

Regiment Served With Distinction in War Two

This is the sixth of a series of articles dealing with the history of the Lorne Scots. In October the Peel Dufferin Halton militia unit will be presented with its colors by a representative of Her Majesty, during the World Plowing Match at Major Conn Smythe's Caledon Farms. All former members of the unit are invited to attend the ceremony and allied social functions. Send your name and address to Chairman Invitations Committee, Lorne Scots, 48 John St., Brampton, Ont.

WORLD WAR II: 1939-1946

Prior to the declaration of War by Canada on September 10th, 1939, it was determined to send one Canadian Division to support Great Britain. Twelve Permanent Force and Militia units with the necessary auxiliary forces were chosen to form the first Canadian division. Lt. Col. Keene, Commanding Officer, The Lorne Scots, was given the authority to mobilize from unit personnel No. 1 Infantry base depot to form a part of the first Canadian Division. Later the Lorne Scots was selected as the regiment to form Defence and Employment platoons for the entire Canadian Army. The base depot became a Repatriation Depot with personnel in England, France and Italy. The reserve regiment mobilized guards for all armories. Col. R. D. Connor, V.D., assumed command of the 2nd Reserve Battalion on September 3, 1939 and administrative and training staff consisting of the commanding officer, adjutant, a training officer, a company sergeant major for each separate company headquarters and an orderly room sergeant was called out on May 6th, 1940. Schools were held in the evening for NCO and specialist training and annual training was carried out at summer camps. A number of officers transferred to various units and to staff. In addition a draft of one officer and 150 men was mobilized for the 48th Highlanders and 35 officers and 350 D.R. for Lorne Scots details, personnel for 3rd and 4th Inf. Div. Defence platoons and 7, 8, 9, 10, 11 and 12 Infantry Brigades. Defence Platoons: Col. Conover was given command of No. 24 Canadian Army Basic Training centre on 18 March, 1942, and Lt. Col. L. H. Bertram assumed command. Recruiting for the active force and for the reserve unit was intensified. The regiment furnished most of the personnel for the 6th, 7th and 8th Div. Def. Platoons and 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, 18, 19, 20 and 21 Bde. Def. Platoons for service in Canada with the Home Defence Forces. The platoons of 7th Div. took part in the Kiska operation.

SERVICE IN BRITAIN, FRANCE, SICILY AND ITALY

On 31st Aug. 1950, Lt. Col. Louis Keene was authorized to organize a headquarters and two companies of an Infantry base depot, Canadian Active Service Force. When strength had reached 8 officers and 58 men recruiting was stopped. The unit moved to the automobile building, Exhibition Park, Toronto on Dec. 30th. This unit moved overseas late in January, disembarking at Gourock on 8th of February, 1940. They were first located at Aldershot and later Cove, June, 1940, was the first day as a base depot. The unit expanded from 55 all ranks to 1700. Major Lent, CSM (Ching) and 14 other ranks left for France to establish an infantry base depot at Chateaubriand, France. The advance party returned on the 18th with other elements of the first division. On March 12, 1941, the unit moved to Seaforth Barracks in Liverpool. During the heavy blitz the troops rendered very valuable service in aid of the civil power. Major D. C. Heagie, Medical Officer, was severely wounded. He was granted the George Medal for his participation in the rescue of civilians. The unit moved to various places and was serving as a repatriation depot when disembarked 11 July, 1941. Personnel became No. 1 Canadian Gen. Depot Depot and took over Tweedsmuir Camp Thursday on 10th Dec. 1941. As No. 1 Canadian Non-Effective Transport Depot. Eventually as the number of non-effectives returning to Canada increased, four additional wings were established. Thousands of Canadian soldiers passed through these camps as returned instructors. Casualties, E Category men and others returning for various duties in Canada. The unit was disbanded 1st Feb. 1947.

The First Canadian Army Defence Company, Lorne Scots, with Major V. G. H. Phillips to command and a strength of 6 officers and 160 other ranks was formed on 7 July, 1942. The Company assumed guard duties at Army Headquarters and immediately commenced training. This unit attended the Lorne Scots training camp at Sheffield Park in June, 1942,

and at Cissbury Park, April 10 to May 11, 1943. It was disbanded 30th April, 1944, as the Royal Montreal Regiment was to take over the duties.

No. 1 Canadian Corps Protective Unit was organized Dec. 1940, consisting of 5 Officers, 130 O.R.s organized into three platoons with eight vehicles under Major Mathews as O.C. On 1 Feb. 1941, it became a Lorne Scot unit. Lorne Scots officers, Lt. E. W. Dodd, Lt. D. A. Reid, Lt. C. W. Darling, Lt. Jim M. Conover, were appointed on Sept. 1, 1941. Major E. H. Chisholm assumed command Jan. 1942. The unit was a part of the Lorne Scots training battalion at Sheffield Park from 8 June, 1942, to 6 July. On 23 December, 1942, Lieut. Act. Capt. S. Beatty assumed command. On 24th June, 1943, the unit embarked on S.S. Alexander at Gourock for Sicily, disembarking on Nov. 8th off Augusta, crossed to Italy on 18th of Jan. On 15th Feb. 1944, they relieved a company of the Seaforth Highlanders in battle positions 3 miles north of Ortona until the 27. The Company moved with the Canadian Corps, supplying guards, piquets, provost and Prisoner of War cage guards. Major Brennan, who had commanded the company was seriously injured. Major S. Beatty assumed command on 3rd August, 1944. The unit embarked Feb. 17th, 1945, on HMS Esperance Bay for France, landing at Marseilles and finally concentrated in vicinity of Antwerp on 12 Mar. 1945. They were on the outskirts of Apeldoorn when German surrendered on May 4th, 1945, and were disbanded 31st Dec. 1945.

The second Canadian Corps Defence Company (Lorne Scots) was mobilized 21 August, 1942. Major H. G. Peacock commanding, with a strength of 5 officers and 167 other ranks supplying guards and duties for corps headquarters. The unit attended the Lorne Scot concentration April 10th, 1943, at Cissbury Park. On 1 Nov. 1943, the unit was disbanded as the Pr. Edward Island Light Horse was to assume their duties, many Lorne Scots personnel transferring to the new unit.

No. 1 Defence and Employment platoon for the first Canadian Division was authorized 6 Feb. 1941, with a strength of 1 Officer and 60 other ranks. Under Lt. S. Strathy the unit embarked on HMS Hiliary at Gourock on the 15th June, 1943, landing on the beach in Sicily on July 13th. On 22 July Cpl. Cox and Pte Barrett were killed by machine gun fire. The unit crossed to Italy on 3rd Sept. and assumed duties, guards, piquets on headquarters as well as guarding POW cages. On 12th February, 1945, the unit embarked on an LST landing in France on 18th, and proceeded by stages to Ziegam, Belgium, and were in the vicinity of Voorhuizen, on V Day. The unit was disbanded on the 28th August, 1945.

No. 2 Defence and Employment platoon (Lorne Scots) for 2nd Can. Inf. Division, was authorized 6 Feb. 1941. On August 28th, Lt. J. R. Black assumed command and 17 Lorne Scots joined to bring the platoon up to strength. The unit, under Lt. R. R. Kelley embarked 3rd July, 1944, and began unloading on Juno Beach, 6th July, assuming protective duties on 7th. On 25th two men were killed, 9 wounded by enemy bombing. The unit paraded through Dieppe on 3rd Sept. and on 8th Nov. were in the vicinity of Nijmegen, crossed the Rhine on 20th March and was road building at Oldenburgh on 4th of May, V-Day and was disbanded 13 Oct. 1945.

No. 3 Defence and Employment Platoon (for 3rd Canadian Division) was authorized 7th April, 1941, and was mobilized at Standard Barracks at Hamilton Ont., from Lorne Scot personnel. Lt. Charles Barclay assumed command. The unit moved overseas and was attached to 3 Can. Div. Headquarters, assumed duties and commenced training July 2, 1942. Lt. J. D. Stewart assumed command. On June 2nd, 1944, the unit embarked for France, wading ashore at 1630 hours, 7th June, arriving at Divisional Headquarters at 2100 hours. This defence platoon moved with the Division during the heavy fighting in July and August. On 7th September, the platoon was attached as reinforcements to Queen's Own Rifles during the Boulogne operations. Lt. D. Stewart and two other ranks were killed and four others wounded. Lt. W. W. Long assumed command on 11th October. The Division was engaged in fighting in Holland and Germany and was in the vicinity of Leer when the cease fire sounded at 0800 hours, May 5th, 1945. The unit was disbanded on 30th October, 1945.

No. 4 Defence and Employment platoon was authorized 10 May, 1941, at Standard Barracks, Hamilton, under Lt. J. C.

Seats on the strength when hostilities ceased. Only one man, Pte. Gray, was killed by enemy action.

Georgetown Man Takes Erin Bride

Donna Marie, only daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Russell Snider, Erin, was united in marriage with Roland Clarence McPherson, only son of Mr. and Mrs. Clarence McPherson, Georgetown, in a ceremony in Grace United Church, Brampton, on 10th July, 1946. Rev. Douglas Stringer officiated for the ceremony. The bride wore a street-length dress of white lace over satin, featuring a lace jacket, buttoned at the back, she carried a cascade of red roses and white Stephanotis. The bride's hair was styled in a short, wavy, shoulder-length veil. The groom's attire was a dark suit with a white shirt and a dark tie. The ceremony was attended by Wayne Bingham.

A reception followed at the home of the bride's parents, which had been decorated with pink and white streamers and baskets of flowers. The bride's mother received wearing a blue silk shantung sheath with a white floral pattern, white and blue accessories and a corsage of white carnations. She was assisted by the groom's mother wearing a pink sheath with white accessories and a corsage of white carnations. For a honeymoon to Niagara Falls and Northern Ontario, the bride wore a pale blue brocade tulle dress with a matching hat and gloves. The bride's hair was styled in a short, wavy, shoulder-length veil. The groom's attire was a dark suit with a white shirt and a dark tie. The ceremony was attended by Wayne Bingham.

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Check Before Firing Up Chief Warns Household

With the arrival of cooler weather and the fall heating season, Fire Chief Bob Bonfield today issued a warning to all householders to have their heating equipment thoroughly checked before putting it in use. "Every year we receive numerous calls to extinguish fires caused by faulty heating equipment," he said. "Most of these calls could have been avoided had the homeowner had his furnace properly inspected. Here, blocked passages, due to carbon or unburned gas, can affect the clear passage of fumes or smoke, cut off the electrical draft, or otherwise cause a very stubborn fire. This dampness has been built up during the long summer season and causes short circuits in motors, thermostats and ignition controls. This in turn causes fire in the insulation of the chimney flues and smoke boxes. Clogging of these areas can be disastrous. The chief also pointed out that where home owners had gas flow meters and matching air flow meters should be checked and held by a corse of pipe. The couple will reside in the Georgetown district.

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