Since the list of holders of the Victoria Cross on Parade went to press there have been the following changes :

ON PARADE

Name Brig A. E. Cumming vc, obe, MC Mr. H. Kenny vc Major M. S. S. Moore vc

Lt Col E. C. T. Wilson vc

Lt-Col Frontier Forces Regt

Pte 1st Bn Royal Lancashire Regt 2nd Lieut Hampshire Regt att 15th Bn

Regiment

A/Captain East Surrey Regt

Malaya 3 Jan. 1942

Nr Loos, France, 25 Sept. 1915 Nr Tower Hamlets East of Ypres, Belgium 20 Aug. 1917 Somaliland 11/15 Aug. 1940

Place and Date

NOT ON PARADE

Group Captain F. H. Kirby vc, cBE, DCM W/Comd R. A. B. Learoyd vc Comd W. St. A. Malleson vc, RN Mr. A. Mountain vc

20th June 1956

V.C. REVIEW.

The Duke and Duchess of Gloucester, The Princess Royal and the Duchess of Kent, who are attending the parade will arrive at the Royal Marquee at 11.15 a.m. Their Royal Highnesses will be received on arrival by the Secretary of State for War.

At 11.15 a.m. Queen Elizabeth the Queen Mother, accompanied by The Princess Margaret, will leave Clarence House in a motor car and will arrive at the Royal Marquee at 11.20 a.m. Her Majesty and Her Royal Highness will be received by the Secretary of State for War.

At 11.20 a.m. The Queen and the Duke of Edinburgh will leave Buckingham Palace in a Carriage Procession escorted by a Captain's Escort of the Household Cavalry, with Standard, and will drive to Hyde Park via Constitution Hill, Apsley Gate and Serpentine Road, arriving at 11.30 a.m. at the Royal Marquee.

On arrival at the dais Her Majesty and His Royal Highness will be received by the Minister of Defence.

The War Office, Whitehall, S.W. 1. 21st June. 1956.

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REVIEW OF HOLDERS OF THE VICTORIA CROSS BY H.M. THE QUEEN IN HYDE PARK ON TUESDAY, 26TH JUNE, 1956.

A special parade ground for the review has been marked out in Hyde Park just to the west of the Broad Walk and opposite the Grosvenor Gate ** leading from Park Lane into the East carriage drive.

A covered dais has been erected for the members of the Royal Family and for the Prime Ministers of the Commonwealth who are able to attend.

Members of the Royal Family on this dais will include :-

H.M. The Queen

H.R.H. The Duke of Edinburgh

Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth The Queen Mother

H.R.H. Princess Margaret

H.R.H. The Duke and Duchess of Gloucester

H.R.H. The Princess Royal

H.R.H. The Duchess of Kent

There will also be on the dais the Prime Minister, Sir Anthony Eden, and Ledy Eden; the Minister of Defence, Sir Walter Monokton, and Ledy Ruthven; Admiral Sir Dunbar Nas th, VC, Vice Admiral of the United Kingdom; Mr. R.G. Menzies (Prime Minister of Australia) and Dame Pattie Menzies; Mr. L.S. St Laurent (Prime Minister of Canada) and Madame Mathieu Samson, his daughter; Mr. S.G. Holland (Prime Minister of New Zealand) and Mrs. Holland; Lord Malvern (Prime Minister of the Federation of Rhodesia and Nyasaland); Pandit S.J. Nehru (Prime Minister of India) and Mrs Ghandi, his daughter.

Members of the Cabinet, Service Ministers, representatives of the Opposition, representatives of the Churches, the Board of Admiralty, the Army and Air Councils, the chairman of the Chiefs of Staff Committee, Admirals of the Fleet, Field Marshals, and Marshals of the Royal Air Force will occupy the seats in the stands immediately adjacent to the Royal Dais on Her Majesty's right.

The Ambassedors of Denmark and Nepal, the High Commissioners of the Commonwealth Countries, the Colonial Governors, the Lord Mayors and Lord Provests, the members of the House of Lords and the House of Commons will occupy the seats in the stands immediately adjacent to the Royal Dais on Her Majesty's left.

The Queen, accompanied by the Duke of Edinburgh, is due to arrive at the parade ground at 11.30 a.m. She will be driving in an open carriage escorted by a Captain's Escort of The Household Cavalry. Her Majesty will be received by the Minister of Defence, who, after presenting the Chiefs of Staff, will conduct her to the Royal dais.

Holders of the Victoria Cross will be formed up in three ranks, facing the Royal dais, by countries in the following order:-

> British Isles contingent British Gurkha contingent Canadian contingent Australian contingent New Zealand contingent South African contingent Indian contingent Pakistan contingent Federation of Rhodesia and Nyasaland contingent Those in wheeled chairs

Within the contingencies VCs will be in alphabetical order.

Lieutenant-General Lord Freyberg, VC, GCMG, KCB, KBE, DSO, will be in command of the parade.

Behind the VCs will be guards of honour from the Royal Navy, the Army and the RAF and the bands of the Royal Marines, the Scots Guards and the RAF.

The Queen will be greeted with a Royal Salute, and at the end of the playing of the National Anthem she will descend from the Royal dais and will walk to the left along the line of the relatives of posthumous VCs in the front row of chairs. She will be accompanied by The Duke of Edinburgh and attended by Admiral Sir Martin Dunbar Nasmith and an equerry.

She will then proceed to the right of the line where Lord Freyberg will receive her and be in attendance throughout her inspection. She will walk down each rank in turn, starting with the right of the front rank moving down the centre rank from left to right, and the rear rank from right to left.

Commanders for each national contingent will call the ranks of their contingents to attention as the Queen approaches.

At the conclusion of the Review the Queen will return to the Royal dais and will deliver an address.

At the end of the Queen's address the VCs will march past to the band of the Royal Air Force, who will move to a position behind the centre of the rear rank before the march past begins.

Wheel chairs are being provided for any VCs who may need them. It is felt the review would not be complete if all holders of the VC did not go by Her Majesty, and it is therefore planned that orderlies from the Services should push the chairs past at the rear of the column.

At the conclusion of the march past of the VCs the Queen will be conducted to her carriage by the Linister of Defence, and she will depart, accompanied by the Duke of Edinburgh, by the same route as she arrived.

Guards of honour and troops keeping the ground will march off, and VCs may then rejoin their relatives in the stands or return to Mellington Barracks by coach.

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