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Our cover picture on this issue shows Commissioner Nicholson-attended by Supt. C. N. K. Kirk, O.C. "N" Division and S/Sgt. C. W. Anderson, Riding Instructor-inspecting the Musical Ride which left Ottawa a few days ago for Portland. Ore., Los Angeles and San Francisco, Cal. Previous appearances were at Ottawa, Belleville and the Toronto Exhibition and the "Ride" will wind up its tour at the latter city with a week at the Royal Winter Fair.

After several months of intensive training the Musical Ride's enthusiastic reception by Canadian audiences augurs well for the success of the displays to be put on in the American cities. In a future issue *The Quarterly* hopes to record some of the highlights of the mounted squad's visit to the United States.

A little over a month ago the RCMP Band (Ottawa) concluded a tour of Canada's Eastern Provinces. Travelling more than 5,000 miles in 29 days by bus and aircraft, the Band played a total of 60 engagements at various points in Quebec, New Brunswick, Nova Scotia, Prince Edward Island and Newfoundland. Judging by the reception accorded the musicians everywhere, the tour was a distinct success.

It had been hoped to include an article on the Band Tour in this issue of *The Quarterly*, but the demands of deadlines necessitated holding the story until later.