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EXECUTIVE COMMMITTEE MEETINGS

Since the last Annual Report, three Executive Committee Meetings have been held.

Executive Committee Meeting-18th, 19th and 20th May, 1949

- (a) At the invitation of the Director, Royal Canadian Artillery, the Executive Committee Meeting was held at Shilo Camp, on the 18th, 19th and 20th May, 1949. In addition to the Executive Committee, the meeting was attended by Commandant, R.C.S.A. and Officer Commanding R.C.H.A.
 - (b) The following decisions were arrived at:
 - (i) The annual meeting to commence at 10.00 a.m. 28th of October, 1949.
 - (ii) That Lt.-Gen. Simmonds be asked to be guest speaker at the annual dinner on 29th of October, 1949.
 - (iii) That consideration be given to the Artillery Association contributing to the furnishing of Chapels to be erected at the Active Force Stations of Shilo and Picton.
 - (iv) That until such time as final decisions are made at National Defence Headquarters with regard to W.E. to be used on active service, that no resolutions be forwarded regarding this subject.
 - (v) That the question of an R.C.A. History was to be put before the next General Meeting.
 - (vi) That the question of revision of pay and allowances for Reserve Force be not raised at present as the pay and allowances recently revised appeared to be generally satisfactory.
 - (vii) The Committee approved presenting a prize to the best Artillery C.O.T.C. cadet at the end of Third Year. This to be referred to General Meeting for approval, and if not approved, the members of the Committee present to be responsible for the cost.

Executive Meeting held in Ottawa—27th October, 1949

The following decisions were arrived at:

- (i) The Committee reviewed all subjects put forward for discussion and decided that two Resolution Committees would be required.
- (ii) The Committee decided on procedure and order of business for the General Meeting.
- (iii) Approved of the seating at the head table for the Annual Dinner.
- (iv) Decided on nominations for President, Secretary-Treasurer, and Auditor.
- (v) Decided to nominate General A. G. L. McNaughton, General H. E. G. Crerar, and Brigadier General C. H. MacLaren for election as honorary life members.

Executive Meeting-29th of October, 1949

An Executive Committee Meeting was held in Ottawa and arrived at the following decisions:

- (i) The next General Meeting to be held in Ottawa on the 27th and 28th October, 1950.
- (ii) Next Executive Meeting to be held towards end of May, 1950 at Picton, Ontario.
- (iii) In addition to members of the Executive, appointed Brigadier R. J. Leach, Brigadier G. Hutchison, Lt.-Colonel E. C. Scott, all of Ottawa, as authorized to sign cheques for expenditure of Association funds.
- (iv) Appointed Brigadier F. D. Lace, Brigadier M. Archer, and Lt.-Colonel C. F. Harrington as trustees for the investment of any funds of the Association which will require investing (see Rules of Procedure, para. 23).
- (v) Appointed delegates to the Conference of Defence Associations. The following were selected to represent the Royal Canadian Artillery Association:

Brigadier H. E. Wright, E.D., of Calgary, Alta. Brigadier M. Archer, M.B.E., of Quebec, P.Q. Lt.-Colonel P. W. Oland, E.D., of Fairville, N.B. Lt.-Colonel A. A. Kennedy, of Owen Sound, Ont.

General Meeting

The Meeting opened at 10.30 a.m., 28th of October, 1949, with the President of the Association, Brigadier R. E. G. Roome, in the Chair.

1. Opening Address

- (a) The President in his opening speech outlined the activities of the Association throughout the year, including the executive meetings of which special mention is made in another place in this Report.
- (b) He welcomed delegates from units, retired officers, the Director of the Royal Canadian Artillery, and other Active Force Officers, and especially did he welcome those reserve force officers who had come to the meeting at their own expense, and also those officers of the Royal Artillery presently serving in Canada, who were present.
- (c) He briefly outlined the work before the Meeting and the mode of procedure, and particularly asked that those officers who were present would take back a report to the other officers of their units. He mentioned that inasfar as the speeches to be made by the Minister, the Chief of the General Staff, and Director of R.C.A., that as these would deal primarily with the future, that notes would not be taken and therefore that there could not be any record in the Annual Report.
- (d) He then regretted the absence of the ex-colonel commandant, Major-General E. G. Panet who was prevented from being present through ill-health, and the absence also of Brigadier-General MacLaren who was prevented by reasons of business from being present. Both of these officers have been constant attendants for a great number of years and it is hoped that they will be with us again in the future.
- (e) He then expressed the regret of the Association at the death of an ex-president, Colonel J. J. Creelman, D.S.O. of Montreal who recently died.
- (f) Brig. Roome stated that he represented the Conference of Defence Associations at a meeting of the Naval Officers' Association which was held in Halifax in June 1949. He stated that there were a great number of subjects discussed by them which paralleled very closely the problems that confront the Army; he was sure that in the future it would be advantageous if the Navy, Army and Air Force Associations could meet to discuss mutual problems.

2. Incorporation of the R.C.A. Association

The Secretary reported that by an Act of Parliament 1949, that the Act incorporating the Association which was originally passed in 1904 had been amended.

The following are the main alterations:

(a) The name of the Association is amended to "Royal Canadian

Artillery Association".

(b) In the origional act it was specifically laid down that there would be four vice-presidents; under the new act, the organization may be as approved from time to time by the general meeting.

(c) In the old act, the conduct of the affairs of the Association was to be administered by an ex-officio council, this council in fact consisting mainly of all serving or ex-artillery officers of the rank of major or above who were members of the Association. Under the new Act, the affairs of the Association are to be conducted by the eligible voters as laid down from time to time at a General Meeting of the Association.

(d) The general effect of the new act is that the constitution and method of procedure will be in accordance with and may be amended by the desires of any General Meeting of the Associ-

ation from time to time.

3. Amendments to Rules of Procedure

In 1949, the then president, Colonel J. J. Creelman asker Brigadier Leach, the present Secretary, to undertake acting duty of Secretary-Treasurer and also to take on the responsibility for convening the first postwar meeting of the Association. After consultation with various serving and ex-officers of the R.C.A. it was decided that prior to the meeting that a general plan for reorganization of the Association should be considered. As a result, prior to the first post-war meeting, in February 1947, a meeting of representatives from across Canada was held in Ottawa and approved an outlined plan. At the meeting in 1948, the Rules of Procedure as shown in the 1948 Annual Report were approved. At the executive meeting held in July 1949 it was considered that further amendments were required. The majority of the amendments were changes in phraseology in order to clarify various paragraphs. However, paragraph 15 regarding the election of officers was completely rewritten. Paragraph 4 was amended to provide for an assistant Secretary-Treasurer if required. The amendments as a whole were submitted to the meeting and were UNANIMOUSLY ADOPTED.

4. Conference of Defence Associations

The Artillery Association was represented at the Conference of Defence Associations 1948 by:

Brigadier R. E. Roome, C.B.E., V.D.

Brigadier E. R. Suttie, C.B.E., D.S.O., E.D.

Brigadier H. E. Wright, E.D.

Lt.Col. H. T. Airey

in addition, Major-General A. Bruce Matthews was Vice-Chairman and Brigadier R. J. Leach was Secretary. Representatives of the twelve Army Defence Associations, four representatives of the Naval Officers' Association and two R.C.A.F. officers were present. A wide variety of subjects

of interest in training, organization, and administration of the Army were discussed, and resolutions were prepared and forwarded to Army Head-quarters. The two resolutions which were considered of outstanding interest to this meeting are as follows:

- (a) A resolution to the effect that as adequate manpower is not being provided for the reserve force that the Government should consider some form of selective compulsory service;
- (b) That the recruiting, training, and general welfare of the reserve force is being adversely affected by the lack of and proper distribution of accommodation, that the Minister request the government to take immediate steps to rectify this with an immediate program.

In addition to approving these resolutions the Conference directed that the Chairman arrange for a committee to submit these two resolutions to the Minister of National Defence in person, and request that he bring this subject to the attention of the Cabinet. (Owing to the political situation, this was not carried out in the Spring of this year, but the delegation met the Minister the middle of November 1949, and a reply from the Minister was anticipated in due course).

5. Recruiting Conference—January, 1949

Brigadier R. J. Leach attended a recruiting conference held at Army Headquarters in January, 1949 which was attended by Army Officers from each Command, also civilian advertising experts. He reported that the conference appeared to be thoroughly aware of the faults of the recruiting campaign up to date and that steps were being taken to rectify this. In particular emphasis was placed on:

- (a) The need for differentiating between recruiting programs between Active Force and Reserve.
- (b) The necessity for the campaign on a national basis to be followed up by local effort.
- (c) The need for availability of funds for local campaigns.

6. Tabling of Minutes of 1948

After a discussion on the answers to the resolutions, the Minutes as tabled were approved.

7. Financial Statement

- (a) The Secretary Treasurer stated with regard to the financial statement that in "Receipts" the Government Grant was shown as only \$5,000. The reason for this being that the estimates had not yet been passed, and only a half-year supply having been voted, the Association has only received one-half of its annual grant. The remainder will be received as soon as the estimates of 1949-50 are passed by Parliament.
- (b) It was further explained that the expenses for the present meeting are not included in the Financial Statement as the books were closed out on the 30th of September, 1949. These expenses will amount to approximately \$7,000 and with other

expenses will leave a net balance of approximately \$200. However, when the remainder of the annual grant is received, the Association will have a balance of \$5,200 to carry on the affairs of the Association until the 1950-51 grant is received. APPROVED

Procedure for Dealing with Resolutions

The President outlined the procedure to deal with the subjects put forward by the various headquarters and units for discussion; he stated that they would be dealt with as follows:

(a) Some subjects were to be put as questions to the Minister or one of his advisers.

(b) Others were to be put forward as Resolutions which were to be forwarded:

(i) direct to Army Headquarters; or

(ii) to the Conference of Defence Associations.

(c) Subjects to be further investigated.

In the case of those subjects which were to form the subject of Resolutions, two resolutions committees to be appointed. These Committees, after the subjects had been discussed, to draw up the form in which the Resolutions will be submitted.

The Power of the Executive to Deal with Resolutions

The question was raised with regard to dealing with Resolutions of an urgent nature which arose in the period between the annual meetings. It was pointed out that paragraph 14(f) of the Rules of Procedure permit the General Meeting to delegate to the executive committee the power to deal with urgent matters as they may see fit between the general meetings.

10. Director of Military Training

The D.M.T., in his remarks covered the subject of training and qualification of officers, NCO's, tradesmen and other ranks.

- (a) He pointed out that in common with other countries we are now at a stage where we are reviewing what has been accomplished to date and trying to assess what is required for the future.
- (b) Officer Qualification-He gave a brief review of the results of officer qualifications, through University of COTC and the Command Contingent Plan. With reference to the Command Contingent Plan, "B", "C" and "D" with the adjustments that have been made to date are considered to be reasonably firm, Method "A" is to be re-examined, taking into account in this re-examination the question of giving credits for any previous training and study.

(c) Other Ranks Training-This is being kept under review and efforts are being made to produce a comprehensive plan of training which will enable the C.O. to properly assess the standard of training of each individual from his qualifications

in the various stages.

- (d) Tradesmen Training—This is still under review and various possibilities as to methods are being investigated.
- (e) Training generally—For the time being, the present system of training in camps will be continued. Unit training will be carried out as and when units arrive at a suitable strength with the necessary proportion of qualified officers, NCOs and specialists.

QUESTIONS WERE ANSWERED AS UNDER

- (a) With regard to the question of other ranks who are training as specialists and have not qualified as unit NCOs, as to whether they can be promoted to NCOs on qualifying as specialists, this is still under consideration.
- (b) With regard to the re-introduction of "Provisional Schools" at local headquarters, this involves the provision of instructors. We're investigating the pooling of A & T Staffs in areas or commands and this may provide a solution. The difficulty of personnel getting away to camp schools is thoroughly realized.
- (c) The whole question of the use and employment of A & T Staffs is under consideration. At present, A & T staffs are attached to specific units and are taken away at certain times to instruct in camps and at Corps schools. In addition, they tare taken away for retraining. It has been suggested that in each command and area that AT Staffs might be pooled and only a clerk or possibly an NCO left with each unit. The advantage of this would be that units could obtain AT staffs qualified for the particular subject in which instruction is being carried on within the unit. This whole subject, however, is still under review and no decision has as yet been decided upon.
- (d) With regard to the request that C.L.E.S. courses be made available for members of the Reserve Force. These courses at present are only available to ex-service men and to members of the Active Force. I will inquire into the possibility of this.
- (e) With regard to the question of training at command or area camps instead of central camps. Command headquarters for authority to do this, where camps are available within command or area.

The remarks and answers to questions by the D.M.T. having been considered, it was decided that no resolutions were required under the subjects of A & T staff, G.M.T., Command and Staff course, and qualifying officers for promotion.

11. Director of Royal Canadian Artillery

The Director of Royal Canadian Artillery addressed the meeting and outlined the training program for 1950. He gave a forecast of possible new equipment and outlined certain artillery organizational changes that are under consideration.

12. Re-allotment of Trophies for Competitions

It was suggested that cups now in possession of the Association might be used as trophies for unit competitions. It was pointed out that each trophy has been put up for a specific competition and that for the most part they are for Provincial or Dominionwide competitions, and that only when these competitions were reinstated, or the donors approached and the terms of the donation changed that it would be possible to put them up for competition.

13. Competitions—1950

- (a) As it was stated by D.M.T. and Director R.C.A. that training program for 1950 would follow the general outlines of 1949-50, it was considered that inter-unit, etc, competitions were not possible. It was therefore approved that an allotment of fifty dollars per regiment would be made, the money to be used at the discretion of the C.O. for competitions within the unit.
- (b) When applying for money, COs are to submit to the Secretary-Treasurer an outline of the competitions and the amounts allotted to each competition.
- (c) A portion of the money allotted to units may be used by them for prizes for affiliated Cadet Corps.

14. Prize-R.C.A. C.O.T.C. Cadet

- (a) It was reported that the executive committee at the meeting in Shilo in May 1949 had decided to present a suitable prize to the best graduating R.C.A. C.O.T.C. cadet. The conditions of award stipulated the following factors to be considered in making the award:
 - (1) marks in theoretical work
 - (2) efficiency in the practical section of the course
 - (3) qualities of leadership

The award to be made by the Director of R.C.A. A suitably engraved watch was purchased at cost of \$62.50 and it was duly presented to Cadet L. C. Baumgart of the University of Saskatchewan.

(b) It was then recommended that this prize become an annual event and that consideration be given to the question of whether more than one prize was required in view of the fact that C.O.T.C. do their practical and final portion of the course at more than one station. After considerable discussion it was decided that the matter for 1950 be left in the hands of the executive committee who are authorized, if they see fit, to donate one or more prizes under the same conditions as the award made in 1949. The meeting approved this action of the executive committee in making an award for 1949.

15. R.C.A. History

After considerable discussion it was decided for the time being that nothing should be done about the History of the R.C.A. but that a short outline should be included in a new pamphlet, "Guide for Officers" which was being prepared by the Directors of R.C.A.

16. Memorial Chapel

- (a) Sandhurst—In accordance with approval of the 1948 Annual Meeting, steps were taken to partake in the Sandhurst, England, War Memorial for officers who fell in the 1939-45 Campaign. Arrangements were made for a memorial pew with R.C.A. crest engraved, the crest to consist of the Gunner cap badge with a scroll underneath bearing the words, "R.C.A." In addition, steps will be taken for the names of all R.C.A. officers who fell in action to be contained in the Book of Memory.
- (b) Canadian Chapels—It was understood that at the R.C.A. stations at Shilo and Picton that there will be Anglican and R.C. permanent chapels. It is felt that the R.C.A. Association would like to help in the furnishing of these chapels.
- (c) It is considered that it would be appropriate to raise the money for the two above mentioned projects at the same time, it was therefore suggested that the Secretary be empowered to take steps to collect the necessary funds from serving and retired R.C.A. officers in Canada. This to be done through the medium of the existing headquarters and regiments who will be asked to contact not only their own officers but those retired officers living in their vicinity. As officers are often at a loss as to what amount to contribute, it was suggested that the sum of two dollars would be considered an adequate contribution per officer, and that larger sums would not be refused.

 THIS WAS APPROVED

17. Furniture and Furnishings

Furniture and furnishings to be supplied to all regimental messes, canteens, etc., in kind or by allowances.

The Q.M.G. stated that new scales of issue were about to go into effect.

18. Cap Badges

Officers Beret. The question of a grenade, present gun badge, or miniature gun badge was discussed. The meeting was in favour of a miniature gun badge and Resolution No. 4 was forwarded to Army Headquarters.

19. Pamphlets and Printed Matter

It was suggested that in many cases pamphlets and printed matter being issued were not required by units. After discussion it was considered that it was not feasible to differentiate between those required by different units; also that these pamphlets, etc., were required in the unit reference library for officers and other ranks taking courses.

20. Cadet Corps

It was suggested that boots and shirts be issued to affiliated cadet corps. After considerable discussion it was decided that it was desirable and Resolution No. 3 was forwarded to the Conference of Defence Associations for action.

21. Anti-Aircraft

It was suggested that the name "Anti-Aircraft Gun Operations Room" be changed to "Anti-Aircraft Fire Command Battery". Colonel Stern replied that they are looking for a new name but that it must be satisfactory to both the U.S. and U.K.

22. Strength—Reserve Force

The question of strength of the Reserve Force was discussed and the general opinion was that the majority of units have not got a satisfactory strength. In view of the fact that a delegation from the Conference of Defence Associations had seen the Minister in this matter, no further action was to be taken at this time.

23. Units Required on Mobilization

The question of training and strength of units required to be operational on mobilization was discussed. Insofar as the R.C.A. is concerned, this question was applicable to both the Coast Artillery and the H.A.A. The meeting was of the opinion that special consideration in strength and training be given to these units and Resolution No. 1 is to be forwarded for consideration of the Conference of Defence Associations.

24. Women in Reserve Force

The opinion of the meeting on the enlistment of women in the reserve force in peacetime was that in those units which would eventually have women on their establishment and which would require to be operational on outbreak of war, arrangements should be made for the employment of women in peacetime. Resolution No. 2 is to be forwarded for consideration of the Conference of Defence Associations.

25. Liaison and Training with Signal and R.C.E.M.E. (15) units

It was put forward that Signal units and R.C.E.M.E. units which on mobilization would be working with or cooperating with Artillery Units should train with them in peacetime and be located at the same headquarters. Information was obtained from the Directors of the two Corps concerned to the effect that peacetime organization of units of these two Corps would be on a trades basis and that the various sub-units for attachment to or working with Artillery will not be formed. It was, however, stated that units wishing to have experience in training with the respective sub-units can apply to the local commanders of Signals and R.C.E.M.E. who would provide "ad hoc" units for training as required.

26. Advance Notice of Honorary Appointments

It was stated that on some occasions in the past that press releases have been made of the appointment of persons to an honorary appointment in

the reserve force prior to the unit and the person concerned being notified of the approval of these appointments. This subject has already been brought to the notice of the appropriate authorities at National Defence Headquarters and steps are being taken to obviate this in the future.

27. Disposal of Funds of the Defence Quarterly

It was stated that when the Defence Quarterly was started between the wars that initial capital was provided by the various Associations in varying amounts. It has now been decided for many reasons not to continue the publication of the Defence Quarterly and there are certain funds of this organization remaining in trust. Two proposals have been put forward for the disposal of this fund:

(a) That the funds be invested and the income used to provide prizes in military writing amongst its members of the forces.

(b) That the funds be divided amongst Associations in proportion to the amounts that they subscribed.

It was also stated that the largest contributor has been the Infantry Association. As this matter is to be decided at the next meeting of the Conference of Defence Associations, the R.C.A. delegates to this meeting were authorized to support the views of the Infantry Association, owing to the fact that they had very much the greater amount at stake. (See Resolution No. 5)

28. Transfer of other Rank Personnel from R.C.N. & R.C.A.F.

The question of transfer of other ranks with previous service in R.C.N. or R.C.A.F. was raised. It was stated that A. G. Coord 287 of May 1949 already provides for this.

29. Minister and Chief of the General Staff

The Saturday morning meeting was honoured by the presence of the Minister of National Defence, accompanied by the Chief of the General Staff, the Quartermaster-General, and Brigadier T. E. Snow, representing the Adjutant-General.

The Minister and the Chief of the General Staff both addressed the meeting but as their remarks were confidential no record was made of their addresses.

ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS

- (a) In reply to a question, the Minister of National Defence stated that immediate steps would be taken to hasten the paying of compensation for reserve force personnel who were injured on duty.
- (b) The Chief of the General Staff, in reply to questions stated that he was not prepared in any way to lower the standards of qualification, but that the Department was willing to make every concession with regard to method and time taken in obtaining qualifications. He also stated that with regard to camps, that G. Os. C. had full authority to arrange times of camps to suit the needs of individual units.

30. Appointment of Trustees

If these are required for investment of funds, Executive Committee authorized to appoint.

31. Honorary Elected Life Members

The following were nominated and elected:

General A. G. L. MacNaughton, C.H., C.B., C.M.G., D.S.O.

General H. E. G. Crerar, C.H., C.B., D.S.O.

Brig.-Gen. C. H. MacLaren, C.M.G., D.S.O.

32. Election of Association Officers and other Members of the Executive

- (a) The President, Secretary-Treasurer and Assistant Secretary-Treasurer were nominated by the Executive Committee:
- (b) The Vice Presidents were nominated by members from each Command:
- (c) Representatives from Branches of the Artillery were nominated with alternative nominees by representatives of the various branches of the artillery:
- (d) A co-ordinating committee was appointed to submit a Slate which as far as possible would be representative territorially.

The Slate as presented was elected and is as shown in the front of this report.

33. The new President, Brigadier H. E. Wright, ED. took the Chair

34. Auditors

Cunningham & Co. of Ottawa were appointed as Auditors.

35. Conference of Defence Associations

- (a) The Executive Committee was authorized to choose four delegates.
- (b) Payment of any expenses incurred was authorized.

36. 1950 General Meeting

Executive Committee authorized to select dates late in October or early in November.

37. Delegates to 1950 Annual Meeting

- (a) One representative per H.Q. and Regiment authorized to have expenses paid except that a member of the Executive attending if a member of a unit will be the unit's representative.
- (b) Anti-Aircraft Operation Room Units to be grouped with Army Group (AA) or a HAA Regt. for allocation of delegates. Commander of Group to decide in each case. The HQ or Unit to which grouped to be responsible for obtaining the views of the A.A.O.R. for the unit delegate, or if member of A.A.O.R. is chosen for briefing him as to the units views.

38. Travelling Expenses to General Meeting

The following scale was approved:

- (a) First Class return ticket.
- (b) Lower berth and/or chair car seat each way.
- (c) Allowances to cover incidentals on the basis of \$2.00 per meal en route-minimum of \$2.00.
- (d) \$10.00 a day at the meeting (maximum two days except members of Executive, and delegates whose minimum time in Ottawa is necessarily three days, who may be paid for three days.)

39. Travelling Expenses Executive and Special Meetings

Travelling expenses to Executive Committee Meetings or Meetings called by the Conference of Defence Associations or Army Headquarters may be as under:

- (a) If travelling by railway as for Delegates to General Meeting.
- (b) If travelling by Air
 - (i) Return Air fare
 - (ii) Necessary Taxi fares
 - (iii) \$10.00 for each day at place of meeting unless provided with Government Quarters when amount will be actual expenses for messing, etc.

40. Association Fees for 1950

- (a) Fees to be on basis of \$2.00 per Artillery Officer on strength as of 31st March, 1950.
- (b) Payable before 30th September, 1950.
- (c) Statement of unit as to strength to be accepted therefore no notices will be sent out.

41. Delegation of Authority to Executive Committee

The Meeting gave the Executive Committee the following powers:

- (a) To conduct the affairs of the Association until the next Annual Meeting.
- (b) To handle the capital and operating accounts as trustees, may appoint three trustees for this.
- (c) To encroach on capital to the extent of \$5,000 if necessary to cover administrative and travelling expenses.
- (d) To borrow from the Bank an amount equal to any portion of the 1950-51 Grant not received at any time and which may be required for current or travelling expenses.

42. Salaries

It was recommended that the salary of the Secretary-Treasurer be reduced by \$300.00 per year and this amount be paid to the Assistant Secretary-Treasurer. After discussion it was approved that the salary of the Secretary-Treasurer remain at \$1500 per annum and the Assistant Secretary-Treasurer be paid \$300.00 per annum.

43. Motion of appreciation to retiring President

It was moved, seconded, and unanimously passed that a vote of thanks be tendered to retiring president, Brigadier R. E. G. Roome, for the able manner in which he conducted the affairs of the Association throughout the year, also an appreciation of his services to the Artillery over a long period of years.

44. Adjournment

The Meeting adjourned at 4.00 p.m. Saturday, 29th October, 1949.

BUFFET SUPPER

Lt.-Col. E. C. Scott, and officers of the 30th Field Regiment, RCA, Ottawa, very kindly arranged a buffet supper in the officers' mess on the evening of Friday, 28th of October. This was attended by most of the unit delegates, and a large number of active force officers, local Reserve Force and Retired Officers.

ANNUAL DINNER

The Annual Dinner was held in the Chateau Laurier, Ottawa, on the 29th of October. Guests included the Minister of National Defence the Honourable Brooke Claxton, the Deputy Minister of National Defence, Mr. C. M. Drury, Lt.-Gen. C. Foulkes, the Chief of the General Staff, Dr. O. M. Solandt, Chairman Defence Research Board, Major-General N. E. Rogers, Quartermaster-General, Brigadier Snow, Colonel F. A. Clift representatives of the various Defence Associations, Colonel G. E. Kurtz, U.S.A., Major K. S. Hamilton, R.A., Major P. T. D. Johnson, R.A.

Lt.-Gen. Simmonds was guest of honour and very kindly gave a very instructive address on world affairs, with particular attention to Russia.

Attendance at the Dinner was 140.

RESOLUTIONS

1-49

WHEREAS the organization and training of the various Units of the Reserve Army is based uniformly upon the assumption that war is unlikely in the immediate future and that in the event of War Canada would have an extended period in which to train an army for the field,

and

Whereas there exists the possibility of hostile air and sea-air attacks on Canada concurrently with the outbreak of hosilities,

and

WHEREAS we are of the opinion that the absence of a reasonable quantity of Anti-Aircraft defences well trained at the outbreak of war would cause a condition among our people seriously to hamper the smooth build-up and training of an army for the field,

and

WHEREAS THE Anti-Aircraft defences would require to be trained in peace time if they were to be effective at the outbreak of war,

and

Wheras the world situation is such as to be impossible of assessment of the likelihood of war as far ahead as the time required adequately to train the Anti-Aircraft defences,

Now Therefore Be It Resolved that the Royal Canadian Artillery Association desire of the proper authorities and urge that steps be taken immediately to provide ways and means to ensure that an effective A.A. defence will be available immediately on the outbreak of hostilities,

AND THAT immediate steps be taken to establish some early warning system however simple,

AND THAT the War Establishment of all Units designated for home defence be made to conform with the actual requirements of the localities they are to defend and on the minimum possible manning scale rather than to the rigid framework of the normal war Establishments.

2 - 49

Whereas the organization for war of any country in the modern world requires the greatest possible use of woman-power,

and

Whereas the organization of Canada for war will undoubtedly require the enrolment of large numbers of women in the Armed Services,

and

Whereas the organization within the armed forces of Canada likely to absorb the greatest number of women is the Anti-Aircraft and Coast Artillery,

and

WHEREAS the A.A. Defences must by their very nature be ready for action at the outbreak of war or earlier,

and

Whereas the enlistment of women into the Reserve Force in peace time is considered desirable and likely to meet with a very good response and also likely to give impetus to recruiting in general,

Now Therefore Be It Resolved that the Canadian Artillery Association desire of the proper authorities and urge that steps be taken immediately to open the ranks of the Reserve Force to the enlistment of women,

and

That this enlistment of women be made effective at the earliest moment especially in the Artillery Supporting Arms and Services of the Anti-Aircraft and Coastal Defences.

3 - 49

Whereas recruits of the Reserve Army are experiencing difficulty as regards equipment for Cadet Corps affiliated to them,

and

Whereas the issue of boots and shirts to members of such Cadet Corps would materially assist and encourage recruiting and would be in the interest of the service,

and

WHEREAS Cadets and their parents should not be expected to furnish boots and shirts at their own expense,

Now Therefore Be It Resolved that the necessary steps be taken to ensure that Cadets belonging to regular Cadet Corps be issued with boots and shirts at public expense.

4.49

Whereas the existing gun badge is considered too large to be used on the beret now in use,

Now Therefore Be It Resolved that the Royal Canadian Artillery desire of the proper authorities and urge that the miniature gun badge now taken into use on the beret in Great Britain be authorized for use on the beret in the Royal Canadian Artillery.

5 - 49

Whereas the various arms and services of the Army prior to 1939 contributed funds to the publication "Defence Quarterly"

and

Whereas the publication of this journal is not practical under existing conditions,

and

WHEREAS the bulk of the funds on question was contributed by the Infantry Association,

and

Whereas the question of distribution and disposal of these funds is now in order,

Now Therefore Be It Resolved that the delegates of the Artillery Association to the Conference of Defence Associations be authorized and instructed to conform to whatever decision may be reached by the representatives of the Infantry Association for the disposal of the funds contributed.

ROYAL CANADIAN ARTILLERY ASSOCIATION FINANCIAL STATEMENT

Receipts

Receipts		
Sept. 30, 1948-To Balance in Bank of Montreal		\$12,741.64
Membership Fees		1,075.00
Interest on Bonds		840.00
Interest on deposits in Bank		
Grant from Dominion Government		5,000.00
9 ×9	_	\$19,665.42
EXPENDITURES	_	
Annual Meeting Expense 1948		\$ 5,939.63
Travel of Officers to Executive Meeting		1,835.55
Cups, insurance, R. Stewart and Sons Limited		86.25
Annual Report, Runge Press Limited		163.08
Custody of Bonds, Bank of Montreal		5.00
Prizes-Field Artillery \$		
Medium Artillery	150.00	
L.A.A. Artillery	250.00	
A/Tank Artillery	100.00	
H.A.9. Artillery	50.00	
Watch, "Best Ćadet" R.C.A.		
in graduating class of the		
C.Ö.T.C.	62.25	765.25
Auditor	71	25.00
Legal expense in connection New Act of Parliament		
to alter 1904 Charter		809.31
Salaries and office expenses, telegrams, postage, etc		2,365.02
Conference of Defence Associations,		
Assessment, travel expense,		190.75
	_	\$12,184.84
Sept. 30, 1949. Balance in Bank of Montreal		7,480.58
	_	\$19,665.42
A .		

I have checked the accounts of the Association for the year ended September 30, 1949, and the above statement correctly displays the various sources of Revenue and Expenditure during the period. Every disbursement was properly authorized.

The balance on deposit in the Bank of Montreal on September 30, 1949 was \$7,754.38 less outstanding cheques \$273.80 or \$7,480.58 as shown on the statement. In addition there are on deposit in the local branch of the Bank of Montreal,

- \$16,000. $4\frac{1}{2}\%$ Dominion of Canada Conversion war bonds due 1959 Nos. R9M0152-7, (6 x \$1000.) and (1 x \$10.000.).
 - 2,000. 3% Dominion of Canada Victory Loan Bonds due 1957 Nos. M01205-6, (2 x \$1000.).
 - 1,000. 3% Dominion of Canada Victory Loan Bonds due 1959 No. M14095 (1 x \$1000.).
 - 1,000. 3% Dominion of Canada Victory Loan bond due 1962 No. M66579 (1 x \$1000.).

all fully registered.

(Sgd.) CUNNINGHAM & CO. Auditor.

LIST OF THOSE ATTENDING

EASTERN COMMAND

H.Q. 3 A.G.R.A. (A.A.)	Maj. D. A. Caithness
H.Q. R.C.A. 5 Div	Brig. R. E. G. Roome, C.B.E., V.D.
12 Fd	LtCol. M. Y. McLean
14 Fd	Maj. H. E. Robbins
1 H.A.A	LtCol. VdeB Oland
3 (N.B.) H.A.A	LtCol. P. W. Oland, E.D.
3 (N.B.) H.A.A	Maj. D. B. Armstrong
23 H.A.A	LtCol. J. M. Crosby
36 H.A.A.	-Maj. G. S. Waterfield
28 L.A.A.	LtCol. G. G. K. Peake, D.S.O., E.D.
64 L.A.A.	Maj. D. S. MacKenzie
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H.Q. 2 A.G.R.A	Brig. J. H. R. Gagnon
H.Q. R.C.A. 3 Div	Brig. J. M. Cape, M.B.E.
H.Q. R.C.A. 3 Div	Maj. L. B. Cronin
H.Q. R.C.A. 3 Div	Mai I I Wallace
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H.Q. R.C.A. 4 Div	Brig. M. G. Archer
H.Q. R.C.A. 4 Div	Brig. M. G. Archer
H.Q. R.C.A. 4 Div	Brig. M. G. Archer LtCol. J. P. Giroux Maj. R. Normandeau
H.Q. R.C.A. 4 Div	Brig. M. G. Archer LtCol. J. P. Giroux Maj. R. Normandeau Capt. F. M. Quinn
H.Q. R.C.A. 4 Div	Brig. M. G. Archer LtCol. J. P. Giroux Maj. R. Normandeau Capt. F. M. Quinn LtCol. R. N. Le Baron, M.C.
H.Q. R.C.A. 4 Div	Brig. M. G. ArcherLtCol. J. P. GirouxMaj. R. NormandeauCapt. F. M. QuinnLtCol. R. N. Le Baron, M.CMaj. F. L. Armitage
	3 (N.B.) H.A.A. 3 (N.B.) H.A.A. 23 H.A.A. 26 H.A.A. 27 H.A.A. 28 L.A.A. 28 L.A.A. 29 L.A.A. 29 L.A.A. 20 QUEBEC 20 H.Q. 2 A.G.R.A. 21 H.Q. R.C.A. 3 Div. 22 H.Q. R.C.A. 3 Div.

34 Fd. Capt. J. D. Fairburn
37 Fd. Lt.-Col. C. F. Harrington

2 Med. Lt.-Col. E. W. Tremblay, D.S.O.

2 Med._____Maj. A. Desrosiers 35 A. Tk._____Maj. Yves Bernier

 34 Fd.
 Maj. B. D. Baily

 34 Fd.
 Capt. R. St. Jean

 34 Fd.
 Capt. B. C. Allan

46 A. Tk. Lt.-Col. J. Bibeau, D.S.O., E.D.

70 Obs. Lt.-Col. D. C. Campbell 51 H.A.A. Maj. J. L. McNiven

38 L.A.A.	LtCol. L. M. Draper		
62 L.A.A.			
63 L.A.A.	_Maj. J. G. Bouvette		
CENTRAL COMMAND			
H.Q. 1 A.G.R.A. (A.A.)			
H.Q. 1 A.G.R.A. (A.A.)			
H.Q. 2 A.G.R.A. (A.A.)	Brig. G. O. Hutchinson		
H.Q. R.C.A. 2 Div.	Brig. Mc. Young, D.S.O.		
H.O. R.C.A. 1 Div	Brig. P. A. S. Todd, C.B.E., D.S.O.		
4 Fd			
8 Fd			
11 Fd			
30 Fd	LtCol. E. C. Scott		
32 Fd	Maj. H. H. Berry, E.D.		
44 Fd	Maj. E. R. Clemis, M.B.E., E.D.		
7 Med	Maj. R. W. Pawley		
33 Med			
42 Med			
9 A. Tk			
9 A. Tk.	Capt. A. W. Cunningham		
45 A. Tk			
45 A. Tk			
45 A. Tk. (A. & T.)			
69 Obs			
49 H.A.A.			
49 H.A.A			
49 H.A.A.	Capt. J. L. Cohen		
49 H.A.A.	Capt. R. A. Samson		
54 L.A.A.	LtCol. G. E. Eastman		
54 L.A.A	_Maj. D. S. Barrie		
56 L.A.A.	LtCol. C. A. Honey		
57 L.A.A.			
58 L.A.A.			
59 L.A.A	LtCoi. J. A. Gillies		
PRAIRIE COMMAND			
H.Q. 4 A.G.R.A. (A.A.)	Maj. A. J. Holding		
H.Q. R.C.A. 6 Div	Brig. H. E. Murray, D.S.O., E.D.		
22 Fd			
26 Fd			
39 Fd			
40 Med			
40 Med	Capt. R. C. Campbell		
40 Med			
48 A. Tk			
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52 H.A.A.	Maj. G. C. McLean
52 H.A.A	
53 H.A.A.	LtCol. F. Steele
17 L.A.A	LtCol. J. Byars
	Maj. L. T. Poulter
6 A.A.O.R.	Maj. P. W. Wood
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WESTERN COMMAND

H.Q. 1 A.G.R.A.	Brig. H. E. Wright, E.D.
H.Q. 5 A.G.R.A. (A.A.)	
15 Fd	
18 Fd	
19 Med	
41 A. Tk	
20 H.A.A.	
43 H.A.A.	
65 L.A.A	
66 L.A.A.	
68 L.A.A.	

OTTAWA RESERVE FORCE

14 Officers of the 30 Fd. Regt. R.C.A.

SUPPLEMENTARY RESERVE OR RETIRED

Maj. Gen. H. O. N. Brownfield, C.B.E., M.C. Maj. Gen. A. B. Matthews, C.B.E., D.S.O., E.D. Maj. Gen. R. H. Keefler, C.B.E., D.S.O., E.D. Brig. E.R. Suttie, C.B.E., D.S.O., E.D. Brig. R. J. Leach, M.C. Brig. A. V. Tremaine, C.B.E. Brig. G. E. Beament Col. W. R. McCaffrey Col. C. S. Craig, D.S.O., M.C. Col. D. MacMahon Lt.-Col. J. H. R. Thompson, M.B.E., E.D. Maj. A. Duguid

R.C.A. ACTIVE FORCE OFFICERS

Brig. H. A. Sparling, C.B.E.
Col. L. G. Clarke, O.B.E.
Col. J. S. Ross, D.S.O.
Col. S. E. E. Morres
Lt.-Col. E. M. Hodson, D.S.O.
Lt.-Col. R. J. Fisher, M.B.E., E.D.
Lt.-Col. A. Perron, E.D.
Lt.-Col. H. W. Sterne, M.B.E.
Lt.-Col. J. W. D. Symons
Lt.-Col. D. A. G. Waldock
Maj. G. L. Vincent
Capt. R. Farnell

RULES OF THE ROYAL CANADIAN ARTILLERY ASSOCIATION (Adopted by the General Meeting October 1949)

Name

1. The name of the Association shall be the Royal Canadian Artillery Association.

Object

2. The promotion of the efficiency and welfare of the Royal Canadian Artillery and of all matters pertaining to the Defence of Canada.

Patrons and Vice-Patrons

3. The Governor General of the Dominion and the Lieutenant-Governors of the Provinces shall be respectfully requested to become Patron and Vice-Patrons, respectively, of the Association.

Elected Officers of the Association

- 4. The Officers of the Association shall consist of:
 - (a) A President, (not to be eligible to serve two consecutive terms).
 - (b) Vice-Presidents, one from each Army Command, (Term one year, eligible for re-election).
 - (c) A Secretary offices may be combined, (to be elected annually),
 - (d) A Treasurer and an Assistant appointed.

Executive Committee

- 5. For the administration of the Association throughout the year, there will be an Executive Committee consisting of:
 - (a) The President and Vice-Presidents of the Association.
 - (b) Elected members:— Representatives from each Branch of the Artillery on the basis of approximately one representative per ten affiliated Regiments of each Branch except Observation and Location Regiments who will have one. Inasfar as possible representatives should be selected on a Territorial basis. As the number of Regiments in each Branch will seldom be an even ten or multiple thereof, the Executive Committee will, prior to the Annual General Meetting, decide on the number of representatives to be elected from each Branch,
 - (c) The two immediate past Presidents,
 - (d) Ex-officio: The Honorary Colonel Commandant of the Royal Canadian Artillery.

The Director Royal Canadian Artillery and Commandants Royal Schools of Artillery and Commanding Officers Active Force Artillery may be requested to attend meetings in an advisory capacity as required.

Members

- 6. The following are eligible as members:
 - (a) All Serving Artillery Officers of affiliated units of the Royal Canadian Artillery (Reserve Force).
 - (b) Other Serving Royal Canadian Artillery (Reserve Force) Officers who have paid current affiliation fee.

- (c) Ex-Artillery Officers of the Canadian and other British Commonwealth Forces acceptable to the Association who have paid affiliation fees.
- (d) Elected Honorary Life members
- (e) Life members.
- (f) Associate members;
 - (1) Active Force Officers Royal Canadian Artillery,
 - (2) Other Commonwealth Artillery Officers serving in Canada.

Affiliated Units

- 7. The following units will be eligible to affiliate with the Association:
 - (a) Headquarters of Commanders, Royal Canadian Artillery and Army Groups, Royal Canadian Artillery of the Reserve Force, and of such other Artillery Reserve Force Commanders as may be formed from time to time.
 - (b) Artillery Regiments of the Reserve Force.
 - (c) Independent Artillery sub-Units of the Reserve Force.
 - (d) Active Force Artillery Units.
 - (e) Royal Military College and Royal Roads.
 - (f) R.C.N., R.C.N.(R) and Royal Canadian Air Force Units detailed to co-operate with Artillery.
 - (g) Units of the Canadian Officers Training Corps.
 - (h) Cadet Corps affiliated to Artillery Units.

Elected Honorary Life Members

- 8. (a) Any person who is deemed to have rendered outstanding service to the Artillery may be elected an Honorary Life Member of the Association at a General Meeting. Record of Service in the Royal Canadian Artillery normally to be the dominant factor in selection.
 - (b) Numbers to be limited as may be decided from time to time by a General Meeting.
 - (c) Nominations must be submitted to the Secretary-Treasurer thirty days before Annual Meeting accompanied by reasons, and where applicable, by Service history. These nominations will be examined by the Executive Committee who will report their recommendations to the General Meeting before the Nomination Committee has its first meeting.
 - (d) Voting will be by all eligible voters present on each name submitted and will be carried out in the order of priority as recommended by the Executive Committee.

Life Member

9. Any Serving Officer R.C.A. (R.F.) or ex-Royal Canadian Artillery Officer may make application to become a Life Member by paying a fee of Fifty Dollars. Application will be forwarded to the Secretary and presented to the next General Meeting for consideration.

Affiliation Fees

10. (a) Reserve Force Units:— Fees will be based on the Artillery officer strength as at 31st March in each year, the rate to be determined each year at a General Meeting.

(b) Active Force Units: No fees required unless otherwise determined

at a General Meeting.

(c) Units shown in paragraph 7 (e, f, g, h) will not be required to pay fees.

(d) Individual Serving and Ex-officers:— An annual fee of \$3.00. Associate members will not be required to pay fees.

Rights of Members

11. (a) At a General Meeting all members will have the privilege of taking part in the proceedings other than voting.

(b) Voting will be restricted to those set forth in paragraph 12.

(c) Only Serving and Ex-Officers of the Royal Canadian Artillery (Reserve Force) and ex-officers of the Royal Canadian Artillery (Active Force) are eligible for election to office in the Association.

Eligible Voters

12. At General Meetings those eligible to vote will be:

(a) Elected Officers and members Executive Committee of the Association not representing a H.Q. or Unit.

(b) One representative from each.

(i) Headquarters, Commanders Royal Canadian Artillery and Army Groups, Royal Canadian Artillery, (Reserve Force) and such other headquarters as may be formed.

(ii) Regiment, Royal Canadian Artillery, (Reserve Force).

(iii) Independent Sub-Unit Royal Canadian Artillery (Reserve Force).

The appropriate fees for the previous Association year must have been paid before an individual or Unit representative is eligible to vote.

Proxy Votes

13. Any eligible voter or Unit who is not represented at a meeting may:

(a) On subjects of which notice has been given send to the Secretary a written vote.

(b) In any case, give "proxy powers" to any other eligible voter; this power to be notified to the Secretary in writing stating whether power is only for specific subjects or for all subjects that may arise. The above to apply to both General and Executive Committee Meetings. For purposes of voting the person or Unit giving the proxy shall be deemed present at the meeting and shall abide by vote of his Proxy.

General Meetings

14. (a) A General Meeting of the Association will be held annually, unless otherwise decided at a General Meeting.

(b) A Special General Meeting may be called by the President at the request or concurrence of two-thirds of the Executive Committee.

- (c) All members are eligible to attend. Representatives of affiliated Units as described in Para. 7 (e, f, g, h) may be asked by the Executive Committee to attend as observers.
- (d) The General Meetings will be held at a place and time of year to be decided at General Meetings, the exact dates to be decided by the Executive Committee.
- (e) The President will preside, but in his absence, the Senior Vice-President (based on Army seniority) present will take his place or, if none is present, the senior serving Reserve Force Officer.
- (f) At a General Meeting the business of the Association will be transacted and such powers as may be deemed fit will be delegated to the Executive Committee.

ELECTION OF OFFICERS AND EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

- 15. (a) All Officers and Members of the Executive Committee will be elected by a General Meeting.
 - (b) Nominations will be made as under:
 - (1) President,

Secretary,

Treasurer,

Auditor.

by the Executive Committee.

selected in each Branch.

(2) Vice-Presidents

by eligible voters from each Command for the nominees for their respective Commands.

(3) Representatives from Branches of the Artillery by the eligible voters from each Branch for the nominees of their respective Branches. Alternative name(s) will be

(c) Co-ordinating Committee:

A co-ordinating Committee composed of one member from each Command and nominated by the eligible voters of each Command will be appointed to make the final nomination from b(3) taking into consideration Territorial Representation of the whole Committee.

(d) Further nominations:

Further nominations will be called for after the list prepared by the above Committee has been presented to the Meeting, and may be put forward by any member of the Association. These further nominations must, however, in the case of Vice-Presidents or Representatives of Branch of the Artillery be to specifically replace a nomination made in accordance paras. 5(b) (2) and (3).

Resolutions Committee

16. At any General Meeting where Resolutions are to be presented a Resolutions Committee(s) will be appointed whose duty will be to frame the approved Resolutions in accordance with the opinions

expressed by the meeting. The Committee will consist of one member from each Army Command, selected by the eligible voters of each Command, and such other members as the President may consider necessary in view of the nature of the Resolutions being presented. The Committee(s) will elect its own Chairman.

Changes in Rules of Association

17. (a) Changes in Rules of the Association will be made only with the approval of a General Meeting.

(b) Any proposed changes will be notified to the Secretary 60 days

in advance of the Meeting.

(c) The Secretary will notify such proposed changes to Units in time for delegates to obtain their Units views before leaving for the Meeting.

Functions of Executive Committee

18. (a) Perform such functions as are allotted to it annually by the General Meeting.

(b) Take such action regarding new business, as cannot wait until the next General Meeting, as they may see fit.

(c) Report to General Meeting all actions taken.

(d) Meet as required by the President of the Association, or if he is not available, by order of Senior Vice-President, (Army seniority) available, or make decisions by written vote in routine or minor matters. If President not present senior Vice-President, (Army seniority) will preside.

(e) A quorum will consist of six members but must have representatives of at least three Commands.

(f) In the event of no member of the Executive Committee from a Command being available and the representative Vice-President from the Command concerned does not consider the views of the Command can be expressed in writing or by proxy he may delegate an officer not below the rank of Major to attend and vote for the Command.

(g) The Presiding Officer will have a "Casting Vote".

Minutes of Meeting

 (a) Extracts of the Minutes of all General Meetings will be published in the Annual Report.

(b) Any action authorized by the Executive Committee will be pub-

lished in the Annual Report.

Secretary, Duties of

20. It shall be the duty of the Secretary to attend all Meetings of the Association and of the Executive Committee; to keep minutes of the transactions at such Meetings in books provided by the Association and to be kept by him for that purpose; to conduct the correspondence, and give all notices required by the rules or by Order of the Association, or the Executive Committee, as the case may be, or the presiding officers thereof, to prepare all reports of the prize lists, and certify and

submit the same to the proper meetings and officers of the Association, and to keep records thereof. He shall be responsible for notifying all Units and members of amount of dues. To discharge such other duties as may be required from time to time by the Annual General Meeting, the Executive Committee, or by the President. The remuneration of the Secretary shall be fixed by the General Meeting from time to time. He will not be eligible to vote at a General or Executive Meeting.

Treasurer, Duties of

21. The Treasurer shall deposit to the credit of the Association, in a Bank named by a General Meeting, all sums of money paid over to him on behalf of the Association. The payment of all monies for current expenses will be in accordance with the instructions of General Meetings or authority of the Executive Committee. Payments to be made by cheque drawn by the Treasurer, and countersigned by the President of the Association, a member of the Executive Committee, or a member of the Association nominated by them and not below the rank of Major. The remuneration of the Treasurer shall be fixed by the General Meeting from time to time. He will not be entitled to vote at a General or Executive Meeting.

The Treasurer shall prepare annually his accounts up to the end of the Association year, and submit the same with all proper vouchers, to the auditor of the Association for his audit and at such other times as may be directed by the Executive Committee. The auditor's report and statement will be presented to the next General Meeting. He will not be eligible to vote at a General or Executive Meeting.

Auditing of Accounts

22. Accounts will be audited annually.

A Chartered Accountant, International Accountant, or other qualified Accountant will be appointed annually by the General Meeting to audit the accounts of the Association. The date of closing the accounts for audit will be decided by the Executive Committee. The audit will be presented to the next General Meeting.

Travelling Expenses

- 23. Rates and numbers to whom issued will depend on funds available:
 - (a) Rates will be decided at each Annual General Meeting for attendance at General and Executive Meetings.
 - (b) The total number whose expenses will be paid for attendance at the next General Meeting will be decided at each General Meeting under the following factors:

(i) Expenses will be paid to all members of Executive Committee,

attending a meeting, in accordance with (a) above.

(ii) If representatives from all Units cannot be paid, allotment to Commands will be in proportion to number of Units in each Command, and Members of Executive on strength of Units will be considered as representatives of their own Units and count as part of the Command allotment.

(c) All members attending meetings of the Executive Committee will have their expenses paid in accordance with (a) above. If from lack of funds the General Meeting should limit the funds for travelling, the Executive Committee may at their pleasure restrict the allowable expense to each member or limit the number attending in accordance with the subjects to be discussed.

Order of Business

- 24. The following order of business will be observed at the Annual General Meeting:
 - (a) Presentation of Reports.
 - (b) General Business.
 - (c) Election of Officers.
 - (d) New Business.

The outgoing president, or the officer presiding at the Meeting, will preside at the Annual Dinner.

Cancellation of Membership

25. The membership of any member or the affiliation of any Unit may be cancelled by a three-fifth's vote at a General Meeting. Before a vote is taken the person or unit concerned must be given an opportunity to present his rebuttal in writing and may, if they so desire, address the meeting in person. In the case of H.Q. or Unit the address will be limited to the C.O. or one person nominated by him.