

Ex-Commr.

A. Bowen Perry taking salute at Rockcliffe, Sept. 23, 1953, accompanied by Inspr. G. H. Prime, Commr. L. H. Nicholson, Sub-Inspr. J. G. Downey.

Belcher; the Adjutant, Supt. L. Bingham; the Senior Training Officer, Supt. E. Brakefield-Moore; the Officer Commanding, Supt. C. N. K. Kirk; the Senior Personnel Officer, Inspr. F. S. Spalding, and Sub-Inspector Downey.

Musical Ride—1953 Upon return of the horses of the Coronation Troop from England on July 31, 1953, a Musical Ride was formed at "N" Division, commencing training on August 7, commanded by the Officer Commanding, Supt. C. N. K. Kirk, ADC.

The first dress rehearsal took place at Rockcliffe during the afternoon of September 23 following a display of precision drill by No. 5 Squad under the direction of Cpl. W. F. MacRae. After Commr. L. H. Nicholson, MBE, inspected the ride, ex-Commr. A. Bowen Perry, CMG, took the salute during a march past. Ex-Deputy Commr. G. L. Jennings together with other officers, families of members of "N" Division and approximately 700 children with their teachers from Manor Park Public School attended. The RCMP Band under the direction of Inspr. E. J. Lydall supplied the music.

On October 6, Asst. Commr. A. T. Belcher inspected the Ride at Rockcliffe, when inclement weather moved the performance of a 24-file Ride into the Riding School, in two displays, one for 150 visiting members of the Honorable and Ancient Artillery Company of

Massachusetts and another for an overflow crowd of approximately 300, including 40 children from Elgin Street Public School. Special guests included the American Ambassador and Mrs. Stewart; the Lieutenant-Governor of New Brunswick, Mr. D. L. MacLaren; former Manitoba Premier, John and Mrs. Bracken; the Hon. James Gardiner, Minister of Agriculture.

On October 10, a 24-file Ride performed before approximately 500 persons at the Ottawa Valley Hunt Club Horse Show at Connaught Park, Aylmer, Que., and from October 14 to 17, the Ride performed on six occasions at the Quebec Provincial Horse Show held at Sherbrooke, Que.

Again, from October 27 to 31, the same Ride appeared before an estimated 21,000 persons during seven performances at the Ottawa Winter Fair.

On November 1, the full troop left for New York city where they went through their paces at the National Horse Show at Madison Square Garden between November 3 and 10 and then proceeded to Toronto to fulfil engagements at the Royal Winter Fair held in the Coliseum at the Exhibition Grounds.

Sports A team represented "N" Division in the Ontario Softball Association League, a Tri-Service League, during the past summer, displaying an excellent brand of ball through-