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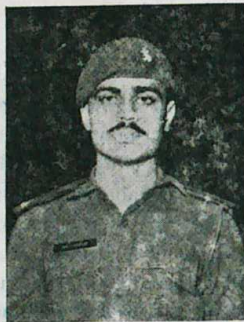
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We wish our readers a HAPPY NEW YEAR

RIMCOLLIANA :-

RIMC Cadets reaped a rich harvest in the MERIT LIST for the 57th N. D. A. Course. Out of top twenty positions eight positions have been claimed by the RIMC Cadets.

Cadet Raj Kapoor got third position in the Air Force Merit List and Cadet Dilip Prasad got the fifth position in the Combined Merit List of Army and Navy. Congratulations to the successful N.D.A Cadets.



Raj Kapoor



Dilip Prasad

Jan 20 - The College reopened on the 20th of January after winter break and we are back to our normal routine. Most of the Cadets arrived on the 19th. The detained Cadets who had to be retested returned on the 17th and they took the RETEST with all seriousness. Finally, the following Cadets were promoted :-

Cadets S. Verma, B. Roy, A. S. Baidwal, Y. Gargey, Y. S. Meiti, R. K. Sharma, S. Despande, T. K. Chanda, S. S. Rosario, Sunil Kohli, R. S. Choudhary, S. Mishra, M. R. Bopiah, Joy Chaterjee, A. Das

All the Cadets marched to Mussoorie to greet the first SNOW FALL of the season.

Jan 22 - Mr. CATCHPOLE, the ex-Principal of the RIMC was kind enough to pay us a visit. The members of Staff and Cadets were thrilled by his visit to the College.

Mr Catchpole conducted a test in English Language for the Class IV A and V. The test was extremely useful and interesting. After conducting the test, Mr Catchpole joined the Cadets and the members of the Staff in the Cadet's Mess for lunch. Before lunch he also played two games of Table-Tennis. His masterly game even at the age of sixty nine was a treat to the eyes. In his brief and witty address to the Cadets and Staff, he thanked the Commandant for his warm hospitality and assured us that he would be coming to the RIMC-frequently when he finally settles at Dehra Dun after retiring from his present job.

He was very kind to come again on the 24th. He explained very minutely the implications of his various test items. His gay way method of teaching was highly praised by all. We thank him for his kind gesture and look forward to his



next visit.

Jan 22 - Major Gohain and Mrs Gohain and LT Jain and Mrs Jain hosted a party to celebrate their first wedding anniversary. Four month old Master Pushkar Jain also graced the occasion. Many happy returns of the day.

Congratulation to 2/Lt S.K. Misra on his PROMOTION.

Jan 24 - We welcome nineteen NEW CADETS to our fold and wish them a happy and fruitful stay at the RIMC.

New Cadets:—

(P) Arvind Talwar, Karri Jain (R) Prabhjot Singh Sanjay Bhatia, Dhirender Tayal, Alok Kacker, Yatin Mundkur, R. Santosh, Tajinder Singh, Sanjay K Jha, Sanjay Jha, Rajesh Rajain, (S) Dinesh Rehani, Sairam, Anil Katoch, Sanjiv Khatri and Anil Rathore. (C) Kamlesh Agnihotri, Anurag Chandra.

Jan 26 - THE REPUBLIC DAY was celebrated with solemn gaiety. The national flag was unfurled by the Commandant at the College Parade ground at 10 A. M. followed by a collective singing of the National Anthem. Addressing the Cadets and the Staff of the College, the Commandant laid emphasis on the importance of hard work and sacrifice for achieving greater success in life and also for bringing glory to our Motherland. India has many a success to her credit but the challenges demand qualitatively higher contribution by the youth. He congratulated the Cadets and the Staff for their excellent results last year and urged them to show better results in times to come.

After the Parade sweets were distributed to the children of Class IV employees of the College. The Cadets organised a brief function in the Assembly Hall. Speeches in Hindi and English were delivered by Cadet Rakesh Rai and Prem Prakash. The first termers participated enthusiastically in large numbers and their maiden appearance on the College Stage thrilled all of us. Junior Cadets: Dinesh Rehani, Kavi Jain and R. Santosh spoke very well. Cadet Kamlesh Agnihotri sang a patriotic song. The Music Club also presented two national songs which were highly appreciated. Sweets were served after the speeches. Republic Day dinner was arranged in the Cadets' Mess.

We acknowledge with thanks the Season's greetings from E. J. Watson - Ex Principal of the RIMC and other well wishers.

TEACHERS

Some are lenient, some are strict,
Some carry nothing, some carry sticks.
Some are smart, some are clever,
Some are teachers, and some are professors.
Some wear goggles, some wear glasses,
Some takes lessons, some take classes.
Some wear bells, some are crazy,
Some like roses, and some like daisy.
Some are interesting, some are boring,
Some keep awake, some keep snoring.
Some are short, some are tall,
Some have hair some are bald.
Some wear wigs some use dye,
Some wear a shirt and also a tie.
Some keep moving, some are glued,
And with this I now conclude.

K. P. S. Dhillon
Class II

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RIP CURRENT. — SWIMMER'S ENEMY ON BEACH

Any flow of water may generally be called a current and currents are classified into many types. There are certain currents found only along sea coasts. These are longshore currents and the rip currents generated by the ocean waves. Among these two, rip currents are dangerous as they carry a lot of beach material towards the sea.

Rip currents are common along gently sloping sandy beaches. They are very strong and near the coasts, they are very narrow. Near the shore the width of rip is about 15 to 30 metres, and it attains a width of 30 metres away from the coast.

The rips might be as long as 1.5 Km. when the sea is relatively rough. They can attain a speed of 2 to 3 Km.

The Rip current is the biggest enemy of a swimmer in coastal waters. Most deaths by drowning in the sea occur as the victims are swept away by the rips. Once caught up in a rip, it is advisable to swim across the current and, as the current is very narrow, one can be out of it soon. The tendency to choose a comparatively calm region for swimming may also prove dangerous, as the rips generally originate in calm regions.

Cdt S. T. Upasani

RETURN TO INDIA

It is nearly fourteen years since I took my first hesitant steps with the RIMC Chronicle, and it is a great pleasure to have found recently in Dehra Dun the two-tone bilingual descendant of the first edition.

Now my wife and I are composing our universal Christmas letter within sight of Sikkim's holy mountain, KANCHENJANGA. It is two months since we arrived in India; every few days we have moved on, till by now we have covered about 6,000 miles : Delhi - Kashmir - Muzaffarnagar - Dehra Dun - Agra - Bombay - Goa - Bangalore, Mysore, Thekkady, Madras, Puri, Bhubaneswar, Calcutta, Darjeeling, Gangtok. The overriding impression is one of infinite diversity: what unity is there between the Moghul gardens of Srinagar and the coconut plantations along the Malabar coast, between the Bom Jesus Basilica of old Goa and the Sun temple of Konarak? And are these 600 million people one nation? Most are hospitable, helpful, curious, talkative, conservative, responsive to strong leadership. But what binds the Muslim businessman to the Brahmin schoolmaster, the Punjabi sepoy to the Roman Catholic nurse? One answer is the appeal to a sense of national identity which has followed the declaration of the state of emergency.

We have travelled largely by train, occasionally by bus or plane. We have stayed usually in hotels, sometimes with friends. We have talked freely with those we have met, relied extensively

on Fodor's Guide, confined our reading to the subject of India and recorded our experiences in a diary of which the following are two extracts.

"The atmosphere within the Golden Temple of Amritsar is extraordinarily serene and joyful. Within the walls runs a sixty-foot wide marble promenade, around which hundreds of gaily dressed people are wandering. A large tree is decorated with flowers. In the middle of the central tank, standing on a platform reached by a marble causeway, is the two-storied marble shrine. The walls are inlaid with patterns of coloured stones, and the metal sheets are covered with intricate designs and quotations from the Granth Sahib. The holy book itself stands under a jewelstudded canopy and receives the salutations of the pilgrims as they file past."

In Calcutta our hosts' hospitality was on such a scale that we could only wonder: not only were we most luxuriously accommodated and nourished, but they also organized at considerable expense - entirely to themselves - a non-stop programme of interesting activities and a guide from their office to go with us whenever they were unable to do so themselves. This was a unique experience in receiving.

We have had a stupendous time: we want to share it with the readers of the RIMC Chronicle and we wish them in the coming year interest and joy as we have known it here in India.

Peter Adams (Ex Master RIMC)
10 December 1976

हमारा गणतंत्र दिवस (बीर कुमार राकेश राय द्वारा दिया गया भाषण)

जो भरा नहीं है भावों से, बहती जिसमें रसधार नहीं वह हृदय नहीं है पत्थर है, जिसमें स्वदेश का प्यार नहीं ॥

हमारे राष्ट्र के इतिहास में आज का दिन बहुत ही महान एवं गौरव पूर्ण दिन है। आज सारे देश में गणतंत्र दिवस का २६वाँ समारोह बड़ी धूम धाम तथा उत्साह के साथ मनाया जा रहा है। १५ अगस्त १९४७ को डेढ़ सौ वर्ष पुराना शाही महल जिसमें दासता, गरीबी और अत्याचार पल रहे थे लड़खड़ा कर गिर पड़ा। महान त्याग और बलिदान के पश्चात् हम विदेशी शासन के बन्धन से मुक्त हुए। स्वतंत्रता तो हमें मिल गई किन्तु हम २६ जनवरी १९५० को पूर्ण रूप से स्वतंत्र हुए थे क्योंकि इसी सुनहरे दिन हमारा अपना संविधान लागू हुआ था। यदि हम स्वतंत्रता संग्राम के इतिहास पर दृष्टि डाले तो हमें विदित होगा कि २६ जनवरी १९२६ को हमारे पूज्य स्वर्गीय पंडित जवाहर लाल नेहरू जी की अध्यक्षता में रावी के तट पर

अखिल भारतीय कांग्रेस कमेटी ने लाहौर अधिवेशन में देश के लिए पूर्ण स्वतंत्रता का प्रस्ताव पारित कर प्रतिज्ञा की थी कि जबतक हम पूर्ण स्वराज्य प्राप्त नहीं कर लेंगे तब तक न हम शांति से बैठेंगे और न शत्रु को ही बैठने देंगे। तभी से यह दिन प्रतिज्ञा दिवस के रूप में मनाया जा रहा है।

हमारे संविधान की सबसे बड़ी विशेषता प्रजातांत्रिक शासन प्रणाली है जनता द्वारा, जनता के लिए जनता का राज्य। सभी नागरिकों को सामाजिक धार्मिक, आर्थिक तथा राजनीतिक न्याय प्राप्त करने तथा विचारों और विश्वासों को प्रकट करने को स्वतंत्रता है। धर्म, जाति वर्ग या रंग भेद के आधार पर किसी भी व्यक्ति में कोई अन्तर नहीं समझा जाता। स्त्री-पुरुष को समान अधिकार दिए गये हैं। वास्तव में हमारा संविधान न्याय, स्वतंत्रता समानता तथा भाई चारे पर आश्रित है।

हमारे लिये गणतंत्र एक महान उपलब्धि है। आज का दिन हमें अपने अमर शहीदों एवं देश प्रेमियों की

याद दिलाता है जिन्होंने अपने खून से आजादी के पीछे को सींचा। स्वतंत्रता संग्राम के अमर सेनानी तांत्या टोपे, वीरांगना भाँसी की रानी लक्ष्मी बाई, नाना फड़नवीस, बहादुर शाह जफर, सरदार भगत सिंह, चन्द्रशेखर आजाद, रामप्रसाद बिस्मिल, सुभाषचन्द्र बोस लाला लाजपत राय, महात्मा गांधी, डा० राजेन्द्र प्रसाद, पंडित जवाहर लाल नेहरू, लाल बहादुर शास्त्री, मौलाना आजाद तथा सरदार वल्लभ भाई पटेल आदि के महान त्याग और तपस्या क ही कारण हमें यह शुभ दिन देखने को मिला। इन महान नेताओं के आवाहन पर ही सारा देश स्वतंत्रता संग्राम में जुझ पड़ा।

इस दिन के हित मरे लाजपत, सोने पर लाठी खाई यह दिन लाने को जुझी थी, भाँसी की रानी लक्ष्मीबाई हुए शहीद इसी दिन हित, आजादी के दीवाने खड़े रहे गोली खाने को, देश भक्त सीना ताने चूड़ी टूट गई बहिनों की, सिन्दूरों से भाल लुटे और हजारों माताओं की, गोदी के लाल लुटे बड़े त्याग बलिदानों से हमने, यह शुभ दिन पाया है बड़ी कठिनता से प्रभु ने, हमको यह दिन दिखलाया है।

वास्तव में आज का दिन प्रत्येक भारतवासी को त्याग तपस्या और आत्म बलिदान की प्रेरणा देता है। आज हमारे देश के सामने भाषा-विवाद, वंरोजगारी, भ्रष्टाचार साम्प्रदायिकता की कुछ समस्याएँ उपस्थित हैं। कभी-कभी हम अपने तुच्छ स्वार्थ के लिए देश के हित को भूल जाते हैं। राष्ट्र एक जाति व सम्प्रदाय का नाम नहीं है।

देश के एक कोने से दूसरे कोने तक धर्म के बन्धन से मुक्त, अमीरी और गरीबी के भेदभाव से रहित, अनेक संस्कृतियों से रंजित, अनेक जातियों के मिश्रण का नाम ही राष्ट्र है जिसके मुख दुःख को अनुभूति एक है; जिसका स्वर एक है। हमें अपने राष्ट्र को संसार के उन्नत राष्ट्रों की श्रेणी में लाने के लिये निश्चित रूप से सच्चे त्याग एवं बलिदान की आवश्यकता है। राष्ट्र के लिए किया गया त्याग दिखावा नहीं चाहता। नागरिकों का चरित्र ही राष्ट्र का निर्माण करता है। आइए आज इस पवित्र अवसर पर हम सब मिलकर यह प्रतिज्ञा करें कि हम निःस्वार्थ भाव से निरन्तर देश की सेवा करते रहेंगे और कोई भी ऐसा कार्य नहीं करेंगे जिससे राष्ट्र की हानि हो। तिरंगे को आन-बान और शान को बनाए रखेंगे, हम यह न भूलें कि यह देश हमारा है, इसका कर्ण-कर्ण हमारा है। भारत के भावी सैनिक होने के नाते आज के इस पवित्र अवसर पर मैं अपने वीर कुमारों को यही याद दिलाना चाहूंगा।

मांग रहा है देश जवानों, फिर तुमसे कुर्बानियाँ तुमको अपना खून बहाकर, लिखनी नई कहानियाँ अंगारों पर चलना है, और आगे बढ़ते जाना है दुश्मन से लोहा लेना है और पर्वत से टकराना है करदो तुम भारत हित अर्पण, अपनी शोख जवानियाँ मांग रहा है देश जवानों, फिर तुमसे कुर्बानियाँ। धन्यवाद

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RIMCOLLIANA

Feb. 11- Proved to be an inauspicious day for the entire Nation due to the sad and sudden death of our President Mr. Fakhruddin Ali Ahmed. Grief-Stricken members of staff and the Cadets mourned his death in a special assembly called at 11.30 A.M. The tricolour was at halfmast.

Feb. 1- The home work has been assessed. There has been considerable improvement in the quality of home work, of course with a few exceptions.

Feb. 5. Mr. Suresh Kumar, Senior Scientist from Research and Training Wing of the O. N. G. C. delivered an educative talk on OIL EXPLORATION.

Feb. 6-R.I.M.C. Junior Team won the trophy and a cash prize of Rs. 101 in the GROUP SINGING COMPETITION organised under the auspices of the Bharat Vikas Parishad Dehra Dun. Congratulations to Cadets J. Gamlin, S.K. Laskar, R. D. Sharma, S. Rahniwal, P. K. Gupta, G. V. Krishna, Deepak Adhar, Sanjay Singh, Pawan Bhatnagar and A. K. Jain.

The members of the RIMC Ladies Club were kind enough to organise a demonstration on Washing Woollen and Synthetic Clothes. The ladies demonstrated to the Cadets how to wash the woollen and synthetic clothes. The Cadets attentively watched and actively practised the art. The Ladies Club organised this demonstration to teach the Cadets the importance of cleanliness and Self-reliance in life. The Cadets are highly thankful to the ladies for their maternal affection which they badly need in residential schools. After the demonstration the ladies, staff, section appointments and the Head Cadets attended a tea party in the Cadets mess. The Commandant thanked the ladies for their kind

gesture and impressed upon the Cadets to maintain the spirit inculcated by today's example.

Feb. 10. The Staff and Head Cadet had a detailed discussion on the implementation of the 10+2 years scheme. The difficulties of the cadets and the suggestions were explained. The significance of the new C.B.S.E. type syllabus and the over all strategy to tackle the HSC and the UPSC simultaneously were also discussed.

Feb. 12. Teaching Aids are vital for speedy and effective learning. The utility of TEACHING AIDS was discussed at length and the guidelines were laid down. Lt. Harinder Singh demonstrated the wide variety of History teaching aids, made by and for the Cadets.

Feb. 12 : A brief and solemn function was organised in the College Gurudwara to thank our Ex Cadet Brigadier Karam Singh for his kind presentation to the College Gurudwara.

Won : R.I.M.C. team with a lot of new faces had to face the State Bank in their first match of the season. The visitors won the toss and elected to bat on a bouncy pitch. R.I.M.C. opened their attack with Prem and Vishwajeet moving the ball both ways and bouncing it a lot. Vishwajeet claimed the first wicket in no time but their Captain and Vice-Captain defied the home team attacks with poise and confidence. Skipper Upasani tried every bowler but the change did not bear any fruit. Vishwajeet in a spirited over got their three batsmen out. By this time, they had piled up a huge total and considered it safe to declare at 124 for 4 wickets.

It was an uphill task for the home team to better the score in a limited time. After lunch Sarat and Vishwajeet went in to open for R.I.M.C. Sarat was out rather cheaply when he was beaten



by an inswinger which uprooted his leg stump. Then Hussain came in, but his departure was also very close to his arrival. Now R.I.M.C. team was in a tight corner with the Score-board reading 5 for 2. At this critical juncture Arvind joined Vishwajeet and both of them started hitting the ball far and wide. For a long time the S.B.I. bowlers could not inflict any further injury to the Home team. Pathak delighted the spectators with some of his cover drives. He was bowled neck and crop when he missed the line of a full toss ball. His forty six sparkling runs and seventy run partnership with Arvind placed R. I. M. C. on a sound footing. Rakesh and Prem could not give enough support to Arvind. Then came the turn of Harish, who gave good support to Arvind, who hit the winning run and came back to the pavilion with an unbeaten 48. Thus R. I. M. C. made a good start by clinching a four-wicket victory over S.B.I.

Team :- S. T. Upasani (Captain), V. Pathak, S. K. Laskar, Z. Hussain, D. A. Chaturvedi, R. Rai, P. Prakash, H. Sadasivan, Y. P. S. Bhaduria, R. P. Rawat, A. K. Kochar, 12th man G. Prasad.

Feb. 15 : The first round of the UNIT TESTS are over. The cadets have taken keen interest in the scheme to make the teaching more effective.

Feb. 15 : Lawrence of Arabia was at the Odeon and the cadets were there to compare notes with him except the "below fifty percenters", who stayed back to keep the masters amused.

Feb. 15 : Maj Gen Ranbir Bakshi M. C. (Retd) and members of the Raphael visited us and screened an educative film.

Feb. 13 : The geysers are still creating troubles. Thanks to the vigorous efforts by the A. O. Some cadets can after all, get hot water.

Feb. 14 : Riding for class V has started in right earnest. They will go to I.M.A. on every Monday and Friday (Junior cadets to please note).

FIRST TERMERS COLUMN

WHY MONGOOSE KILLS SNAKES

Once upon a time there lived a very poor lady. She had a son who was two years old. While the lady went out for work, she left her son near a tank where he played. There he was guarded by a mongoose. One day while the child was playing, a thirsty cobra came for a drink in the tank. When the child saw it he thought it to be a toy and he caught it by the neck. The cobra got very angry and bit the child. The child died at

once. The Mongoose saw this and got angry and killed the snake at the spot. From that day if any mongoose happens to see any snake it kills it at once.

Cadet R. Santosh

Class - I

INTRODUCTION

My name is SANJEEV KHATRI. I come from H. P. My father is LT Colonel N.S. KHATRI, V.S.M. I have also made up my mind to join Army. On 19th August I took the admission test at DHARAMSALA. I joined the R.I.M.C. on 24th Jan along with my friend Alok KACKER. I am in SHIVAJI SECTION. My cadet guardian is Cadet S.P. DHARKAR. My first day in school went off well; in visiting the College Hospital, cricket field, Mess, classroom dormitories, swimming pool, squash courts and many other places. I like this school very much and I am glad to be here.

A JOKE

AN ENGLISHMAN, a JAPANESE and an INDIAN were talking to each other. The ENGLISHMAN said, "My country has made so much progress that our aeroplanes fly touching the sky." The other two said "what"? The ENGLISHMAN replied, "Two fingers below the sky." The Japanese said "My country has made so much progress that our ships go touching the ground. The other two said "what". The Japanese replied, "Two fingers above the ground". The INDIAN said, "My country has made so much progress that our people eat with their noses. The other two said "what". The INDIAN replied, "Two fingers below the nose."

Cadet Sanjeev Khatri

Class I

'THE SHOWERS'

Here are the great showers, from the dark clouds to the earth, accompanied by thunder and lightning waking the babies in their cradle.

We see smiles on the faces of farmers, and some merrily enjoying. And here are the poor travellers running helter-skelter.

And here are the merry little boys and girls playing.

And here is the great wind, violently shaking the trees.

Here are the great showers from the dark clouds to the earth,

Cadet - ANIL KATOCH

Class-I

SMILE ; PLEASE

- (1) Once a lady who had lost her husband and children in the 2nd world war told Churchill the ex - P.M of Britain that if Churchill was her husband she would poison him' Churchill replied that if she were his wife he would have gladly taken it.
- (2) Teacher:-Why has God given us two ears when man can hear with one ?
Student :- It must be to wear the spectacles, Sir.
- (3) Question :- Mention the quantity of annual export of oil by USA in any one year.
Answer - 1492 ; None
- (4) Customer : "I will have 2 Sandwiches"
Waiter : "With pleasure, Sir."
Customer : "No, with mustard."
- (5) Judge : "I will have to give you 3 months Re. 1 or Rs. 1000. which do you prefer?"
Criminal : "I will take the Rs 1000, your honour."
- (6) Judge : "Have you appeared as a witness before ?"
Witness : "Yes your honour."
Judge : In what Suit"
Witness : "my blue serge"

M. S. SAIRAM
Class I

THE ESCAPE FROM AGRA

This story is an extract from the book "Shivaji", who was one of the bravest persons in the world. Once he was caught and arrested by Aurangzeb, the Muslim Emperor and put in to prison. With him, his brother Sambhaji was also imprisoned. One day the great General of Shivaji's army told him how to escape from the prison. One day Shivaji and Sambhaji concealed themselves in the sweets baskets which were sent from Agra to other places. This way they escaped from the fort.

Cdt Sanjay Jha

THE ENGINE DRIVER

- (1) Can you tell me the difference between a teacher and an engine driver ?
Ans. The teacher trains the mind and an engine-driver minds the train.

Kavi Jain

Why R. I. M. C.

As we all must be knowing that every one wishes to do a great work, I also want to defend my mother land, When I see the birds flying in the sky, I also want to fly like them. So I made up my mind to join the Air-force. So to join Air-force and also to serve my Mother land I have joined the R.I.M.C.

Cadet Kavi Jain
Class-I

Why R.I.M.C ?

I have joined the R.I.M.C because after studying and getting training at this institution I will be able to serve my country as an officer in the Indian Army. R. I. M. C is one of the best schools of Military education in India. That is why many boys like to join this school. I am one of them.

Anil Rathore
Class I

A MIDNIGHT DREAM

I was sleeping in my dormitory when the rats came tumbling. Great rats, small rats, lean rats, brawny rats, brown rats, black rats, grey rats, tawny rats. I couldn't sleep again because the rats were making a noise, when I went out I couldn't see anything because I was in my bed. It was only a dream.

Cadet Lalzoliana
Class I

My First Day at R.I.M.C

I reached R.I.M.C. on 24.1.77 at 10.30 A.M. with my friend Sanjeev Khatri. First we had an interview with our A.O. Maj. R.T.C. Gohain and after that we had another interview with the Commandant. We met some of the teachers near the mess. Then some Cadets showed Education Block and dormitories. We had our lunch in the Cadets' Mess and after lunch I went to my dormitory. There I met Cadet R. Santosh. I had tea at Lt. SK Mishra's house and went to my bed. This was my first day at the R.I.M.C.

Alok Kacker
Class-I

ऋतु - राज बसन्त

फाल्गुन के महीने के आने के साथ ही शिशिर का अंत हो गया। टिटुराई प्रकृति एक बार फिर अंगड़ाई लेकर उठ खड़ी हुई। उसकी अभिनव शोभा में एक नई स्फूर्ति आ गयी। इसी को देख कर ही तो मैथिल-कोकिल विद्यापति गा उठे थे :

बाल बसन्त तरुन भए धाओल, बड़ए सकल संसारा ॥
दखिन पवन धन अंग उगारए, किसलय कुसुम परांगे ॥
सुललित हार मजरि धन कज्जल, अखितौं अज्जन लागे ॥

क्षेत्रों में पीली-पीली सरसों भूम उठी, रंग-बिरंगे फूलों से वन-उपवन चित्रकार की चित्रशाला से देख पड़ने लगे। अमराइयों से आम के नए खिले बौरों की गंध लेकर दक्षिण पवन भूमता हुआ चला जा रहा है।

महाकवि बिहारी भी जिसके स्पर्श से भूम उठे थे -
रुनत भृंग घंटावली, भरत दानु मधु नीर,
मंद-मंद आवत चलयो, कुंजर कुज समीर,

बागों में कोयल की कूक और पपीहे को पी-पी बसन्त की सुमधुर रागनियाँ हैं। सूर्य की किरणों में अनोखा उन्माद है। पलाश में लाल रंग की असंख्य नई-नई कोपले फूट आई हैं, लगता है वन-प्रदेश में आग लंग गई हो।

बसन्त के आते ही जड़ हो या चेतन, सभी में एक अनोखा आकर्षण उत्पन्न हो जाता है। सब में एक नई स्फूर्ति आ जाती है। मनुष्य की सौन्दर्यप्रियता जाग उठती है और वह अनेक प्रकार के आमोद-प्रमोद को जन्म देता है। अनेक प्रकार की मनोमधुकारी क्रीड़ाएँ आरम्भ होती हैं। जीवन पर चहकिले गहरे वासन्ती रंग का नशा सा छा जाता है। तभी तो बसन्त को ऋतु-राज कहा गया है। तभी तो पद्माकर कवि बसन्त को सर्व व्यापी कह पड़े थे -

‘वनन में बागन में बगरयो बसन्त है’

प्रायः सभी देशों और जातियों में बसन्त के आगमन पर अनेक उत्सव और त्यौहार मनाए जाते हैं होली का त्यौहार भी इसी ऋतु में मनाया जाता है। फाल्गुनी भी इसी ऋतु में मनायी जाती है। पीली घेतियाँ, पीले कुरते पीली पाग, हमारे भीतर बाहर जो है बसन्त के रंग में रंग जाता है।

वीर कुमार संजय कुमार भा

संस्कृत का महत्व

संस्कृत भाषा भारत की एक अमूल्य एवं अनुपम निधि है। अनादिकाल से हमारे देश के जातीय जीवन पर इसका अपरिमित प्रभाव पड़ा है। भारतीय साहित्य और संस्कृति उससे पूर्णतया अनुप्राणित हैं। देव-वाणी पद से विभूषित होकर वह आज भी भारतीय जनता के हृदय में श्रद्धा का संचार करती है। ऐसी देशप्राण भाषा को ‘मृत’ कहना उसके प्रति घोर अन्याय है जो लोग संस्कृत को पुरातन काल की वस्तु कहकर उसे अवहेलना की दृष्टि से देखते हैं, वे वास्तव में उसके महत्व को नहीं जानते। यह बलपूर्वक कहा जाता है कि आज भी संस्कृत, ग्रीक और लैटिन की अपेक्षा कहीं अधिक जीवित है अंग्रेजी की अपेक्षा संस्कृत हम भारतीयों के जीवन को अधिक स्पर्श करती है। हमारा धार्मिक जीवन इसका ज्वलन्त प्रमाण है। वेदों और उपनिषदों, रामायण और महाभारत, गीता तथा भागवत का आज भी देश व्यापी प्रचार है। हमारे देवालयों तथा तीर्थस्थानों में उसका प्रभाव आज भी अक्षुण्ण है हमारे उपनयन, विवाह आदि समस्त संस्कार तथा अन्य अग्रणीत धार्मिक कृत्य संस्कृत में ही संपन्न होते हैं। भले ही संस्कृत का बाजार में या अदालत में प्रयोग न होता हो, पर वह हमारी सांस्कृतिक भाषा है। जैतों का विपुल साहित्य प्रायः संस्कृत में ही है बौद्धों ने भी जब प्राकृत और पालि की नवीनता नीरस हो चली संस्कृत में ही अपने ग्रन्थ रचे। व्यवहारिक और सामाजिक जीवन पर भी उसका प्रत्यक्ष प्रभाव परिलक्षित होता है। सभी प्राचीन भाषाओं को आदि-जननी संस्कृत ही है। तमिल और तेलगू जैसे द्रविड़ भाषाओं पर भी संस्कृत का पर्याप्त प्रभाव पड़ा है। संस्कृत में लिखित स्मृतियाँ ‘हिन्दू लॉ’ की मूल भित्ति हैं। संस्कृत साहित्य सब प्रकार से समृद्ध एवं ‘जीवित’ साहित्य है और आज भी नव जीवन - दान करने की क्षमता रखता है।

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Feb 16 - The Commandant through his letter of 10th Feb 77 has acquainted the Parents with the BASIC CHANGES IN THE EDUCATIONAL SET UP AT THE R.I.M.C. in the light of 10+2 years scheme of education and has also solicited their co-operation for better results. (The letter in original is also being published in this very issue).

Feb 18 - ACADEMIC STANDARDS TO BE RAISED :- The Commandant announced in the assembly that from the next Terminal examination the minimum qualifying marks for promotion to the next class would be 50 % as against 40 % at present. This change has been contemplated in the view of C.B.S.E. requirements. According to C.B.S.E. Standards one must get minimum C Grade for admission to the next higher class. He impressed upon the Cadets to work harder in order to face the Challenges of this competitive age in which there is no place for mediocrity.

Feb 18 - BASKET BALL MATCH :

Staff Vs Cadets

The Cadets' Basketball Team played an exciting match with their traditional rivals ; The Staff Team and contrary to expectations the Cadets won the match by an impressive margin of 42 - 28.

It was an impressive game and both the teams played a good game. The Cadets took advantage of their age and agility and played a fast game from the beginning to the end. They had rightly anticipated the strategy of the staff team and kept their main scorer fully guarded. However, the masterly game of the old guards impressed the spectators. It is heard that the Staff team is

planning to inflict a crushing defeat to the Cadets team in the next encounter. Best of luck to both the teams. Staff - Lt Col G. P. S. waraich (captain) Maj R. T. C. Gohain, Lt Harinder Singh, Lt P. K. Roy, Lt S. M. Johar, Dr. J. S. Bhatti, Hav R. S. Gurung and Hav Rajinder Singh.

Cadets :- Y. S. Nehra (captain), R. S. Choudhary, S. S. Rosario, Y. Bhaduria, D. S. Gill and G. S. Bains.

Feb 19 - THE INTER SECTION ENGLISH DECLAMATION CONTEST, 1977 was held in the Convocation Hall on Saturday. Brigadier V. M. Gupta BEME, H Q Central Command was the Chief Guest. He was highly impressed to see the high standard of English declamation and remarked, "I have myself learnt so many things today" ! It was a kind gesture on his part to have given us so much of his valuable time.

The results of the Declamation are as follows. :-

Juniors :-

Rajiv Dayal (S) I
S. Banerjee (R) II
P. Manjul (P) III
S. Srivastva (C) IV

Seniors :-

A. Banerjee (S) I
A. Subramaniam (P) II
Rajiv Sharma (S)] III
S. S. Rosario (P)]
Prem Prakash (R) IV

The over all results are as follows :-

Shivaji I
Pratap II
Ranjit III
Chandra Gupta IV



The Chief guest Brigadier V. M. Gupta kindly gave away the "Principal Sharma Trophy" to Shivaji Section and certificates to the Individual winners.

Feb 20 - The Cricket team of the R. I. M. C. played the second match of the season with the Dehra Dun Sub Area Team. The Skipper, Z. Hussain, along with his team-mates put up a brave fight to win the match but the dame luck was moody. We lost the match by a narrow margin of four runs which is an ironic contrast to our four-wicket Victory over the S. B. I. In the first match of the Season played on last Sunday. A brilliant knock of 50 by Skipper Hussain and a fine spell of bowling by Vishwajeet and Prem Prakash were the high-lights of the match.

Feb 21 - MONTHLY TESTS have started with a bang. The Cadets know the importance of these tests and this is why they are taking these tests with all Sincerity and seriousness. However, the Unit Tests have made the task easy.

Feb 22 - Teaching is a planning ; not a guess. Now the Cadets will know one week in advance what things will be taught to them in the next week. This will enable them to come prepared with the lessons to be taught. The detailed routine of the week prepared by the subject masters is handed over to the Head Cadets on every saturday to avoid any guess-work in teaching and reading.

Feb 23 - PHYSICAL EDUCATION are integral part of the C. B. S. E. Curriculum. Steps have been taken to impart theoretical lessons and practical guidance to Cadets so that nothing is left to chance. Cadets have been fore-warned and it is seen that now they are very eager to improve their physical efficiency more and more without any unplsant orders. The motivation of Grade is often more effective than the requirement of health and fitness.

Feb. 24 - The Commandent delivered a lecture on the ROLE OF MONEY AND BANKING. It was attended by the Cadets from Class III and onwards. The talk may not make them money-minded but definitely they will bank on the knowledge they have gained.

FIRST TERMERS' COLUMN

PUZZLE

"How is 'Sun' like the 'bat'?"
"It is like the 'bat' as it goes out at night."

A GREAT MISTAKE

A husband thinks that he bosses the house but in fact he houses the boss.

Dharinder Kumar Tayal
Class I

EXERCISE YOUR LAUGHTER

- (1) Boy to his friend—"How much big our legs should be?"
Friend—"The legs must be big enough to reach the ground".
- (2) Ram—"Do you know the difference between Discovery and Invention ?"
Atul—"Yes, My father discovered my mother and they both invented me."

—S. K. Bhatia

MY FIRST DAY AT THE R.I.M.C.

24th January was my first day at the R.I.M.C. we all came in a truck from the Railway station. I was feeling very happy and was waiting for the moment when I would see the Rashtriya Indian Military College. When I reached here, we went to the college office. Then the commandant told us about the college. Then I saw my dormitory in Ranjit Section. I chose my bed and cupboard. Then Lt S.M. Johar took us around the college. He showed us the college hospital, the kitchen, the classes, the college Mosque etc. We were shown a film on the daily routine of the cadets of R.I.M.C. After that the parents returned home. It was a memorable day.

Tajinder Singh
Class I

WORK, WORK, WORK

- (i) If you are poor; Work.
- (ii) If health is threatened; Work.
- (iii) If dissapointments come Work.
- (iv) If you are rich; continue to Work.
- (v) If faith falters and reason fails; Work.
- (vi) If dreams are shattered and hopes seem dead, Work.
- (vii) If you are burdened with unseeming responsibilities; Work.
- (viii) If you are happy; keep right on Working; Idleness gives reasons for doubt and fear.



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Welcome

On the auspicious occasion of the Founders' Day Celebrations and Rimcollians' Reunion we welcome our Old Boys to their Alma Mater and wish them a happy Reunion.

Emotional attachment to one's Alma Mater is somewhat spontaneous and natural, but the attachment of the Rimcollians to the R.I.M.C. is rather unique and matchless. This unbreakable bond of love between the Rimcollians and the R.I.M.C. has ever been a matter of great pride and privilege for this institution and a source of inspiration to our young Cadets.

A Rimcollian's fascination for anything that carries R.I.M.C. emblem is a glaring proof of his devotion to the R.I.M.C. whether it is a memento or a tie; a medal or a button; it is always a precious possession with a Rimcollian. Older they become, closer the attachment they develop. The old boys love the college tie even in their old age and prefer to be called a Rimcollian rather than being called by any other name although after passing out from the R.I.M.C., they stay at other institutions for a considerable time. Every Rimcollian in the Armed Forces or wherever he may be, religiously becomes the member of



Old Boys with the R.I.M.C. Cricket Team with Gen. Bewoor in the centre.



the R.I.M.C. Old Boys' Association formed in 1950 and enthusiastically attends its meetings.

This Reunion has a charm of its own and this is why it is a dream with the young Cadets to attend it when they



Rimcollian '76— Air Force Station, Bareilly.

Every year on 13th of March a magnetic and mysterious charm draws the Old Boys to R.I.M.C. from all corners of the country.

*"The spring has returned on her Celestial course
And with her shall return my children to me"*.

This rendezvous not only revives the memory of the bygone days but also enables the visiting Rimcollians to have a new look at the R.I.M.C. which is ever-changing, yet ever the same.

become worthy of it. What is there in R.I.M.C. that creates such a strong link of the Old Boys with it and among themselves? What is it that the R.I.M.C. has given them and still continues to give to its cadets today? It is very difficult to answer. A Rimcollian alone knows it and nobody else; nor anyone can. To quote Gen. G.L. Chopra, D.O.S., from his End of the Term (76) address to Cadets:



Gen. G.G. Bcwoor giving away the Boxing Cup to Cdt. B.S. Kohli, Captain of the Shivaji Section Team.



Our Illustrious Old Boy Lt. Gen. G.L. Chopra, Chief Guest of End of the Term Functions, 1976.

"As for me, I consider myself doubly blessed to have been a student of this College. I can without fear of exaggeration volunteer that the bulk of my achievements and success in life, I owe to the depth, quality and dimension of the training that I received here. Though it may not so appear to you at this stage, what you learn now, shall live with and by you for the rest of your life".

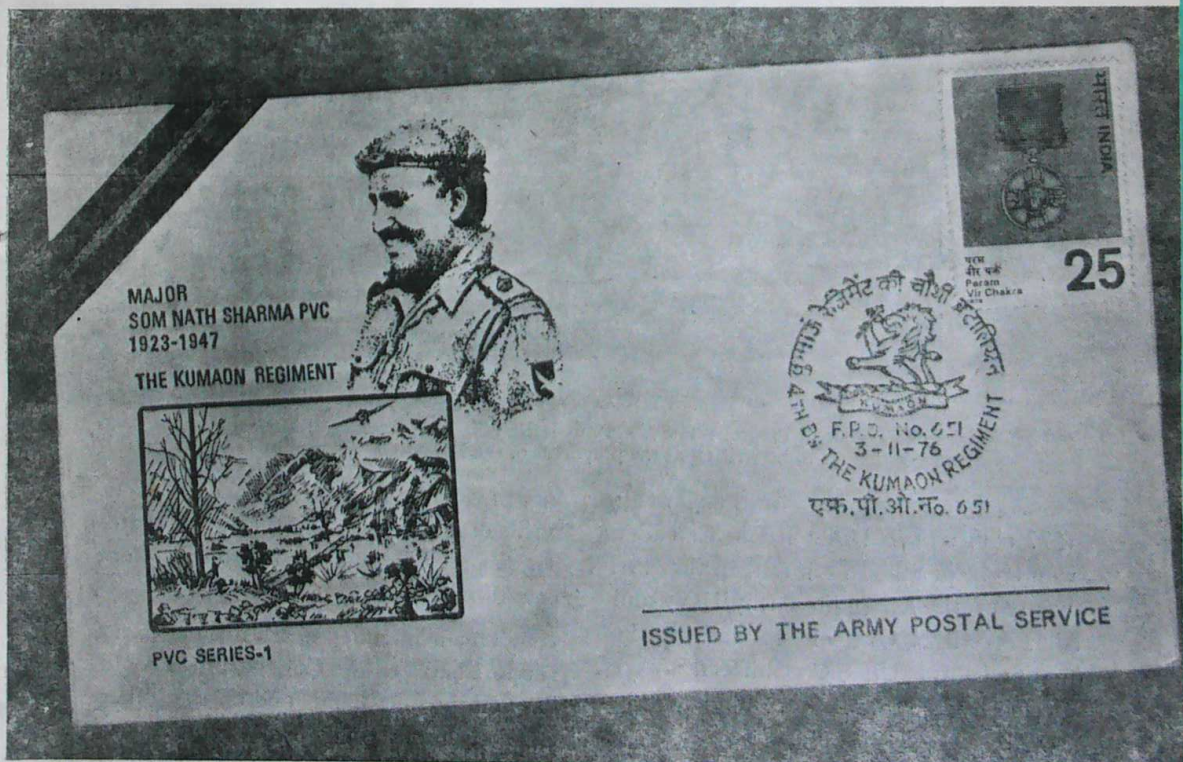
Rightly R.I.M.C. has the proud distinction of counting among its ex-cadets many distinguished Generals who have rendered yeoman's service to the nation in many ways. Not only this, the R.I.M.C. has played a vital role in enriching the glorious tradition of gallantry in the Indian Armed Forces. The first Indian officer to win the Victoria Cross was a Rimcollian (Lt. Gen P.S. Bhagat).

Similarly Late Major Som Nath Sharma was the first soldier to be



Late Lt Gen P.S. Bhagat PVSM, VC umpiring a Hockey match during a Rimcollian Meet:
(Old Soldiers never die)

honoured posthumously with the country's highest gallantary award of Param Vir Chakra.



1st Day Cover—on Major Som Nath Sharma—P.V.C.

Caught young, the present generation of Cadets marches boldly with a tremendous confidence, towards the realization of its goal. Placed in the whirlpool of increasing competition today, they pass through a dynamic curriculum adjusting constantly to meet the changing times and needs. The Cadets are governed here by a strategy that well maintains a remarkable balance between officer-like qualities, academics, games and hobbies. Among the clusters of military institutions existing in the country today, R.I.M.C. is still the only one of its type to claim the first privilege for inculcating in her Cadets those mental, moral and physical qualities that the country needs in an officer in his military career. R.I.M.C. has always been, and it still is today, the premier and quality feeding institution to the N.D.A. It has remained unsubdued by the roughest storms of competition at the U.P.S.C. and S.S.B.

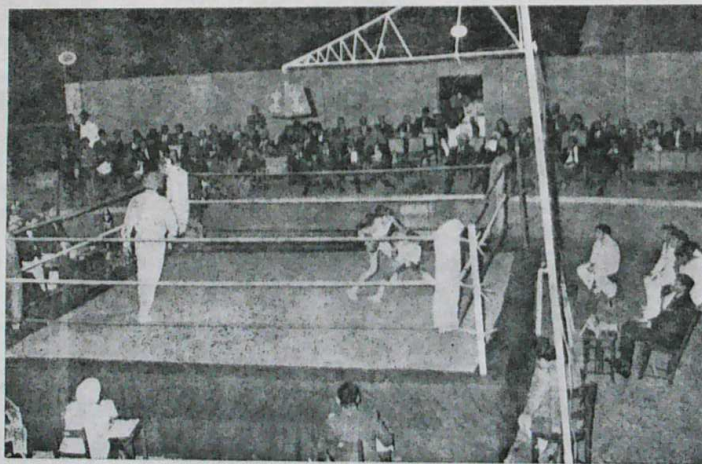
sending 25 cadets to N.D.A. annually. R.I.M.C. maintains its unique position quantitatively and qualitatively.

Once again the R.I.M.C. Cadets renew their pledge to safeguard and uphold the name of the College by maintaining the glorious traditions of gallantry in the service of the country. What we have done is only a prelude to what we shall do.

An Appeal

On the eve of the Founder's Day Celebrations and the Rimcollian Reunion, we make this appeal to our old boys, in the hope of getting their kind attention.

In view of the pressing demands from the present Cadets, we propose to introduce a separate section and entitle it "Retrospect". In this column we propose to publish pen-portraits of the past. These may include glimpses of your reminiscences, narration of inspir-



Boxing Bout in Progress: The history of India's Defence Forces continues to be written at the playfields of the R.I.M.C.

As regards quality, in the January 1977 course at N.D.A., R.I.M.C. cadets won eight positions of merit in the first twenty of the All India Army/Navy and Air Force lists. Out of 14 cadets who qualified at U.P.S.C thirteen were selected by the S.S.B. for admission to N.D.A.

Quantitatively R.I.M.C. with its meagre cadet strength of 220 has been

ing incidents, idiosyncracies of Cadets, visits of dignitaries and such other materials as may be of interest to your present counterparts.

This is intended to establish a closer rapport between the College and its old boys on the one hand and on the other heighten in our young cadets the sense of their being the prospective constituents of their well knit Alumni

Association for which this college holds a place of distinction amongst its kind.

You are, therefore, requested to favour us with all such material as may benefit the Cadets as well as the College. Your letter should be addressed to the Editor, The Chronicle, R.I.M.C.

We hope to get your full co-operation.

Thanking you.

Editor

Annual Stock Taking—1976-77

On 13 March 1977, the RIMC adds one more year to its glorious history and enters the next year with confidence. Let us have a few glimpses of the last one year.

The results of the NDA tests conducted by the UPSC have been improving steadily. In the May '76, UPSC Test, 14 out of 16 Cadets (88%) passed the written test in the first attempt against the All India pass average of 13%. 13 out of 14 Cadets passed the SSB and 12 Cadets have joined the NDA. Love Tandon had a last minute medical problem. RIMC Cadets secured 8 positions in the first 20 of the Army/Navy and Air Force Lists.



Cdt. Raj Kapoor
3rd in Air Force Merit List.

In the Dec. 1976 *Higher Secondary Examination*, 9 Cadets secured the First Division and 8 the second, with no Third Division or failures. Cadet A Swaminathan set a new record of 740 marks, improving upon Cadet Mohanty's record of 720 marks set in May 1976. Improving the HSC record twice in the same year is creditable indeed.

The '10+2 years scheme of education has been introduced and the first batch of class IV-A Cadets will take the X class test in May 1977. The RIMC syllabus has always been tailored to meet the specific requirements of the learners. This has been the basic source of its strength and vitality. The educational system should conform to the needs of the users. Our aim is to prepare Cadets for entry to the NDA. A syllabus broadly on the CBSE pattern was laboriously drafted but lately it has been decided that at the X Class level there will be full uniformity with the CBSE syllabus. Irrespective of the merits of the decision, its timing has been extremely unfair to the present class IV-A who get only one term to complete four term's syllabus. At the same time, there are no teachers in the four new subjects introduced.

The Cadets and Masters are working hard to meet the new challenge. The RIMC has been allowed to draft its own *XI and XII Class Syllabus* to meet the requirements of the NDA. We hope that the future syllabus will conform to the RIMC objectives, and not prove a carbon copy of a curriculum designed for different objectives. No institution can claim to have its own objectives without having its own syllabus. Just like the NDA needs a special B.Sc/B.A. syllabus to meet its special requirements the RIMC must continue to have its own specific curriculum. We have great confidence in our senior officers' ability to withstand the negative pressures.

Unit Tests are being held after teaching every chapter to assess, diagnose and remedy the defects. The basic difference here is that the RIMC is a *learning* institution and not a mere teaching institution. The quality of "learning" has improved considerably due to the Unit tests, Monthly tests and Mid-term tests to supplement the Terminal tests. Learning and evaluation go together.

7. The weekly programme specifies the learning experiences planned for every period. This allows the Cadets to come prepared for that topic. Similarly,

the Master also can plan his teaching aids and activities accordingly.

8. Among the different laboratories the Mathematics Laboratory has added the maximum number of activities during the last year. For good learning it is desirable that the new knowledge must find an immediate practical application in real life. Our laboratories have been active to achieve that difficult but desirable goal, with varying degrees of success.

9. The subject-wise class rooms have matured into centres of critical and analytical learning through participation. The quality of teaching aids has been improving steadily. The emphasis has been more on the functional aids and less on gadgetry.

Introduction of TV has added an effective new dimension to learning. The members of staff have organised numerous faculty meetings, discussion groups and seminars on educational subjects thereby allowing constant renewal of concepts and exchange of experience. In the Staff Room one can over-hear increasing references to "aims", "motivation", "aids", "evaluation" and "education" of Cadets instead of mundane gossip.

10. The Library has become an active part of learning and every Cadet somehow visits it daily. The Cadets go to the city and select books for the Library directly from the booksellers. They are making some really good selections.

11. The new system of Inter Section Championship is based on equal weightage to the three vital aspects of sports, studies and character. The new system has proved a big source of motivation and self-education. 13 out of 14 RIMC Cadets have been selected by the SSB in the first attempt partly due to the correct conditioning ensured by the system that encourages integrity and discourages cheating.

12. Riding has been added to the curriculum last year with the kind courtesy of the IMA. It is proving highly useful. Games and sports get the same place in the programme as in the past, with the sole difference that in order to represent the College in any game, the Cadet must secure at least 50% marks in every subject. RIMC has maintained its reputation in games and co-curricular activities.

13. Sociometric analysis based on mutual assessment, qualitative assessment by the subject masters (done prior to the written tests) administration of intelligence tests and continuous record of observations guide the Cadets to develop their personality.

Close personal attention ensures the average annual entry of 25 Cadets to the NDA out of 210-220 Cadets at the RIMC. No other institution can claim to send 12% of its total Cadets annually to the NDA.

14. The vast CBSE curriculum is duplicated by the UPSC curriculum plus other requirements of the NDA. The Cadets are exceptionally busy. The Masters have done excellent work with unique dedication.

15. The parents are generally co-operative and take keen interest in the home work and timely payment of the fees. Unfortunately, over a score of parents of ex-Cadets have not paid the full fees and court cases have been filed as the last resort. The old arrears have been brought down from over Rs. 1.5 lakhs to about Rs. 50,000.00.

16. The Cadets are greatly fascinated by the Old Boys. As the first step to promote a healthy link with the past, Old RIMC records have been brought to the room opposite the Commandant's Office. Maj. Gohain assisted by Lts Harrinder, Roy, Jain, Johar, Misra and the Cadet Section Commanders, besides the dealing clerks, have done a good job in re-arranging the precious old records. Suitable storage almirahs have been

purchased to prolong the life of the records. Further steps are being taken to catalogue and classify the Archives for easy reference by the clerk, Old Boy or the present day cadet engaged in "Research". The Archives are the first pre-requisite for writing an authentic and comprehensive history of the RIMC.

17. On the administrative side, the year has been excellent, as usual. All members of the Staff, academic and administrative; worked really hard, with utmost loyalty, co-operation and responsibility. There was not a single disciplinary case and it speaks volumes of the maturity of every member of the Staff. Mr. R.C. Singhal, the Vice Principal, Maj Barua and Maj Gohain have done excellent work. Similarly, all other supervisory officers have set a high personal example of integrity, impartiality and efficiency and thereby making punishments unnecessary.

18. The Class IV employees have been freed totally from the clutches of the money-lenders by giving them cheap and timely loans for unavoidable expenses. Marriages of the employees' daughters have been solemnised with dignity and economy by meeting their material and financial requirements. A Staff Club has been set up near the class IV lines and the T.V. is proving a popular and healthy recreation. They get rations on payment from the Army sources. After a long bout with "financial austerity", we have ultimately succeeded in setting a special repairs work started for the class IV lines to provide new roofing, woodwork, flooring and drainage, etc. That should improve the employees' living conditions.

19. Due to financial austerity, the grants had been curtailed. The obvious option of increasing the tuition fees has been avoided solely because of the fact that most of brilliant RIMC Cadets come from the lower middle class families who will not be able to continue at the RIMC if the costs are increased. An appeal was made to the Chief Secretaries of all the State Governments to enhance

their scholarships. We are grateful to 10 State Governments who have very kindly enhanced their scholarships by 50% or more. We are requesting other donors also. We are also on the look out for the new donors of scholarships for the needy Cadets. Despite the price-rise, the Cadet's expenses have not been allowed to rise. At the same time, the College Funds and fixed deposits are growing steadily.

20. Cadets' messing continues to be the usual best, hardly matched by any school.

21. The Ladies Club has been doing excellent work in improving the "climate" and promoting a close-knit family living for the Cadets and Staff. The ladies join the Cadets at various functions and encourage them. The Ladies Club gives invaluable guidance to the young Cadets in social graces and manners besides teaching the virtues of personal hygiene and cleanliness. The Cadets are grateful to the ladies for their affection.

22. The Old Boys have been kind and generous, as always. Gen. HL Atal has been in regular touch and has given us encouragement. Lt Gen and Mrs Chopra were our Chief Guests at the End of Term Functions held in December, 1976, and the General has done a lot for us. Maj Gen and Mrs Sinha have taken a keen interest in the RIMC. Gen GG Bewoor, Padma Bhushan, PVSM, has very generously sent beautiful brochures from Copenhagen, among others. Similarly, other Old Boys and members of the Staff have visited us or written to us. Mr. Catchpole, very gracefully and typically, "taught" a class during his brief visit to the RIMC. It was an experience indeed.

23. Lastly, over to the hockey field, cricket pitch and the boxing ring and the good things of life. Let us rejoice to welcome the Old Boys, to add one more fruitful year to our proud history and above all to welcome the new year with confidence and optimism.

BAINS LEARNS HIS ALPHABET

- A — Stands for available,
with real or bogus label.
- B — Stands for bumper crops,
that never finds way in the shops.
- C — Stands for the consumer,
left only with a sense of humour.
- D — Stands for dearness allowance,
whenever it's paid does not make sense.
- E — Stands for electric bill,
which gets but larger every day still.
- F — Stands for feat,
of making both ends meet.
- G — Stands for foreign goods,
how it comes here is never understood.
- H — Stands for poor house-wife,
whose life is nothing but on endless strife.
- I — Stands for income-tax,
people must pay and move in rags.
- J — Stands for junk,
sold by every punk.
- K — Stands for the kerosene,
that often disappears from the scene.
- L — Stands for last resource,
of getting things by sheer force.
- M — Stands for motor car,
with tyres flat and engine 'Bekar'.
- N — Stands for new,
and rush for the queue.
- O — Stands for out-of-stock,
a sign to give sure shock.
- P — Stands for pay,
what's that worth anyway.
- Q — Stands for queue or quit,
many would choose latter but can't do it.
- R — Stands for Rupee,
Its falling value one cannot foresee.
- S — Stands for spices,
a luxury with rising prices.
- T — Stands for tea.
which tastes like grass, oh,
goodness me.
- U — Stands for underground,
where eventually everything is found.
- V — Stands for vanaspati,
worse than tea and rarer than sympathy.
- W — Stands for watch and wait,
for the further rise in rate.
- X — Stands for your precious vote,
sure you sell for a ten rupee note.
- Y — Stands for you,
who never gets his rightful due.
- Z — Stands for the zoolum we suffer,
from bossing bureaucrat and political duffer,
from haughty hoarder and black marketeer,
Atrocious adultrator and profiteer,
With never a sneer or jeer or tear,
But only patience and endless cheer.

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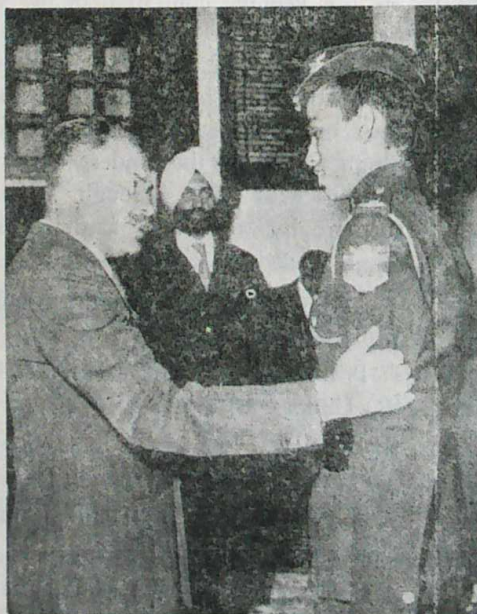
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On 13th March 1977, the R.I.M.C. added one more year to its glorious history and celebrated its Fifty-fifth Founders' Day with a great gaiety and a marked enthusiasm. Preparations having been made and elaborate arrangement ensured, the air of the campus was filled with anticipation and excitement. "Oh the Rimcollians Day is coming" were the words on the lips of all the cadets and the members of the staff.

With the crack of the dawn on Saturday the 12th March, the College throbbed into life. The official visit of **Maj Gen S.C. Sinha DMT** coincided with the Founders' Day celebrations. The DMT accompanied by Brig T. S. Varma, DDMT (both Rimcollians) spent about four hours in the College.



Maj Gen S.C. Sinha presenting medal to ex-Cadet N. Imam (now at the NDA).

The DMT also visited the Education Block and took keen interest in the improved methods of teaching and audio-visual aids.

In the evening the traditional **Hockey Match** between the Ex-Cadets and the present Cadets was played. Brig T.S. Varma was the captain of the Old Boys Team and Cadet S.K. Saxena was the captain of the R.I.M.C. Cadets' Team. The match was brisk from the very beginning and both the teams played a wonderful game. The attacks of the Old Boys bore fruit and they took a lead in the fifteenth minute of the game. The cadets mounted their counter-attack and took advantage of the gaps in the rival team. Within ten minutes, they not only equalized the score, but also took a lead. Cadet Gamlin scored beautifully. In the latter part of the second half the Old Boys were able to equalize the score through Maj. I.N. Luthra, Secretary of the Rimcoilian Association. In this way this friendly match ended in an exciting draw.

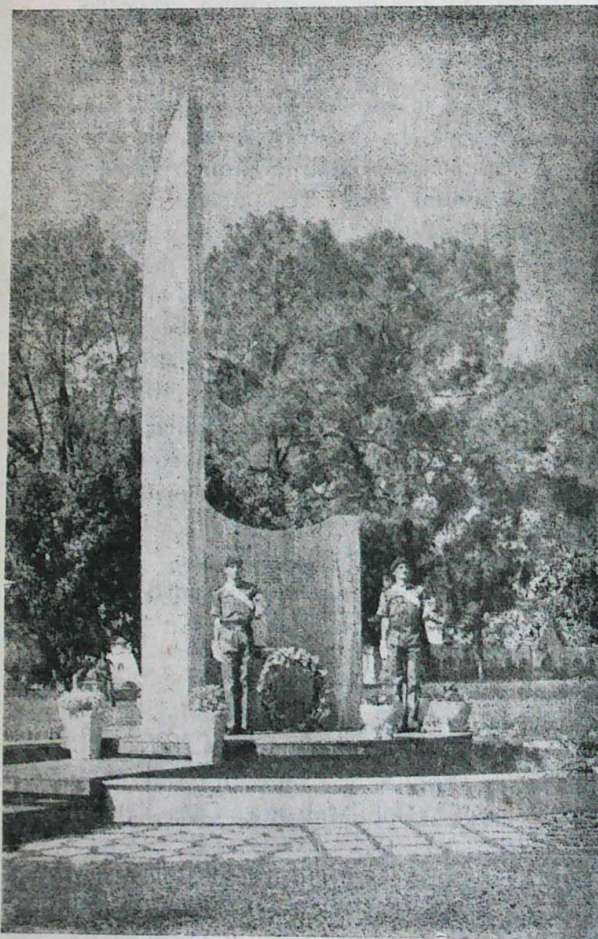
Players: Old Boys—Brig T.S. Varma (Captain), Comdr N. Singh, Maj R.T.C. Gohain, Maj I.N. Luthra, Maj S.P. Das, Maj K.K. Singhal, Maj U.B. Ghosh, Capt Malhotra, Capt Pandey, GC D.P. Das. Cadets—S.K. Saxena, A. Parkash, P.S. Gill, R.S. Chaudhary, N. S. Mangat, S. Arora, T.K. Chanda, D.S. Gill, Y. Bhaduria, J. Gamlin, J.S. Thakur.

The evening was very colourful. The Rimcollians and other distinguished



invitees attended a Dinner in the Mess. It was indeed a gala get-together and was marked by over flowing warmth and vivacity. The seated dinner with gleaming Mess Silver and choicest cuisine revived the spirits of the connoisseurs and the gluttons alike. The hosts conducted their guests with utmost warmth and grace. The service was smooth and efficient.

The function on the 13th March started at 9 A.M. with the wreath-laying ceremony by Lt Gen K.P. Candeth in the loving memory of those valiant Rimcollian heroes who laid down their lives for the honour of their mother land.



Wreath-laying

It was a touching scene binding the young cadets, the Old Boys and their

departed comrades in a common and unbreakable bond of martial comraderie.

After the wreath laying ceremony the R.I.M.C. cadets played a **Cricket Match** with the Old Boys. The Old Boys had some seasoned cricketers like Keshav Anand but the cadets were on a surer footing. Col K.C. Anand scored sparkling 24 runs, GC D.P. Das also played a good inning and was the second best individual scorer from the Old Boys. Cadet Vishwajit Pathak and Cadet Y. S. Bhaduria captured six and three wickets respectively.

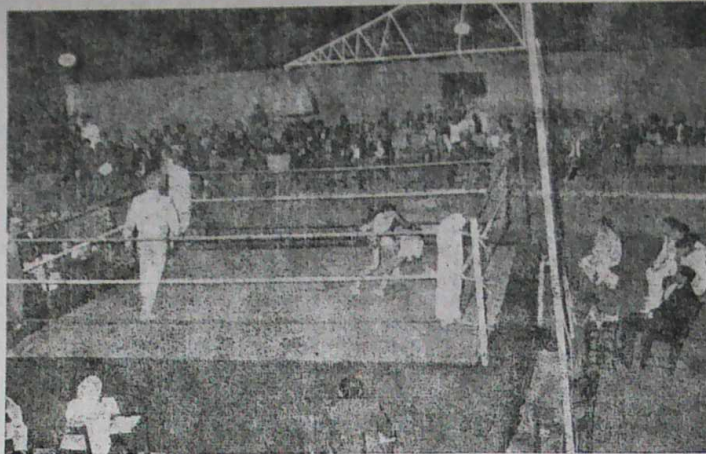
The cadets played a spirited game and clinched a six wicket victory over the Ex-cadets. Cadet Z. Hussain was the best individual scorer followed by Cadet Y. Bhaduria. Maj I.N. Luthra claimed three wickets.

The much awaited **Inter Section Boxing Finals** were held in the Convocation Hall at 5.30 p.m. Most of the bouts were well contested, hard hitting and it was at times extremely difficult for the spectators to predict the outcome. Straight punches, hooks and upper cuts of Cadets S. Dong, R. Sharma, S. Kohli and U.R.S. Bisht were a sight to watch. In the keenly contested finals, Ranjit Section lifted the weighty boxing trophy. Cadet Rajiv Sharma (S) was adjudged to be the best boxer and R.S. Bangari the best loser. Brig Kr. Gajendra Singh (Retd) the oldest Rimcollian present was kind enough to present the trophy to Cadet Captain Ranjit Singh Bhatti of Ranjit Section.

Followings are the results of finals:

Under 26 Kg.

1. P. Bhatnagar (S) beat Tajinder Singh (R) Under 32 Kg
2. A. Kacker (R) beat R.R. Shekhran (C) Under 35 Kg.
3. A. Arora (R) beat A.K. Sharma (P) Under 38Kg.
4. S. Dong (R) beat R.P.M. Panghal (C) Under 41 Kg.
5. R. Sharma (S) beat V. Khamo (R)



Boxing Bout.

- Under 45 Kg.
 6. V. Vijayran (R) beat Y.S. Meitci (S)
 Under 48 Kg.
 7. Abhey Prakash (C) beat Y.K. Gupta
 (P) Under 50 Kg.
 8. Purshotam Singh (S) beat R. S.
 Bangari (P) under 54 Kg.
 9. R.S. Bhatti (R) beat S. Patnaik (S)
 Under 57 Kg.
 10. S. Kohli (C) beat Y. Bhaduria (P)
 Open Under 62 Kg.
 11. U.R.S. Bisht (C) beat S. Mishra (R)

Following are the final results :

Section	Points	Position
Ranjit	24	I
Shivaji	19	II
Chandragupta	18	III
Pratap	14	IV

In the evening the Old Boys hosted a Dinner to the members of the staff. It was again a merry night like the previous one. Maj Gen Virendra Singh in his brief speech in the mess thanked the Commandant and the members of staff for arranging the reunion so nicely. He hoped that Rimcollian spirit would never die. He urged the Rimcollians to attend this Reunion in larger numbers.

Next morning the General Body of the Rimcollian Association met in the senior ante-room and discussed some of the important issues concerning the Association. They left the place fully satisfied and with a strong desire to attend the next Founders' Day and the Reunion.

Prominent among those who attended the Reunion this year were Mrs. Mohini Bhagat, the wife of Late Lt Gen P.S. Bhagat P.V.S.M., V.C., Lt Gen

K.P. Candeth, Lt Gen and Mrs. U.C. Dubey, Maj Gen and Mrs. S.C. Sinha, Maj Gen B.P. Wadhwa, Maj Gen Virendra Singh, Brig Kr. Gajendra Singh Air Cdr N.P. Nair, Brig and Mrs. T.S. Varma, Brig Gurdip Singh and Brig Charanjit Singh.

News in Brief :

March 1—**Id-Milad** was celebrated at the R.I.M.C. A brief and solemn function was organised in the college mosque. The Commandant gave an enlightening talk on the teachings of Islam and also traced in brief its history.

March 6—**Holi** was celebrated with a great zeal and enthusiasm on 6th March. Temple function organised in the morning was followed by a get-together of cadets and the members of the staff. It was a day of sweets and colour. The Commandant congratulated the cadets for celebrating Holi in the right spirit.

March 7—Withdrawal notices have been issued to the parents of those cadets who have not paid their fees so far. The promotion of these cadets has been provisionally cancelled till the payment of their fees. The auditors do not give much importance to "humane considerations" as a valid plea for delay.

March 12—Those who make history seldom have time to record it. Precious old documents of the College, properly arranged and classified have been kept in the **College archives**. Adm Offr is the officer-in-charge of the archives and all suggestions should be routed to him.

March 15—The Commandant called a meeting of the Members of the Academic Staff and briefed them about

the directions from the DMT during his visit on 12th March.

It is heartening to know that sixteen R.I.M.C. Cadets have joined N.D.A. in January 1977 course.

March 16—INTER - SECTION CRICKET COMPETITION started on 17th of March and is expected to end within a day or two. Junior and Senior teams of all the four sections are trying hard to win the trophy and bag 10 points towards Section Championship.

March 21—Cadets Prem Prakash, S. Jalit and Sanjay Kumar have been promoted to Class IV-A from Class IV in view of their outstanding performance in academics all through. Junior Cadets to note, please.

March 23—Brig. R.N. Sharma, MVC, carried out the annual administrative inspection of the College. He was very kind and considerate and appreciated the problems of the R.I.M.C. and assured full help despite the financial limitations.

The Elections were a boon for the R.I.M.C. Cadets. They learnt a lot about Civics besides enjoying endless movies on the T.V.

March 24—The examination fever has gripped R.I.M.C. Cadets as the Mid-Term Exams are starting on 25th of March. Spurts of sincerity and responsibility have cast their shadow over the college. Chicken pox and mumps seem to have washed off the hikes.

We Heard From Them

Maj Gen S.C. Sinha
10 Tughlak Lane, New Delhi
20th March 1977

My dear GP,

My wife and I thoroughly enjoyed our stay at Dehra Dun and the Reunion at the College. We were made very comfortable and were looked after very well indeed. We thank you and the College Staff for your kind hospitality.

I was very happy to see the good work you have done for the College. Sorting out all the old records and setting up a College archives is an excellent piece of work and I congratulate you for it.

Visiting the RIMC, especially in recent years, is an exhilarating experience. I look forward to visiting you again.

With warm regards,
Yours Sincerely
Sinha

From: Major I.N. Luthra
Honorary Secretary.

Rimcollian Old Boys Association.

My Dear Colonel,

On behalf of the President and all members of the Rimcollian Association, I take this opportunity to express our grateful thanks for the arrangements made for the Reunion and making our stay most comfortable and pleasant.

The Reunion was indeed a memorable one and it was heartening to see the College in good shape. Everyone commented upon the aura of quiet efficiency that prevailed and the distinct pride reflected of a well knit team.

The magnetic attraction that the College holds for its old boys which brings them back to their Alma Mater every year is a unique feature that displays a high sense of esprit-de-corps and camaraderie built over the years. It should be an endeavour to uphold this and I am sure that with your enthusiasm and participation it will continue. The Reunion also gives the cadets an opportunity to meet some of the very distinguished Rimcollians who have achieved high ranks in all walks of life.

May I also take this opportunity to thank Mrs WARAICH for gracefully hosting the dinner for the ladies and looking after them.

I shall be grateful if you will convey the good wishes of the President and members of the Rimcollian Association to all members of the staff at the College.

With best wishes,

Yours Sincerely,
Inder Luthra

Maj Anand and Rimcollians at Ahmed Nagar wish A Very Happy Founder's Day to All Members of Staff And Cadets.

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UPSC Results

'April is the cruelest month', wrote T.S. Eliot, but for RIMC this is the happiest month as it ends the gruesome Mid Term Tests and above all brings out the anxiously awaited UPSC Results. The Results of the 58th N.D.A. written examination were declared on April 2, the Mahavir Jayanti. This time thirteen out of seventeen Cadets have made the grade in the UPSC written examination in the first attempt. In addition all the four candidates have passed in the second attempt. Our pass percentage of 78% in the first attempt and 100 percent in the second attempt is in keeping with our tradition of brilliant academic standards. As usual our results compare very favourably with the all India pass percentage of 14 percent. Heartiest congratulations to Cadets, Staff and the Parents whose combined efforts have borne excellent results.

The following Cadets have qualified and their Sections get 5 points for each of the qualified candidates:—

1. Cadet Captain	S.T. Upasani	... C
2. Sec Comdr	R.S. Bhatti	... R
3. " "	A.K. Rai	... S
4. " "	H.P. Rajkumar...	C
5. Cdt NCO	P. Roy	... R
6. " "	S.S. Arora	... S
7. " "	P. Singh	... S
8. " "	A.S. Sindhu	... S
9. " "	S. Chacko	... S
10. " "	Abhey Prakash...	C
11. " "	Sunil Singh	... C
12. " "	G.S. Nagrecha	... C
13. " "	Jose Verghese	... C

In addition the following Cadets have qualified in the second attempt:—

1. Cadet R.S.N. Singh
2. " G.D. Chowdhry
3. " J.S. Kalhon
4. " S. Warty

Hearty congratulations. Wish you all success in life.

April 1—The Mid Term Examinations came to an end. This is the way the examination ends, 'not with a bang, but a whimper'. The Cadets heaved a sigh of relief, but "No Hikes due to Chicken Pox" declaration robbed them of the usual fun and adventure they have during the Mid Term hikes. However, on 2nd of April about eighty Cadets enjoyed a trip to Dak Pathar, Paonta area. Major Gohain and Lt. P.K. Jain accompanied them.

April 2—A simple and solemn function was organised in the Assembly Hall on the Mahavir Jayanti. Cadets V. N. Jain, Sanyog Jain and Kavi Jain spoke on the various aspects of Jainism. The Commandant impressed upon the Cadets the need to uphold the basic values of simplicity, self discipline and sacrifice as preached by Lord Mahavira. "His teachings", he said, "are of immense importance to us as he gave us a link; not with humanity alone, but also with flora and fauna". "The ecological balance", he further added, "cannot be maintained without spiritual balance". He laid emphasis on our glorious past and reminded us that "we are the proud



inheritors of the rich heritage that is India".

After the speeches the Cadets got sweets and snacks and no preps!

Special repairs to the Class IV Staff family accommodation have started with a bang. The largest part of the RIMC population lives in that sector. Renewal of the roofing, wood work and floor will certainly help them to face the next rainy season confidently. Thanks to the authorities to have appreciated the urgency of the needs of the Class IV Staff who serve the Cadets so well.

April 4—Mr. G.M. Khan has come back after having successfully completed his course in English Language Teaching at the C.I.E.F.L. Hyderabad. The Cadets are grateful to Mrs. P. Mishra, who was kind enough to teach them during Mr. Khan's absence inspite of her other responsibilities.

Lt. Col. K.B. Kapoor, GSO1 Mt-6 has taken over as the Deputy Director of Military Training (B) in the rank of Colonel. We offer him our congratulations and look forward to his visit to the RIMC.

April 6—The Cadets' Council meeting discussed various points affecting the Cadets' welfare. The causes of using unfair means in examination were also analysed and the senior Cadets and head Cadets discussed the measures to help the weaker students who are more prone to such short cuts.

April 7—The results of the Mid Term Examination reflect that there has been a marked improvement in the academic attainments of the Cadets inspite of the fact that the pass percentage has now been raised from 40% to 50%. However, some weak Cadets need to work harder to reach the prescribed academic standards.

The following Cadets have secured first position in their respective classes:—

I — Dinesh Rehani	S
IA— P. Bhatnagar	S
II — J.S. Nehra	...	P
IIA— Rajiv Dayal	...	S

III — Parizat Manjul	...	P
IIIA— R.P Singh	...	R
IV — J. Gamlin	...	P
IVA— R.S. Bangari	...	P
V — S.K. Saxena	...	S

The terminal exams are also round the corner and it is hoped that the Cadets will work harder to get better score. Cadets!, 'you have promises to keep and miles to go before you sleep'.

April 8—"The root of all evils is selfishness", said Father Ian Frank, while sermonising the RIMC Cadets on the solemn occasion of the Good Friday. "The lesson of love", he further added 'can solve all the problems confronting Mankind'. The Commandant in his thanks giving speech laid stress on the practical implications of the teachings of Christ. He said, "Jesus Christ symbolises the victory of truth over falsehood. His crucifixion and resurrection show us that truth can be buried, but it comes out again and with a greater force". Cadets S.S. Rosario, Benny Anthony, J.P.R. Ismail and G.F.M. Roy also spoke on this solemn occasion.

April 9—The Junior Quiz Competition was a real teaser. We learnt how to place four nines to get a value of 100. The scoring display and preparation were of a high order. Group A consisting of classes I, II and IIIA won the Junior Quiz Competition Trophy by 40-38 points. Mrs. Waraich kindly gave away the trophy to the winning team.

April 11—We switched over to the Summer Routine with slight modifications. The classes start at 07.20 hrs. and after two continuous academic periods we go for breakfast. The Assembly is held at 9.25 after breakfast. This time we have eight academic periods before lunch. The weak Cadets receive special and intensive coaching during the 8th period. This is the golden opportunity for the weak Cadets to remove their doubts individually.

Physical and Health Education tests were held for Classes IV and IVA for the

first time, under the 10+2 years scheme. The Cadets are working hard to master the skills required for different games and crafts. The question papers of the CBSE X Class have assured our Cadets that they will be doing extremely well in the CBSE type of IVA examinations.

April 12—The balcony area of the Assembly Hall has been commissioned as a new Reading Room. This will accommodate more readers and thereby reduce the rush in the library.

April 13—The Baisakhi festival was celebrated in the College Gurdwara with a great fervour and patriotic feelings. The Baisakhi festival is not only an anniversary of the birth of the Khalsa,

but a national festival that marks the beginning of the harvesting of the summer crops. This day also reminds us of the Jallianwala Bagh Massacre. Through speeches and devotional songs the Cadets threw light on the importance of this day which is of paramount importance. KRAH PRASHAD and sweets were distributed after the function.

April 15—The fees collection has been completed with the kind co-operation of parents. The last date of payment of fees was 10 January, 1977.

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The water shortage reminds us of the summer. Let us all conserve water and at the same time wish greater success to the MES in water supply.

The Inter Section Cricket Competition 1977

This year Inter Section cricket trophy was won by Ranjit Section who won all the matches in the Junior and Senior divisions and got full points. Followings are the detailed results of the competition:—

Juniors

Sl. No.	Section	P	W	D	L	Points scored	Position	Sec Points
1.	Pratap	3	1	1	1	3	II	4
2.	Shivaji	3	1	—	2	2	III	3
3.	Ranjit	3	3	—	—	6	I	5
4.	Chandragupta	3	—	1	2	1	IV	2

Seniors

1.	Pratap	3	2	—	1	4	II	4
2.	Shivaji	3	—	—	3	0	IV	2
3.	Ranjit	3	3	—	—	6	I	5
4.	Chandragupta	3	1	—	2	2	III	3

Overall Results

Position	Section	Sec Points Scored
I	Ranjit	10
II	Pratap	8
III	Chandragupta	5
	Shivaji	5

Correction



Cdt. Raj Kapoor

The Rimcollians at the N.D.A. have very kindly pointed out that Cdt. Raj Kapoor stood second in the N.D.A. list of merit and not third as wrongly reported in the Chronicle dated 12th March 1977. The error is regretted.
—Ed.

The Past and the Present

Past:—*Extract from an Old Boy's writings*

Our kit inspection was the devil's own inventions and they went something like this. "Where are your P.T. shoes Jayal?" (Brig. V.D. Jayal) "Gone to Dhobi, Sir".

"Jayal, my boy, how do these stockings stand up without support?"

"The Indian rope trick sir."

The Cadets of today are in no way inferior to their predecessors.

Present:—*Overheard*

"Why did'nt you take haircut?"

Cadet Naveen, "Sir, the Mochi shop was closed".

Cadet Ananthanarayana got hurt while playing cricket. He was asked who all were playing with him.

He replied "No one, Sir."

"Then how did you hurt yourself with the cricket ball?"

"Sir, according to Newton's law every action has an equal and opposite reaction."

A question at the quiz competition.
"Where was Lord Mahavira born?"

Cadet. "At his house, of course."

Cadet Sanjay Kumar
Class IVA

Thoughts for the Day

1. He who does not punish evil commands it to be done.
—Leonardo-da-Vinci
 2. There is nothing that makes more cowards and feeble men than public opinion.
—Henry Ward Beecher
 3. The mind resorts to reason for want of training.
—Henry Adams
 4. Judgement is not upon all occasions required but discretion always is.
—Lord Chesterfield
 5. Happiness is composed of misfortunes avoided.
—Alphonx Karr
 6. Logic is the art of making truth prevail.
—La Bruyere
 7. The difficult is what takes a little time; the impossible is what takes a little longer.
—Fridty of Nansen
 8. No one tests the depth of a river with both feet.
—A Shanti Proverb
 9. The advantage of emotions is that they lead us astray.
—Oscar Wilde
 10. The world is his who has money to go over it.
—Emerson
- Compiled by
Cadet Sanjiv Nakra

N.D.A. News Letter

27th March, 1977
N.D.A.

Respected Sir,

We all thank you very much for sending us the Chronicle regularly. We wait eagerly for the news from our school.

The N.D.A. written examination results must be expected any day now.

We hope class V A gets good results. Our good wishes and the best of luck to them.

We are all doing well here. One thing that we really miss is the closeness and intimacy we had with our instructors there. There are times when we feel R.I.M.C. sick instead of home sick. We all meet on half-days and holidays and talk about school and our wonderful stay there.

Here we do not have any difficulty in P.T. and Drill. In P.T. we have no problem, but in Drill many of the things are different; for example the turns, the method of 'halt', etc.

In the classes, the only difficulty here is staying awake in classes, especially when P.T. and Drill are together in the morning. It one just manages to stay awake in class, and revises during the prep period one is sure to get high marks. (But staying awake is an ordeal.)

We really feel sorry for Love Tandon. He could not make it here. We heard that he had been declared unfit by the appeal medical board.

The Rimcollians here help us a lot. Quite a lot of them are appointments, and we have A. Bishnoi as our A.C.A.

Sir, there have been mistakes in the last two Chronicles. Cdt. Raj Kapur's position was given 3rd in A/F merit whereas it was 2nd (as in the newspaper).

Our regards to all the Instructors and best wishes to all cadets of R.I.M.C.

Yours Sincerely,
R.I.M. Cols
57th Course
N.D.A.

Quotable Quotes from Charles Dickens

1. "Charity begins at home and justice begins next door".
2. "If there were no bad people, there would have been no good lawyers".
3. "In the great game of human life one begins by being a dupe and ends by being a rogue".
4. "Regrets are the natural properties of grey hairs".
5. "There are books of which the backs and covers are by far the best parts".
6. "Tongue, well that's a very good thing when it ai'nt a woman's".
7. "As good people are very scarce, what I say is make the best of them".

Compiled by
A. Jagtiani

Lt. Gen. G.L. Chopra
Director of Ordnance Services

01550/600/2/OS-14

My Dear GP,

Thank you very much for your DO letter No. 221/4/Q dated 21st March 1977.

Although we had planned to be with you and the cadets during the Rimcollians' Day celebrations but regret that owing to certain sudden commitments here in Delhi we could not do so. We do look forward to visit you as and when an opportunity comes our way.

With best wishes

Army Headquarters
Master General of the Ord Branch
DHQ PO NEW DELHI-11
31st March 1977

Yours Sincerely,
Chopra

अखिल भारतीय अन्तर-स्कूल श्री काशीराज हिन्दी भाषण प्रतियोगिता

पन्धवाँ समारोह-१९७७

राष्ट्रीय भारतीय सैन्य कालेज के अन्तर्गत १६ अप्रैल को अखिल भारतीय अन्तर-स्कूल श्री काशीराज हिन्दी भाषण प्रतियोगिता का पन्धवाँ समारोह सफलतापूर्वक सम्पन्न हुआ। जिन विद्यालयों ने इस प्रतियोगिता में भाग लिया वे इस प्रकार हैं :-

देहली पब्लिक स्कूल, देहली, विशेष काटन स्कूल शिमला, श्रीक प्रोव स्कूल मसूरी, टून स्कूल, सेंट टामस स्कूल कौन्वेंट स्कूल, कैम्ब्रियन हाल, सेंट जोजफस अकादमी तथा राष्ट्रीय सैन्य कालेज (आर० आई० एम० सी०)।

भाषण प्रतियोगिता का सभापतित्व देहरादून के उच्चकोटि के विद्वान एवं साहित्यकार श्री गया प्रसाद शुक्ल जी ने किया। हम सभापति महोदय श्री गया प्रसाद शुक्ल, निष्ठापक गण डा० कुमुद चतुर्वेदी, श्री गिरजा शंकर त्रिवेदी तथा डा० प्रेम शंकर शुक्ल जी के अत्यन्त आभारी हैं जिनके सक्रिय सहयोग से ही भाषण प्रतियोगिता का सफल आयोजन सम्भव हो सका।

हम प्रतियोगिता में भाग लेने वाले विद्यालयों के प्रधानाचार्य, अध्यापक वर्ग तथा छात्र-छात्राओं के भी विशेष रूप से कृतज्ञ हैं और आशा करते हैं कि भविष्य में भी हमें उनका सक्रिय सहयोग प्राप्त होता रहेगा।

प्रतियोगिता का परिणाम इस प्रकार रहा:-

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चतुर्थ	अजय शुक्ल	सेण्ट जोजफस अकादमी, दे० टून	१६६
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चतुर्थ	सेण्ट जोजफस अकादमी	३०६	

सभापति महोदय श्री गया प्रसाद शुक्ल जी ने भाषण प्रतियोगिता के स्तर पर सन्तोष एवं प्रसन्नता प्रकट की। उन्होंने अपने विद्वत्पूर्ण भाषण में कला के महत्त्व पर जोर देते हुए वक्ताओं के मार्ग-दर्शन के लिए अनेक सुझाव भी दिए। श्रीमती लै० कर्नल जी० पी० एस० बडैच जी ने विजेताओं को विजयोपहार वितरित किए। अन्त में हमारे कमांडेंट महोदय ने वक्ताओं तथा माननीय अतिथियों को हार्दिक वन्दना दी।

हम काशी नरेश विभूति नारायण सिंह जी के चिर श्रद्धा रखेंगे जिन्होंने इस प्रतियोगिता के लिए हमें हाथी दाँत का सुन्दर विजयोपहार भेंट किया। उनकी अनुपम भेंट निश्चय ही राष्ट्र भाषा हिन्दी की प्रसार वृद्धि में सहायक सिद्ध हुई है।

- जी० एस० विष्ट

Obituary

The members of the Staff and the Cadets of RIMC express our profound sorrow on the sad, sudden and premature death of our illustrious old boy Lt. Arun Kumar Narne (IN) who became a victim of a fatal Motor Cycle accident on 5th March 1977 at Vishakhapatnam. We convey our heart felt condolences to the bereaved family and pray to God Almighty to bestow eternal peace to the departed soul in his heavenly abode.

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April 18—**Inter Section Basketball Competition** for the year 1977 concluded on 18th May. This year Pratap Section lifted the beautiful trophy. The marked enthusiasm and excitement seen among the cadets during the competition reflects the popularity of the game at the R.I.M.C. Some of the matches were keenly contested and the enthusiastic cheers of the spectators made them very exciting and thrilling as well. The match between Shivaji and Ranjit had to be decided in the extra time. The detailed results of the competition is being published on page No. 3.

April 21— Mr. G.M. Khan, who has recently come back after having successfully completed his Course in English Language Teaching at the CIEFL Hyderabad, gave a talk on the latest techniques in the teaching of English language. The talk was very informative and interesting.

April 22—The cadets had a pleasant surprise when the Commandant introduced in the morning assembly a noted violinist, Mr. Lachhman Das. Mr. Das has played the violin for many Hindi Films.

The music of the day was followed by a Magic Show the next day. "Life at R.I.M.C. is not that charmless" quipped a first term.

April 25—A meeting of the Maths Association was held in the Science Lecture Room.

Dr. K.S. Sinha, Vice-Principal and Head on the Maths Department, D.A.V. Post-graduate College, Dehra dun was the chief guest. He spoke on fun in mathematics.

The cadets also participated in a large number. Cadets T.S. Haque, Sanyog Jain, K.G. Prasad, Dinesh Rehani, P.K. Gupta and S.K. Jha spoke very well on different aspects of mathematical problems.

April 28—The Inter Section P.T. Competition for the year 1977 started on 27th April and concluded today. Shivaji Section won the competition by an impressive margin. The second, third and fourth position went to Pratap, Chandragupta and Ranjit respectively. Cadets Purshottam Singh (S) and S.S. Arora (S) were adjudged the best P.T. leaders in the Sonior and the Junior division respectively. The other leaders were : Cadets Pranav Kumar (P) and Y.K. Gupta (P), P. Roy (R) and A.K. Korhar (R), H.P. Rajkumar (C) and J. Verghese (C). The detailed results are given on page 3.

April 29—R.I.M.C. Cadets team played a Basketball match against 3/9 GR and lost 40-48. It started disastrously for us but by half time we equalised. It was a touch and go affair till the end when the Gurkhas re-established their lead.

May 3 **The Buddha Purnima** was celebrated in the right spirit. Venerable Tamdin Gyatso, Head Teacher, Central School for the Tibetans,



Happy Valley Mussoorie was the chief guest. Cadets S.S. Rosario, S. Jain, S.K. Jha, Dinesh Rehani and D.K. Tayal recalled the Buddha's doctrine of non violence and universal brotherhood. The chief guest delivered his speech in Tibetan and his associate interpreter translated it in to English. He related the twelve phases of Buddha's life as told in the Tibetan Scriptures.

The commandant in his Speech laid Stress on the importance of Buddha's teachings. His teachings are part and parcel of the Indian Culture.

May 5—Terminal Exams started with a bang. Necessary Stationery items were issued to cadets before hand to avoid any borrowing or lending during the Exam. Now the Exams are conducted in the Convocation hall, Geography room and Science lecture room only. The timings of the examinations have also been changed to prepare the Subjects more thoroughly. The first meeting ends at 10.30 A.M. and the Second meeting begins at 4. P.M. and ends at 6. P.M.

The first S.S.E. for Class IV A is in progress. The Cadets are doing well.

Cadets P. Roy and Jose verghese have left for the S.S.B. We wish them best of luck.

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A Day in the Life of a Cadets

"Ding-Dong"! Goes the bell in the morning. "Ahm! What's the time?" "Oh ! Only 6.20—too much time for P.T. "swoon". The future army officer is again off to sleep. "Ding-Dong"—goes the P.T. bell. Oh God ! P.T. bell. Rush to the basin, brush your teeth; splash water on your face. Slip through the P.T. kit and sprint to the P.T. field.

There, get punishment for being late. Never mind, he has to face it. Do some rounds and exercises and the P.T. is over. Now change into uniform and enter the mess for breakfast. Ahm ! He sees the hot and delicious breakfast on the table, his mouth waters. He gluts it

with great pleasure. Well it is the only thing which he enjoys.

Now off to classes. During the classes he is day dreaming. One day he would be at the N.D.A. receiving the medal. Then he would come to the I.M.A. and receive the "sword of honour", from the chief-guest, might be a great personality of India. How proud he would be. One day he would be an officer. Suddenly the teacher asks to tell something what he had been teaching. Oh God ! What a question. Poor chap. He is lost. Just now he was thinking of becoming an officer, and now he cannot answer a question. Well; he has to accept his mistake and get scolding from the teacher. One by one the periods are over and now is his favourite period and that is lunch. He gluts like a pig, and is very happy with his stomach full.

He comes out, thinking what next. He is free. Either he should go and play games or he should have a nap, and you know his nap, how brief it is. Games; he can play during the games time. So, he is snoring in his bed.

Suddenly he gets up. Everything is quiet. As he turns his head left and right, what does he see? A senior Cadet is standing next to him. Oh God ! He gets some punishment. Above all this punishment he has to write 500 times- "not to sleep during games". Another headache !

The bell goes and the games are over. Could not attend the games. Never mind, this was all in a game. He goes for tea. Tries for an extra share, as usual but does not get it. He comes out. Hurries for a wash. Slips through the evening kit and rushes for the roll call. Thank God ! He is in time.

Now for his preps. Studying business, which he hates. He hurries to do his work and "finishes" it. He is free. He keeps his text-book on the desk, open and deeply studying. What? A story-book and enjoying it.

Suddenly the duty-master comes on rounds. He hurries to keep the story-book under the text-book, and the text-book in hand. Looks, as if he is very studious. But in a hurry he holds his text-book upside down. Poor chap. He is caught red handed. Now he has created a bad impression on the teacher. Anyhow, the time passes and the preps are over. He is hungry once again and rushes for dinner.

He makes a pyramid on his plate, and takes it very fast, as though he had been on fast for many days.

He comes out with hiccups, thinking what next. Nothing can be done next; except getting inside the bed for a sweet sleep. He goes, changes in night-suit and directly inside the bed. That is the best thing to do at this hour. Study—he had enough of it during the preps.

Now he is snoring in his bed and having sweet dreams. He is relaxing for the next weary day.

Cadet Saujanya Sinha
Class III
Pratap Section

Inter-Section Basketball Competition

Section	Position	Section Points
Pratap	I	5
Ranjit	IV	2
Shivaji	III	3
Chandragupta	II	4

1.	Pratap Beat Shivaji	56-18
2.	Chandragupta Beat Ranjit	42-14
3.	Pratap Beat Ranjit	76-10
4.	Chandragupta Beat Shivaji	32-22
5.	Pratap Beat Chandra Gupta	34-24
6.	Shivaji Beat Ranjit	23-22

Inter-Section P.T. Competition - 1977

Sl. No	Section	Seniors	Pos.	Juniors	Pos.	P. T. Tests	TOTAL	Pos.
1.	Pratap	443.3	II	413.7	III	262	1119	II
2.	Ranjit	416.7	III	409.3	IV	144	970	IV
3.	Shivaji	557.0	I	497.3	I	274	1328.3	I
4.	Chandragupta	396.3	IV	459.3	II	240	1095.6	III

Best Leaders :-

Cadet NCO P. Singh — (SENIORS)

Cadet NCO S.S. Arora — (JUNIORS)

डायरी के पन्ने

वीरकुमार कांतासिंह

मेरा जन्म तो मुझे विदित नहीं कहाँ हुआ, लेकिन जब मैंने होश सम्भाला तब मैंने अपने को पर्वत की एक गुफा में पाया। वहाँ मैं स्वतंत्र जीवन व्यतीत करता था। मुझे किसी बात की चिन्ता नहीं थी। पर्वतों का अनुपम

सौन्दर्य मेरे जीवन में मधुर रस घोल देता था। वसन्त ऋतु में तो चारों ओर मस्ती का संचार हो जाता था। रंग बिरंगी तितलियाँ, जंगली फूलों की महक तथा भोरों की मधुर गुंजार से सारा वातावरण खिल उठता था। शरद ऋतु में जब सूर्य की किरणें हिम से ढकी पर्वत की चोटियों पर पड़ती तो वह स्वर्ण के समान प्रतीत होती थीं किन्तु—“सब दिन होत न एक समान”।

एक दिन एक व्यक्ति की दृष्टि मुझ पर पड़ी और वह मुझे अपने साथ ले गया। मुझे उस व्यक्ति ने अपने सीने से लगा कर रखा। हम भारत की राजधानी 'दिल्ली' की ओर चल पड़े। दिल्ली पहुँचकर उस व्यक्ति ने मुझे मुगल सम्राट के समक्ष पेश किया। सम्राट मुझे देखकर कूले न समाये और उन्होंने मुझे अपने ताज में लगा लिया। अपनी बढ़ती हुई कीर्ति से मुझे अपार हर्ष हुआ।

एक दिन किसी दूसरे राजा ने मुगल सम्राट पर आक्रमण किया और मुझे उठाकर ले गया। अब मैं विजयी

राजा के मस्तक का गौरव बना। इस प्रकार न जाने कितने राजा मेरे कारण मारे गए और मैंने अनेक स्थानों की सैर की। अन्त में मैं महाराजा रणजीत सिंह के पास पहुँचा। उनकी मृत्यु के पश्चात् मैं विलायत ले जाया गया। वहाँ पर अंग्रेजों ने मेरे तीन टुकड़े कर दिए। मैं बहुत चौंका चिल्लाया लेकिन मेरी दुःखभरी पुकार सुनने वाला कोई न था। मुझे फिर ताज में लगा दिया गया। इतिहास में मैं 'कोहिनूर' हीरे के नाम से विख्यात हो गया।

वीरकुमार, कातासिंह

We Heard from Them

भारतीय राजदूतावास
कोपेनहेगेन

My dear G.P.,

I was glad to receive your letter of 4th April, 1977 and to learn that the swords presented by me to the College have been prominently displayed. I appreciate this gesture. I have been receiving the chronicle regularly and we have both been reading it with interest.

I send you and all the staff good wishes, all happiness and success.

(G.G. Bewoor)

S.P. Sharma

Retd. Principal, R.I.M. College

My dear Col. Waraich,

Thank you for the Chronicle dated 12th March and 24th March and the previous numbers received on the due dates.

The Chronicle indeed, makes very entertaining and informative reading. It

is delightful to see through the Chronicle how you keep contact with the old associates of the College—the Cadets and the Staff. While reading through the journal one is transported to the College amidst its various activities.

It is further gratifying to note that you are fully aware of the changing academic standards and are making intelligent efforts to meet the requirements for the good results at the N.D.A. admission examination—the prime object-of the institution.

I would also take this opportunity to express my deep appreciation of the excellent arrangements made for the Rimcollian Reunion and offer my thanks for the kind hospitality.

With best wishes,

Yours sincerely

S.P. Sharma

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Ranjit	Joy Chatterji	Sanjay Mishra S.N. Deshpande Prem Prakash	A. Chaturvedi R.K. Huria A.K. Kochhar Ziaul Hussain Sanjay Kumar
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Congratulations to the following Cadets for securing FIRST POSITION in their respective classes:—

Class	Name
I	Dinesh Rehani
IA	Pawan Bhatnagar
II	J.S. Nehra
IIA	Rajiv Dayal
III	Parizat Manzul
IIIA	S.R. Varma
IV	J. Gamlin

The HIGHER SECONDARY EXAMINATION results have been very good, as usual. Ten Cadets got first class, and seven got second class. There was no failure or third class. Cdt Sec Comdr A.K. Rai (S) stood first with 687/950 marks. There were ten distinctions i.e. 4 in Physics, 3 in Chemistry and 3 in Mathematics.

The first examination of the class IVA for SECONDARY SCHOOL CERTIFICATE was held in May 1977. All the 23 Cadets have secured the

requisite marks for admission to the Mathematics and Science Stream. The highest average score was in Biology (72%). Overall Science score was (70%) followed by Mathematics and Social Studies (64% each). There is a vast scope for improvement in English (50%) and Hindi (42%) Cdt NCO RS Bangari (P) stood first with a score of 534/750. The overall average score of the entire class was 58%. The decision to introduce this syllabus was taken by the Army Headquarters on 13 December 1976 and it is creditable that the Staff and Cadets mastered the new syllabus in surprisingly short time. We expect to do better in the next test.

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According to the new system, we need at least 220 WORKING DAYS with 8 academic periods daily. The daily academic programme now has 8 periods excluding P.T., drill, games, Co-curricular activities. Various other steps have been taken to cut the wastage of teaching time. This step is essential to maintain our premier position in the face of the even increasing competition for entry to the NDA.

THE NEW UPSC EXAMINATIONS will be totally different from the old ones. The Dec. 77 tests will be having the maximum number of objective type, multiple choice questions in all subjects, including English. The candidates manuals have been distributed to the Masters for reference. The UPSC have also decided to retain the existing syllabus till the 10+2 years scheme is fully effective.

1 August—Shri G. Mundkur, father of Cdt. Yatin G. Mundkur very kindly held a workshop for Class VA in CHAIRMANSHIP AND PARLIAMENTARY PROCEDURES. The Cadets took keen interest and learnt a great deal. Many thanks to Mr. Mundkar. Similarly, Cadet Sai Ram's parents have very kindly sent us very useful

details for the Work Experience. All the parents take active interest in our efforts. Our grateful thanks to them.

30 July—The RETEST have given encouraging results. All Cadets, except two have passed. Nine out of 11 have qualified for double promotion. Obviously, the weak Cadets have made a good use of the summer break.

PHYSICAL FITNESS is as important as studies. All Sections will field 3 teams in every competition, senior, middle and junior teams. All Cadets take the individual skill tests in every game and that score has equal weightage with the scores of the tournaments. Those Cadets of VA who do not represent the College in any event will cause a penalty of one point to their Sections. The practices have started in right earnest. VA is doing extra endurance training to become physically fit before reaching the NDA.

The ICE CREAM machines have been welcomed in the Mess and for a change, the ice cream tastes like real ice cream.

Nineteen New Cadets have joined the RIMC on 3 August 1977 and more are to come. We welcome them and wish them a happy life-long association with the RIMC: Cadets Gurinder Singh (S), Navroop Singh Mangat (C), Abhijit Chakraborty (R), Tirdeep Singh Sandhu (C), V. Srinivas (S), Gurpreet Singh Dhillon (R), Adosh Kumar (P), Sharad Vats (C), Vivel Airi (S), Anil Jose Joseph (R), Rajan Khosla (C), Kanwar Vinod Kumar (S), Ajay Kumar Gambhir (R), Lokesh Ranjan Srivastava (S), Manoj Shrikrishna Natu (C), Rakesh Kapoor (P), and Ashok Kumar Aukta (S). Supriya Kumar (R) and Kulbhushan Singh ('S') All the new Cadets are smart and cheerful. They played a spirited game of Football in pouring rain, within hours of

their arrival and gave an excellent account of themselves. It was a goalless draw.

Motive for One's Life

Man comes into this world without his consent and leaves it against his will; on earth he is misjudged and misunderstood. In infancy he is an angel; in boyhood he is a devil; in manhood he is a fool. If he has a wife and family he is a chump. If he is a bachelor he is inhuman and mean. If he enters a public-house he is a drunkard. If he steps out he is a fanatic and a miser. If he is a poor man he has no brains. If he is rich he has all the luck in the world and a crook. If he has brains he is considered too smart. If he goes to church he is a hypocrite; if he stays away he is a sinful man. If he gives to charity or does a good turn it is for advertisement—if he does not, he is stingy and mean. When he comes into the world everybody wants to kiss him; before he goes out everybody wants to kick him. If he dies young there was a great future before him—he lives to a ripe old age everyone hopes he has made a will. It is, therefore, impossible to please everyone; so do your duty and be fearless, use your own commonsense and even if you do make a mistake it is better than doing nothing. Keep smiling as nobody wants to hear about your troubles, they have wagon loads of their own.

Cadets Sanjay Singh
Class II

OBITUARY

We are deeply shocked at the sudden demise of ex-Cadet Capt. D.K. Paul on the 29th June. The death of Capt. Paul is an irreparable loss to the country and the RIMC in particular. We all join you in your bereavement and pray God to give you the strength to bear the shock of the untimely death of your dear son.

To, Mr. S.S. Paul of Agartala

Calendar of Events Second Term 1977

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No. 137/77.

Note : - These instructions will be complied with without awaiting fresh instructions or circulars.

JULY 1977

1. 28 JULY THU—Detained cadets report back to the College for the Retest.
2. 29-30 JULY FRI-SAT—Retest.
3. 31 JULY SUN—(i) Arrival of cadets after summer vacation, deposit cash/drafts and collect admission slips from AO. (ii) Hair cut/Results of all retests (except pre-NDA).

AUGUST 1977

4. 01 AUG MON—(i) AO's Inspection at 1000 hrs. (ii) Morning assembly at 1030 hrs. (iii) Collection of Home work at 1100 hrs. (iv) Issue of books and stationery at 1200 hrs. (v) Kit Inspection by Section Masters and tutors. Demand of various items of clothing, shoes, Canteen and stationery under Section arrangements at 1500 hrs. (vi) Consolidated lists of requirements to be submitted to the AO by 2100 hrs. (vii) Deposit of boxes in QM Store at 1800 hrs.
5. 02 AUG TUE—Medical Inspection of cadets of all sections at 1430 to 1830 hrs. Selection College Football, Basket-ball teams.
6. 03 AUG WED—(i) Arrival of new cadets. (ii) Parents leave at 1600 hrs.
7. 04 AUG THU—(i) Classification test. (ii) Issue of books and stationery after lunch.
8. 06 AUG. SAT.—(i) Election of Office bearers of Hobby clubs and Associations at 1545 hrs. (ii) Give demands for text books etc. for the current term including for December 1977 Break.

9. 07 AUG SUN—Film.
 10. 13 AUG SAT—Mess-cum-Cadets' Council at 1545 hrs.
 11. 15 AUG MON—Independence day celebrations, and Dinner in the cadets' Mess.
 12. 16 AUG MON—First Unit tests. All results to reach V.P.
 13. 20 AUG SAT—CA Quiz for juniors at 1530 hrs.
 14. 21 AUG SUN—Film.
 15. 24 AUG WED—(i) Talk—Science Association. (ii) 1/4 of Term's written work/Practicals to be ready for Inspection by Commandant.
 16. 25-30 AUG THU-TUE—(i) Monthly tests/Pre-HSC and Pre-CBSE (IV-A) tests. (ii) Final CBSE tests in P & H Edn/WK Exp of Class IV and IV-A to be completed before that.
- SEPT 1977
17. 05 SEP MON—Consolidated results of monthly tests to be handed over by Class Master to the V.P.
 18. 06 SEP TUE—Janmashtami function in the Temple.
 19. 10 SEP SAT—Inter-Section Hindi Declamation Contest.
 20. 11 SEP SUN—Film. Swimming tests to be completed.
 21. 16 SEP FRI—Id-ul-Fitr. Complete II Unit tests and hand over results to V.P.
 22. 15-17 SEP THU-SAT—Inter-Section Swimming Competition.
 23. 20 SEP TUE—(i) 1/2 of Term's written work and Practical to be ready for Inspection by Commandant. (ii) Complete Football tests.
 24. 22-24 SEP THU-SAT—Inter Section Football Competition.
 25. 24 SEP SAT—Mess-cum-cadets' Council meeting at 1530 hrs.
 26. 25 SEP SUN—Film.
 27. 26-30 SEP MON-FRI—Mid-Term Examinations (1/2 Syllabus) and H.S.C. Examination, and IV-A (CBSC) Final Examinations. OCT 1977
 28. 1-4 OCT SAT-TUE—Mid-Term Hikes and Excursions.
 29. 02 OCT SUN—Mahatma Gandhi's Birthday.
 30. 06 OCT THU—Class Masters to hand over consolidated results to V.P.
 31. 09 OCT SUN—Film. Last date for Athletics tests.
 32. 13-15 OCT THU-SAT—Inter-Section Athletics and Selection College Team.
 33. 17 OCT MON—Hockey/Cricket practice begins. Select College teams.
 34. 19 OCT WED—Mess-cum-cadets' Council Meeting.
 35. 21 OCT FRI—Dussehra functions.
 36. 22 OCT SAT—III Unit tests complete. Cover 75% Syllabus of the Term. Results to reach V.P. : Talk—Geog Association.
 37. 23 OCT SUN—Film.
 38. 28-29 OCT FRI-SAT—District Athletics. 75% of Term's written work and Practical ready for Inspection by Commandant.
- NOV 1977
39. 10 NOV THU—Deepawali.
 40. 12 NOV SAT—Maths Association Meeting.
 41. 13 NOV SUN—Film.
 42. 19 NOV SAT—(i) IV Unit tests complete and hand over results to V.P. (ii) Mess-cum-cadets' Council Meeting.
 43. 25 NOV FRI—Guru Nank Dev's Birthday.

44. 28-30 NOV MON-WED—Subject Masters to give lists of weak cadets and discuss with Commandant/V.P./Section Masters.
45. 21-23 NOV MON-WED—Inter-Section Squash Competition.
46. 26 NOV SAT—(i) English Debate for seniors. All cadets to participate. Final draw during the competition. (ii) Complete the entire Syllabus. Heads of Departments to confirm to V.P.
47. 27 NOV SUN—Film.
48. 28 NOV MON—Revision week begins (up to 3 Dec). Cadets give measurements for clothing for next Term.
- DEC 1977.
49. 01 DEC THU—Entire Term's written work, and Practicals ready for inspection by the Commandant. Inter-Section Squad Drill Competition.
50. 03 DEC SAT—(i) Complete revision. (ii) Decide blues, medals, awards. (iii) Tentative scores of Inter-Section Championship to be completed.
51. 5-9 DEC MON-FRI—Terminal Examinations.
52. 09 DEC FRI—Taking out of boxes from QM Store at 1600 hrs.
53. 10 DEC SAT—(i) Issue of books and Home work for winter vacation at 1100 hrs. (ii) Dinner in the Mess. (iii) Showing of answer books to cadets of tests held up to 8 Dec. at 0900 hrs. (iv) Decide cases of weak cadets—1230 hrs. (v) Special Assembly at 1500 hrs. (vi) Dispersal of cadets for winter vacation after 1700 hrs. by trains only.
54. 11 DEC SUN—Dispersal of cadets. Completion of evaluation.
55. 13 DEC TUE—Subject Masters complete reports. Preparation of consolidated results.
56. 15 DEC THU—Section Masters hand over reports to Commandant.
57. 17 DEC SAT—(i) Despatch cadets' results, reports, accounts, kit list, return railway concession forms. (ii) Section Masters to give all correct reports of dorms and repairs due if any. (iii) Consolidated demands of text books/stationery for the next term to be put up for Commandant's approval. (iv) Decide scholarships/appointments. (v) Complete draft (typed) magazine with photos to be put up to Commandant by Mr. G.M.K.

Note:—These instructions will be complied with.

बारडोली का सत्याग्रह

भारत के स्वतंत्रता संग्राम में अगस्त महीने का बहुत अधिक महत्त्व है। १५ अगस्त १९४७ को देश स्वतंत्र हुआ। ८ अगस्त १९४२ को 'भारत छोड़ो' आन्दोलन का सूत्रपात हुआ। किन्तु इससे भी पूर्व ११ अगस्त १९२८ को लौह पुरुष सरदार वल्लभ भाई पटेल के नेतृत्व में हमने एक अत्यन्त महत्त्वपूर्ण विजय प्राप्त की थी—बारडोली सत्याग्रह संग्राम में विजय।

यह संग्राम १९२७ ई० में बारडोली में लगान के प्रश्न

को लेकर आरम्भ हुआ था और वल्लभ भाई ने इसमें अद्भुत विजय प्राप्त की थी। बारडोली की सत्याग्रह की लड़ाई में वल्लभ भाई ने अपने साहस, बुद्धिमत्ता और कार्य शक्ति का परिचय दिया था। इनकी संगठन शक्ति और चतुराई को देखकर हिन्दुस्तान में नहीं विदेश में भी इनकी प्रशंसा हुई थी। इस लड़ाई में विजय प्राप्त करने के बाद इनका स्थान भारत के सुप्रसिद्ध नेताओं में हो गया; और कांग्रेस के कर्णधारों में से वे एक योग्य नेता समझे जाने लगे।

सन् १९२७ ई० की बात है, सरकारी बन्दोबस्त महकमे के हाकिम मि० जयकर ने बारडोली ताल्लुके की जाँच-पड़ताल करने के पश्चात् सरकार को यह सलाह दी, कि बारडोली ताल्लुके में लगान ३० प्रतिशत बढ़ा दिया जाय। बाद में सरकार ने लगान को तीस प्रतिशत से उन्तीस प्रतिशत कर दिया। किसानों में असन्तोष फैल गया, और चारों ओर विरोध की आवाजें उठने लगीं।

सरकार ने सेटिलमेंट कमिश्नर मि० एण्डर्सन को जयकर-रिपोर्ट की जाँच-पड़ताल करने के लिए नियुक्त किया। सरकार ने उनकी रिपोर्ट के बाद, कर उन्तीस प्रतिशत से बाइस प्रतिशत कर दिया, पर सरकार की यह दया किसानों के लिए मोत से कुछ कम भयानक न थी। सरकार की इस दया के परिणाम स्वरूप लगान की राशि पाँच लाख चौदाह हजार सात सौ बासठ से बढ़कर छः लाख बीस हजार रुपये हो गई थी, जिसे अदा करने में किसान बिल्कुल असमर्थ थे।

किसानों में उस बढ़ी हुई मालगुजारी के सवाल को लेकर बढ़ा असंतोष फैला। कौंसिल के सदस्यों ने भी मौखिक और लिखित विरोध प्रकट किया। पर सरकार के कानों पर जून रेंगी। अन्त में १९२७ ई०, ६ सितम्बर को ताल्लुका के किसानों की एक सभा हुई। इस सभा के सभापति श्री दाहू भाई देसाई थे। अन्त में सर्व-सम्मति से यह निश्चय हुआ कि बढ़ी हुई मालगुजारी अदा न की जाय और बल्लभ भाई जी से प्रार्थना की गई कि वे इस आन्दोलन की बागडोर अपने हाथों में ले लें। बल्लभ भाई जी ने प्रार्थना स्वीकार कर ली, प्रार्थना स्वीकार करने से पहले उन्होंने लोगों से पूछा, क्या लोग अपने घर-द्वार का मोह छोड़ने के लिए तैयार हैं।

जब बल्लभ भाई जी को इस बात का पूरा विश्वास हो गया कि किसान सचमुच सत्याग्रह की कठिनाइयों को और सरकार के अत्याचारों को सहने के लिए तैयार हैं तब ही वे इस प्रश्न को लेकर आगे बढ़े।

लोग बहुत उत्सुक थे कि बल्लभ भाई शीघ्र से शीघ्र लड़ाई की घोषणा कर दें पर बल्लभ भाई जी उन व्यक्तियों में नहीं थे जो जल्दबाजी करते हैं। वे अहमदाबाद गए और वहाँ से उन्होंने बम्बई के गवर्नर लैस्ली विल्सन को एक पत्र लिखा। उन्होंने लिखा कि जब तक सरकार बढ़ी हुई मालगुजारी के बारे में न्याय नहीं करेगी तब तक पूरा लगान नहीं दिया जाएगा। इसके साथ ही साथ बल्लभ भाई जी ने अपने पत्र में सरकार की नीति की कड़ी आलोचना की, और उसे गलत तथा बेदुज्जी बतलाया।

सरकार पर इस पत्र का कुछ असर नहीं पड़ा बल्कि सरकार लगान वसूल करने की कोशिशें करने लगी। गाँव गाँव में डुग्गी पीट दी गई, कि किसानों को १२ फरवरी तक अपनी मालगुजारी खजाने में जमा कर देनी चाहिए। १२ फरवरी बीत गई परन्तु खजाने में एक कौड़ी भी न पहुँची।

बल्लभ भाई अहमदाबाद से लौटे और १२ फरवरी को किसानों की एक विराट सभा हुई। इस सभा में एक

बार फिर बल्लभ भाई ने किसानों को भावधान किया। बल्लभ भाई जी ने अोजस्वी भाषण देते हुए लोगों के सामने सत्याग्रह का प्रस्ताव रखवा और सर्वसम्मति से प्रस्ताव पास हो गया। प्रस्ताव में इस बात पर जोर दिया गया था कि सरकार हमसे जबदेस्ती लगान वसूल करने के लिए, कुर्की आदि जिन उपायों से काम ले, हम उनसे होने वाले कष्टों को शान्ति के साथ सहें।

प्रस्ताव पास हो जाने पर एक मुसलमान सज्जन ने कुरान की आयतें पढ़ी, और महादेव भाई देसाई ने निम्नांकित भजन गाया :—

शूर संग्राम को देख भागे नहीं,
देख भागे सोई शूर नाहीं।
काम अरु क्रोध अरु लोभ से जूझना,
भण्डा घमासान तहँ खेत माहीं।
बोल अरु शौच संतोष साथी भये,
नाम समशेर तहँ खूब बाजे।
वहत कबीर कोऊ जूझि है सूरमा,
कायर और भंडे तहँ तुरन्त भाजे।

चारों ओर बारडोली सत्याग्रह संग्राम की आवाज गूँज उठी। बल्लभ भाई घूम घूम कर मोचंबन्दी की तैयारी करने लगे। वे वाँकानेर, वराड बालोक आदि गाँव गए, उन्होंने भाषण दिये। उन्होंने सबको सत्याग्रह का अर्थ बताया, तथा कठिनाइयों को सहने के लिए सचेत किया।

बल्लभ भाई पटेल ने सरकार का सामना करने के लिए सारे ताल्लुके का एक अद्भुत दङ्ग से संगठन किया। सारा ताल्लुका एक दुर्ग की तरह बन गया, और एक एक किसान उस दुर्ग का सैनिक था। बल्लभ भाई ने सारे ताल्लुके में चार आश्रम और आठ छावनियाँ स्थापित कीं। पूरे ताल्लुके को पाँच मुख्य भागों में बाँटा। हर एक भाग एक मुखिया के आधीन किया गया। बारडोली, सत्याग्रह की लड़ाई का केन्द्र था। यहाँ से 'सत्याग्रह-समाचार' नामक एक दैनिक-पत्र प्रकाशित होता था। यह मुफ्त बाँटा जाता था। सत्याग्रह कार्यालय में कई मोटरें रखी गईं जो दिन भर ताल्लुके में दौड़ती रहती थीं और नेताओं तथा कार्यकर्त्तियों को यथास्थान पहुँचाती थी। बल्लभ भाई जी इस कठिन मोचंबन्दी के सरदार थे, उनकी आज्ञा के बिना कोई सिर भी हिला न सकता था। ऐसा दृढ़ और शान्त संगठन था कि लोगों को देखकर आश्चर्य होता था।

गाँव-गाँव में अनोखा प्रबन्ध था। गाँव में पहरा देना और संकट पर बिगुल बजा कर सूचना देने वाले का प्रबन्ध था। बल्लभ भाई जी के राज्य में लगान वसूल करने वाले सरकारी अफसरों की बड़ी दुर्दशा हो रही थी। जब्त किये हुए माल को खरीदने की तो बात ही क्या, उस माल को ले जाने के लिए आदमी तक न मिलते थे।

अब सरकार ने भी दमन के लिये कमर कस लिया, चारों ओर गिरफ्तारियों की धूम मच गई, पुलिस वाले

ताके तोड़ कर धरों में धुस जाते, और माल उठा ले जाते। जितना सरकार से हो सकता था, सरकार ने उतना किया, पर किसानों का साहस कम न हुआ। किसान बड़े धैर्य से मुसीबतें सहते रहे, और अपने अधिकारों के लिए अड़े रहे। सरकार ने लगान बसूल करने के लिए घृणित से घृणित तरीके अख्तियार किये। सरकार द्वारा बारडोली में पठान सिपाही भेजे गये, और उनके द्वारा किसानों पर अमानुषिक अत्याचार कराए गए। पर किसान टस से मस न हुये। बारडोली की भयानक लड़ाई को देखकर देश के नेताओं का ध्यान बारडोली को और आकर्षित हुआ और बारडोली की सहायता के लिये नेताओं ने धन और जन की अपील की। इधर धन और जन की सहायता पहुँचने लगी और उधर बम्बई प्रांतीय कौन्सिल के १६ सदस्यों ने त्यागपत्र भी दिया। वे अपनी जगहों से बारडोली के प्रश्न को लेकर फिर कौन्सिल के लिए उम्मीदवार खड़े हुए, और चुन लिये गये।

देश के बड़े-बड़े नेताओं का आगमन भी बारडोली में होने लगा। जमुनालाल बजाज बारडोली गए और उन्होंने किसानों की स्थिति की जाँच पड़ताल करके एक रिपोर्ट प्रकाशित की। इस रिपोर्ट में उन्होंने जोरों से सरकार की दमन नीति की निन्दा की और किसानों की माँग को उचित बताया। इस रिपोर्ट के प्रकाशित होने के बाद तो तरम दल वाले भी किसानों की माँग का समर्थन करने लगे।

जुलाई में भड़ोच में जिला कांग्रेस हुई। कांग्रेस के सभापति श्री कन्हैया लाल मुन्शी ने स्पष्ट शब्दों में कहा था कि "बारडोली में वल्लभ भाई जी का राज्य है।" अब तो उनसे सरकार भी धरती उठी। वायसराय ने बम्बई के गवर्नर को आदेश दिया कि वे वल्लभ भाई से मिलें और उनसे समझौता करने की कोशिश करें। वल्लभ भाई ने गवर्नर से मिलकर खुब खुलकर बातें की। पर इस बातचीत का कोई परिणाम न निकला। गवर्नर चाहते थे कि जनता

पहले लगान बढ़ा कर दे; पर वल्लभ भाई ने गवर्नर की इस शर्त की स्वीकार न किया, और बातचीत भंग हो गई।

इससे सारे देश में उत्तेजना की लहर फैल गई और लोग सरकारी नीति की निन्दा करने लगे। उन्हीं दिनों २६ जुलाई को गवर्नर ने कौन्सिल में बारडोली के सम्बन्ध में एक भाषण दिया और अपनी हेकड़ी प्रकट की। साथ ही उन्होंने वल्लभ भाई जी को भी घमकी दी। हाउस आफ कामन्स में बड़े अलै विन्टर्टन ने भी बम्बई के गवर्नर का समर्थन किया। इन दोनों वक्तव्यों से देश में बड़े जोर की असन्तोष की भावना फैली, और एक स्वर से लोग सरकार की निन्दा करने लगे।

सरकार को इन घमकियों का सत्याग्रह आन्दोलन पर कुछ भी प्रभाव न पड़ा। वह जैसा पहले चलता था, उसी प्रकार अब भी चलता रहा। सरकार भी एक तरफ तो घमकियाँ देती रही, और दूसरी तरफ समझौता करने के लिये उत्सुकता भी प्रकट करती रही। कौन्सिल के कई नेता भी समझौता करने के लिए बराबर कोशिश में लगे रहे। इसी बीच में कौन्सिल के एक सदस्य श्री रामचन्द्र भट्ट ने ताल्लुके की बढ़ी हुई मालगुजारी को खजाने में जमाकर देने की इच्छा प्रकट की। गवर्नर ने उसे स्वीकार कर लिया। समझौते के रास्ते में यही बहुत बड़ी रुकावट थी। जब बढ़ी हुई मालगुजारी खजाने में जमा हो गई तो कौन्सिल के कई सदस्यों ने सरकार और वल्लभ भाई जी में समझौता करा दिया। सरकार ने नए बन्दोबस्त की फिर से जाँच कराने की घोषणा की और यह भी घोषित किया कि सरकार जख्त की हुई जमीनें लौटा देगी और कैंदियों को छोड़ देगी।

इस प्रकार बारडोली के सत्याग्रह की लड़ाई में वल्लभ भाई जी विजयी हुए, और ११ अगस्त को सारे ताल्लुके में विजयोत्सव मनाया गया।

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The Independence Day was celebrated with national fervour and great enthusiasm. The Commandant unfurled the National Flag on the College Parade ground. He addressed the Cadets, members of the Staff and all the other employees of the College and in his brief message of independence he congratulated them for their excellent work during the previous year. The impressive ceremonial parade was followed by a short and sweet programme. 14 Cadets impressed the audience with their oratory. Cadet Captain, S.K. Saxena, conducted the programme very successfully. Ladies, staff members and Cadets were served refreshments after the function. Sweets were distributed to the Class III and IV employees and their children who attended the Flag hoisting. The Officers and Cadets attended the Independence Dinner Night in the Cadets' Mess.

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FOOTBALL MATCH—RIMC Staff vs Cadets :

The staff played football with smiling confidence. The Cadets dominated throughout and won 5-2.

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Dr. & Mrs. Jagat Singh have been blessed with a son, and Lt. & Mrs. Johar with a daughter—hearty congratulations.

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The incessant rains in the Doon valley could not deter the Cadets from

going out on weekend hikes. Well done !

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Unit Tests:

Cadets are preparing for the Unit Tests to master the technique of answering objective type questions.

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BASKET BALL MATCH—Staff vs Cadets

The staff team had a brilliant beginning. The Commandant scored a few rapid baskets against the shaky game of the Cadets. Cheering of the comrades soon restored confidence in the Cadets and they gave a good fight to the staff team, the Cadets victory was established with a score of 48-40.

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Special Assemblies: Every Saturday afternoon a special assembly is held for Cadets. It aims at training the Cadets in the art of public speaking and increasing self confidence in them. Class VA were the first to speak.

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Eighty fruit trees have been planted during this fortnight. The Cadets are expecting a larger output of fruit during future "raids".

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Office bearers of various clubs are as under :-



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Art	—	R.P. Singh	P.B. Singh
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Sahitya Samiti	—	Sanjay Misra	Gajender Prasad

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Cadets Supriya Kumar, N. Tiwari and Ashok Kumar—welcome to the R.I.M.C.

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Nearly 50 percent of the exercise books bought for the Cadets remained un-utilised in the last term. The Commandant has called upon the Cadets to write regularly as there is no dearth of stationery, opportunity and guidance from the Masters. The written work has started in all seriousness. The Cadets are really particular about the index, presentation and regularity. This should go a long way in improving the scores.

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In the May 1977 UPSC Tests for the NDA 13 out of 16 Cadets passed in the first attempt and 12 out of 13 Cadets were selected by the S.S.B. This is excellent no doubt but the list of merit has been causing some anxiety. The top Cadet (A.K. Rai) has come eighth and the others are very low in the order of merit as compared to our past record. The analysis of the causes has led us to increase the daily academic periods from 7 to 8. At the same time sports and officer like qualities need equal attention. Sufficient sports gear is available for every Cadet to prepare himself according to his talent and aptitude. In Class VA, every Cadet must come in a College team or his Section will be penalised. We solicit

views and suggestions to improve our standing in the all India list of merit for entry to the NDA.

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Lt. Gen. W.A.G. Pinto, PVSM, a Corps Commander, paid a courtesy visit to the RIMC. He has been very closely associated with the College and as the D.M.T. took a keen interest in the progress of the RIMC. He was generous in praise of the RIMC. The Cadets and Staff thank him immensely for his visit despite his very busy schedule.

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It has been decided in the English faculty meeting that every Cadet should write at least one essay, (excluding Cl I), one paragraph, one precis (Cl III upwards), one grammar exercise, and one comprehension exercise every week. This is essential to develop the requisite skill in the language to serve as the medium of instruction.

* * * QUOTABLE QUOTES

Great talkers are like leaky vessels; everything runs out of them.

—Simmons

No art is ever learned without a master.

—St. Jerome

Charity is love; not all love is charity.

—Thomas Aquinas

Man is born to labour, and the bird to fly.

—Job

If you want to keep your character,
keep good company or none.

Carelessness does more harm than
a want of knowledge.

—Franklin

God helps us when we feel ourselves
humbler than the dust under our
feet.

—M.K. Gandhi

Guilty consciences always make
people cowards.

—Pilpay

Do not turn back when you are just
at the goal.

—Publilius Syrus

A man should be upright, not be
kept upright.

—Marcus Aurelius

He who excuses himself accuses
himself.

—Gabriel Meurier.

The test of a man's breeding is how
he behaves in a quarrel.—G.B. Shaw

Cadet D. Chowdhury

THE CADET CAPTAIN

'Uneasy lies the head that wears the
crown.'

People usually feel that the life of
the Cadet Captain is one of comfort.
They think that he is a lord (or at least
thinks that he is one!). But the sole
object is to prove that he is not a lord
and has more work on his hands every
minute than the junior-most cadet in the
College.

To begin with, I (Cadet Captain if
I may introduce myself) get up at
5-30 A.M. after a mere 7 hrs. sleep.
Somehow I get into my clothes and go
for P.T. There I get a whole series of
new orders which leave me so confused
that the thought of a pack drill is
uppermost in my mind throughout the
P.T. However after P.T. I have a quick
shower and dash to the classes. If I
begin to thank my stars that I have a
bike that very moment the chain comes

off. Dragging the bike along I reach
the class room just ahead of the master.

After four periods during the break
I have to report to the office to get the
orders from the A.O. These orders keep
me busy for the whole break, sending
me to all corners of the college. It is
not uncommon if I get a warning that
the standard of smartness is not being
kept up lest I find myself in hot water.
At last the break ends which is surely no
break for me and I return to the classes
for another hour.

During and after lunch there are
more orders to be carried out. Two
hours slip by and games time comes.
This is the only time that I really enjoy
and relax myself. At the roll call I
nearly go mad trying to find out where
a certain person is or why another has
cut the parade. Preps which are meant
for preparation leave me quite unpre-
pared with my own work as I am mostly
busy making sure whether everyone
else is preparing for the next day or not.
After preps follows a hurried dinner
after which I start taking a round of
the college in pitch darkness which keeps
me awake till nearly midnight. And
then I drop into bed exhausted and tired.

Cadet Joy Chatterjee

NDA NEWSLETTER

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Respected Sir,

I am quite well here.

Every thing is running fine here.

Almost all the events, except Pass-
ing Out Parade, are over and we are
preparing to go home. You will be
glad to know that this time many
Rimcollians have been given High
appointment to the next term.

Cdt. A.K. Prasad—BCA I Battalion
„ Tomar—SCC A Squadron
„ Pathania—CSM E Squadron
„ Negi—DCC

Also you will be glad to know that I have been awarded 'torch' for having shown proficiency in Academics.

Yours Obediently
Narendra

Please convey my regards and best wishes to the Cadets appearing for SSB and HSC.

From :—

Cadet N.K. Jha
H Squadron
N.D.A.

आत्म शक्ति

जो लोग आत्म शक्ति को महान समझते हैं वे मुझे जिन्दगी के छोटे-छोटे टुकड़ों की तरह लगते हैं। वे जो भी बढ़ते हैं सच है, परन्तु पूरा सच नहीं। और अधूरा सच बहुत खतरनाक होता है।

दुनिया कितने देशों में बंटी है, सबाल यह नहीं है, सबाल यह है कि दुनिया सिर्फ दो टुकड़ों में बंटी हुई है— एक टुकड़ा वह है जिस पर हुकूमत की जाती है, दूसरा वह जो हुकूमत करता है। पर दोनों में स्वतंत्र कोई भी नहीं है। देखने में केवल यह दिखाई देता है कि यह मालिक और गुलाम का रिस्ता है, जिसमें केवल गुलाम स्वतंत्र नहीं मालिक स्वतंत्र है। और मालिक की स्वतंत्रता अधूरा सच है। मालिक अपने गुलाम का सबसे अधिक मोहताज है, क्योंकि यह केवल गुलाम का अस्तित्व होता है जो उसे मालिक होने की हैसियत दे सकता है। अगर प्रजा ही न हो तो कोई बादशाह कैसे बने? इस तरह बादशाह सबसे अधिक प्रजा का मोहताज होता है।

जिस तरह स्वतंत्रता, कई जगहों पर अपने होने का भ्रम नहीं डालती, पर कई जगह अपने होने का भुलावा डालती है, उसी तरह आत्मशक्ति भी कई जगहों पर अपने होने का भ्रम पैदा करती है— इन्सान को बदलने का, समाज को बदलने का, राजनीति को बदलने का।

दुनिया की बहुत प्यारी कविता है कि जो लोग दूर चमकती हुई रेत को पानी समझकर रेत में नहीं दौड़ते वह जरूर बुद्धिमान होंगे। पर मैं उन्हें प्रणाम करता हूँ जो रेत में पानी का भ्रम खाते हैं और पानी की एक बूँद पीने के लिए सारी उन्नत रेत पर दौड़ते रहते हैं।

एक कवि का यह प्रणाम वास्तव में भ्रम को नहीं, मनुष्य की प्यास को है, और प्यास का दूसरा नाम जिदगी है।

किसी सच्चाई के होने और देखने के बीच एक फासला होता है जो अभी तक इन्सान ने तय नहीं किया है। आत्म शक्ति कुछ इतना काम आती है कि इन्सान अपने दर्द को अपनी जुबान पर ला सकने की जगह अपने होठों से पोंछ देता है। उसे अन्दर अपने गले में उतार सकता है। इससे

ज्यादा जो कुछ भी है, वह प्यास की करामात है, पानी की नहीं, और प्यास को जगाए रखने के लिए उस जगह पर खड़े होना जरूरी है जो सच और भूठ के बीच में है, क्योंकि दुनिया के सब फैसले केवल वहीं खड़े होकर किए जा सकते हैं। आत्म शक्ति से कुछ बन सकने और बदल सकने का फैसला भी केवल वहीं खड़े होकर किया जा सकता है।

हम सब अधूरे सच के योग्य हैं, हम अपनी आत्म शक्ति से दुनिया बदल सकते हैं— यह एक मोहक भ्रम है जो केवल अधूरे सच से ही स्थापित किया जा सकता है। मैं यह नहीं कहना चाहता कि भ्रम नहीं रखना चाहिए, क्योंकि भ्रम के बिना जिन्दगी को जिया नहीं जा सकता है। केवल यह कहना चाहता हूँ कि इन जैसे भ्रमों को अंतिम सच कह देना मनुष्य की कोई जीत नहीं है।

—वीर कुमार अश्वनी कुमार

बिखरे मोती

उदार देकर अमीर बनता है और लोभी जोड़कर।

'अरबी कहावत'

भूलो से बचने वाले सहज बुद्धिमान हैं किन्तु अपने भूलों को सहज स्वीकार करने वाले महात्मा होते हैं।

'कन्फ्यूशियस'

जिन्दगी की शुरूआत मुसीबत में होती है, जिन्दगी के दिन मुसीबत में बीतते हैं और अन्त भी मुसीबतों में ही होता है—मुसीबत ही जीवन दर्शन का आधार है।

'शेक्सपियर'

समय की बँबादी पर पश्चाताप जरूर करो पर इतना नहीं की सारा समय उसी में नष्ट हो जाय।

'आर्थर बिनवेन'

उसी को अपना समझो जिसे तुमने अपनी मेहनत और परिश्रम से बनाया है।

'प्रेमन्चद'

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College News

August 20—The Juniors' Quiz Competition was highly educative and interesting. The questions were of varied interest and the response from the competitors was praise-worthy. Group 'A' consisted of Cadets O.V. Ajay, Vivek Jain, N. Bhaumik, S. Dhar, Deepak Adhar, Sanjay Singh, A.J. Joseph, Adosh Kumar, V. Sirinivas and Sharad Vats. Group 'B' consisted of Cadets S. Rahinwal, Vivek Pathak, A.K. Jain, K. Arunodaya, G.F.M. Roy, K.M. Dhir, S. Jha, Anurag Chander and Anil Rathore. Group 'A' won the competition by a narrow margin of 4 points. (46-42)

August 22—It is unofficially learnt that the C.B.S.E. have dispensed with the idea of semester system for class XI and XII. It will help the present class V Cadets to prepare for the U.P.S.C. Examinations particularly in the absence of the N.C.E.R.T. text books.

August 24—'Paper and Pulp' — a talk The Science Association organised a talk on the Technology of Paper and Pulp by Dr. K.N. Madan, Senior Research Officer, F.R.I. The coloured slides illustrating the different stages of paper-manufacturing made the talk very interesting.

August 27— The First UNIT TESTS AND MONTHLY TESTS have come to an end. The emphasis on written work has yielded desired results.

August 29— Pre-HSC and Pre-Secondary School Examinations have

started. This term the final examinations for these two classes could be held from 26th September. The Cadets are making the best use of the limited time available to them.

Class VA Cadets are anxiously waiting for the U.P.S.C. results for the 59th N.D.A. course. We wish them best of luck.

Public Speaking

The special assembly on Saturdays aims at training every Cadet to be a public speaker. All Cadets of class VA and V spoke during the last two assembly sessions.

The following Cadets of class V spoke on 20th August :—

R.S. Bangari, Y. Bhaduria,
Y.K. Gupta, A. Chaturvedi,
Gurmit Singh, C.P. Mohanty,
A.K. Mitra and A.K. Sharma.

On 27 August, Cadets Prem Prakash, S. Jalit, Sanjay Kumar, N.N. Singh, K. Mehta, A.K. Singh, D.S. Gill and R.K. Huria spoke on the topics of their choice. In addition, Cadets D.K. Tayal of IA and Supriya Kumar of Class I also spoke on scientific topics. The performance of class V was decidedly better than their predecessors'. It is heartening to see that the Cadets are very enthusiastic about their turn and try their best to give a good account of themselves. This will go a long way in impro-



ving the public speaking abilities of the Cadets and it is expected that they will face the SSB more confidently.

GAMES AND SPORTS

Swimming:

Cheers ! The swimming pool has finally opened and for the benefit of the swimmers, the pool will, open twice on Sundays, once from 11 to 12.30 in the mornings and again from 4 to 5.30 in the evenings. All the Sections are practising sincerely for the Inter-Section Swimming Competition Trophy.

Basket Ball:

August 23— The College Basket Ball team played against a Madras Unit Team. The College team dominated all through and won 60-38. Our players played a spirited game with full co-ordination. The play of Hav. Anandan (No. 6) of the rival team earned the appreciation of the spectators. The College Team played a co-ordinated game. Well done.

Foot Ball:

We played a number of practice matches with the units. We played with a Madras Unit Team on August 23 and lost 2-5. The Madras Unit Team played a very fast game from the very beginning. Our defenders could not check the onslaughts of their left-out who scored two brilliant goals. Cadets J. Gamlin and T.K. Chanda scored one goal each. Till half-time the visitors were leading 2-1, but the story of the other half was completely against us. They scored two goals through the corner kicks and one goal through their left winger whose surprise move from the side line left the goalkeeper gaping.

RIMC Vs Gurkha Rifles Team.

In the first encounter the Gurkha Team won by an impressive margin of 8-1. In the second encounter with their Junior team, we won 7-4.

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August 30

RIMC

Vs

Cambrian Hall

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Nil

The match with Cambrian Hall was our first match of the season against a school and in the very first encounter our players gave a good account of themselves. Right from the start our forward line started attacking. Twice they came near to scoring in the first ten minutes, but they could not. In the 14th minute of the game, a move initiated by Cadet T.K. Chanda bore fruit. Chanda gave a diagonal pass to Vishwajit Pathak, who very promptly dribbled past two rival players and gave a short pass to Gamlin. Gamlin deflected the ball to Y.K. Gupta standing in the right-in position and Yugal made no mistake and kicked the ball right into the net.

True to the sportsman's spirit, the Cambrianites did not get discouraged. They launched counter-attacks with renewed vigour and gave many anxious moments to us, but our defence line did a commendable job and foiled their attacks. Agility of our full back Z. Hussain and the alertness of the goal keeper R.S. Chaudhary stood in good stead.

Players :— R.S. Chaudhary, Z. Hussain, Prem Prakash, Pranav Kumar, Vivek Pandit, P.B. Singh, P.K. Mitra, J. Gamlin, T.K. Chanda, Y.S. Meitei, Vishwajit, Pathak & Y.K. Gupta.

August 31

RIMC Junior and Sub Junior teams played against their Cambrian Hall counterparts.

Sub Junior :—RIMC (1) Vs Visitors (2).

The Lilliputians played a fast game from the very beginning. In the first 15 minutes of the game, our players dominated but found it difficult to beat the strong defence line of the opponents.

In the 16th minute of the first half S. Biswas gave a long pass to Sudhakar who had shifted for a while to right-in position. He was badly surrounded by the defenders, but quick and clever as Sudhakar is, he managed to clear the ball and dribble it close to the goal post. The goal-keeper rushed to grab the ball but Sudhakar was quick enough to shoot the ball into the left corner of the goal post.

The early lead made our players complacent and even the full backs started playing in forward line. The rivals took advantage of our forward play and got a chance to score an easy goal. Half time score was 1-1. After half time, the game started on a slow note, but it picked up very soon. Both the teams were playing well. The R.I.M.C. players attacked the rival's goal post more frequently, but they lacked finish. Once again the Cambrian Hall team took advantage of the gap in the defence line and scored a goal. R.I.M.C. players tried their best to equalize, but the goal post deceived them so many times.

Junior :—RIMC (2) Vs Visitors (2).

The match with the junior team also was very thrilling and exciting. Both the teams were evenly matched. In the very first half the Cambrian Hall Team scored a goal. Till half-time they were leading 1-0. After half time they scored another goal. In the last ten minutes of the play RIMC forced two penalty shots and Meitei converted both the penalty shots. It was really a brilliant fight back on the part of our team. The Cambrian Hall team counter attacked with renewed vigour and in the last minutes of the play they also got a penalty kick against us. The spectators held their breath for a moment, but Shivendra our goal-keeper changed the suspense into joy by clearly stopping the penalty kick. It was a pleasant surprise for all. Thus the match ended in a draw.

THE SUEZ CANAL

During the summer break I was fortunate enough to go through Suez Canal on 26th June from Port Suez to Port Said on the vessel Chairsma-N. We were 8th in the convoy of 37 ships.

The 'Suez Canal is the best known and the most widely used canal in the world. It links Port Suez in the Red Sea and Port Said in the Mediterranean. This canal is the longest canal in the world and covers a length of 88 miles. Its breadth differs from 550 ft. to 600 ft. and its average depth is 38 feet.

The making of this canal has an interesting history behind it. About 1200,000 labourers were employed to dig this canal. These labourers were ill-paid and ill-treated. Most of them did not even get their due wages. They worked in the desert throughout the day under the hot sun. Very often they had to work during the nights too. These people got very little food, rest and water. The water used to be brought on mules' backs from a distance of 100 miles. Sometimes they got only a sip each and sometimes not at all. As a result thousands of them died. Very soon the workers started complaining about the poor working conditions. In order to step up work, it was decided that the work should be started from both ends. It met at place known as Ismalia. Ships passing through the canal change pilots here. Therefore after a lot of hard work the canal which was planned by Frenchman, Ferdinand de Lesseps was finally opened on 17th of November 1869. By the Convention of Constantinople, 1888 the canal was opened to ships of all the countries.

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bulldozers and earth moving machines were being used. At noon we reached the Great Bitter Lake. Here we anchored and had to wait for the incoming convoy to pass. On the passage to this lake I saw many broken and damaged anti air craft and machine guns. I also saw many burnt and broken tanks and trucks. There were many houses which were partly blown up by rockets and bombs. All these were the remains of the Egypt-Israel War of 1973. After one hour we started off for the Lake. At 5 O'clock we reached Tamsah. As we were approaching Tamsah I saw a beautiful war memorial which was heavily guarded by the Egyptian soldiers. On the way to this lake I saw some more of the war debris and I was told that the Israeli soldiers had penetrated into Egypt through these areas. It had become dark and all the light-houses and the buoys were illuminated. Very soon I could see the lights of the ships at Port Said and in a matter of minutes we passed through these. It was one of the days I shall always remember and shall always look forward to another chance to go through this canal.

—Cadet Vivek Sood.

MY FIRST DAY AT THE R.I.M.C.

When I reached the R.I.M.C., I was very sad. My eyes were full of tears.

After spending half an hour in the office, I moved here and there. I liked the College Campus very much. I was really delighted to see the War Memorial. At 1.10 we went for lunch in the Cadets Mess. It is really beautiful. The lunch was also very delicious. After that we watched a film on the R.I.M.C. My

father was very happy to see the working of the College. Then my father took me to my Section Master. Then I went to my dormitory with my father. My Seniors were very kind to me. (Don't be too sure too soon!—Editor)

My father left this place in the evening. His departure made me sad. At 4.30 we played a football match with IA. The match was a goalless draw. After dinner I went to my dormitory and had a sound sleep with sweet dreams of my sweet home.

—Cadet Rajan Khosla
Class I

'The City of Lakes' (Udaipur)

Udaipur is situated in Rajasthan. It is also called 'the City of Lakes', as there are many lakes in this town. Some of the important lakes are Fateh Sagar, Swaroop Sagar, Jaisamand etc. There is a very good Hotel in the middle of the lake Swaroop Sagar. There are many gardens also. A Statue of Maharana Pratap on his favourite horse Chetak is an added attraction of Udaipur. Many tourists come to visit Udaipur. You should also visit Udaipur once.

—Cadet Rakesh Kapoor
Class I

Something: Mad

Once there were three friends. Their names were : Something, Nothing and Mad. Once Something and Nothing began to fight. Mad telephoned the police.

Mad: (to police) Something and Nothing are fighting.

Police: Are you mad?

Mad: Yes, I am Mad.

—Cadet Rakesh Kapoor
Class I

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UPSC Results

The UPSC results of the NDA examinations held in May 77 thrilled our cadets. The following 16 cadets have qualified:-

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| 1. Ved Prakash | 9. R Chopra |
| 2. M George | 10. Ravi Pratap |
| 3. S Arjun | 11. S Vissa |
| 4. RS Chaudhary | 12. Sunil Kohli |
| 5. SS Rosario | 13. Anjan Dass |
| 6. PS Gill | 14. Rajesh Tewary |
| 7. GS Bains | 15. Yogendra Singh |
| 8. SN Deshpande | 16. S Bhattacharya |

Total 1121 (14%) candidates have passed out of over 8231. Against this, 16 out of 26 RIMC cadets have passed (62%). The increasing competition has obliged us to keep 8 study periods daily, without cutting out any co-curricular activities. Ex-Cdt S. warty has also passed.

FOOTBALL: RIMC VS DOON SCHOOL.

Sep. 1

The College Football Team (Seniors) earned a deserving victory against Doon School on their ground. Both the teams started brisk play amidst loud cheers. It was a feast for the eyes to see the Rimcollians attack with powerful shots. Cadets Z. Hussain, J. Gamlin and T.K. Chanda dominated throughout. Hussain was pillar of strength as a defender inspite of his head injury.

The RIMC defeated the Doon School by 2-1. A Team—cadets Joy Chatterjee (Captain), T.K. Chanda (Vice Captain), J. Gamlin, Z. Hussain, Prem Prakash, Pranav Kumar, P. B. Singh, J. K. Gupta, Y. S. Meitei, V. Pathak and R. S. Choudhary, (Goal Keeper).

The B team of the RIMC Football returned home with victory over the Doon School scoring 2 goals to nil. The Juniors played remarkably well on the Doon School ground. 5 ft-3 inch—"giants".

B Team—Cadets Ved Prakash (Captain) M. S. Mahesh (Vice Captain), P. Manjul, S. Biswas, R. Anthony, S. Chand, K.S. Sudhakar, B. Roy, V. Khamo, S. Dong and N.N. Sharma (Goal-Keeper).

The fruit of regular practice and physical fitness is the convincing victory. keep it up. —The number and value of Scholarships have been increased due to our tireless efforts. The Punjab Govt. is the eleventh State to increase the value of their Scholarships. The remaining donors are also being requested to do so. The RIMC welcomes all the bright boys, rich or poor, to its fold. Over one half of the cadets get Scholarships according to their needs.

RIMC: SPORTS SUMMARY

Football

Sep. 1—Vs Doon School (their grounds)

Seniors: We won 2:1

Juniors: We won 2:0

31 Aug—Vs Cambrian Hall (our grounds)

Seniors: We won 1:0

Sub Juniors: We won 2:0

Sep. 9—Vs Cambrian Hall (their grounds)

Sub Juniors: 3:3 draw

Juniors: We won 2:0

Sep. 13—Vs Doon School (our grounds)

Seniors: We lost 1:2

Juniors: We won 6:0

Basketball

Sep. 5—Vs Doon School (their court)

We won 58:18

Sep 5 — Teachers' Day was observed in the College. Cadets arranged a tea-party in the mess for the members of the staff and the ladies. Mr Singhal thanked the cadets for this fine gesture. He told the cadets about the rich heritage of India. The function was a step towards developing mutual reverence between the Guru and the Chela".

— The BASKET BALL team scored a well



deserved victory, 58 to 18 points, against Doon School. Our team displayed perfect understanding and superior play leaving the opponents far behind. Stephen Rosario scored the first basket followed by D.S.Gill, Nehra and Bhaduria.

Our team: Cadets Y.S. Nehra (Captain), S. S. Rosario, R. S. Chaudhary, Y. S. Bhaduria and D. S. Gill.

— The Canteen supply was delayed due to avoidable causes. Such inconvenience to cadets will be avoided in future.

— Cadets must report the loss of books immediately to the subject teacher and draw new books on the spot from him to avoid loss of study-time.

Sep.6 — JANAMASHTAMI was celebrated in the college temple with great enthusiasm. Devotional songs and religious discourses were the highlights of the Programme. Cadets Gamlin Sanjay Misra and Gambhir and Miss Joy Waraich sang the bhajans. The Commandant called upon the young Arjuna of today to imbibe the teachings of Lord Krishna. Mr Singhal threw light on the relevance of Shri Krishna in today's world.

Sep.7— Brig.S.S. NAKRA, AVSM, Director of Army Education and Mrs Nakra paid a farewell visit to the RIMC.

— A Farewell Dinner was arranged in the Cadets' Mess to give a hearty send off to Brig. and Mrs, Nakra.

Col. and Mrs. D. N. Chhibber HAD I M A Col. and Mrs. B. R. Gadhiok, Commander ACC Wing, IMA, and Mr. Raina Doon School, were also our honourable guests.

Brig. Nakra gave a crisp after-dinner speech and called upon the cadets to keep up the high reputation of this unique institution. He blessed the cadets and wished them the very best of luck.

INTER-SECTION HINDI DECLAMATION CONTEST, 1977:

The Inter-Section Hindi Declamation Contest was held on Wednesday, in the Convocation Hall. The following cadets won the first and Second positions—

JUNIORS

Cadet P. Bhatnagar (S)	First
„ D. Adhar (C)	Second

SENIORS

Cadet R. Rai (S)	First
„ Prem Prakash (R)	Second
Inter-Section Position:	
First	Ranjit 776/1200
Second	Shivaji 774/1200
Third	Chandragupta 746/1200
Fourth	Pratap 733/1200

We thank the jury Dr Srivastava, DAV College, Mr Raina, Doon School and Mr Bahuguna, Cambrian Hall. Declamation is an art and the cadets know something of it. The speakers left good impression on the audience.

Mrs. Nakra kindly gave away the Trophy and the prizes.

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— Members of the staff wished Bon Voyage to Mr. K. Kumar who has been selected to conduct a Hindi Teaching programme in Mauritius for five weeks.

Sep.8 —The Commandant called upon the teachers and cadets to improve the examination skill by devising means to improve—

R-	Retentivity
E-	Expression
P-	Presentation
A-	Application
I-	Interest
R-	Revision

Sep. 9—The office staff have started a vigorous efficiency drive. Every clerk has produced an up-to-date Reference Diary for his work. Filing, documentation, ledgers and office routine are being overhauled under the overall supervision of Maj. Gohain, ably assisted by Sub. I. S. Dabas.

Sep.10—Cadets of Classes IIIA and IIA went on a hike to Rishikesh with Mr. S.P. Bauri. It was an enjoyable hike, more so due to the downpour.

— Cadets of class IV went on a hike to Dakpathar with Mr J. Tripathi.

— In the First Monthly Test Cadets S.Rahinwal and Mukul Singhal scored the highest percentage of marks in the college.

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Football Match: RIMC VS CAMBRIAN HALL

The 'B' team of RIMC established its superiority over Cambrian Hall and defeated them 3-1.

The Sub Juniors played well but the match ended in a draw. The final score was 3-3. Both the matches were played at their grounds.

Sep.12— Ex Cadet, Lt. Col. Sinha, very kindly organised a cadets' visit to his Battalion. It was a very educative visit. The cadets took keen interest in the infantry weapons and equipments, and came back impressed with the smartness of officers and men of our wonderful Army. (We don't know about their impression of our cadets)

— Due to various reasons beyond control no Hindi teacher was available. The study suffered. Luckily, some help could come from the IMA and Sub Area to help the cadets to complete the syllabus.

Sep. 13.—Blue prints of the mid-term question papers have been prepared in line with the changing concepts of evaluation by the UPSC and the 10+2 years syllabus. The marking scheme will be explained by the teacher to the cadets to educate them to develop the requisite techniques.

Sep.15—

Malaria has posed a serious threat and 3 cadets have been hospitalised. Strict personal discipline is essential to combat this menace Sections will lose 1 point each in the Inter-section Championship for every malaria case. Roll down your sleeves and don't bare your body beautiful when the mosquito is playing its harmonica after sunset.

Sayyad Iqtadar Hussain (Shahji) has maintained the accounts of the RIMC Co-operative Society very efficiently. He has been the Secretary for the last twenty four years. Well done!

Sep.2—Learning by Watching: the College Basketball team went to see the Divisional Championship. The basketball players propose to try some new techniques against their rivals.

Sep.3—Class V cadets spoke in the Special Assembly. They were well-prepared and impressed the audience.

Sep. 4— The cadets saw "AMAR, AKBAR ANTHONY".

मेरे जीवन की एक रोचक घटना

जीवन में कई घटनाएँ घटती हैं, पर मैं आप से एक ऐसी रोचक घटना का वर्णन करने जा रहा हूँ कि आप चकित रह जायेंगे।

मैं रात का खाना खाकर सोया था तभी घंटी की आवाज़ से झटपट में उठ कर दखाजे की तरफ भागा। वहाँ मैंने डाकिये के हाथ से तार ले लिया। अन्दर जाकर मैंने तार को खोला तो मेरी खुशी का ठिकाना न रहा, उस में मेरे भारतीय सैन्य विद्यालय में प्रवेश के बारे में लिखा था!

मैं अपने भाई के साथ बाज़ार की तरफ भागा। वहाँ से मिठाई लाकर मैंने सब को दी। उस रात को मुझे मनोहर सपने आर-आई-एम-सी के ही आते रहे। वह दिन मैं कभी भी नहीं भूल सकता।

—वीर कुमार एन० एस० मंगत

Brig SSNakra, AVSM
Director of Army Education

My dear GP

12 Sep. 77

I am writing this to thank you on behalf of my wife and myself for making a farewell visit to the Rashtriya Indian Military College, memorable in more than one ways.

2. Also please Convey our thanks to the Cadets and the staff of your College for the affection shown by them. I really enjoyed being in their midst for a whole evening.

3. The lovely memento presented to me on this occasion will remind me for years to come of my pleasant association with the RIMC.

With best wishes & regards.

Sd/-SS. Nakra

OBITUARY

We are grieved to learn the sad death of our outstanding ex-cadet (Sqn Ldr) Deepak Yadav VrC, while flying. He was a test Pilot, and won the President's Gold medal at the RIMC— in Dec. 1960. We are proud of his great achievements in a short span of life.

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Sub: Recognition of RIMC Secondary School Examination (Class X)

Dear Sir,

With reference to your letter No. A/55001/GS/MT 15 (b) dated 12th July, 1977, on the above subject. I am to inform you that the Board has recognised RIMC Secondary School Examination (class X) as equivalent to the Secondary School Examination of the Board.

Sd/-

(R. C. GUPTA)

ASSTT. SECRETARY

Dear Colonel,

I couldn't resist writing this letter to congratulate you and all members of the staff of the RIMC. Reading in The Chronicle, about the latest SSB results, 12 out of 13 is indeed a brilliant result and you all have every reason to feel proud of it. It is great news for all Rimcollians.

2. I was happy to note that the emphasis on games and physical fitness has been increased once again. It is very embarrassing to find a Rimcollian Young Officer without the fundamental knowledge of any game. I have come across a few in the recent past. That is why I am writing this.

3. I was sorry to read the obituary about Captain D. K. Pal. I wonder if you got the news of the demise of one of our very bright old boys, Flt Lt (may be Sqdn Ldr) Deepak Yadav, VrC in a flying accident about ten months ago. He was a test pilot. Deepak was a gold medalist from RIMC (25th Course NDA). He appeared a number of times in the movie of RIMC. His brother-in-law Maj. Yadav is the DAAQMG in the Dehradun Sub Area at present.

4. I am sure you all know that Col Ram Singh Yadav (Retd), who has been appointed Education Minister of Haryana, is a Rimcollian. It is evident now that the achievements of the Rimcollians in politics are not confined to the INA heroes only.

5. I must thank you for the regular despatch, of the Chronicle' to me. I enjoy reading it.

Please convey my regards to the members of the staff (Academic, Office and Administrative including my favourite class IV staff) and love to the cadets.

Sd/ P. Barua, Major

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College News

Sep. 16 — Friday was the auspicious ID—UL—Fitr when the faithful rejoiced after fasting during the Ramzan. All Cadets and Masters went to the College Mosque and Participated in the festivities. It has been decided to hold the IVA and VA final examinations from 20 Oct and 10 Nov respectively. SSB calls have come for almost all the seventeen Rimcollians, including Warty. All the seniors are now busy polishing their "OLQ" confident to maintain the well known tradition of nearly 100 percent success.

Sep 17—Inter-Section SWIMMING Championship has been won by Pratap for the second year in succession closely followed by Shivaji, Chandragupta and Ranjit. The competition was spread over two afternoons providing thrilling and spectacular performances, breath-taking as well as hilarious. The competition was very keen and the spectators kept their fingers crossed up to the last event.

In the 'A' Division Cadets Sharad Vats (C) and Sanjay Patole (R) jointly shared the first position. In the 'B' Division Cadet S. Sudhakar (S) was adjudged the best swimmer. In the 'C' Division Cadet J.Gamlin (P) was adjudged the best Swimmer for the second year. This excellent performance has also earned him the "College Blue" in swimming.

Brig. D.N. Chhibber, DAE, was the Chief Guest. Mrs. Chhibber gave away the Prizes.

Like all other sports- competitions 50 percent marks are allotted to individual Cadet's test scores in every game. This ensures maximum participation in every competition. Cadet Ajay Keila joined the RIMC on 7 Sep. 77 and took part in the Finals on the same day.

Section	Points	Position
Pratap	104	I
Shivaji	101½	II
Chandragupta	83	III
Ranjit	67½	IV
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Sep 20 — We had requested the donors to review the amounts of their SCHOLARS'HIPS. The 12th State Govt. to accept our request is MAHARASHTRA who have enhanced the rate of scholarship from Rs. 1000.00 to Rs. 1500.00 per annum. On behalf of the Cadets The Chronicle records its gratitude.

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Sep. 23— The Cadets of Class V cycled to Rishikesh to meet Edward Hillary, Leader of the Ocean to Sky Expedition. They met him for half an hour and shared his experiences of the expedition. He was kind enough to give our budding adventurers his autograph and encouragement.

Sep. 24 —Sleep late; get up early.

What a hurly—burly!

The Mid-term Examinations started with a bang. The coming Mid-Term Hikes have been forgotten for the time being in the Examination fever. The mid-term reports will include the scores of home work, two unit tests, monthly tests and the mid-term tests, held in Aug. - Sep. 77.

Mid—Term Hikes

1. Paonta—Dakpathar (on cycles)- The Juniors.
2. Chandigarh— (on cycles) -The Seniors.
3. Joshimath— The blue-eyed ones.
4. Beas Satlej Project—The Planners.
5. Mussoorie: Class I and IA—The Novices.

Sep. 26— In the keenly contested Inter-Section Football Competition Shivaji lifts the coveted Football Trophy. The Commandant was pleased to award 'College Blue' in Football to Cadets



J. Gamlin (P) and Zjaul Hussain (R) for their outstanding performance in football. Cadet J.-Gamlin scored 14/15 points in individual skill tests in football.

GAMES COMPETITION'S RULES.

Sep. 29: In case of a tie the final position will be decided by the goals scored minus the goals against. Individual skill tests will be held regardless of sections, on Wednesday afternoons (hobby times), Saturday mornings (PT Time) and if necessary on Sundays.

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Congratulations to Mr. R. C. Singhal, Vice Principal, on his being unanimously elected the President of the Doon Mathematics Society.

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THE MAFIA

It may be astonishing but true that the Mafia exists. But exactly 'where?' No one knows. Mafia' in Italian means 'cold blood'.

About a hundred years ago, in Sicily, an Island off the toe of Italy, feuds were common and the death toll was heavy.

Many people sent their sons to the U.S. But those who were sent for safety created chaos.

The Mafia is known for its ruthless murders. It is believed that the assassins of Abraham Lincoln and John F. Kennedy belonged to the Mafia gang. Mafia is a mult.billionaire gang. It has all the hard cash it needs. It kills for money. It uses the money for wrong purposes. It is a very stable society, tough to rock with all the forces in the world. The big boss of the spider's (Mafia's) web is said to be in New York. However, many local heads have been arrested. The head in New York was Sanon. This notorious criminal had the shelter of politics. He was a Senator. The web of Mafia is spread all over the world. In India men of the Mafia Gang have been caught in Bombay.

The ex-President of the U.S., Gerald Ford's would-be assassins were of the Mafia. The Mafia gang is highly sophisticated and well-equipped. Nobody has seen the boss not even the gang men and the hired hoodlums. Any Mafia member who gets caught is killed by the gang before he can speak or leak out any secret. Scarcely any policeman returns from the hunt for The Mafia. The Mafia ruthlessly kills them.

The gang is a blood-thirsty organization which has the Principle 'kill for money'.

Even an ordinary - looking man in the street may be a gangster in the Mafia—you never know. Many of its members live under the cover of decent identities, like wolves in the sheep's clothing.

Neil Diamond, a famous pop-singer, was called to sing for them. He refused and eventually was killed while returning from the studios.

So Beware! The Mafia may strike again; anytime; any where.

Cadet Sanjay Singh

Class II

THE BEAS - SUTLEJ LINK PROJECTS

Last year, I got an opportunity to visit the western foothills of the Himalaya. Among these mountains there lies a beautiful town, called Sundernagar. There I saw the well - known Beas -Sutlej Link Project. The Project is something marvellous. All seemed impossible but true. When I went in those long tunnels I did not feel that I was going under the mountains. I was amazed by the work going on the Project,

Once dimly conceived in the Himalayan foothills the Beas—Sutlej Link Project today is a complete reality. Here the narrow confines of River Beas witness a unique combination of man and machine where amidst the roaring of trucks, whirling of cranes and chatter of pneumatic tools, thousands of workers are grappling with nature in a resolute bid to subdue its mighty forces and harness it for the benefit of mankind. The water from River Beas is diverted into River Sutlej, through mountain-tunnels and canals. The tunnel is about 25 kms long linked by a 12 km long canal. The tunnels are about 1.5 metres in diameter. Everything is well-planned.

The Beas Project was undertaken in 1961 -62 to exploit the last Potential of the Beas whose 400 kms long course from Rohtang to the confluence of The Sutlej at Harika, lies entirely within the Indian territory. At Present, out of total run off of 1.7 million hectare metres nearly 83 million-hectare metres go waste, whereas the Parched deserts of Rajasthan are in dire necessity of these life-giving waters. Northern India needs cheap electric power.

The water carried by the Beas-Sutlej Link Project will be stored in the Bhakra Reservoir and will therefore provide additional electric power and irrigation-water through the Bhakra Canal system,

The BSL Project comprises of the major components at Pandoh, Sundarnagar, Dehar etc.

PANDOH DAM: This is an earth-cum-rock dam 200 feet high from the river bed. It diverts the Beas through the tunnel. A chute spill way of 9,939 cusecs is provided on the left abutment. The spill-way operates ungated during floods, but 42.65 ft high gates are provided to secure pondage in low water season. The dam serves as a Diversion Dam for diverting water from the Beas to the Pandoh- Baggi Tunnel.

PANDOH-BAGGI-TUNNEL: This tunnel carries 255 cusecs of water from the reservoir upstream of Pandoh Dam to Sundernagar Hydel channel. This tunnel is 7.62 diameter and is 13.17 kms long.

SUNDERNAGAR HYDEL CHANNEL: The channel is 11.81 Kms long and has a capacity of 255 cusecs at the head and 234 cusecs at the tail, the balance supply of 21 cusecs being consumed in the silt ejection system. The channel is concrete-lined throughout its length. The channel width at the bottom is 39 ft and the maximum depth of water in the channel is 20.53 feet. The channel has a maximum velocity of 1.84 m/sec.

THE BALANCING RESERVOIR: The tail reach of nearly 5000 ft. of Sundernagar Hydel Channel enlarges within the bed of the Suketi valley to function as a Balancing Reservoir to accommodate fluctuations of water demand of Dehar Power Plant through the Sundernagar SUTLEJ tunnel. This reservoir has a live storage capacity of 382 hectare metres.

THE SUNDERNAGAR SUTLEJ TUNNEL: This 12.31 km long tunnel carries 212 cusecs of water from the Balancing Reservoir to the Penstocks leading to the Power House. The tunnel is 28 feet in diameter. At the downstream end of the tunnel a surge shaft of 75 feet and 411 feet high has been constructed.

The shaft takes care of the surge in pen-

stocks on account of a sudden fall in the power demand on the generators or a complete shut down of the generating units. The surge tank has been built with reinforced concrete. A bypass tunnel 22 feet in diameter has been provided to allow the water in excess of the requirements for power Plant to be diverted to river Sutlej. The By-pass tunnel also can be used to divert the water from river Beas to Bhakra Reservoir during the period when full production of Power generation in Dehar Power Plant is not developed. This augments the irrigation and power potential through the existing Bhakra irrigation system and Power Plant.

DEHAR POWER PLANT: This power plant is located on the right bank of river SUTLEJ near Slapper. This is a reinforced structure. The water from the Sundernagar Sutlej tunnel, is channelled through their penstocks-headers to a distance of about 350 feet downstream of valve chamber. Four units of 165 M. W. each have been installed under a maximum net load of 1,120 feet. Provision has been made for two units for future development.

COST AND CAPACITY: The total cost of the Project has exceeded the estimated cost of Rs. 180 crores. The link has given so many benefits to the country. It has increased the irrigation potential and the irrigated area has increased by 1.3 million acres. The approximate value of annual increase in production is Rs. 40 crores. The Dehar Power Plant has an installed capacity of 160 M. W. With all these components, the BSL project is a great boon to India. It will help in developing industries and increasing the production in agriculture. The greatest contribution is by the manpower, struggling so hard to conquer nature.

Cadet J. Gamlin
Class IV A

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OCT. 1- Cadets went on HIKES to 'Joshimath-Badrinath', 'Chakrata-Mussoorie', 'The Beas Project', Mussoorie, 'Rishikesh-Hardwar' and 'Chandigarh'. All hikes were on foot or on cycles.

Cadets were self-contained. The R.M.O., Dr Jagat Singh, gave a lecture followed by a demonstration on First Aid. Demonstration on Camp-Cooking by Catering JCO Sub Mann proved very educative and useful to Cadets.

All the hikes have come back without any mishap. It was an ideal opportunity for the Cadets to plan and execute their hikes.

OCT. 12- "The most important thing in Olympic GAMES is not to win but to take part. The important thing in life is not the triumph but the struggle. The essential thing is not to have conquered but to have fought well. To spread these precepts is to build up a stronger and more scrupulous and generous humanity".

The Cadets remembered Baron Piere De Coubertin, the founder of the Modern Olympic Games with reverence. They watched the finals of the Inter Company Athletic Meet at the Indian Military Academy on 12th Oct 77. College athletes this time have picked up a few tips to improve upon their previous performance.

Lt Col GPS Waraich, the Commandant has left for the NDA on a week's liaison visit.

All the Cadets are taking the ATHLETICS Tests in the morning and trying their level best to score a few points more for their Sections.

Sep 24- THE HISTORICAL ASSOCIATION was formed in the Cadets Council Meeting with Mr S. P. Bauri as its Officer-in-Charge.

The Association will carry out its discussions in the History Room and the actual compilation of data will be done in the Archives.

Cadets saw the spirited exhibition FOOT-BALL Match between the Eastern Command and the 5 GR at the RIMC playground on 14 Oct 77.

On Hikes to Chandigarh

On 30th of September we 13 Cadets of Class IVA took it as a challenge to reach Chandigarh. Our hike was the longest of all the other hikes on bikes. Chandigarh is about 174 kms from Dehra Dun. We went via Paonta Sahib. After starting at 1400 hours from here we reached Paonta Sahib at 1745 hours. It was the first time we prepared coffee ourselves. Mahesh, Verma, Haque and Kochhar prepared it. It was really very tasty. As it was in abundance we filled our bottles also. We decided to halt at Dhaula Kuan, 18 kms ahead of Paonta Sahib. In the dark night it was quite difficult but we somehow made it. At Dhaula Kuan we prepared dinner which took a lot of time but this increased our appetite and we enjoyed the pulao, egg curry and the papaya as the dessert.

Early in the morning at 0530 hrs we started from Dhaula Kuan. The way to Kala-Amb was really difficult. A 5 km steep climb and 12 km steep descent. Throughout the 12 kms of steep descent we did not pedal and still we were going at a very fast speed. At Kala Amb we had breakfast. Due to heavy rains we were delayed by two hours. We decided to halt at Raipur-Rani where we prepared lunch. At 1645 hrs we started from there and by 1900 hrs we reached Chandigarh. We stayed at the Sainik Rest House in 21 Sector. Right in the morning, after having heavy breakfast, we all pushed off to different



places. Some went to Rose-Garden, others to the Rock Gardens or to the lake. Unfortunately the museum was closed.

The Rose Garden once again brought us back to nature. It really gave us immense pleasure to be amongst flowers. Right, left, front and back, everywhere roses of different colours swayed to and fro in the mild wind. The Rock Garden deserves appreciation. One can never forget to praise Nek Chand for his work. All the junk like bangles, bottles, broken electrical fittings are all arranged very beautifully. The lake was not much impressive as there was nothing special.

Chandigarh is a well-planned and clean city. All Sectors are very well located. The sum of opposite sectors is divisible by 13. There are sectors from 1 to 45. But No 13 is not there. It has only cross-roads.

A lot of credit should go to Askar, Negi Verma, Haque and Mahesh for the responsibilities they had taken up.

—Cadet Sanyog Jain,
Class IVA.

The auto-graphs signed by the Ocean to Sky Expedition, led by Sir Edmund Hillary are reproduced below:-

MINGMA *Ed Hillary* 23/9/77 *Mhabh*

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Sedwar M. Mukherjee

Pete Kelly

Goanesh Singh (F. Cameron)

Edmund Hillary (F. Dinkley)

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Japash Ganguly
Staff Reporter,
Ananta Bazar, Pehla
covering this expedition right from the mouth of
Ganges.

THE DOON VALLEY

Beneath the majesty of mountain snow lies the 'Queen of the Fields'—Dehra Dun. As the sun washes away the morning mist, a panor-

ama of the Himalayan Peaks appears. Dehra-Dun backed by the Himalayan peaks in the Doon Valley is as fresh as the sound of a mountain-stream. The tinkle of the cowbell, the red-

roofed houses clinging to the wooded hills, occasionally a charcoal burner with his pannier and you are in the Himalayan hamlet, Dehra Dun. There is something for everyone in Dehra Dun. Above a height of 1,000 metres in the long Himalayan twilight look far above where the lights of Mussoorie twinkle to life. The mountains seem to touch the sky as the sun sinks behind them. Myriad reflections of Mussoorie's twinkling lights transform the RIMC into a fairy land by night. The Doon Valley is captivating.

—Cadet K. S. Reddy,
Class- IIIA

OUR NEIGHBOURS

Christ told those who followed him,
To love their respective neighbours,
In the present world, it's a mere whim,
For it takes infinite labours.

We are unfortunate, dear,
Having an engineer,
A neighbour who more than,
A pride of lions we fear.

When he descends on our house,
With his heavy-weight spouse,
Our minds begin to reel,
Dogs bark and babies squeal.

He devours all snacks,
In his accommodating belly,
Neither cake nor custard he lacks
And is partial to Jelly.

His three sons, all sturdy fellows,
Disturb our sleep with their bellows,
In the middle of the night,
When they decide it is time to fight.

While touring the distant towns,
He entrusts to us his clowns,
All of them glut like hogs,
And howl that scares stray dogs.

Frankly speaking, dear Jesus
If you were to be us,
Having neighbours of this kind,
You alone will not mind.

—Cadet Vivek Pathak,
Class IIIA.

Adolf Hitler

In 1939 Hitler of Germany shook the world. His name sent chill down the spine of Europe.

Hitler's family was deep in debt. His father borrowed some money from a Jew. As he could not return the loan, he was thrown into the debtor's prison and later executed. Hitler was enlisted as a private in the German army and was a corporal in 1918 when Germany lost the First World War. In 1933, during the economic and political crisis in Germany he availed himself of the chance and became a dictator with the help of the Nazi Party. Like Alexander and Napoleon, he was very ambitious. He wanted to conquer the world and make it a German Colony. He occupied Poland and started the Second World War. On one side were the Axis powers, Germany, Japan and Italy. Italy was under the Fascist dictator, Mussolini Hitler joined hands with Mussolini. He chose the 'SWASTIKA' as the sign of the Nazis.

Hitler had the 'Gestapo' (the secret police) which killed millions of innocent people who did not like the war-like policies of Hitler. Hitler was over-ambitious. He believed in doing more than talking. Germany developed a huge fleet of U-Boats. The motto of his army was 'kill first. Question later'.

Hitler won many parts of Europe and North Africa. His U-Boats aroused great terror. He had many able generals under him. One of the ablest was Field Marshall Rommel, 'the Desert Fox'. His cleverness was unmatched, even by Field Marshall Montgomery of the Allies. Rommel's "AFRIKA CORPS" won many battles. Rommel met a tragic end because very soon he was disgusted with Hitler's policies which were leading Germany towards defeat.

Hitler nourished his hatred for the Jews. He made concentration camps, where the Jews received brutal treatment. They were subjected to hard labour and killed in the gas chambers or shot kneeling over their own graves which they themselves had dug.

Hitler's end was tragic. After the utter defeat, he killed his dog, his friend and himself. Hitler's body remained undiscovered. Hitler will be remembered in history as a ruthless, ambitious and incapable dictator, who plunged the world into the Second War, and Germany into another humiliating defeat within the memory span of a single generation.

—Cadet Sanjay Singh,
Class II.

From N. D. A.

My dear Colonel Waraich,

It's been a long time since I last wrote to the school. My previous letters remain unanswered and may be because of that I didn't write more frequently.

It has been quite sometime since we received any letter or chronicle from the RIMC. Could I make a suggestion? Instead of sending a copy of the Chronicle to each squadron, it would be cheaper and also surer if you could send about a dozen copies of it by the Registered Mail to any one of us. It can be easily distributed then.

We've heard that the Commandant would be visiting us sometime this month. We all look forward to this visit.

As to the news of the Rimcollians at the NDA, Cadet Captain AK Prasad is today BCA. of No. 1 Battalion. Tomar is SCC of a Sqn. Negi is a DCC. Pathania is the CSM of Echo Sqn. AP Singh Choudhary, Rajiv Sharma, Aiyappa and Kohli are V term Sergeants.

Boxing as usual was dominated by the Rimcollians. Tomar, Pathania, Negi, Prasad and of course Hari Kumar were invincible and won their finals. Rajiv Sharma also did very well. Tomar got 'Blue' in Athletics and 'Blazer' in Boxing. Pathania and Negi got Blue in Boxing. AK Prasad and Hari Kumar got Half Blues in the same sport. Rajiv Sharma has been given 'Merit Card'. Pathania is the Academy Boxing Captain. Tomar is Academy Athletics Captain. BS Kohli is the Academy Vice-Captain in Golf and also the 'Half-Blue' holder in the same sport. Others who are doing very well are Aiyappa, JS Gill, Mehta, RK Yadav, Banerjee, Pradhan, Imam, Anand and many others whose names, if I start writing, will take up the major portion of this letter.

The tempo of Academics is building up and the Rimcollians are definitely not left behind. The Torch winners are HS Gill, DP Singh, JS Gill, AK Prasad, PK Sinha and several others whose names at the moment I can't remember.

Any news from RIMC would be welcome. If people at the alma-mater could find time to correspond with us, it would be wonderful. All of us are longing to come back once again to the place where we learnt all that we know today. And also back to Thaple's scotch eggs and Jam tarts, not forgetting the flavoured milk.

Please convey our deep regards to the staff who were so very nice. And to the Rimcollians in school.

Yours sincerely,
BS Kohli.

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College News

S. S. B. RESULTS:

It is heartening to note that 14 out of 16 RIMC Cadets have been selected by the Services Selection Boards for the 59th NDA Course. Our hearty congratulations to the following Cadets on their success:—

1. Cdt Capt S. N. Deshpande ✓	(R)
2. Sec Comdr Ved Prakash ✓	(P)
3. " " R. Chopra ✓	(S)
4. " " Rajesh Tewary ✓	(C)
5. Cdt NCO S. S. Rosario x	(P)
6. " " S. Arjun ✓	(P)
7. " " R. S. Chaudhary x	(P)
8. " " R. P. Rawat x	(S)
9. " " S. Vissa x	(C)
10. " " Anjan Das ✓	(C)
11. " " Y. S. Nehra ✓	(C)
12. " " S. Bhattacharya ✓	(C)
13. " " G. S. Bains ✓	(R)
14. " " S. Kohli ✓	(C)

INTER SECTION ATHLETICS COMPETITION — 1977

OCT 28 — Inter Section Athletics Competition for the year 1977 concluded on 28 Oct. Athletics Championship for this year has been won by the Ranjit Section. Next to them were placed Shivaji, Pratap and Chandragupta Sections.

Maj Gen G. S. Rawat, PVSM, AVSM, Commandant IMA, was the Chief Guest and Mrs Rawat gave the prizes. It was an interesting meet which moved like a clock-work.

We like to inform our readers once again that we have changed our rules for the Inter Section Championship in sports. It is to ensure maximum participation of the Cadets. In every competition 50% marks are allotted to the Individual Tests and remaining 50% to the actual field and track events. The scores were as follows:—

INDIVIDUAL PERFORMANCE

Section	Scores	Position	Points
Pratap	45.4	IV	2
Ranjit	50.9	I	5
Shivaji	49.1	II	4
Chandragupta	48.3	III	3

TRACK AND OTHER FIELD EVENTS

Section	Scores	Position	Points
Pratap	109	II	4
Ranjit	136	I	5
Shivaji	104	III	3
Chandragupta	64	IV	2

THE FINAL POSITION

Section	Points	Position
Pratap	6	III
Ranjit	10	I
Shivaji	7	II
Chandragupta	5	IV

Cadet NCO Ziaul Hussain (R), Cadet L. S. Sudhakar (S) and Cadet Ajay Gambhir (R) got prizes for the Best Athlete in C Div, B Div and A Div respectively.

Gen Hira Lal Atal's Trophy for the Best Athlete of the year was awarded to Cadet NCO Z. Hussain (R).



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In the Old Boys' Race Col Ranjit Singh (R) won the first place. Incidentally the second and third positions were also captured by the Ranjities Capt K. V. M. Nair and Mr R. S. Routela, "It is all a Ranjit Day" remarked a Cadet.

FEEDBACK FROM NDA

OCT 19—Steps have been taken to incorporate the feedback from NDA. After the HSC Examinations Cadets going to the NDA will be introduced to the NDA syllabus. We are also trying to make our curriculum more NDA-oriented.

More individual attention will be paid to the practical work in science. Modern Maths more written work in English (but no spoon feeding) and more attention to the fundamentals were the principal suggestions of the Cadets which have been noted for action.

Cadets' suggestions on OLQ are also being evaluated eg. talks on leadership, institution of appointments of Sergeants and Corporals for the junior Cadets and extensive study of biographies will be beneficial to the Cadets no doubt.

Cadets going to the NDA are also being acclimatised to the physical training they are to undergo at the NDA. Some of our Cadets are going to take part in the Marathon-race in the Dehra Dun District Athletics Meet scheduled to be held at the RIMC grounds from Nov. 4 to Nov. 5. For this they have taken to cross-country race in right earnest. The NDA-bound Cadets will be given more practice in high-board diving and breast stroke.

We are looking for suitable cloth for Cadets' summer walking out trousers. We prefer the grey flannels used in winter. (Any suggestions?) The cloth should be cheap, durable, with fast colour. The Master Cutter, the old faithful, plainly refuses to go beyond the "teens" in cutting the bottoms of Cadets' trousers. He might concede an inch to an exceptionally tall Cadet but for the others he quips "Sir, the skirts will not suit our Cadets." And there ends your bright suggestion.

The Chronicle records its gratitude to the Commandant and Officers of the NDA, and the Cadets, for their hospitality and excellent arrangements made for Lt Col GPS Waraich, Commandant RIMC, during his visit to the NDA.

OCT 22 — MAJ GEN M. S. CHOPRA (Retd) an illustrious Old Boy of the College paid a visit to his alma-mater. We thank him and Mrs Chopra for their kind visit.

MR K. KUMAR has resumed his duties after having completed his five-week assignment at the Mahatma Gandhi Institute, Moka, Mauritius, for conducting a refresher course in Hindi for the Hindi teachers of Mauritius.

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Homage to Ex-Cadet (Lt Comdr) Rajat Sen, Vr. C.

OCT 24 — A special wreath-laying ceremony was organised to pay homage to the gallant fighter, Late Lt Comdr Rajat Kumar Sen, Vr. C. who sacrificed his life on the altar of his motherland during the 1971 - operations, while he was aboard the ship INS Khukri. He was awarded the Vir Chakra posthumously for gallantry in the 1971 War. The proud father of Late Lt Comdr R. K. Sen laid the wreath at the War Memorial. The bugle sounded the Last Post and the Reveille. The Cadets presented and reversed arms. Mr Sen addressed the Morning Assembly and urged the Cadets to uphold the great name of this great institution. Mr Sen has very kindly volunteered to institute a medal, "Rajat Sen Medal" to be awarded to the Cadet standing first in the Secondary School Examination (i. e. Class IVA). The Chronicle records its gratitude to Mr Sen and to his gallant son ex-Cadet, Lt Comdr Rajat K. Sen Vr. C. for having made the noblest contribution to uphold the proud name of India and the golden traditions of the RIMC.

OCT 26 — We congratulate our ex-Cadet K. S. KOHLI on his well-deserved promotion to the rank of Brigadier. He was kind enough to pay us a visit on the very first day he took over. Shall we hope that he will not be camera-shy like a dozen Rimcollian Brigadiers who have not sent their photographs as yet.

OCT 28—Mr & Mrs J. TRIPATHI have been blessed with a daughter. We wish the child health and happiness.

—Three-fourth of the SYLLABUS of the term should be completed by Oct. 22. Extra classes have started in Maths for classes 1A and II. The NCERT Maths text book for + 2 is still elusive.

—The College ATHLETICS TEAM has started serious practice for the District Athletics. The timings are quite encouraging but we are keeping our fingers crossed. The performance of every athlete is being recorded daily and the curve is rising confidently. All the seniors are in the Marathon Race to ensure 100 per cent participation.

OCT 29—Mr G. M. Khan delivered a talk on "ELEMENTARY PHONETICS". Members of the staff thank him for his highly educative talk.

A COMMERCIAL LOVE TRAGEDY

As the dusk was approaching, I accelerated my pace. I saw him, a fair, stout man standing outside a beautiful house. This was not the first time. I used to see him everyday while returning home after a tiring day at the College. He was always there staring blankly at me and I tried my best to avoid him.

One day, to my great surprise, I saw a boy racing towards me from that house. I was perplexed as he handed me a beautiful green envelope and ran away. I opened it and found a note written in a beautiful handwriting, addressed to me. It read "Dear Raj, I have developed a strong fascination for you. I do not know why? I would like to meet you. Please oblige me by visiting my humble house tomorrow. Ever yours—Rita".

I spent that night restlessly and got up with the first rays of the sun. I dressed up properly and applied all the possible beauty aids that I could. For the first time in my life my friends

greeted me first; I was dressed so smartly. I rushed to that house where my dreams were going to become a reality.

The same fair stout man welcomed me with an enchanting smile and led me to the sitting room. Suddenly he asked for some money and rather puzzled, I gave the desired amount to him. After a few minutes, which seemed like hours to me, he returned with a note on a neat piece of paper in a silver dish. I picked it up eagerly, but what was that? I was stunned after reading the contents. It read 'Dear Raj, Thank you very much for your kind visit. I assure you I will not disappoint you. My name is Rita, and I have an inviting fair body. Put your lips on any part of my body and you will love me more. Please, visit me again. Yours loving Rita — Rita Ice cream'.

I looked around for that cheat, but he was no-where to be found. Ultimately, I walked out of the room with the ice-cream which was under the note. I cursed his tact and my lack of wisdom.

—Cadet Shashi Raj Verma
Class—IVA

चकराता से मसरी तक

इस पदयात्रा के आरम्भ से एक सप्ताह पहले ही हम सब वीर-कुमारों के हौसले बुलन्द थे। परीक्षा कक्षा में भी कभी-कभी इसकी याद आ जाती थी। आरम्भ से एक दिन पहले हम अपनी खाद्य सामग्री तथा अन्य सामान इकट्ठा कर चुके थे। इस टोली के कुछ बड़े लड़कों को ज्यादा भार उठाने का कार्य सौंपा गया था। १ अक्टूबर १९७७ को सुबह ६ बजे हमारी टोली पूरे उमंग तथा उत्साह के साथ चकराता के लिए रवाना हुई। हमारी टोली का नेतृत्व कर रहे थे लेफ्ट० एस० जोहर तथा उनके सहायक थे हवलदार राजेंद्र सिंह।

हमारी टोली के २५ सदस्य सुबह के ग्यारह बजे चकराता पहुँच गए। यह यात्रा, जो हमने मोटर बस द्वारा तय की, अत्यन्त आनन्ददायक थी। प्रकृति के सौन्दर्य को निहारने में हम इतने लीन थे कि समय का कुछ अन्दाज ही न लगा।

ग्यारह बजकर पच्चीस मिनट पर हमारी ५० कि०मी० की पदयात्रा आरम्भ हुई। रास्ते में वर्षा ने हम वीरकुमारों के आत्मबल की परीक्षा ली। हम सब उत्तीर्ण हुए। चुरौनी नामक स्थान पर हमने कुछ क्षण विश्राम किया। अण्डे का डिब्बा, जो हम अपने साथ ले

जा रहे थे, हमारे लिए सिरदर्द बन गया था। रात ८ बजे, हम थके-मादे, प्रकृति के सौन्दर्यपूर्ण गोद में बसे ग्राम नागथात पहुँचे। रात के खाने के बाद, जो हमने बनाया, हम सभी थकानों को भूलकर स्वप्नों के सागर में गोते लगाने लगे।

सुबह हमारी यात्रा फिर आरम्भ हुई।

हम नागथात के वासियों का स्नेह भरा व्यवहार कभी न भूलेंगे।

लखवाड़ स्थान तक काफी ढलान थी। इस गाँव के बासर आते ही हमने वह दृश्य देखा जो हम कभी न भूलेंगे। 'यमुना नदी का घुमावदार पथ और उसके ठीक ऊपर दो इन्द्र-धनुष।' दोपहर तीन बजे हम यमुना पुल पहुँच गए थे। यहाँ से कैम्पटी फौल तक १५ कि०मी० की चढ़ाई थी। पर हमने छोटे परन्तु खतरनाक रास्तों को अपनाया। थकान से चूर होकर रात्रि के ८:३० बजे हम कैम्पटी फौल तक आ गए थे। रास्ते में हमें जहाँ कहीं पानी का स्रोत दीखता, हम उस पर टूट पड़ते थे। ठण्डे मौसम के बावजूद हमें गर्मी लग रही थी। प्यास के मारे बुरा हाल था। रात में अधपके भोजन को ग्रहण करना पड़ा। क्या करें मजबूरी थी।

सुबह आठ बजे हम अपनी मंजिल की ओर रवाना हुए। तीन घंटे की अत्यन्त आनन्ददायक यात्रा के बाद हम मसूरी पहुंचे। हमारे अरमान बाँसों उछल रहे थे। जेबें गर्म थी और मौसम ठण्डा। दोनों के मिलन से उत्पन्न हुआ भाप हमारे तन-मन को सुख तथा चैन की बहती नदी में बहा ले गया।

मसूरी में बाहर से आए यात्री गण हमारी सराहना कर रहे थे। हमें अपने आप पर तथा अपने विद्यालय पर गर्व था। आखिर हमने एक-दूसरे की सहायता से बड़े ही निश्चिन्तता के साथ यात्रा पूरी कर ही ली।

४ अक्टूबर को हम अपने विद्यालय के प्रांगण में अपने अन्य साथियों को यात्रा की रोमांच की कहानी सुना रहे थे। हमने जो कुछ भी इस यात्रा से एकत्रित किया वह इस प्रकार है :-

शक्ति एकता ही संकट में सबसे बड़ा सहारा है,
भीषण तूफानों में भी मिल जाता स्वयं किनारा है ॥

वीरकुमार राकेश राय,
कक्षा-४

Letter From The Commandant NDA

Maj Gen R. K. Jasbir Singh, Commandant, NDA

3 Nov 77

My dear Waraich,

It was nice having you amongst us and I am glad to know that you enjoyed your visit. Thank you much for the RIMC Magazine. I must compliment you on its general get-up. I look forward to seeing you on my next visit to Dehra Dun.

With kind regards

(You are most welcome, Sir-Ed.)

Yours sincerely,

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NATIONAL DEFENCE ACADEMY WING
PUNE-411001

My dear Colonel Waraich,

Here all the Rimcollians are in the best of spirits. The memories of RIMC are still fresh. We are indebted to everyone at the RIMC for preparing us physically and mentally for the NDA.

Only Shammi has chosen the Science Stream. So far as Academics are concerned it remains a fact that the Rimcollians are the least qualified. What cannot be cured has to be endured is the fact that we cannot help feeling inferior to boys who are semi-graduates and who are double our size.

Here a Rimcollian is expected to be excellent in the outdoor activities. More emphasis should be laid on sports and games. I feel that the junior Cadets can be inspired and motivated by the senior Cadets. We are often over-come by a realization that we did not make the best use of the facilities at the RIMC. "You are a Rimcollian and you should be very good at it". We feel disappointed when we are not able to satisfy their expectations.

We were very happy that our pervious Commandant graced us with his visit.

Yours sincerely,
JOSE.

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37th District Athletics

Nov 5— In the 37th Dehra Dun District Athletics Meet held at the RIMC grounds, our athletes dominated the show. Our team won the Trophies for Championship in the B and C divisions by a convincing margin. In the D Division we missed the trophy by a very narrow margin. The trophy for the Best March Past (Boys) was also won by our Cadets.

In the track events the RIMC left their rivals behind. In the sprints RIMC athletes swept all the Divisions:—

100 METRES

B: I (S. Kapoor) III: S. Biswas
C: I (Joy) II (Gupta)
D: I (Zia)

4x100 METRES RELAY

B I (Kapoor, Meitei, Sudhakar, Mahesh)
C. I (Joy, Gupta, Pranav, Zia)
D: III Joy Gupta, Pranav, Zia (a mishap)
E: IIdo (next to IMA)

200 METRES

B: I (Kapoor)
C: I (Joy) II (Gupta)
D: II (Zia)
E: III (Zia)

400 METRES

C: I (Gupta)
LONG JUMP
B: II (Meitei)
C: I (Gamlin)

D: I (Zia)

In the Marathon a record number of 23 Cadets from RIMC took part and gave a good account of themselves. Cadet Prem Prakash was

the fourth in the Marathon while the first three positions went to the IMA GCs.

The most notable feature of the RIMC team was that every senior Cadet took part in the District Athletics. Overall, every fourth RIMC Cadet was in the Team.

The performance of all the athletes of the team was praise-worthy. Cadets Z. Hussain, Y. K. Gupta, Joy Chatterjee, Prem Prakash, J. Gamlin and Sunil Kapoor deserve special mention. Being impressed by their performance in the College and the District Athletics the Commandant was pleased to award the College Blues in Athletics to Cadets Ziaul Hussain, Y. K. Gupta and Joy Chatterjee.

The secret of success was systematic and regular practice under able coaching,

VISITS

Nov 1—Air Chief Marshal Sir Christopher Foxley-Norris (Retd), President of the Cheshire Homes in UK, and Lady Norris visited the RIMC. He addressed the Cadets and the Staff in the Special Assembly. The distinguished guests were accompanied by our Old Boy Maj. Gen. Virendra Singh (Retd). We thank the distinguished visitors for their kind visit. The Cadets listened with undivided attention.

Nov 3—Maj. Gen. Prithvi Raj, GOC UP Area, paid an inspection visit. He took kind interest in the Cadets' welfare. He has approved the replacement of the old boxing ring. Despite the shortage of funds, he has approved another septic tank to meet the sewage needs till the new sewage system is approved by the Army Headquarters.

DIWALI

Nov 10—Sweets, a sumptuous dinner and Crackers after a brief function in the College temple.



Cadets celebrated DEEPAVALI in all its jubilation. All 'fire work mirth' was confined to the Chandragupta Section lawn. There were rigorous safety precautions (though no U.N. Observers were in sight). All rockets, and missiles (guided, unguided, and misguided) reached their targets with negligible errors (ranging from zero to infinity. The junior dorm has declined the invitation to join the superpowers at the Strategic Arms Limitation Talks. Diwali bangs are our birth right, they say, and they proved it to the last paisa and the last cracker.

"MAURITIUS CHALO"

Nov 11—The GEOGRAPHY ASSOCIATION organised a talk on Mauritius. The Chief Speaker of the day was Mr K. Kumar, who has recently come back from Mauritius. We thank him for his interesting and informative talk. The Cadets spoke on various aspects of this charming island. The newly acquired Encyclopaedia Britannica proved handy.



Lt. Gen. G. L. Chopra

ENCYCLOPAEDIA BRITANNICA—1977

is the latest addition to our College Library. The members of the Staff and the Cadets express their gratitude to ex-Cadet Lt Gen G.L. Chopra, Director Ordinance Services, for this very valuable present to the College. In the library there is a bee-line for consulting the Encyclopaedia. This will go a long way to enrich the knowledge of the Cadets. The presentation is from the Army Ordinance Corps to mark the hat trick of the ex-RIMC Cadets in becoming the Directors of Ordinance Services.

Nov 12—The ANNUAL-STOCK TAKING

BOARD 77 has been constituted with Lt P.K. Jain as the Presiding Officer. A sure step to tone up everything. Counting spoons and all.

Nov 15—The HSC and S.S. EXAMINATIONS are going on. It is learnt that the Cadets are doing well. This is the last RIMC Higher Secondary Examination—("Ring out the HSC, Ring in the 10+2".)

WATER SUPPLY—After a prolonged but with austerity measures and red tape a special work has been started to augment WATER SUPPLY. The RIMC had a chronic water shortage because scores of water connections were given in the past to the unauthorised housing colony of Garhi out of the 3 inch water mains laid for the RIMC.

The new work has started. It involves laying a four inch pipe from the Golf Club Pump House, raising the existing water tanks (near the gas plant) by 15 feet, and augmenting the water supply. A 12.5 HP pump will be installed with an hourly capacity of 25000 litres. We expect the Project to be ready very soon. We thank the formation Commanders and the MES for their interest in the RIMC.

RATIONS—The supply position of the EGGS has been unsatisfactory due to delay in conclusion of the contract.

INDIVIDUAL SKILL TESTS in Hockey Cricket and Basket Ball are starting soon. The Cadets are practising with increasing zeal.

Ledgers and Stores

Nov 7 —The ledgers have been centralised to ensure coordinated documentation. All stores on receipt are now opened by a Board, assembled in the Main Office. Checking and Stamping of stores is done by the Board. The receipt vouchers are completed and payments finalised as a part of a single day transaction. Actual and physical check of stores is being done by Lt P .K.Jain and his Annual Stock Taking Board (or Bored!). This is a vital aspect of housekeeping duties if we wish to preserve the rich heritage of the RIMC.

Sports World

Nov. 27—RIMC has remained the hub of athletics and sports activities for the District and University tournaments. Our Cadets gained rich experience from these tournaments.

Written Work

Nov. 30—The written work for the entire term has been reviewed by the Commandant. He has congratulated the Cadets and Staff for their regular and methodical effort. The exercise books and practical work copies are very well brought up.

Guru Nanak Dev's Birthday

Nov. 25 —The Gurdwara was humming with activity. All Cadets took part in the function with enthusiasm. The programme was well-rehearsed and went off very well. There were more speakers than what could be accommodated in the limited time. Mr R. C. Singhal gave a very educative interpretation of the unifying role of the first Sikh Guru.

Terminal Reports

Nov 27—The terminal report forms have been revised to accommodate the performance of every Cadet in the individual skill test in every game, his sociometric score of the last and the current terms and qualitative assessment by every subject master. The comprehensive and tabulated data will give a more valid picture of a Cadet's all-round progress.

Admission to RIMC

Effective publicity is essential to ensure that the best boys join the RIMC. All the District Inspectors of Schools have been approached to get the addresses of schools in their respective districts. Brief prospectus have been sent free to thousands of schools, particularly in those areas from where very few candidates apply. Other steps have also been taken to make the RIMC known to more parents. The next admission test will take place on 18 Feb for entry to the Aug 78 term. The last date of application is 15 Jan 78.

Shri Kesar Singh

Nov. 20— Dormitory Bearer Kesar Singh fell

from a tree and died on the spot. He was a loyal and sincere worker. All Rimcollians are sad to know about his tragic end. All RIMC employees have been insured under the Janta Insurance Policy. The premium has been paid centrally from the College Welfare Fund, and it is recovered from the employees, Rs. 100 per month. This will help his unfortunate widow to get Rs. 12,000. This is the second accident. Last month CHM Gurdev Singh APTC lost a leg in a road accident while on leave. He too will get Rs. 5000 Insurance is no substitute for safety consciousness but at the same time it does help in the tragic situations.

Two Birds With One Stone

ACT I:—On Your Marks ! Get Set !!

The 'Go!!' however, was postponed due to a late TV Report which said that Hillary would be reaching Rishikesh the day after. The (Senior!) Cadets of Class V sighed and grumbled but heavens didn't crumble and they did not pedal away the next morning.

ACT II:—All this, but only for a while. The silver lining of the dark remained no longer hidden. Lady Luck smiled, and we were off, sailing like 'Frisbees' down the road to Rishikesh and made a perfect three-point landing in the dark there. Sleepy night shied away from the beauty killer Sun. And with it began our long wait for the three boats from the Ocean destined to the Sky. Minutes ticked, hours changed, patience melted, rumours floated, our spirits ebbed and flowed and yet no sign of the boats. A roar went through the crowd as the first speck on the horizon was sighted. The specks changed into boats and came speeding to the shore. The crowd cheered, the cameras snapped, people thronged, eager autograph-seekers surged forward while the police tried to clear the mess.

Despite his pre-planned heavily occupied schedule the Everester very kindly gave us some-time. He was especially eager that RIMC produced some Tenzings and Hillarys. And that's what RIMC makes—the top Everesters of the Indian Armed Forces.

ACT III:—Mission accomplished the young adventurers turned their cycles and began the trek home. On the way they revised their science know-

ledge at the Earth Satellite Station.

Nearing the Thimayya Gate some-one whistled cheerfully. "How is life, Bangari?" "Life is just pedalling." I said, a shade exhausted after our odyssey. Yes that is what it is. Life is only a long adventure.

—Cadet R. S. Bangari,
Class—V.

WHAT THE STARS FORECAST FOR 1978
(Date of birth : 13th March, 1922.)

Top Pandit of RIMC has prepared a forecast for 1978 based on the passage of planets, (film) Stars and personalities.

NEW ARRIVALS : There will be "new arrivals", all males, in January and again in August. They may come sobbing but they will be a source of glory to the nation. Family planning will limit their numbers.

CHOICE OF PARTNER : Choose wisely, only one out of five (multiple choice objective type).

ROMANCE : A charming dame called Rashtrabhasha, accompanied by her mother (Sanskrit) will attract the attention of the young and old alike and tempt them to their Nagri (Devnagri)

HEALTH : Excellent. There will be more scope for extra P. T. than ever before. Prepare for the Kurukshetra on 12 March (Boxing).

SUCCESS : 100 percent but you will have to sweat for it—really hard.

PILGRIMAGE AND TRAVEL : Plenty: Mostly padyatra to the fascinating hills. Also cycling to holy places—with packs on.

AIR TRAVEL : For all. (over the P. T. horse)

FUTURE : You will go very high in this year (Second class rope in P. T.)

DRESS : For luck wear O. G. (Star ched).

DANGER : When in danger chant "Sorry, Sir Shloka".

CORRESPONDENCE : You will get loving letters. Write every Sunday to dear parents—on your own postage please

MONEY : Avoid handling cash, issue cheques.

IMPORTANT DATES : Consult the Calendar.

LUCKY COLOUR : Your Section's Colour.

BUSINESS : You will mostly mind your own.

ACCIDENT RISK. Very high in the beginning, middle and end of the terms. Avoid the Seniors and Juniors whenever you are improperly dressed.

LUCKY STONE : Rolling Stone (back roll & front roll)

NEW DEVELOPMENTS : There will be sufficient water for all. No excuse to skip baths. Buy soap.

PLANET ORBITS; "Rounds" of the quadrangle. inspired by Rahu and Ketu.

UNLUCKY PLACES : Avoid crossing the lawns, jumping over walls and escapades to Garhi and beyond.

LUCKY PRAYER : One Adhayaya from the Ncert-Shastra, daily before sunrise and after sunset.

LUCKY NUMBER : 60% and above (no home work)

DREAMS : Modern Maths will soothe your feelings and help you to make your dream come true.

MARRIAGE : Very likely—between Body, Mind and Soul.

—by Pandit Commonsensji.

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Our Chief Guest



Lt. Gen. J. S Nakai, PVSM,
GOC-in-C.
Central Command

Lt. Gen. J. S. Nakai, PVSM, GOC-in-C, Central Command and Mrs Nakai have very graciously accepted our request to be the Chief Guest at our End-of-the-term Functions. The Cadets and Staff of RIMC thank them for their kindness.

The Army Commander will award the President's Gold Medal and other medals to the Cadets and address them. The Cadets and Staff are eagerly awaiting the opportunity to welcome the Army Commander.

OUR ARMY COMMANDER

Born on 20 December 1921 at Lahore, Lt. Gen. J. S. Nakai, PVSM graduated from Punjab University in the year 1941. He was commissioned into the SIKH Regiment in the rank of 2/Lt on 20 December 1942. He saw service in Burma and North West Frontier Province during the Second World War.

Gen. Nakai has held a number of important instructional and staff appointments during his service career. He was an Instructor at the Indian Military Academy, Dehra Dun. Though an infantry officer, he was transferred to the Regiment of Artillery and was later an Instructor at the Artillery School Deolali. He qualified in a Staff College Course at Wellington during 1952-53. During 1958, he was promoted to the rank of Lt. Col in Command of a Field Regiment. He served as Grade One Staff Officer and Deputy Director Military Training at the Army Headquarters. In the year 1964, he took over the command of an Artillery Brigade in the rank of Brigadier in Eastern Theatre. Later, he commanded a Mountain Brigade. For his distinguished services, he was promoted to the rank of Major General in the command of 9 Mountain Division during December 1967. During the Bangla Desh War with Pakistan in 1971, Gen. Nakai was the Chief of Staff of a Corps in the Eastern Sector that was responsible to cause a major breakthrough in the well-defended enemy positions. He was promoted to the rank of Lieutenant General during March 1973 and took over command of a Corps in the Northern Sector. He took over the command of the Central Army on 1 April 1975. For his distinguished services of the most exceptional order the General Officer was awarded "Param Vishisht Seva Medal", in January 1976.





Mrs Nakai

We are beholden to Mrs Nakai who has very kindly consented to grace the occasion. The Cadets look forward to her arrival to give away the Championship cups, shields and prizes. The Chronicle thanks Mrs Nakai for her kind affection for the young RIMC Cadets.

AWARD OF MEDALS

Lt. Gen J. S. Nakai, PVSM, our Army Commander will award the various medals to the RIMC Cadets at the end of the term function on 7 December. Following medals will be awarded:-

(a) President's Gold Medal

It is awarded every term to the best all-round Cadet joining the NDA. The Supreme Commander's medal is the most coveted honour. Cadet A. K. Rai and S. N. Deshpande are the proud recipients of the medal for the January and August 1977 terms. Cadet A. K. Rai, son of Shri Daroga Prasad Rai, ex-Chief Minister of Bihar, creates history by winning four medals.



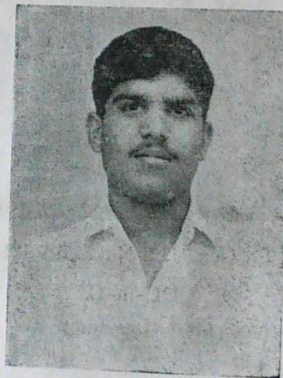
Cadet AK Rai



Cadet S N Deshpande

(b) Col. Haughton's Silver Medal

It is named after the founder Commandant of the RIMC. This silver medal is awarded to the second best-all-round Cadet of the term joining the NDA. Cadets Purshottam Singh and Ved Prakash are the lucky winners of the medal for the January and August term respectively.



Cadet Purushottam Singh



Cadet Ved Parkash

(c) (Late Cadet) U. N. Jha's Memorial Gold Medal

It is awarded each term to a Cadet standing first amongst the RIMC Cadets in the All India Merit List of UPSC/SSB examinations for entrance to the NDA. The award is based on the total maximum marks obtained in the UPSC examinations and SSB tests in either of the Army Navy or Air Force groups irrespective of the first choice of the Cadets.

Cdt. Raj Kapur, who secured second position in the All India Air Force Merit List for the 57th NDA course, and stood first amongst the RIMC Cadets selected for the 57th NDA course, will get the U. N. Jha Gold Medal.

Cdt A. K. Rai will also get the U. N. Jha Gold Medal for having stood first amongst the RIMC Cadets selected for admission to the 58th NDA course.

(d) (Maj,ex-Cadet) G.C. Verm ,VrC, Medal

It is awarded to the Cadet standing first in the RIMC Higher Secondary Diploma Examination. Cadet Parminder Singh and A. K. Rai won this medal for the Dec 76 and May 77 examinations, respectively.



Cdt Parminder Singh

(e) (Late Brig Ex-Cadet) K. L. Atal MVC Medal for the Best Athlete.

It was instituted by Maj. Gen. Hira Lal Atal, "RIMC number one Cadet" in the memory of his brother, Brig K. L. ATAL, MVC.

Cadets A. K. Rai and Ziaul Hussain have been awarded Gen Hira Lal Atal's Trophy for the best athlete of the year 1976 and 1977 respectively.

They will also receive Brigadier K. L. Atal's Medal being the best athlete of the year in 1976 and 1977 respectively.



Cdt NCO Z. Hussain

(f) (Late, Lt Cdr. Ex-Cadet) Rajat K. Sen VrC, Memorial Medal

This medal has been instituted in 1977 in the cherished memory of our ex-Cadet Rajat K. Sen who won the Vir Chakra posthumously for his gallantry in the 1971 Naval operations. The medal will be awarded to the Cadet standing first in the newly introduced RIMC Secondary School Examination. (X Class) in the 10 + 2 years scheme. The maiden awardee is Cdt NCO R. S. Bangari who maintained an unbeaten record of academic excellence.

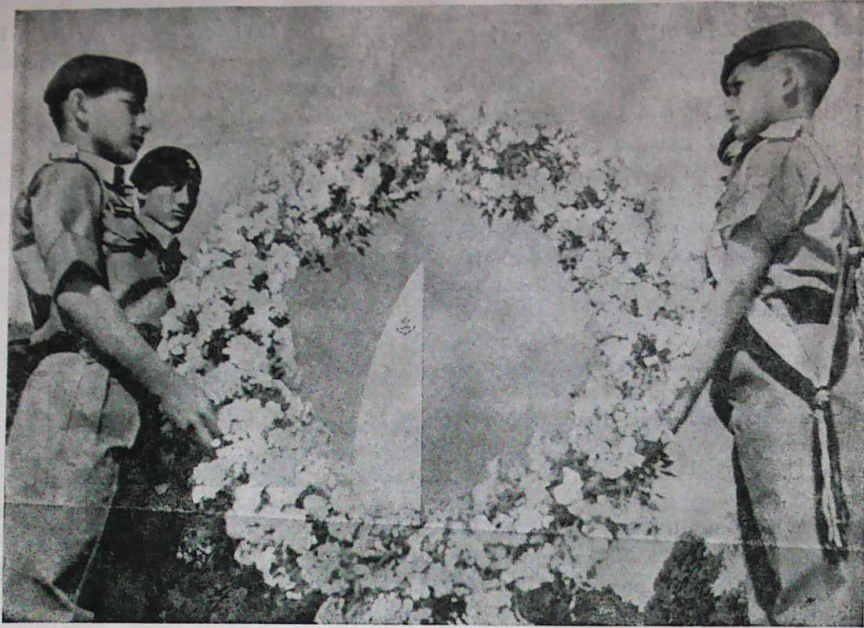


Cdt. NCO R S Bangari

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HOMAGE TO THE RIMC HEROES

All Rimcollians are justly proud of our unique gallantry in action. The Chronicle records with appreciation the distinguished services by ex-Cadets (Late Lt Gen) P. S. Bhagat and (Late-Maj) Som Nath Sharma, the first Indian Officers to win the Victoria Cross and the Param Vir



A floral tribute to matchless glory.

Chakra respectively. All Rimcollians pledge to uphold the golden traditions of undaunted courage established by the countless Rimcollian heroes.



Lt Gen P. S. Bhagat, VC

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COLLEGE NEWS

Basket Ball

20 Nov: RIMC Basket ball team played against the combined Garhwal University and won 43-26. The College team played a co-ordinated game with full understanding and confidence.

Drill Competition

30 Nov: Shivaji Section won the Inter Section Drill Competition followed by Pratap, Chandragupta and Ranjit. The Cadets were



Major Somnath Sharma, PVC

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very smartly turned out. They drilled with pride and enthusiasm. Cadet Sec Comdr Ved Prakash was adjudged as the best Commander.

Terminal Tests

The Terminal Tests have started from 3 Dec. The Chronicle wishes the examinees success and glory.

Cross Country Race

Seniors Inter Section Cross Country Competition has been reintroduced at the RIMC. This will be treated as a Major game for the Inter-Section Championship carrying 10 points. All the Cadets, of Class IV and above are taking part in the competition.

THE RASHTRIYA INDIAN MILITARY COLLEGE

Historical Background

The Indian Nationalists demanded progressive Indianization of the British Army in India. A resolution to that effect was introduced in the Indian Legislative Assembly in 1919. The Secretary of State for India announced the creation of an institution in India based on the pattern of Welbek College—a feeder to the Royal Military College, Sandhurst, UK.

Feeder to Sandhurst

The Prince of Wales Royal Indian Military College was formally inaugurated by the then Prince of Wales, (Later the Duke of Windsor) on 13 Mar 22, to provide training to selected Indian Cadets for entry to the Royal Military College Sandhurst. Ex-Cadets Hira Lal Atal, Ali Asghar Khan, Tara Singh Bal, Niranjan Singh, KS. Thimayya, J.K. Bhonsle, Kr. Mahadeo Singh, MS Wadalia, PS Gyani, Kr. Bahadur Singh, Bikram Singh were among the first few batches.

The IMA Phase

A decade later, the Indian Military Academy was established at Dehra Dun. The RIMC Cadets who joined the first IMA batch included Ex-Cadets Kr. Bhagwati Singh, and Harbhajan Singh. The subsequent batches included ex-Cadets G. G. Bewoor, KP. Candeth, P.S. Bhagat and KS. Katoch. Some ex-Cadets became pilots including CDA Subia, Ranjan Dutt, Ali Asghar Khan and Nur Khan.

Gallantry Awards

The ex-Cadets acquitted themselves honourably in battle. Ex-Cadet PS Bhagat became the first Indian Officer to win the Victoria Cross. Similarly, the first Param Vir Chakra also went to ex-Cadet Som Nath Sharma. Air Chief Marshal Sir Christopher Foxley - Norris, RAF, (Retd) who visited the RIMC in Nov. 77, noted this as the unique distinction of the RIMC.

Honours and awards won by the ex-Cadets include Padma Vibhushan, Padma Bhushan (6), Param Vir Chakra, Param Vishisht Seva Medal (12), Maha Vir Chakra, Ati Vishisht Seva Medal (5) Vishisht Seva Medal (6), Vir Chakra (11), besides Victoria Cross, Distinguished Service Order (4), Distinguished Flying Cross (4) and Military Cross (13), among others.

Present Set Up

Rashtriya Indian Military College, as it is now called, is a Category 'A' Training Establishment controlled by the MT Directorate of the Army Headquarters. The Establishment provides for a Commandant, a Lt Col. (or a civilian Principal in lieu), an Administrative Officer (Major) assisted by a few JCOs. The Academic Staff consists of a Vice Principal and three Section Masters (Class-I) besides 11 Masters (Class-II). AEC Officers may be posted in lieu.

It prepares Cadets for competitive entry to the N.D.A. Normally, one Cadet per State (total 22) is selected per term (i.e. Jan. and Aug.) on the basis of a competitive test conducted by the Government of India at all the States Capitals. The age at admission is between 11 to 12 years. The Cadets were prepared for the RIMC Higher Secondary Diploma Examination (Class XI) conducted by the Joint Training Committee of the Three Services Headquarters. The last Higher Secondary batch is passing out in Dec. 77.

New Set Up

10+2 years scheme of education has been introduced from Aug. 75 under which the Cadets will study upto Class XII. The duration of training has been increased from 5 to 6 years.

Accordingly, the authorised Cadet strength will increase from 220 Cadets at present to the projected strength of 264. Preliminary surveys have been done to accommodate the extra strength within the existing buildings as far as practicable. It may be possible to reappropriate existing buildings for additional dormitories and class rooms, but it would be essential to extend the Cadet mess. It is equally essential to have one multipurpose hall for the College Functions, conduct of examinations, doing physical training in the long rainy season, providing indoor basket ball court and boxing ring. The total cost of the Hall may be below Rs. 2 lakhs only. Additional 44 Cadets will bring down the per capita cost of training considerably.

Economic Background of Cadets

The RIMC is a public School with a difference. It provides excellent opportunity to the bright children of the lower middle class parents. 75 per cent parents earn below Rs. 1000 p. m. The annual total expenditure by the parents is Rs. 2700. Fifty per cent Cadets get scholarships upto an average figure of Rs. 1800 per annum. Therefore, one half of the parents pay only Rs. 900 per annum on average while the better off 50 percent parents pay Rs. 2700 each. Contrary to the popular myth, the RIMC is a school meant for the rich and the poor alike and it offers abundant facilities to the deserving boys of all economic and social strata.

Results : Higher Secondary Examinations

In the Higher Secondary Examinations the RIMC Cadets normally score the first or second division. In the last two examinations 19 Cadets got first class, 15 second class with 23 distinctions. No one got third class or below. Cadet Anand Swaminathan set a new record, improving upon the previous record set 6 months earlier. Result of the last Higher Secondary Examination held in Nov 76 are still awaited.

Results : Secondary School Examinations

On 13 Dec 76, the Army Headquarters laid down the syllabus of Central Board of Secondary Education for the RIMC Secondary School Examination due to be held in Apr 77. Within a few weeks the new books were procured, but no qualified teachers could be arranged in the newly introduced subjects like Life Sciences, Economics and Commerce. New Mathematics was also introduced. In spite of these odds, the four terms syllabus was completed within one term. There is no "pass" or "fail" in the new system. All were admitted to the next higher class. The average score of the class was 70% in Science, 64% in Mathematics and Social Sciences, 50 per cent in English and 42% in Hindi. The RIMC, SSE Certificate has been recognised by the Central Govt. Syllabus for the XI and XII Class stages is under preparation.

UPSC Tests

The UPSC written test is designed to sift 900 candidates out of over 8000 examinees. The national pass average is 12 per cent. As against this 29 out of 43 (68%) RIMC Cadets have passed in the last 2 tests in their first attempt. Unlike a majority of others, RIMC Cadets take the first chance for the UPSC examination before taking the higher Secondary Examination and still they maintain the highest average rate of success, unmatched by any other institution. The future trend is towards multiple-choice, objective type questions. The RIMC Cadets are set to do well in any types of tests.

Rising Academic Standards

The pass per-centage was raised from 40 to 50 in Jan. 77. New Mathematics has been introduced to meet the requirements of the NDA. The number of periods per day has been increased from 7 to 8 to cope with the new syllabus. All Cadets are given regular opportunity to address the Special Assembly. Regular planned evaluation helps continuous consolidation of learning. The academic staff has done very well and prepared the Cadets admirably well.

Services Selection Boards

RIMC Cadets have kept up this highest ratio of success before the Services Selection Boards unmatched by any Institution. In the last two batches 26 out of 29 Cadets were selected. RIMC Cadets secured the second and fifth positions in the NDA list of Merit.

Championship System

There are four Sections - Pratap, Ranjit, Shivaji and Chandragupta. Inter-Section Championship is decided by a unique system of 100 points each for Officer-like Qualities, Games and Education. There is a keen and healthy competition for every event. Character qualities, specially integrity, courage and initiative receive the greatest attention.

Games and Sports

In spite of their limited number of 220, RIMC Cadets (age group 11-17 years) enjoy a special status in the sports circle of Dehra Dun District. RIMC Football team has had a series of success against formidable teams as our Basket Ball team defeated the all powerful Garhwal University Team by a 46-26 points victory. In the Distt. Athletics 25 per cent Cadets took part, and won the B and C Divisions Championship. RIMC sprinters proved the fastest in every event. The secret of success lies in regular practice. Every sports competition has two parts. Firstly, every Section of 55 Cadets fields three teams for the regular matches on a league system. Secondly, every Cadet of the College is graded in Individual Skill Tests in every game. Aggregate of these scores is given the same weightage as for the matches played by the three teams. This ensures 100 percent participation in every game.

Scholarships

Three out of four RIMC Cadets are those whose parents' income is below Rs. 1000 p.m. State Governments and other donors grant scholarships to needy cadets. The amounts of scholarships were fixed long ago and the recent price rise had imposed a heavy burden on the parents. We wrote to the State Governments to review their scholarships. It is gratifying to note that Govts of 12 States have accepted our requests to enhance their scholarships by 50 percent. The remaining States are also being constantly requested to help the remaining cadets.

Administration

As in the previous three years there has been no disciplinary case in the Staff this year. The Staff work very hard to maintain the standards. The State Bank of India have opened an Extension Counter in July 77. This has helped us immensely. Welfare of Staff has been looked after by arranging loans to meet their urgent needs.

Accounts

Twenty six civil cases were filed in the civil courts to recover the old arrears of fees due from the parents of ex-Cadets. The arrears are being liquidated very fast. For the first time, we have no arrears from the present Cadets. The College funds have shown a significant improvement in spite of liberal expenditure on Cadets and staff. There is no unit farm or canteen. Effective financial planning and control has helped us to multiply the RIMC long-term deposits by 500 per cent in the last three years.

Local Administration

Financial limitations have affected the maintenance of buildings no doubt. Otherwise, the RIMC has been very fortunate in receiving maximum sympathy from the Army Headquarters as well as from the Command Headquarters. The GOC UP Area and the Sub Area Commander have very kindly looked into our problems to help the RIMC. The Class IV employees are indebted to the Command Headquarters to have sanctioned special repairs to their quarters. The water augmentation project is in progress. Renovation of the chronic sewage system is being examined by the Army Headquarters. The Army Commander has very kindly granted our every request. The Cadets look forward to the day when they will have a multipurpose hall-cum-gymnasium to do PT despite

incessant rains, enjoy indoor basket ball and boxing besides having a hall large enough to conduct the examinations.

Conclusion

The RIMC is grateful for the support it has received during the year. The Cadets and the Staff have done their best to justify the trust placed in them. The achievements are unmatched by any other School.

GPS Waraich,
Lt Col,
Commandant.

MAIL BAG

General G. G. Bewoor
Ambassador

EMBASSY OF INDIA
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November 7, 1977.

My dear GP,

I was glad to receive a copy of the RIMC Magazine which we both have read with interest. It is nice of you to have sent it to me.

I send to you and all the staff my good wishes.

Yours sincerely,
G. G. Bewoor

My dear GP,

HQ Southern Command
Pune.
8 Nov 77.

It is extremely kind of you to send me a copy of the College Magazine and I acknowledge it with gratitude.

I found the magazine a very enjoyable reading and am happy to learn about excellent results and other achievements of the College under your able guidance and stewardship.

Please convey my very best wishes to the Staff and Cadets.

With our fond thoughts to you and the family.

Yours Sincerley,
Johar.

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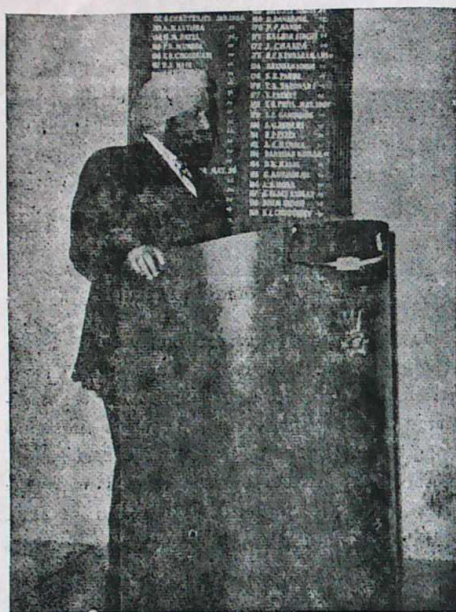
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Address By Lt. Gen. J. S. Nakai, PVSM:-



Colonel Waraich Commandant, Staff, Ladies gentlemen and Cadets,

I hope the Cadets won't mind my differentialing between gentlemen and Cadets. For you are not men yet. It reminds me of the time when I was a youngster like you admiring a person like me addressing the young boys, and some of us saying to each other 'I hope this chap will be finishing soon'. I would be brief I assure you.

I have gone through reports and address made by various dignitaries and VIPS about your College. I have also seen your prospectus. What has struck me most is the phrase 'catching you

young' to develop your body, mind and character. You will be developed properly if these three qualities are inculcated in you. Developing your body alone is not good enough if the qualities of mind and character are not developed side by side. An orchestra must play in tune. If the body is not developed in tune with the mind it will play truant. The mind will play in two compartments, as a youngster and as an adult. The youngster trying to play truant and the adult is trying to guide on the right lines. If these qualities are not developed in harmony with each other, the criminal trends may develop and the adult in you will fail to guide. And if your character is not properly developed you will not have the moral courage to face the world. That is how I look at it. The staff should help to develop these three qualities in you so that you can face the hazards of life when you grow up.

These qualities alone will help you when you grow up because you are not very much protected then. You are very much protected at the College here. You have not faced the hazards as other children at other normal schools do face. You are protected here. You will be protected at the NDA. You will be protected at the I. M. A. A long tenure of protected life you will get as compared to the youngster from other schools who rough through life to join you at the I. M. A. It is, therefore essential at this stage of your life, that you develop these qualities in you as your staff and your school wish you to develop. And I am sure this is being done. I have no doubt in my mind because your tradition is so rich. It is really rich if you look around and see the people who have left this College and have reached the peak of glory. With that background and with that feeling in your mind, try to develop these qualities and strive for a glorious future.



As a youngster like you I also used to think how this chap has come to address us. You should know that the person who comes to address you has made a success of his life. I am not trying to praise myself. He who makes a success of his career is invited to address. I would like you to remember that at this stage you are at the lowest rung of the ladder. You have to rise very high and I am sure that you will keep in mind that you have to rise the highest, and one day, standing here, like me, you will also be addressing the youngsters.

Now the sports activities. I have a point to say on this. Your Commandant has said that you are doing very good job. You are doing very well in the District sports. I regret to say that very few of you really come upto standard when you come to the Unit level. I think you spend more time and develop. You need to develop. I think the staff has to look into this aspect first. At this stage you are being fed better, you are looked after better than any schools. And there is no reason why from this school we shouldn't have sportsmen of very high calibre, like the ex Cadets Jaswant Singh and K. C. Anand. Something must be done. I am sure the staff will certainly look into this aspect and bring upto the standard, a higher standard.

Now finally, I would like to tell you one thing more that your life starting from the College here, the N. D. A. and the I. M. A. is a

very regimented life. You are all the time under very strict discipline. This regimented life does curb ones initiative. The staff has to look into this that this initiative at any stage is not curbed. This regimentation is not really good for the overall development of the character. I have seen your daily programme from morning till evening. From morning till evening you have no time of your own. It is, therefore, essential for the staff to look into the fact that regimentation does not kill the initiative. If the initiative is killed the character will not develop, the mind will not develop.

Gentlemen and Cadets, I am sure, that you will enjoy your stay here as youngsters. And when you grow old you shall remember that you were members of this College and you will never, never bring disgrace to the name of this College.

Best of luck :

End-Of-Term Function

Dec. 7 was a day of excitement and hectic activities at the RIMC. Although the Cadets were in the grip of examination fever, the anticipated thrill of the evening function was too strong to be sounded by any other consideration. The short and sweet function started with the arrival of our Chief-guest Lt. Gen. J. S. Nakai, PVSM, GOC-in-C, Central Command and Mrs



Cadet Captain S. N. Deshpande receiving President's Gold Medal.

Nakai. The Commandant welcomed the distinguished guests and escorted them to the Assembly Hall. There the Commandant acquainted the guests with the achievements, progress and problems of the College. Then General Nakai and Mrs Nakai very kindly gave away the medals and trophies respectively to Cadets and Sections for

their outstanding achievements in various fields of activities. Following Cadets received medals :—

- (a) President's Gold Medal for the Best-all-round Cadet, second term-77, was awarded to Cadet Captain S. N. Deshpande.
- (b) Col Haughton's Silver Medal for the second best all round Cadet of the term was awarded to Cdt Ved Prakash.



Cadet Ved Prakash

- (c) The Maiden awardee of (Late. Lt Cdr ex-Cadet) Rajat K. Sen, Vr.C, Memorial awarded to Cdt R. S. Bhangari.



Cadet R. S. Bhangari

(d) Cdts Z. Hussain and J. Gamlin jointly shared Brig K. L. Atal's Medal for the Best Sportsman of the year.

— Marker's Cups have been awarded to Cadets for excellence in different subjects.

— Cdt Samir Shrivastva and Deepak Adhar got Mr. Catch Pole's trophy for being the best students of English in senior and junior sections respectively.

— In History the trophy was awarded to Cadet Anil Jagtiani.

— Science Marker's Cup was awarded to Cadet R. S. Bangari.

— Lt. Col Onkar Singh's Memorial Trophy for the best turned out Cadet was awarded to Cadet Rajesh Tiwari.

— Cdt Prem Prakash who secured the first position in the Inter Section Cross Country Competitions got the trophy for the best runner.

Trophies for Inter-Section Events:—

Co-curricular activities:	Chandragupta
Education Cup :	Shivaji
Sports :	Pratap and Shivaji
Lord Rawlson's Inter Section Championship Cup	Ranjit

After the prize-giving ceremony the Chief Guest addressed the Cadets and members of the staff. In his inspiring Address the Army Commander touched upon the vital aspects of Cadet's training and called upon the Cadets to develop character qualities.

After the Address there was a get-together of the guests and the members of the staff in the Staff Room. Then the guests, members of the staff and the Cadets attended the Guest Night. The Cadets conducted their respective guests with pride and confidence. After the dinner we bade farewell to our distinguished guests who braved the winter to encourage and inspire the Cadets. We are grateful to them.

Terminal Examination : 1977

The results of the second term 77 have been quite encouraging. Out of 194 Cadets who took the test 100 Cadets have secured 60% and above. The Class-wise break-up is as follows:—

Class	Under 50%	50% to 60%	Over 60%	Range of scores Low-Median-High
I	2	8	13	36 — 63 — 74
IA	2	4	13	45 — 64 — 76
II	3	11	10	40 — 59 — 75
IIA	1	7	15	46 — 60 — 71
III	2	8	6	49 — 59 — 70
IIIA	1	12	11	47 — 64 — 74
IV	—	8	14	51 — 64 — 71
IVA(SSE) Result awaited	—	—	—	—
V	—	7	11	— 62 —
VA(HSC)	—	18	7	51 — 77
	11	83	100	

It is gratifying to note that a majority of Cadets secured over 60%. The average score of the College is 61%. Only 11 Cadets have scored below 50%. The credit goes to the Cadets who worked hard under the dedicated guidance of the Staff. The parents have a big hand in this achievement.

Result of the last RIMC Higher Secondary Diploma Examination held in Nov. 77 have been received just now, on phone. 7 Cadets secured First, 18 Second with no Third or Failure. Cadet Sanjay Saxena stands first (as usual!) with 646 marks. Other details are awaited. Well done the last HSC Class! Auld Lang Syne.....

RANJIT : The New Champions

Ranjit has won the Championship under the new Championship rules. 100 Marks are allotted each for Education, sports and officer-like-qualities.

Inter Section Championship—Lord Rawlison's Cup—1977

Section	Education (100)	Sports (100)	OLQ(100)	Total (300)	Posn
Pratap	22.9	28.4	-7.2	44.1	IV
Ranjit	25.1	23.9	+60.1	109.1	I
Shivaji	30.2	28.4	+35.7	94.3	II
Chandragupta	21.8	19.3	+11.4	52.5	III

Results of Education Cup—1977

Section	Written	UPSC May 77	H. Sec. Dec 76/May 77	SSE May 77	Consol- idated Results	Total	Weightage.	Posn
Pratap	05	10	14	26	177	232	22.9	III
Ranjit	50	-5	53	23	133	254	25.1	I I
Shivaji	45	-25	69	21	196	306	30.2	I
Chandragupta	30	20	27	16	128	221	21.8	IV

Inter Section Competitions - Sports

EVENTS	Pratap	Ranjit	Shivaji	Chandragupta
Boxing	4	10	8	6
Cricket	8	10	5	5
Basket Ball	5	2	3	4
P. T.	8	4	10	6
Hockey	8	6	10	4
Swimming	10	4	8	4
Football	8	6	10	4
Athletics	6	10	8	4
Squash	4	5	3	6
Squad Drill	8	4	10	2
Khud Race	10	6	8	4
CCA	8	6	4	10
Position	87 (I)	73 (III)	87 (I)	59 (IV)

Position : Officer—Like Qualities

ITEM	Pratap	Ranjit	Shivaji	Chandragupta
NDA Merit List	—	11	3	—
NDA Selection	10	98	66	56
Best/Second Cdts	—	8	8	—

Cleanliness/	5.5	7	5.5	2
Turnout				
SSB-Rejection	—	—	-10	—
Copying	-10	-10	-10	-10
Ragging etc	—	-10	—	-10
Breakages	-2	-4	-1	-3
Blue/Yellow Cards	-15	-5	-5	-17
Total	-11.5	95	46.5	18
Position	IV	I	II	III
Weightage	-7.2	60.1	35.7	11.4

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Nb Sub Ishwar Singh DABAS, the Office Superintendent has been posted out. He worked very efficiently for over three years and served the RIMC exceptionally well. We wish him similar success at the next appointment.

—Joining Instructions are being issued to 25 NEW CADETS who will report here on 23 Jan 78. Welcome.

—Basket Ball Blues have been awarded to S. S. Rosario, R. S. Chaudhry and Y. S. Nehra. Well done and keep on scoring.

—CADETS DISPERSAL on 10 and 11 Dec was orderly. Cadets Prabhjot Singh & Soumitra Biswas have written that they have misplaced their bedding and attache respectively. Some clues, any body?

—Home work and test books for the next terms have been issued. RETEST for the weak Cadets will be held on 18 and 19 Jan 78. All Cadets are expected to return on 19 Jan 78 for the Inter Section Turnout Competition on 20 Jan 78, the opening day of the College.

—Dr. MISS VIDYA SETH has devoted her life to the RIMC. She retired after about 25 years of dedicated service to the Cadets. She was granted extension for one year till 31 Dec 77. The Chronicle records all Cadets' gratitude to their beloved Aunty. We wish she could be with us longer.

—All CONTRACTS have been extended for one year by mutual consent except Tailoring. Fresh tenders have been invited for the tailoring Contract.

New Assessment Reports.

Cadets' terminal reports will carry the usual information. In addition, the following data will also be sent to the parents, for their more effective participation in the Parent-Teacher endeavour to guide and motivate every Cadet:—

- (a) Average score (median) of the class in every subject.
- (b) Class scores in every game including the over all order of merit in games.
- (c) Class scores in intelligence tests, plus the class average (median score).
- (d) Sociometric scores of the current and previous two terms for comparative study of a Cadet in relation to his class.
- (e) Academic percentage and positions of entire class for three terms to give a bird's eye view of every Cadet's progress. Median percentages have also been indicated for every term.
- (f) Qualitative assessment by every subject teacher in knowledge, Application and Interest, on a five point rating scale in addition to general subject-wise remarks.
- (g) Qualitative assessment by the administrative Officer on Discipline, Turnout and Keeness, among others.
- (h) Over all merit of a Cadet can now be assessed by adding up his class position in studies, sports and sociometric scores.

Roll Of Merit-II Term, 1977

Class	Academics (%)	Sports	Sociometric	Overall
I	N. Tiwary (74.2)	A Chakraborty	Ashok Kumar	Ashok Kumar
IA	A. Chander (75.7)	S. Khatri	A. Kacker	—
II	A. Chauhan (74.6)	A Shekhawat	K. S. Chabra	A. Chauhan
IIA	J. S. Nehra (74.3)	RPM Panghal	D. Dhar	J. S. Nehra
III	Venkataraman (70)	Venkataramana	MB. Singh	MB Singh
IIIA	S. Rahinwal (74.3)	Surdip chand	S. Dong	—
IV	A. Jagtiani (71)	Rakesh Rai	P. Manjul	A. Jagtiani
IVA	—	—	H. Sadasivan	—
V	R. S. Bangari (77)	Prem Prakash	R. S. Bangari	R. S. Bangari
VA	S. K. Saxena (57)	Sanjay Misra	S.N. Deshpande	S. N. Deshpande

College News

Squash

Nov 23. Inter Section Squash Tournament was won by Ranjit followed by Pratap, Shivaji and Chandragupta. Cdt Anil Jagtiani (S) put up a very promising performance. Well done !

Unit Tests

Fourth Unit Tests have been completed during the term in addition to the monthly and mid-term tests. The Cadets are becoming increasingly proficient in the multiple-choice objective type tests.

मेरी मॉरिशस यात्रा

मॉरिशस सरकार के निमन्त्रण पर हिन्दी विशेषज्ञ के रूप में जब मुझे विदेश मंत्रालय द्वारा मॉरिशस जाने का आदेश मिला तब मैं 'द्वितीय विश्व हिन्दी सम्मेलन' के इस पुण्य-धाम के दर्शन लाभ के लिये आतुर हो उठा। विमान से उतरते ही गांधी संस्थान तथा भारतीय उच्चायुक्त के अधिकारियों के अतिरिक्त एक बड़े जन समूह ने हमारा स्वागत किया।

सप्ताह में पाँच दिन डटकर काम और शनि तथा रविवार को डटकर पर्यटन—पाँच सप्ताह तक अत्यन्त व्यस्त कार्यक्रम रहा। प्रधानमन्त्री, शिक्षा मंत्री गबनर जनरल तथा अनेक शिक्षाविदों के साथ विचार विमर्श के अतिरिक्त पत्रकारों से बातचीत हुई तथा टेलीवीजन पर हमारे कार्यक्रम प्रसारित किये गये।

लगभग चालीस मील लम्बा और तीस मील चौड़ा तथा सौ मील के समुद्र तट वाला यह द्वीप-देश सचमुच ही बिना साँप का स्वर्गोद्यान है। इस रंग बिरंगे देश की धरती रंगीन है, आकाश रंगीन है, समुद्र तट रंगीन है और निवासी भी विभिन्न रंगों के हैं, तभी तो झण्डा भी चौरंगा है।

मॉरिशस एक निर्जन द्वीप था। सन् १५०६ में पुर्तगालियों ने इसका पता लगाया। कुछ वर्षों बाद डच आए लेकिन टिके नहीं। १७१५ में फ्रांस ने इस पर अधिकार कर लिया तथा बस्तियाँ बसाईं और

गन्ने की खेती शुरू की। सन् १६१० में भारतीय सैनिकों की सहायता से अंग्रेजों ने इसे छीन लिया। भारत से शतबन्द कुली यहाँ पहले ही जाने लगे थे। उन्हीं के वंशज आजकल यहाँ के प्रमुख नागरिक हैं तथा उन्हीं के सपूतों ने मिलकर इसे १६६८ में स्वतन्त्र करवा लिया है।

मॉरिशस दक्षिणी गोलार्द्ध में भूमध्य रेखा से २० डिग्री दक्षिण और ६० डिग्री देशान्तर से पश्चिम की ओर बसा हुआ एक छोटा सा द्वीप है। अपनी सुरम्य प्रकृति के कारण यह हिन्द महासागर का मोती कहलाता है। महत्वपूर्ण भौगोलिक स्थिति के कारण इसे हिन्द महासागर की कुन्जी भी कहते हैं। इसकी उत्पत्ति ज्वालामुखी विस्फोट से हुई थी। मृग कुण्ड नाम से विख्यात इसका ज्वालामुखी गर्त ब्यूपिप नगर का एक प्रमुख आकर्षण है।

मॉरिशस का आकार—उभार कछुए की पीठ जैसा है। (मॉरिशस अपने विशालकाय कछुओं के लिए भी प्रसिद्ध है) मध्य भाग ठन्डा है। दक्षिण में वर्षा अधिक और उत्तर में कम होती है। आकाश पर अक्सर इन्द्र धनुष की छटा छायी रहती है। शामरेल नामक स्थान में लगभग आधा बीघे में रंग बिरंगी मिट्टी की चौड़ी चौड़ी पट्टियाँ हैं जिन पर घास तक नहीं उगती।

पोर्ट लुई मॉरिशस की राजधानी है, यहाँ सबसे बड़ा नगर तथा बन्दरगाह है। बो वांसे, रोजहिल कात्र बोर्न, वाक्वा, वरूपिप तथा माहेबर्ग अन्य सुन्दर नगर हैं हवाई अड्डा प्लेजांस में है :

पाम्पलेमूस मॉरिशस का सबसे प्रसिद्ध वोटैनिकल गार्डन है। यहाँ के कमलों के विचित्र बहुत बड़े आकार के थाल जैसे पत्ते हैं। यहाँ का एक वृक्ष तालीपो प्रति सौ वर्ष बाद फूलता है।

मॉरिशस अपने सुरम्य और निरापद समुद्र तट के कारण ससार भर के पर्यटकों का प्रमुख आकर्षण केन्द्र है। ग्रां-बांसे नामक झील को नया नाम 'गंगा जलाब' मिल गया है। भारत से गंगाजल ले जाकर इसमें डाला गया है और शिव रात्री के अवसर पर बहुत बड़ा मेला लगता है।

त्रिओले मॉरिशस का सबसे बड़ा गाँव है। यह पूर्णतः हिन्दी ग्राम है। वैसे तो मॉरिशस का प्रत्येक बँठका एक हिन्दी मन्दिर है पर गांधी संस्थान, प्रचार-रिणी सभा तथा स्वराज्य भवन, उसके प्रमुख गढ़ हैं। हिन्दी की पढ़ाई, प्रचार और प्रसार जोरों पर है। गाँवों में आज भी भोजपुरी का बोला वाला है।

नौ लाख आबादी वाले देश में भारतीयों के वंशजों के अतिरिक्त फ्रांसीसी, अंग्रेज, चीनी तथा अफ्रीकी जाति के लोग भी बसते हैं लेकिन मॉरिशस एक धर्म-निरपेक्ष राज्य है। कुछ लोग फ्रांसीसी का अपभ्रंस (क्रियोल) बोलते हैं। कुछ हिन्दी। अंग्रेजी सरकारी काम काज की भाषा है।

मॉरिशस में हिन्दी अध्यापन को सुचारू रूप से पुनर्गठित करने का कार्य समाप्त कर जब मैं भारत लौट रहा था तो बैरागी का गीत बरबस में ही होठों पर आ गया।

आर्य देश की मानस पुत्री
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शायद तुलसी यहीं मिला है
पहली बार कबीर से
परबत परबत खड़ा हुआ है
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याद बहुत आएगी मुझको
धरती राम गुलाम की।

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