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No. 84/40.

Secretary of State.

SUBJECT.

1940.

ORIGINAL FILE LOST IN TOWN HALL FIRE.

28th February.

IMPERIAL WAR MUSEUM EXHIBITS TO BE MADE  
AVAILABLE AT END OF PRESENT WAR.

Previous Paper.

MINUTES.

1. 3 p.m. to under S. of S. of 20.5.44.
2. 3 p.m. from under S. of S. of 30.6.44.
3. Telegram No. 19 from S. of S. of 17.7.46.
4. *see file 9/47* " 5 to " " 9.1.47
5. " " 38 from " " 12.5.47

Subsequent Paper.

FALKLAND ISLANDS.

The Colonial Secretary of the Falkland Islands presents his compliments to the Under Secretary of State for the Colonies and would be grateful if copies of the Circular despatches specified below could be forwarded to this Government to replace those destroyed in a recent fire.

GOVERNMENT HOUSE,  
STANLEY.  
20th May, 1944.

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Circular despatch 28. 2. 40. }  
Circular despatch 29.12. 43. } Imperial War Museum.

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The Under Secretary of State for the Colonies presents his compliments to the Colonial Secretary of the Falkland Islands, and with reference to the latter's note of the 20th May, 1944, transmits herewith copies of the undermentioned circular despatches as requested.

Circular despatch 28.2.40 } Imperial War Museum.  
Circular despatch 29.12.43 }



Colonial Office,  
Downing Street,  
S.W.1.  
30th June, 1944.

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CIRCULAR

Downing Street,

29th December, 1943.

Sir,

I have the honour to refer to Mr. MacDonald's circular despatch of the 28th February, 1940, forwarding a memorandum by the Board of Trustees of the Imperial War Museum regarding the collection of certain material in connection with the war effort of the Empire, and to enquire if it has been possible for you to make any arrangements in connection with the supply of material for the Museum, on the lines indicated in the memorandum.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your most obedient, humble servant,

OLIVER STANLEY

The Officer Administering  
the Government of

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CIRCULAR

Downing Street,

28th February, 1940.

Sir,

I have the honour to transmit to you a copy of a memorandum by the Board of Trustees of the Imperial War Museum who are anxious that timely steps may be taken to ensure that as complete a record as possible of the gifts and services of the Colonies, Protectorates and Mandated Territories, and their contributions to the war effort of the Empire, shall be available to the Museum at the end of the present war.

2. I shall be glad if you will consider to what extent it will be possible for you to co-operate in the supply of material for the Museum, on the lines indicated in the memorandum.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your most obedient, humble servant,

*Walton Mordaunt*

The Officer Administering  
the Government of

Enclosure in circular despatch dated 28th February, 1940

MEMORANDUM

The Government has decided that the Imperial War Museum, which was founded in March 1917 as a memorial of the effort and sacrifice made by the men and women of the Empire during the Great War of 1914-1918, and to provide a record and a place for the study of that period, should fulfil similar functions in regard to the present war.

In the years since its opening by H.M. King George V in 1920, the Museum has been of the greatest value to historians, authors, and journalists, and most popular and instructive to the very large numbers of the general public that have visited it.

The policy of the Museum has always been to avoid glorifying war but to bear witness to its true nature and to serve as a reminder of what war means in suffering and loss of life as well as in heroism and self-sacrifice.

Particular care has been taken to show how war affects ordinary folk who remain at home as well as to illustrate the weapons and experiences of those who serve in the Navy, Army, or Air Force.

The Trustees have been glad to keep before the notice of people in the Mother Country the gifts and services of the King's subjects overseas and have been able to do this chiefly as their appeal for assistance to each part of the Empire has been answered.

It is with this in mind that the Trustees hope that each Colony will organize a similar collection concerning the present war.

The object of such a collection should be the formation of a record of the gifts and services of the Colony and its contribution to the war effort of the Empire, and of the effect of the war on all aspects of life in the Colony.

A considerable part of the collection should consist of photographs or cinematograph films and of printed documents such as Ordinances, Orders-in-Council, Regulations, and Proclamations. Posters, leaflets, and even advertising material should find their place, as well as books, pamphlets, journals and newspapers, in the collection.

Other classes of material are:-

Statistics of enlistments, honours, casualties, and services of the combatant, and non-combatant forces.

Uniforms (either specimens or detailed and illustrated descriptions) and badges and buttons.

- X War stamps, including charity and war tax stamps.
- X War emergency currency.
- X Propaganda documents, stamps, and other material, both British and enemy.

X Recruiting posters, posters relating to charities, war restrictions and measures of all kinds.

X War relics and souvenirs illustrative of military and civilian action and activities.

Coupons and vouchers issued in connection with rationing.

X Maps and charts.

X Commemorative medals.

*Cap Barge*

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the Secretary of State for the Colonies.

To the Officer Administering the Government of FALKLAND ISLANDS.

17 JUL 1946

Date

No. 19 Saving.



With reference to Mr. MacDonald's circular despatch of the 28th February, 1940, and Colonel Stanley's circular despatch of the 29th December, 1943, I should be grateful to be informed whether it has been possible for you to collect any material for presentation to the Imperial War Museum. If so, it would be convenient if it might now be forwarded to me for onward transmission.

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SAVING TELEGRAM.

*From:* The Officer Administering the Government of the Falkland Islands.

*To:* The Secretary of State for the Colonies.

*Date:* 9th January, 1947.

No. 5. SAVING.

Red 3 Your Saving Telegram No. 12 of the 17th July, 1946.

Material for presentation to the Imperial War Museum.

I attach the following material:-

- (i) Copies of war-time legislation enacted in the Falkland Islands.
- (ii) Photographs of war-time activities in the Falkland Islands.

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LIST OF PHOTOGRAPHS OF WAR-TIME ACTIVITIES  
IN THE FALKLAND ISLANDS.

<u>Photograph</u> <u>No.</u>	<u>Description.</u>
1.	View of Falkland Camp taken from north side of Stanley Harbour.
2.	View of Harbour Camp on North side of Stanley Harbour.
3.	View of Force Headquarters, Falkland Camp.
4, 5, 6 & 7	His Excellency the Governor with Commander, Force 122 and Officers.
8.	His Excellency the Governor inspecting bren gun carrier.
9.	His Excellency the Governor taking a ride in bren gun carrier.
10 & 11.	Members of Force 122 hauling Radar Set up to position on Signal Hill, Mount Low.
12 & 13.	Pack of Beagles brought to the Colony with Force 122.
14, 15 & 16.	6-inch gun being hauled from Sapper Hill to Canopus Hut Battery by Force 122.
17.	Grand Parade of Force 122 held in January, 1944, prior to departure from Colony.
18 & 19.	His Excellency the Governor inspecting Grand Parade held in January, 1944.
20.	His Excellency the Governor addressing Grand Parade held in January, 1944.
21.	Grand Parade moving off from Government House Paddock at conclusion of Grand Parade.
22, 23 & 24.	His Excellency the Governor taking the Salute on the steps of Whale-bone Arch, in March-Past of Force 122 after Grand Parade.
25.	Colonel (now Brigadier) W. H. Hynes, Force Commander, Falkland Islands, inspecting Guard of Honour drawn from Falkland Islands Defence Force, on his departure from the Colony, 3rd February, 1944.
26.	Colonel (now Brigadier) W. H. Hynes, O.B.E., taking farewell of members of the General Public on his departure from the Colony.
27.	Colonel (now Brigadier) W. H. Hynes, O.B.E., moving off from Public Jetty after taking farewell of His Excellency the Governor (seen standing on Jetty platform)
28.	Force 122 bids farewell to Falkland Islands. M.F.A. "San Casto" transporting Force 122 from Stanley to transport anchored in Outer Harbour.
29 & 30.	Lieut.-Colonel A. E. Momber accompanies His Excellency the Governor in an inspection of Force 132.
31.	His Excellency the Governor takes Salute given by Force 132.
32, 33 & 34.	His Excellency the Governor talking to members of Services Football Teams composed of Royal Navy, Force 132 and the Falkland Islands Defence Force.

Photograph

<u>No.</u>	<u>Description.</u>
35.	His Excellency the Governor kicks-off in Services football match.
36.	Falkland Islands Defence Force volunteers for overseas service photographed with Officer Commanding and Adjutant, Falkland Islands Defence Force, prior to the departure of the volunteers from the Colony.
37, 38 & 39.	Views of Headquarters, Falkland Islands Defence Force Headquarters.
40.	His Excellency the Governor with Officers of the Falkland Islands Defence Force.
41.	Canopus 6-inch Battery carrying out full calibre practice.
42.	Charles Point Examination Battery carrying out practice.
43 & 44.	Landing stores and reliefs at isolated Defence Force Outposts.
45.	Hydrophone Operator on duty at Charles Point Examination Battery.
46.	View overlooking Falkland Islands Defence Force Examination Battery at Charles Point.
47.	View of 4-inch Battery and Searchlight position at Ordnance Point.
48.	View seawards from Lookout at Signal Hill, Mount Low.
49.	'Campers' arriving at mounted training centre.
50.	Falkland Islands Defence Force Mounties (campers) undergoing training.
51 & 52.	H. M. the King's Birthday Parade, 14th June, 1945.
53.	His Excellency the Governor inspecting Royal Naval detachment, King's Birthday, 1945.
54 & 55.	His Excellency the Governor inspecting Falkland Islands Defence Force, King's Birthday, 1945.
56.	His Excellency the Governor takes the Salute on Victory Green in March Past of Royal Naval detachment, King's Birthday, 1945.
57, 58, 59 & 60.	His Excellency the Governor takes the Salute on Victory Green in March Past of Falkland Islands Defence Force, King's Birthday, 1945.
61.	His Excellency the Governor takes the Salute on Victory Green in March Past of Civil Defence Services, King's Birthday, 1945.
62.	His Excellency the Governor inspecting Civil Defence Services, King's Birthday, 1945.

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From the Secretary of State for the Colonies.

To the Officer Administering the Government of..... FALKLAND ISLANDS.....

Date..... <sup>12</sup> May, 1947.

No. .... <sup>38</sup> Saving.

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Your saving telegram No. 5 of 9th January.

The Trustees of the Imperial War Museum desire me to convey to you their thanks for this useful material relating to the Colony of the Falkland Islands.

The trouble taken by all concerned in preparing and forwarding this interesting addition to their collection is much appreciated.

SECEP.