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PRESENTS THIS

FIRE PREVENTION AWARD

TO

**R.C.M.P. "Depot" Division
Regina**



IN RECOGNITION OF PLACING SEVENTEENTH
GOVERNMENT OF CANADA SECTION, GOVERNMENT DIVISION,
NATIONAL FIRE PROTECTION ASSOCIATION (INTERNATIONAL)
ANNUAL FIRE PREVENTION CONTEST

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Fire Prevention Award Won by "Depot" Division

An entry submitted by "Depot" Division in the Canadian Fire Prevention Contest, 1958, Government Division, sponsored by the National Fire Protection Association (International), brought signal honor to the division recently, with the announcement that a "Certificate of Award" had been won. The Regina entry was adjudged 17th in its division.

In announcing the award, the Dominion Fire Commissioner congratulated the division on the showing made, and was highly complimentary to fire prevention activities carried out at "Depot". This is the first time that such an award has been received by the Force.

On May 6, 1959, the Award, suitably framed, was presented to Cpl. E. H. J. Gray, the Division Fire Chief, by Supt. H. A. Maxted, Officer Commanding "Depot" Division.

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The efforts of two local citizens and a member of the Force were suitably recognized by the St. John's Ambulance Association at Powell River, B.C., on Feb. 20, 1959. An Association Gold Certificate was presented to Mr. Orris Watson and Silver Awards were presented to Mrs. Watson and Cst. R. R. Spray, by Mr. Emmot, the B.C. Provincial Executive Director of the St. John's Ambulance Association, during the annual Good Citizens Banquet.

The awards were made as the result of the heroic actions of Mr. and Mrs. Watson and Constable Spray on Christmas Day 1956, at Ruby Lake, near Powell River. A small English car ahead of Mr. Watson left the highway and plunged into Ruby Lake, settling in about eight feet of water. Constable Spray was following Mr. Watson's vehicle and upon his arrival at the scene Mr. Watson dove in the lake and managed to rescue the driver. Then Mr. Watson and Constable Spray both dove in and recovered the bodies of the two passengers.

Mr. and Mrs. Watson applied artificial respiration to one of the victims, while the Policeman started similar action on the other. After an hour and ten minutes both victims were declared dead. The immediate action of Mr. Watson and Constable Spray saved the life of the driver, but unfortunately they were unable to revive the passengers.

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On the occasion of Asst. Commr. C. N. K. Kirk's inspection of Prince Albert Sub-Division on March 16, Cpl. A. R. Nelson of Blaine Lake Detachment was presented with a St. John's Ambulance Meritorious Certificate award by Assistant Commissioner Kirk, for his initiative and perseverance in the administering "mouth to mouth" resuscitation to four-year-old Stephen Wawryk on Aug. 5, 1958 at Blaine Lake, Sask., when little Stephen became unconscious and breathing could not be distinguished, from the effects of drinking "home brew" he had found.

