. But the members need to know! "What is the 2nd Battalion doing in Europe?" is but one question he is being asked at every meeting of the Winnipeg Branch, for example. He said further that nothing fancy is required, but something is needed. There was a general consensus that a circular is required.

LCol Almstrom stated that Norm McCowan made a valid point but in defence of Regimental Headquarters, he felt that under the present staffing and financial resources available, and indeed with the Museum project and the 75th Anniversary, little improvement can be expected. There are plans afoot to place two more officers in RHQ this fall, but this is subject to other man power requirements. However, it is obvious that we need a much better information flow from RHQ.

Larry Harrington raised the matter of the 1st Battalion Trooping. The information received from the Trooping Committee was insufficient and provided little incentive for the Association members to attend. Larry Harrington stated that there should be somebody who could look after the members who have served, afterall, in the Regiment. Tom Reid, President of the Calgary Branch, said that he encountered the same problems in Calgary and that no invitations to the Trooping had been received to date. He added that he had been informed by the Colonel that the Association would be allotted a block of seats to facilitate the "fallout of the old guard". LCol Almstrom confirmed this and added that the battalion had encountered some difficulties but he hoped things would be quickly sorted out now that WAINCOW is over.

The President thanked LCol Almstrom for his very informative remarks and then asked the Colonel of the Regiment for his concluding comments. Colonel Sutherland expressed his regrets that he has not been able to visit each Branch at least once or go to meetings of the Association, such as this one, but when it is possible, it is valuable and very rewarding. Colonel Sutherland thanked his hosts for inviting him and said that watching the proceedings has really been a great experience. He always returns from these meetings with a good feeling about the Regiment. Not only because I meet so many old friends, that's an experience by itself, but because of the feeling, a kind of excitement, from jointly planning something really worthwhile and say that we are making progress. The Colonel added, that progress made in the Regiment generally, in the regimental governance and the Association, is often difficult to see, but progress has been made and a great deal of thanks must go to your Executive - that it is worthwhile, is evident by your presence, the Colonel added. Colonel Sutherland briefly outlined the activities that lie ahead and the projects that must be faced. He again congratulated all of the members present for having an excellent meeting and wished them well for the future.

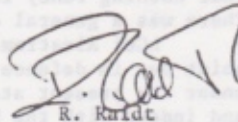
The President thanked the Colonel of the Regiment for his comment and concluded with the remarks that the meeting about to be concluded is marked by the active participation of every member present and the spirit present augers well for the future of the Association. He thanked the members for the vote of confidence.

ADJOURNMENT

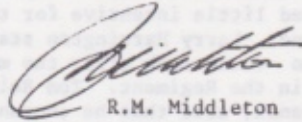
MOTION: Mr. Tom Reid moved, Mr. Bob Harris seconding the motion that the meeting be adjourned.

CARRIED.

The 38th Annual General Meeting adjourned at 1235 hrs.



R. Ruidt  
Captain  
Secretary PPCLI Association



R.M. Middleton

President PPCLI Association

March 27, 1986

4,380  
143  
3,000  
6,723

3,229  
292  
4,000  
7,821

398,251

398,251

ACCOUNTANTS' COMMENTS

We have prepared the accompanying balance sheet as at December 31, 1985 and the statement of fund activities for the year then ended from the records of the Princess Patricia's Canadian Light Infantry Association - Operating Fund and from other information supplied to us by the Association. In order to prepare these financial statements we have made a review, consisting primarily of enquiry, comparison and discussion, of such information. However, in accordance with the terms of our engagement, we have not performed an audit and consequently do not express an opinion on these financial statements.

*Coopers & Lybrand*

CHARTERED ACCOUNTANTS

AMOUNT  
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DATED 2 JUL 86

PRINCESS PATRICIA'S CANADIAN LIGHT INFANTRY ASSOCIATION  
OPERATING FUND

BALANCE SHEET AS AT DECEMBER 31, 1985

	1985 \$	1984 \$
<b>ASSETS</b>		
<b>CURRENT ASSETS</b>		
Bank	3,559	4,580
Accrued interest	292	142
Guaranteed Investment Certificates - at cost	<u>4,000</u>	<u>2,000</u>
	7,851	6,722
<b>FIXED ASSETS</b>		
Regimental property - at assigned value (note 1)	<u>296,551</u>	<u>296,551</u>
	<u>304,402</u>	<u>303,273</u>
<b>LIABILITIES</b>		
<b>CURRENT LIABILITIES</b>		
Accrued liabilities	500	250
Due to associated charity		4
Deferred revenue (note 2)	<u>3,060</u>	<u>3,059</u>
	3,560	3,313
<b>MEMBERS' EQUITY</b>		
MEMBERS' EQUITY	<u>300,842</u>	<u>299,960</u>
	<u>304,402</u>	<u>303,273</u>
 SIGNED ON BEHALF OF THE ASSOCIATION		
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Director		
_____		
Director		



**PRINCESS PATRICIA'S CANADIAN LIGHT INFANTRY ASSOCIATION  
OPERATING FUND**

**STATEMENT OF FUND ACTIVITIES**

**FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 1985**

	1985 \$	1984 \$
<b>REVENUE</b>		
Contributions	4,659	4,065
Interest income	525	535
Donations	107	144
Miscellaneous	54	
	<u>5,345</u>	<u>4,744</u>
<b>EXPENDITURES</b>		
Operating expenses	2,168	2,259
Postage	1,395	684
Association dinner		505
Miscellaneous	150	503
Professional fees	750	450
	<u>4,463</u>	<u>4,401</u>
<b>EXCESS OF REVENUE OVER EXPENDITURES</b>	882	343
<b>FUND BALANCE - BEGINNING OF YEAR</b>	<u>299,960</u>	<u>299,617</u>
<b>FUND BALANCE - END OF YEAR</b>	<u><u>300,842</u></u>	<u><u>299,960</u></u>

PRINCESS PATRICIA'S CANADIAN LIGHT INFANTRY ASSOCIATION  
 OPERATING FUND

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 1985

1. VALUATION OF FIXED ASSETS

The assets of the Regiment have been stated at their assigned value based on the most recent appraisal as at December 31, 1977 as follows:

	Value of Regimental Museum	88,092
	Value of Regimental Property	<u>208,459</u>
		<u>296,551</u>

Subsequent to December 31, 1984, the Association undertook to obtain a current appraisal. This has not yet been completed.

2. DEFERRED REVENUE

Contributions were received in the year for membership under the five year plan. These contributions will be taken into revenue in the year to which the contribution relates.

March 27, 1986

AUDITORS' REPORT

TO THE TRUSTEES OF THE HAMILTON GAULT MEMORIAL FUND

We have examined the balance sheet of the Hamilton Gault Memorial Fund as at December 31, 1985 and the statements of fund activities, 75th anniversary fund activities and fund balances for the year then ended. Our examination was made in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards, and accordingly included such tests and other procedures as we considered necessary in the circumstances, except as set out in the following paragraph.

In common with many charitable organizations, the Hamilton Gault Memorial Fund derives part of its revenue from donations which are not susceptible to complete audit verification. Accordingly our verification of revenue from this source was limited to a comparison of recorded revenue to bank deposits.

In our opinion, except for the effect of adjustments, if any, which we may have determined to be necessary had we been able to verify the completeness of revenue, these financial statements present fairly the financial position of the fund as at December 31, 1985 and the results of its activities for the year then ended in accordance with the accounting principles set out in note 1 to the financial statements on a basis consistent with that of the preceding year.

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CHARTERED ACCOUNTANTS

ANNEX B  
TO 1050-2 (REV)  
DATED 2 JUN 88

HAMILTON GAULT MEMORIAL FUND  
BALANCE SHEET AS AT DECEMBER 31, 1985

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	1985	1984
	\$	\$
<b>ASSETS</b>		
<b>CURRENT ASSETS (Schedule I)</b>		
Cash	49,602	21,117
Interest receivable	<u>3,403</u>	<u>1,719</u>
	53,005	22,836
<b>INVESTMENTS - at cost (Schedule II)</b>	<u>74,000</u>	<u>43,700</u>
	<u><u>127,005</u></u>	<u><u>66,536</u></u>

**LIABILITIES**

<b>CURRENT LIABILITIES</b>		
Accrued liabilities	1,425	500
Deferred revenue	<u>4,958</u>	<u>4,958</u>
	<u>1,425</u>	<u>5,458</u>

**MEMBERS' EQUITY**

75TH ANNIVERSARY FUND (note 3)	64,008	34,551
FUND BALANCE	<u>61,572</u>	<u>26,527</u>
	<u>125,580</u>	<u>61,078</u>
	<u><u>127,005</u></u>	<u><u>66,536</u></u>

SIGNED ON BEHALF OF THE TRUSTEES

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HAMILTON GAULT MEMORIAL FUND

STATEMENT OF FUND BALANCE

FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 1985

	1985 \$	1984 \$
FUND BALANCE - BEGINNING OF YEAR	26,527	38,471
Excess of revenue over expenditures	<u>65,697</u>	<u>22,871</u>
Transfer of funds to 75th Anniversary Fund	92,224 <u>30,652</u>	61,342 <u>(34,815)</u>
FUND BALANCE - END OF YEAR	<u>61,572</u>	<u>26,527</u>

STATEMENT OF FUND ACTIVITIES

FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 1985

	1985 \$	1984 \$
<b>REVENUE</b>		
Donations - tax receipted	25,701	33,238
Casino revenue	34,519	
Contributions	5,145	9,805
Grants	18,958	8,874
Interest revenue	3,777	1,947
Memorials	1,235	146
Donations - non-tax receipted	15,621	697
Miscellaneous revenue	<u>104,956</u>	<u>54,707</u>
<b>EXPENDITURES</b>		
Equipment purchases	10,473	12,166
Museum expenditures	22,402	17,011
Professional fees	1,400	1,300
Korean student bursaries	653	569
Student bursaries	800	525
Miscellaneous	3,417	265
Bank charges	<u>114</u>	<u>31,836</u>
EXCESS OF REVENUE OVER EXPENDITURES	<u>65,697</u>	<u>22,871</u>

HAMILTON GAULT MEMORIAL FUND

STATEMENT OF 75TH ANNIVERSARY FUND ACTIVITIES

FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 1985

	1985 \$	1984 \$
TOTAL ACCUMULATION (EXCLUDING DISBURSEMENTS) - BEGINNING OF YEAR	36,130	750
Add: Amounts appropriated from fund activities during the year	30,652	34,815
Income earned in the year in respect of the total accumulated property	<u>3,905</u>	<u>565</u>
TOTAL ACCUMULATED AS AT DECEMBER 31	70,687	36,130
Less: Disbursements made to date for the purpose of accumulation	<u>6,679</u>	<u>1,579</u>
BALANCE TO BE DISBURSED IN APPROVAL PERIOD	<u>64,008</u>	<u>34,551</u>

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 1985

1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES

The financial statements of the Hamilton Gault Memorial Fund have been prepared by management in accordance with the accounting principles set out below:

- (i) The fund utilizes the accrual basis of accounting for interest revenue and all expenditures.
- (ii) Donations and fund raising is recorded as revenue when the cash is received.
- (iii) Expenditures of a capital nature are expensed when incurred.

2. TAX STATUS

The Hamilton Gault Memorial Fund is a registered Charitable Organization and as such is exempt from income taxation.

3. 75TH ANNIVERSARY FUND

The Hamilton Gault Memorial Fund has received permission from Revenue Canada, Taxation to accumulate funds for the Regiment's 75th Anniversary in 1989.

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HAMILTON GAULT MEMORIAL FUND  
 NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 1985

SCHEDULE I

Cash

General account	26,299
Casino account	263
Building fund account	17,161
75th anniversary account	<u>5,879</u>
	<u>49,602</u>

SCHEDULE II

Investments

General account	20,000
Casino account	23,000
Building fund account	22,000
75th anniversary account	<u>9,000</u>
	<u>74,000</u>



PRINCESS PATRICIA'S CANADIAN LIGHT ASSOCIATION

BUDGET, 1987

1.	<u>Revenue</u>		
	Membership	850 @ \$10.00	\$8500.00
	Sale, Vol IV	10 @ \$10.00	100.00
	Donations		50.00
	Interest		<u>600.00</u>
		TOTAL REVENUE	\$9250.00
2.	<u>Disbursements</u>		
	Office Expenses		
	-Office Machine Maintenance		\$ 250.00
	-Stationary, including paper, envelopes, labels, etc		400.00
	-Telephone		250.00
	-Postage		625.00
	-Auditing Fees		500.00
	Annual Registration Fees		30.00
	Annual General Meeting		250.00
	Newsletter		
	-Printing: 950 @ \$0.95 x 2 =		\$1,805.00
	-Postage: 950 @ \$1.25 x 2 =		<u>2,375.00</u>
			\$4,180.00
	Miscellaneous, ie: flowers, etc		\$ 175.00
	Travel subsidies		<u>500.00</u>
		TOTAL DISBURSEMENT	<u>\$7,160.00</u>
		TOTAL REVENUE	<u>\$2,090.00</u>



REPORT FROM THE VICTORIA BRANCH

LEAGUE OF THE LOST

Since our last issue this unfortunate group has increased in size to over 75 members. To facilitate their "recapture", all of you are urged to do your best for your Association and contact your Branches. The trail may not yet be so cold so members could make contact with the last known address and make a significant contribution to the Association if they could help trace them.

If we do not hear anything after 12 months they will be put on the inactive list - after 90 days in arrears with dues, they all lose their status as a member in good standing. We are sure that all members can see the importance of letting us know of any address changes. If you know or find out information on the Patricias noted, please let your Branch Secretary know or me at the Secretariat.

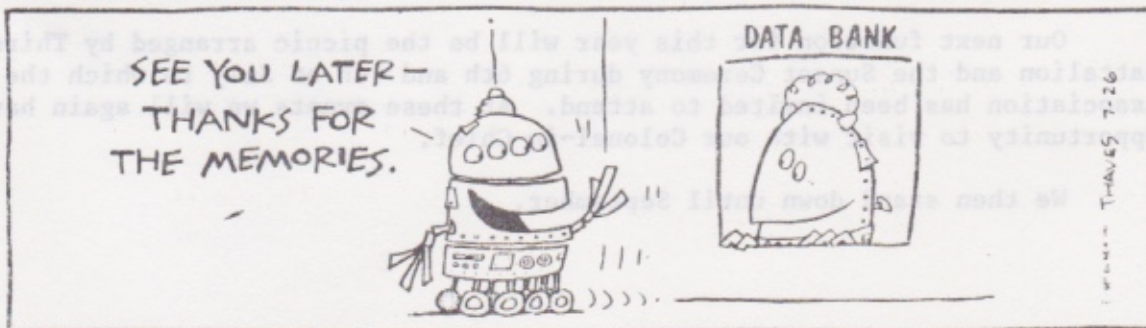
TREASURER'S CORNER

Your Treasurer wishes to thank all those of you who promptly paid their 1986 dues. In addition, many of the members who had been in arrears have now become current to '86. Also, our life-time memberships have increased. There are 80 members who have yet to remit their 1986 dues. Let's pull together and get your dues in.

A financial snapshot for the FY85 shows us reasonably solvent. However, the impact of dues in arrears is significant. We must improve our collection procedures. Remember, all membership dues must be paid on or before 1 January of the current year and in any case no later than 31 March!

NOTE: Effective 1 January, 1987, the Annual Membership Fee will be increased to \$10.00, as approved at the Annual General Meeting. We could simply no longer afford to run the Association with five dollars.

**FRANK AND ERNEST**



REPORT FROM THE VICTORIA BRANCH

By R.C. Watt

During our regular meetings from September 1985 to June 1986 this Branch was privileged to hear some very interesting guest speakers.

October: Lieutenant-Colonel A. Anderson, CO 38n presented an update on all three battalions activities for 1985-1986.

November: Major D.J. MacLean spoke on his service and experiences attached to the Royal Green Jackets in the UK and Hong Kong.

December: We held a combined Bingo Night with the Victoria Branch of the Queens Own Rifles of Canada.

January: Capt Greg Burton gave an interesting talk on his service with the British Army in Northern Ireland.

February: Lieutenant Sean Wyatt spoke on his service with the Rhodesian Army in Africa.

March: Major Brodsky (Ret'd) gave a lecture on service in India and Pakistan.

Our Annual Dinner this year was again held in the Garrison Officer's Mess, Work Point Barracks on May 24th the 42 anniversary of the Breaking of the Hitler Line. The evening as in 1985 was dedicated to commemorate that particular battle honour. We were very pleased to welcome to the dinner visitors from Calgary Branch, Owen Gardiner, and R.A. (Dick) Roberts who were accompanied by their ladies, also from Calgary was the Regimental Adjutant, Captain Raidt and Mr Bill May and his wife formerly of Lord Strathcona Horse. Attending from Vancouver Branch: Mr A.D. (Red) Wilson, Mr Ted Shaw and his wife, Wes Jantzen and his wife. Peter McLellen and his wife, at present visiting Victoria from Scotland and the UK Branch attended. Mr Fred Raven and his wife arrived from Port Alberni, so we had a pretty good turn-out of out of town Patricias. An excellent meal was enjoyed following which Bill Roach gave a talk on his trip to Italy during May 1985. We were entertained by George Humeston who sang a number of Italian Arias and also WWII songs. George was assisted by a Mr Ron Berod who provided organ music for his singing and also for a sing-a-long and dancing afterward. Altogether a very enjoyable evening. Sick Parade on the Sunday morning in the WOs and Sgt's Mess afforded the opportunity for Victoria Branch members who could not make the dinner to meet with our out of town visitors.

Our next function for this year will be the picnic arranged by Third Battalion and the Sunset Ceremony during 6th and 7th of July to which the Association has been invited to attend. At these events we will again have an opportunity to visit with our Colonel-in-Chief.

We then stand down until September.



NEW EXECUTIVE

Left to Right: Chuck Farnell, Secretary/Treasurer; Bob Casement, 3rd Vice-President; Vince Lilley, President; Don Ardelain, Vice-President; Bill Davis, Chairman 75th Anniversary; Robbie Robertson, 2nd Vice-President.

SEMI-ANNUAL REPORT - OKANAGAN-THOMPSON BRANCH

Membership - Our membership for 1986 now stands at thirty regular and five associate members which is an increase of four regular and five associates over 1985.

Meetings - Three Executive Meetings were held on 7 February, 22 March and 7 May 1986 with the Annual General Meeting on 22 June. Don McDonell represented the Branch at the National Annual General Meeting in Edmonton on 31 May and gave his report at our Annual General Meeting.

Newsletter - To keep members informed, Branch Newsletters are published in April, May and August.

Social - Following our Annual Meeting, a successful dinner was again held at Vernon Military Camp with thirty-eight members and guests attending.

PPCLI Memorial - The Director General of Properties and Utilities of the Canadian Armed Forces has approved the construction of a PPCLI Memorial at Vernon Military Camp subject to certain terms and conditions which will be discussed at a Special General Meeting in the Brigadier Murphy Armoury, Vernon on 3 September.

Hamilton Branch - Our congratulations to the Hamilton Branch who have done a tremendous job in organizing their branch, have had a successful membership drive and have published a first class newsletter.

Information on Members - Our condolences to Bill Bolen on the loss of his wife Ella. Pete Elliott has had an operation for cancer and latest report is that he is recovering satisfactorily. Don Hoffman has not been well for the past two years but is still his cheerful self. Al Neil had been in and out of hospital for the past year and requires a new heart. Grant Whyte had to miss our annual meeting as he was in Kelowna Hospital getting a pacemaker put in his heart and is now feeling like a new man.

#### REPORT FROM THE VANCOUVER BRANCH

By Larry Harrington

By the time you read this EXPO "86" will be but a memory, but for those of us who live herein it has been quite an experience. Personally I think that we did "Do Good" in "86" and that goes for the Branch too! In regard to EXPO, I hope that many of you did make it out, or over, or up or down to Vancouver this summer.

Vancouver Branch has been growing over the past six months. We now number 94 members which is an increase of 32 ordinary members. This increase in membership is for the most part due to the efforts of our one-man recruiting team, Wayne Michael, DCM (Korea). I'm sure he missed his calling, Recruiting Sergeant? Next year no doubt the Branch should be inviting the ladies to join, and this should swell our ranks.

We also were able to re-enlist a World War I Patricia, Ross (Jim) Hamilton, MM, a young 90 years. Jim Hamilton was a member of the Regiment's famous concert party, the Dumbells, and played the "female" lead, Marguerite. Tommy Thompson, my wife, Peggy and I journeyed up the coast to Sechelt one sunny Saturday in June and had an enjoyable day with Jim. He has suffered a stroke which has effected his speech. However, he makes himself understood by nodding his head and throat sounds. So dressed in his blazer and Legion beret, with his medals for service in both wars we loaded him into his wheel chair and off to the local Legion we went for a pre-lunch rum and coke. Then we took him to lunch when he did justice to a small steak. Jim Ross still has that twinkle in his eye and the humour of the years when he played the boards and my wife saw him as a little girl in Regina in the early twenties.

The Branche's 17th of March Annual Dinner was held on Saturday the 15th March in the Jericho Officers (Vancouver) Mess. In all 72 members, their ladies and guests set to dinner. This being a first for the ladies. In keeping with this occasion Carole Taylor was our guest speaker giving us an address on what we would see at EXPO. One thing she didn't tell us about was the line-ups. That however, is all forgotten. Les Basham, our Vice-President arranged the dinner.

The Branch held a general meeting in May. This was a change from recent years when we have only held one general meeting a year. Possibly there is merit in meeting more often.

As the Branch delegate I attended the Association's Annual General Meeting in Edmonton. The change to a location other than Calgary is a welcome one, and I would like to take this opportunity to thank and congratulate the Edmonton Branch for the splendid job they did in the hosting of the meeting. However, at this time too I would like to express my disappointment in not being able to meet delegates from the Middle and Far Eastern Branches. Come make an effort. So here I put in a pitch for the Victoria Branch. Come to Victoria in 1987. I'm sure we in the West will see that we get to Ottawa in 1988.

The BIG Event for all Patricias in the Vancouver area and the Branch was the visit on July 5th of the Colonel-in-Chief, the Lady Brabourne, Countess Mountbatten of Burma. It was indeed a pleasure for all of us who had the good fortune to attend the Reception in her honour given by the 3rd Battalion (Victoria) held in the Seaforth's Mess. Following the reception the 3rd Battalion mounted a Sunset Ceremony at the Kodak Pacific Bowl at EXPO. The reception was a joyous occasion, but the 3rd Battalion performance of the Sunset Ceremony was awesome perfection in the steadiness, faultless execution and turn-out of Drums and the 100 man guard. I must take this opportunity to express the sincere thanks of the Branch to the Commanding Officer of the 3rd Battalion, Lieutenant-Colonel A.W. Anderson, MBE, CD, for the Reception and the Sunset Ceremony.

To begin the 1986/87 Branch activities we are holding a Reno-Casino Nite on Saturday, the 27th September at the Jericho Officers Mess. At which we expect to see some 100 or more happy people gamble for high stakes (a dime - a chip) dine-a-la-buffet or ribs and chicken, dance to the music of the one-man electronic sound system of fellow member, Angus Holt and stand to the bar.

This event is being staged and managed by Wayne Michael and his able committee of Don Bracey, John Dyke, Angus Holt, John Moore, Orville Ooms, Glen Palmer and Don Urguhart with Tommy Thompson as usual looking after finances.

D.V. May yours be a good year in 1987.

REPORT FROM THE HAMILTON SOUTH WESTERN ONTARIO BRANCH

By T.E. Sutherland

Since we of the PPCLI Association Hamilton South Western Ontario Branch held our reunion and Charter Night at Waterdown quite a few things have occurred which make me proud to be a PATRICIA.

I believe anyone that attended the Waterdown reunion thoroughly enjoyed a great weekend and had a chance to rekindle old memories. The committee that was responsible deserves a great Hurrah for a fine job.

It was a pleasure to have such a distinguished guest as Colonel W.B.S. Sutherland and his charming (I could just hug everyone) wife Helen, spend the weekend with us. The other guests were a delight to share time with and our thanks to all of them. Without the help of the Waterdown Branch of the Canadian Legion, their great executive and volunteers who not only assisted us in numerous ways, but showed everyone why their branch in "NUMBER ONE", this event would have been much less a success. We thank them so very much.

We also held our elections for the coming 2 years and I am sure that with dedicated officers we will continue to grow and flourish. As we are a new unit we can only continue to increase our membership, if all of us seek out past or present members of the PPCLI whether they are WWI, WWII, Korea or in the Regular Forces. We all know friends, relatives or passing acquaintances who were PPCLI or attached to the Regiment at some time or another. Do your part and we will grow immensely to be the FRONTRUNNER in the Association.

In closing I make one simple request - do your part, don't sit and wait for the others. As we all know together we can win, alone we will fail. Until we meet again KEEP HEALTHY.

Just a quote to think on.

Do not walk in front of me.

Do not walk behind me.

But walk beside me and be my friend.

REPORT FROM THE TORONTO BRANCH

By J.M. Reid

The Toronto Branch observed the 67th anniversary of the Association by holding a dinner at the Carlton Inn, 30 Carlton Street, May 10th 1986. Twenty-four members, guests and ladies were present for the occasion.

The gathering included members from World War 1, World War 2, Korea and Lieutenant-Colonel M.H. McMurray from the Canadian Forces Staff College who will be stationed here for the next two years. Lieutenant-Colonel McMurray is well acquainted with the Regiment having served with all three battalions, during the Toast to the Regiment he told us how pleased he was to meet with the ex-members of the Patricia's and hoped to see us again at the Regimental Day gathering next year at the Staff College.

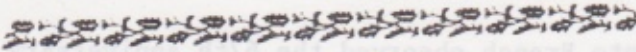
The Honourable Mr. Justice Potts toasted the ladies present, and as Mother's Day happened to be the next day it was appropriate he should mention the role his own mother and others had played during the wars, where each time they said goodbye they wondered if they would ever see their sons, daughters or husbands again, yes indeed, it must have been a traumatic experience for them, Joe always has a way with words.

Dave Pearce toasted the veterans of Frezenberg with one of his many poems, now going on 93 years of age Dave has a remarkable memory and is still able to quote those poems without notes. This month 71 years ago is when that great battle took place and is the reason why these dinners are held.

When we sat down to dinner Grace was said by John Clarke, I think he must have been a choir-boy at one time, words never seem to fail him, maybe he should have been a Padre, you missed your calling John!

Two of those present, Ray Stephens and Colonel Sydney Frost have written books. The one Ray wrote, "Harps of War" has already been published in paperback. As the title suggests it is mostly about the bands, bandsmen and some members of the Patricias. Ray gave me a copy which I have not read as yet, I will most certainly always treasure it as I have known him for over 45 years. The other by Sydney Frost is as yet only in manuscript form and he has not found a publisher to date. This one is about the Regiment and it will be most interesting to see how we performed from an officer's viewpoint. I was with him in Italy when he was a Captain and I was on the lower scale, a Lance-Corporal, I guess on those terms you could not call us exactly pals! I got to know him better after the war when he was by then a Bay Street lawyer, I wish him well in his project and hope he soon finds a publisher. I am anxious to see what he thinks of us from way up there.

By J.M. Reid



**2 PPCLI  
CHANGE OF COMMAND**

The 30th of June 1986 marked the Change of Command for the Second Battalion Princess Patricia's Canadian Light Infantry, based in CFB Baden-Soellingen, West Germany. Pictured above LCol J. D. Joly, the incoming Commanding Officer, accepts the "Commanding Officer's Sword" from the outgoing Commanding Officer (LCol I. H. Gray) while BGen J. K. Dangerfield, Commander 4 CMBG and Reviewing Officer look on. LCol Joly comes to 2 PPCLI from Mobile Command Headquarters where he served as Senior Staff Officer Personnel Services. LCol Gray, on promotions to Colonel, will be moving to Halifax, N.S., where he will assume his new duties as the Chief of Staff Atlantic Militia Area.

REGIMENTAL CEREMONIAL PLAN

SERIAL (a)	DATE (b)	EVENT (c)	UNIT RESPONSIBLE (d)	REMARKS (e)
1		RV 1987		Regt Band committed
2	5 Jul	Trooping of the Colours	3 PPCLI	<u>NOTE:</u> Calgary Stampede 3-12 Jul. Regt Band committed for Parade.
3		Change of appointment - Colonel of the Regiment	3 PPCLI	May be in conjunction with Serial 4. Colonel-in-Chief to be reviewing officer. Note: 1 CBG Change of Command. Band is committed.
4	Jul	Change of Command	3 PPCLI	
5		Trooping of the Colours	2 PPCLI	Regt. Band (TBC) .European option -Freedom of City Ypres/Ortona.
6		Change of Command	1 PPCLI	
7	1988 Jun	Trooping of the Colour	1 PPCLI	Regtl Band committed during Winter Olympics Jan/Feb
8		Rotation of 2 PPCLI	2 PPCLI	TBC.
9	Jul	Change of Command	2 PPCLI	
10	3 Sep	Cyprus Rotation	3 PPCLI	TBC
11	Jun/Jul	Change of Command	PPCLI Battle School	Calgary Stampede - Regt Band Committed
12		Change of Command	2 Ab Cdo	Grand Prix Auto Race, Calgary(TBC)





Yonhap Photo

A commemoration ceremony for the 35th anniversary of the "Battle of Kapyong" is in progress in front of the Commonwealth War Memorial Monument in Kapyong, Kyonggi-do, Saturday with the attendance of Canadian and New Zealand veterans of the Korean War.

## 35th Anniv. of 'Battle of Kapyong' During Korean War Observed

The 35th anniversary of the "Battle of Kapyong," one of the most critical battles during the Korean War, was observed in a commemoration ceremony in front of the Commonwealth War Memorial Monument in Kapyong, Kyonggi-do, yesterday.

The ceremony was attended by Australian Ambassador Lance L.E. Joeseeph; Canadian Ambassador Reginald Dorrett; New Zealand Ambassador David G. Holborow; British Ambassador J.N.T. Spreckley; and defense attaches of the Commonwealth in Korea.

Also on hand at the event were 13 Canadian veterans of the Korean War, headed by Lt. Col. John Bishop who now works at the Canadian defense ministry; and 33 New Zealand veterans of the Korean War, led by Lt. Col. N.M. Hill ret., who was first lieutenant during the Korean War.

Both the Canadian and New Zealand veterans are now visiting here to take a first look at the sites where they fought as members of the U.N. Command to defend the Republic of Korea and to observe what Korea has achieved from the ashes of the war.

The Battle of Kapyong was a critical turning point in the Korean War. The United Nations soldiers were severely attacked by the Chinese Communist forces. The Chinese launched a savage wave of human attacks on the Australian and Canadian positions, but the Commonwealth troops, helped by other U.N. forces, defeated the enemy forces.

After the ceremony, scholarships from the Returned Services League of Australia, the Canadian veterans and other Commonwealth organizations were delivered to students at Kapyong Middle and High School.

ANNUAL CANADIAN COMMEMORATIVE CEREMONY - KOREAN WAR

Dear Regimental Adjutant:

I am writing you to report upon the annual ceremony at the Korean War Memorial for the Canadian Armed Forces and the presentation of bursaries at the Kapyong Middle School held on April 26st, 1986.

The ceremony this year was attended by the following Patricia's who had organized their own pilgrimage to Korea for this event:

SC17266	George Antiss (Pte)
	Harold McNamara (Pte)
SM18201	Hugh Doyle (MCpl)
	Neil J. MacLennan (L/Cpl)
C850534	Lorne Banning (A/Sgt)
	Don A. Williams (Pte)
K800023	John Bishop, CD (now LCol)
M800102	Roy Ulmer (Pte) and Mrs Ulmer
	Wayne Mitchell, DCM, (Pte)

Mr. Eric Gibbons, late RCE and his son Norman were also in the group as was Mr. Vern Murphy who officially represented HQ DVA.

The weather was cool and overcast. A joint Australian, Canadian, New Zealand and United Kingdom wreath-laying ceremony was conducted at the Commonwealth Memorial. The United Nations Command Honour Guard and an honour guard from the Republic of Korea Army participated as the four Ambassadors laid their national wreaths.

The party moved to the Canadian Memorial 10 km north of Kapyong where our Ambassador, along with the Chairman of the United Nations War Allies Association and local government officials, laid wreaths in memory of the Canadians who fell in the war. A Gurka piper played the lament. The area of our national monument is quiet and restful. The grounds are maintained by the children of the Kapyong Buk Middle School under supervision of local government officials. The grounds adjacent to the Canadian and PPCLI monuments also have very attractive picnic tables under vine covered trestles. The grass is lush, the shrubs are in flower and the surrounding hills are a beautiful green. The ceremony was short but moving. All very appropriate.

We then moved a kilometer down the road to the school yard of the Kapyong Buk Middle School where all the school children were assembled. They greeted us waving home-made Canadian and Korean flags. LCol John Bishop presented, on behalf of the Princess Patricia's Canadian Light Infantry Association in the name of the Hamilton Gault Memorial Fund three \$150.00 bursaries to:

SHIN Dong-Kyo (boy)  
First-grader

KWON Il-Joong (boy)  
Second-grader

LEE Jung-Eun (girl)  
Third-grader

The President of the Canadian Women's Club of Seoul and the undersigned on behalf of the N.B. Chapter of the Atlantic KVA, presented some other children with similar bursaries.

The ceremony concluded with the children giving us a concert of songs in both English and Korean. Some of the local people (Parents, Grandparents) watched and applauded from the side lines of the school yard. This is farm country and not a very prosperous one at all. The financial assistance is both needed and very much appreciated by the recipients and the local school authorities.

I am enclosing a copy of the brochure produced for these ceremonies and a local newspaper clipping.

The whole day was a successful and effective tribute to the Canadians who participated in the Korean War.

Yours sincerely,

William E. Grant  
Colonel  
Canadian Forces Attaché



"All military laws and military theories which are in the nature of principles are the experience of past wars summed up by people in former days or in our own times. We should seriously study these lessons, paid for in blood, which are a heritage of past wars. That is one point. But there is another. We should put these conclusions to the test of our own experience, assimilating what is useful, rejecting what is useless, and adding what is specifically our own. The latter is very important, for otherwise we cannot direct a war. Reading is learning, but applying it is also learning and the more important kind of learning at that."

Mao Tse-tung

able to sort through our travelling companions which bridged the difficulty of meeting over 100 people, in a very short period of time.

After moving back to CP Air desks, we were able to check our luggage, clear immigration and with boarding passes, we visited the duty-free shops and awaited our final boarding, which was by way of a bus, to the CP Aircraft.

At 1915 hours, our flight to Rome left Mirabel and arrived at the airport, in Rome, at 0910 hours on May 8th. While a few members of the group were able to sleep, most of us were wide awake throughout the flight and were quite tired at the end of the flight.

**Wednesday, May 8:** After clearing Italian immigration and customs, we boarded Globus tour buses, with tour guides describing the city sights, as we proceeded to the Ritz Hotel, very much in the heart of Rome. At this time, we were assigned another member as a roommate and I was fortunate, indeed, to have drawn Gordon Romkey, of the West Nova Scotia regiment. This arrangement continued throughout the tour and Gordon and I became quite good friends by tour's end, since in addition to staying in the same room at hotels, we were also assigned to the same bus, in which we travelled some 2,000 miles, prior to tour's end.

We had lunch at a nearby restaurant and proceeded to an Italian bank to change part of our traveler's cheques to Italian currency, namely liras. Incidentally and as a matter of interest, these banks would seem to have complete electronic control over incoming customers, as well as outgoing customers, by reason of controlled doors into the bank and I'm not certain that perhaps this was the most efficient robbery-proof method of banking that I have seen. At 1700 hours on this date, we received a briefing by the Department of Veterans' Affairs advance party, who had previously covered the entire area of our tour and gave us a description of just how the tour would develop, from day to day. Following this briefing, we were free for our first evening in Rome, but none of us attempted to do very much, apart from limited shopping that evening. It may be of interest, at this stage, to describe the absolutely chaotic conditions of traffic in Rome. First of all, you have narrow streets and they cannot be enlarged by reason of existing buildings on both sides. Except for the highways, outside the cities, there is an absolute inability of traffic to move along these narrow streets because of the tremendous volume of vehicles that are actually there. For example, cars are parked by the day almost across pedestrian crosswalks and if any vehicle on the two-way traffic routes should stop, say to make a delivery, then immediately, you have horns blowing and an absolute carnival atmosphere pervades the whole traffic scene.

**Thursday May 9:** At 0800 hours, our delegation left the hotel for the Mayor of Rome's office. At 0900 hours, there was a presentation of medals at the Mayor's office and I have quite an interesting medal, which was presented to us on this occasion.

We had some coffee and it was raining quite heavily at this time and continued throughout the remainder of the morning. We attended a ceremony at the Victor Emanuel Memorial, where the Honourable Alan McKinnon, who was the head of our delegation, laid a wreath.

At 1145 hours, there was a wreath laying ceremony at the Rome War Cemetery, in which 22 Canadians had been buried. We had lunch in the area of the Victor Emanuel Memorial and during the afternoon, we were able to visit the great sights of the Colosseum and, following that, of the Vatican and St. Peter's itself.

One cannot but be moved by the grandeur of the Vatican and since we had a tour guide with us at the Vatican, we were able to glean an insight into the many, many marvelous items, which almost need to be seen to be described. Suffice it to say, that it was a most enjoyable experience to revisit these sights, since I had seen them about forty years previously, for a few days in January of 1945.

At 1930 hours, we attended a reception which was hosted by the DVA minister, at the Canadian Ambassador's residence. This was a most enjoyable reception, since I had occasion to meet Lieutenant Colonel Sutherland, the son of our Honourary Colonel, who was attending a course in Rome, for several months. He advised me that there was a great parade at Friesenburg, the previous day, to commemorate seventy years after Friesenburg Day. His father, Colonel W. Sutherland and the Honourary Colonel-in-Chief, the Countess of Burma, as well as other dignitaries and an Honour Guard from the Second Battalion, stationed in Germany, were all in attendance.

After returning to our hotel, by bus, we retired for the night.

Friday May 10: The delegation left the hotel, by bus, for Cassino. This was a most interesting drive and gave us our first view of the Italian countryside, which at this time of year, was quite a wonderful area to see. The fields and crops, as well as the trees and flowers were in evidence and, all in all, it should be realized that Italy is quite a beautiful country. At approximately 1100 hours, after reaching the Cassino War Cemetery, which is the largest Commonwealth cemetery in Italy, a major ceremony was conducted. It must be realized that at this cemetery, there were 855 Canadians and since many of our former Patricia's were buried there, it was a particularly moving ceremony to me. It might be of interest to describe the ceremony since the five major ceremonies which took place in Italy and Sicily followed the same format. First of all, there was a welcome by the mayor of Cassino, which followed immediately the playing of 'O Canada'. Following this, there was an address by Honourable Alan McKinnon, PC, MP, MC, who was the head of the Canadian delegation. Following that, there were prayers by the two senior Padres, who accompanied the tour, which were also echoed by the Italian minister in attendance.

Following the act of remembrance there was hymn, which was followed by the last post - the silence - the reveille. After this, was the laying of wreaths and I was privileged, on this occasion, to place a wreath on the very large cenotaph on behalf of fallen members of the Princess Patricia's Canadian Light Infantry, who are buried in that cemetery.

The Guard of Honour was raised from the First Regiment Royal Canadian Horse Artillery, which was stationed at Laar, Germany. This was a very impressive guard and the only feature missing from the guard's functions were that they had been asked, prior to coming to Italy, not to bring their rifles as an Italian election was pending! The Royal Canadian Regiment band played at all major ceremonies and it was indeed an excellent band, with the Pipes and Drums joining to play the Lament. That was most impressive, since it consisted of the pipes playing Amazing Grace and after solo efforts by the pipe band, the full RCR band joined in for effect and sound, and a very impressive Lament was accomplished in this fashion. This was to be repeated at several other of the major ceremonies which were conducted during the following week.

Next on the program was the blessing, followed by the Italian and the Canadian National Anthems.

Following this, veterans were free to visit at the graves of members of their own regiments.

In-as-much as all the Patricias killed during the Hitler line battle are buried at Cassino, I was able to spot the grave-stones of very many of the fine chaps with whom I had served, in England, previous to that particular battle.

At approximately 1230 hours, there was a group lunch at the Forum Palace Hotel, in which the Cassino mayor and 25 guests were in attendance, in addition to our Veterans group.

At 1430 hours, the delegation left for the Polish War Cemetery. Following a visit to the Cassino Polish War Cemetery, at which a wreath was laid, the delegation left for Monte Cassino Abbey. This involved quite a climb on foot, up to the Abbey and enabled one to have an absolutely magnificent view of the Polish War Cemetery, which is in the form of a cross. After visiting the Abbey itself, we left for Rome at 1700 hours and again stayed overnight at the Ritz Hotel, fortunately for the last time. (This turned out to be the oldest and poorest hotel at which we stayed.)

Saturday, May 11: The delegation checked out of the Ritz Hotel, at 9:00 a.m., and left for the Beachhead War Cemetery at Anzio. At approximately 1100 hours, there was a wreath laying ceremony at the Beachhead War Cemetery (68 Canadians).

The delegation had an opportunity to look at Anzio Beachhead and this was followed by lunch in Anzio.

At 1400 hours, a delegation left for Caserto War Cemetery and a wreath-laying ceremony at that War Cemetery, in which are buried 99 Canadians.

At 1700 hours, the delegation left for the ferry dock, in Naples and was able to check in at the ferry dock, for boarding, at 1830 hours.

At 2030 hours, the delegation left for Palermo, Sicily by overnight ferry, and dinner was available on board to the delegation.

**Sunday May 12:** The delegation arrived in Palermo at approximately 0630 hours and had a group breakfast at the Jolly Hotel, Palermo, at 0700 hours. At 0830 hours, the delegation left for the Agira War Canadian Cemetery, which involved a lengthy drive. The country of Sicily is also extremely beautiful and the mountain towns were very well described to us by the tour guide, and presented an interesting addition to the journey, in that it enabled you to deal not only with the scenery that was evident, but also with the past history of the region.

At 1100 hours there was a major ceremony at the Agira War Canadian Cemetery, in which there are 490 Canadians buried. This is the only exclusively Canadian Cemetery which we were to encounter during the tour. This was also the first time that there were civilians, in any great numbers, to attend the ceremony. While it was held on a Sunday, I also felt that the Sicilian people, in this area at least, seemed to have nothing but the very highest regard for the memories left by our troops, some forty-two years ago.

Both at the time of the ceremony and on our way back, by bus, to the town of Agira itself, which sits on the very top of a small mountain, we were able to observe the profusion of wild flowers along the roadside. In particular, the poppy is very evident here and provides quite a colorful background for the whole group of flowers, which are growing wild along the roadside. There was a group lunch in Agira and it was most enjoyable, also.

At 1500 hours the delegation left for Catania, via Regala-Buta and Catenanouva. On this portion of the journey, we were able to observe the mountain town Enna and also the magnificent Mount Etna itself.

The delegation arrived at the Catania Sheraton Hotel, at approximately 1830 hours and it was apparent that the whole area of Catania is frequently blanketed with lava from the active craters, of which 35 are still going, on Mount Etna. The old entrance to the sea and the backdrop along side the water is laden with lava rock, black in color and it shows you that these people, from historical times, have lived in the shadow and with the threat of a volcanic eruption of such proportions as to flatten out the city, or anything that is built in its place.

Monday May 13, which was election day in Italy, a small party left for Bari by car, via Mesina ferry and they would travel approximately 330 miles. Our delegation, that is those of us not going to Bari, checked out of the Catania Sheraton Hotel and left for  Palermo via Valguarnera and Piazza Armerina. We had a nice lunch at Piazza Armerina, a friend of mine from the Saskatoon Light Infantry, named Joe Voiken, and I were able to obtain a quarter-barbeque chicken, each in Pepitos Restaurant. Very excellent food and a truly enjoyable lunch.

Following lunch, the group embussed and arrived at dock side to await ferry boarding at approximately 1830 hours. At 2030 hours the delegation left Palermo for Naples on an overnight ferry.

Tuesday, May 14: The delegation arrived in Naples at approximately 0630 hours and again had a group breakfast in the Jolly Hotel, Naples where I was able to find out that the name Jolly, means Joker, as in a card deck, in Italian.

Naples itself is quite a dirty city, perhaps because it is a sea port and while it is now quite large, approximately 2 million people, it does not have the same cultural impact on tourists in terms of buildings and scenery, as does Rome. At about 0900 hours we embussed and had a long, long bus ride to Ortona, which is as you know, on the Adriatic coast. Just after 1300 hours we were able to check into the Mara Hotel in Ortona and have lunch and ready ourselves for a major ceremony, which took place after we left the hotel at 1600 hours at the Mora River Canadian War Cemetery, which has 1375 Canadians buried therein. There was a reception in the Mara Hotel hosted by the Department of Veterans' Affairs which commenced at approximately 1800 hours and ended at approximately 2000 hours.

Wednesday, May 15: At approximately 0900 hours, the delegation checked out of the Mara Hotel and left for Ancona War Cemetery by bus. The ceremony at Ancona took place at 1100 hours and consisted of a wreath-laying ceremony, for the 161 Canadians who are buried there.

Lunch was taken in Ancona and at 1400 hours, the Veterans group left for Montecchio War Cemetery and at 1500 there was a wreath-laying ceremony at that cemetery, in which there are 289 Canadians buried.

Following this ceremony, the delegation left for Rimini Hotels and in this instance our party was split up between two hotels, they were first class hotels, having a magnificent view of the long beaches in Rimini itself and extending for miles back along the Adriatic Sea.

Thursday, May 16: The delegation left the hotels for Gradara War Cemetery and a wreath-laying ceremony took place there at approximately 0930 hours. There are 369 Canadians buried in this cemetery.



At 1030 hours the delegations left for the Rimini Hotels and had lunch. I was one of the delegation of about 40 members who were privileged to attend a brief ceremony by way of reception at the Rimini City Hall.

At 1500 hours, the delegation left for Coriano Ridge War Cemetery and a major ceremony was conducted there at 1530 hours, there being 427 Canadians buried in that cemetery. At 1630 hours, the delegation left for Rimini town centre and at approximately 1730 hours the delegation paraded through the town and wreaths were laid at three locations honouring the Italian war dead and the final wreath ceremony was in Piazza Cavour at the town hall.

The delegation left for the Rimini Hotels and dinner at 1830 hours. The Royal Canadian Regiment Band conducted a concert in the Piazza Cavour portion of the city centre.

There was an excellent reception hosted by DVA, at the Belleview Hotel, and it was on this occasion that, there being a pianist in attendance, I was able to revive an old Patricia war song, namely, LOB which stands for Left Out of Battle and which is sung to the tune of Lily Marlene. This proved to be quite popular and I was besieged with requests for copies of the words. I was fortunate enough to find one of our DVA tour guides who was happy enough to type the words and I did distribute quite a few copies of this particular song to our tour members.

**Friday, May 17:** The delegation checked out of the Rimini Hotels and left for Cesena War Cemetery, at which a wreath-laying ceremony took place at 0930 hours. There are 307 Canadians buried in this cemetery.

At 1030 hours, the delegation left for Ravenna and there was a street-naming ceremony in Ravenna at 1100 hours. The name of the street is Piazza Dia Canadazi in Ravenna and it was a very moving gesture by the people to have named the street after our fallen comrades, in that area. At approximately 1130 hours, the delegation left to check into the Park Hotel in Marina de Ravenna and following lunch, the delegation left for Ravenna War Cemetery. There was major ceremony at this cemetery at approximately 1500 hours, and it might be pointed out that there are 438 Canadians buried here.

Another wreath-laying ceremony took place at Villa-Nova Canadian War Cemetery, 206 Canadians, at about 1630 hours, following which the delegation left for Ravenna. At approximately 1830 hours, there was a short parade in town by our delegation, marching behind a band which was followed wreath-laying and tattoo in Piazza del Popolo. The RCR band and the Canadian Forces Pipes and Drums performed magnificently on this occasion and this was followed by a buffet dinner at 1930 hours, which was hosted by DVA in City Hall. The Royal Canadian Regiment conducted an outdoor concert and it was 2200 hours before the delegation left for their hotel.

Saturday, May 18: The delegation checked out of the Park Hotel and left for the Florence War Cemetery and after a long ride by bus, together with some confusion by the bus drivers, we were able to attend a wreath-laying ceremony at the Florence War Cemetery at approximately 1130 hours. There are 49 Canadians buried in this cemetery.

At 1230 hours, we were given some free time in Florence and this enabled us to shop for purses, gloves, or other leather goods, which are one of the features of the Florence shops. Unfortunately, this occurred during the siesta period and quite a few of the shops were not open.

At 1430 hours, the delegation left Florence for Rome and apart from a minor detour to the Arezzo War Cemetery at which 20 Canadians are buried, the delegation checked into the Princess Hotel in Rome. It might be observed at this point that the Princess Hotel was far superior to the so-called Ritz Hotel at which we had spent 3 nights. So that of the 4 nights spent in Rome, there is no doubt that the Princess Hotel was head and shoulders above the Ritz, in terms of convenience, eating facilities and the section of Rome in which it is situated is a much nicer area than the downtown Ritz location.

Sunday, May 19: At approximately 0830 hours, the delegation checked out of the Princess Hotel and was conveyed to the Rome Airport. The delegation was attended to fairly quickly and at this point, I said my goodbyes to all members of the delegation, since I had arranged to stay over in Europe for an additional 23 days.

By this time, I think it would be only fair to say that many of the delegates of the tour were completely tired and worn out from such a frenzied tour. Also, it must be observed that quite a few members of the delegation had come down with the flu and it is not certain whether this was an Italian virus, in origin, or had been transported by the group who had previously been in Holland and met up with us in Rome on May 8th, carrying with them the virus in question. However, of one thing there can be no doubt that it was a particularly violent strain of virus in-as-much it laid low many of the tour members.

After the delegation left the Rome Airport, for its flight to Montreal, I obtained my boarding pass and spent a couple of hours awaiting my own flight to Amsterdam. Upon my arrival in Amsterdam, via KLM, I was met by Dr. Jan Koopman, a medical doctor with whom I was billeted 40 years previously, in Barnavel Holland. This is quite a story in itself in that I was able to obtain Dr. Jan Koopman's address and correspond with him in Holland, several years ago. He was notified of the time of my arrival and he picked me out from the arriving passengers, in Amsterdam and transported me to Deventer, which is near the Ijssel River, in Holland and this is the area of course which the Canadians crossed initially in April 1945. Upon arrival at Dr. Koopman's home I again renewed my acquaintanceship with Mrs. Koopman and suffice it to say that this couple were just perfect hosts to me for the following five days. The first order of business was to rest up and this took several days and in the meantime, we were able to visit with one another. Dr. Koopman took me back to Amsterdam for a tour through the canals, as well as driving me to their original home in Barnavel, after which we were

able to visit the schoolhouse in Achterveld, at which the initial peace sorties which ended the war in Holland took place. Also, Dr. Koopman was good enough to drive me down to Oosterbeek, near Arnhem, to visit the Hardstein Museum which commemorates the abortive landing of the First British Airborne Division and the Polish Brigade. This is a most interesting museum and I heartily recommend it to any veterans who are again in Europe, or in Holland and wish to spend a few hours getting the particulars of that battle, which was so valiantly fought and yet was doomed not to succeed.

On May 24, Dr. Koopman again drove me to Amsterdam Airport and it was time for my flight to England. However, the Dutch Air Controllers were on strike, in Amsterdam, against British Airways and in consequence, we were obliged to wait about 2 hours in the Amsterdam Airport before buses took us to Brussels. However, once in Brussels, our buses were allowed to proceed directly to the aircraft and after a short flight to England, I arrived in Heathrow Airport in London. Asking directions, I was able to take a double-decker bus from Heathrow to Victoria Station and after speaking to the bus driver, I was allowed out in Belgrave Square, near Victoria Station, at which time I<sup>was</sup> able to find a bed and breakfast hotel, for a reasonable number of pounds.

After getting cleaned up that evening, I travelled by underground to the Hammersmith area of London and then down to Leicester Square. While the nightlife looked quite interesting, I did not participate and returned to my hotel room sometime before midnight.

On May 26, my overriding ambition was to get clear of this vast noisy and busy area and in consequence, I took a taxi to Victoria Station and purchased a ticket by rail there to travel to Brighton later that morning. Victoria Station itself is absolutely unbelievable, in terms of people hustling here and there and although there were approximately four queues for rail tickets, it was not surprising to be bumped by people going by.

I telephoned Major Rex Carey, who served with the Regiment from 1939 to 1945 and I promised him that I would call him again in order to arrange to meet with him approximately June 9th and exchange Regimental particulars. Upon arrival in Brighton, I had a taxi driver take me to the Regency Square area, near the waterfront, and there found a most pleasant bed and breakfast hotel to stay at and I much enjoyed my stay in Brighton. Saturday, May 26 I found that there was a Royal British Legion Convention on in Brighton and I met a group from the convention at one of the taverns on noon of this date. They were quite a congenial group and I socialized with them over the weekend including Monday, which with was the Whitsun holiday. I was able to attend the full Royal British Legion parade which was just off the promenade in Brighton and as a result of this socializing, I was invited to return with their group to the Cheshire area of England, which is very close to the Mersey side. Here I passed six days of my holiday in England, in congenial company and much enjoyed trips to Chester, the magnificent cathedral in Chester and the river Dee on a bright sunny afternoon, which would have been sometime in late May. Of particular interest in Chester, was the old Roman Walls, remnants of which still stand, the clock tower and the area in which the original moats were constructed. Evidently, the Romans were there just after 76 AD and the particular enemies of which they were fearful, were tribes from the Welsh side of the

country, which is immediately to the west of the whole area in which Chester is situated.

On June 2nd I obtained a bus ticket and travelled to London on a National Expressway bus and it is interesting to note that one of the features of this bus ride was that an enjoyable film was presented, on tape and so I saw a movie called The Champ, at this time and was pleasantly surprised by finding that one could watch a show whilst in a bus. Following my arrival in London and changing some money, into English pounds, I again went to Victoria Station and took a train to Brighton. After checking into the same hotel, in Brighton, I was fortunate enough to watch the Red Arrow Show Group from the Royal Airforce, right on the waterfront at Brighton and a most spectacular air show it was.

On June 2nd after reaching Victoria Station, I broke my journey at East Croyden and took a taxi from there to Godstone, which is a small town in Surrey, at which our Regiment was stationed in the early 1940's. There I was able to meet several people, in particular an ex-Patricia who was living there, Harry Brown and his wife, as well as meeting Arthur Crowhurst and his wife, the brother-in-law and sister-in-law of our own member, here in Victoria, Nick Nichols. On June 8th I travelled back to London and confirmed my arrangements to meet Major Rex Carey on June 9th. We had no difficulty in recognizing one another, after some 42 years. We had lunch together and many happy exchanges of information, since Rex had attended the Friesenburg ceremony, on May 8th, in company with Regimental officials and the Second Battalion from Germany.

June 10th, I caught my flight back which was with British Airways, from Heathrow to Seattle. This was a very long and exhausting trip and after travelling to Vancouver, I had a short pause before catching my flight to Victoria. I was most happy to see Victoria again and was also very pleased about the whole of my travels, in particular, of course, the many wonderful fellows whom I met on the tour and the gracious manner in which we were received by the Italian people. I was impressed by how deferential the customs and immigration people were as soon as they ascertained that we were Canadians, and I might say that this was quite the same case, except to a greater extent, in both Holland and England.

In conclusion, it was a very great honour for me to have been selected to represent all of you on this visit to the war graves of Sicily and Italy and, as one of the survivors, I can state that your comrades of the Regiment, who remained over there, are well looked after in their final resting places, in the well sited and beautifully attended to cemeteries.



SUPPORT YOUR REGIMENTAL MUSEUM

Of concern, particularly with respect to the implementation of the Renovation Plan, is the ability of the Association to assist the Regular Force component of the Regiment, to raise funds from the private sector for the development of the Museum. Raising the necessary funds will require a co-ordinated effort to generate a wide community involvement in supporting the development of the Museum. While it is not expected that the funds come from the pockets of Association members, it is necessary for each member to make the commitment to research potential funding sources and to establish contact with donors. Remember.....it is your Museum!

## YOUR MUSEUM NEEDS YOU

By L.A. White, Calgary Branch

The PPCLI Association is getting more involved in the Regimental Museum and will assist the Curator where directed. The Calgary Branch is in a position to help and the members can volunteer and give their assistance when time allows it. However, all Branches are invited to assist by providing material by your suggestions and by visiting the Regimental Museum.

The Regimental Museum is continually updating and upgrading the material on hand and needs assistance in identifying much of the printed and pictorial donations. If you plan to donate such material in the future, could you include dates, names and the occasion. A lot of newspaper clippings arrive with the dates trimmed off. Also if you plan on visiting the Museum you could help by identifying the material presently on file.

In the Airborne Role the Regiment has served as a unit from 1948 to 1968, a period of twenty years. Individuals served before this time and individuals and sub-units continue to serve the Airborne. This is not adequately displayed in the Museum. It is requested that if you have material in the form of printed, pictorial or an article used in the Parachute, Air Supply, Air Transportability, Parachute Packing or the Glider role that you could donate, it will be appreciated.

Mr. B.A.J. Franklin, CD is the author of a book on the SAS Coy and has done a lot of research and gathered much material for the book and for the Museum. He has volunteered and is well prepared to assist in this display.

The Vickers (medium) Machine Gun served the Regiment in World War I, World War II and Korea. The Vickers is not properly displayed and spare parts are required to complete the gun presently on display. To properly display the Vickers, one gun complete with aiming device, Dial Sight and Range Finder will be shown in a prepared gun position. To display a whole section would take up too much room, so perhaps a diorama showing a section in action during World War I, World War II and Korea could be prepared. (more on dioramas later).

If you have a spare lock in your shirt pocket or have a spare parts wallet and wish to donate the item, it would be appreciated.

Major Ken A. Nette wrote a three part article for the Infantry Journal called "The Rise, Fall and Rebirth of the Emma Gees. It is an excellent article. Using this as a base it is hoped to compile a Regimental story on the Vickers. What is required are articles, pictures and stories from the users.

Mr. L.A. White, MMM, CD a former Vickers Section Sergeant in Korea, attended an Instructors Course in England, he instructed Machine Guns at Camp Borden and was a member of the Machine Gun test on Winter Trials at Churchill in 1956. He has volunteered to assist in the rebuilding and display of the Vickers.

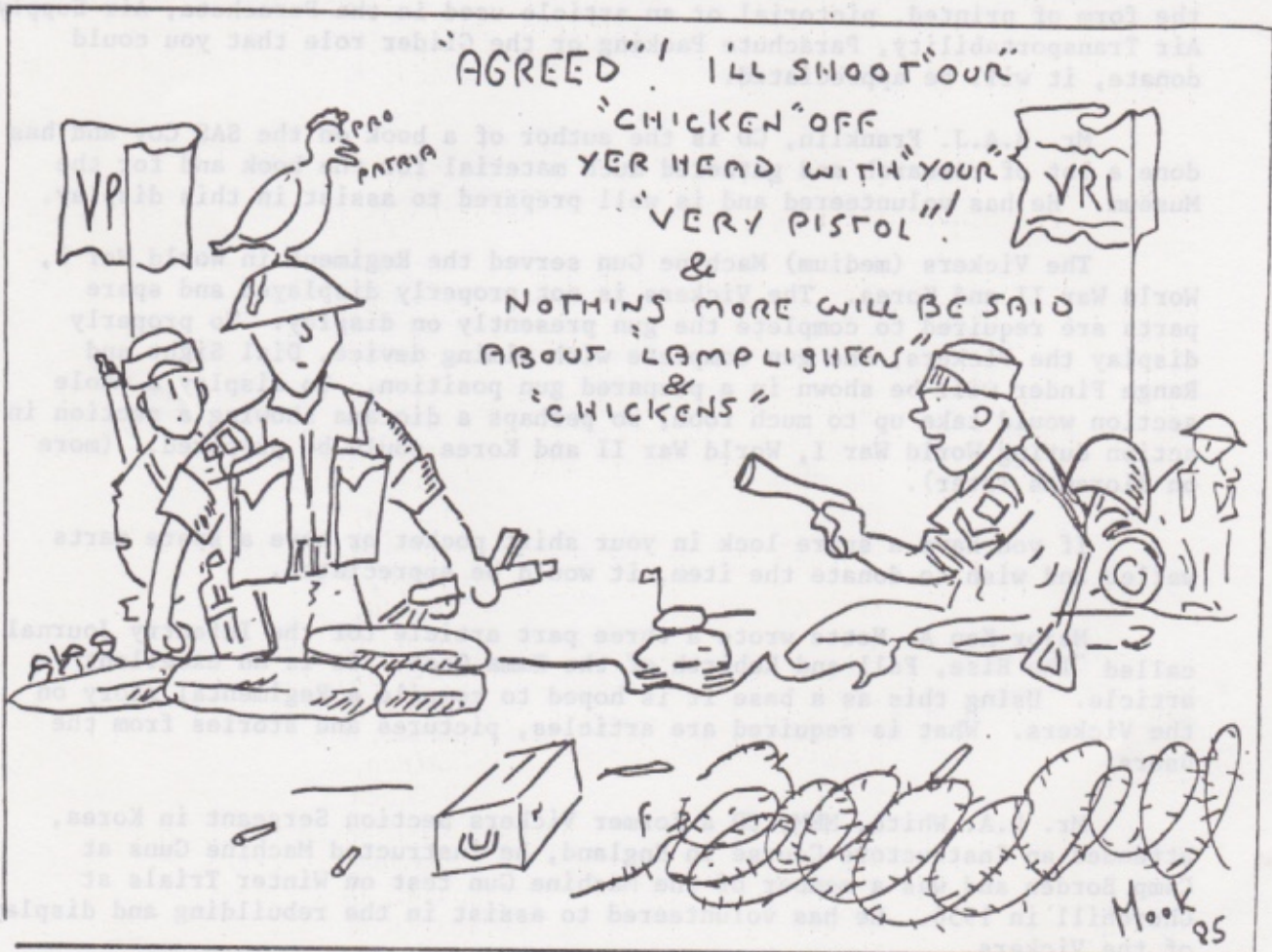
YOUR MUSEUM NEEDS YOU

By J.A. White, Calgary Branch

The Universal (Bren Gun) Carrier of World War II fame is presently in the process of being rebuilt for display. Once again it is requested that parts, pictures, manuals and stories be donated.

What is required is a volunteer to help rebuild and display the Universal Carrier.

Sergeant R.F. Zubkowski presently employed in the Museum will collect all items on the above and pass it on to the volunteer assistants.



# In Memoriam

<u>SERVICE</u>	<u>NAME</u>	<u>DETAILS</u>	
WWII	BECHDOLT, V.G.	New Westminster, BC	2 Dec 85
WWII, Korea	BYRNES, Charles H.	Calgary, AB	10 Dec 85
RF	MACDOUGALL, Donald L.	Sidney, NS	23 Oct 85
Korea, RF	OVERLAND, Albert	Nipigon, Ont	1 Nov 85
Korea, RF	SHAND, E.R.	Charlton, Ont	14 Nov 85
WWII	TOUROND, Philip M.	Codette, SK	Oct 85
WWII	WATSON, Frank R.	Esquimalt, BC	4 Nov 85
WWII	CHURCH, Murray R.	Edmonton, AB	15 Mar 86
RF	BROWN, Alvin D.	Calgary, AB	19 Mar 86
WWII	HUDSON, James E.	Brandon, MN	18 Jan 86
Korea	COX, William	Surrey, BC	16 Dec 85
RF	BISHOP, Royden	Ontario	11 Jan 86
WWII	PERRIN, George	Rivers,	20 Nov 85
Korea	STEADMAN, Franklin F.	Calgary, AB	Mar 85
WWII	SMILEY, George R.	Gladstone, MN	24 Dec 86
WWII, Korea, RF	PYNE, Paddy	Oakville, Ont	30 Apr 86
RF	AYLESBURY, Richard	Hull-Humberside, UK	1 May 86
WWII	DEMYTRIW, Andrew J.	Orillia, Ont	30 Nov 85
WWII, Korea	KERSHEY, George (Monty)	Bronte, Ont	13 Feb 86
WWII	LENZ, Harvey F.	Vancouver, BC	27 Jan 86
Korea	MCCAFFERTY, Benjamin A.	Pichering, Ont	17 Feb 86
WWII, Korea	SMITH, John E.	Sutton West, Ont	Feb 86
WWII	WYNNYCHUK, Peter	Burnaby, BC	
Korea, RF	MCCARTNEY, Ray	Calgary, AB	29 May 86
WWII	DIXON, William Arnold	Ormiston, SK	25 May 86
RF	DYCHUK, George H.	Powerview, MN	4 May 86
WWII	HUBERT, Joseph	Brandon, MN	Mar 86
WWII	KOROSCIL, Hohn	Atikokau, Ont	11 Jun 86
WWII	LYLE, Henry A.	Dryden, Ont	9 Mar 86
WWII	ROUGEAU, Raymond G.	Winnipeg, MN	6 Mar 86
WWI	FROYD, Ivan T.	Ottawa, Ont	21 Jun 84
WWII	PETTIGREW, Y. Mackenzie	Toronto, Ont	26 Mar 86
	MANNERS, J.J. (Jack)	Winnipeg, MN	20 Apr 86
RF	BRIGNELL, Robert T.	CFB Baden	29 Jun 86
RF	WALDRON, James E.	CFB Petawawa	12 May 86
WWII	WALLACE, Earle R.	Gladstone, MN	24 Dec 85
Korea	THOMPSON, David R.	Oshawa, Ont	16 Mar 86
Korea	MCDUGALL, George R.	Fort Qu'Appelle, Sask	2 Jun 86
WWII, Korea	THOMPSON, Crawford S.	Winnipeg, Man	9 May 86
Korea, RF	MORAN, Frank	Toronto, Ont	5 Oct 86
Korea, RF	DOYLE, Hugh	Ottawa, Ont	Aug 86
RF	MURPHY, Peter	Ottawa, Ont	Sep 86

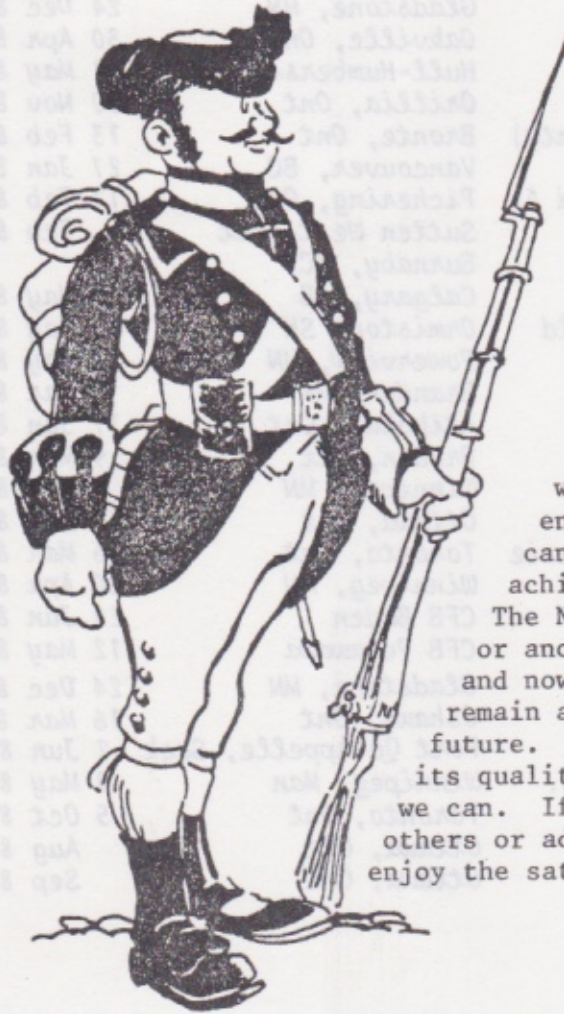


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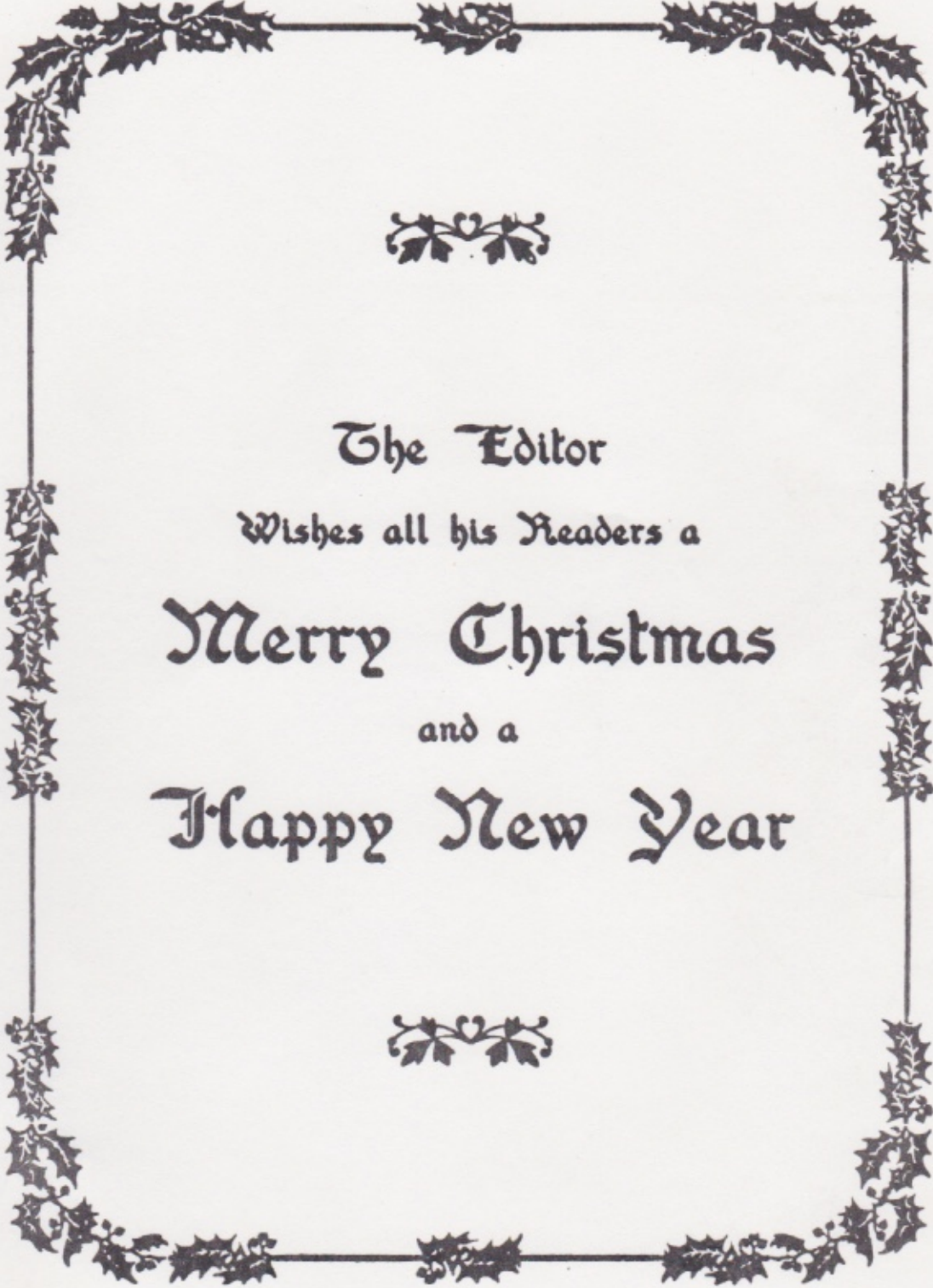
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14 Nov 88	Charleston, Ont	SHAND, E.R.
Oct 88	Coedbe, SK	TOROND, Phillip H.
4 Nov 88	Esquimaux, BC	WATSON, Frank K.
15 Mar 88	Edmonton, AB	CHURCH, Murray K.
18 Mar 88	Calgary, AB	BROWN, Alan B.
18 Mar 88	Edmonton, AB	HURSON, James E.
26 Dec 88	Surrey, BC	COX, William
11 Jan 88	Calgary, AB	BISHOP, Barbara
20 Nov 88	Rivers, AB	PERKIN, FRED
Jan 88	Calgary, AB	STEADMAN, Frank F.
24 Dec 88	Edmonton, AB	SMILEY, George R.
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