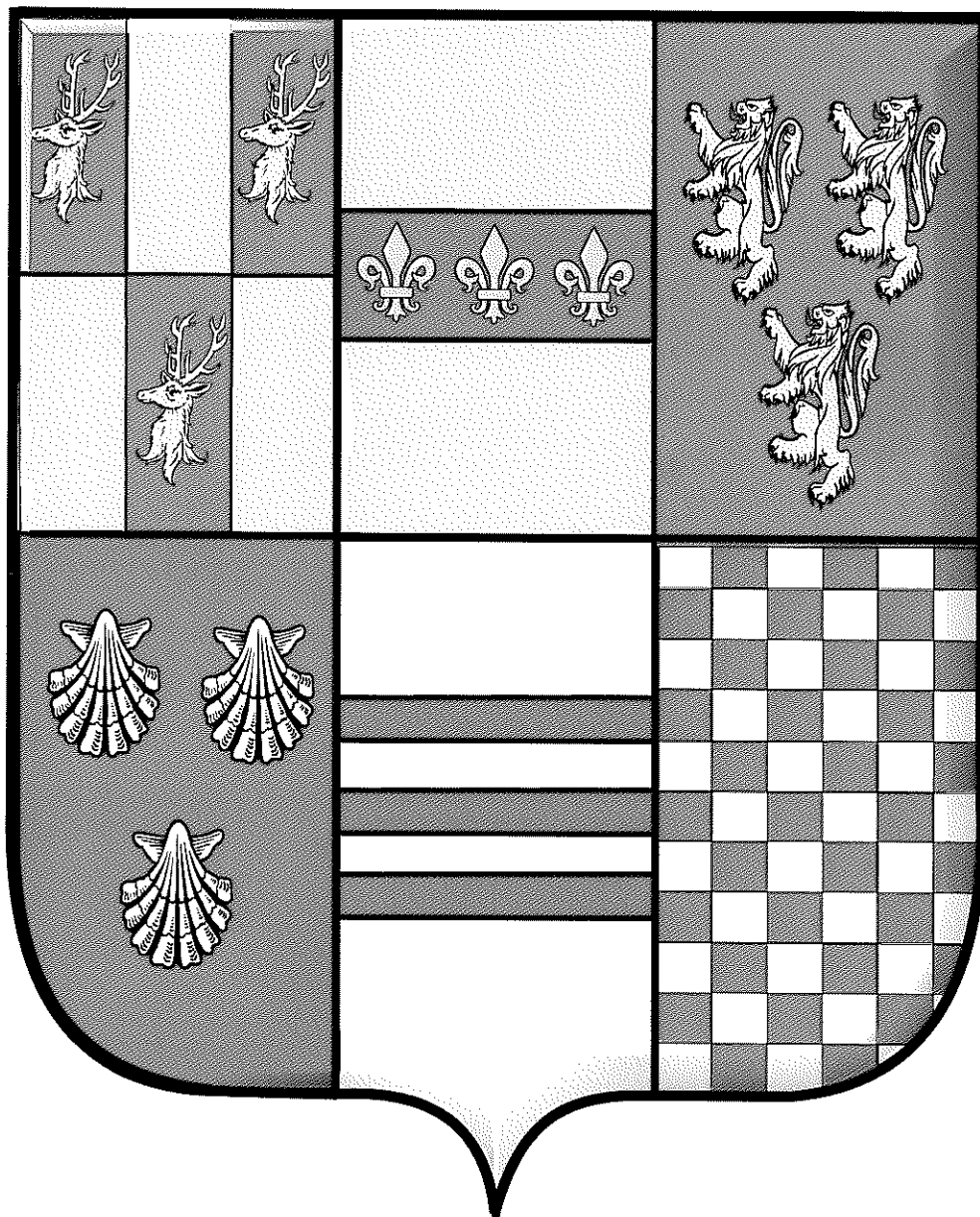
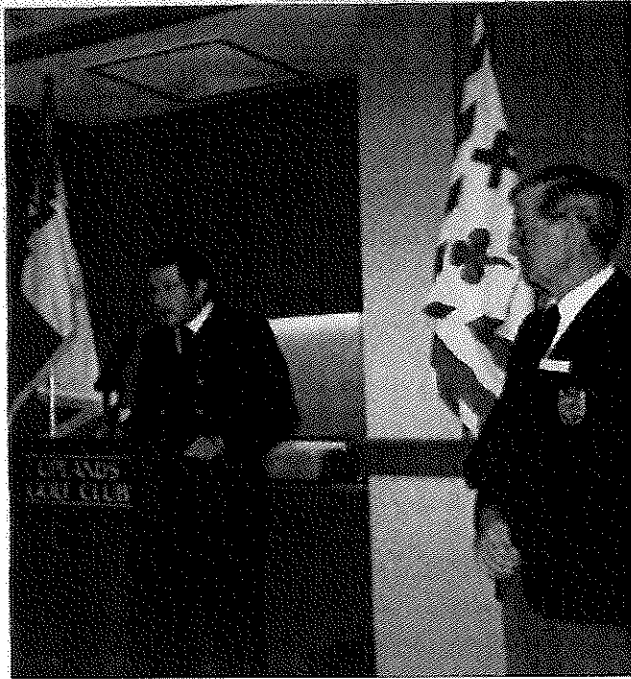


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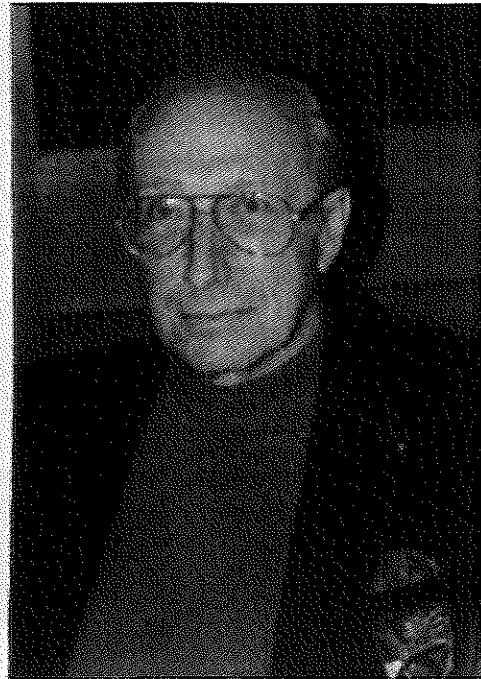


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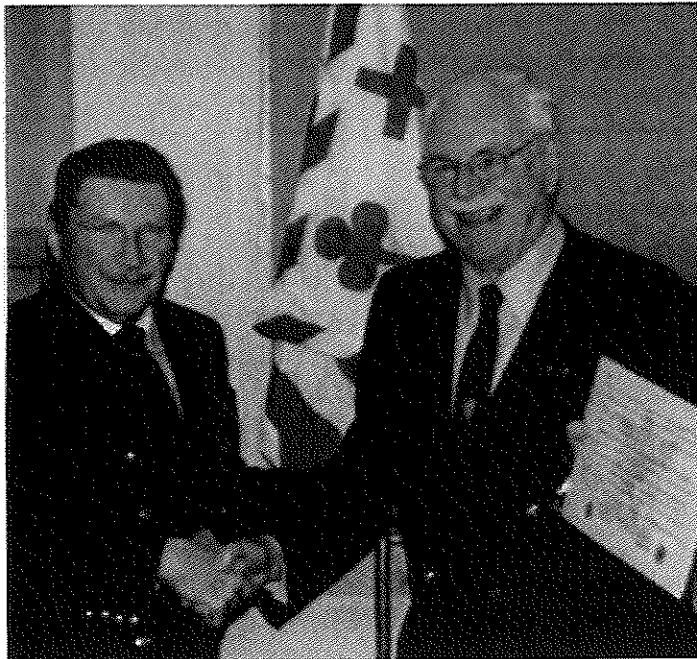
B.C. YUKON Branch A.G.M. 12 October, 2001, Uplands Golf Club, Oak Bay.



Branch President Rean Meyer, having just received a plaque of his arms, thanks to Laurie Patten (right) the heraldic craftsman who made and presented the magnificent gift.



HSC member Frank Palmer-Stone of Qualicum Beach, has joined the Branch and attended.



Major Alex Greenwood of Nanoose Bay, received a certificate of appreciation.



Graham Anderson fields heraldic questions from the floor.

**THE BRITISH COLUMBIA/YUKON
BRANCH AGM, 12 October 2001**

The Uplands Golf Club, Oak Bay, was the venue for the 2001 AGM at which out-going President Rean Meyer acted as chairman. Although 57 persons comprised of members, friends and guests, were expected, only 37 were in attendance. Without doubt, the blustery weather accounted for some of the absentees. Regrets however, were received from various members and friends including that of the Chief Herald. During the course of the meeting, the President presented a certificate of appreciation to Major Alex Greenwood who has been most helpful to the editor of *The Blazon* by providing copies of various heraldic journals and magazines. Certificates of appreciation were later sent to Mrs Margaret Burn of Crofton, for her beautiful gift of a sterling silver salver to the Heraldry Society and to David Watson of Calgary, for his invaluable INTERNET research on behalf of *The Blazon*. A Life Membership was granted to Gerald Churley of Vancouver for his past support of the BC/Yukon Branch.

Following lunch, various guests and members from out of town were introduced followed by a question and answer session conducted by the Branch Heraldic Adviser, Graham Anderson, Cowichan Herald Extraordinary. Laurie Patten of Nanaimo once again exhibited a number of examples of his heraldic crafts, presented the outgoing president with a wood & ceramic plaque bearing his shield of arms as a token of appreciation. A similar one intended for Jean Matheson, the past president of the HSC and featuring her arms, was also handed to Rean, this to be presented by him to her at the Society's own AGM slated for later that month in Ottawa.

Professor Emeritus David Ruddy, a former president of The Heraldry Society of Canada, was proposed and unanimously elected as Branch President. Major Alex Greenwood was elected Branch Vice-President and Cdr. Peter Gardner graciously agreed to remain on the board as Secretary-Treasurer. David is expected to appoint other members to his board of officers from the membership. He would therefore like to hear from anyone interested in helping out on one or two committees which will be formed to organize the Society's annual conference and meeting to be held during the latter part of 2002 here in Victoria. He would also very much like anyone who knows of or wishes to act as Branch Secretary, to contact him.

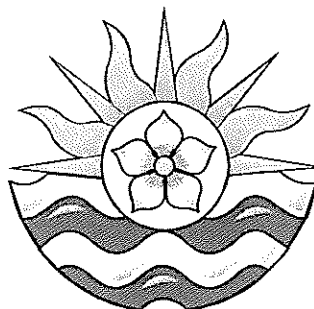
Such persons automatically receive free membership of the Heraldry Society of Canada and the Branch.

Rean Meyer's closing remarks included his thanks for the co-operation and encouragement he received since taking office in the latter part of 1998. He reminded those assembled of the responsibility of hosting the Society's own annual conference in 2002, that it would warrant maximum effort on the part of all. He concluded by saying he hoped this event and that of the Golden Jubilee, the heraldry exhibition held in celebration of it, coupled with the Queen's visit to Victoria, was incentive enough for those who support the Branch but are not members, to also join the Heraldry Society and thus become regular members.

Mr. & Mrs Patrick Brennan, members of the Uplands Golf Club, acted as sponsors for the Branch meeting in the private dining room of the club.

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The Queen of Canada - a guest editorial

During her 1978 speech in Edmonton, the Queen said, "I am getting to know our country rather well." And, after very nearly 50 years, Canadians in turn have got to know their Queen rather well. February 6 marks the Golden Jubilee of Queen Elizabeth II. On that day in 1952, Princess Elizabeth ascended to the throne. She was proclaimed Queen in Ottawa the same day. An Act of Canada's Parliament, on May 29, 1953 changed her title to Queen of Canada. Her coronation followed on June 2, 1953. In the intervening decades, the Queen has performed unflinchingly in her duties as Canada's Head of State.

At the time of her accession, Louis St. Laurent was Prime Minister and Vincent Massey Governor-General. In all, she has known nine Canadian prime ministers and nine governors-general. "But," as Lorne Calvert, the Saskatchewan Premier, said in a speech last month, "many of us here today-- myself included--have known only one monarch: Queen Elizabeth."

As Mr Calvert said, "the Queen's Golden Jubilee affords us an opportunity to get in touch with our heritage and history...For more than 500 years, since 1497, our country has been a monarchy. We've reaffirmed this through Confederation, and many times since then." But" as the Premier added, "the jubilee is also an opportunity for Canadians, and their governments, to pay tribute to the Queen herself. She has fulfilled her duties with grace and authority. She has earned respect, admiration and loyalty."

From an abridged editorial appearing in the *National Post*, Jan. 12 2002.

The President's corner

It is a pleasure for me to reach all the members and friends of the British Columbia/Yukon Branch of the Heraldry Society of Canada and to wish everyone the very best of New Years. Distance is both a blessing and a curse in Canada, in British Columbia, and in the Yukon. Because of this, it is not always possible for members to attend Branch functions, wherever they may be held. This is true as well of the Heraldry Society, and the reason along with other national societies, is sometimes referred to as the Toronto/Ottawa/Montreal triangular group. It is chiefly through our publications that the members get to know the Society and the Branch and to keep *au courant* with a variety of events. We are blessed in that regard with two publications, *The Blazon* and *Heraldry in Canada*.

As members may well recall, the Heraldry Society does make forays into the wild West and the far distant East in order to hold its annual conference in other than the golden triangle. Nanaimo was the last host of such an annual meeting. And well done too.

The Society and its members will repeat this again this year some time in the fall when we all gather in Victoria for this purpose. The date at this time is uncertain but our BC/Yukon Branch is responsible for the planning and implementation of the conference, bringing heraldists together from all parts of Canada and beyond. It will in all probability take place during or closely following the Royal visit to Victoria.

In celebration of the Golden Jubilee, our BC/Yukon Branch has accepted the offer by Government House Victoria to assist in the refurbishment of the shields of arms formerly hanging in the dining room. The work will be done by Branch director Laurie Patten, a superb craftsman. We will be seeking tax-deductible donations from other Loyal societies as well as from our own members. We view this undertaking as a Golden Jubilee project in lieu of that for which we had originally planned in conjunction with the Maritime Museum of British Columbia.

I look forward to meeting, and working with as many of our members as possible over the next year. May 2002 be rewarding for each and every one of you.

David D. Ruddy, President
British Columbia/Yukon Branch.

BULLETIN BOARD-Year 2001 revisited:

items held over from last issue *THE BLAZON*:

As year 2001 wound down, not all was doom & gloom. To wit, Maj. **Alex Greenwood**, a familiar figure in his umpire's white coat among the cricket set, and **Shirley Greenwood** celebrated, their 25th wedding anniversary together with 'Sylvia', their Rolls Royce and 45 friends, at their charming house on Nanoose Bay. *Sylvia's* boot was used as a storage for the reception's champagne. **Cyril Woods** of North York has been named Almoner for the Ven. Order of St. John and **Jamie Webb**, proprietor of **The Flag Shop** on Fort Street in Victoria, has been appointed Staff Officer Visits and Protocol at Maritime Forces Pacific Headquarters, Esquimalt. He is also vice-president of *The Maritime Museum of British Columbia*. Brig-Gen. **Tom & Barbara Yarrington** of Seattle sailed into Sidney Harbour on their 52-foot motor yacht *ENDURANCE II* and had a drink with **Peter and Anne Gardner**. The Rev. **Steven Mackison**, formerly of this Branch, assumed the editorship of the *Hogtown Herald* following his move to Toronto from Vernon. *A Canadian Heraldic Primer* by **Kevin Greaves** & illustrated by **Bruce Patterson** and **Gordon Macpherson**, received a favourable review and deemed "essential reading "in countries which constituted parts of the former British Empire," according to *The Journal of the Society of Australian Genealogists*. **Fred Gordon's Press-Gang Books** opened in Sidney and we are happy to know Fred continues to be associated with your Branch magazine. **Alex Greenwood**, **Gerry Churley**, of Vancouver, **David Watson** of Calgary, **Cyril Woods**, and Mrs. **T.M. Burn** of Crofton, were recipients of certificates of appreciation for their support of the BC/Yukon Branch. Alex and Professor Emeritus David Ruddy of Victoria were elected Vice-President and President respectively of the BC/Yukon Branch at its AGM in October. **Graham Anderson & Rean Meyer** attended the Heraldry Society's Ottawa AGM as Branch reps; at which as a token of the BC/Yukon Branch's appreciation, the Society's Past-President **Jean Matheson** was presented with a beautiful wooden plaque bearing a shield of her arms, the work of Branch director **Laurie Patten** of Nanaimo. A letter from the Dean of the Chapel and certificate informing him of his appointment as a Life Member of *The Society of the Friends of St. George's and the Descendants of the Knights of the Garter* was

received by Rean. This is a group dedicated to the restoration and preservation of St. George's Chapel, Windsor Castle. Maj. **Jamie** and **Ruth MacKendrick** of Deep Cove, North Saanich, attended the Clan Donald Society of Edinburgh annual gathering as the guests of the President, Norman H. MacDonald and his wife Morag; Capt. **Paul Loofs** of Victoria, home from one of his medical missionary tours of Central America was married and successfully completed *Level 1* of the Heraldry Society's examinations as has Dr. **Darren George** of Edmonton. Darren has since become the father of a baby daughter, Sophia Margaret Evelyn. Our congratulations to all. Darren is now the Society's web master having succeeded **Stewart LeForte** of Little Bras d'Or, N.S. **Ralph Brocklebank** of Worcestershire, UK received some long-overdue recognition when he was made a *Fellow of the Heraldry Society (FHS)*. Ralph, a staunch supporter of our own (Canadian) Heraldry society, attended the AGM in Ottawa last autumn. His son Cmdr. Guy Brocklebank, *RN* on secondment to the Pentagon, witnessed the Sep. 11th crash into those very same buildings which comprise the Washington, DC defence complex. Newly-elected HSC President **Kevin Greaves** of Hamilton and 1st VP/ Hon. Secretary **John Wilkes** of North York appointed *Fellow* and an *Hon. Fellow* respectively, of our Heraldry Society. LCdr. Rev. **John Domotor** returned from a six month tour aboard *HMCS Winnipeg* in the Persian Gulf as chaplain. **Neil Fraser's** (Toronto) and **Dr. Richard Num's** (Australia) arms appear on the *Heraldry Society of Scotland's* magnificent web site (See *Hot off the web* in this issue). **Shirley Meyer** of Victoria was made a Life Member of the *Monarchist League of Canada*; and **John Ruch** of Ottawa, the Heraldry Society's Keeper of the Rolls is working on supplementing *A Roll of Arms of the Society* first published back in 1976. Subsequent supplements were published in 1991 and 1996. Armigerous members whose arms have not appeared in the past or who have since been granted augmentations, should be in touch with John soonest. This will be a Golden Jubilee event, a true collectors item.

Arthur and Liselotte Leynard of Nanaimo sent Christmas greetings from Lubeck, that beautiful, old Hanseatic port which we remember well from our Army days in the 1950s. Arthur was responsible for Nanaimo acquiring lawful arms in 1951, only the third Canadian city to have that distinction. Maj-Gen. **Roger Rowley** and Col. **Strome Galloway** now living at the same New Edinburgh Square retirement residence in Ottawa. General Roger was the Colonel of *The Regiment of Canadian Guards* and Col. Strome was the Lieutenant-Colonel of the Regiment with which we had the honour of serving, its motto being *A Mari Usque ad Mare*. In closing we must admit amongst all the turmoil, our BC/Yukon Branch prospered, but 2001 was not a good year for some and a sad one for many. To conclude, Her Honour, the Hon. **Iona Campagnolo**, PC CM., OBC. Lieutenant-Governor of British Columbia, has graciously consented to continue as the Branch's Patron and that of the **Royal Jubilee Heraldry Exhibition-2002**.
Thus ended a rather eventful year. REM



Dr. Kevin Greaves, HSC President and Mrs. Greaves were in Victoria last autumn. Shown here at *Seascope*, the home of Rean & Shirley Meyer are left to right: Shirley, Kevin & Chris (Greaves), Graham Anderson & David Ruddy.
[Photo by The Blazon]

From the Editor

We have entered the second (or in some minds, the first) year of the new millennium in which tumultuous events are occurring in many parts of the world. Since we are fortunate to live in the Queen's realm, let us be thankful that for all the rancour,

turbulence and tragedy elsewhere, heraldry is not part of that sad scene.

We attended the AGM in Ottawa last October and it was very rewarding to see heraldic friends of many years past as well as meet members of the HSC who hitherto, were but an e-mail address or a signature on a letter. The entire three days was devoted to the business of the Society together with the election of a new slate of officers including Dr. **Kevin Greaves** as President.

We are most pleased and honoured that the **Hon. Iona Compagnolo**, newly appointed as Lieutenant-Governor of the Province, has accepted the invitation to continue viceregal patronage of the British Columbia and Yukon Branch. We are also pleased that the Hon. Garde Gardom, our past Patron, and Mrs. Gardom having retired to Vancouver, have indicated their wishes to continue receiving this publication.

Meanwhile, Professor Emeritus **David Ruddy**, of Victoria, no stranger to the heraldry family in Canada has assumed the mantle as your Branch President. We are fortunate indeed to have David accept the challenge as he has been President of the Heraldry Society of Canada and has acted in several capacities, one as a past director. Major **Alexander Greenwood** has also agreed to be Vice-President and again the Branch benefits from Alex's knowledge of all things and his generosity in support of the Branch's activities. He has very kindly taken out membership in The Heraldry Society (in U.K.) in the name of your Editor, for which we are most thankful.

Since this Branch will host the HSC Annual Conference next autumn, David and Alex will need many helping hands in laying the groundwork. Year 2002 is an important one for several reasons, one being it is the 50th anniversary of the Queen's accession. Let us make sure we do our part as loyal subjects, members and friends of the British Columbia and Yukon Branch. **REM**



The heraldic craftsmen:

of bishops' mitres and ships' badges

Laurie Patten from Nanaimo, has painted a complete set of shields of all the Anglican dioceses in Canada. These decorate the nave of Christ Church Cathedral in Victoria. A Fellow of the Heraldry Society of Canada, he has also completed a replica of the badge for HMC Submarine Victoria, based on the arms of that city. It is hoped that this vessel, now in Halifax, will eventually visit its eponymous city, Her Majesty's Dockyard Naden and Canadian Forces Base Esquimalt being next door, so to speak. Meanwhile, the local population has another submarine it can call upon as a tourist attraction. It is a de-commissioned vessel formerly of the fleet of the Soviet Navy, which recently broke away from its moorage in the downtown Victoria harbour. Interestingly, featured on the bulk-head of the sail (or conning tower) is the splendidly flamboyant coat of arms in brilliant red [Gules] and gold [Or] of Imperial Russia.



Cowichan is an Indian word meaning between streams. That there should be a Cowichan Herald responsible to Her Excellency the Governor-General ergo the Queen, for the promotion and preservation of proper heraldry in this part of Her Majesty's realm stands to reason.

And so we come to the badge of HMCS Cowichan. The vertical stripe in the centre of the badge lies between two portions of heraldic water. The mask itself is a duplication of one in the anthropological Museum of the University of British Columbia. It is the traditional type produced by the Salish, particularly in the Cowichan district of Vancouver Island and often referred to as the Cowichan type mask.

Typical are the two smaller heads rising above the forehead and the protruding eyes. Made of

wood, the original mask is likely painted red, black [Sable] and white [Argent]. However, the badge's mask has been depicted as being one colour [tincture], as though carved from jade [found on Vancouver island]. Vessels of the Royal Canadian Navy (RCN) bearing the name Cowichan:

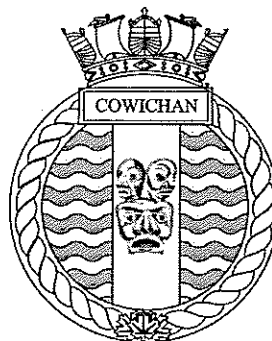
Cowichan I-Bangor class mine-sweeper, commissioned in July 1941 wearing pennant J146 until she was paid off in October 1945.

Cowichan II-Bay class mine-sweeper wearing pennant 147 from her commissioning in December 1953, paid off March 1954 and transferred to the French Navy.

Cowichan III-also a Bay class mine-sweeper commission in 1957 currently wearing pennant 162. Colours: white and green [Argent & Vert].

Battle Honours: *Atlantic 1941-1945, Normandy 1944*

Blazon: *On a field barry wavy Argent and Azure, a pale argent on which a chief's ceremonial mask traditional of the Cowich type of Salish, Vert.*



Ralph Brocklebank, FHS who supplied the above information, is from Worcestershire, England. He attended Lakefield School near Peterborough, Ont. during the war years when he became interested in the World War II exploits of the RCN. In addition to being an authority on Canadian warships, Ralph is a superb heraldist and author of *Dragonlore*, a series of booklets on heraldic beasts. A longtime member of the Heraldry Society of Canada, Ralph was one of the major sponsors of *A Canadian Heraldic Primer* by Kevin Greaves, FHS. The above information was taken from *The Heraldry Gazette*, the official newsletter of The Heraldry Society (UK). *The Editor*

More on medals **by Rean Meyer**

The article, "When medals lose their meaning" by Colonel Strome Galloway (*Vol.4, No.3 issue*) resulted in a flurry of letters and information on the subject culled from various publications. An undated item in a circular bearing the imprint of the Montana District of the Kiwanis Club of America came to our attention. It features one Emil P. Eschenburg as a candidate for governor-elect for Montana. Eschenburg's record of activities on behalf of Kiwanis is most impressive as is his military record, having risen from 2nd lieutenant to brigadier-general serving with the "Devil's Brigade in World War II." Included in his professional résumé is the statement "Received 115 decorations-77 for valor." One wonders how this is possible.

Another press cutting mailed to me is that of a war-time photo of Sir Winston Churchill, cigar and "v for victory" signal to the fore. The British prime minister is wearing an air commodore's uniform upon which are sewn 42 ribbons. One is reminded of how the late Field-Marshal, Viscount Montgomery of Alamein and Admiral of the Fleet Earl Mountbatten of Burma vied with one another over decorations and medals (Mountbatten won).

A reader in Courtenay forwarded items from the UK press devoted to the efforts of a Warwickshire police constable to get Royal approval and Defence Ministry recognition of his proposed Voluntary Service Medal (VSM). This he designed and had minted for private purchase. The firm used is also responsible for promoting the General Service Cross at £29.95 plus £2.55 "carriage and insurance."

This last is reminiscent of the commemorative medals flogged to D-Day vets ostensibly recognizing their participation in the D-Day landings, the Battle of Britain and other World War II campaigns during the 50th anniversaries of these events. None of these medals were officially recognised. *Legion Magazine*, which from time to time carries advertisements for these types of medals has in recent years displayed ads for the Alaskan Service Commemorative Medal out of Medford Oregon.

Readers may recollect reading in *The Blazon* about an individual here in beautiful downtown Victoria, known to himself as Prince Michel de Clermont, etc., etc., who sold everything from princely titles to coats of arms, all in the poorest of taste. A firm Nobilitat Regalia, using the same modest address in Vic West, advertises in *Legion*

Magazine and in *Esprit de Corps*, another Canadian publication, certain medals for sale.

The 'Foreign Service Medal Commemorative' (sic) and the 'National Defence Medal' have all the appearances of good design and manufacture, something very much lacking in contemporary UN and Canadian medals. The Foreign Service job allows the purchaser an impressive list of 75 clasps from which to choose. There is a clasp for Australia and another for North America, but nothing for serving at NDHQ, Ottawa. Facetious? Not a bit. General Maurice Barile, the recently retired CDS wears a UN medal commemorating his posting at that organisation's headquarters in New York City.

Of a more positive note, locally, a Victoria coin-collector came upon the United States Congressional Medal of Honor awarded to George Washington Roosevelt, a Civil War Hero who lost a leg at Gettysburg. There is a member of the Heraldry Society (of Canada) and avid collector who is the proud possessor of all the decorations and medals of Viscount Byng of Vimy, the Commander of the Canadian Corps during World War I and a former Governor-General of Canada. Needless to say, our friend will not be adding the Alaskan Service Commemorative Medal to his collection. **From material supplied by Brian Scott, David Watson and our files- *The Editor***

Orders and medals

the Order of Merit of the Police Forces **by Christopher McCreery, MA**

The new order has been added to the Canadian honours system. In early October 2000, Her Majesty approved the creation of the Order of Merit of the Police Forces. Creation of the new order was officially announced on and 19 Mar 2001, by Her Excellency the Governor-General of Canada. The Canadian honours system now has five orders: the Order of Canada, Order of Military Merit, Order of Merit of the Police Forces, the Royal Victorian Order (except GCVO, and KCVO) and the Order of St John of Jerusalem. As with all other Canadian Orders, the Queen will act as Sovereign. Thus Her Majesty will be provided with the Sovereign's badge of the Order, and the Chancellor of the Order of Merit of the Police Forces will wear a 'collar chain' during investiture and other official occasions. The Commissioner of the Royal Canadian Mounted Police will act as Principal Commander of the Order.

In many respects the new order is similar to the pre-existing Canadian Order of Military Merit. The Order of Merit of the Police Forces will consist of three levels: the *Commander* grade will be awarded for outstanding meritorious service and demonstrated leadership, in duties of great responsibility over an extended period.; that of *Officer* grade will be awarded for outstanding meritorious service in duties of responsibility over an extended period of time; *Member* grade will be appointed for exceptional service for performance of duty over an extended period of time. All three levels are accompanied by post nominal initials, C.O.O. for the commanders, O.O.M. for officers and M.O.M. for members.

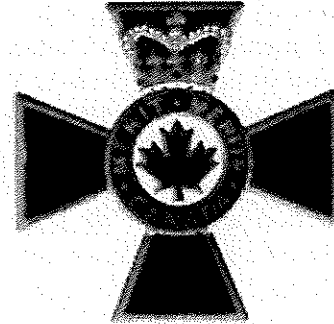
The badges of the order will be manufactured by *Birks & Son*, and will be identical to that used by the Order of Military Merit, with the exception of the ribbon. The badge of the Order of Military Merit was designed by Flight Sergeant Bruce Beatty (RCAF), thus the Order of Merit of the Police Forces was by default also designed by F/Sgt. Beatty. The ribbon will consist of three equal stripes, dark blue on each side with a single yellow stripe down the centre.

Prior to 1945, Canadian police officers were eligible to receive the various levels of the Order of the British Empire. In one instance the Commissioner of the Royal Canadian Mounted Police Major-General J. H. MacBrien, CB, CMG, DSO was created a KCB during the 1935 Jubilee year. Only a few of the King's Police Medals and George Medals (GM) were awarded the Canadian police personal. In terms of Long Service Medals in 1935 King George V sanctioned the creation of the Royal Canadian Mounted Police Long Service and Good Conduct Medal and this award is still issued.

Non-RCMP officers were eligible for the Canadian Association of Chiefs of Police Long Service Medal. In August of 1983 Queen Elizabeth sanctioned the striking of the Police Exemplary Long Service Medal. Since 1972 members of the various Canadian police forces have been eligible for the three civilian bravery decorations, and with the new Order of Merit of the Police Forces it would appear that this aspect of the Canadian honours system is complete. One has to presume the other emergency services (fire and ambulance) will be lobbying hard for their own meritorious service orders as well.

Christopher McCreery is a member of the Heraldry Society of Canada and doctoral student at Queen's University. He is an authority on the Canadian honours system. Editor

Order of Merit

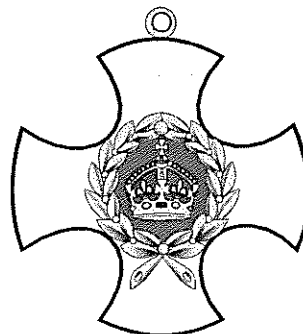


The Distinguished Service Order by N.G. Gooding

Members* who take an interest in orders may like to know that the new statutes governing this award were published in a supplement to the *London Gazette* dated 25 Feb 2001. This is something of a departure as such documents are normally issued as Command Papers rather than as part of the *Ministry of Defence Gazette*.

The amended warrant contains only minor alterations, removing the requirement to hold a (Queen's) commission and employing a gender free terminology. It is now to be awarded for distinguished services during active operations against the enemy. The office of Registrar of the order is transferred from the Secretary of State for Defence to the Secretary of the Central Chancery of Orders of Knighthood.

It is, perhaps, indicative of the grip which the Ministry of Defence seems to have on current reforms of the honours system that the document was approved by Her Majesty on 23 Apr 1997 and signed as Secretary of State for Defence by Michael Portillo. ***The two preceding articles first appeared in *The Journal of the Orders and Medals Research Society*.**



HOT OFF THE WEB...

The Heraldry Society of Scotland

www.heraldry-scotland.co.uk/homepage.htm

Here is a real feast of colour, history and heraldic information with links galore. A unique feature are the arms of members together with the blazon of each. Featured among the Society members' arms are those of our own Branch, **W. Neil Fraser** of Toronto and Dr. **Richard T. Num** of Australia. The web master of The Heraldry Society (UK) wrote he was "Vert" with envy when he viewed it. One clarification applicable to that which states that petitioners residing in Commonwealth countries may apply to the Lord Lyon for a grant of arms. This of course is no longer so for Canadians. Those who check this web page will find to lots of Scots lore to occupy their time. The web master is **Anthony Maxwell**.

The Clan Fraser Society of Canada

www.clanfraser.ca.

The Canadian representative of the Clan Fraser is Neil Fraser (mentioned above) and the web mistress is his wife Marie. Her web page keeps Clan members, septs, natural children and descendants from those who wore the kilt of the Old 78th Fraser Highlanders, fully up to date on clan news and happenings. A link lists the officers who served with the original 78th (but no mention of my erstwhile ancestor Angus Fraser MacMyre of Glen Myre, better known to the family simply as Hans –or was it Fritz?).

The Mad Alchemist is the Branch's Dr. **Darren George**, recently installed web master for the HSC/SHC and also as a new father (Sophia Margaret born Dec. 23). Darren's personal web site on things heraldic and otherwise can be found at: www.mad-alchemy.com.

Other web sites of interest: the *Canadian Heraldic Authority*, the *HSC-BC/Yukon Branch*, *A Canadian Heraldic Primer*, the *Canadian Monarchy*, information and activities of the **Governor-General**, and **Royal Jubilee** celebration and events, all can be found on the World Wide Web. So stay tuned.

Meanwhile, whilst searching, David Ruddy came across this query from the web page of *The Original Republi-Canada** (sic):

"The Canadian Heraldic Authority has introduced a variety of new crest coronets including ones alluding to provincial badges or very distinctive civil and military coronets for United Empire Loyalists. I am still of two minds regarding these coronets but it may give a place for a creative artist to place Huguenot symbols. Due in large measure to Cardinal Duc de Richelieu's banning of Huguenots from Nouvelle France in 1627, many Huguenot descendants in Canada are also URL (sic) descendants...The Canadian Heraldic Authority's granting of civil and military coronets for United Empire Loyalists raises the question: if an already armigerous UEL descendant was resident in Canada would the Canadian Heraldic Authority grant them an augmentation of such a coronet? (I'm not making the argument that this would be a "good thing", but rather am curious about the question).

One also wonders whether the CHA would design a coronet to honour the returned descendants (sic) of Acadians expelled in 1755 for refusing to swear an unconditional oath of allegiance to the British crown (sic), the descendants of the republican Patriot rebels of 1837-38, the descendants of those Westerners who fought on the losing side of the Northwest Rebellion of 1885 or the Canadians truncheoned in Quebec City in 1964 for protesting the queen's (sic) visit?

Of course, those groups might not feel inclined to apply for a (sic) hereditary "honour from the Canadian crown (sic)," which calls into question the reasoning behind putting the Canadian Heraldic Authority in the office of the Governor-General. Might it be there purely for monarchist propaganda purposes?"

**advertises itself as the oldest republican presence on the Web, established Jan 22, 1999.*



En passant-

Joly de Lotbinière remembered

In the spring issue of *The Blazon*, an article appeared about Sir Henri Joly de Lotbinière, Lieutenant-Governor of B.C. 1900-06 (*A courteous gentleman-Vol.4-No.2*) which has brought some interesting response from different quarters. One such was a telephone call from a gentleman in Ottawa. He explained the origins of the Joly marquissette. Regrettably, I do not have a record of his name nor the details of our conversation.

The Hon. Secretary of our local branch of the Guards Household Division Association, Mr. Paddy Brennan, at one of our luncheons showed me a copy of *The Irish Guards Journal* in which there was the obituary of one A.A.C. (Tony) Joly de Lotbinière who had been my friend's troop commander during the Normandy campaign. Coincidentally, Paddy informed me he had heard from the adjutant of the Regimental Headquarters who was in touch with the widow and who was most interested in her late husband's Canadian side of the Lotbinière family.

Then Major Alex Greenwood rang to say he and his cousin General Sir Roland Guy, had a family relationship with the Canadian de Lotbinières. Their mutual cousin Harvey Smith Greenwood of Kingston, Ont. had married Matilda, a daughter of Sir Henri and Lady Joly de Lotbinière. Alex very kindly reproduced the Joly de Lotbinière pedigree in which both the Canadian and English members including the late Tony Joly de Lotbinière appear. *The Blazon* article together with the pages of the family's descent have been forwarded to Mrs. Anthony Joly de Lotbinière in England.

Another reader told me of having been entertained by an establishment family in Quebec City prior to going overseas in 1940. His hostess had married the scion of the founder of Boswell Brewing (absorbed by National Brewers) and she, it turns out, was also a daughter of Sir Henri. All this no doubt is of little importance in a world where so much is happening. Nevertheless, those who do take an interest in genealogy and the passages in life will realize the significance of the printed word.

REM

Kate and Leopold: a Hollywood farce but with a Canadian connection

At this time of writing, Hollywood's flavour of the week is a fantasy extravaganza film called *Kate and Leopold*. It concerns a certain 19th century "aristocrat" is discovered many years after his death as Leopold, Duke of Albany, living in a time-warp in all places New York City. Leopold, is tall and athletic and ever so much the proper Victorian gentleman, rising when a lady (or to be politically correct, a person of the female gender) enters the "drawing room" etc. In Leopold's exquisite manners there is a message. It is what a bunch of louts men are today. But, "enough already," as they say in tinsel town.

Why the film version uses a Leopold, Duke of Albany as the hero is perplexing, unless as is frequently the case in romantic films, accuracy should not complicate a good love story.

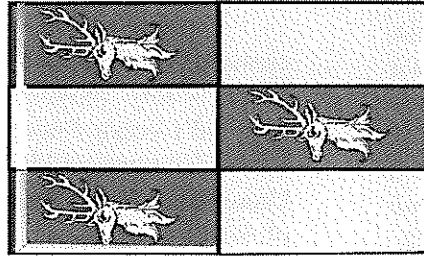
For example, there are several Leopolds in the branches of the Queen's family tree and there have been six dukes of Albany. King Leopold of the Belgians, being the uncle of both Queen Victoria and her consort Prince Albert, was the inspiration for their 4th son Leopold.

The Dukes of Albany include that of Robert, the 3rd son of King Robert II of Scotland (1398), his son Murdoch becoming the 2nd Duke of that title at which time it was forfeited and later conferred on Alexander, 2nd son of James II. In 1565, Henry, Lord Darnley was granted the title nine days before his marriage to Mary, Queen of Scots. The title reverted to the Crown upon the accession of James VI of Scotland.

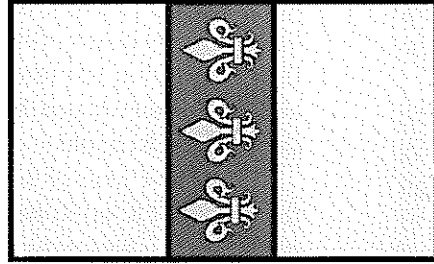
The Dukedom of Albany was later combined with that of York evolving on the son of King James II (of Great Britain). The last Duke of York and Albany, also an uncle of Queen Victoria and that of a son of George III, died in 1827.

There were two Leopolds during the 19th century, one being the 4th son of Victoria and Albert, born 19 July 1884. His Royal Highness, Prince Leopold George Duncan Albert, Duke of Albany, Earl of Clarence and Baron Arklow, a Prince of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland, Duke of Saxony, Prince of Saxe-Coburg and Gotha, a haemophiliac since birth, led a sheltered life due to his affliction. *[cont'd page 14]*

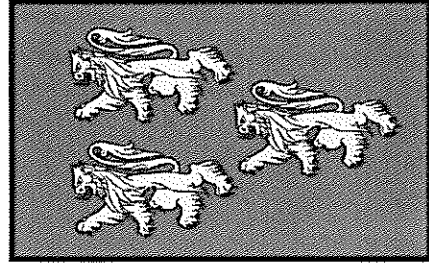
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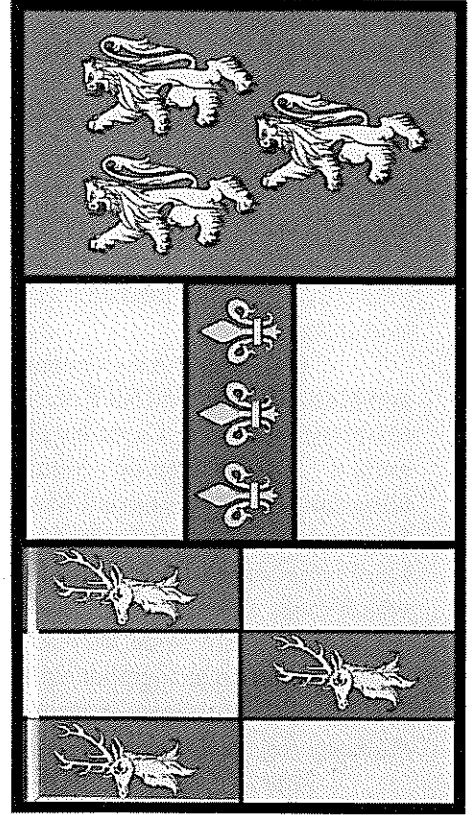
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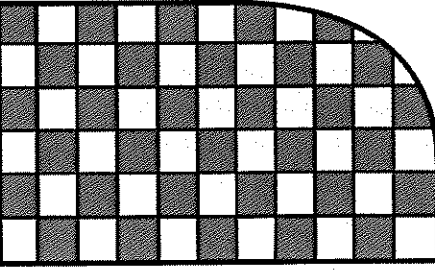
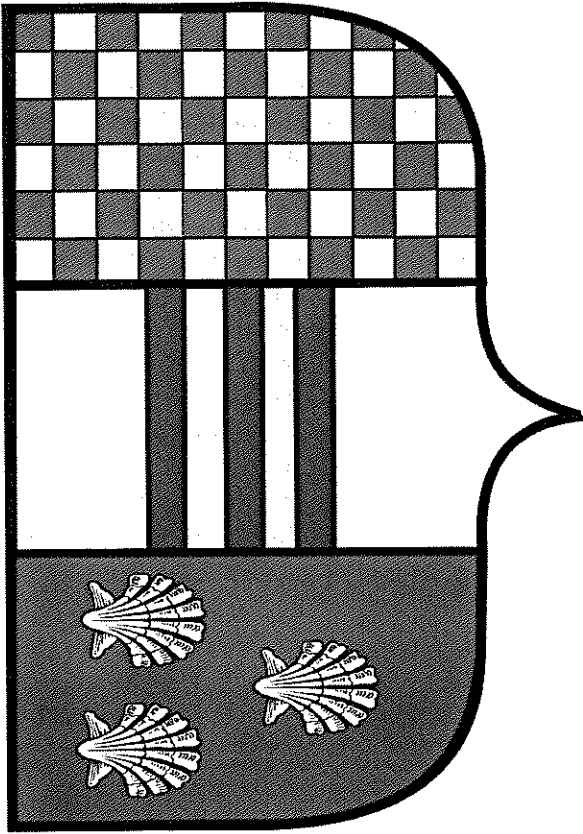
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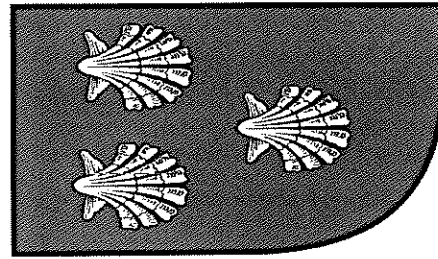
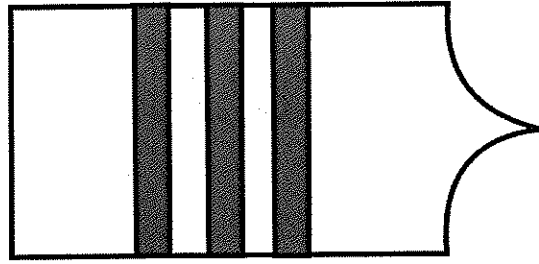


ON THE COVER: The quarterly arms as found on the sterling silver salver presented to Charles Roper, Esq. October 1853, a gift to the BC/Yukon Branch of The Heraldry Society of Canada by Mrs. T.M. Burn of Crofton, B.C. This tray is on loan to Government House, Victoria.



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DACRE

Kate & Leopold-[cont'd from Page 11]

Small in stature and frail in health, he was the complete opposite of the actor playing Leopold appearing in the current movie. The real Prince Leopold died at Cannes in March, 1884 at the early age of 31. His son and heir, Prince Leopold Charles Edward George Albert, was born in July of the same year. He died in 1954, impoverished and broken in spirit, having subsisted on CARE packages sent to him from Canada and England by his sister. During his lifetime, he was deprived not only of his estates, but of both dukedoms, that of Albany and that of Saxe-Coburg-Gotha. He was struck from the British peerage, losing the Albany ducal title due to his tacit support of the Kaiser during World War I, and deprived of the German dukedom of S-C-G following the collapse of Imperial Germany in 1918.

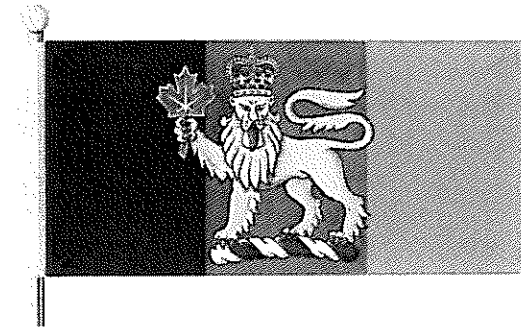
And herein lies the Canadian connection: his sister, HRH Princess Alice Mary Victoria Augusta Pauline of Albany, born at Windsor Castle in 1883, married Prince Alexander of Teck. His family adopted the name of Athlone in conformity with the same bill of the Westminster Parliament giving the name of Windsor to the Royal family in 1917. Alexander's sister was Queen Mary, wife of King George V of England.

As the Earl of Athlone, Alexander was Canada's 16th Governor-General from 1941-46 and HRH Princess Alice of Albany, now the Countess of Athlone, was a popular wartime châtelaine at Rideau Hall.* A dedicated patron of the Red Cross and numerous other organisations involved in the war, it is ironic that at this time her brother Leopold and his duchess were languishing under house arrest in wartime Germany only later to be arrested by American occupation forces and placed in an internment camp following the end of World War II. Noted for her congeniality, Princess Alice would probably be much amused by the relationship between *Kate and Leopold*, were she alive.

REM

***Lord Chatfield, a resident of Victoria, B.C. and Hon. Chairman of the Royal Jubilee Heraldry Exhibition, served as an ADC to the Earl and Countess during their Canadian viceroyalty.**

Commander-in-Chief Unit Commendation



The pennant

The Governor-General of Canada is the titular Commander-in-Chief of the Canadian Forces. This is not a fact generally known to the public and indeed, I dare say to some of the men and women of the CF. Interestingly enough, on rare occasions in the past Roland Michener, Jeanne Sauvé and Ramon Hnatyshyn were known to wear uniforms of their own design, there being no official one then or since.

Adopting the American custom of recognising performance of extraordinary deeds or activities of "a rare high standard in extremely hazardous circumstances, beyond the demands of normal duty," CF units may now receive a form of recognition which until now, has only been acknowledged long after the end of a conflict. This has always been in the form of the awarding of a battle honour. Battle honours, as we know them, in many instances were awarded only after a Battle Honours Committee examined the war diaries of a particular regiment and the battle concerned, before making a recommendation. In most instances in regards to WW I and WW II, this was several years after the cessation of hostilities.

A Presidential Citation was introduced into the American Army during WW II as that country did not subscribe to the British practice of battle honours for individual regiments. Instead, the distinction was assigned to the division in which the unit served. The only Canadian regiment to receive a Presidential Citation was the 2nd Battalion of the Princess Patricia's Canadian Light Infantry (2PPCLI) at the Battle of Kap'nyong, during the Korean War. Members of 2PPCLI wear a small blue ribbon in a gold frame on the left arm of their tunics, just below the cloth PPCLI shoulder flash.

The CF regulations for the C-in-C Unit Commendation award state it may be granted to any unit or sub-unit of the Canadian Forces, or to any similar organization of a foreign armed force working with or in conjunction with the CF, that has performed an extraordinary deed or activity of a rare high standard in extremely hazardous circumstances.

The regulations go on to state that it is “restricted to war-like conditions in an active theatre of operations” but service considered beyond the demands of normal duty and not qualifying for a CinC Unit Commendation may be considered for the Canadian Forces Unit Commendation instead.

The CinC Unit Commendation is in the form of a scroll inscribed with the name of the formation, unit or sub-unit concerned, signed by the Governor-General. The insignia itself is worn in accordance with instructions which we are not privy to at this time. Those serving with the designated unit wear it for the remainder of their service. Those joining such a unit subsequently to the granting of the award, wear it only so long as they are on strength (of the particular unit)..

A handsome pennant divided into the three colours of the former RCN, CA and RCAF (navy blue, army scarlet and air force blue) super-imposed on which is the crest of the Royal arms for Canada. This is the badge* used by the office of the Governor-General, the lion passant gardant in all its glory, snarlingly defiant and I might add, tongue fully exposed (together with other parts of its anatomy).

This pennant may be flown by ships of the fleet in harbour and at sea, and from yard arms of shore-based installations occupied by the battalion or unit which has been accorded this distinction.

It would appear if the award is retroactive, that once again, 2PPCLI should be recognised for its part in the battle of the Medak Pocket in Croatia. A furious fire fight broke out during the period of 16/17 September, 1973 when the heavily armed Croats attacked certain UN positions but were fought off successfully by a lightly-armed rifle company of the Patricia’s.

The Croatians suffered heavy casualties and unforgivably, DND attempted to suppress public knowledge of the battle and the part Canadians played.

The *Ottawa Citizen* finally broke the story in October 1997!

*Described erroneously as “the Vice-Regal”(sic) lion, a term that came into being during the 1980s and much used during the reign of the late Governor-General Jeanne Sauvé. Strange as it may seem, Rideau Hall omits the hyphen in reference to “governors-general” but includes it in “vice-regal” which our dictionary shows as one word i.e. viceregal.

Information on the CinC Unit Commendation award supplied by David Watson of Calgary.



Fabulous beasts in British Army badges

by Ralph Brocklehurst, *FHS*

Regimental cap badges have become a favourite subject for collectors, and they may be found at most military outfitters of which there are several. Surprisingly, a Welsh dragon is the badge of the Royal East Kent Regiment (the Buffs), and this is because when the Tudors took the throne of England their dragon became a Royal badge, and it is from the Royal sponsorship that the Buffs originated in 1665. It is also seen in the badges of a couple of Welsh regiments.

Although Monmouthshire is administratively reckoned as part of England, their Regiment is proud of its Welsh background and has a badge very like that of the Buffs as does the Montgomeryshire Yeomanry (although their dragon has all four feet on the ground). The Chinese dragon was awarded for service in China and seen at its best in the Royal Berkshire Regiment badge, but also appears, though very small, in the badge of the Border Regiment.

Another sort of dragon is found in the badge of the Royal Northumberland Fusiliers being attacked by St George on a horse. The double headed Eagle forming the badge of the First Kings Dragoon Guards is in fact the arms of the Emperor Francis Joseph II of Austria who was Colonel-in-Chief of the Regiment from 1896 to 1914.

The Sphinx commemorates service in Egypt and is most famously seen in the badge of the Gloucestershire Regiment, though equally prominently in that of the Royal Lincolnshires as well as in the badges of the South Wales Borderers, the Lancashire Fusiliers, the East Lancashires, the Dorsetshires, the South Lancashires, the Essex Regiment and (scarcely visible) the Black Watch (Royal Highland Regiment).

Chiron the Centaur appears appropriately on the badge of the Royal Army Veterinary Corps. Chiron was skilled in the healing arts and also taught Achilles the wiles of warfare, so was a good choice to represent a

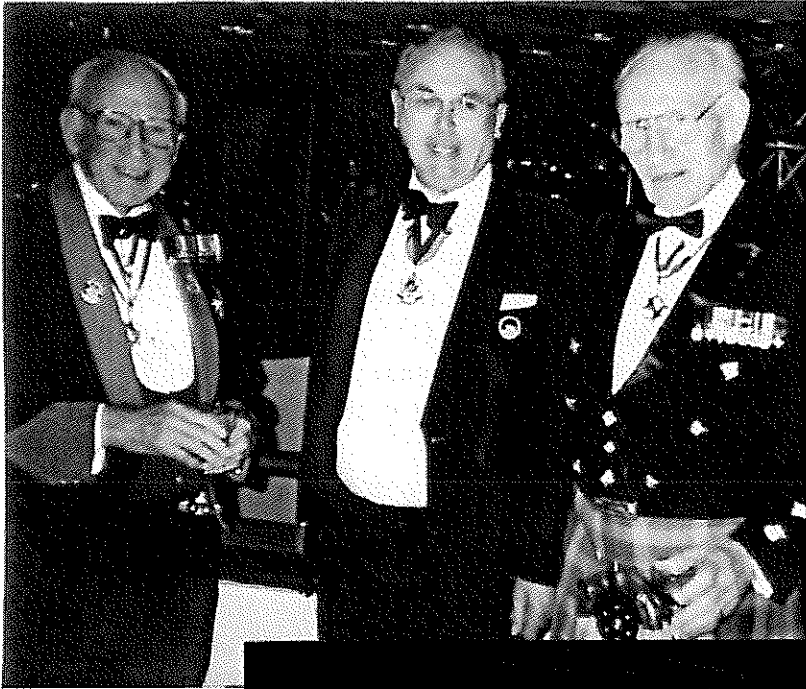
corps whose main task was to care for the thousands of horses employed by the Army.

Another popular field for collectors comprises the cloth formation badges, or shoulder patches as they are commonly called. Often embroidered, but occasionally just printed, they were widely used in the First World War and a few of them are of interest. The Cavalry Corps had St George and the dragon, the 38 Welsh Division had a red dragon, the 50th Northumberland Division a unicorn's head, while the 17th Indian Division formed in Mesopotamia had a strange six-limbed man-lion taken from an Assyrian Temple wall relief.

In the Second World War formation badges were re-introduced and several were based on fabulous beasts. GHQ Home Forces had a winged lion, South East Asia Command used a Phoenix, the 10th Army in Iraq and Persia had an Assyrian man-headed winged bull, while the 12th Army in Burma had a Chinthe as did the 3rd Indian Division or Chindits. The Airborne forces had Bellerophon riding Pegasus in light blue on maroon and the 43rd Wessex Division had a golden Wyvern on dark blue.

This is an extract from *Dragonlore*, the Journal of the College of Dracology © published in 1947 by the author at the age of 19.





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Titles galore

Readers of this publication by now will have tired of reading about the proliferation of the sale of titles. *The Blazon's* first article dealing with the subject was in the *Summer-Autumn 1999 No. 3 issue* titled (no pun intended) *Heraldic Consultant Extraordinaire: Lloyd George knew my father...*

Since then, we have been inundated with referrals to web page horrors and advertisements in various magazines placed by purveyors of manorial titles, feudal titles, and the like to the point where we no longer ear-mark them for future reference. For now at least, *The Blazon* will put aside the blatant come-ons of *If you don't get no respect from your banker, you will want to take advantage of our special prices for 'sir' and ladyship titles*. But before we do, here is a last look at a home page called *Welcome to English Titles*. Inscribed on the logo shield are: *Effective Titles, Seated Titles* and *Testimonials* whatever those mean. I dare say the bend sinister on the shield is a most appropriate device for this firm which operates out of a post office box in Newton Abbot, UK not withstanding its claim to have been 'serving clients in the global village since 1990.'

The Baronetage Press, of which we have written in the past, and which we recommend, has gone to great lengths to expose charlatans such as this one. Its excellent on-line newsletter *The Feudal Herald** proved to be so successful that for a time it was forced by an injunction (soon lifted) to suspend publishing. It has received threats of litigation and hints of physical violence on those who are involved in exposing the confidence game of selling false titles. To those who have made *Baronetage Press* what it is, we say, well done, well done indeed!

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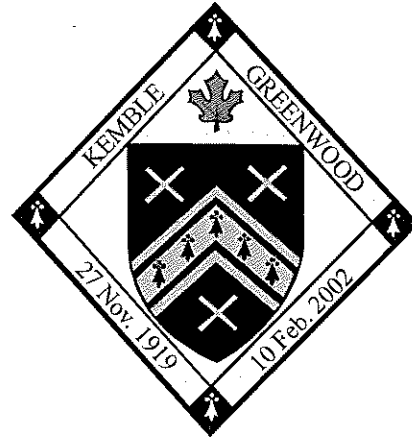
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Lieut.-Col. Kemble Greenwood, FRCP, MB, BS,

late the Royal Army Medical Corps. of Cobble Hill, BC. A Fellow of the American Academy of Dermatology, he was the father of HSC member Dr. Michael Greenwood of Victoria. Col. Greenwood following service in NW Europe during WW II and later in UK, Singapore and the USA, emigrated to Canada in 1954, becoming a consultant in dermatology to the Department of Veterans' Affairs and to the Royal Canadian Navy.

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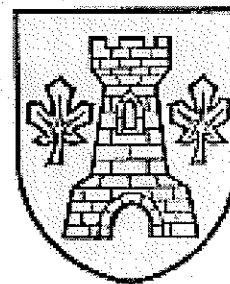


Maj.-Gen. Norman Trower, MBE, CD, BAsC PEng

late the Corps of the Royal Canadian Engineers, of Ottawa. The tower on his shield reflects his 34 years as a military engineer. Born in Scotland, he served in Korea (MBE), in Egypt with the UN, in London, England, and in Pakistan as the CF Defence Attaché, with accreditation to Afghanistan and Iran. This armiger is also a Knight Commander, Military and Hospitaller Order of St. Lazarus of Jerusalem as signified by the small green Maltese cross on his helm. He is also an Honorary Life Member of the Military Engineers Association.

Canadian Heraldic Authority grant 1993

On the eve of publication we learned that Dr. Kemble Greenwood had died at his home in Cobble Hill after a long illness. Dr. Greenwood recently received his grant of Arms from the CHA. Our condolences to his family on the loss of a valued member of the community and to our Branch. *The Editor.*



Frank Palmer-Stone, MMM, CD of Qualicum Beach, BC retired after 38 years serving with the Royal Canadian Corps of Signals and the Canadian Forces Communications Branch. Retiring as a Master Warrant Officer in 1991, his service included 2 back-to-back UN tours in the Congo, one each in Cyprus and Egypt and two with NATO in the Federal Republic of Germany. He was decorated with the Military Medal of Merit and has two clasps for his Canadian Forces Decoration. His arms are inherited from his father.

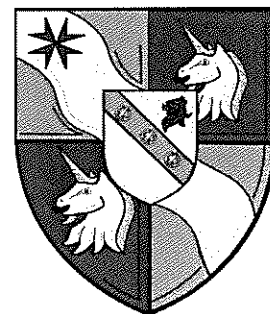
College of Arms grant 1965



Brig.-Gen. C. Thomas Yarrington M.D. FRSM

late the United States Air Force of Seattle, a distinguished medical career in both military and civilian life are attributed to this Friend of the branch. His arms stem from his 15th century English ancestors. The bend wavy is a rebus relating to the River Yar once known as the River Yarrington (sic). Dr. Yarrington is a Fellow of the American College of Surgeons, the Grand Hospitaller for the International Order of St. Lazarus and a Knight of Justice of the Venerable Order of St. John. His decorations include the Legion of Merit and the Meritorious Service Medal.

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We get mail:(our new e-mail address is vonmeyer@telus.net)

From Mrs. Jean Matheson, Hon. FHSC of Ottawa: Every time I look at the beautiful shield which was presented to me by you on behalf of the B.C./Yukon Branch I am thrilled. You may recall how surprised and delighted I was upon receiving this most generous gift. Please pass along my sincere thanks to the members of your Branch.

From Hon. Garde B. Gardom, Q.C. of Vancouver: The time in office was fascinating and ever fulfilling, no question made all the better by the likes of you and yours. If it is possible to continue to receive *The Blazon*, that would be appreciated.

From Mrs. Thérèse Burn of Crofton: Very many thanks for the handsome certificate of appreciation regarding my gift of the silver salver belonging to my late husband. I was delighted to receive the photographs of this salver and your recent issue of *Heraldry in Canada & The Blazon*. They make interesting reading. We are so happy that the salver is at Government House where people will appreciate it and all it stands for.

From the President of the Toronto Branch, David Skene-Melvin of Toronto: It was a pleasure meeting you at the AGM and I look forward to renewing the acquaintance in Victoria next autumn.

We also acknowledge with thanks correspondents, Ralph Brocklebank, *FHS* Worcestershire, Gordon Macpherson, *FHSC*, Burlington, Michael Measures, (founder of Ottawa Branch) Ottawa, Prof. Ian Lachlan Campbell, *FHSC*, Waterloo, Dr. G. Korey-Kzczowski, North York, Mrs. Marian Miles, MBE, *Hon. FHS*, Secretary of the Heraldry Society, Berkshire, The Office of The Chief Herald, Dublin, and the many e-mailers and telephone callers since the last issue of *The Blazon* was distributed. *The Editor.*

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Government House in Victoria has requested our guidance and resources in re-positioning and refurbishing the 42 shields of arms formerly in the dining room (see photo in the last issue). This we have accepted as a worthwhile challenge and one of our contributions towards recognising the 50th anniversary of the Queen's accession. The project must be completed before Her Majesty's visit to Victoria in early October of this year. Donations to either Government House Victoria or to The Heraldry Society of Canada *la Société héraldique du Canada* in favour of this project warrant a receipt for income tax purposes. Please indicate that for which your donation is intended

D.D. Ruddy, President
B.C./Yukon Branch

Presidential undertaking

A project I should like to pursue during my presidency is to inventory heraldic art throughout British Columbia. There is no need to travel great distances, I trust, with most of the work done locally once a form has been determined and e-mailed or faxed to Branch members, the work being completed quickly or as leisurely as participants wish. There may not be a deadline but I would hope such an inventory could be published in my lifetime, if not during my term as Branch president. Recording, photographing heraldic art in the form of stained-glass windows, shields of arms, carved stone examples, etc. all of which may be found in cemeteries, banks, and government (municipal, provincial, national and commercial) buildings would constitute the main source of the inventory. A good example is that of the large Edward, Prince of Wales full achievement which until recently, graced the facade of the Birks store on Yates Street in Victoria. There are other examples which should be recorded for posterity. Please, let me have your thoughts on this.

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The Grand Priory of Ireland of the Military and Hospitaller Order of St. Lazarus of Jerusalem is sponsoring the Order's international congress in Dublin 4-8 September inclusive. Local members of the B.C. Commandery may contact Cdr.(N) Peter Gardner, at 250-655-1363, the Chancellery in Ottawa, 613-746-5280, or for more information:
www.lazarusireland.org/conference.htm

Genealogical & Heraldic Conference

The 25th International Congress of Genealogical and Heraldic Sciences will take place in Dublin 16-21 September 2002. The theme of the Congress is Genealogy and Heraldry: their place and practice in changing times. The Congress is organised by the Irish Genealogical Office under the direction of the Chief Herald of Ireland at historic Dublin Castle. For more information, interested persons should contact The Congress Secretary, Office of the Chief Herald of Ireland, 2/3 Kildare Street, Dublin 2, Ireland or check the Web at **www.nli.ie**.

The Royal Commonwealth Society-Victoria

The Victoria branch is hosting a luncheon at Government House March 11 in honour of Commonwealth Day. BC/Yukon Branch members wishing to attend should contact Mrs. Dagmar Haupthoff **250-598-2175** for information.

Obituary:

John Lawrence Dampier, MBE, BA (Hist)

A well-known Vancouver executive (vice-president Lever Bros. N.Y. City, V-P McCann-Erickson, Asst. Pub. of the Vancouver Sun, Pres., Nabob Foods & Chairman of Jacobs Suchard Ltd.etc.) died in Vancouver. A member of the HSC and of this Branch, Lt-Col. Dampier served overseas with the Queen's Own Rifles of Canada and with 3 Cdn. Inf. Div. for which he was invested as a Member in the Order of the British Empire (MBE) and the Order of Orange-Nassau (The Netherlands). A native of St. Catharines, Ont. he attended Ridley College and graduated from the University of Western Ontario. He was a Governor of the Duke of Edinburgh's Award Scheme (BC&Yukon).**REM**

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