

INSTALLATION OF THE 12th YANG DI-PERTUAN AGONG

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A colourful public life

THE 12th Yang di-Pertuan Agong, Tuanku Syed Sirajuddin ibni Al-Marhum Tuanku Syed Putra Jamalullail was installed as the Raja of Perlis on April 17th, 2000.

Tuanku Syed Sirajuddin, who was born in Arau, Perlis on May 17, 1943, received his early education at the Arau Malay School. He continued with his English primary education at the Wellesley Primary School and then at the Westland Primary School, both in Penang,



Queen with the people at heart

THE Raja Permaisuri Agong, Tuanku Fauziah binti Tengku Abdul Rashid was born on June 6, 1946.

She studied at the Zainab English School in Kota Baru, Kelantan until 1963. While in school, Tuanku Fauziah was active in sports, including netball, tennis and rounders.

And as a lover of the arts, she often took part in plays with her friends. Her other interests include interior design, cooking, sewing and voluntary work.

Tuanku Fauziah married Tuanku Syed Sirajuddin on Feb 15, 1967. She delivered their first child, Syed Faizuddin Putra on Dec 30, 1967 at the Hospital Besar, Alor Star.

The royal couple is also blessed with a princess, Sharifah Fazira, who was born at the Hospital Besar in Kangar on June 5, 1973.

Tuanku Fauziah was instrumental in organising the "Rayuan Binaan Wisma Pahlawan Negeri Perlis" on April 1, 1970.

She was also active in other organisations and societies in Perlis. Her Majesty was the president of the Perlis Girl Guides Association, vice-president of Taman Asuhan Darul Farah Tengku Hajjah Budriah Perlis and the chairperson of the Perlis Muslim Women's Welfare Board.

She is currently the patron of the Malaysian Girl Guides Association.

until 1955.

His Majesty had his secondary education at the Penang Free School before proceeding to England, where he completed his formal education in 1963 at the Wellingborough Public School.

On Oct 30, 1960, he was installed as the Raja Muda of Perlis, while he was still schooling.

Tuanku Syed Sirajuddin underwent officer cadet's training at the Royal Military Academy in Sandhurst, England from January 1964 to December 1965.

Upon completing his training at Sandhurst, His Majesty returned home and joined the Defence Ministry.

He served as a Second Lieutenant in the 2nd Regiment of the Malaysian Reconnaissance Corps from Dec 12, 1965, served in Sabah in 1966 and in Sarawak in 1967 and then transferred to Pahang until his resignation on Dec 31, 1969 to concentrate on Perlis state affairs.

On Feb 15, 1967, he married Tuanku Fauziah binti Tengku Abdul Rashid, who was bestowed with the title Raja Puan Muda Perlis.

In 1970, His Majesty served in the army again, being appointed as Captain of the Local Territorial Army, where he served from November of that year to October 1972.

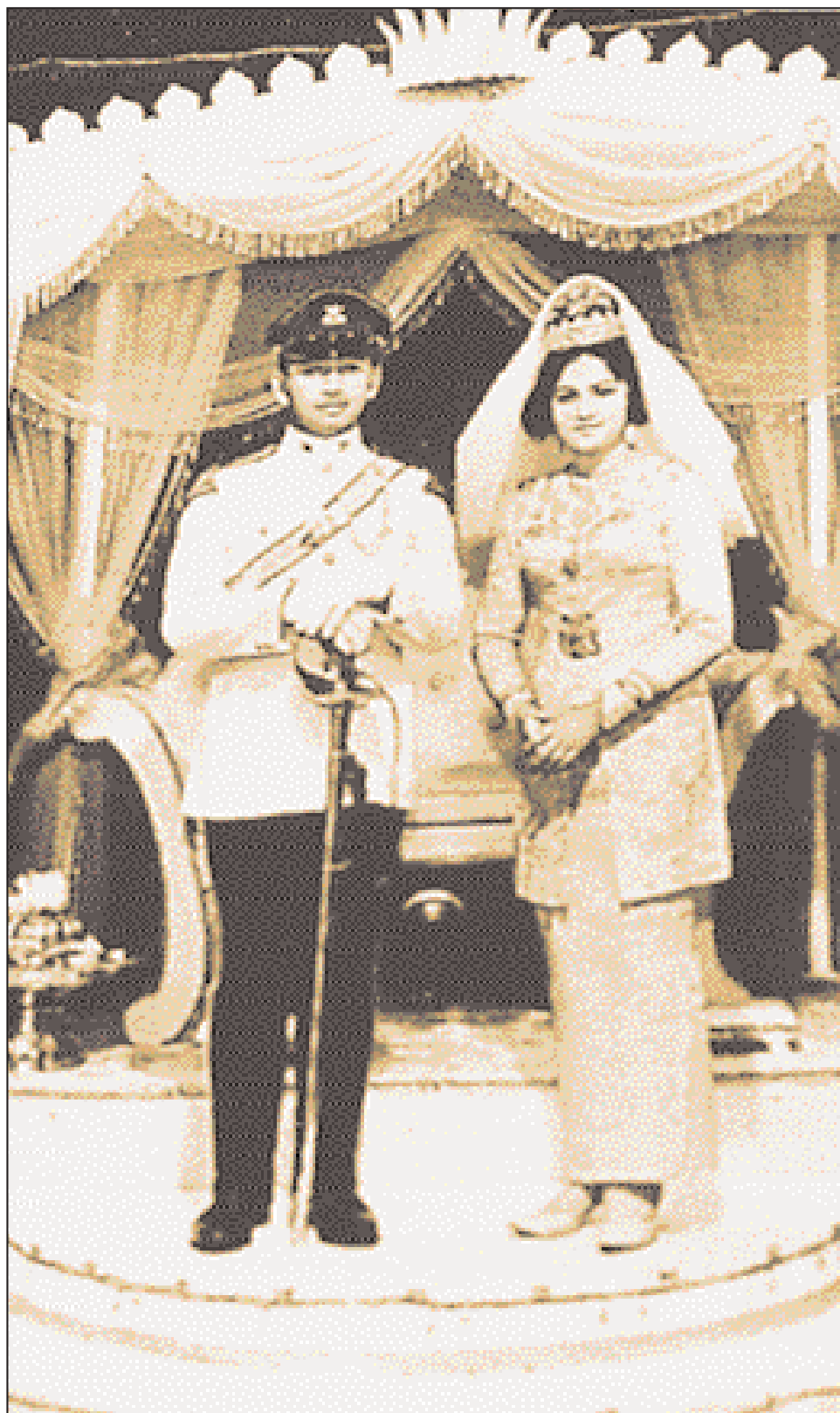
He also served as the Commanding Officer of Regiment 504 of the Army Reserve Unit with the rank of Colonel and was appointed Colonel-in-Chief of the Malaysian Rangers on Sept 19, 2000.

With his appointment as the 12th Yang di-Pertuan Agong, His Majesty is now the Supreme Commander of the Malaysian Armed Forces.

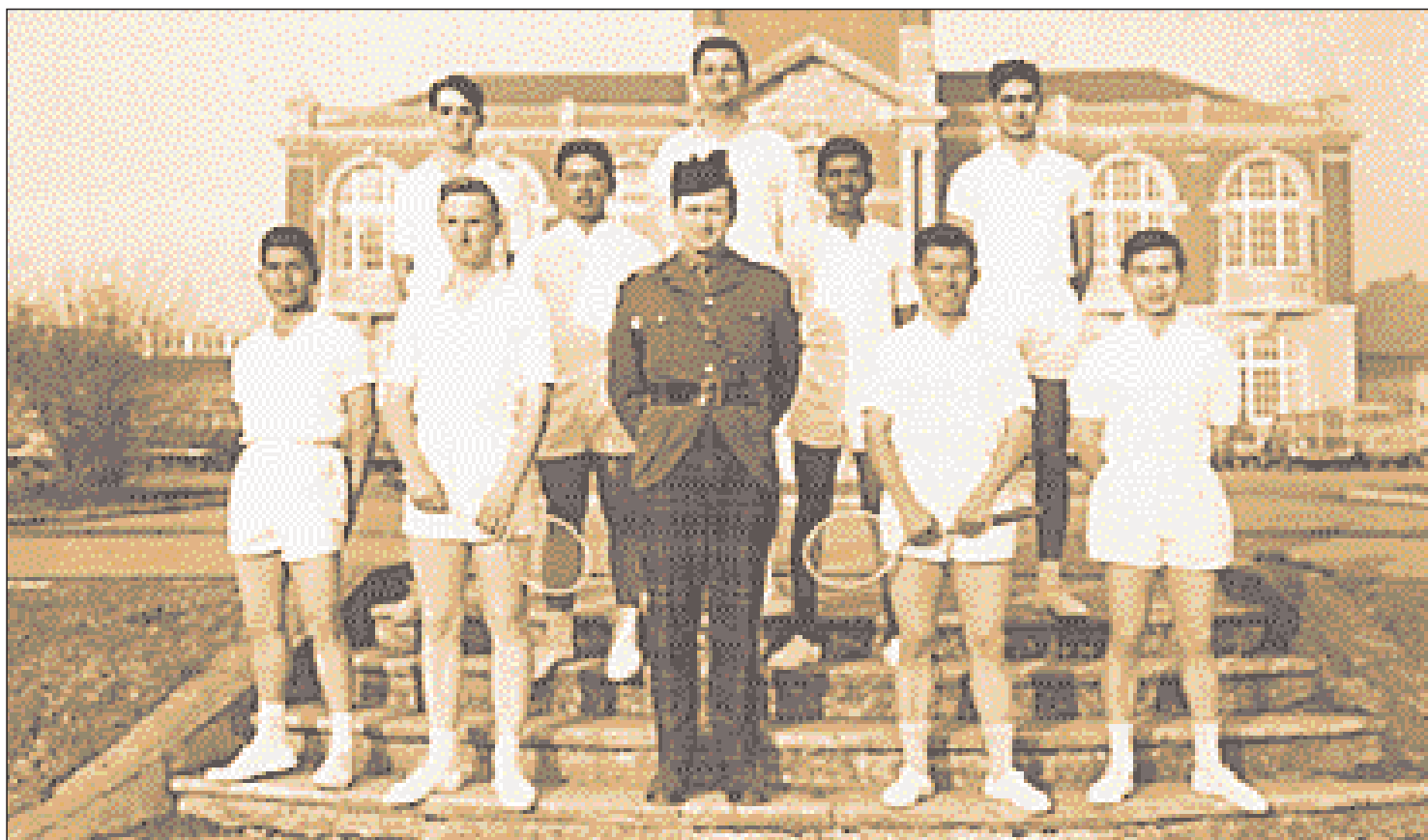
Tuanku Syed Sirajuddin is renowned for his dedication towards his people and also takes great interest in the field of education.

In 1986, he was installed as the Chairman of the Tuanku Syed Putra Foundation, an organisation formed to assist students in institutions of higher learning, both at home and abroad.

His Majesty has been the Chancellor of Universiti Sains Malaysia (USM) since April 17, 2000 and is also the Chancellor of Universiti Teknologi Mara (UiTM).



Tuanku Syed Sirajuddin and Tuanku Fauziah on their wedding day on Feb 15, 1967.



KEEN SPORTSMAN... The King (standing left second row) represented the Royal Military Academy in Sandhurst in the 1964 Winter Badminton Tournament.