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RNZAOC NEWSLETTER 70/4

150. Sorry to have to start this edition with a state but only 1BOD have contributed items for this issue. Many thanks 1BOD you are doing a good job in keeping us supplied with local chatter and some interesting items.

151. Sick Report

We are sorry to report that two of our men were hospitalised in June. On 17th WOI Neil Maxwell was admitted to Wellington Hospital but is reported to be making a good recovery and 1 BOD hope to to have him back on deck in July.

Ssgt Ian Russell from the Directorate has been re-admitted to Hutt Hospital and will probably be there until Mid-July before being allowed to convalence at home.

152. Promotions

The following promotions are notified and congratulations are extended to all:

Capt D. R. HUGHES	1 Comp Ord Coy	To be T/Major & QM
Capt R.L. CROSS	NMD	To be T/Major
WOI A.S. DAY	Defence HQ(Army)	To be Lt & QM
WOII G.S. MENHENNET	2 COD	To be T/WOI
WOII R. J. PLUMMER	1 COD	To be T/WOI
Ssgt Dave ORR	2 COD	To be T/WOII
Cpl CATES J. J. E.	1 BOD	To be T/Sgt
Cpl COLLIER L.C.	1 BOD	To be T/Sgt
Lepl THORN 11. S.	1 Comp Ord Coy	To be T/Cpl
Lepl HAYDEN DK	3 COD	To be T/Cpl
Pte Lyn MANSON	1 BOD	To be T/Lcpl

OC.

copies distributed.

153. Postings and Appointments

Some changes are taking place mainly because of the reorg of the Army and the following personnel have been affected so far:

Capt John HENDERSON welcomed to 1 BOD from Waiouru Command Lt John HYDE posted from 1 BOD to the Ordnance Directorate to replace Major RL Cross as SC Ord.

2Lts Peter O'BRIEN and Grant BL.CKBURN welcomed on attachment to 1 BOD after their graduation from OCS PORTSE...

Major P.M. REID from 1 Comp Ord Coy became OC 2 COD on 1 Jul 70.

Postings and Appointments (Cont)

Major W.M. CAMPRELL is posted to 1 BOD to assume the appointment of OC when Major Ross leaves for Singapore in August.

Major D.R. HUGHES became OC 1 Comp Ord Coy in June but still retains his appointments of DATO and DADOS CMD meantime.

Major R.L. CROSS has been appointed DADOS NMD but will be spending the next six months at the RNZAF Command and Staff College, Whenuapai.

WOI Barry STEWART was posted from 1BOD to RNZAOC School in early June.

Sgt Laurie HAWKINS was posted from 1BOD to Defence HQ at the end of June.

Cpl Alex McKEICH RNZAC was welcomed to 1BOD on posting from HQ Trentham Camp on 11 June. Alex continues to wear the black beret. Having had black berets in stock for many years it is strange to see one being worn in the course of normal duty by a member of 1BOD.

Major J.B. GLASSON has returned from a course at Fort Lee, Virginia, USA and is posted to Defence HQ.

WOII Jim TWIST from 1 Gen Tps Wksp is now in Singapore with the advance members of 5AOD including Lopl SHEPHERD from 1 Comp Ord Coy.

Ssgt Brian QUINN has replaced Jim Twist at 1 Gen Tps Wksp.

Major M. J. ROSS will shortly be returning from ALSG to NZ and is to assume the appointment of DADOS CMD.

Pte Bev DAVIES has left 1BOD to join the EDP team at 1COD.

154. Change of Name

The many members of the Corps who know Sgt 'Toko' GREY will now find it necessary to know him by his correct name, as originally recorded on his Birth Certificate: Bana Te Wakatoto KUKUTAI. Sgt Kukutai wishes to be known as Bana by his friends.

155. Family increases

Congratulations are extended to the following proud parents:

a. Lt and Mrs. Pat Puohotaua on the birth of their second child, Sonya, at Upper Hutt on 25 Apr 70.

b. Mrs. Mary Corkin (who recently left 1BOD Archives Sect) on the birth of twin girls at Upper Hutt on 30 Jun 70. Mother and babies are reported to be doing fine. It may be noted that twins were not anticipated at any stage and therefore the only possible 'cloud' on the horizon could be if Defence HQ(DPD) refuse to accept the over supply.

156. Jargonomics

Simple English seems to be out of fashion. It is an interesting exercise to take a well known phrase and translate it into the appropriate jargon.

Nelson signalled: "England expects that every man will do his duty."

Translations

A. Officialese: 'England anticipates that, with regard to the current emergency, personnel will implement their obligations in accordance with the functions ellocated to their respective groups.'

Jargonomics (Cont)

'We must all adopt a forward-looking but The Politician:

realistic posture, playing a crucial role in creating the will to stimulate Britain to fulfil her great moral and historical

obligations in a developing world,

The programme input instruction must C. Would EDP say?:

maximise the output of the computer and

peripherals in an operating time of pre-

determined nano seconds.'

157. A Ditty from 1BOD

The initial stage of the 1970 Camp Equipment Review has ended.

Someone who 'figured' in the 1BOD 1970 CE Review, was reminded of the song in the show and film of 'OLIVER', as sung by that outstanding Director of Procurement, -(mainly pocket watches, guineas and silk hankies) - FAGIN! The song being 'I'm Reviewing'

"I'm reviewing, the camp equipment, It's a muddle and a puzzle it'll stay, I'm requesting a major shipment Of everything, but DPD will say:

> "This is a most excessive lot, The writer is a stupid clot!" and nasty TPMs will come Demanding totals of the sum, Of all Dues Out and all Dues In, Relating to a garbage bin, With endless queries re the stock, And issues of an eight inch clock, With telephonic calls to me, The book he'll really throw at me,

I think I'd better write it out again, -

Damn!

158. Use SNIBBO'.

According to rumours reaching 1BOD the uses of this multipurpose and exciting new product (as advertised on the recent 'Beachcomber' TV series), has aroused the interest of Defence HQ. days when Government spending has to be restricted to discourage inflation, a product such as "Snibbo" can only be regarded as a blessing by the Treasury.

Why not use "Snibbo" in the Armed Services as an 'in Lieu' item

for:

cost.

Transmission Lubricant? All weather butter for Ration Packs? Detergent for the Mobile Laundry Units? Port Wine at Formal Dinners? Floor Polish? Preservation for gun barrels and rifles? Odour-free hair cream?

The Government Stores Board is believed to be negotiating a contract with SMIBBO (NZ) LTD, Petone, whose factory is near, (though not in) the Ava Railway Station.

There is of course no foundation at all in the story going around that Boots combat/Boots ankle with inklets Web are to be superseded by Ballet shoes with "Threadgold's" Thoroughgrip Garterettes. This attractive notion was promptly vetoed by Treasury due to

159. 1 Comp Ord Coy items

Almost at the point of going to press the following items were received from 1 Comp Ord Coy.

a. Congratulations are in order for

Pte Jim SMITH on the recent birth of a son.

Lcpl Baron Von Rickenback upon his engagement.

Seasoned Traveller Returns

Cpl Marty Hodgkinson has just returned from approximately 40 days spent travelling to Japan to visit EXPO 70. It is expected that many exciting tales are yet to be told about the Orient.

Soldier turns civilian C.

Cpl Aussie McCARTAN has left the Coy to work at the "Dominion" in Wellington.

160. 'Fare Thee Well'

Farewells have been said to the following Ordnance soldiers who have recently left the service:

WOI Doug DINGWALL ex 1 COD and NMD who retired in May.

WOI Maurie BULL ex RNZAOC School released in June at his own request to take up an offer from a civilian firm.

Cpl Albie HOUGH ex 1 Base Wksp who also retired in May.

Lopl Charles JOHNSON ex 1 BOD completed his engagement in April

Lcpl Ross CAMPBELL ex 180D completed his engagement in June.

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