

Insp. M. T. Laberge, O.C. Red Deer Sub-Division, was feted prior to his transfer. L. to R.—Mrs. Suttill, Inspector Laberge, Barbara Laberge, Mrs. Laberge, S/Sgt. H. S. Suttill, Sub-Insp. E. A. C. Hertzog.



geants' Mess on August 15 in honor of the following who were on transfer: Cpl. T. J. Peck, Csts. J. D. Hendricks, R. N. Baynes, E. Montrose and K. C. Hollington. On October 13, Swift Current Sub-Division held a farewell get-together in the form of a card party to say good-bye to Cst. and Mrs. R. E. Neidig. Constable Neidig, who has been stationed in this sub-division for nine years, has been transferred to Saskatoon.

An informal party was held at Thornvale Barracks, **Halifax**, on September 16 to bid farewell to Csts. L. L. Gates and H. A. Ireland who are retiring from the Force, and to Cst. J. G. Stewart who has purchased his discharge. The event served also to welcome Supt. L. J. C. Watson and Insp. J. R. Steinhauer from "F" Division.

Red Deer Sub-Division of "**K**" Division held a Fall social at the Q-Bar-F Club, RCAF Station, Penhold, Alta., on October 7. S/Sgt. H. S. Suttill and Sgt. E. O. Kumm were presented with Long Service Medals by Insp. M. T. Laberge, sub-division O.C. In turn, Inspector Laberge received a pipe as a birthday present from members of the sub-division. On November 11, a farewell party was held at the same place by the sub-division for Inspector and Mrs. Laberge. The Inspector, who has been transferred to Ottawa, was presented with an inscribed silver mug by the recreation club, while Mrs. Laberge received a bouquet of flowers and a pair of silver candelabra from personnel of the sub-division.

A close associate of the Force for many years, Dr. James Hill Stirrat, pathologist, who left for Perth, Australia, in December, was feted at a gathering at "K" Division HQ November 24. He was presented with a copper tray and coasters by Chief Supt. L. Bingham.

Officers in the **Regina** area, entertained Mr. J. L. LaPage, who has been Superintendent in

charge of the CPR Department of Investigation, Prairie Region, at a luncheon in the Officers' Mess on September 7. Mr. LaPage, who is well known to members of the Force in the West, has been transferred to take charge of the Atlantic Region. He was accompanied to the luncheon by Mr. C. A. Brown, Assistant Inspector of the Investigation Department, Regina. Mr. T. M. Sutherland who succeeds Mr. LaPage as Superintendent of the Prairie Region, paid an official visit to the barracks on November 22.

The Band: A new series of autumn concerts at Vincent Massey Park was opened by the Band on September 18 and 25. Excellent weather prevailed on both occasions and there was a good attendance at the Sunday afternoon concerts at which Insp. E. J. Lydall conducted programs of marches, novelty tunes and selections from Broadway. Other September dates saw the Band give a short concert in front of the Supreme Court Building for members of the Commonwealth Bar Association; provide incidental music for garden parties at the British Embassy, the Royal Sanatorium and the annual sports day at "N" Division.

During September and November the dance orchestra of the Band, under the direction of Cpl. R. H. D. Twemlow, filled ten engagements, the highlight of which was the Armistice Ball of the United Services Institute of Nova Scotia on November 14. For this engagement, 13 members of the orchestra were flown to and from Halifax by RCAF aircraft. On October 21 the full Band and dance orchestra played for the "C" Division Annual Ball in the colorful surroundings of the Queen

RCMP Dance Orchestra which played at the U.S.I. Armistice Ball at Halifax.

