

Her Majesty saying good-by to Prime Minister Diefenbaker before leaving Ottawa.

appreciate the spectacle, each movement of the intricate drill was warmly received with ripples of applause.

On Wednesday, the Royal Party left Government House for Uplands Airport, stopping at Lansdowne Park en route to be greeted by the Mayor and a large crowd of cheering school children. Two children, selected previously, a boy and a girl, presented a nosegay to Her Majesty, and a boutonniere to Prince Philip, after which the Royal Party resumed the drive to Uplands. On arrival at the airport the Queen and Prince Philip were met by His Excellency the Governor-General and Her Majesty was then conducted to a dais on the runway in front of the RCAF's Cantilever Hangar containing guests of honor, and the Guard of Honor, made up of members of the RCN. Following the Royal Salute, and an inspection by Her Majesty of the Guard, the Royal Party walked toward the waiting aircraft and after a number of farewells boarded the plane and almost immediately were airborne; on their way to the U.S.A.

The foregoing is a brief outline of the Royal Visit as it occurred in Ottawa. The amount of planning, the hours of duty involved, can only be left to the imagination. One point has been clearly revealed and that is the importance of mutual understanding between the press and the police in matters of this kind. The briefing held at Spadina Barracks prior to the visit was the first of its kind in this area, and the results have been gratifying to all concerned. This has been substantiated by numerous thankyou letters received from newspapers, and news outlets, in this country and the U.S.A. In addition many of the photographers conveyed their thanks personally before leaving Ottawa, expressing the wish of future meetings, official or social. It is of interest to note that not one complaint was received from the press, regarding police supervision.

Tom Howarth, Vancouver businessman, who took such an intense interest in the RCMP Schooner St. Roch, died in Vancouver, B.C., on November 10. On the West Coast, Mr. Howarth was affectionately known as "the man who raised a million dollars" and despite a lingering illness was for many years associated with community enterprises and fundraising drives. He was an inspiring example of what an indefatigable spirit can accomplish despite the ailments of the body and the great interest of his last years was the preservation of the St. Roch. (See also RCMP Quarterly, July 1950, "Occupational Therapy".)