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RANDOM QUARTERLYS AVAILABLE

Dear Editor,

It is my understanding that many members are seeking and require copies of past *Quarterlys* to fill in and/or augment their collections, also for specific articles pertaining to specific incidents.

I would appreciate your assistance in advising present and past members that I have 47 random copies of *the Quarterly* magazine dating from 1953 to 1983 that are available to them.

Yours very truly,
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NORTHERN SERVICE

Dear Editor,

It was with considerable regret that I read the obituary notice of Reg. No. 10553, ex-Cst. Alexander Fisher in the Spring 1985 issue of *the Quarterly*.

I spent some time in the Eastern Arctic with Fisher and as a result am prompted to offer some further information regarding his northern service. He was transferred from "N" Division to the Eastern Arctic in 1930 and spent the next two years at Pangnirtung Detachment with Cpl. Hugh Margetts and myself.

Prior to the formation of "C" Division in 1931, both the Province of Quebec and the Eastern Arctic were districts that were part of HQ Division Ottawa. When "C" Division was formed someone thought it would be a good idea to include the Eastern Arctic therein, thus all of the personnel of those detachments were listed as transferred to "C" Division. However, it was only on *paper*, as no bodies were moved at that time.

In 1932 there was a large turnover of personnel in the Arctic detachments and I don't think the C.O. of "C" Division, Thomas Dann, was very pleased to have a large contingent of seedy looking characters deposited on his doorstep, badly in need of haircuts and new issues of clothing and kit. They probably had all the problems they needed, having taken over the Preventive Service earlier that year, also they were short of accommodation as they were still operating out of the Old Stone Mansion at the corner of Sherbrooke St. and McGill College Ave. In any case we were promptly transferred to "N" Division where we spent the winter with the horses. Shortly thereafter "G" Division was created to include all of the N.W.T. and Yukon.

In 1933, "Slim," as he was known to his friends went back to the Eastern Arctic, actually as a spare file just in case one was needed. However, one of the men who went in 1932 did not stay the full two-year term, which created a vacancy at Craig Harbour so "Slim" was posted there.

In 1934, there was another large turnover of personnel and quite a crowd of us went North again, one of whom was R. W. (Paddy) Hamilton. Because of his experience at Dundas Harbour and on Ellesmere Island, he returned to Craig Harbour and Fisher was transferred to Pond Inlet, where he spent the following year and went out to "N" Division in 1935.