

birds were won by members of the local staff, and hot coffee and doughnuts were served at the conclusion of the evening. Pistol and rifle teams from Sydney, Truro, and Halifax are diligently practising their skills in order to make a good showing in Inter-Divisional and DCRA indoor matches. The Halifax club has two teams entered in the Halifax Garrison Indoor Rifle League and both have given a good account of themselves thus far.

Social "Smokers" were held at Thornvale Barracks, Halifax, on Nov. 28, 1958 and Jan. 30, 1959, and on February 12 a social evening was sponsored by our Rifle and Revolver Club.

"J" Division (Headquarters—Fredericton, N.B.)

Births To Reg. No. 13143 S/Sgt. and Mrs. J. R. Fraser, at Saint John, N.B., a daughter, Jean Carolyn on Nov. 26, 1958.

To Reg. No. 17189 Cst. and Mrs. M. F. Barrie, at Fredericton, N.B., a son, Murray Francis, on Dec. 21, 1958.

To Reg. No. 17720 Cst. and Mrs. R. E. Mac-Monagle, at Saint John, N.B., a daughter, Joanne Marjorie, on Dec. 29, 1958.

Departures The division extends best wishes to the following on their departures: Cst. A. G. Leslie to "HQ" Division; Cst. R. V. Spencer to "Air" Division and Cst. L. M. Keeping to "G" Division.

Arrivals We welcome the following members who have recently been posted to this division: Cst. J. G. E. Deslauriers from "H" Division; Cst. J. N. G. R. Marcoux from "F" Division; Cst. J. R. Tims from "N" Division, and Cst. G. H. Gilfroy from "A" Division.

Social Approximately 85 children accompanied by their parents were at the annual Christmas Tree party held in the gym on December 20. The program got underway with colored cartoon films followed by a visit by Santa Claus. Ice cream, sandwiches and treats were served as soon as all the gifts were distributed. The party was a success due to

Children's Christmas parties were held at Thornvale Barracks and at Sydney Sub-Division on Dec. 20, 1958. The latter was held in St. George's Anglican Church Hall. Santa Claus received a warm welcome at both functions and he distributed appropriate gifts to all children present.

On New Year's Eve a formal ball was convened at Thornvale Barracks. Eighty-one couples attended and participated in dancing to music provided by Sim Hall's orchestra. The hall was appropriately decorated and an enjoyable program was followed by an appetizing lunch.

the well-timed program handled by members of the committee, the party being concluded in two hours.

The New Year's Dance held in the gym was again a social high point of the year. Dancing was from 9 to 2, the music being supplied by a local band. Lt.-Governor O'Brien, his Aide-de-Camp Lt.-Colonel Barker, Premier Hugh John Flemming, together with the Officer Commanding received the members and their guests. A full course hot chicken dinner was served and catered by the division mess staff. The hall was tastefully decorated and numerous prizes and novelties were distributed.

A 25-watt Heathkit Amplifier has now been built, two additional loudspeakers obtained, a new microphone, a 45 r.p.m. record player and records have been purchased. This equipment is to be used at future socials and has already been utilized for ice skating on the outdoor rink in the evenings.

Annual Mess Dinner Sponsored by the single members of the division mess, a successful annual mess dinner was held in the gym on December 18. Honored guests included Premier Hugh John Flemming; Attorney-General R. G. L. Fairweather; Dr. J. A. M. Bell; Deputy Commr. J. D. Bird (Rtd.); Asst. Commr. D. L. McGibbon (Rtd.); Mag. Lloyd B. Smith; Chief Bryce Neely, Fredericton City Police; and Staff Sergeant Johnson, N.B. Sergeants' Mess. Dr. Bell proposed the toast to the Force which was replied to by Superintendent Bingham, O.C. "J" Division. Ex-Cst. Eric Holmden donated his oil painting of Police Horse "Laddie" which was presented to



New Sergeants' Mess at "J" Division—small, but neat and welcome!