

Moosomin, Castlegar, Kimberly and Carlyle. In 1954 he was posted back to Regina, and in 1955 to the Crime Detection Laboratory in Regina, where he was promoted corporal on May 1, 1959. He was promoted sergeant on May 1, 1962, and on November 1, 1966, while stationed at Vancouver, he was promoted staff sergeant. He retired to pension on February 23, 1974.

12903, ex-Cst. Roy Burke Ells, 64, died February 22, 1979, at San Diego, California. Born May 15, 1914, at Rosetown, Saskatchewan, he served in the Force as a reserve constable from July 1, 1937, until September 1 of that year when he engaged as a regular member at Regina. Following recruit training at Depot Division, he was posted to "N" Division, Rockcliffe, for dog training duty, then to Moncton in "J" Division. Subsequent transfers took him to Vancouver in "E" Division, and Westaskiwin Detachment in "K" Division. He purchased his discharge on February 14, 1949.

8329, ex-Cpl. Harold Foster Hammond, 77, died August 2, 1979, at Victoria, B.C. He was born August 4, 1901, at Oxbow, Saskatchewan, and joined the RNRWP on July 15, 1919, at Regina. Following training he was posted to Macleod, Alta., in "M" Division, remaining until May 1, 1921, when he left the Force to join the Alberta Provincial Police. When the A.P.P. was absorbed by the Force on April 1, 1932, Hammond re-joined, serving at Trochu, Canmore, Calgary, and "A" Division, Ottawa. On November 16, 1939, he transferred to the RCMP No. 1 Provost Co., serving in England and Scotland until the end of the war, when he was posted back to "A" Division. He was promoted corporal on November 1, 1945, and retired to pension on August 8, 1950.

13218, ex-S/S/M William James Phair, 63, died August 20, 1979, at Ottawa. He was born May 29, 1916, at Lisnaskea, Ireland, and joined the RCMP as a

reserve constable on November 1, 1938, at Toronto. On October 26, 1939, he became a regular member, and following training at Depot Division was posted to Dauphin, Manitoba, in "D" Division. Subsequent transfers took him to Morden, Winnipeg, and Ottawa in "A" Division. In 1952 he transferred to Fredericton in "J" Division, then to HQ Ottawa, in 1953. He was promoted corporal on June 1, 1947, sergeant on November 1, 1952, and staff sergeant on May 1, 1955. On June 1, 1961, he was promoted staff sergeant-major, and retired to pension on April 30, 1962.

10992, ex-Cst. Clifford Graham, 74, died July 10, 1979, at Kelowna, B.C. He was born January 14, 1905, at Grangeville, Ontario, and joined the Force on August 21, 1931, at Regina. Following training at Depot and "D" Divisions, he was posted to "O" Division, where he served at Toronto, Niagara Falls, Sudbury and Cobourg. He left the Force on July 28, 1936.

12063, ex-Cpl. Gordon Cameron Ridge, 67, died September 28, 1978, at Calgary, Alberta. He was born August 8, 1911, at Winnipeg, Manitoba, and joined the RCMP on October 30, 1933, at Winnipeg. Following recruit training at Depot, he was posted to "K" Division where he served at such places as Edmonton, Lac La Biche, Evansburg, Calgary, Turner Valley and Bassano. He was promoted corporal on November 1, 1947, and retired to pension on February 28, 1959.

16348, ex-Sgt. Nels Christian Bergulf Nelson, 67, died July 19, 1979, at New Westminster, B.C. Born September 27, 1911, at New Westminster, he joined the British Columbia Provincial Police on July 23, 1938, serving with that police force until it was absorbed by the RCMP on August 15, 1950. During his career with the Force he was posted to Burnaby, Powell River, Creston and Nanaimo, being promoted corporal on May 1, 1952, and sergeant on May 1,