

432 Daly Ave
Ottawa

12 Mar '47



Dear Mr Raddall

I have just read in the
supplement of the Star weekly
your story "Pride's Fancy"

I enjoyed the story and was
more interested in it because
I believe you are the son of
the late Lt Col Raddall,

I knew your father very well.
I first met him when he was
an instructor at Hvy the in 1908
and renewed my friendship
when he came out to Canada
and joined the R.C.R.

I still have a photograph of

Ans'd March 27/47

your father with you + your
brother as boys.

I often wondered what had
happened to your mother, you
+ your brother and picked up
a slight thread when I read
about you in some article a few
months ago.

I am very glad to know you
are flourishing

yours sincerely

H. T. Cook
Col
(R.C.R. ret)

the sea and East of the Dymchurch road it was all shingle.

Hythe is a delightful quaint old one street town with the residential part up the hill behind it and on the Sandgate road. Round the school area were a number of trees also along the Canal bank where it started.

The married quarters if my memory serves me rightly, where as shown on the sketch. I think they were small individual houses + not in a barrack block. There were all sorts of buildings + sheds in the school area which are not shown in the sketch.

Your father, as an instructor was humorous + intense, very keen and a rattling good shot. He got the best out of his students + was very patient. He was very smart in appearance and



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28 of July 1947

Dear Mr. Roddall

Since your letter of March last I've actually been thinking! It reminds me of Clemenceau speaking to Marshal Foch when he got command of the French Staff College "now Foch that you have got your heart's desire what do you intend to do?" to which Foch replied "I hope to be able to make at least a few officers think!"

Well I was at Hythe only on a course for a short time + not on the staff. However my memory visualizes a group of stone buildings South of Hythe at the bottom of the Downs. It was about $\frac{3}{4}$ mile from

like all good light Infantrymen moved at about
160 paces to the minute. I didn't see much of him in
Canada as he was sent to Ottawa and then west shortly
after he came to Canada while I was stationed
in Halifax. I saw him in 1913 when they ran
a machine gun course at Halifax. I never saw him
in France as he was in the 1 Div while I was
in the 3 Div. Col MacNahan (Royal Fusiliers) and
Col Keock (Kings Own) are two of the officers on the
staff I remember at Hythe.

I have looked through my scrapbooks to
find a photo of you, your brother + your
father but couldn't find it. However
I enclose a photo I took of your father
in 1908 also a school of musketry, playing
card which I thought you might like
to have

hook me up when you're in
Ottawa again

Yours sincerely
Harry Coak

Mortella Tower

English Channel

Sea wall



Shingle

Ranges

Ranges

grass

DYMEHURCH ROAD

grass

Assembly Hall

Stores

Picture Rooms

Stores

Student Qtrs

HQ

Mess

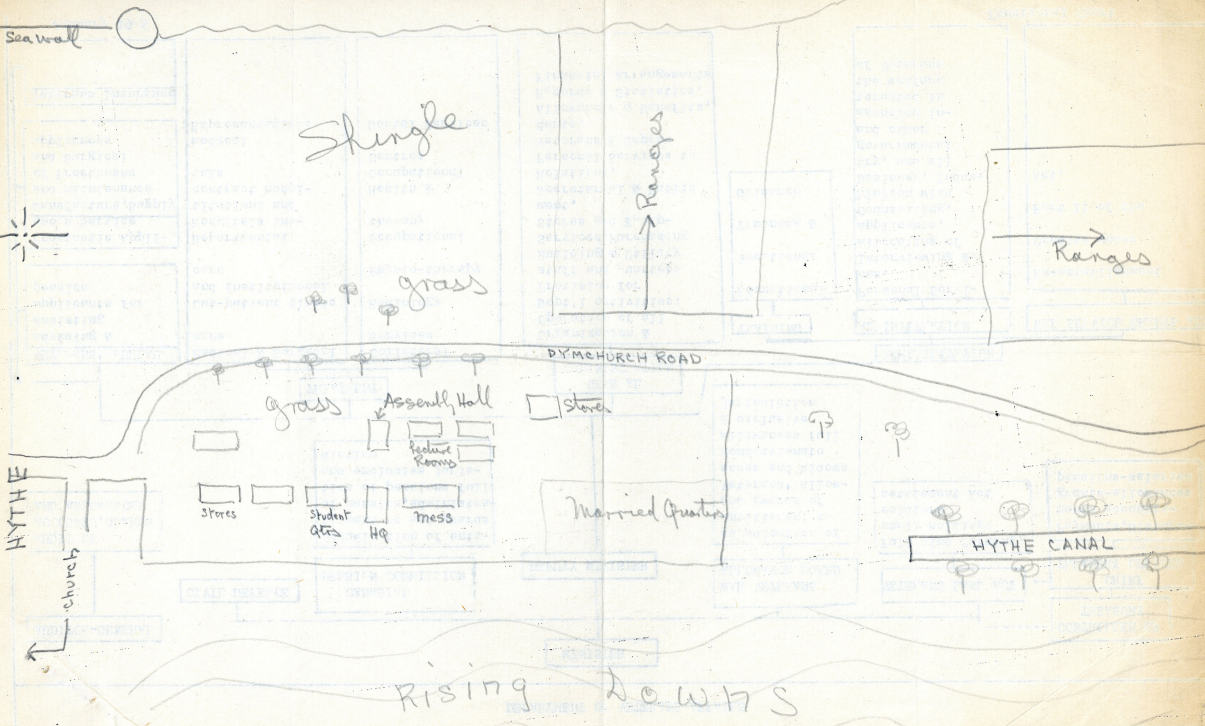
Married Quarters

HYTHE

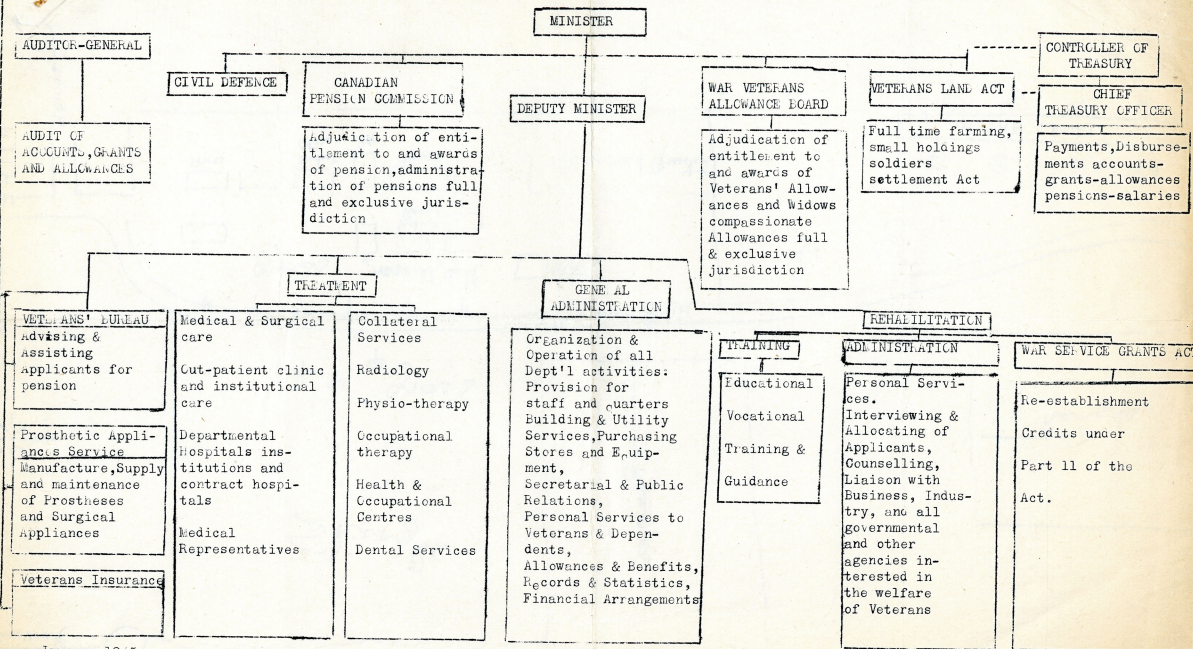
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Rising Downs



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