

in charge of a party who made a daring escape by motor boat from Hong Kong'.

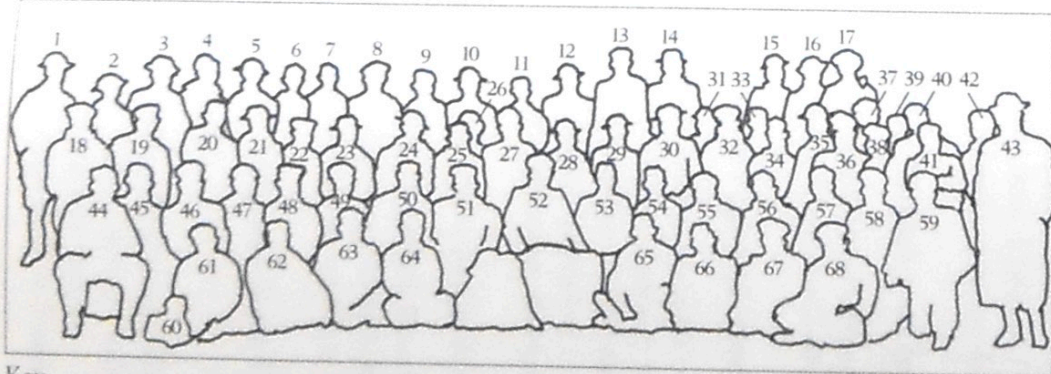
ALBERT 'PONY' MOORE, who had lifted spirits along the road to Waichow with his mouth organ, went back to his home town of Portsmouth to see his wife and two young daughters before returning to naval duty. He was soon seeing action in the Mediterranean, where he won a bravery award from the Greek government for his role in rescuing a merchant ship that had been hit by a German torpedo in rough seas. After the war, with an expanded family of four children, the Moores moved to North Wales, where Albert served as a lieutenant at the HMS *Conway* training school, teaching seamanship and signalling skills to cadets from the Royal and merchant navies. He retired to Leicester, where he joined the Corps of Commissionaires and worked in the front office of a printing firm. He remained fit,

lively and 'fond of a lark', dying at the age of eighty-five 'of a broken heart', a fortnight after his wife, Bertha.

MAX OXFORD stayed on in Chungking till 1944 as Britain's assistant air attaché. While there he met and married Audrey Watson, an embassy secretary who had made her own hazardous journey to China from London, where she worked for the SOE. Max was promoted to wing commander and was later awarded the OBE. In October 1945, he returned to Hong Kong, becoming deputy director of civil aviation. In 1951 he became head of civil aviation in Malaya, staying on through the country's independence six years later. On retirement to Devon, he enjoyed music, brewing beer, gardening and family life with Audrey and their two daughters—one of whom, Emma, is on the com-



The escape group in Waichow, where they were given a heroes' welcome at the end of their four-day march through Japanese lines.



Key

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| 1. Holger Christiansen | 15. Anthony McQueen | 29. Eric Purchase | 43. Albert 'Pony' Moore | 57. Freddie Guest |
| 2. John Pawley | 16. Charles Foster | 30. Albert Rutter | 44. Peter Macmillan | 58. Thomas Parsons |
| 3. Steve 'Buddy' Hide | 17. Fred Quixall | 31. Francis Penny | 45. William Robinson | 59. Alexander Kennedy |
| 4. Ted Ross | 18. Norman Halladay | 32. Charles Moore | 46. Max Oxford | 60. "Bruce" |
| 5. William Dyer | 19. Alan L. Marchant | 33. Jack Thorpe | 47. Arthur Pittendrigh | 61. Arthur Gee |
| 6. William Morley Wright | 20. Charles Skinner | 34. Les Barker | 48. Ron Ashby | 62. Fu (Chinese Army)* |
| 7. Eric Cox-Walker | 21. Kenneth Holmes | 35. William Schillemore | 49. C John Collingwood | 63. Au Yeung (?)* |
| 8. Robert Stonell | 22. Lewis Whatley | 36. Samuel Carr | 50. G Horace Gandy | 64. Yeung Chuen |
| 9. Gilbert Thums | 23. Raymond Brogden | 37. Harold Hill | 51. Hugh M Montague | 65. Hsu Heng 'Henry' |
| 10. Chris Meadows | 24. Ronald 'Jez' Priestley | 38. Edward Charlesen | 52. Chan Chak | 66. Tong (Chinese Army)* |
| 11. Edmund H Brazel | 25. Alexander Kelly | 39. Alfred Burrows | 53. Wang Dafu (Chinese Army)* | 67. David P Legge |
| 12. Leslie 'Lofty' Gurd | 26. A. Leonard Downey | 40. Leonard Rann | 54. Chen Qi (Chinese Army)* | 68. Tommy Brewer |
| 13. George Arnold | 27. John 'Jack' Holt | 41. Charles Deakin | 55. John Yorath | |
| 14. Robert Hempenstall | 28. Charles Evans | 42. Stephen Cavaghan | 56. Arthur Goring | |

*Members of welcome party—not on escape.

Note: The following six members of the escape party also reached Waichow but were absent from the group photo: Mike Kendall, David MacDougall, Colin McEwan, Douglas Pethick, John Prest and Monia Talan.