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R. C. CROWDY

SEI ^W Brig. R. Crowdy Crowdy, late RASC, has been appointed an aide-de-camp to the Queen in succession to Brig. E. R. Goode, retired. NTS

Maj-Gen. W. H. Hulion-Harrop, late Inf., retires on retired pay 26.11.59.

Following Col. to be Brigs, on dates shown.

A. P. Trevor, late R.A., 7.1.59 with precedence next below A. M. W. Whistler; N. St. C. Campbell, late R.A., 16.5.59; R. C. Crowdy, late R.A.S.C., 5.7.59; W. D. Tate, late R.A., 4.7.59; J. L. Brind, late Inf., 5.7.59; R. C. Macdonald, late Inf., 6.7.59; M. T. Young, late R.A., 7.7.59; L. E. Rumsey, late R.A.C., 16.7.59; G. H. N. Wilson, late R.A., 17.7.59; P. N. M. Moore, late R.E., 23.7.59; D. White, late R. Sixs., 1.9.59; E. F. Parker, late R.E., 17.9.59; D. E. O. Thackwell, late R.E., 21.9.59.

Following retire on retired pay on dates shown.—Brig. S. A. Stewart, late R.E., 30.11.59; Col. G. F. Houghton, late R. Sixs., 29.11.59; Col. E. L. L. Villiams, late R. Sixs., 1.12.59; Col. W. A. Y. Knight, late R.A.M.C., 26.11.59; Lt.-Col. K. F. Stephens, from R.A.M.C., to be Col. 26.11.59.

COMMANDS AND STAFF.—Maj-Gen. C. H. Colquhoun, late R.A., relinquishes his ap-



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THE BENS 1932.



TAKING DOWN THE WIRE.



SGT'S: MESS

CAPT. HOWSE.



C. S. M.
CHATTEN.

—
CROWDY.

—
PUSHTU SPEAKING
SEPOYS.



THE CAMP.



FROM "N" Post.



KAFFIR KOT NORTH,
AFGHANISTAN
IN-THE BACK GROUND.



LANDI KHANA FROM
KAFFIR KOT.



TORUKHAM SAR FROM BAGH ROAD.



TITCH MARCHES THE DRAFT
TO THE STATION.

OFF FOR HOME 1932.





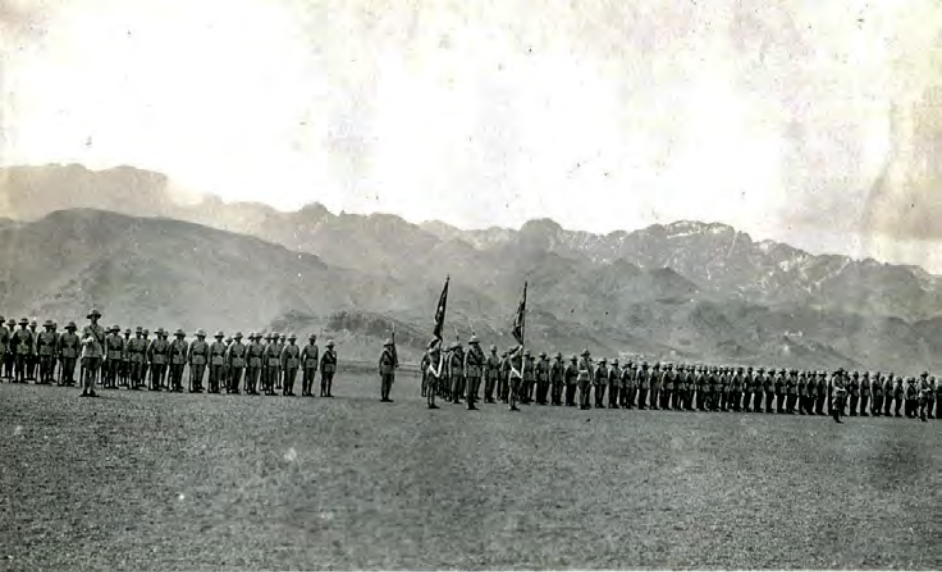
THE BAND AND DRUMS.



POLO - AERODROME.



LANDI KOTAL BRIGADE "AT HOME".



PROCLAMATION PARADE 1933.



SPECTATORS.



LIEUT. COL. SHAW COMMANDS THE BRIGADE.



OBORN. OZZARD-LOW.

THE P.W.V. COLOURS.



SHAGAI FORT
from
THE RANGE.



JAMRUD FORT APRIL 1933.



ROLLS-ROYCE HAWKER HARTS
ON
LANDI KOTAL AERODROME.



DOGRA HOOKAS.









INDIAN TROOPS MEMORIAL.

AROUND
THIS TOMB WAS FOUGHT THE VANGLORIOUS BATTLE OF
CHILLIANWALLAH;

13 JANUARY 1849
BETWEEN THE BRITISH FORCES UNDER LORD COUCH
AND THE SIKHS UNDER RAJAH SHER SINGH,
ON BOTH SIDES DID INNUMERABLE WARRIORS FALL FROM THIS LIFE
DYING IN MORTAL COMBAT.

HONORED BE THE GRAVES OF THESE HEROIC
SOLDIERS!
IN MEMORY OF THOSE WHO FELL IN THE RANKS OF THE
ANCIENT INDIAN ARMY.
THIS MONUMENT

HAS BEEN RAISED BY THEIR SURVIVING COMRADES,
AT WHOSE SIDE THEY PERISHED;
COMRADES WHO GLORY IN THEIR GLORY, AND LAMENT THEIR
FALL.

BRITISH TROOPS MEMORIAL.



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COL. CHRISTIE, COL. HICKIE, LAL SINGH. D.C., TERRY































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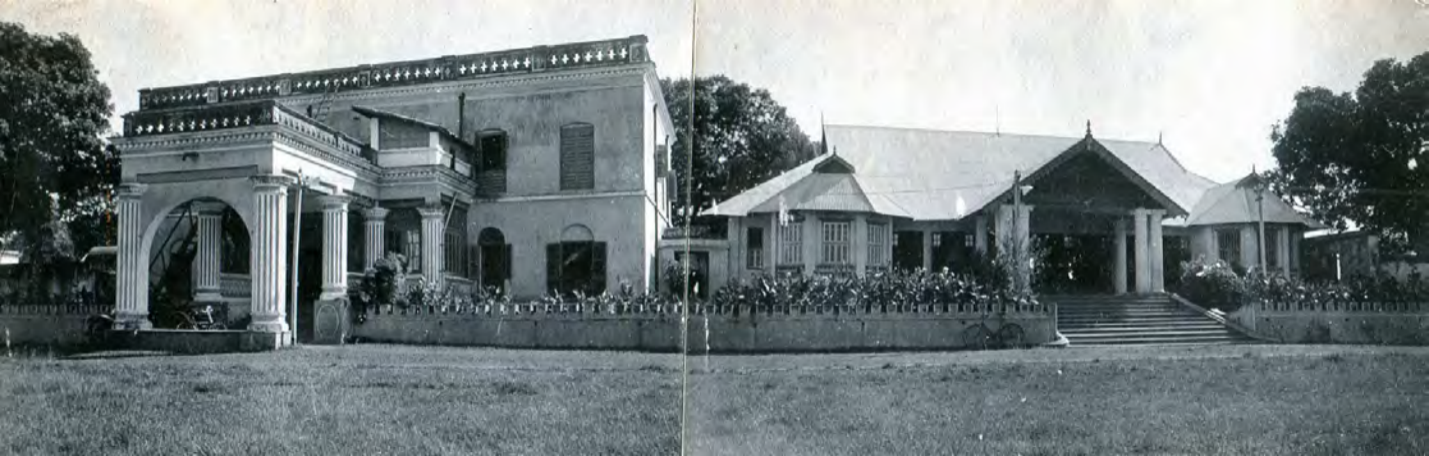
































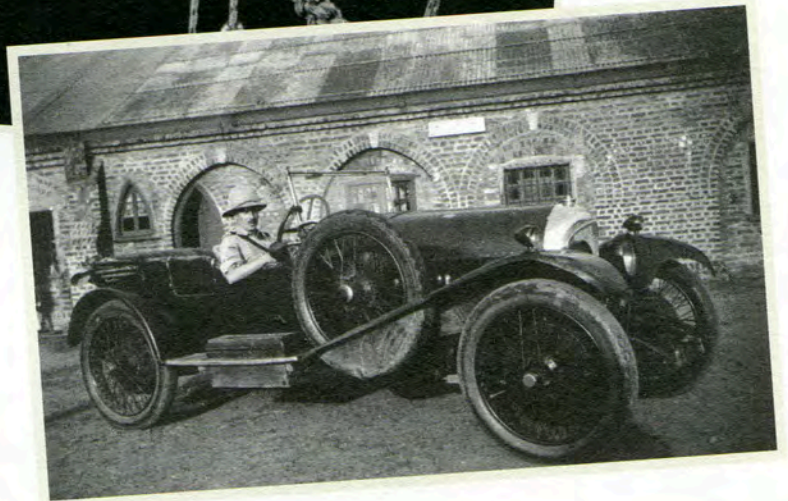
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Our Oldest Edwardian Brigadier Rupert Crowdy OBE



Rupert Crowdy (1928), our oldest Old Edwardian, celebrated his 103rd birthday this year.

Born in Beaconsfield, Rupert joined King Edward's School, then on New Street, when his father relocated to Northfield in 1925. On leaving school, Rupert joined the Northumberland Fusiliers and within 18 months was accepted into Sandhurst on a scholarship.

Following Sandhurst he joined the Indian Army serving with the 17th Dogra Regiment in North Western India. He joined the staff college in Quetta in 1941 and was in Burma during the Second World War. After partition in 1947 Rupert joined the British Army of the Rhine serving in the Royal Army Service Corps and was awarded the OBE for his part in the famous Berlin Airlift of 1949.

His military career spanned Administrative Staff Officer of GHQ Middle East in Egypt (1950); Commanding Officer of the Training Battalion at Aldershot (1952); Colonel, the Administrative Staff Officer at HQ BAOR in Monchengladbach (1957); Staff Officer to Director of Supplies and Transport in London (1959); Director of Supplies and Transport BAOR in Germany (1959). In 1962 he was appointed Aide-de-Camp to Her Majesty The Queen, an honour he greatly enjoyed until his retirement in 1965.

Rupert met his late wife, Norah, in Guernsey when on leave from Sandhurst. They kept in touch and he was invited to visit her family's tea plantation in Sri Lanka some years later.

They married in 1939 and enjoyed 66 happy years of marriage until she died in 2005. He has three daughters, 10 grandchildren and nine great grandchildren. His hobbies have included model making, sailing, shooting, fishing and motor cars, his pride and joy being a 1936 Vanden Plas 3 litre open tourer Bentley which he owned from 1937 to 1946.

Rupert still greatly enjoys life surrounded by his family and friends at The Cotswold Home near Burford, Oxfordshire, where he lives quietly and happily saying that he is thoroughly spoilt by the caring and attentive staff. At the time of his 100th birthday he was still the Chairman of the residents' committee.

Rupert's maxim for life and his own longevity has always been work hard, play hard, drink enough and live within your means. Live life to the limit but know your own limitations.

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Bowie at the V&A

Our oldest Old Edwardian

Second year of IB success



KING EDWARD'S SCHOOL
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A message from..



..The Chief Master

Last Saturday I was walking around the ground of an Old Edwardians cricket match with John Winspear, perhaps the most talented games player of his generation and certainly one of the nicest men alive. As we walked, we were facing up to the fact that we were forty, not twenty or even thirty years, on from the golden days we played together in the Old Eds team of Packham A and Taylor D, Thomson I and Williams S, who, incidentally, spent much of the 1970's trying to look like David Crosby from Crosby, Stills, Nash and Young.

John is an OE with whom it is impossible to lose touch: after all, on any summer Saturday since the early 1970's, he could be easily found at Streetsbrook Road. And he is a man with whom it is impossible not to be happy. However, there are others who never made it onto the school's database before databases existed and in recent times we have been trying hard, and with some success, to find the lost. In the last week, as part of our efforts for the Sports Dinner, we have 'found' from my generation Haydn Rees and Guy Fenney, with whom I shared, on a cricket and rugby field, much that was memorable, and occasional disasters. It's striking, forty years on, how much I have forgotten of the bits in between and how clearly I remember playing rugby and cricket with Haydn and Guy.

This wistful reminiscence has a purpose. We'd like to find more of the lost because we all feel the same way. The best way to do that is for each of us to find five minutes to go to the OEA website: www.olders.kes.org.uk/find-oes and check out the lost. If they are lost to us, but not to you, tell us, by emailing. So, stop reading this and get on with it.

■ John Cloughton (1975), Chief Master



..The Chairman

The Insight Gazette has now become a regular publication for Old Edwardians, bringing us up to date with the activities of both OEs and the school.

The recent highlight for many OEs must have been the private showing of the David Bowie exhibition at the V&A, which was kindly arranged by Sir Paul Ruddock. This event attracted a significant number of OEs along with parents and staff and we numbered over 250, which must make it one of the most popular events held by the school.

This edition of Insight contains articles on two entrepreneurial OE's who have set up their own businesses and an update on our oldest OE, Brigadier Rupert Crowdy who is 103 years of age. News from the school, as ever, brings us up to date with successes in many fields including the International Baccalaureate, music and sports. I am pleased to see that the school is going from strength to strength under John Cloughton's leadership.

I would like to thank the Development office under the leadership of Simon Lerwill for the excellent way in which they organise OE events, which certainly include something for everyone. In addition they have raised substantial funds for bursaries over the last few years – well done. On the magazine side Danielle Spittle has had a major impact on both the Gazette and the Insight Gazette and is ensuring that the standard of both publications is improving with every issue.

■ John Wheatley (1969), Chairman of the OEA

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Drinks reception in the Ruddock Gallery prior to the private viewing of the 'David Bowie is' exhibition at the V&A Museum.