

RUSSIAN TOUR

Last Friday and Saturday the Geraldton office of the Department of Lands and Forests were host to a group of four Russian foresters touring Canada. The Russian group included Chief Forester and Fire Suppression Chief for Russia.

Department personnel accompanying the group on their tour of Ontario included Messrs. Foster and Affleck of Toronto. Mr. Ringham, Regional Director, Port Arthur joined the party at Geraldton. District staff and Mr. Penna, of Kimberly-Clark Pulp and Paper Company accompanied the group while touring various operations and points of interest.

Before leaving Saturday morning a hearty lumberjack breakfast was prepared and served to the group at the Department staff house at the Geraldton Chief Ranger base.

The Russian group brought a film along with them depicting forest fire fighting methods used in Russia. This film was taken in Russia with English narration. Of particular interest was their integral float tank water bomber and use of retardents.

The party viewed a prescribed burn area at Raynar Lake. From Raynar Lake they moved to the recent large fire in the Nakina Division of Wababimiga Lake. This gave the Russian party an opportunity to view a burned area of considerable magnitude and the effects of fire on an area where timber utilization was taking place at the time of the fire outbreak. The logging operation of Kimberly-Clark in the area of the fire was visited and proved to be of interest to the visitors.

The tubed seedling operation in the immediate area was briefly viewed and discussed prior to departure of the touring group.

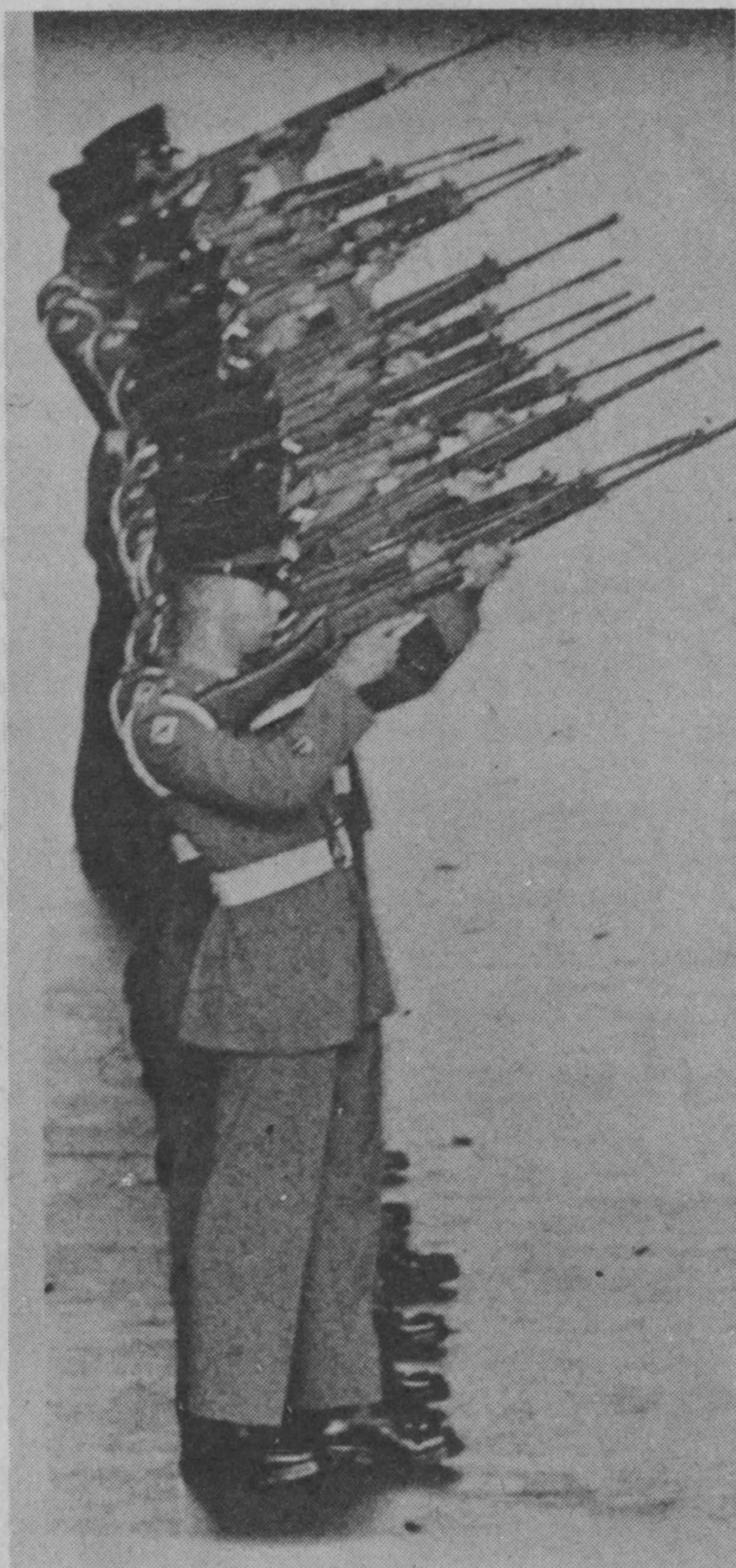
Business Press News: Parliamentary consumers committee recommends an end to the tax treatment of margarine. Federal sales tax on margarine was complained of frequently by consumer groups. It agreed with the conclusion of the recent royal commission on taxation that from a neutrality standpoint, it is imperative that both butter and margarine receive the same tax treatment.

A new foil-lined polyethylene tube for toothpaste has been developed and officials predict by the end of the year every major toothpaste manufacturer will be packaging at least one brand of toothpaste in the "squeeze from the top" tube.



Members of the unarmed combat team of the four Royal Canadian Horse Artillery will provide a display of physical fitness in each performance of the touring show "Forces 67" in Terrace Bay - July 16.

These men are trained to protect themselves from armed attackers. They will demonstrate their capability to disarm aggressors, carrying pistols, knives and clubs, with their bare hands.



One of the noisier and more colorful segments of "Forces 67" performances will be the ripple firing.

The guard, composed of members of four Royal Canadian Horse Artillery will take up position in the centre of the performance area. At a command of the Guard Commander, Lieutenant R.J.M. Selman, they will fire their weapons individually and split seconds after one another. This causes a rippling effect of explosions down the ranks.

As the last shot echoes out the military band will play "O Canada". This is a show well worth seeing by the whole family.