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BUILDING A BRIDGE.

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THE ROYAL ENGINEERS

The 35th Engineer Regiment RE is a very young unit, but the Corps to which it belongs has a distinguished history.

The Officers and men of the Corps of Royal Engineers, although soldiers with technical duties, are ready to take up their weapons and fight whenever necessary. This they have done on innumerable occasions in the past, and fifty Royal Engineers have won the Victoria Cross.

They have no colours and they need no Battle Honours, for in 1832, King William IV granted them the Latin mottoes, "Ubique" (Everywhere) and "Quo Fas Et Gloria Ducunt" (Where Right and Glory lead).

Indeed, Royal Engineers are found in every theatre of operations and on every battlefield; East and West, operating ports, canals and railways; making bridges, roads and airfields; building bases and installations; making maps; disposing of unexploded bombs; taking part in commando raids and airborne operations; foremost in advance, with armoured vehicle, mine detectors and bull-dozer; and last in withdrawal with mines and demolitions.

It is their duty to enable the Army to live, move and fight, and every man is proud to be a "Sapper".