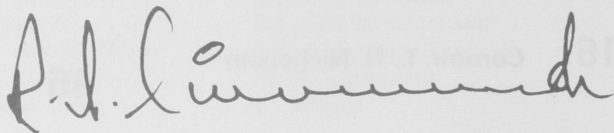


From the Office of the Commissioner

As the RCMP Quarterly celebrates its golden anniversary, the Force also marks its 110th year of policing in Canada. Such milestones cannot help but remind us of our past, the difficulties encountered and the accomplishments made; comrades that have come and gone, and the consistency of our viable traditions.

Most of these are, and have been, presented in the Quarterly magazine. It has carried not only the traditions and history of the Force to its subscribers, but also present-day occurrences and activities of RCMP members to an increasing readership of private citizens. The RCMP has been fortunate, and indeed grateful, for the constant faith of the public over the years.

Let me take this opportunity to thank the staff of the Quarterly, both present and past, and all Quarterly subscribers and contributors, be you members of the RCMP, ex-members, or civilians, for your continued support of the magazine. It is my earnest hope that the Quarterly, and the Force, will accomplish all their goals and responsibilities in the years to come as we have done our best to do since our beginnings.

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read 'R. H. Simmonds', written in a cursive style.

*R. H. Simmonds
Commissioner*