

THE SEARCHLIGHT TATTOO 1950

PAGEANTRY

by

1st Battalion The Royal Lincolnshire Regiment

MUSIC

By the band of the Royal Lincolnshire Regiment conducted by
Mr. WT. BROWN ARCM.

Entry : March Imperial Echoes
Skye Boat Song

Exit : Regimental Marches Maple Leaf
Royal Windsor
Lincolnshire Poacher

THE ROYAL LINCOLNSHIRE REGIMENT

(THE TENTH FOOT)

The Tenth Regiment of Foot was one of several raised in 1685 to suppress the Duke of Monmouth's Rebellion against James II.

The first Colonel was the Earl of Bath, and the Tenth was therefore known also as the Earl of Bath's Regiment. Their uniform consisted of single breasted blue coats with long full skirts-the Tenth were the only Regiment in the British Army to wear blue with red waistcoats, breeches and stockings.

The first Colours to be carried were "all of Yellow Ground, with the Red Cross of St. George", and from this came the nickname "the Yellow Bellies." Other nicknames of the Tenth Foot are "the Springers" and "the poachers." The former was gained for their quickness and mobility whilst fighting in the American War of Independence. The latter of course comes from the Regiments' famous march "The Lincolnshire poacher," which you will hear played this evening.

In 1782 the Regiment was "directed to take the County name of the Tenth or North Lincolnshire Regiment," and in 1881 it became known as "The Lincolnshire Regiment." In 1946 the Tenth became a Royal Regiment.

During the 265 years of their existence the Tenth Foot, or Royal Lincolnshire Regiment, have served and fought all over the world. They like to think that they have always acquitted themselves in accordance with the best traditions of the English County Regiment.