

## Review of Other Police Journals

### *"The Outpost"*

"The Outpost", the regimental magazine of the British South African Police, is making great strides as a monthly publication and the issues for January, February and March contain many articles of interest.

The March issue remarks editorially that "The Outpost" was first published twenty-five years ago and has remained in existence ever since under varied changes in name. It commends its contributors for their public support and it is agreed that the "amateur spirit" must prevail in such periodicals, otherwise their identity and spirit are soon submerged to commercial gain.

The prize essays on "Superstition and Crime in Southern Rhodesia" are well and sympathetically written; one writer does not believe in destroying native beliefs unless they can be replaced by something better and considers that the South African Native is now going through a very critical period of transition. A new essay competition has been started for 1936 and the subject is "The Aid of Science in Police Duties; a review of the past with probable development of the future."

There is a long article in the March issue on "The Guardians of Greater London" taken from "Our Empire", which is a very informative summary on the subject of the Metropolitan Police.

The British South African Police apparently have a Veterans' organization which is known as "The Regimental Association" and its objects are those of mutual assistance and the strengthening of the bond of comradeship existing between all members of the former and present forces of the B.S.A.P., an amalgamation of six forces.

The Association keeps a veterans' book at "Rhodesia House", London, containing the names and addresses of all ex-members in England, which would appear to be a good suggestion for our own Veterans' Association to follow at "Canada House".

Further articles describing the actual work performed by the British South African Police will be looked forward to with interest.—C. D. LAN.

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### *The Police Magazine Jamaica*

This magazine, the Quarterly Magazine of the Jamaica Constabulary Force, is a comparatively recent arrival in the field of Police publications, having made its debut in October, 1935.

The issue of April, 1936, contains fifty-six pages of interesting material and is effectively illustrated. Several long articles appear, descriptive of conditions in Jamaica, among which "The Ramifications of the Quack Doctor" by Staff-Sergeant-Major Locke and "Dangerous Drugs" by Constable S. A. Ingram, are especially informative.

Of these articles, the former, as the title implies, is an expose of the methods employed by pseudo medical practitioners in their attempts to profit at the expense of the more credulous members of the public, while the latter deals with the question of the illegal importation of opium and the local manufacture of "Ganga" or "Hashish" as it is more familiarly termed in Canada. The writer covers his subject well and describes some of the difficulties met with in enforcing the local legislation pertaining to the importation and possession of narcotics. In view of the fact that the hemp plant is grown in Jamaica, especially in the more remote districts, traffic in the narcotic product of the plant must be exceedingly difficult to effectively control.

A shorter article by Inspector T. N. Drake refers to the question of the personal civil responsibility of a Constable on traffic duty as the result of an accident brought about by an incorrect signal given by him. As the author of