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R.N.V.R. JUBILEE.

15/6/54.

Her Majesty the Queen, with the Duke of Edinburgh, attended the first review ever held by the R.N.V.R. when that magnificent body celebrated its Golden Jubilee on the Horse Guards Parade. And --- in a rainy season --- this beat everything.

During Her Majesty's speech, the rain continued its incessant patter.

Then --- the parade marched past... triumphing over the weather conditions as ~~they~~ always; as when --- volunteers and amateur sailors --- they supplied four-fifths of the Navy's officers in the Second World War.