

I made the necessary enquiries to determine the accuracy of the circumstances, and sadly, they were correct. Other than small savings and the little island house, there was absolutely nothing else other than welfare money on which to exist. It was established that the widow would be fine for a while, but would be in dire straits if she had to spend all her savings. She hoped to remain in the small house and was quite capable of looking after herself.

The documents were completed and returned to Ottawa. Arrangements were made with the local police to look in on her from time to time. Before leaving, I gave her my office and home telephone numbers should she require any further assistance.

The decision was taken to provide the widow with a monthly sum to provide her with financial security and allow her to remain in the little house. The amount is nowhere near what her husband received, but it is adequate and will be reassessed from time to time.

The local police were impressed by the RCMP's interest in the dependent of a member that had left so long ago. It was indeed gratifying to witness the caring attitude displayed by the Force and, in particular, the Veterans' Association. The financial solution to the problem was important, but even more significant was the fact that the lady was not alone. There are many caring members and former members of the Force who still have other people's interests at heart. ■

The *Regimental March* Returns to the Academy

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How many members recall thundering drums, melodies on the *glockenspiel* and the bugle call during the Sergeant Major's Parade?

seen many recruits, most of them first-time musicians, rise to the challenge of joining the Band, to provide musical accompaniment during the noon parade and the Sunset Ceremony during the summer.

In the last 30 years, the RCMP Training Academy Drum and Bugle Band has

A new page in the history of the Academy was written on January 25,