

WESTERN FRONT ASSOCIATION, LANCASHIRE NORTH BRANCH

DESPATCH: November 2012 - Supplementary Information

QUETTA CLASS 1913: Summary Information on all the Students

There were 51 students at the Staff College, Quetta prior to WW1 and summary information follows on how they progressed. The rank and position held at the end of WW1 (December 1918 Army List) is in italics. Cuttings are from 1942 Who's Who unless stated otherwise.

Captain B E Anderson, 59 Rifles: *Major*, DSO (LG 22/12/1916)

Captain Hew Dacre Belgrave, R W Kents: *Major, Bvt. Lt Col* DSO (LG 22/12 1916) *Asst. Quartermaster General*.

Captain A J M Binny, 1st Lancers: *Major, Asst Adjutant & Qtrmaster General, Derajet Bgde*

Capt F S Bowring, 22nd Punjabis: killed 22 November 1915, remembered on Basra Memorial.

Capt A M Brown, 47th Sikhs: killed 12 March 1915, buried in Guards Cemetery, Cuinchy.

Captain J G Cadell, 45th Sikhs: *Major*, DSO (LG 04/06/1917), *GSO2, E Indies South Army*.

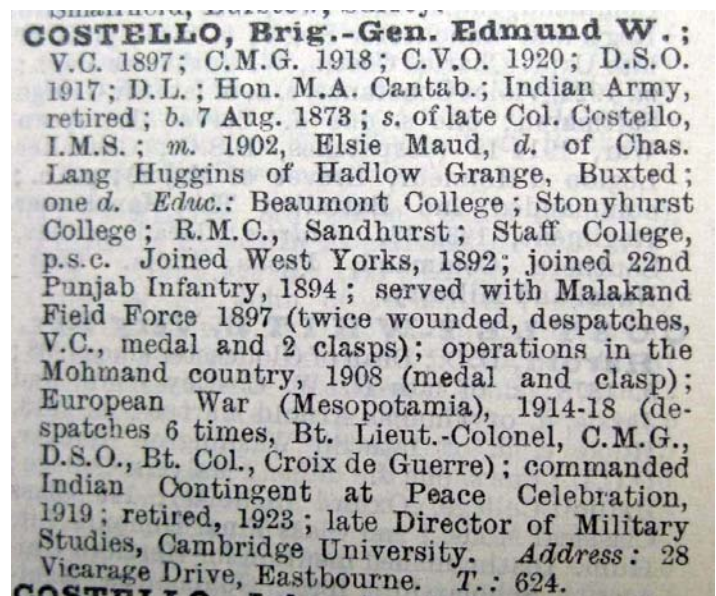
Capt E D Carr-Harris, Royal Engineers: killed 3 November 1914, named on Tanga Memorial, Tanzania.

Captain WG Charles, Essex Regt: *Bvt Lt Col*, DSO (LG 03/06/1918), *GSO1 (Cmnd & Staff)*.

Captain Mervyn Officer Clarke, R Fus: *Major*, DSO (LG 01/01/1917), *staff*. Commanded 3 Bn R Fus in the final advance. Bgde Cmdr India 1923-24.

Captain RE Coningham, 10 Gukha Rif: *Bvt Major, GSO2, Indian Army HQ*.

VC Major Edmund William Costello, 22 Punjabis: *Bvt Lt Col, Temp Brig Gen CMG* DSO (LG 25/08/1917).



COSTELLO, Brig.-Gen. Edmund W. ; V.C. 1897; C.M.G. 1918; C.V.O. 1920; D.S.O. 1917; D.L.; Hon. M.A. Cantab.; Indian Army, retired; b. 7 Aug. 1873; s. of late Col. Costello, I.M.S.; m. 1902, Elsie Maud, d. of Chas. Lang Huggins of Hadlow Grange, Buxted; one d. *Educ.*: Beaumont College; Stonyhurst College; R.M.C., Sandhurst; Staff College, p.s.c. Joined West Yorks, 1892; joined 22nd Punjab Infantry, 1894; served with Malakand Field Force 1897 (twice wounded, despatches, V.C., medal and 2 clasps); operations in the Mohmand country, 1908 (medal and clasp); European War (Mesopotamia), 1914-18 (despatches 6 times, Bt. Lieut.-Colonel, C.M.G., D.S.O., Bt. Col., Croix de Guerre); commanded Indian Contingent at Peace Celebration, 1919; retired, 1923; late Director of Military Studies, Cambridge University. *Address*: 28 Vicarage Drive, Eastbourne. *T.*: 624.

Captain George Craster, 6th King Edward's Own Cavalry: *Major* DSO (LG 01/01/1918) *GSO2*. After WW1 served Waziristan, Afghanistan, NW Frontier, CBE. Colonel *GSO1* Peshawar District 1930.

Captain James Dunscombe Crowdy, 5th Gurkha Rifles: *Major* DSO (LG 26/08/1918). Delhi Memorial (India Gate) DOD 14/1/1920.

Captain E de Burgh, 9th Hodson's Horse: Major
DSO (LG 03/06/1916).

DE BURGH, General Sir Eric, K.C.B.
cr. 1941; C.B. 1932; D.S.O. 1916; O.B.E.;
i.d.c.; p.s.c.; Indian Army, retired; b.
Oldtown, Naas, Ireland, 10 May 1881; s.
of late Lt.-Colonel Thomas John de Burgh,
of Oldtown, Naas, Co. Kildare; m. 1923,
Mary (d. 1934), d. of Lieut.-Gen. Sir E. A.
Fanshawe, K.C.B., q.v.; two d. Educ.: St.
Mark's School, Windsor; Marlborough College.
2nd Lieut. and Lieut. 3rd Royal Dublin
Fusiliers (Militia); 2nd Lieut. Manchester
Regiment 1903; Lieutenant, Captain, Major,
9th Hodson's Horse; Col. Indian Army, 1923;
Maj.-Gen., 1934; Lieut.-Gen., 1938; General,
1940; served South Africa, 1902 (Queen's medal
4 clasps); World War (1914 Star, G.S. and Vic-
tory Medals, despatches, D.S.O., Brevets of
Major and Lieut.-Colonel); Afghanistan and
N.W.F., 1919 (despatches, medal and clasp);
Waziristan, 1922 (despatches, O.B.E., clasp);
Commanded, 1st Indian Div., Waziristan, 1937
(despatches, medal and clasp); G.S.O. 1, Staff
Coll., Quetta, 1928-30; Brig., Gen. Staff, India,
1930-31; Comm. 1st Risalpur Cavalry Brigade,
India, 1931-34; Deputy Chief of the Gen. Staff,
Army Headquarters, India, 1935-36; Com-
mander Rawalpindi District, 1936-38; Chief of
General Staff, India, 1939-41; retired, 1941.
Recreations: tennis, golf. Address: c/o
Lloyds Bank (Cox and King's Branch), 6 Pall
Mall, S.W.1. Club: Cavalry.

Grandfather of Chris de Burgh.

Captain Wilkinson Dent, 108 Light Infantry:
Major, Brvt Lt Col, DSO (LG 17/04/1916).
Became Major-General W Dent, CB, CBE.
Died 22/03/1934, 3 months short of his 51
birthday.

**Capt H B Dixon, Sherwood Foresters (Notts &
Derby) Regiment 1st Battalion:** killed 13 March
1915 and remembered on Le Touret Memorial.

Captain John Evelyn Duigan, NZ Staff Corps:
Major DSO (LG 04/06/1917).

DUIGAN, Maj.-Gen. Sir John Evelyn,
K.B.E., cr. 1940; C.B. 1937; D.S.O. 1917; b. 30
Mar. 1882; m. Nora Hanley (d. 1940), Tullamore.
Educ.: Wanganui College. Served S. Africa,
1900-1 (Queen's medal and four clasps);
European War, 1915-17 (despatches, D.S.O.);
O.C. Northern Command, New Zealand, 1931-37;
Chief of the General Staff New Zealand Military
Forces, 1937-41.

Captain Vivian Moffat Fergusson, RFA: Bvt Lt
Col, DSO (LG 14/1/1916).

Captain Frederick George Gillies, 33rd Light
Cavalry: Major. Went on to become Brigadier
CB, OBE. Commanded Ambala Brigade 1932-
34.

Captain Walter Harold Gribbon, Kings Own
RLR: Major, Bvt Lt Col. Working in Foreign
Office.

GRIBBON, Brig. Walter Harold,
C.M.G. 1918; C.B.E. 1919; p.s.c.; b. 1881;
yr. s. of late Walter Galt Gribbon, M.A. Oxon;
m. 1st, Edith Margaret (d. 1934), d. of Dr. J. B.
Stuart, J.P.; two s. one d.; 2nd, 1935, Doris May,
d. of A. A. Davies. Educ.: Rugby School; Leice-
stershire Militia; Quetta Staff College, Imperial
Defence College, General Staff, Mesopotamia,
War Office and Constantinople, 1914-21; served
European War, 1914-18 (despatches, C.M.G.,
C.B.E.); Brevet Lt.-Col. 1917; Brevet Col. 1921;
Lt.-Col. 1928; Col. 1921; commanded 2nd Bn.
The King's Own Royal Regiment (Lancaster),
1928-31; Commander Canal Brigade, Egypt,
1931-32; Officer-in-Charge of Infantry Record
and Pay Office, Lichfield, 1932-36; retired
pay, 1936. Address: Regency Cottage, Sand-
gate, Folkestone. T.: Sandgate 78317. Club:
Junior United Service.

Captain Philip Lewis Hanbury, Shrops L I:
Bvt Lt Col, GSO. (Cmnd & Staff). Became
Brigadier CMG, DSO, ADC to the King 1932-
36.

Captain Cyril Minden Trower Hogg, 4th Gurkha
Rifles: Major, DSO (LG 01/01/1917), *GSO2 E*
Indies South Cmnd. Ex S Lancs Regt. Became
Lt Col. Accomplished boxer.

VC Captain Hon Alexander Gore Arkwright
Hore-Ruthven, 1st Drag Gds: Lt Col, temp Br
Gen CMG DSO (02/05/1916). Became GCMG
CB and longest serving Governor General of
Australia (9 yrs, 1936-45) in history.

Major N E Howell, 82nd Punjabis: killed 7
January 1916, remembered on Basra
Memorial.

Captain Alan George Caldwell Hutchinson, 22
Pioneers: Major, GSO2 (Cmnd & Staff).
Became Brigadier CB, OBE.

Captain M E S Johnson, 48 Pioneers: Major,
(Cmnd & Staff).

Captain G C B Loch, Res: Major, Res

Captain N Macleod, 15th Sikhs: *Major*, DSO (LG 28/08/1917) *Staff, Brigade Major Rangoon Brigade.*

Captain W M Macleod, 31st Lancers: *Major*, GSO2, *East Indies N Cmnd.*

Captain (became Lieut Col M Magniac DSO), Lancs Fus: killed 24 April 1917, buried in Beaurains Road Cemetery. DSO (LG 03/06/1916) Killed by shellfire at Monchy le Preux, east of Arras.

Times, 12th May 1917:

LIEUTENANT-COLONEL MEREDITH MAGNIAC, D.S.O., Lancashire Fusiliers, third son of the late Major-General Francis Lane Magniac and of Mrs. Magniac, of Clifton, Bristol, was killed on April 24, aged 36. He was educated at Clifton College, and was in the school eleven. In July, 1898, he passed into Sandhurst, where he was in the eleven. He was gazetted to the Lancashire Fusiliers, and subsequently passed into the Staff College at Quetta. Soon after the outbreak of the war he relinquished a Staff appointment as Brigade Major in Ireland, and went to Gallipoli as a Staff captain. He was in both evacuations, and was awarded the D.S.O. In March, 1916, he went to the front in command of his battalion, and saw considerable fighting, being mentioned in dispatches last July. A brother officer writes:—"He was, of course, in the front line with his men. I do not think there was an officer in the division who did not admire and respect the colonel, and not an officer or man in the battalion who did not love him. He was the finest soldier I ever met, a strong man, a born leader, and a very gallant gentleman." He married Winifred Sayres, who survives him.

Captain George Ramsay Maitland, 14th Jat Lancers: *Major* DSO (LG 03/06/1918). Lt Col Sir (7th Bt) commanding 9th Bn Argyll & Sutherland Hldrs 1922-23

Captain W P M D MacLaughlin, 107 Pioneers: *Major.*

Captain (became Major D W McPherson), 62nd Punjabis: Killed 16 November 1916, buried in Suez War Memorial Cemetery, Egypt.

Captain Richard Meinertzhagen Royal Fus: *Bvt Lt Col, Temp Col* DSO (LG 02/02/1916)

MEINERTZHAGEN, Col. Richard, D.S.O.: late Duke of Cornwall's Light Infantry; b. 3 Mar. 1878; s. of late Daniel and Georgina Meinertzhagen; m. 1921, Annie Constance Jackson (d. 1928); two s. one d. *Educ.*: Harrow. Joined Army (Royal Fusiliers), 1899; served in India till 1902, when joined King's African Rifles till 1905; served on various expeditions in E. Africa (medal, three clasps, wounded, despatches); graduated at Staff College; retired pay, 1925; served in E. Africa, Palestine, and French fronts during the European War, and was afterwards Member of Paris Peace Delegation; Chief Political Officer in Palestine and Syria, 1919-20; Military Adviser, Middle East Department, Colonial Office; Council of the Royal Geographical Society, 1927-30; extensive travel Asia, Africa and U.S.A.; War Office, 1939-40; Home Guard, 1940-41. *Publications*: Birds of Egypt; various on ornithology in scientific magazines. *Recreations*: biology and geography. *Address*: 17 Kensington Park Gardens, W.11. *T.A.*: Montezuma, London. *T.*: Park 4928.

Awarded CBE 1957.

Captain Archibald Digby Murray, RGA: *Lt Col* DSO (LG 01/01/1919).

Captain Kenelm Digby Bold Murray, 59th Rifles: *Major* DSO (LG 01/01/1917) *GSO1 E Indies N Cmnd.* Became Col. CB.

Captain Arthur Charles Ogg, 7th Rajputs: *Major* DSO (LG 18/08/1916) OBE. Became Lt Col.

Captain N Ogle, 67th Punjabis: *Bvt Lt Col* DSO (LG 25/08/1917) *Deputy Asst. Adg. Gen.*

Capt W G Palmer, 113th Indian Infantry and 30 Squadron RFC: killed 5 March 1916, remembered on Basra Memorial.

Captain Bertie Cyril Penton, 25th Punjabis: *Major* GSO2 (*Cmnd & Staff*). DSO (LG 03/06/1919). Became Brigadier CB.

Captain Sydney Buxton Pope, 58th Rifles: *Major Temp Lt Col* DSO (LG 03/06/1916) *GSO1.* Became Maj. Gen. CB and DA & QMG South India Cmnd 1934-38.

Captain Edmund Barnaby Powell, Rifle Brig: *Major Temp Lt Col* DSO (LG 01/01/1918) Became Colonel.

Major Frederick Rainsford-Hannay, RFA: *Lt Col* DSO (LG 01/01/1917). Became CMG.

Captain Henry Lawrence Scott, 1st Gurkha Rif: *Major* DSO (LG 25/08/1917) MC. DSO bar (10/08/1921) Commanded Kohat Bgde 1932-35, CB, ADC to King 1934-35.)

Captain Frederick Skipwith, 5th Gurkha Rif:
Major. Acting Lt Col.

Captain (became Major F R Teesdale, 25th Indian Cavalry (Frontier Force): died 17 March 1916 and buried in Walton-on-the-Hill, Surrey.

Captain Harry Walter Tobin, 128 Pioneers:
Major DSO (LG 18/08/1916) *GSO2 Karachi Bgde.* OBE 1919. Became Col., founder member of Himalayan Club, Editor of Himalayan Journal and helped organize 1953 Everest expedition.

Captain John Patrick Villers-Stuart, 55th Rifles:
Bvt Lt Col DSO (LG 01/01/1918) *GSO1 Indian Army HQ.* Became Col. OBE.

Captain (Became Major H G Wilmer, 14th King George's Own Ferozepore Sikhs: killed 5 July 1915 and remembered on Helles Memorial, Gallipoli Peninsula.

Captain Roger Cochrane Wilson, 114 Mahrattas: *Major,* DSO (LG 26/08/1918) *MC Bvt Lt Col.* Became General Sir RC Wilson, KCB, CB, ADC General to the King 1940-41.

VC Captain Guy George Egerton Wyllly, Corps of Guides: *Major* DSO (LG 01/01/1918) *GSO2 Kohat Bgde.* Became Col., ADC to King 1926-33