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From W. A. Bauchop,
Glasgow Branch Manager.



To Mr. G. J. Cummins,
News Editor,

Please refer to WAB/MM

6th February, 1953.

Attached please find copy letter received to-day from the Town Clerk of Dumfries, I think this would make a very attractive story.

*Diary event -
possible if we
are short-but the
KOSB have had the
quite a lot of foot
in the reel over the
post-annals*

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W.A. Bauchop
Glasgow Branch Manager.

MUNICIPAL CHAMBERS,

DUMFRIES.

5th February, 1953.

W. A. Bauchop, Esq.,
Manager,
Associated British-Pathe, Ltd.,
114, Union Street,
Glasgow.

Dear Sir,

The Town of Dumfries is conferring upon the K.O.S.Bs the freedom to enter the Town on Ceremonial Occasions with Bayonets fixed, Drums beating and Colours Flying. This event will take place on the 7th March, 1953 in the forenoon, H.R.S. the Duchess of Gloucester as Colonel in Chief will attend to receive the Scroll. The proceedings will take place in the open air and the K.O.S.Bs are sending detachments from four or five of their battalions. There is also to be in attendance some ten neighbouring Provosts and altogether the event which can never happen again should be a colourful occasion. I am writing in the hope that you can see your way to send your photographers and to include what they take, in the various newsreels and pictures of which you are associated.

Yours faithfully,

J. HUTCHEON,

Town Clerk. ;h

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ROYAL BURGH OF DUMFRIES

Municipal Chambers,

Dumfries 26th February 1953

Dear Sir,

K.O.S.B. Freedom

I enclose the final approved Timetable and Order of Ceremony which I have received from General Miles, who informs me that this timetable has now been approved by Her Royal Highness. Please note that the time of the ceremony is earlier and that the place has been changed to the Whitesands. The Saluting Base remains at Buccleuch Street.

Yours faithfully,

Hutchison
Town Clerk.

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Dumfries Stone
Mr. Wimmer

FINAL APPROVED TIMETABLE AND ORDER OF CEREMONY OF
CONFERRING ON THE K.O.S.B. THE FREEDOM OF ENTRY INTO
THE ROYAL BURGH OF DUMFRIES ON CEREMONIAL OCCASIONS
WITH BAYONETS FIXED; DRUMS BEATING AND COLOURS FLYING.

SATURDAY, 7th MARCH 1953.

10.00-10.15 Bells of the Midsteeple ring out.

10.15-10.40 Band and Pipes of the K.O.S.B. will play at the
Whitesands.

10.30 a.m.
(approx.) Her Royal Highness, accompanied by the Lord Lieutenant
of Dumfriesshire and Mrs. Crabbe, and the Lady in
Waiting, leave DUNCOW HOUSE in 2 cars provided by the
Town Council.

10.45 a.m. Her Royal Highness arrives at the WHITESANDS at the top
or north barrier of the Parade Ground. When Her Royal
Highness alights from her car, the Lord Lieutenant will
present the PROVOST, Provost Bell. The COLONEL OF THE
REGIMENT will await Her Royal Highness at the same place,
unless desired to report earlier. Her Royal Highness,
on entering the Parade Ground, will be received with
a ROYAL SALUTE, all Colours will be dipped and the
Regimental Band will play the NATIONAL ANTHEM.

The COLONEL OF THE REGIMENT will present the Officer
Commanding the Parade, Major G.M. DINWIDDIE. Her Royal
Highness, accompanied by the LORD LIEUTENANT, the
PROVOST and the COLONEL OF THE REGIMENT, will then
inspect the GUARD OF HONOUR, supplied by the 5th
(Dumfries and Galloway) Battalion, The King's Own
Scottish Borderers. Afterwards, Her Royal Highness
will be conducted to where the Members of the K.O.S.B.
Regimental Association will be on parade. The Chairman
of the Dumfries Branch of the Association, Major
J. WYLLIE IRVING, will be presented to her by the
Colonel of the Regiment. (Note. Mrs. Crabbe and
the Lady in Waiting will not accompany Her Royal
Highness during these inspections).

When the inspections have been completed, the PROVOST
will conduct Her Royal Highness to the DAIS, where the
Provost's wife, the TOWN CLERK and the TOWN CHAPLAIN
will be presented.

11.00 a.m.
(approx.) FANFARE played by the K.O.S.B. Regimental Band, to be
followed by a PRAYER by the TOWN CHAPLAIN.

The PROVOST will then call upon the TOWN CLERK to read
the SCROLL conferring on the K.O.S.B. the Freedom of
Entry into the Royal Burgh of Dumfries on ceremonial
occasions with bayonets fixed, drums beating and
Colours flying.

After the SCROLL has been read by the Town Clerk, the
PROVOST will address the assembly and invite Her Royal
Highness to accept the Scroll and the Freedom which
it gives. Her Royal Highness will be invited to sign
the Burgess Roll and will receive the Scroll, which
will be laid on a table beside her.

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Her Royal Highness will then reply, thanking the Town Council for the Honour done to her Regiment.

The Officer Commanding the Parade will give the order "SLOPE ARMS". "THE KING'S OWN SCOTTISH BORDERERS WILL SALUTE THE CITIZENS OF THE ROYAL BURGH OF DUMFRIES." "PRESENT ARMS."

During this Salute, the Regimental Colours only will be dipped in salute, and the PIPES and DRUMS of the 5th Battalion will play the REGIMENTAL MARCH (Blue Bonnets o'er the Border).

The Parade will then "SLOPE ARMS". Then the Provost will call for "THREE CHEERS for THE KING'S OWN SCOTTISH BORDERERS."

11.45 a.m.
(approx.)

Her Royal Highness will leave the DAIS and be conducted to her car. When Her Royal Highness reaches the north or top barrier, the Officer Commanding the Parade will order a ROYAL SALUTE, All Colours will be dipped and the Regimental Band will play the NATIONAL ANTHEM.

Her Royal Highness, accompanied by the Lady in Waiting, the Lord Lieutenant, the Provost and the Colonel of the Regiment, and possibly other ladies present, will proceed in 4 cars to the Municipal Chambers where the PROVOST will conduct Her Royal Highness to the Reception Room to await the arrival of the Town Council and other guests at the Saluting Base.

12 noon
(approx.)

Her Royal Highness will be conducted to the Saluting Base for the MARCH PAST by THE KING'S OWN SCOTTISH BORDERERS in the following order of march:-

Pipes & Drums of the 5th Battalion, K.O.S.B.
Regimental Band, the 1st Battalion, K.O.S.B.

Officer Commanding the Parade.

Colour Party of the 5th Battalion, K.O.S.B.
Guard of Honour, the 5th Battalion, K.O.S.B.
Colour Party of the 1st Battalion, K.O.S.B.
Colour Party of the 2nd Battalion, K.O.S.B. (Depot)
Detachment from the 1st Battalion, K.O.S.B.
Colour Party of the 4th Battalion, K.O.S.B.
Detachment from the 4th Battalion, K.O.S.B.

When the MARCH PAST has taken place, the Provost will conduct Her Royal Highness into the Municipal Chambers where visiting Provosts, Town Councillors and the wives of Councillors will be presented to Her Royal Highness, Sherry will be served.

1 o'clock

Her Royal Highness, accompanied by the Lady in Waiting, the Provost and Mrs. Bell, the Lord Lieutenant and Mrs. Crabbe and the Colonel of the Regiment, will proceed by car to LAY a wreath on the WAR MEMORIAL and then to the STATION HOTEL, where a room will be at the disposal of Her Royal Highness.

1.30 p.m.

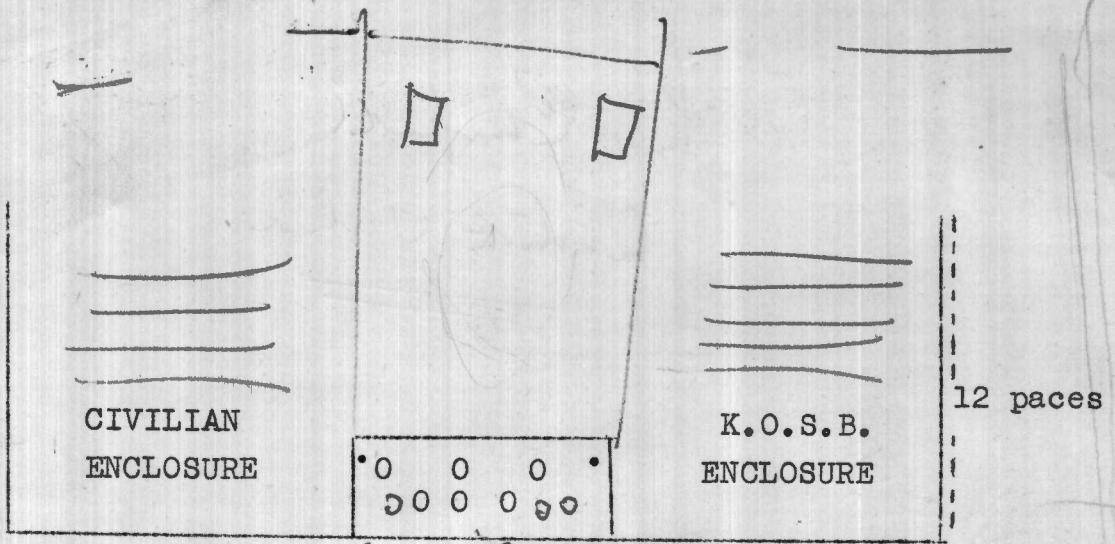
Her Royal Highness will be entertained to LUNCH, at the Station Hotel, by the PROVOST.

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It seems probable that Luncheon will not be finished until about 3 p.m. This would allow an interval of only some 45 minutes before Her Royal Highness has to leave for the Officers Tea Party, which is being arranged by Commanding Officer and the Officers of the 5th Battalion, K.O.S.B. A sitting room will be reserved at the Station Hotel, in case Her Royal Highness may wish to rest.

3.45 p.m. Her Royal Highness attends the Tea Party, arranged by Lieut. Colonel Walter Ross and the Officers, 5th Battalion, at the Assembly Rooms, to which Civic Officials and Officers and their wives will be invited.

NOTE. In the event of WET WEATHER the ceremony will take place in the DRILL HALL. /



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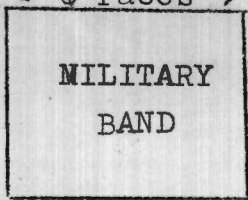
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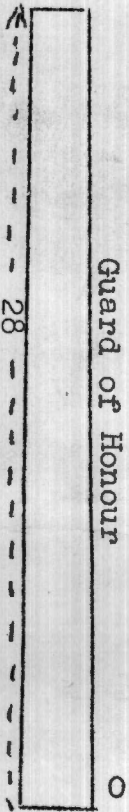
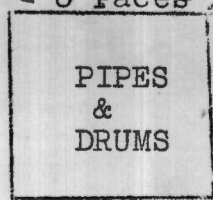
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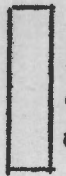
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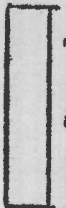
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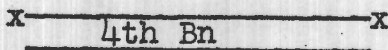
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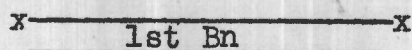


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