

Editorial

Canada's Victory Torch is aflame! By their support of the 1941 Victory Loan, Canadians have proved that they are conscious of their responsibilities; that they realize this is their war.

The Light Burns

Members of the Royal Canadian Mounted Police were privileged to play an important part in helping put the Victory Loan over the top. Every division and sub-division of the Force, from the Yukon to both oceans contributed substantially not only by actual money subscriptions but by participation in various ways: parades, displays and demonstrations. By the great opportunity afforded them as servants of the public, every member of the Force was singularly privileged to play an important part in this patriotic cause.

In Ottawa, Montreal, Cornwall, Brockville, the R.C.M.P. Band gave concerts, and joined in many parades and services. Judging from comments of the press and public, the stirring music aroused in many people a desire to "give the tools." The campaign was successful; the work well done.

The Torch has arrived in Britain; Canada is on the march.

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On Apr. 23, 1941, Regina barracks was honoured by a visit from the Governor General, the Earl of Athlone. The Earl and Princess Alice spent a busy day in Saskatchewan's capital and received a truly royal welcome. In the morning they were officially received at the City Hall and Parliament Buildings. Princess Alice inspected the Girl Guides and a smart guard of honour at the Parliament Buildings. Meanwhile the Governor General inspected the Boy Scouts. Music was rendered by a band from the Regina Rifles. Everywhere they were greeted with cheers and cries of affection.

Visit of the Governor General to Regina

After lunch the ladies' organizations entertained Princess Alice, while the Governor spent the afternoon inspecting the Services. The local R.C.N.V.R. produced a pleasing dry-land display, following which the Governor reviewed the Army and then proceeded to the R.C.A.F. where members of the R.A.F. Service Flying School from Moose Jaw contributed a fine display of formation flying.

The distinguished visitors concluded their calls by dropping in at the R.C.M.P. barracks. Here they were received by Asst Commrs C. D. LaNauze and T. H. Irvine who conducted them on a complete tour of the buildings. After looking in on the division mess, the royal guests witnessed part of a 'Police Holds' class in the gymnasium and a demonstration of life-saving in the new swimming-pool. But where His Excellency really enjoyed himself was in No. 1 stable, the riding school and tack room. He is a cavalryman through and through, and one immediately sensed this fine soldier's love of the cavalry as he compared notes with Corps Sergeant Major G. F. Griffin, who served in the cavalry under the Governor General at Aldershot in 1902.

His Excellency manifested deep interest in the chapel tablet to our old riding master, the late Insp Frank Church. He had known Inspector Church intimately in his old regiment, the Horse Guards, and spoke highly of his horsemanship.