Regimental No. 6352—Corporal Michael Moriarty

On April 26th last, Corporal M. Moriarty was shot to death by a farmer named Knox who resided in the Drumheller district.

It appears that on April 17th, the Bailiff from Drumheller endeavoured to serve an eviction notice on Knox. The latter ordered the Bailiff off the premises at the point of a gun. An April 23rd, the Bailiff laid a charge against Knox for pointing firearms.

On April 26th, Corporal Moriarty and Constable Allen patrolled to Knox's farm to serve a Summons on the farmer in connection with this charge. On arrival, Corporal Moriarty got out of the car to open the farm gate. Constable Allen drove through and Corporal Moriarty was about to close the gate, he having his back to the farmhouse, when Knox fired. The bullet passed through the body and caused instant death.

Constable Allen, although slightly wounded, endeavoured to recover the body but was unsuccessful, being repulsed by continuous fire from the assailant. He accordingly proceeded to the nearest telephone and called for assistance. Knox was finally surrounded by a posse of Police and civilians when he ended his own life.

The late Corporal Moriarty was born at Castle Gregory, County Kerry, Ireland, on October 11th, 1886. At the age of eighteen, he joined the City of Glasgow Police serving with that Force for three years, later joining the Metropolitan Police where he served for eighteen months. On October 20th, 1914, Corporal Moriarty joined the R. N. W. M. Police at Regina, and upon completion of his training was stationed at Imperial, Saskatchewan.

On October 19th, 1917, he took his discharge from the Force and joined the Saskatchewan Provincial Police, serving with that Force until 1918 when he joined the Alberta Provincial Police and rejoined the R. C. M. Police upon the amalgamation of the two Forces in Alberta on April 1st, 1932.

Interment was made in the Holy Cross Cemetery at Lackawanna, Buffalo, N.Y., on May 6th. An escort consisting of one N.C.O. and three constables from "O" Division accompanied the body, and represented the Force at the funeral services.

Regimental No. 103-Ex-Constable T. Smith

Word has just been received of the death of ex-Constable Thomas Smith at Dawson City, Y.T., on July 18th, 1934.

Smith engaged in the North West Mounted Police at Fort Walsh on June 17th, 1878. He later served at Qu'Appelle, from which point he took his discharge on July 23rd, 1881. Later he removed to the Yukon, where he resided until his death.

Interment was at the R. C. M. Police Cemetery, Dawson, Y.T., members of the Force acting as Pallbearers.