

I always get a great thrill whenever I see them on parade or swaggering down the street."

Major Bagley's life was rich in service, generosity and tolerance.

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The continuing paper shortage and printers' problems have reacted unfavourably on the *Quarterly* and delayed publication to such an extent that the editorial committee decided to combine the October, 1945, and January, 1946, issues.

**On Being Late** Though larger than its two predecessors this issue is being treated as only one and accordingly all subscriptions have been extended to include an additional copy—in other words a subscription which ordinarily would have expired in January, 1946, now will not expire until April, 1946.

As doubtless our readers are aware, most publishers during the present readjustment period from the war just ended are confronted with many difficulties imposed by conditions beyond their control. In the case of publishers, like ourselves, who sustained a break in the continuity of their production and who resumed publication in these unsettled times the difficulties are accentuated.

The Mounted Police has an interesting story to tell every three months which we think you will not want to miss. Letters to the editor assure us that our subscribers sympathize with us in our predicament and are glad to make allowances for unavoidable delays; we, for our part, wish to make it clear that no effort is being spared to have the *Quarterly* reach you on schedule.

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Though the R.C.M.P. official archives contain many old photographs of historical interest there are, we regret to announce, lacunae which leave much to be desired. From time to time pictures of this nature have been received for the record

**Wanted—Photos** but we feel sure there must be many others we do not have. Past kindness of donors prompts us to invite ex-members and old-timers of the Force, also any of our readers, who have in their possession historical photographs of general interest regarding any phase of Mounted Police activity since the inception of the N.W.M.P., to send them to us so that we can have copies made and kept on file against the time of their possible use.

A brief description including the names of persons and places shown should accompany each photo which should be addressed to: The Commissioner, Royal Canadian Mounted Police, Ottawa, Ont.—Attention Officer in charge, Identification Branch.

Appreciating that very often such photographs have great sentimental as well as intrinsic value, the *Quarterly* wishes to give assurance that all photographs received will be carefully handled and restored to their owners in an unchanged condition as soon as copies have been made. Now that there is a lifting of war-time production restrictions the *Quarterly* intends to carry more pictures and due credit will, of course, be given to the owner of every picture used which has been submitted in response to this appeal.

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Through the gate shown on our front cover have passed hundreds of members of the Force. It is the South Gate of Regina barracks, which accommodate the headquarters of "Depot" and "F" Divisions, and though possibly it is not as

**This Issue's Cover** well known or as often spoken of as its big counterpart, the North Gate, it spans a road that historically is more significant. In leaving the barracks by this south portal one must pass the R.C.M.P. guard-room which stands on the site formerly occupied by the old guard-room when headquarters of the Force was at Regina, 1882-1920. Many prisoners remorsefully gazed through the bars in the cells of those days and more than a few criminal cases terminated there; most notable of these latter was that of Louis Joseph Riel, leader of the North-west Rebellion, who was hanged at the barracks on Nov. 16, 1885.

The gate was designed by Reg. No. 12511, Cpl. J. C. Coughlin, and the iron work wrought and the complete structure erected in the summer of 1939 by Depot Division artisans headed by Reg. No. 10870, Cpl. S. E. Jenks.