# **Editor's Notes**

**TROOP REUNION** A ten-year reunion of Troops 20 and 21, 1975/76, (Year of the Co-eds) and their instructors is planned with a possible date of April 18-20, 1986. Anyone interested in attending should contact one of the following:

#### Troop 20:

Cst. L.M. (Lois) Dudgeon 4145 François Boulet Cap — Rouge, Québec G1Y 2K8

418-653-8889 (Res.) 418-648-3789 (Bus.) CPIC ORI: PQ15002

Troop 21: Cst. L. (Lorna) McEwan 86 Vanier Dr. Chatham, Ontario N7L 2T2 519-354-7759 (Res.) 519-354-1630 (Bus.) CPIC ORI: ON10007

**SMOKY LAKE BALL** The Smoky Lake, Alberta, Detachment of the RCMP is pleased to announce that a regimental ball will be held on June 14, 1986. Members and ex-members previously stationed at Smoky Lake should contact the Smoky Lake office in order that a formal invitation can be issued:

Smoky Lake Detachment Box 239 Smoky Lake, Alberta T0A 3C0 CPIC ORI: AB10073

## Letters to the Editor

### **BAND IN ITALY — A HIT**

### Dear Editor,

I saw the publicity banners announcing the arrival in Trento of the band of the Canadian Red Coats. My first thoughts were of my youth when every week I would run to the newspaper stand to buy the comic book which contained stories of the adventures and generosity of this Canadian corps. In my fantasy the Red Coats had always seemed to me to be a typical example of the strong defending the weak. Also to my child's mind anyone who belonged to the Red Coats was able to live in the middle of the boundless Canadian forests where one came across ferocious animals and could meet Indians.

In fact as soon as I found out that the Band of the Red Coats was coming to Trento I immediately decided to go and see these men who even today were still able to rekindle the fascination of my youth.

On Saturday the 2nd of May I rushed to the Modena Theatre in Trento and there saw for myself the uniform which had inspired so many of my fantasies. In fact when my arm brushed against one of these Red Coats, I was overcome with emotion.

When the emotion of this first meeting was over, I sat down in the hall to listen to the concert; a concert which

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