

Carbineers to pay respects

COLONEL IS 100 THIS MONTH

POt. J. W. V. MONTGOMERY, CMG, BSO, VD, who joined the Natal Carbineers in 1888 and served with them in three major campaigns, will be 100 years old on May 18.

Colonel Montgomery, an honorary colonel in the Carbineers, was born in Brandford, Canada, on May 18, 1867. He was educated at Hilton College in Natal and at Repton in England. He served with the Natal, Carbineers in the South African War, the Native Rebellion of 1906 and the First World War. Colonel Montgomery also founded and commanded the 10th S.A. Infantry, which saw service in East Africa during the First World War.

He was awarded the DSO and the CMG for his part in the First World War.

His Son

After his retirement he farmed at Ismont in niid-Ilovo for a number of years. After the Second World War he moved to Pietermaritzburg, and a few years ago he came to Durban to live with his son, Mr. Nixon Montgomery.

Colonel Montgomery has always shown a keen interest in the affairs of the Natal Carbineers and last year he attended the Carbineers' presentation of the colour ceremony.

On May 18, the colonel's 100th birthday, Cmdt. Roy Foster, officer commanding the Natal Carbineers, and a party of officers and other ranks will call on Colonel Montgomery to pay their respects. |