

Disbandment Parade Thursday 10th August 1967

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A sad occasion—Last parade at Junior Leaders Regiment

Major-General J. E. Anderson, C.B.E., the Signal Officer-in-Chief, was the reviewing officer at the final parade of the Junior Leaders' Regiment, held at Denbury Camp, Newton Abbot, Devon, on 10th August.

The Regiment, which is being disbanded, has been at Denbury since September, 1955, when it moved there from Beverley in Yorkshire. Last October it was announced that the system of training of young soldiers in the Corps was being changed, and training would be spread over other Signals establishments and the Army Apprentices College.

The parade, commanded by J/R.S.M. K. Beharrell, consisted of 246 junior leaders, of whom 71 were graduating to adult service.

When the Corps of Drums performed for the last time, the ceremony of beating Retreat in the early evening, the Regimental Standard was handed over to an escort party of junior leaders going to Harrogate, where it will be laid up. Seven

pipe banners, given to the Regiment by mayors and chairmen of councils of neighbouring towns and by the local Caledonia Society were returned for safe keeping.

Denbury Camp has been the gateway into the Corps for thousands of young regular soldiers. There they have learnt a way of life and an outlook that has not only stood them in good stead, but through them, has helped to build up the high reputation of the present-day Corps. Very many will hear of the passing of Denbury with deep regret. However, comfort can be taken from the fact that much of the Denbury input will in future be absorbed by that excellent establishment, the Army Apprentices' College, Harrogate. The 'Boys' spirit, which has always been such a feature of Corps life, still marches firmly onwards. We salute all those members of the staff at Denbury who, over the years, have dedicated themselves to the training of the many admirable young men who are serving or have served with the Corps. They have done a wonderful job.

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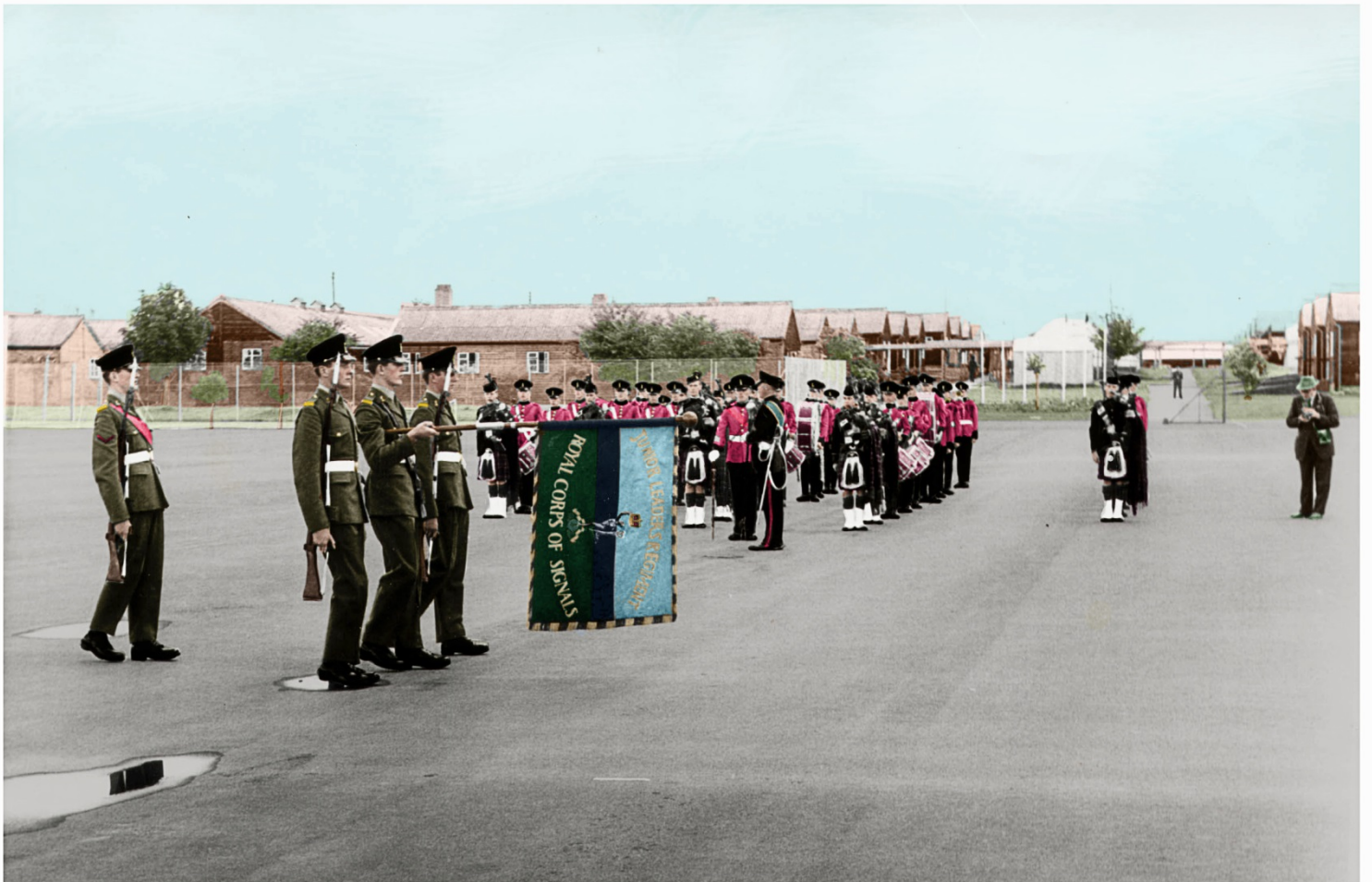


Lt Col DE Higgins MBE - JSgt Bob Holt - The Signal Officer-in-Chief talks to 1 Troop



Lt Col DE Higgins MBE - **JSgt John West** - The Signal Officer-in-Chief talks to **4 Troop**

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1 Troop - JSgt Bob Holt



3 Troop - JSgt Malcolm Dempster



4 Troop – JSgt John West



5 Troop - JCpl Graham Twiss as JSgt Eddie Neary is the Pipe Major



6 Troop



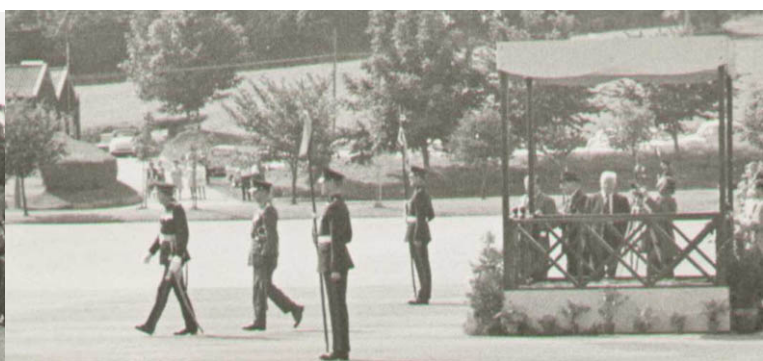
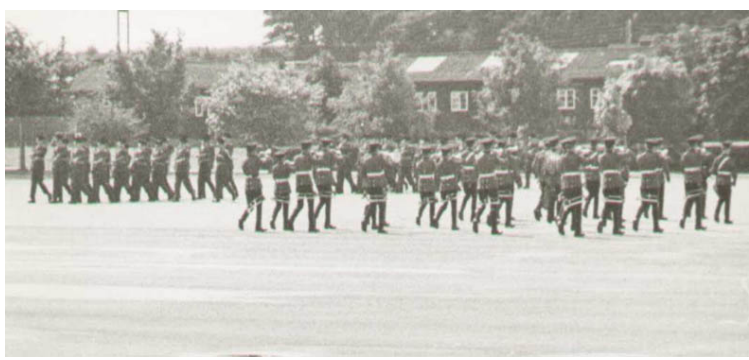
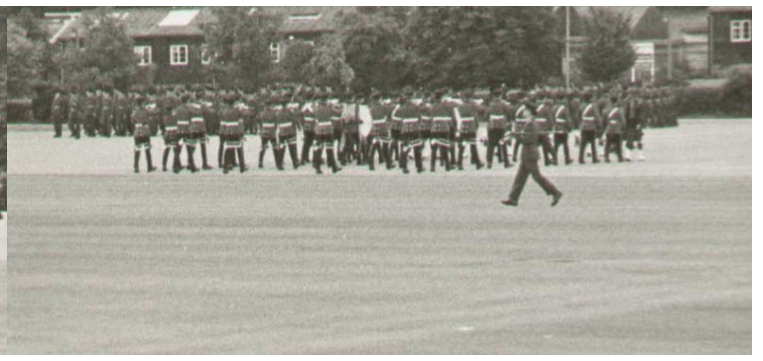


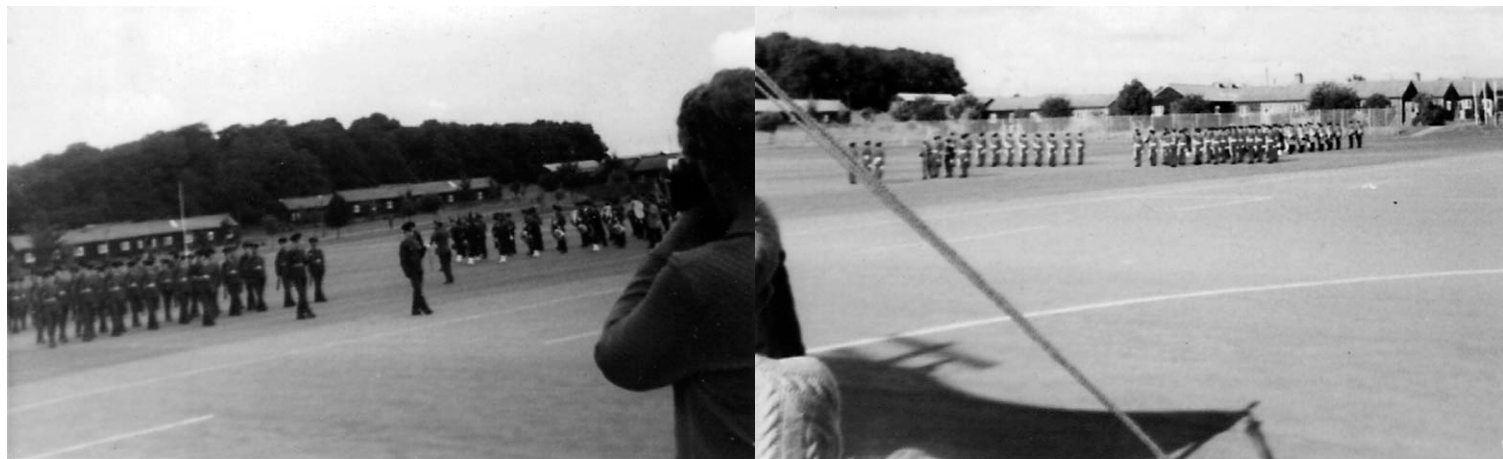
Right marker: **JCpl Glen Harwood** - **JSSgt Roger Fairfield** - **JSSM Sam Bruce**



Pipe Major Eddie Neary - Pipe Sgt Ted Kilpin - Paul Davenport - Steve Schofield - Jim Cairney - Tom 'Banzai' Hope







Pipe Sgt Ted Kilpin - Mrs Bell - Pipe Major Eddie Neary - Mr McDonald Bell



The End – The South Gate taken on the last day

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