

task that the speed and accuracy of the artillery response was so outstanding.

23877354 Guardsman Harold HOLLAND, Welsh Guards.

At approximately 2253 hours 16th March 1966, Picquet Hill manned by a section of Prince of Wales Company, 1st Battalion Welsh Guards, came under small arms fire from the direction of Approach Ridge, four hundred yards to the east. This was quickly accompanied by a series of five Blindicide Rockets fired from the same direction. Picquet Hill sustained one direct hit and one near miss. This was followed by more small arms fire, including automatic weapons for quite some time.

At the outset of the engagement both Non-Commissioned Officers were wounded and put out of action. From then on Guardsman Holland took command of the situation until the arrival of the Platoon Commander and Medical Orderly some time later from a neighbouring position. He controlled the fire of the section General Purpose Machine Gun, kept the Platoon Commander informed of the situation by radio and attended to the wounded. One of the Non-Commissioned Officer's injuries were quite serious and but for Guardsman Holland's attention this Non-Commissioned Officer would have lost much blood and suffered very considerable pain.

The whole section behaved admirably throughout this action and Guardsman Holland's cool courage, bravery and calm handling of the situation under fire was beyond praise.

26th August 1966.

REGULAR ARMY

Col. R. V. HATHERLEY (124982) late R.A.S.C., retires on retired pay, 26th Aug. 1966.

TERRITORIAL ARMY

Lt.-Col. J. M. WOTHERSPOON, T.D. (335811), from R. Signals, to be Col., 15th June 1966.

COMMANDS AND STAFF

Maj.-Gen. The Hon. M. F. FITZALAN HOWARD, C.B., C.B.E., M.C. (68110), late Ft. Gds., relinquishes his appointment as Director of Management and Support of Intelligence, Ministry of Defence, 29th July 1966.

ROYAL ARMoured CORPS

4/7 D.G.

REGULAR ARMY

Maj. B. H. BAGNALL (397802) retires on retired pay, 25th Aug. 1966.

Royals

REGULAR ARMY

Capt. (Q.M.) E. L. PAYNE (451375) to be Maj. (Q.M.), 25th Aug. 1966.

Q.O.H.

REGULAR ARMY

2nd Lt. John Edward Rivers BULKELEY (476854) from Short Serv. Commn., R.A.C., to be 2nd Lt., 18th July 1966, with seniority 3rd May 1966.

R.T.R.

REGULAR ARMY

2nd Lt. Robert William Montgomery McAfee, (479425) from Short Serv. Commn., R.A.C., to be 2nd Lt., 13th July 1966, with seniority 8th Nov. 1965.

R.G.H.

TERRITORIAL ARMY

24072284 Tpr. Christopher Edward Roy HOUGHTON (482373) to be 2nd Lt. (on probation), 21st July 1966.

24072184 Tpr. Shaun David Edward PARSONS (482374) to be 2nd Lt. (on probation), 21st July 1966.

I.C. & C.Y.

TERRITORIAL ARMY

Lt.-Col. (Bt. Col.) Graham Chatfield CHATFIELD-ROBERTS, T.D., is appointed Honorary Colonel, Inns of Court and City Yeomanry, R.A.C., T.A., 22nd June 1966, in succession to Lt.-Col. (Hon. Col.) Edward John Sutton WARD, M.V.O., M.C.

ROYAL REGIMENT OF ARTILLERY

TERRITORIAL ARMY

2nd Lt. R. E. WALSH (477249) (on probation) is confirmed in his appt. as 2nd Lt., 10th Aug. 1964. To be Lt., 10th Aug. 1966.

TERRITORIAL ARMY RESERVE OF OFFICERS

The undermentioned Lt.-Cols. & Bt. Cols. having exceeded the age limit, cease to belong to the T.A. Res. of Offrs., 27th Aug. 1966, retaining the rank of Lt.-Col. & Bt. Col.:

F. K. L. SANDBACH, T.D. (34536).

R. D. CRIBB, T.D. (39649).

W. F. ARNOLD, T.D. (50329).

Maj. B. C. BONSOR, M.C., T.D. (72003), having attained the age limit, ceases to belong to the T.A. Res. of Offrs., 26th Aug. 1966, retaining the rank of Maj.

Maj. P. DYSON, T.D. (76215), having exceeded the age limit, ceases to belong to the T.A. Res. of Offrs., 27th Aug. 1966, retaining the rank of Maj.

Lt. (Hon. Capt.) J. K. W. MARTIN, T.D. (74927), having exceeded the age limit, ceases to belong to the T.A. Res. of Offrs., 27th Aug. 1966, retaining the hon. rank of Capt.

Lt. R. R. TAYLOR (69930) having attained the age limit, ceases to belong to the T.A. Res. of Offrs., 25th Aug. 1966, retaining the rank of Lt.

Lt. D. G. KENDALL (417503) having exceeded the age limit, ceases to belong to the T.A. Res. of Offrs., 27th Aug. 1966.

CORPS OF ROYAL ENGINEERS

REGULAR ARMY

The undermentioned Lt.-Cols. to be Supernumerary to Establishment on the dates shown:

R. S. GINN, M.C. (334953), 25th Aug. 1966.

F. R. HOWELL, M.B.E. (224126), 26th Aug. 1966.

B. J. COOMBE, G.M. (222695), 27th Aug. 1966.

REGULAR ARMY RESERVE OF OFFICERS

Class III

Capt. (Q.S.) M. W. R. CROUT (457598) from Res. of Offrs., Cl. I to be Capt. (Q.S.), 11th Aug. 1966.

ARMY EMERGENCY RESERVE OF OFFICERS

Lt. H. L. WRIGHT (444588) to be Capt., 27th July 1966, with seniority 3rd Feb. 1966.

TERRITORIAL ARMY

Lt. L. A. RICHES (476396) resigns his commn., 4th July 1966.

Lt. G. W. A. ELLINGTON (460993) is placed on the Unatt'd List, 7th July 1966.

23727273 Spr. David HOUGH (482376) to be 2nd Lt. (on probation), 27th July 1966.

23971417 Cdt. Donald Alexander SANSON (482377) to be 2nd Lt. (on probation), 27th July 1966.

Engr. & Rly. Staff Corps

Maj. W. M. L. ROBERTS, C.B.E. (453206) to be Supernumerary to Establishment, 18th July 1966.

Edgar Charles BECK (482372) to be Maj., 14th July 1966.

Edward Sullivan BONIFACE (482371) to be Maj., 18th July 1966.

TERRITORIAL ARMY RESERVE OF OFFICERS

Capt. (Hon. Maj.) L. W. DAVIES (271202) having attained the age limit ceases to belong to the T.A. Res. of Offrs., 26th Aug. 1966, retaining the hon. rank of Maj.

Capt. W. C. ELDRIDGE (458415) from Active List to be Capt., 19th July 1966.

ROYAL CORPS OF SIGNALS

REGULAR ARMY

Lt.-Col. F. G. G. RAPSEY (172035) is apptd. to the Special List, 26th Aug. 1966.

Limited Serv. Reg. Commn.

Capt. Eric Rodney CASTLE (470407) from Short Serv. Commn. to be 2nd Lt., 24th Mar. 1966, with seniority 13th Jan. 1958. To be Lt., 24th Mar. 1966, with seniority 13th Jan. 1960. To be Capt., 24th Mar. 1966, with seniority 13th Jan. 1964.

Short Serv. Commn.

14691765 W.O. Cl. I (R.S.M.) John Joseph BINGHAM (482019) to be 2nd Lt., 1st Aug. 1966. To be Lt., 1st Aug. 1966.

REGULAR ARMY RESERVE OF OFFICERS

Lt.-Col. G. B. STEVENSON (52699) having attained the age limit ceases to belong to the Res. of Offrs., 26th Aug. 1966.