

Aerial view of Wollaton Park covered with snow.



Typical Wollaton Park street scene.



June 5, 1944 Ready to load for jump into Normandy

Walking to the Airfield at Folkingham





Part of F Company at Wollaton Park



Wollaton Park Guard Duty

Captain Malcolm Brannen





Market Square - Downtown Nottingham 1944



508 Troopers with the Council House Lions

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NOTTINGHAM TAKES TO BASEBALL

NOTTS. COUNTY football ground had one of its biggest attendances yesterday, when a baseball challenge match was played between the Red Devils and the Panthers, two American Army teams.

Few, there was no charge for admission, and not even a collection, but there could be no doubt about the big crowd's interest in the match. It is also true that most of those present had only a vague knowledge, if any at all, of the rules of the game. Many of them probably had quite wrong ideas about it.

But it was not in fact necessary to know much about this match to enjoy it. It was played with extraordinary vigour, and there was spectacular batting, some magnificent catches and many exciting moments when the ball was fielded and thrown in. The crowd was particularly pleased when an Englishman hit a ball right over the top of the grandstand on the other side of the field.

Red Devils Favoured

It probably appeared to Americans present at the match that the English spectators were not at all enthusiastic, but that was because they are not used to English crowds, and did not realise that the frequent and prolonged clapping over what appeared to be a bit of clever play was a most vigorous exhibition as compared with that shown at the average cricket match in England.

There was an unmistakable commentator who, by means of loud speakers, explained the game as it went on, and was extremely helpful, and at times very amusing. He invited people to send him written questions, and got several rather strange results.

The crowd, for some quite unknown reason, gave their favour to the Red Devils. The commentator, on the other hand, seemed to fancy the chances of the Panthers, and the crowd enjoyed itself by showing it backed the Red Devils.

The result was a big win for the crowd's favourites. They won by 18 to nil (or zero, as the commentator had it).

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Nottingham ladies - May 1944



Ralph Busson - H Company in his tent home.



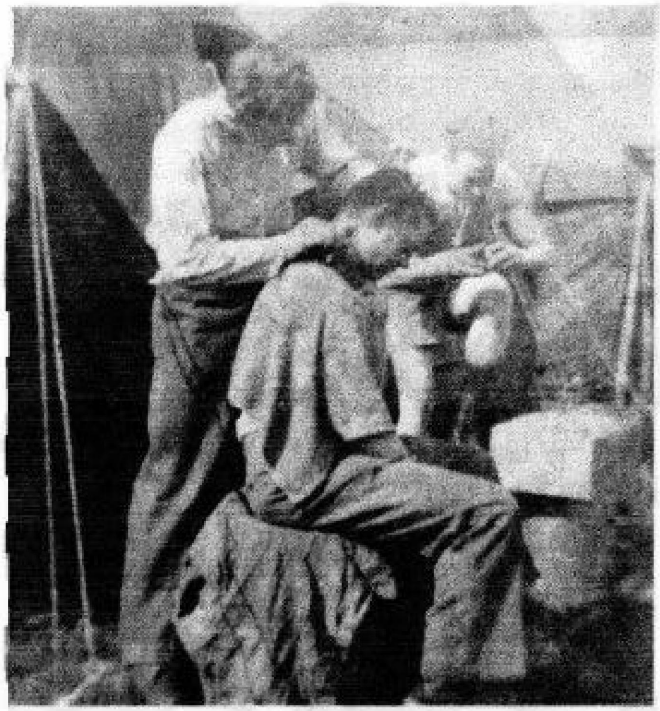


Wollaton Park residents 1944


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G. I. Barber Shop



Don Jakeway - H Company - Lean and Mean

E Company Troopers at the Cheese Factory, Chef du Pont June 1944.





Wollaton Park Guard Duty.



Coffee & Donuts at Folkingham airstrip just before Normandy



Lord Mayor presenting Nottingham lace to the 508 band





Ready for action Trooper at Wollaton Park.

Red from F Company - Wollaton Park.



Ready to load for the Jump into Normandy