

Division Notes

ON JANUARY 28th, members of all Divisions of the Force attended the various services held throughout Canada, in memory of our beloved Sovereign, His Majesty King George the Fifth.

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“A” Division

On December 5th, members of the Division entertained their friends at a dance and euchre in the Hollywood Gardens, Ottawa. About one hundred and forty couples attended and spent a very pleasant social evening.

On December 19th, an athletic exhibition was held in the Division Barracks, members of the City Police, the Ottawa Boys' Club and our own organization taking part in the various light, medium and heavyweight boxing and wrestling bouts which were presented. Decisions were not given but the contests were none the less keen and by way of variety, the spectators were treated to an amusing exhibition of blindfold boxing and a pillow fight.

The Rifle Club held a Christmas turkey shoot on December 18th, concurrent with the regular weekly competition. Three turkeys were awarded on merit—one to the best score in each class—and three to those who were fortunate enough to draw the name of a winner. Seventy-three members took part in this shoot.

The annual Christmas Tree was held in St. George's Hall on December 21st, when all children of members of the Division, from the ages of two to twelve years inclusive, received presents. The list included the names of 177 boys and 167 girls. This is an increase of nine over last year when the list showed 158 boys and 177 girls. Refreshments were provided and the large hall was crowded to capacity. The Parks Branch, Interior Department, very kindly furnished humorous moving pictures for the occasion and the children were also greatly entertained by the music and dances of Miss Alice Manion and the Misses Joan, Bernice, Laurain and Beverley Prot. The age of the eldest member of this talented quintet is only fourteen years.

Constables E. Stiff and P. B. Connell retired to pension at the end of January, after having completed twenty-one years of service. On the evening of February 25th some seventy members of the Division assembled in the Club Rooms, Regal Building, where Constable Stiff and Constable Connell were each presented with a silver tea service and the good wishes of their comrades.

Division Orders for February 15th contained an item to the effect that Constable G. E. Fraser had been granted the general living allowance. No explanation was given but the reason for issuance of this Order was the marriage of Constable Fraser to Miss Marie Fink of Ottawa, on February 8th, culminating a romance that began at Mattawa, Ontario, where Constable Fraser was stationed during the summer of 1933. The best wishes of the Division are extended to Constable and Mrs. Fraser.

“H” Division

The “H” Division R. C. M. P. hockey team is again making a name for itself in the Garrison League. Champions last year, the team is well out in front again this season and is assured of a place in the play-offs. To date we have only lost one League game and in addition, have played and won several exhibition games with various local teams. A visit was paid to Windsor some time ago, where we met the Windsor team and held them to a 6-6 tie. The outcome of this game was pleasing as the Windsor team is one of the strong contenders for the Senior Provincial title this year.

As an innovation, bowling has been taken up this season and found to be very popular. A four-team league was organized, each team consisting of five men. Games are bowled weekly at the Imperial Alleys. The “Midnight Hawks”, captained by Constable Thurston, took a strong lead at first but have gradually been overtaken