

The Army's Royal Guests-

Nov 29th. '56.

Chelsea-- Service veterans lined the great Hall of the Royal Hospital when the Queen and members of her family, dined as guests of the Army. Her Majesty was escorted by the War Minister, Mr John Hare, while each of the other Royal guests was attended by a Field-Marshal. Queen Elizabeth the Queen Mother by Sir Gerald Templer.

Princess Margaret by Lord Ironside.

The Duke of Gloucester by Lord Alambrooke.

The Duchess of Gloucester by Lord Alexander of Tunis.

The Princess Royal by Lord Montgomery of Alamein, and the Duchess of Kent by Sir Claude Auchinleck.

Another ~~xxx~~ Service host was Sir John Harding- home from Cyprus for consultations.

The Queen was paying personal tribute to her Army's glorious record through the years. And it was fitting that the dinner should be held in the Pensioners' own dining room. ^{For} since ~~Mr~~/Charles II founded the Royal Hospital, the Reigning Sovereign has always enjoyed its hospitality.

An honoured guest from the Senior Service was ~~xxxxxxxxxx~~ Admiral of the Fleet- Earl Mountbatten.

After replying to the toast of her health, the Queen spoke of ~~THE~~ ARMY'S PROUD TRADITIONS. (Sound)-

~~Before proposing a toast to the army,~~ Her Majesty congratulated Sir Gerald Templer on his promotion to Field-Marshal, after 12 months as C.I.G.S. (Sound to end)-