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PRINCESS ELIZABETH VISITS PORTSMOUTH

At Portsmouth the Lord Lieutenant of Hampshire, the Lord Mayor and service chiefs welcome Princess Elizabeth on a short visit to the city.

H.R.H. is received at the new officers' club built by the Nuffield Trust, by Lord and Lady Nuffield and the C-in-C Portsmouth, Admiral Sir Arthur Power. The club which is open to the three services already has a membership of 12-hundred. In the entrance hall is a memorial plaque which the Princess unveils.

After signing the visitors book, to keep everything shipshape, the Princess joins the company for the opening ceremony.

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After lunch at the club, the Princess visits the Cennaught Drill Hall. Badly damaged in an air-raid ten years ago, it's been re-built for the use of the 383rd Light Regiment, R.A., Territorial Army.

Now Her Royal Highness is to re-open the drill hall and dedicate it to its purpose ... if only the lock will yield to persuasion.

Inside, more than two thousand await the Princess. Restored to their old quarters, the regiment remembers its old comrades, and representatives from many territorial regiments are present to add their tribute on this solemn occasion.

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And now comes the great moment as the Provost hands back the regimental colours long stored in Portsmouth Cathedral for safe-keeping.

And now as the Princess watches the 383rd proudly march away their colours to their own safe-keeping, and the Princess' official visit comes to an end.

SPECIAL FOR PORTSMOUTH

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SPEECH

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"I have much pleasure in declaring open this club given by Lord Nuffield for the use and enjoyment of officers and their families of the three services."

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"I unveil this memorial to officers and men of this regiment who gave their lives for King and country in the South African war and the two world wars."