

The following 2nd Lts. (Short Service List) apptd. 21st Sep. 1970 with seny. 1st Sep. 1970:

R. R. ARTHUR, D. F. W. BRADLEY, A. M. BUCKLEY, M. J. CAILES (Cadet, R.N.), A. P. G. CODYRE, J. W. T. DURANT, I. A. D. FERRIER, J. P. R. HUNT, S. J. HADLEY, H. D. JONES, J. J. B. LEAR (Actg. Cpl. RM 27169), C. G. MARSHALL, A. W. MORRICE, J. P. NIBLETT, R. J. OWEN, P. D. N. PARKER, M. J. POLLOCK, N. E. POUNDS, J. STAGLES, C. J. TOWNSON (Actg. Cpl. RM 23316), M. R. WILSON.

#### ROYAL NAVAL RESERVE

Royal Naval and Royal Marine Forces Reserve Decoration:

J. G. STORIE, R.N.R.

(Amendment to London Gazette (Supplement) dated 22nd Sep. 1970).

Lt.-Cdr. R. F. V. DYKES, D.S.C., V.R.D., placed on Retired List. 22nd Sep. 1970.

Lt.-Cdrs. placed on Retired List on dates stated:

H. N. GOSTELOW, V.R.D. 17th Oct. 1970.

A. E. BAKER, V.R.D. 19th Oct. 1970.

Lt.-Cdrs. to be placed on Retired List on dates stated:

G. J. BROWN, A. H. STENNING, V.R.D. 22nd Oct. 1970.

A. C. H. CHILDS, R.D. 24th Oct. 1970.

W. H. ETTLES, V.R.D. and Clasp. 26th Oct. 1970.

Lt.-Cdr. R. J. C. AITCHISON, V.R.D., placed on Retired List (own request). 13th Sep. 1970.

Lt. P. J. GILDEA-EVANS, promoted Lt.-Cdr. 18th Sep. 1970, with seny. 28th Mar. 1968.

Lt. E. B. DAUBENEY, promoted Actg. Lt.-Cdr. 11th Sep. 1970, with seny. 11th Sep. 1970.

Lt. K. R. LAURENCE, promoted Lt.-Cdr. 17th Oct. 1970, with seny. 17th Oct. 1970.

Actg. Lts. promoted Lts. on dates and with seny. stated:

M. BEAVINGTON. 29th Jul. 1970 (29th Dec. 1968).

R. SANDS. 8th Aug. 1970 (6th Feb. 1968).

P. J. SIMMS. 15th Aug. 1970 (11th Mar. 1969).

J. S. HABBERLEY. 16th Aug. 1970 (17th Jun. 1967).

R. E. H. HUGHES. 23rd Aug. 1970 (1st Apr. 1968).

C. H. M. COLCHESTER. 1st Sep. 1970 (17th Mar. 1970).

D. A. PILGRIM. 16th Sep. 1970 (13th Nov. 1967).

P. J. HASSETT. 16th Sep. 1970 (16th Sep. 1969).

Actg. Surgn. Lt. H. LEIGH, promoted Surgn. Lt. 12th Aug. 1970, with seny. 12th Aug. 1970.

Sub Lt. D. F. SPENDLOVE, to be promoted Lt. 25th Oct. 1970, with seny. 25th Oct. 1970.

Sub Lts. promoted Actg. Lts. on dates and with seny. stated:

P. F. LISLE-TAYLOR. 12th Jul. 1970 (5th Jul. 1968).

R. F. DIXON-WRIGHT. 6th Sep. 1970 (20th Jul. 1968).

Sub Lt. D. M. FORSTER, promoted Actg. Lt. 16th Oct. 1970, with seny. 16th Oct. 1970.

#### ARMY DEPARTMENT

##### QUEEN'S COMMENDATION FOR BRAVE CONDUCT

21151703 Lance Corporal RUDRABAHADUR GURUNG, M.M., 2nd King Edward VII's Own Gurkha Rifles (The Sirmoor Rifles).

On 21st July 1970, members of C Company, 2nd Bn. 2nd King Edward's Own Gurkha Rifles were carrying out a tactical company river crossing exercise on the Sungei Belait in Brunei. The river was very fast flowing and higher than normal because of recent heavy rainstorms. The operation was well under way when a young soldier was caught by the sudden shock of the current which forced him

hard against the safety rope, causing rope burns on his throat. He got into difficulties and in his struggles, his rifle punctured the light-weight mattress section he was using as an improvised life-jacket. Almost totally submerged now, and only semi-conscious, he was carried away by the river.

Needless of his own safety, his Section Commander Lance Corporal Rudrabahadur Gurung leaped into the river and swam some thirty yards into mid-stream where he, assisted by another Rifleman, grabbed hold of the young soldier. All were now being carried swiftly away and in danger of drowning. However, by dint of great coolness and effort the young soldier was brought to the auxiliary rope downstream, which in his state of semi-consciousness and exhaustion, he would have been unable to reach unaided.

Both the man and his weapon were saved although his rescuers put themselves at great risk by their action.

##### QUEEN'S COMMENDATION FOR BRAVE CONDUCT

21156701 Rifleman HARKABAHADUR GURUNG, 2nd King Edward VII's Own Gurkha Rifles (The Sirmoor Rifles).

On 21st July 1970, members of C Company, 2nd Bn. 2nd King Edward's Own Gurkha Rifles were carrying out a tactical company river crossing exercise on the Sungei Belait in Brunei. The river was very fast flowing and higher than normal because of recent heavy rainstorms. The operation was well under way when a young soldier was caught by the sudden shock of the current which forced him hard against the safety rope, causing rope burns on his throat. He got into difficulties and in his struggles, his rifle punctured the light-weight mattress section he was using as an improvised life-jacket. Almost totally submerged now he was carried away by the river.

Without a thought for his own safety Rifleman Harkabahadur Gurung leaped into the river and swam some thirty yards into mid-stream where he assisted his section commander who was with him in grabbing the young soldier. All were now being carried away and in danger of drowning. However by dint of great coolness and effort, the young soldier was brought to the auxiliary safety rope downstream, which in his state of semi-consciousness and exhaustion, he would have been unable to reach unaided. Both the man and his weapon were saved although his rescuers put themselves at great risk by their action.

20th October 1970.

Brig. Patrick Ernest Shirreff MANSERGH, O.B.E., late R. Signals, is appointed Aide-de-Camp to The QUEEN, 8th Sep. 1970, in a new vacancy.

##### COMMANDS AND STAFF

###### REGULAR ARMY

Maj.-Gen. M. FORRESTER, C.B., C.B.E., D.S.O., M.C. (69349) late Inf. retires on retired pay, 19th Oct. 1970.

Maj.-Gen. R. H. WHITWORTH, C.B., C.B.E. (124539) late Ft. Gds. retires on retired pay, 19th Oct. 1970.

Brig. (Acting Maj.-Gen.) R. J. D. E. BUCKLAND, M.B.E. (165022) late Ft. Gds. to be Maj.-Gen., 19th Oct. 1970, with seniority 16th Dec. 1969.

Brig. (Acting Maj.-Gen.) J. M. STRAWSON, O.B.E. (72479), late R.A.C. to be Maj.-Gen., 19th Oct. 1970.

Brig. J. C. MONTEITH, C.B.E., M.C. (65386) late Inf., retires on retired pay, 19th Oct. 1970.

###### REGULAR ARMY RESERVE OF OFFICERS

Col. (Hon. Brig.) H. H. DEANE, D.S.O. (39437) late Inf. ceases to belong to the Res. of Offrs., 1st Oct. 1970.

##### ROYAL ARMOURED CORPS

###### REGULAR ARMY

Lt. (Now Capt.) A. R. PRICE (476619) 9/12 L.: the initials are as now shown and not as in Gazette (Supplement) dated 4th Aug. 1970.

Short Serv. Commns.

The undermentioned 2nd Lts. to be Lts., 14th Oct. 1970:

M. B. J. AMOORE (484568) 17/21 L.

E. J. MICKLEM (484594) 14/20 H.

P. W. K. MOSS (484595) 3 D.G.