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Editor's Notes

COMMR. L. H. NICHOLSON (RTD.) With deep regret we announce the death of Commr. Nicholson on March 22, 1983. His last article, which appears on page 27 of this issue, was edited for *the Quarterly* during the last few months of his illness with cancer. Commr. Nicholson, who was visited by several officers (e.g.: see page 40) and numerous friends during his illness, was beloved and revered by many. His service to the RCMP and many other institutions is renown. Unfortunately, this magazine was already completed for publication at the time of his death, and, therefore, an account of his service to Canada and an obituary will have to appear in our next issue, Summer '83.

RCMP MEMBER SERVICE FILES All Government of Canada records must be identified for retention and disposition, and authorized by the Dominion Archivist. The RCMP retention/disposition schedules are determined by negotiation between Records Management Branch, the various RCMP policy centres having prime responsibility for the file content, and the Public Archives of Canada.

The Dominion Archivist has approved recent amendments to the retention/disposition schedule dealing with RCMP member service files. The service file will now be retained until the file subject reaches or would have reached the age of 100 years, at which time it will be examined for either further retention or for destruction. The file will be retained for a further retention period if:

- (1) the file is identified as historical or of special interest (officers, members killed on duty, those who have received a significant award, those who have achieved renown),
- (2) any claim has been made within the previous five calendar years against the Force or government,
- (3) any RCMP pension is still being paid.

To ensure all obligations of (2) and (3) have been met, no service file dealing with a claim or pension will be destroyed while the member is living, while his spouse is living, and until all dependant children are over 25 years of age.

All files identified as historical will then be retained in perpetuity by the Public Archives of Canada.

The new policy ensures the availability of a service file from which the *Quarterly* will be able to compose an obituary. And once in *the Quarterly*, it will "live on" indefinitely.

OBITUARIES The editorial board has decided to include all awards, notable community service, and any laudable accomplishments in members' obituaries, if such facts are known to *the Quarterly* by way of the members' service files or correspondence from the deceased's family or friends. In this fashion, we will get a more interesting and overall picture of the deceased and what he did during his lifetime. However, I hasten to point out that we can only include in an obituary what we know at the time of composition. We cannot continue to comment on a member's past service or activities after his obituary has been published.

An Opinion

A Policeman's View of a Policeman

by Supt. R. H. D. Head

*The following is an excerpt from a talk delivered by Supt. R. H. D. Head, O.C. North Battleford Sub-Division, to the congregation of the Third Avenue United Church in North Battleford. It was originally published by **The Carle Observer**. Ed.*

We are frequently informed through the media just what the public thinks of the police — sometimes good, but often not so good. Occasionally, we are told of the policeman's view of the public — again, sometimes good, and sometimes not so good. I thought it might be opportune to give you a little insight into a policeman's view of a policeman.

Police forces in the western world are patterned after the original United Kingdom police force — which in itself was the forerunner of Scotland Yard. Briefly, in the early 1800's in the London area a social problem of sorts developed, with unsavory characters roaming the streets at night; thefts, assaults and acts of vandalism began to occur. To combat this community social problem citizens began taking turns at patrolling their own districts, keeping a watchful eye on these so-called misfits. However, a problem existed in that these same citizens also had regular jobs to attend to, and fami-

ly responsibilities of their own. It was then decided that the district citizens would take a portion of their earnings and pay someone else to patrol for them. Thus, the birth of the Constable on Patrol (C.O.P.) that has been modified to plain "Cop", a shortened but not particularly popular abbreviation among policemen.

From the simple "keeping the peace" aspect of those early days, policing has evolved into a rather complex machine. The more complex a society becomes, the more complex police organizations must become. Today, for example, we are heavily involved in white collar crime investigations: fraudulent bankruptcies, highly specialized computer fraud investigations, etc. The needless death toll on our highways and streets, some 200 to 300 each year in this province alone, makes it necessary to have specialists in traffic work.

In today's society, the police are not the bumpkins or illiterates they are often portrayed to be. The Criminal Code, for example, just one of the statutes we are obligated to enforce, has 772 separate sections. We have dozens of other federal statutes; the Food & Drug Act, the Customs & Excise Act, the Aeronautics Act, to mention only

three. We have a multitude of provincial statutes to enforce, from the Vehicles Act, to the Livestock and Livestock Products Act, to the Cemeteries Act. Our policy books measure some three feet in width. I guess my message here is that to be a reasonably good policeman, one must have some "grey matter."

Now, that's not to infer that we are perfect — far from it. We have among us some very poor policemen. When they are detected we try to overcome their shortcomings or discharge them as unsuitable. And yes, we have had policemen "go bad," so to speak. They have stolen, they have become alcoholics, and have been disgraceful to their lot. These problems are not unique to the police profession. It happens in all walks of life, but is more noticeable when it does happen to a policeman.

Policemen are neither something extraordinary nor "super persons." We're not all Barney Miller or Starsky & Hutch types, or whatever else TV portrays us as these days. We have our share of warts and bruises. We constantly strive for improvement, but, as one of my colleagues once said to me, "You are living proof that we have yet to perfect the system!"

On the subject of rewards for work well done, I should explain that we, like most other organizations, have an annual appraisal system — a time to rate subordinates. You may find it interesting to hear a few of the more humorous excerpts taken from some over the years, such as:

"He hasn't any mental traits."

"This officer has talents but has kept them well hidden."

"He can express a sentence in a paragraph or two."

"He needs careful watching, since he borders on the brilliant."

"He is open to suggestions but never follows them."

The general public, or the citizens we serve, are probably not aware of a policeman's view of his own lot. Perhaps I can enlighten you with, not my own particular history, but a general one which reflects somewhat on my life and the life of my cohorts.

I enter a training academy where in six months I am expected to go from boy to man; to learn all the important laws, the powers of arrest, the liabilities if I err; to understand the history of the organization, to learn foot drill, uniform and dress procedures, social graces, our rank structure, police community relations, crisis intervention in domestic disputes, police weaponry — revolver and rifle, hand to hand combat routines — judo and self-defence, and on and on. In all, dozens of subjects to be examined on.

The next six months following graduation are spent at a field-training detachment where I travel with a senior policeman... my trainer. I learn how and when to arrest, provincial statutes and bylaws, how to operate radar, the Roadside Alert and Breathalyzer, how to address groups, the good and the bad people in an area, the local habits and customs that all affect policing.

The following years are spent learning and doing. Errors in judgement are made (I may only have ten to thirty seconds to make a decision, and it takes the high court three days to decide if that decision is proper or improper). I transfer around to different towns and cities doing various jobs — from general duty (cats-up-a-tree calls to murder cases) to plain-clothes work (fraud and more serious crimes like armed robbery), to drug work; or, if I have a degree in science, to our Crime Detection

Laboratory, or perhaps to Commercial Crime or Legal Section where a degree in law or commerce is used.

If I have pilot training I could be posted to the Air Section where I fly one of thirty odd aircraft. Still, if I have the interest and ability I might go to the Police Service Dog section to work with a trained German shepherd in searches, tracking and crowd control.

While doing these various things, I fall in love and marry — we have children. No two are ever born at the same town or posting. They have sickness and we experience death to loved ones. The children have their problems for they are always the “outsiders,” and additionally, they are “cop’s kids”; in the smaller towns they often get “a good licking” by the local bullies. My wife gets little chance to make really close friends, but she adjusts well. On the positive side, the family becomes closer and protective of one another.

I try to do the best job I can. I do not always feel like doing it. It bothers me terribly to find the dead and dying in fatal motor vehicle accidents — their wailing and dying causes me to lose sleep, often for a long time after the event. I too have trouble holding back tears when I have to tell a young wife and small children that a husband and a daddy won’t be home again. I have to hold my temper when I’m called to a domestic quarrel only to be spit upon and called a “pig,” among other things.

I get annoyed — and I shouldn’t — on the witness stand when a defence lawyer questions my integrity and infers that I am stupid and that I lie.

I experience fear; I’m scared stiff when outnumbered during a drunk-

en brawl, but I can’t show it or they will get the upper hand. I’m fearful in disarming a sniper because only a few weeks earlier I saw two of my co-workers shot and killed for no reason. I know that a little fear is good, for it makes one careful. I want to enjoy my kids growing up; I want to get a pension someday.

I grow cynical knowing hard drugs are being peddled through the mail and other issues are getting more attention from our politicians than the health and safety of our young people.

I see a group of people making fun of the police and I wonder if they really know what they are doing; if they really know that they are ridiculing their own “machinery”; if perhaps their time would be better spent giving this machinery a “tune up” rather than a “put down.” Do they really know how much this police machine is costing us all? Do they care? Do they realize that we’re only as good or as poor as they want to make us? Do they like democracy, or anarchy? Have they heard and read what happens when police strike and the citizens are left unprotected? Is that what they want? Do they know that policemen come right from their very own society — their farms, their offices and their factories.

Personally, I read over my oath-of-office every once in a while. It does me some good:

“I solemnly swear that I will faithfully, diligently and impartially execute and perform the duties required of me as a member of the Royal Canadian Mounted Police, and will well and truly perform all lawful orders and instructions that I receive as such, without fear, favour or affection of or towards any person. So help me God.” ■

Announcements

RCMP Concert Band Itinerary

April	13	—	Vancouver, CBC Broadcast —		
			Orpheus Theatre	—	1 concert
April	14	—	Coquitlam	—	2 concerts
April	15	—	Richmond	—	2 concerts
April	15	—	Surrey	—	Det. Dance
April	16	—	Mission	—	1 concert
April	17	—	Victoria — McPherson Playhouse	—	1 concert
April	18	—	Duncan	—	3 concerts
April	19	—	Powell River	—	2 concerts
April	20	—	Courtney	—	2 concerts
April	21	—	Colwood	—	2 concerts
April	22	—	Kamloops	—	1 concert
April	23	—	Penticton	—	1 concert
April	24	—	Grand Forks	—	1 concert
April	25	—	Castlegar	—	2 concerts
April	26	—	Cranbrook	—	2 concerts
April	27	—	Trail	—	1 concert
April	28	—	Vernon	—	2 concerts
April	29	—	Abbotsford	—	2 concerts
May	1	—	North Vancouver	—	1 concert
May	2	—	White Rock	—	2 concerts
May	19,				
	20 & 21	—	"Sounds and Saddles" Benefit Production for the Children's Hospital of Eastern Ontario and featuring Musical Ride, Concert Band, Police Service Dogs, Ottawa's Youth (singers, dancers) — 2 shows daily		
June	28				
	to July 12	—	Edmonton — World University Games, "Universiade '83"		
August	28	—	Ottawa, N.A.C. Opera — Correction Services		

"Bison" Itinerary (RCMP Band Sextet)

March	12-15	—	Philadelphia
April	5-8		
	& 11-15	—	Promotional concerts in Federal Bldgs. and Shopping Centres in Ottawa for Children's Hospital Benefit Show, May 19, 20 and 21.



- May 8 — World Congress of Health, Ottawa
- May 13 — St. John's — "B" Division Ball
- May 14 — Harbour Grace — Community Dance
- May 16 — Trespassey — 2 concerts
- May 17 — Whitbourne — 2 concerts
- May 18 — St. John's — command performance at Lt. Gov.
residence
- May 19 — Twillingate — 1 concert
- May 20 — Gander — Detachment dance
- May 21 — La Scie — 1 concert
- May 22 — Baie Verte — 2 concerts
- May 23 — Cornerbrook — Sub-Division Ball

50th Anniversary Nova Scotia Commemorative Badge

To mark the 50th anniversary of the Royal Canadian Mounted Police serving as the provincial police in Nova Scotia, the Inverness Detachment in cooperation with the Inverness Kinsmen Club has issued a limited edition (1,000 sets) of the Nova Scotia Police badge along with the current cap badge of the RCMP. The badges will come in a custom-designed presentation case and cost \$35, tax included. All proceeds will go towards community projects. Orders with a certified cheque or money order should be sent to:

The President
Kinsmen Club of Inverness
Inverness, Nova Scotia
B0E 1N0

Northwest Police and Firefighters Olympics

Last June 1982, well over 1,000 policemen and firefighters met in New Westminster, B.C., to compete in fifty individual and team events. Although the Olympics were open to all North American policemen and firefighters, last year's participants ostensibly came only from western Canada and the U.S.A.: B.C., Alberta, Saskatchewan; California, Washington, Idaho. Obviously missing were the many fine athletes in the RCMP from central Canada and the Maritimes. Those who did compete last year (see Divisional Dispatches — "E" Division)

believe the event was little known beyond the western provinces, and thus the negligible representation from the east.

This year the Olympics are to be held in Edmonton, Alberta, in mid-July to coincide with Edmonton's Klondike Days celebrations. For those who wish to participate or would like more information, please contact:

Cst. Ken Kosak
City of Edmonton Police Dept.
9620 - 103A Avenue
Edmonton, Alberta
T5H 0H7

Letters to the Editor

ONE OF A KIND

Dear Editor,

I hope that somewhere in the complex bureaucracy of the RCMP a letter from a private citizen will be read and digested. No scandalous accusations, no complaints of police brutality, no exposure of needless wastage; this is a letter about one RCMP member.

Constable Walter Makepeace arrived here in Clinton, B.C., sometime in July 1982. I first saw "Walter" one afternoon when he walked from the back of the living quarters at the police station to the garage. He took out an enormous chain saw, started it, and headed towards the gigantic pile of logs I was cutting up on a back lot which borders the police station. He had come to help me cut wood.

It became clear to me why Walter quickly became well-known and liked in what can be a closed-shop little community. Walter told me that he chose to

be a member of the Force because he liked to help people. This seems to be Cst. Makepeace's attitude towards the people of our community, an attitude based on generosity and caring.

I teach the Law II class at the high school and Walter visited us to answer some of the questions we had compiled. Walter's relaxed and friendly manner combined with a professional knowledge of the law won over the class completely.

As well as a part-time teacher, I have a small pottery store on the main street. Several times I have glanced out the store window to see Walter and his wife walking by, arm in arm, engaged in pleasant conversation. It is obvious that Walter's best friend is his wife and the most important people to him are his three children.

I don't know much about the details of Walter's job. He purposely did not get involved in the local election this

fall. I know that Walter enjoys resolving problems especially when the solution is a help to someone.

Somewhat awkwardly, I am attempting to describe a wonderful man working for you. Cst. Makepeace radiates a gentle helpfulness, trust and stability. No million-dollar advertising campaign could be more persuasive as to the usefulness of the RCMP than the lifestyle of Walter Makepeace.

There is a famous *Life* photo of a police officer bending over to talk to a young boy while a parade marches by in the background. That policeman could be Walter Makepeace.

Yours sincerely,
Bruce Vallance
Clinton, B.C.

Dear Mr. Vallance,

Thank you for your letter of appreciation. We are justifiably proud, I believe, of the many "Cst. Makepeaces" in the RCMP from coast to coast. They make the Force what it is today. Ed.

AUDREY "B"

Dear Editor,

I am interested in a group of vessels that operated between Nova Scotia, Saint Pierre and Miquelon, and the United States during prohibition.

I have managed adequate tracing of all of them except a motor vessel named the *Audrey "B."* I cannot trace her activities between 1933 (when she was acting with the rum fleet off San Francisco) and 1940 (when she was bought by a fish company in British Columbia). In the interval, she was owned by three men named Arthur Wellington Watson, Wilfred G. Purcell and William Storr, all of Coppermine, N.W.T. Attempts to contact these men, described as trappers and traders,

have been unsuccessful, and so at the present time I do not know what the vessel was doing during this period. There is word-of-mouth evidence that she was used as a mission boat by a religious fraternity in the Western Arctic.

There must be several score of your readers who were stationed in the Arctic at that time who may remember this boat, and I would much appreciate receiving from them any information they can give me.

Yours sincerely,
G. E. Robinson
Tyne Valley
P.E.I.
C0B 2C0

If anyone can help Mr. Robinson, they can contact him directly at the above address. Ed.

NOVA SCOTIA POLICE — SMILING

Dear Editor,

I was interested in a photograph which appeared on page 40, top left-hand side, of your Summer 1982 issue, Vol. 47, No. 3.

No. 1 in the back row is my father, Corporal Norman Winston Churchill. He was taken over by the RCMP from the Nova Scotia Police. I believe he had been in the N.S. Police for less than a year at the time of the takeover.

I assume that all the men in the photograph could not be identified so I went to my dad's photograph album and came up with a similar picture. From a copy of that photograph, which I enclose, you will see my dad was an optimist because he chose the "smiling" version, whereas the one in your magazine is the "grim" version. All the officers are identified and maybe you can keep this copy on file for your records.

My father was a superintendent and O.C. of "J" Division (Fredericton) at the time of his death on November 28, 1953, at the age of 54.

My mother has always subscribed to *the Quarterly* and since her death on March 24, 1982, I have had the magazine redirected to my address. Believe it or not, I have found something of interest in each issue although I have really had no connection with the RCMP since I left Glace Bay, Nova Scotia, for the big city of Toronto way back in 1945.

Keep up the good work.

Yours truly,
Virginia Churchill Smith
Scarborough, Ontario

Dear Mrs. Smith,

Thank you for sending us the xerox copy of your father's training class photo. It has helped us identify all the men in the photograph.

For the information of our readers we present here their identities as provided by Mrs. Smith. **Ed.**

Back row (L-R): *Cpl. N. W. Churchill, Cst. W. H. Morgan, Cst. L. E. Steeves, Cst. P. L. Bentley, Cst. J. E. Aubie, Cpl. M. MacLean, Cst. D. MacKinnon, Cst. E.*

J. Richard, Cst. W. O. Grimm, Cst. N. H. Cole. **Centre row (L-R):** *Cst. E. J. Whalen, Cpl. L. N. Draper, Cpl. M. V. O'Shaughnessy, Cst. P. L. Boudreault, Cst. J. H. Campbell, Cst. J. Bennison, Cst. F. H. McLaughlin, Cst. E. Allain, Cst. D. J. Evans, Cst. P. L. Jay, Cst. M. J. Black.* **Front row (L-R):** *Cpl. W. Murphy, Sgt. J. J. Trainor, Insp. B. B. Currie, Supt. C. D. La Nauze, S/M J. Clifford, Cpl. G. G. Isnor, Cpl. A. D. Norman.*

POLICE BADGES

Dear Editor,

While a member of the Force, my father started a collection of police memorabilia, which he continued until his death. Since that time I have tried to continue collecting police flashes and badges, but without much success.

If anyone has any badges or flashes to sell, I would greatly appreciate hearing from them. I am willing to pay for all items and their postage.

Sincerely,
William M. Dagg
147 Abingdon Way, N.E.
Calgary, Alta.
T2A 6R7

A Note for Women Drivers

In Saudi Arabia, Sheik Bin Baz, General Chairman of the Koranic Interpretation, Enlightenment, and Guidance in Saudi Arabia says Saudi women will not be permitted to learn to drive, and must use expensive hired vehicles. The reason is that safe driving would require women to be barefaced and may risk them being alone with strangers, thereby taking the chance of "falling into incalculable risks."

Reprinted from Safety Canada.

Springtime in Aklavik

by A/Commr. D. O. Forrest (Rtd.)

Spring is everywhere the season of regeneration, the time for hope and the pause for new life. After the long, dark months of the Arctic midwinter the daylight hours begin to lengthen, the rays of the sun become warmer and the clutch of winter begins to weaken. The Arctic is the northern domicile of winter, and the squalls and storms of spring remind everyone that its sovereignty is being relaxed only reluctantly. Each day heralds the arrival of thousands of birds migrating northward to their nesting grounds in the mountains, in the barren land and on the islands. Day by day the accumulation of the winter's snow begins to disappear, slowly at first, and then as the temperature progressively warms, with a rush leaving puddles and rivulets everywhere. It is still safe to travel on the river's ice after Easter week, but the snow trails deteriorate from day to day and soon will provide support for neither men nor dogs between sunrise and sunset. Travelling conditions at night continue to be good because the trails freeze again, and some teams log daily mileages on the fast ice trails during the Arctic spring that are impossible during the winter months.

For the Mounted Police in the North, the months of April and May, between Easter and breakup, were days for work and not for skylarking. The supplies of paint received into stores during the previous year were broken out and generously applied to everything that didn't move. You will remember the ancient military maxim, "If it moves salute it, if it doesn't move paint it." The barracks, storehouses and offices were painted inside and out, the boats were all scraped and given a

fresh coat, the fences gleamed white again. Even the log buildings were made to look like new with an application of whitewash, mixed according to an old Hudson's Bay Company formula to inhibit flaking. The flagpole in the centre of the barracks square was carefully lowered with block and tackle on a calm day and, after being refurbished with the best boat enamel, was raised again into the stocks with a new lanyard and a new Union flag to proudly proclaim our presence for another season.

Toboggans, dog harness and other winter travelling equipment were collected and stowed away for the summer. Warehouses were cleaned and tidied, remaining stocks of foodstuffs and other expendable supplies were inventoried, and preparations were made to receive the tons of material that would arrive during the summer. The carcasses of caribou and reindeer which had been kept hanging in one of the frame warehouses were, by this time, consumed and our mess depended on the tinned and preserved provisions issued by the Supply Officer in Ottawa. The Mounted Police scale of northern rations was generous from the point of view of quantity, and included two pounds of fresh wild meat a day or one pound of canned meat. Each man was allowed one pound, four ounces of flour daily, plus twelve ounces of potatoes and four ounces of vegetables. Ample supplies of tinned fruit, sauces, spices, etc., were included in the daily ration in order to encourage the cooks to attempt some variety in the menu. Certainly our Belgian cook, Special Constable Danes, was something of an artist in his specialty of northern cooking. No one who

regularly dined in our mess during this period will ever forget Danes' delicious, freshly-baked bread and pies, and his tender and succulent roasts and stews.

Included in the food ration for northern detachments were 30-dozen processed eggs per man each year, and it will be remembered that this supply was delivered once a year, usually in July by the first supply boat to reach Aklavik after breakup. By mid-April of the following year the eggs remaining in stores were almost a year old, and had inevitably acquired a flavour that would never be tolerated anywhere in the world where the most important criteria for an egg is its freshness. But because this flavour had been developing slowly as the weeks and months passed since the previous July, we had grown used to it. While we might acknowledge that our eggs might have a little more flavour than they had ten months earlier, it really wasn't at all bad. Strangely enough, when the new processed eggs arrived in July the consensus was that they did not have much taste. The sides of bacon received a year ago had been wrapped in factory cotton and then dipped in hot tar to — to coin a phrase — extend their shelf life. I assumed that shelf life has something to do with the primigenious culture, resembling in appearance wet, black felt, that formed on the flesh of the bacon under the tarred fabric and gave the meat a distinctly musty overtone.

There was a certain monotony in our meals during the spring, partly because our food stocks had run down and partly because only the tinned goods bore a credible resemblance to the description on the label. In other places this situation would most certainly develop a morale problem, but I cannot recall any disaffection with the mess of our small company in Aklavik. The fact is that everyone was working like a navvy, and the appetites developed in the fresh air were truly gar-

gantuan. It is also significant to recall that each member of the Force in Aklavik would be away from the settlement on patrol in rotation for periods of several days to several weeks. In comparison to the meals cooked on the campfires in the bush our repasts served in the mess were veritable feasts.

In April 1944 the regular commercial flights by Canadian Pacific Air were scheduled to arrive at night because the ski-equipped planes might break through the crust of snow during the milder daylight hours. They could still safely land and take off on the frozen runway at night on the river ice. One of these flights brought in Saul Shubin, an independent fur buyer from Edmonton. Saul operated a small trading store in Aklavik, and his business prospered mainly because he was willing to pay cash for the pelts brought in by the native and white trappers. This method of trafficking was anathema to the old established fur traders to whom the trappers often owed substantial sums of money from the previous year's accounts, and Saul's enterprising methods were not, to say the least, popular in our business community. The dollar bills that Shubin put into the pockets of the trappers could be exchanged for goods in the stores of the Hudson's Bay Company, Peffer's and the smaller trading establishments. However, having cash money to spend gave the trappers more freedom to shop around and buy at the lowest price. Trading in kind, that is exchanging pelts directly for food and clothing, had always been the principle of commerce in the North. It gave the traders a double profit on each transaction, i.e., a profit on the furs they received as well as on the goods they gave in exchange.

The concern of the older trading houses over Shubin's innovations in the commercial habits of the community can be easily understood, but on balance I tended to support his opera-

tion because it taught the Indian and Eskimo trappers the value of money as a medium of exchange. This was indeed a very elementary lesson in fundamental economics, but it was one of the many great leaps the native people were taking in order to better manage their economic affairs. Saul Shubin's presence in Aklavik was predicated on motives that were entirely mercenary, but perhaps by accident he should be credited with giving the trappers a hearty boost up the ladder to economic freedom. I enjoyed Saul Shubin's summers in Aklavik. He was the bur under the saddle, he was the iconoclast, the promoter of free enterprise in our tidy little community. Most of all, his descriptions of the prettiest show girls and the best theatres and restaurants in Montreal and New York, where he spent his winters, could hardly fail to fascinate those of us to whom these frivolities were but faint memories.

During the spring of 1944 the Polar Sea Dairy Farm, the ambitious name of Dr. L. D. Livingstone's herd of 13 cattle in Aklavik, was increased by the arrival by air freight of one small jersey calf about the size of a Great Dane. She had been loaded in Edmonton, but the flying conditions on the lower Mackenzie River were unfavourable and the flight waited at Norman Wells until the storm cleared. All C.P. Air personnel in the far North are distinguished for their resourcefulness, but the freight handlers at Norman Wells had never played nursemaid to a Jersey calf before. For three days the small animal was bedded down in a corner of the freight office where it was warm and where there was human company. Because there was no hay or cattle forage of any kind the calf was given double milkshakes for sustenance. I know that these stories are subject to some exaggeration when they are repeated, and those freight handlers knew when they were on to a good thing. However, they affirmed that the calf preferred strawberry milkshakes to any other kind.

When the calf was delivered in Aklavik, Dr. Livingstone kept her during the day in his front yard which was enclosed with a strong page-wire fence. As the snow receded she grazed on the young shoots of grass that appeared in the lawn, and certainly she occupied a centre-stage position in the settlement as the sensation of the season. The Indian and Eskimo families which had come from their hunting and trapping grounds had not likely been exposed to domestic cattle before, and they lined the fence watching the calf which they called the "tame deer." The coltish gait and other youthful mannerisms of this half-grown animal could provoke roars of laughter with no more than a switch of her short tail.

This sweet-natured little Jersey calf, the only representative of the animal kingdom in Aklavik which could legitimately claim registration as a purebred, precipitated a near crisis in our community shortly after her arrival. Someone negligently left open a gate leading out of Dr. Livingstone's front yard, and she walked out and disappeared. The edge of the bush was no more than fifty or seventy-five yards away, and it was soon clear that she had innocently wandered into a wilderness so rough and so vast that her puny instincts for survival would soon be exhausted. Any wolf or stray sleigh dog lurking in the neighbourhood would quickly bring her down. No wolf signs had recently been seen so near the settlement, but the probability of a loose sleigh dog finding and killing the calf was almost certain unless she could quickly be found.

A posse of school children and as many adults as could be found was quickly organized. This was an unscheduled lark for the children, and their laughter and chatter was witness to their enthusiasm for a project they probably only half understood. They had seen large numbers of wild deer killed and brought into the camps of

their families and could not be expected to be unduly concerned about the survival of this alien white man's species. But their eyes had been schooled since infancy to detect any unusual movement or pattern in the shadows of the trees and bushes, and very little would escape their attention. The line of searchers moved westward from the settlement, skirting small ponds and fording shallow creeks en route, but after an hour they had travelled little more than a mile on account of the windfall and dense vegetation. It was getting late in the afternoon and prospects for success were bleak; the mosquitoes were voracious and it seemed unlikely that the search could be long continued.

Suddenly there was a shout, and we all moved in on Vincent Kost who had at last sighted the animal. She was exhausted and terrified, and could not be persuaded to move. It was necessary to improvise a litter and carry her back to the settlement where she was restored to Dr. Livingstone's front yard.

There was no newspaper in Aklavik in 1944, but had there been, the story of Dr. Livingstone's bees would have been given flaming, banner headlines as the most interesting happening in the settlement for a long time. The story involved a number of the local inhabitants, and it was funny in a slightly sadistic way because most of the people involved got stung by the insects. The Eskimo and Loucheux people have a particular appreciation for this kind of humour. However, it also involved an alien insect, a species not known in those latitudes before, and one that could be more painful than a mosquito or a deer fly. The fact that the "outside" bees had been imported into the country to more effectively cross-pollinate the luxuriant growth of vegetation during the Arctic summer and, incidentally, to produce a harvest of honey during this process were perhaps less well understood. The white man had brought into the

North many curious products and tools from his civilization, but not many of these had survived the rigorous tests of the harsh northern climate. No doubt these strange insects were yet another example of the vagaries of the white man's mind and his extraordinary interest in some things that really did not matter.

The facts of the incident can be quickly related. Dr. Livingstone had ordered a colony of bees to be delivered by air to Aklavik and, when they arrived, he settled them down in a newly-constructed hive located near his barn on the outskirts of the settlement. However, the weather turned very cold and, being apprehensive that the bees might freeze to death, the Doctor moved the hive with the bees inside into an upstairs room in his house and closed the door. The warmth of the room restored the bees' interest in life, and they sought to fulfill their natural function of searching for honey to fill the new hive. They crawled out of the hive into the room, then out of the room under the door into the house. The concern of Mrs. Livingstone in these circumstances is understandable, and her excitement no doubt provoked the bees to retaliate. In any event, her edict to get the bees out of the house and back to the barn was more easily said than done.

Sergeant Major J. B. Peacey of the Royal Canadian Corps of Signals had had some experience handling bees as a boy, or so he said, and volunteered to round up the Doctor's errant bees. The bees by this time had been thoroughly aroused and failed to recognize the gallant warrant officer's skills as a bee handler. In a few moments Peacey was obliged to beat a strategic retreat with one painful sting near the corner of one eye and other wounds on the exposed parts of his anatomy. Some hours later the Doctor reentered his house, heavily gloved and swathed with yards of mosquito netting. He opened all the windows to let in the cold air, and en-

couraged the bees to fly out of the house. He bottled up in the hive those that remained and removed them to the barn. I never did discover what happened to that colony of bees afterward. It was a subject absolutely verboten in the Livingstone household.

The ice on our channel of the MacKenzie River delta went out early in the morning of May 29, 1944, and it was an awesome sight to watch and hear. Great blocks of ice weighing several tons or more covered the surface of the water, and were plunging, twisting and crashing in the unusually high and fast water. For about a week the anchor ice along the shores had broken loose, and the level of the ice surface had been rising to accommodate the flood of water from up river. Deep channels of water were flowing on top of the ice in places, and those people living on the opposite shore could make the hazardous trip across the channel only tolerably safe by pushing light canoes in front of them. It was an exciting period, because in the North the breakup of the ice and the advent of open water marks officially the end of winter and the beginning of the short summer season. The intensity of the feeling of anticipation of breakup is something that must be experienced to be appreciated, and the best analogy I can think of is a child's anticipation of Christmas sometime after the middle of December. It is so palpable that it almost hurts. Of course in Aklavik, as in most northern river settlements, there was considerable speculation each year on the date and time of day for breakup, and not surprisingly there was some wagering on the subject. Because the ice surface in the middle of the channel might move and then pause several times before it broke free completely, it was necessary to fix the official time of breakup in Aklavik by placing a young spruce tree in the middle of the channel opposite the Hudson's Bay Company store, and then watch its progress until it passed

another spruce-tree marker on the shore one hundred yards or more downstream.

After breakup the arrival of the first mail plane is the event most eagerly anticipated by the residents of the river settlements. There had been no mail for more than a month because the landing strip on the ice of the channel had not been considered safe for commercial operations. The C.P. Air flights into the North had been equipped with pontoons for summer flying, and were waiting until they could land on the open water in front of the settlement. In 1944 the first mail plane arrived in Aklavik late in the evening of May 30, about thirty-six hours after the ice started to move out of the channel. It was a busy night for the postmaster and staff, but they had the first-class mail sorted and ready for distribution in about three hours. At about 1 a.m. my personal mail was delivered to my quarters, and I stayed up until 3 o'clock opening and scanning nearly forty letters from my family and my friends "outside." There were messages from many parts of Canada, from the United States and even from Europe where many of my contemporaries were winning the war against Hitler's Germany. Each letter was opened with much anticipation and appreciation for the thoughtfulness of my correspondents. In Aklavik, as in all northern posts where mail delivery is irregular and infrequent, this is the ultimate ego trip, and the only sobering consideration is that each letter requires a reply.

The following morning, Cpl. Len Weston and I dug into the accumulation of official mail from Division Headquarters in Ottawa, and prepared to devote our exclusive attention for the next month to the paper war involving the problems of administration and supply. We envied the officers and NCO's at the sub-division level elsewhere in the Force where the orderly rooms were staffed with secretaries

and stenographers trained to neatly prepare the memoranda and forms which we typed ourselves. But necessity is the mother of invention, and our laborious efforts on the typewriter were given the greater virtue of brevity, as we schooled ourselves in the art of incisive composition.

There was some good news from Headquarters. Three constables were to be transferred to Aklavik to reinforce our strength, and all detachments on the Mackenzie River were to have their wood-burning stoves replaced by oil-fired space heaters. We read with some skepticism the intelligence that "auto toboggans" were to be introduced at selected detachments to replace the dog teams for winter travel. I suppose that our incredulous reaction was akin to the attitude of most people in North America when automobiles were first introduced. They were said to be an interesting novelty but would never replace horses. After an interval of forty years or so I am obliged to admit that snowmobiles have in many places replaced the sleigh dogs on the winter trails and, like those who mourned the disappearance of horses, I somehow regret this development. There was a certain fantasy, there was excitement and even romance associated with winter travel by dog team, preposterous as this may seem. I wonder how the tedium of the long northern winters can be relieved without the quest for distant places and whiter fields.

In 1944 the Hudson's Bay Company was still operating their fleet of paddle-wheel steamers on the Mackenzie River route between Fort Smith and Aklavik. As fuel they consumed prodigious quantities of spruce logs which had been cut and piled at intervals on the riverbank by firewood contractors during the previous winter, and the progress of these old ships was interrupted each day by stops in order to load fresh supplies of cordwood. At these wood stops the steamer would tie up to a

predesignated place along the riverbank where the wood had been piled, runways would be run out from the deck to the shore, and for an hour or so the silence of the northern scene would be filled with the uproar and clatter of the deckhands transferring firewood to tidy piles convenient to the boilers. During the daylight hours these were interesting intervals for the passengers on board, and for the newcomers they were curious interludes in the ship's 1,000-mile passage from the last outpost of civilization into the far North. At night it was a different story, for the wood stops were guaranteed to waken the soundest sleeper with the penetrating cries and curses of the deck hands, and the thumps and bumps of the wood being piled on the decks just aft of the cabin doors.

Attached to each of these steamers were three or four large barges, firmly lashed ahead of and beside the vessel. These barges carried the thousands of tons of provisions and supplies required to restock the Hudson's Bay Company posts on the Mackenzie River, and also transported into the North some of the victuals and stores required by the Mounted police, the missions and many of the independent traders.

The arrival of one of these steamers was a gala event at every settlement on the river, but the arrival of the first steamer of the season was greeted with a welcome that almost verged on hysteria. Daily bulletins from the Royal Canadian Corps of Signals at Aklavik kept us routinely informed of the course of the first steamer downstream, but the suspense increased by mathematical progression as she arrived at Fort Norman, Fort Good Hope and Arctic Red River on the way. From Arctic Red River her last leg to Aklavik could be calculated in a matter of hours, and the first sight of her as she rounded the last turn in the channel south of the settlement was eagerly

anticipated. This was the event that our S/Cst. Andrew Stewart used to hope for, as we were huddled around a frigid camp fire out on the winter trail, when he would say, "Gee, I wish I could see that old steamboat coming down the channel." When the first sight of the steamboat was made, a cry would be heard, "Steamboat — steamboat," and this would be echoed and repeated throughout the settlement in seconds. Everyone would drop whatever they were doing and run to the riverbank in front of the Hudson's Bay Company store and Dr. Livingstone's house. Picture if you can all the girls and women dressed in their picturesque Mother Hubbard calico costumes with the hoods pushed back, smiling and chattering, their black hair shining in the sun; the Indian and Eskimo men in their colourful fur-trimmed parkas, still wearing the canvas and moosehide snow boots of winter; the children darting around and full of excitement. The S.S. Mackenzie River was the first Hudson's Bay Company vessel to arrive in Aklavik early in June 1944, and signalled the arrival of our short season of navigation.

When the S.S. Mackenzie River had been secured to the riverbank and the gangplanks laid connecting the ship to the shore, the job of unloading began. The deckhands moved the crates and boxes ashore and dropped them at prearranged places for every consignee in the settlement. The Mounted Police stores were moved in wheelbarrows from our drop zone to our warehouses. Everyone in the settlement could be seen behaving rather like ants in a disturbed ant hill, pushing, pulling and carrying all kinds of boxes and parcels in all directions. It was a strenuous time for all the men, women and children of the settlement, as prudence dictated that the cargo on the riverbank should be put under cover as soon as possible. It is noteworthy of the absolute honesty of the people of the com-

munity that cartons and crates of all kinds of goods were left unguarded on the riverbank, and there was never a complaint of pilferage or theft.

The arrival in Aklavik of the S.S. Mackenzie River in June 1944 marked a milestone in my northern service, for it was just a year before that I had reached this settlement to take up my duties as O.C. Aklavik Sub-Division. My eleven years service in the Force had done little to prepare me for this remote assignment, and I must admit that I began my new role with a conspicuous lack of confidence. A year later, having wintered in the country, an element of my courage had been restored and I looked forward to my future in the North with a firmly-developed affection and respect for the people in this region of the Territories.

However this was no time for reflection, and there was much to be done in preparation for the winter season beginning in September. A new outpost building and warehouse were to be built by police labour at Fort McPherson, hundreds of pounds of fish were to be caught and dried for dog feed for the winter patrols, all detachments were to be prepared for inspections by Supt. Douglas G. Martin — our Commanding Officer in Ottawa. I was planning a 500-mile trip by small boat upstream to Fort Norman in order that I might again visit the Mackenzie River detachments. A busy summer was scheduled, but fortunately in those latitudes the hours of daylight are long during July and August, and a great deal can be accomplished. If one had thought to complain of the eighty-hour weeks, one could also reflect that there were compensating hours of darkness during the winter months when little work could be done. In June in Aklavik one does not want to think of winter; the days were warm and the skies were clear. I don't know when I ever felt better and I don't know when I was ever happier. ■

Student Justice

by Cpl. J. R. Arsenault

How can we as policemen help to develop a greater rapport between young people and the police? One method which has been successfully used in a number of communities across the country is a simulated crime, staged by the police, which young people, their parents and teachers are invited to solve. In the process they acquire a firsthand experience of the special difficulties, frustrations, and prejudices faced by police. The following description of one such staged who-done-it comes to us from Cheticamp, Nova Scotia. Ed.

Cheticamp, a small French fishing village, on the Cabot Trail in Cape Breton, Nova Scotia, held its first judge and jury trial on June 7, 1982. The fact that no one present had a law degree did not preclude justice being done.

The idea of a mock trial is far from being unique from a Police Community Relations point of view, so, in order to add a new twist to an old idea and to encourage police/youth interaction, it was decided that an offence would be staged, investigated, prosecuted, and defended by the students themselves. All three members of this detachment agreed that the project was worthwhile and the NCO i/c, Cpl. Ray Arsenault, approached a Political Science teacher and his grade XII class at a local high school with the proposal. It was met with overwhelming enthusiasm and the teacher offered his home as the target of the "break, enter and theft" (B. E. & T.). The police, Ident. man, court clerk/sheriff, court stenographer, witnesses, prosecutors, and defence lawyers were chosen first and excluded from the room when the culprits and their accomplices were chosen. In order to keep the investigation as close to reality as possible, the rest of the class who were to act on the Grand and Petit Juries were sworn to

secrecy as to the identity of the culprits. It was further decided that Cpl. Arsenault would act as judge, while Csts. Richard Blaquiére and Michel Cormier would assist the prosecution and the defence respectively.

Several meetings were held with the culprits, their accomplices, and the victim to plan the offence which was finally perpetrated on April 30, 1982. A forced entry with a minimum of damage was effected and a radio was stolen. A torn piece of chocolate-bar wrapper was left behind as a piece of evidence and the matching piece was left in the culprit's car.

The investigation commenced with three "policemen," two males and one female, and an Ident. man attending the scene. Photographs were taken and evidence was properly preserved. During the investigation, a college student home for the weekend dropped by to see the teacher. When told what was going on, he advised that on the previous evening he had seen a vehicle belonging to the father of one of the suspects parked in a field a short distance from the scene. Statements were taken in the accepted manner from the witness and the victim.

The investigation continued with the "police" searching the car in question and seizing the matching piece of chocolate-bar wrapper. Special emphasis was placed by the police on the new Charter of Rights and Freedoms and everyone involved in the investigation was given cards bearing the official warning statement. The investigation led the police to a home, 25 miles away from Cheticamp, where the radio was recovered. All the normal procedures in applying for and obtaining a search warrant were followed and the documents were even signed by our local Justice of the Peace. A detention order was obtained and

security and continuity of possession of all evidence was properly maintained.

All the accused were interviewed and warned statements were obtained with three of the four admitting the offence. Two witnesses were found who had seen the four accused together both in Cheticamp and near the scene. One of the witnesses even saw the radio being sold to the individual from whom it was seized. The evidence was really stacked against the culprits.

This then precipitated a series of meetings with the Crown. The students themselves decided what charges to lay and against whom. Informations were sworn before the Justice of the Peace and the four persons charged with B. E. & T. appeared before the writer on May 19, 1982, for election of trial choice. They were all represented by counsel and elected trial by judge and jury. Their preliminaries were all waived to avoid duplication of evidence and the trial date was set at June 7, 1982.

Indictments were prepared, jury notes were distributed, and witnesses were summoned. The trial procedures, oaths and court proclamations were all obtained from the court clerk at Port Hood, Nova Scotia. Recording equipment was obtained from a local band and the auditorium at the school was set up to resemble as closely as possible a regular courthouse scene. Numerous meetings were held between Csts. Blaquiere and Cormier and their respective charges. The enthusiasm displayed was most refreshing and many local citizens expressed an interest in attending the trial.

At 6 p.m., the trial began before some 200 parents and students. The Grand Jury was selected and returned a True Bill (Nova Scotia is the only province which still uses the Grand Jury). The Petit Jury was then empaneled with several of the students being chal-

lenged by the defence. Each juror and witness was appropriately sworn in. Csts. Blaquiere and Cormier sat with the Crown and the defence respectively while Cpl. Arsenault presided. "Voir dire" were held while the jury was sequestered. A total of nine witnesses were examined and cross-examined. No evidence was given by the defence.

After summation by both the Crown and defence, the jury was "charged" by Cpl. Arsenault. It was specifically pointed out that the jury should judge the innocence or guilt based solely on what they had heard during the trial. The law concerning B. E. & T., parties to an offence, and circumstantial evidence was explained thoroughly. Although the evidence of the crown witnesses had the potential of being very damaging if properly presented, the witnesses themselves appeared very nervous and did not impress the jurors as being credible. Thus, within thirty minutes, a verdict of "not guilty" was rendered in all four cases... much to the delight of the accused.

The students acting as policemen and Crown prosecutors were surprised at the verdict and vowed next time to prepare a more credible and airtight case. Their experience, however, was not so different from that of everyday policemen who know only too well the unpredictability of court proceedings.

At the conclusion, teachers and students expressed their gratification to the members of Cheticamp Detachment. They all thought the project was worthwhile and very interesting. The whole affair was planned and carried out after school hours and lasted approximately 1½ months. Most of the time spent on the project by the members was voluntary overtime. What was most significant was that during the entire project no lack of interest or enthusiasm was ever displayed by either students or members. A highly successful endeavour, we anticipate it will become an annual event. ■

RCMP Depot Division Graduates

Troop 1 (1982-83) began training on April 8, 1982, and graduated on October 4, 1982. (L-R) Front Row: K. L. Perry, Cpl. D. E. Grudgfield, Insp. I. B. Smith, C/Supt. J. L. D. Ling, S/M T. O. Lewis, C. K. Croker, L. A. Savard. Second Row: N. D. Hartle, D. G. Shields, R. Burton, D. L. McDonough, G. N. Santaga, C. D. Blight, F. A. Urgolo, F. A. Pautler, P. Leipnitz. Third Row: R. W. Serhan, C. F. Bailey, E. J. D. Brake, J. E. M. G. Chalifoux, C. C. McCarthy, F. T. Christie, R. E. Bartley, B. R. Kleinsasser. Fourth Row: W. R. Campbell, R. A. Ruiters, J. B. Chiasson, R. C. Slawson, B. R. Decock, S. F. Stacey, D. D. Green, D. J. R. Cook, J. D. Hacking.

Troop 2 (1982-83) began training on April 23, 1982, and graduated on October 18, 1982. (L-R) Front Row: C. G. Bourque, Cpl. L. R. Lazzarotto, Supt. R. R. MacKeracher, C/Supt. J. L. D. Ling, Supt. R. L. Fletcher, S/M T. O. Lewis, D. W. Sanders. Second Row: B. A. Reinbold, S. J. E. Campbell, D. S. Gagnon, K. W. Parker, G. A. Grant, E. J. Rossiter, J. W. Ball, B. T. Oster, R. M. Akin. Third Row: J. R. M. Trudeau, R. W. Smith, J. R. Bent, G. J. Matthews, J. A. Allen, G. Y. Leclerc, B. M. Powell, S. J. Corscadden, L. E. Winsor, M. J. Daigle. Fourth Row: J. A. Bodner, D. R. Cooke, T. D. Bain, K. D. Ruddick, R. B. Wheatley, C. T. Scott, W. E. Rideout, D. W. Bellamy, J. L. C. Pepin, D. M. MacMullin, R. D. McCann.

Troop 3 (1982-83) began training on April 30, 1982, and graduated on October 25, 1982. (L-R) Front Row: T. M. Materi, Cpl. J. D. Lechner, Supt. R. L. Fletcher, Supt. R. R. MacKeracher, S/M T. O. Lewis, R. F. Hartlen, R. L. Whalley. Second Row: J. J. H. McInnis, J. P. Crowley, I. A. A. Campbell, W. G. Cunningham, B. F. Evenson, S. H. Murray, D. N. Bond, J. W. Ellis, F. S. Cuthbert. Third Row: G. M. MacKenzie, D. J. Kilby, R. A. P. McColl, T. W. Wolter, M. S. Bezanson, T. W. French, J. A. D. Perron, S. B. Pattison, R. W. MacNight, C. M. Massey. Fourth Row: T. A. Foulis, S. P. Evans, H. A. VanDorland, D. C. Filipchuk, K. P. Parent, P. L. Sharbell, G. F. Siegersma, J. A. Heighton, R. J. McCormick.



Troop 4 (1982-83) began training on May 14, 1982, and graduated on November 8, 1982. (L-R) Front Row: Cpl. A. W. Bonnell, Supt. R. R. MacKeracher, C/Supt. J. L. D. Ling, Supt. R. L. Fletcher, S/M T. O. Lewis. Second Row: M. A. M. N. S. Fortier, B. A. Shugg, K. A. Baronsteff, M. K. Duncan, S. L. C. G. M. Jeannotte, A. A. Foster. Third Row: M. C. Ryan, J. A. Mortensen, S. L. Smith, M. M. L. Choinière, G. D. Willis, A. M. Hollander, C. V. M. Bulger. Fourth Row: M. G. G. Rivest, J. E. Mallay, M. G. Theriault, M. S. A. Cuillierier, H. H. Lee, M. P. S. R. Roy, M. A. L. Morel, L. M. Boutilier. Missing: M. G. A. Hebert, C. L. J. Urlacher.

Troop 5 (1982-83) began training on May 21, 1982, and graduated on November 15, 1982. (L-R) Front Row: D. D. Henry, Supt. R. R. MacKeracher, C/Supt. J. L. D. Ling, S/M T. O. Lewis, Cpl. D. L. D. Anthony, M. G. Dolny. Second Row: A. A. Olson, J. E. Kimpan, J. D. P. Clement, B. R. Laforce, R. M. McGinnis, J. C. D. Lafleur, K. J. Sutherland. Third Row: J. J. S. Gourdeau, W. R. Slingerland, J. G. P. R. Jalbert, J. A. Babinsky, J. P. Meilleur, B. R. Halladay, J. M. A. Petit, C. J. P. Knight. Fourth Row: D. N. Kiperchuk, J. F. Deschenes, J. G. L. F. Gougeon, D. R. Fisher, R. D. Shaw, J. R. L. Bouchard, J. A. M. Lareau.

Troop 6 (1982-83) began training on June 11, 1982, and graduated on December 6, 1982. (L-R) Front Row: Cpl. C. L. Fister, Insp. I. B. Smith, C/Supt. J. L. D. Ling, Supt. R. L. Fletcher, S/M T. O. Lewis, J. L. J. Giroux. Second Row: K. G. Alderson, J. E. A. J. G. Gagnon, J. E. R. Potvin, J. G. S. S. Desjardins, J. G. S. S. Lemire, J. N. Theriault. Third Row: A. W. Martin, J. R. A. Bourdages, D. J. Lewis, R. J. Peever, J. G. F. F. Therrien, W. A. Stubbs, J. P. L. B. Gagne. Fourth Row: F. D. Moroney, J. S. A. Gagne, J. R. Y. Labranche, J. J. M. Godue, J. L. J. Seguin, S. A. Smedley, J. R. R. Leblanc, J. M. Durette.





Rocky Mountain Road Race Challenge

by Sgt. T. I. Gray

It all began on a warm day in May 1981 when Cst. Wally Mailman, Edmonton City Police, phoned to ask whether I would like to participate in the second Jasper-Banff relay. Knowing very little about the race, I agreed.

Approximately five weeks later, on June 20, I found myself standing on the

Banff-Jasper Parkway, 54 miles south of Jasper at an elevation of about 5,100 feet, waiting to run eleven miles, my leg on the relay race. These were not like the ordinary training miles I had been used to in Edmonton. Over the next 80 minutes, the weather went from +12°C and sunny to 0° and a blowing snowstorm. The elevation

gained 1,500 feet. When I had finished I had the feeling every runner gets after a particularly tough run, a personal high and the feeling I had to do it again some day.

The idea for a relay race between Jasper and Banff was conceived in late 1979 by the Chaquis Running Club of Edmonton. The course they chose is 170 miles in length and divided into seventeen relay segments. The individual legs of the race vary from 8.9 miles to 12.0 miles in length and each team is allowed up to seventeen runners. Should a runner injure himself or become too tired to finish, three substitutions may take place. The elevations vary from Jasper at 3,400 feet, the Columbia Icefield at 6,673 feet, Saskatchewan River Crossing at 4,700 feet, Bow Pass Summit at 6,788 feet and Banff at 4,200 feet. Each of the seventeen legs has its own hardships.

In June of 1980, nine teams from Alberta set off from Jasper in the foot race. Less than 19 hours and 12 minutes later the winning team crossed the finish line at Banff.

By June of 1981 the word had spread and 35 teams were entered in the run. The Vancouver Lions Gate Running Club finished first in a time of 17 hours, 41 minutes. The race was featured in the magazine, *Runners World*, and the applications started to come in almost immediately.

In January of 1982 I sent out a memo to all "K" Division detachments inquiring if anyone was interested in entering an all-RCMP team. To my surprise I received forty names of people who wanted to participate. Because there are only seventeen runners to a team we decided to go with two teams. We also invited Edmonton, Calgary and Vancouver City Police Departments, as well as Depot Division, to compete in an all-police event. Ernie Reid, a retired lawyer in Edmonton, donated a trophy and the Rocky Mountain Road Race Challenge was on.

By April 1982, 118 teams from all over the U.S.A., Canada, and Japan wanted to participate. By race day the field had narrowed to a more manageable 96 teams.

June 20, 1982, dawned hot and sunny, much warmer than usual for Jasper. The 96 teams on the starting line included two police teams from RCMP "K" Division, two from Edmonton City Police, and one from Calgary Police Service.

Immediately from the start, it was a race between Calgary Police Service and RCMP team number I. At the end of the first twelve-mile leg, RCMP team I had a 37-second lead. By the end of the second leg, Calgary was ahead by six minutes. Calgary's lead then increased to fourteen minutes at the end of stage four. During stage seven, Bruno Arseneau of Mayerthorpe Detachment took over the lead by one minute. After seventy-five miles there was only one minute separating the two teams. Calgary regained the lead in stage eight only to lose it in stage nine to Cpl. Gord McRae, Depot Division. But by the end of stage ten, Calgary held an eight-minute lead.

Cst. Brian Phillips of Crowsnest trimmed Calgary's lead to less than two minutes while running up the Bow Summit, with a time of 7.45 minutes per mile. Cpl. Dennis Schaefer of Calgary G.I.S. kept Calgary City Police's lead to less than two minutes and handed the baton to the next runner, Cst. Jack Hess. Cst. Hess ran the second fastest overall time for stage thirteen, averaging 5.63 minutes per mile and giving RCMP team I an eighteen-minute edge over Calgary.

The RCMP held the edge from this point on. Cpl. Gerry Taylor of Calgary Ident. Section finished eighteen minutes ahead of Calgary Police Service and won the Rocky Mountain Road Race Police Challenge trophy. The overall time for the 170 mountainous miles was 21 hours, 30 minutes. The



"K" Division Team No. 1. (L-R) Front Row: Tim Gray, Jack Hess, Dennis Schaefer, Brian Phillips, Bruno Arseneau, Jerry Taylor. **Back Row:** Jack Kerr, Harold Trupish, Ray Croy, Paul Ariss, Ken Chambers, Irving Kurz, Gord McRae, Clint Reynolds. Missing from the photo are Al Yachiansky, Lynn Silcox and Jim Woolford.

times for other finishing police teams were: Calgary Police Service, 21 hours, 48 minutes; Edmonton Police Department II, 22 hours, 34 minutes; Edmonton Police Department I, 25 hours; and RCMP team II, 25 hours, 43 minutes. The Toronto Olympic Club set a new record by finishing in 16 hours, 47 minutes, a full 36 minutes ahead of the second-place Calgary Road Runners.

The officials at the finish line, behind the RCMP detachment in Banff, closed up shop after the noon Sunday deadline, 24 hours after the race started. Twelve teams, however, including two police teams, still kept running and finished the entire 170 miles. After the race it was off to the Sulfur Mountain Hot Pools and a relaxing dip.

That was the Rocky Mountain Road Race 1982. Training has already begun for 1983. Edmonton City, Calgary City, and RCMP teams I and II are already committed to competing again. We hope that more police teams will come forward to challenge the Rockies in the 1983 Jasper-Banff Mountain Road Race. ■

Editor's Note: More information about the Jasper-Banff Relay may be obtained by contacting: Jasper-Banff Relay, % Jan B. Tereszczenko, #1604-9903 — 104 St., Edmonton, Alberta, T5K 0E4 (403) 423-7849; or RCMP, Crime Detection Laboratory, Box 1320, 11140 — 109 St., Edmonton, Alberta, T5J 2N1, ATT.: Sgt. Tim Gray (403) 479-9556.

Provost Staff Officers Their Origin and Duties*

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As most of our readers know, the Force has had a strong affiliation with the military since the beginning of the RCMP. Many who joined the NWMP in 1873 came from British cavalry and artillery units. Men from the Force saw service in the Northwest Rebellion, the Boer War, WW I and WW II. They served with a myriad of corps, but principally and more importantly as a unified group with an existing army unit, to wit: The Lord Strathcona Horse in South Africa during the Boer War, "A" and "B" Squadrons of the Canadian Expeditionary Force in France, Belgium and Siberia during WW I, and the No. 1 Provost Company in Europe during WW II.

Over the years the Quarterly has carried numerous articles on this latter group, the No. 1 Provost Company. The stories covered the men and their activities, the unit's formation and training. We are now fortunate to be able to bring you this definitive article, again related to that chapter of RCMP-Military history, by a man eminently qualified to tell the story.

The author was a superintendent in charge of the Criminal Investigation Branch of "F" Division when he resigned his commission with the Force in the Spring of 1941 and joined the Canadian Army as a 2nd lieutenant. He was posted to the Saskatoon Light Infantry (M.G.) — a unit then in England with

the 1st Division — as a reinforcement officer, and dispatched to Gordon Head, British Columbia, for officer cadet training.

During this three-month training period he began to doubt if, at his age (37) and junior rank, he would ever be accepted in a fighting unit. So as the period ended and he was offered the position of Deputy Assistant Provost Marshal of the 5th Canadian Armoured Division — then mustering at Camp Borden — he accepted. With his transfer to that formation he was promoted to the rank of captain. The Division moved to England in the late fall of 1941.



Col. L. H. Nicholson, Provost Marshal, circa 1945.

*A talk given at the October 1980 meeting of the Ottawa Military History Colloquium.

Nicholson remained with the 5th Armoured until January 1943 when he was appointed Assistant Provost Marshal of the newly formed 2nd Canadian Corps and promoted to the rank of major.

In September 1943, with the 1st Canadian Corps HQ and the Corps troops preparing to sail for the Mediterranean theatre, Nicholson was hurriedly moved to that formation to fill the recently vacated position of A.P.M., and within a matter of hours found himself en route by air with the advance party to Algiers and Sicily. He continued service with 1st Corps throughout the Italian campaign, and during the move of the Corps out of Italy to northwestern Europe in February and March of 1945.

In April 1945, with the end of the war in sight, Nicholson was one of a small group of staff and service officers sent back to Canada at top priority with the object of facilitating the return home of our troops. On arrival he was posted to Provost Corps HQ, appointed Deputy Provost Marshal, and promoted to the rank of lieutenant colonel. He spent the summer and early fall of 1945 inspecting home provost corps units.

In November 1945, with the retirement of the previous incumbent, Colonel Goad, Nicholson was appointed Provost Marshal and promoted to the rank of colonel. He remained in this position until his release from the Army in May 1946, having given particular attention to the establishment of a viable provost element in the peace-time army during this interval.

Immediately on his release from the army, Nicholson returned to the RCMP at his previous rank of superintendent and was posted to Headquarters in the position of Assistant Director of Criminal Investigation. There followed an impressive service to the Force, culminating in his promotion to commissioner in 1951. In 1960 he was ap-

pointed Colonel Commandant of the Canadian Provost Corps, one year after his retirement to pension from the RCMP. He held this position until 1970. Ed.

ORIGINS

As with so much of our military history, Canadian Provost Staff Officers trace their parentage and style to England. We have pretty well followed the long-established traditions of our United Kingdom counterparts.

Long established indeed! On a board in the office of the present British Army Provost Marshal are listed the names of 56 of his predecessors, stretching back in an almost unbroken line to one Henry Guildford, who was sent to Spain in 1511 by Henry VIII as provost marshal to Lord D'Arcy and his army.

From the articles of war issued by Charles I in 1625-30 we find the following paragraph:

"The provost must have a horse allowed him and some soldiers to attend him and all the rest commanded to obey and assist or else the service will suffer for he is but one man and must correct many and therefore he cannot be beloved. And he must be riding from one garrison to another to see the soldiers do not outrage nor scathe the country."

We must distinguish between the term "provost" as found in a staff officer's title and the more generalized word describing a military police unit or branch (i.e., the Canadian Provost Corps, or 13 Provost Company). The term was also used to describe individual soldiers of a provost unit (i.e., a provost pointsman). The term is found as well in the political and academic world, for example, the Provost (Mayor) of a Scottish town, and the Provost of Eton College. By definition the word means chief, director or leader.

In the Modern Age the term "provost marshal" is generally restricted to the senior officer holding disciplinary responsibility in an armed service — in some countries he is called a "provost marshal general." Below him are deputies (DPM's), assistants (APM's), and deputy assistants (DAPM's), in order of rank. All are, or were, properly described as "provost *staff* officers" — they serve on a headquarters staff as distinct from those officers who serve with a provost or military police unit.

In the British Army in earlier days the term "provost marshal" was frequently applied to an appointment in a field army or even an army unit, as well as to an appointment in a military area. Thus Wellington had a provost marshal in the Peninsula campaign and there were British provost marshals in Ireland during the 1600's, and later in India.

At one time provost marshals had authority, in certain circumstances, over civilians as well as the military and could impose summary punishment... even the death penalty!

Let me finish this brief reference to long past history by mentioning two or three incidents to show that the office of provost marshal was not confined to the British Army.

When Henry VIII met Francis I of France at the Field of the Cloth of Gold on June 7, 1520, the English procession was led by Sir Henry Guildford, the English provost marshal; while his counterpart on the French side led the French procession. Both were responsible for security in their respective camps and we may speculate that they had carefully coordinated their traffic-control arrangements for that great day.

There were provost marshals in America in colonial days as there were in Washington's revolutionary war

army. A Virginia provost marshal of those days was able to commit prisoners to the galleys while a Georgia provost marshal, in addition to his military responsibilities, operated as a chief of police with local government duties.

THE CANADIAN ESTABLISHMENT

There is no mention of a Canadian provost service prior to 1914, and if there was a provost staff officer during the Northwest Rebellion or the South African War, I have been unable to find any reference to such an appointment.

During World War I, detachments of military police were employed in military districts in Canada and with the Canadian Expeditionary Force overseas. On April 1, 1918, the corps of military police was formed with an establishment of 850 men in Canada, 294 in England, and 160 in France.

Previously there had been APM's in military commands and formations whenever the need arose. Officers were seconded from other arms and services. In November 1918 Colonel Godson Godson, DSO, DCM, was returned to Canada from overseas and posted as "Provost Marshal, Dominion of Canada," a position he held until March 1920, after which the office was left vacant.

During the World War II period, the establishment for provost staff officers was considerably more developed. The organization was as follows: in Canada, the provost marshal and a DPM; each military district, an APM. Overseas at Canadian Military HQ London, a DPM, and an APM. With the first Canadian Army there was a DPM, an APM, and a DAPM. Each corps had an APM, and a DAPM; each division had its own APM, and Canadian reinforcement units had a DAPM. At first some of these positions were taken up by

officers seconded from other arms and services, but at war's end almost all were filled by officers of the Canadian Provost Corps which had been established in July 1940.

The provost staff officer during World War II was, in effect, the chief of police for a military formation or area, and he was responsible to his commander for the discharge of this duty. His responsibilities included: policing troops when away from their unit lines; investigating serious crimes by soldiers and crimes involving military property; traffic control; control of prisoners of war; liaison with civil police; operating field punishment camps and detention barracks; the imposition of capital punishment, and, assisting at ceremonial functions, military reviews and VIP visits.

To carry out these tasks he had under his control one or more provost units, and at times other troops were assigned to him, as, for instance, when large numbers of prisoners of war were to be handled.

The relative priority of these duties depended on circumstances. For example, through the "waiting period" in England provost units of our field formations were involved at times with traffic control, such as during large exercises. Otherwise they were busy with unit training and maintaining police patrols in nearby towns and villages. Separate, static provost units handled military police work in London and other large leave centres and manned detention barracks and field punishment camps.

In a combat zone the principal concern of provost staff officers and provost units was traffic control. This was a heavy and demanding task, particularly when it was a war of almost continual movement, such as in Italy in 1943-44, and in France following the Caen and Falaise battles.

POLICING IN ENGLAND

Policing Canadian troops in England while away from their unit lines involved for the most part soldiers on leave. Most of this work was handled by provost staff officers and provost units under the DPM, Canadian Military HQ, London. That metropolis itself required much attention by foot and vehicle patrols, working closely with the metropolitan police. Provost detachments from the London unit were maintained in Edinburgh and other large cities as circumstances dictated.

Despite the long years of training and waiting and the consequent boredom, I think it fair to say that our troops were well behaved. Provost units had much less trouble with them than might be thought.

We like to think that our approach helped; provost men were taught and encouraged to help soldiers who were in trouble — sick, broke or overdue off leave. At times more stern action was necessary when dealing with public disorder or drunkenness, but these cases were surprisingly rare. When men had to be arrested they were charged and handed back to their unit together with the charge form. In very serious criminal cases the civil police would take over and the soldiers involved would be dealt with in criminal court.

Provost staff officers and units or field formations in England had the responsibility of policing their own formation areas, but as these seldom included leave centres this was usually only a matter of weekend and evening patrols in villages and small towns. Again there were few real disorders — if the troops got a bit noisy at pub closing time a warning would often suffice and tipsy soldiers were generally taken or sent back to their units rather than arrested and charged.

If troops from a particular unit persisted in attracting unfavourable pub-

lic attention a provost staff officer would probably take the matter up with their unit commander first. If this didn't remedy the situation, he would then go to Brigade or Division HQ and have some suitable action taken.

Police duties in operational areas received little attention — we were all too busy with other things. To the rear of operational areas there was some patrolling, and some "out-of-bounds" districts had to be policed, but this was handled by base and lines-of-communication provost units.

ITALY

We in No. 1 Canadian Corps had an experience with our troops from the San Spirito Eighth Army rest camp near Bari which may be worth telling.

When our Corps HQ was at Rocca in January 1944 General Crerar, the Canadian Corps Commander, sent for me and said he had received a most disturbing report from the Bari town major. It seemed that the British Corps of Military Police (C.M.P.) Company policing the town were having great trouble with Canadians from the San Spirito camp. Although the Canadians were only a small proportion of the troops in the camp, they were causing most of the trouble in town through drunkenness and disorder. I was to go at once and see what could be done about it.

Back I went, and found the situation was indeed as described. The C.M.P. Company was at its wits end; every time they tried to arrest or even warn a Canadian, other Canadians gathered around and a "battle" ensued. The British were told that if Canadians were to be arrested, "they'd be arrested by their own provost, not by any G-D Red Cap*."

Taking our troops at their own word, I returned to Corps HQ, and with the

approval of the corps commander arranged to have our three provost companies — the 1st Division Company, the 5th Armoured Division Company and the Corps Company — supply a section each for provost duties at Bari on a one week rotating basis.

The Bari duty section put a man with each of the C.M.P. City Patrols and that man dealt with any Canadian "needing attention"... often by simply loading him in a vehicle and sending him back to camp. The Canadian "crime rate" quickly dropped to acceptable levels; the C.M.P. were happy, and we of the Canadian provost service felt complimented, in an Irish sort of a way.

LIAISON WITH CIVIL POLICE AUTHORITIES

This was a pleasant and useful duty in England. Civil police there were always ready to help and advise, and our men worked closely with them. I remember for instance, the work of the Metropolitan Police when we moved a whole armoured corps through their area in the early summer of 1943. We on our part always did our best to cooperate with the British police wherever we happened to be, on all matters involving soldiers and the civilian population.

In Italy, and for a time in France, there were no dependable police forces to establish liaison with so we simply disregarded the civil authority. The situation was better in Holland and Belgium where the machinery of civil government had been maintained. After the surrender of Germany some provost officers working for the military government organization were involved in the tremendous task of establishing a degree of law and order

*British Corps of Military Police (C.M.P.) wore red forage hats, and were thus known as "Red Caps."



December 1939, No. 1 Provost Company (RCMP ranks given) (L-R) Top Row: Csts. C. Stanyer, H. J. Fitzallen, F. L. Pierce, E. G. Norman-Crosse, N. W. M. Duns, A. Robinson, C. E. Northwood, G. W. Mudge, L/Cpl. F. A. Love, Csts. J. A. Primrose, J. W. E. Hayes, J. H. Bumphrey, P. L. Keele, A. White, L. A. Gibbs, C. L. Ray, J. A. Stevenson, J. Gray, E. S. W. Batty, F. N. Brien. Second Row: Csts. H. McCallum, C. J. F. Pooley, T. A. Boal, L. G. Dagg, W. G. Baker, M. E. Byers, G. C. McKay, J. E. Wild, J. B. Harris, E. H. Stevenson, A. T. Kent, C. T. Hanman, W. R. Phillips, D. C. G. Moon, A. R. Skelley, R. A. Butler, R. A. Ogilvie, O. Ness. Third Row: Csts. W. Henderson, C. A. E. Taylor, A. J. Gillis, C. Wood, R. P. Harrison, C. F. Wilson, D. M. Beach, J. E. B. Hallett, P. A. Anderson, W. G. Stevens, L. S. Grayson, J. R. Stewart, D. R. Henzie, R. T. Vessey, J. D. F. Morrison, L/Cpl. J. H. C. McFee, Cst. P. S. Oliver. Fourth Row: Cst. D. H. Mason, L/Cpl. R. W. Kells, Csts. R. G. Cooper, L. W. Paige, H. L. Martin, S. Dalton, G. F. Canning, H. F. Hammond, K. G. Pedersen, R. McGill, H. F. Law, M. R. Stewart, J. R. Gauthier, E. Porter, C. L. Payne, W. M. Ogilvie, J. H. B. Doe, R. H. Durfy, N. Cooper. Fifth Row: Csts. A. W. King, L. B. Smith, E. F. Burkmar, R. W. Hull, E. F. Putnam, Cpls. J. Green, R. J. Kidston, L/Cpl. A. Drummond-Hay, Cpl. G. W. Ball, Supt. W. R. Day, Cpls. C. W. Graham, E. A. Chamberlain, S. H. G. Margetts, E. Tutin, Csts. J. O. L. Beaulieu, W. H. Warner, E. A. Cameron, G. E. Bondurant, H. M. Childerstone. Sixth Row: Csts. W. Dick, A. R. Allen, R. C. Fenn, J. R. Carriere, A. Lynas, H. C. Forbes, W. G. Lloyd, A. MacKenzie, C. E. Quantrill, J. H. Carcoux, G. A. Cutting, D. R. Scanlan, R. T. W. Gargan, T. G. N. Watts.

in the conquered territory. But that is another subject and another story.

Relevant to the liaison with civilian police agencies and law enforcement duties was the investigation of serious crime in the army. It was undertaken by small units or sub-units known as *Special Investigation Sections* composed of selected men — usually former civil policemen — working under a provost

staff officer. For instance, in Italy I had three former RCMP members working directly under me from Corps HQ as investigators.

OTHER DUTIES

According to "the book," control of prisoners of war was a responsibility of the provost service. But the numerically few provost could seldom do more

than supervise prisoners, and when the volume of prisoners became heavy, they couldn't even do that. The provost staff officer might suggest locations for cages, or prisoner compounds, and would act as a liaison between HQ staff and other service heads for assistance, such as transport, water, and rations. Provost NCO's might do the counting and searching of prisoners, while reenforcement or service units would be called upon to supply prisoner escorts.

The provost service also operated detention barracks in England and detention barracks and field punishment camps in theatres of war. Each barrack or camp was set up as a separate unit with its own war staff establishment. Here were gathered both the casual, happy-go-lucky offenders, and the really bad actors of the army. Discipline was strict and living conditions often spartan. One field punishment camp commanding officer told me it was his plan to make it so tough that his customers from front line units would rather go back and stay there than return to his care.

Another duty, and by far the most unpleasant for provost staff officers, was that of overseeing military executions. That grim function was handled at army level. The DPM of the Eighth Army warned me that if and when another one came up he would ask for me to supervise it, a duty which he had corps APM's take in turn. Happily for me there was no "next execution" in the Eighth Army while our corps was a part of that famous formation.

A far more pleasant job of provost staff officers was the work arising from ceremonial events such as royal visits, major reviews and the like. On such occasions provost unit officers and men were busy with traffic control, while the provost staff officer of the formation had the tricky task of guiding the distinguished visitor from point to point, watching the timing, and above

all, staying on course. Accompanied by another staff officer he usually rode in a staff car or jeep immediately ahead of the car with the distinguished visitor and with a big sign, "pilot car," attached to the rear of his vehicle. Sometimes all went well. Sometimes interesting and exciting things happened. Sometimes disaster threatened.

THE ROYAL ESCORT

I recall, for instance, the visit of the King and Queen to our Division (the 5th Canadian Armoured) at Aldershot in the spring of 1942. Following the usual custom it was arranged that we would meet the Royal couple with a pilot car and an escort at "The Jolly Farmer" pub, several miles out on the London Road. The escort was a big and cumbersome one — in the lead were two motorcycles, then a scout car, a Staghound armoured car and the pilot car. I rode with another staff officer in the back seat of the pilot car. Behind the Royal car were to be another Staghound, another scout car, and at the very rear, two more motorcycles.

The front element of the escort was parked on the left side of the road just beyond the pub. We placed the pilot car nose out to the road so we could pull out ahead of the Royal limousine as it approached, and at the same time, signal the escort to get under way. The rear element of the escort was parked up a side lane with orders to fall in behind the limousine as soon as it passed the lane entrance. We had with us Superintendent Thompson of the Surrey Constabulary who told us that prior to their arrival the Royal limousine would stop about a mile short of the pub corner and the driver would affix the Royal standard to the front fender. At that moment we planned to dispatch two Provost motorcyclists to warn the commander of the troops assembled for the parade that the Royal visitors would soon arrive.

About ten minutes ahead of schedule we saw a black limousine stop at the place mentioned by Supt. Thompson. The driver got out for a few seconds, then returned to his seat and drove the car towards us. "That's them!" the police superintendent said, so we alerted the escort and waved the motorcycle men away with their warning for the assembled troops.

As the black car approached, our pilot car pulled out ahead of it, forcing it to slow down. The front element of the escort then moved into position: the convoy commander, Major J. D. B. "Des" Smith, standing up in the turret of the Staghound. The rear unit of the escort then promptly moved into position, and our part of the ceremonial welcome seemed to be working. That is, until the other staff officer, Major H. A. "Buster" Phillips, and I looked back for a final check, and suddenly realized that while a standard flew on the bonnet of the black car, there was only one person in the back seat... and that, a woman!

I had the driver of our car slow down and blow his horn loud and long. Fortunately Des Smith heard it and looked back. We signalled him to pull off and halt — somehow he got the attention of the rest of the escort and was able to stop it. We likewise pulled over and motioned to the mysterious black car to go by. As it did, Princess Mary, the lone lady in the back seat, leaned forward, and with a broad smile waved at two embarrassed officers in the pilot car. Clearly she was enjoying our mistake! We later learned that, running ten minutes ahead of the King and Queen, she was on her way to visit a British unit in Farnborough, of which she was Colonel-in-Chief.

We again started an anxious watch down the London Road, fearful that the King and Queen would arrive while we were in a state of disarray. But fortunately we were able to get back into position with about a minute to spare

and, bang on time, the Royal couple arrived and we took them to the parade in style.

In this case the only harm done by our faux pas was that the parade was alerted some ten minutes early; but Buster Phillips and I often wondered what might have been our fate if, failing to look back when we did, we had rolled up and delivered Princess Mary at the saluting base while the King and Queen waited for us at "The Jolly Farmer!"

TRAFFIC CONTROL

By far the most important duty of the provost service in an operational area during World War II was traffic control. First, and for the record, I must distinguish between traffic control (TC) and movement control (MC).

Movement control was a staff function through which headquarters authorized formations or units to move by whatever method was most suitable. If by road, routes and block timings were given.

Traffic control, on the other hand, was an "on-the-ground" job. Routes were named and marked and provost pointsmen kept convoys and individual vehicles on course. They would make on-the-spot decisions to reroute the flow around or over obstructions, or hold it up on account of shellfire. Priority vehicles or convoys were at times led by provost motorcyclists, as in the case of ammunition dumping. Ambulances with battle casualties were always helped through.

To do all these things effectively, all provost personnel had to be constantly up-to-date on HQ and unit locations, and thoroughly acquainted with vehi-

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cle tactical markings. Furthermore, they had to know all the tracks and roads in use, and had to be aware of the timing, route and destination of all large movements.

For road movement to be carried out satisfactorily we found it essential that there be an early and accurate estimate of the capacity of the roads and tracks being used; that movement control pay strict attention to these capacity limits, and that good communication to provost traffic control points be maintained to allow for emergency route or timing changes. All these requirements were not, unfortunately, always met.

In September of 1943, I moved from 2 Corps to 1 Corps as APM, just before 1 Corps HQ left England for the Mediterranean theatre. In fact, the day I moved over I found myself on 48 hours notice to leave by air with the advance party for Algiers.

As we assembled in Sicily and then moved into the line in Italy it seemed to me that less attention was given to movement and traffic control by 1 Corps than was the case in 2 Corps.

While we stayed on the Adriatic side of Italy no problems developed as the war was then (Winter 1943-44) a static line with little unit movement in the corps area. But when we moved across Italy and into the Liri Valley Battle Zone* in early May, serious weaknesses showed up. Movement control, perhaps influenced by some other element at Corps HQ, allowed far too much convoy traffic on our roads and underestimated the amount of casual traffic to be expected. We had no communication with provost men on the ground other than by dispatch rider! The result was, for a few days, utter chaos in the corps area. Roads and tracks were jammed; operational and urgent traffic was bottlenecked. Luckily, our side was then in control of the

air, otherwise the situation would have been far, far more serious.

We learned a lesson, but we learned it the hard way. It may well be asked if this display was one reason our corps was ordered to stand down on June 4th, just when contact with the retreating enemy diminished and the way ahead was almost clear... Rome a mere 40 kilometers away. We watched from the roadside as other formations passed through and took up the pursuit to Rome and beyond (Anagnia** — 13 Corps).

When we moved back to Volturno Valley[‡] to rest and refit it was decided that we no longer needed our AA Regiment (Antiaircraft Artillery) but we did need more infantry and more traffic control. So the AA Regiment was disbanded, 35 Battery was converted to 35 TC (Traffic Control) Company and the balance of the regiment formed the basis of an infantry battalion — the Lanark and Renfrew Scottish.

After a three-week training session, 35 TC Company became a most useful unit and the officers and men of the former gunner outfit accepted their new role cheerfully. They brought with them their W/T equipment (Wireless Telegraph) and thereafter we had the manpower and communication network we needed to operate properly, and keep in touch with all our traffic control points. During this same period movement control at Corps HQ was strengthened and its important role clarified.

When we moved into the line again I put my DAPM in charge of traffic control in the corps area, and thereafter spent most of my time reconnoitering roads and tracks in the division areas and estimating their capacity. When we took over from divisions these esti-

* Between Naples and Rome

** Anagnia — 35 miles ESE of Rome

‡ Near Naples



Cst. D. G. Stackhouse, Reg. No. 12108, on point duty in Italy, 1943. He joined the RCMP on January 8, 1934, and enlisted with No. 1 Provost Co. (C.A.A.) on March 1, 1940, being given the rank of corporal and Army No. L-22013. He was killed in action in Italy on May 31, 1944.

mates were then used by movement control when authorizing corps convoy traffic and unit shifts.

These measures — a communication network, more manpower, a strengthened MC element, and early attention to road reconnaissance — disposed of the problems we faced in the Liri Valley, and with their adoption we became a mobile and free-wheeling formation. When the time came for our transfer to northwestern Europe our march out of Italy and into that other war zone might be looked

upon, I suggest, as a model, reflecting coordination and control. We had learned our lesson well!

I have outlined something of the history of provost staff officers, detailed their duties overseas during World War II, and described the work of overseas provost units in that same period. The work of the provost service here at home has not been included.

I have not attempted to say anything about the service of corps men in Korea and later with many peacekeep-



Commr. L. H. Nicholson at Camp Borden in 1953 inspecting the 100 RCMP volunteers to the advanced Provost training school that anticipated global war. Nicholson's plan was to have ready another "No. 1 Provost Corps" well in advance of any conflict. Note the RCMP hat badge and the military uniform.

ing units in different parts of the world. These endeavours, together with the disappearance of the provost corps as I

knew it — *when the armed forces were integrated* — comprise another story to be told by someone else. ■

Not What It's Stacked Up To Be

In Glasgow, Scotland, three sisters were in bed when a large chimney stack collapsed, falling onto their tenement apartment, and through their bedroom floor. They followed the debris, still in bed, through the next two floors, finally ending up in a ground floor tavern forty feet below. All three survived.

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Divisional Dispatches...

HEADQUARTERS

(Ottawa, Ont.)

Birth To Reg. No. 23467, S/Sgt. Tom Abernethy and his wife Dierdre, a son, Garth Aaron, on November 17, 1982, at Ottawa, Ont.

Retirement Forty-one years is a long time to spend with an organization. In fact, in terms of the RCMP it represents more than one third of the Force's history. Much has changed since January 31, 1942, when Frances Gallant joined the Force. The Fingerprint Section where she first worked employed 37 people then; it now employs close to a hundred. In 1942 fingerprint searches were conducted by means of a painstaking manual system requiring great concentration and visual acuity; today the operation is largely automated. When Frances first joined the section it was located in the Justice Building on Wellington Street, Ottawa. It then moved to the

main building Headquarters which was at the time known as the Seminary Building, after the previous tenants. Later it moved across the road to its present location in the Identification Tower.

The decor of Frances' office in the Seminary Building was exotic though not luxurious. What top executives today can boast marble office walls? Frances had them. Forget for the moment that her office was in the basement. In a rush to house the growing Fingerprint Section some employees had been squeezed into partially converted shower stalls adjacent to the gym in the Seminary Building. She has since moved to more conventional quarters.

It is perhaps the difference in the cost of living between 1942 and 1982, however, that is most



S/Sgt. Larry Ridgway, NCO i/c Records Compilation Section, presents Frances with a goodbye cake at her retirement party.



Following the Commissioner's New Year's Levee in Ottawa on January 1, 1983, five officers visited retired Commissioner L. H. Nicholson at his residence to wish him a Happy New Year. (L-R) Supt. J. B. Forsyth, A/Commr. W. J. T. Rankin, A/Commr. E. T. Zwicker, Insp. R. W. Copeland, C/Supt. G. M. Allen.

indicative of how times have changed. When Frances joined the Force her starting salary, which she considered quite acceptable at the time, was a mere \$780 per year.

Frances took all the changes in her stride. She was, in fact, a very adaptable lady, an attribute noted by several of her supervisors. Born in Tignish, Prince Edward Island, she began her working life as a primary-school teacher in St. Louis, P.E.I. After teaching for four years she moved to Ottawa and took up an eight-month, temporary position with the Passport Office, External Affairs, helping to process a large backlog of passports caused by the Second World War.

Upon completion of that job she was offered the choice of three positions with the federal government. Frances chose the RCMP because, as she says, she wanted to know more about the Force. After 41 years with the Force, Frances must know just about everything there is to know about it, certainly about the Ident. Branch where she spent her entire career. She started with the Fingerprint Section as a fingerprint searcher. Six months later she was promoted to senior fingerprint classifier. She then worked as an acting

assistant supervisor responsible for the operation of a typing pool. On January 6, 1955, this position was made permanent and her title changed to reviewer analyst. In 1959, Frances transferred to the Criminal Records Section of Ident. Branch where she worked as an identification technician until her retirement. Asked to summarize her career with the RCMP, Frances replied modestly that she enjoyed the work and enjoyed the people she worked with. Her co-workers were, however, more extravagant in their assessment of her career.

Frances Gallant retired December 31, 1982, after 41 years of service with the RCMP. She warned me as I started my interview with her for *the Quarterly* that it was not to be an obituary! Looking a good ten years younger than her age, she has lots of plans for her retirement years. First on her agenda is a motor trip through the southern United States. After that she is going to pursue all the activities she did not have enough time for when working, interior decorating and fashion design to mention only two. We wish her the very best.

submitted by Jane Panet

"A" DIVISION

(Headquarters — Ottawa, Ont.)

Presentations On November 10, 1982, C/Supt. N. D. Inkster, C.O. "A" Division, presented Long Service Medals to Sgt. A. M. Saxton and S/Cst. J. N. G. Salomon; a Bronze Clasp to Sgt. W. Sandziuk; Long Service Awards (nickel and bronze) to C/M R. T. "Bob" Hanlon; a Long Service Award (silver) to C/M M. E. "Jiggs" Paquette; and a Silver Clasp to S/Sgt. G. S. "George" Vineyard.

Commanding Officer's Commendations Cst. Joseph Jacques Sylvain Lebel was officially commended for his exemplary action in apprehending an armed and dangerous man in Ottawa on April 6, 1982.

Cst. Joseph Denis André Constant received a Commanding Officer's Commendation as well as commendations from the Chief of Police of the Ottawa Police Department for preventing a teenage girl from committing suicide by drowning in the Ottawa River on June 5, 1982. For his assistance to Cst. Constant, Constable Alan Winsor of the Ottawa Police Department was also commended. Mr. Robert Mousseau of the NCC received a letter of appreciation for assisting in the same rescue.

Cst. Joseph Michel Laplante was commended for preventing another person from committing suicide by drowning in the Ottawa River on September 1, 1982.

"B" DIVISION

(Headquarters — St. John's, Nfld.)

Births To Reg. No. 33843, Cst. Brian MacKay and his wife Elizabeth, a daughter, Jennifer Sarah, on August 12, 1982, at Twillingate, Newfoundland.

To Reg. No. 30990, Cst. Terry R. Lane and his wife Yvonne, a daughter, Erin Toby, on October 22, 1982, at St. John's, Nfld.

To Reg. No. 33561, Cst. Rupert F. Baker and his wife Florence, a daughter, Michelle Ann, on May 7, 1982, at St. John's, Nfld.

Gander Sub-Division Regimental Ball During the evening of October 2, 1982, Gander Sub-Division held its third annual Regimental Ball. This particular function had a special meaning because it was the last time our present C.O., C/Supt. W. Schramm, attended before his impending retirement to pension in 1983. It was also the first appearance of the new O.C. Gander Sub-Division, Supt. C. I. C. MacDonell. The guest speaker for the evening was Mr. Ross Goldsworthy and his story telling and humour had all who attended laughing continually. During the evening three members were presented Long Service Awards. S/Sgt. H. E. J. Johnston of Gander Detachment was presented with the Bronze Clasp and Sgt. J. R. Hansford of Glovertown Detachment and Cpl. C. L. Fraser of Gander Detachment received the Long Service Medal. Also during the evening, C/Supt. Schramm announced the

promotion of Sgt. M. T. Doyle who has recently been transferred to the position of NCO i/c Gander Sub-Division G.I.S.

The meal of roast duck and all the trimmings was followed by a night of dancing into the wee hours. The ball was termed a great success by all those in attendance.

Life Saving Awards On November 26, 1982, the St. John Ambulance Society held an Investiture Ceremony at the Anglican Cathedral of St. John the Baptist. During the ceremony, Life Saving Awards were presented to Cpl. D. M. W. Barrett and Cst. R. M. Fraser of Stephenville Detachment for their key roles in the rescue of a three-year-old boy from an ice-covered brook in March 1982. Their application of mouth-to-mouth resuscitation is credited with saving his life.

The colourful ceremony at the cathedral included a formal procession of clergy, Knights of the Order and the Lieut. Governor W. Anthony Paddon escorted by Special Sword Bearer, S/Sgt. W. S. Pinsent, "B" Division Training Supervisor. The medieval organ music played during the procession was in keeping with the atmosphere of the ceremony and the surroundings. All participants and distinguished invited guests, including C/Supt. W. Schramm, Commanding Officer "B" Division, attended a reception at Government House.



Winner of the Annual Youth Shoot, a competition organized by Bay D'Espoir Detachment to promote firearm safety, was David Colbourne, kneeling front row right. Other participants included (L-R) Front Row: Craig Cokes. Back Row: Cst. J. P. Dion, Leon Ball, Ernest Buglar, Cpl. L. P. Wallis, Tony Chubbs, Randy Miller and Cst. T. V. Gallant.

Combined NCO's Mess After months of hard work by an organizing committee, the two former NCO's Messes (corporals and sergeants) amalgamated by popular vote to form the "B" Division Combined NCO's Mess.

C/Supt. W. Schramm, C.O. "B" Division, played an active role in ensuring that proper facilities were obtained and during the fall and winter of 1981 and 1982, a larger and more attractive facility was carved out of the St. John's Sub-Division Headquarters Building. On Friday evening, March 19, 1982, the official opening took place, with a full turnout of members and wives. A traditional ribbon-cutting ceremony was followed by a buffet prepared by the Food Services Staff, presentations, and an evening of dancing and fellowship. C/Supt. Schramm presented a miniature shabraque to the Mess, which was very much appreciated by the members and will add graciously to the decor of the Mess.

The new facility will be a popular gathering place in which all members can enjoy themselves and maintain the esprit de corps of the Force.

Long Boot Race Cold and windy conditions prevailed on October 22, 1982, for the running of

the 4.2 km "B" Division and St. John's Sub-Division Long Boot Race. The Commanding Officer "B" Division, C/Supt. W. Schramm, was on hand to officially wish the twenty participants good luck and start the race. Spectators cheered as Cst. Jim Baird of Holyrood Detachment finished first with a time of 13 minutes and 7 seconds.

The "B" Division and St. John's Sub-Division Long Boot Race is a semi-annual event and dates back to October 29, 1976. The number of runners has remained constant throughout the years, although the competitiveness grows keener each year. This year, teams representing "B" Division Headquarters, St. John's Sub-Division Headquarters, Holyrood Detachment, Bay Roberts Detachment and Gander Sub-Division participated.

The usual postmortem took place at the "B" Division Combined NCO's Mess immediately following the race. C/Supt. Schramm was on hand to present trophies to the winners and thanked all race contestants for their interest in promoting physical fitness within "B" Division.

submitted by Sgt. R. B. MacKinnon

RCMP Church Parade On November 28, 1982, members of Corner Brook City Detachment held what is believed to be Corner Brook City's first RCMP church parade.

Eighteen members under the command of the Officer in Charge, Insp. Ed. Hamilton, paraded to The Holy Redeemer Immaculate Conception Cathedral and attended Sunday mass. Csts. Terry Smith and Al Nause delivered the scriptural reading; Insp. Hamilton, Sgt. Good, Cpl. Wheeler, and Csts. Gagnon, Walton and Sheen took part in the offertory procession. The mass celebrant was His Excellency Bishop McGrath who offered the mass for RCMP members. In his homily, the bishop paid tribute to the work of the RCMP and prayed for the protection of its members.

Many favourable comments have been received regarding this church parade and members of the parade are unanimous in their feeling that an RCMP Church Parade will now be an annual event in the City of Corner Brook.

submitted by Insp. E. F. Hamilton

Regimental Dinner Members of "B" Division held their annual Regimental Dinner on December 10th, 1982, at RCMP HQ, St. John's, with members attending from all over the division and from as far away as St. Anthony, Grand Falls, and Grand Bank. Also in attendance were auxiliary members and RCMP veterans. Head-table guests were C/Supt. W. Schramm, C.O. "B" Division; The Honourable Hazel Newhook, Minister of Municipal Affairs who represented the Minister of Justice; Deputy Chief D. Randell, Royal Newfoundland Constabulary; Commander K. C. E. Beardmore, C.O. Canadian Forces Station, St. John's; Supt. J. B. D. Henry, O.I.C. C.I.B.; Supt. G. H. Powell, O.I.C. Administration and Personnel; Supt. D. A. Docker, Officer Commanding St. John's Sub-Division; Mr. Kevin



According to custom, the Commanding Officer, C/Supt. W. Schramm, serves the junior member present, Cst. G. J. Matthews at "B" Division Regimental Dinner. On the left is Deputy Chief D. Randell of the Royal Newfoundland Constabulary.

Lawlor, President Newfoundland and Labrador RCMP Veterans Association; Cpl. B. A. House, President "B" Division Combined NCO's Mess and Cst. G. J. Matthews, St. John's Detachment, who was the junior member present.

"C" DIVISION

(Headquarters — Montreal, Que.)

Birth To Reg. No. 34461, Cst. R. J. Chartrand and his wife Betty Ann, a daughter, Annie Claude, on August 2, 1981, at Drummondville, Quebec.

"D" DIVISION

(Headquarters — Winnipeg, Man.)

Marriage Reg. No. 35590, Cst. J. L. M. Moreau to Veronica Hrushowy, on August 14, 1982, at Kirkland Lake, Ontario.

Births To Reg. No. 30387, Cst. and Mrs. B. H. Forster, a son, Myles John Bernard, on September 21, 1978, at Winnipeg, Manitoba.



Participating in the Sandy Bay International Powwow were (L-R) Sgt. Bob Connors, Cst. Wayne Barbeau, Cst. Willie Hornseth, Band Elder Noah Beaulieu, Cst. Gary Harrison, Cst. Glen Pitcher, Cst. Kevin Harrison and Cst. Ron Fewer. (Photo by Sharon Hornseth.)

To Reg. No. 28222, Sgt. D. J. Doll and his wife Elizabeth, a son, Ryan Anthony, on December 24, 1978, at Moncton, N.B., a daughter, Melanie Anne, on April 2, 1980, and a son, Cory Nicholas, on May 18, 1982, both at Winnipeg, Manitoba.

To Reg. No. 32652, Cst. Robert R. Burgoyne and his wife Patricia, a daughter, Carrie-Lynn, on December 7, 1981, at Hamiota, Manitoba.

To Reg. No. 30514, Cst. Del Allen and his wife Sharon, a daughter, Lana Therese, on November 4, 1982, at Virden, Manitoba.

To Reg. No. 32509, Cst. Steve Harrison and his wife Kim, a daughter, Nancy Erin, on May 10, 1977, a son, Kevin Marc, on May 16, 1980, both at Swan River, Manitoba, and a son, Kyle Stephen, on July 27, 1982, at Lynn Lake, Manitoba.

Sandy Bay International Powwow Members of Amaranth Detachment were kept busy last August from the 27th to the 29th at the second annual Sandy Bay International Powwow. Two members in review order participated in the official flag-raising and flag-lowering ceremony. Another member, also in review order, spent one day with Reserve Chief Angus Starr handing out five-dollar bills. Daily festivities included parades, free-style and traditional dancing, and special dancing events like jungle and fancy shawl dances.

Pork-Off (With Beef) Players of the Winnipeg Commercial Crime Comets hockey team along

with members of their families assembled on the beach of Gimli, Manitoba, on a warm day last June to celebrate their second annual Pork-Off. A pork-off? It's the team's name for an event at which a whole pig (or hip of beef) is roasted over a large pit filled with barbecue coals. The pig is basted with "Blue" or "Canadian" and removed from the heat when the cook is roasted or the meat done, whichever comes first.

There was not only food and refreshment available, but the Lake Winnipeg beaches supplied a playground of fun for all. Entertainment was provided by Cpl. Terry "MacTiger" Smith who filled the air with the joyous strains of his "own" interpretation of "Scotland the Brave" on the pipes.

The occasion also provided an opportunity for those deserving members of the team to receive awards for their contribution over the year. Rick "Gump" Walker, one of the many Revenue Canada Taxation representatives, received his "00 — Just another Goalie" award. Sgt. Gary "Moose" Sisterson received his award for "The Only Guy Who Didn't Know" when he promptly checked an opponent who had been *given* a breakaway by the rest of the team. Cpl. Earl "Thumper" Basse received his plaque for being "The Only Player Who Could Find His Glass in the Dark."

The best awards, however, went to the O'Reilly brothers. Cpl. Dave "Lady Byng" O'Reilly received his award for "Not Punching a Referee All



The Winnipeg Commercial Crime Comets in action at "D" Division Shilo Hockey Tournament in February 1982. Although they are referred to as the "bag men," we think this is carrying things a little too far.

Season." His brother Terry, the famed right-winger for the Boston Bruins, received his for his "Outstanding Contribution in Promoting Harmonious Player/Referee Relations." The award was appropriately presented by S/Sgt. Bob "Scanlon" Martell of the Internal Investigation Unit.

The Pork-Off was a resounding success! When Jim Wall, the imported civilian chef, became roasted, the hip of beef was removed, and served to all, garnished with salads "et. al" supplied by the ladies. Our thanks go to Gary and Lynn Sistrer for the use of their "Gimli home." We all look forward to the next year.

Canadian Firefighter's Rodeo Six years ago the Wallace and District Fire Department in conjunction with the Virden Chamber of Commerce held competitions in hose relay, ladder rescue, water soccer, air-tank drill, and the traditional bucket brigade. The competition has since become an annual event held on the weekend following Labour Day. Invitations are sent to professional and volunteer fire departments in Canada and the United States. For the past three years the members of Virden Detachment have been honoured with an invitation.

This year the rodeo hosted 36 teams. The weekend started Friday night with a welcome to the competing teams and a hamburger cookout

across from the fire hall. Saturday morning opened with a pancake breakfast and a parade to the competition site and closed with a barbecue and two dances, one held in the arena, the other in the curling rink. The competition ended Sunday with a demolition derby, which always has one battered police car in it, various draws for prizes, and a presentation of trophies. The members of Virden Detachment present one award each year to the team which displays outstanding sportsmanship throughout the three-day event.

In the three years that Virden members have been part of the Rodeo, not one person has been arrested — a tribute to the excellent management of the volunteers who organize the event each year.

Manitoba Corporate Challenge Despite cold and rainy weather last September 19, 1982, thirty-six teams of ten people per team participated in the third annual Corporate Challenge of the Manitoba Department of Fitness, Recreation and Sport, held at the Sargent Park Recreation Complex in Winnipeg. The RCMP was represented at this event by a team of six men and four women from "D" Division. The aim of some events was to generate an awareness of the difficulties encountered by the physically handicapped, the aim of others to promote general fitness and

good health practices. Because high participation was also a goal many novelty events were included in the program. In addition, all events were of the relay type with all team members being required to perform each of the tasks. Points were awarded according to the total time required to complete an event.

The program included contests in blind running, handling a wheelchair, balloon blowing to test lung capacity, reading and following instructions on prescription-medicine bottles, and knowledge of Canada's Food Guide. The RCMP team finished a very respectable second place. The overall winner, a talented and speedy team representing the Holiday Inn-South, edged us out by a mere foot and a half in the final race to claim the Manitoba Corporate Challenge Cup for 1982. This very enjoyable day concluded with the presentation of awards to the various flight winners and the challenge to participate again next year.

Pigs on Donkeys Last summer, the St. George Community Club organized a benefit baseball game between the members of Powerview Detachment and the Pine Falls and District Fire Department. Only after both clubs had agreed to play did the organizers reveal the rules. All players had to ride donkeys for the entire game.

The senior members of the detachment found this to be a pleasant challenge because it reminded them of their equitation days at Depot. The junior members, however, could see through this devious plan to make asses of those not trained in equitation but no one was prepared to work nightshifts for weeks to come simply because he had deprived his supervisor of a trip down memory lane.

The rules were relatively simple. All members of both teams except the batter, catcher, and pitcher, had to be mounted on donkeys. Each player was placed in his normal position. There he stayed — unless of course his animal bucked him off, or wandered astray, or rolled on the ground, or grazed in left field, or visited the spectators, or went for a walk, or etc. The batter stood in the batter's box to hit the ball. After the hit, he mounted his donkey and attempted to guide it to first base. The bases consisted of circles three feet in diameter and to be safe, the donkey had to have two feet within the perimeter of the circle. Other than these simple rules, all the players had to do was to stay on their asses whenever possible.

The game took place on a wet and cloudy Sunday evening. When the firemen showed up in their screaming fire truck, it was obvious that they meant business. The crowd of 810 knew that they were in for a good game. The star-studded donkey team from Fenelon, Ontario was introduced first, then the players. Only after a great deal of pushing and shoving were the donkeys escorted



S/Sgt. Paul Kouri, NCO i/c Selkirk Municipal Detachment, is presented with his promotion to Officer Brother in the Order of St. John by Governor General Edward Schreyer at an Investiture Ceremony in Ottawa, on October 29, 1982.

to their respective positions on the field and mounted by the firemen.

The first batter for the Force stood at the plate and cracked a hit well over the head of the left fielder, an obvious home run. Little did he know that his base-running donkey was trained to roll on the ground at home plate and stay there. By the time the fielder retrieved the ball and played it to first base, our member was completely exhausted. Not even his sweet-talking interrogation techniques could get his animal off home plate.

The scheduled nine-inning game was continuously marred by frustrating but comical events. The first-base donkey could never be kept in his position; he was forever wandering over to second base to visit with his female partner. The third-base donkey was found to be the most manageable of the lot. Weighing only 200 lbs., he could either be dragged or carried to the loose ball. The base-running donkeys definitely presented the greatest challenge. The majority would buck as soon as they were mounted by the runner.

A final score of 3-3 showed how closely the teams were matched. Most of the spectators agreed, however, that the real battle of the day was man against animal. The fans enjoyed the policemen at work and the firemen at play. All in all, the game was a tremendous success. A total of \$1908.00 was raised for the St. George Community Club.

DEPOT DIVISION

(Headquarters — Regina, Sask.)

Reunion It has been ten years since Troop 5 (72-73) hit Depot for basic training. With four members of the troop instructing at Depot, and Depot's 100 anniversary celebrations scheduled for August 8, the time was perfect for a troop reunion. Of the 32 men in training, 22 were still with the Force. Nine of the 22 and their families got their first glimpse of each other in 10 years at the mess hall on Saturday morning. Probably the most remarkable fact was that the nine of us proliferated into some 30 people of various shapes and sizes. Most of us, however, still had the same character traits we possessed while in training. Bob Todd, the troop prankster, managed to get a full-blown water fight going during the family barbecue. Deit Stiller still calls a spade a spade and sometimes something worse.

Our agenda seemed to appeal to everyone. Even the kids got involved. An open house at Depot gave everyone the opportunity to compare training today with what it had been 10 years ago. Highlights of the weekend were a swim at Depot Beach, a visit to our old dorm, a family barbecue, a troop photo, a visit to the local brewery courtesy house, and an evening out for a superb meal. An extended session of drinks and story telling at the Cpls. Mess put the cap on a great weekend. To the members of Troop 5 (72-73) who couldn't make this year's reunion, the next one is in Ottawa in 1987.

Centennial Choir Under the musical direction of Mr. Gordon Glaicar and program direction of Cpl. R. Russell, Depot Division's Centennial Choir recently completed a very busy and successful 1982 summer season. The highlight of the season was the choir's appearance before Princess Anne at a Sunset Ceremony on July 11. Other performances of the season included participa-



Mr. and Mrs. Reuben Rilling display a painting presented to them by the staff of Depot Division on the occasion of Reuben's retirement from the Depot barbershop on December 3, 1982.

tion in the Sunset Ceremonies at the Regina Buffalo Days Exhibition, the Sunset Ceremonies in Depot Division, as well as appearances in Regina, Moose Jaw, and Fort Qu'Appelle. A total of 20 performances were given during the past summer.

The majority of choir members are recruits in training and all gave willingly of their free time to attend rehearsals and performances. The success of the Sunset Ceremonies must be attributed to the cooperation and assistance provided by the band, choir, marching troops, and staff members. All programs were attended by receptive and appreciative audiences.

"E" DIVISION

(Headquarters — Vancouver, B.C.)

Marriages Reg. No. 35772, Cst. Fred L. Bott to Cheryl Ann Wright, on June 6, 1981, at Edmonton, Alberta.

Reg. No. 33484, Cst. Darryl G. Pollock to Sharon F. Smith, on August 1, 1981, at Williams Lake, B.C.

Reg. No. 37179, Cst. A. M. Colins to Judy Anne Sargent, on April 10, 1982, at Montreal, Que.

Reg. No. 35912, Cst. Terry L. Shendruk to Sharon L. Price, on August 29, 1981, at Lethbridge, Alberta.

Reg. No. 31732, Cst. Gary W. Carter to Cheryl E. Whalley, on July 15, 1977, at Penticton, B.C.

Reg. No. 33718, Cst. E. I. Hood to Roderick Wegener, on July 3, 1982, at Campbell River, B.C.

Reg. No. 37349, Cst. K. D. Bielert to Brenda Briggs, on May 29, 1982, at Kelowna, B.C.

Births To Reg. No. 29153, Cpl. and Mrs. R. W. Hessler, a daughter, Karen Jeannette Evelyn, on February 20, 1982, at Williams Lake, B.C.

To Reg. No. 28868, Cst. and Mrs. S. O. Breckenridge, a daughter, Jennifer Leigh, on October 7, 1978, and a daughter, Heather Dawn, on October 15, 1981, at Vancouver, B.C.

To Reg. No. S/2524, S/Cst. and Mrs. S. J. Bel-leau, a son, James Stephen, on October 18, 1981, at Williams Lake, B.C.

To Reg. No. 31732, Cst. and Mrs. G. W. Carter, a son, Kurt Wayne, on August 5, 1979, at MacKenzie, B.C.

To Reg. No. 32239, Cst. and Mrs. A. H. Girard, a daughter, Michelle Amanda, on July 2, 1980, and twin daughters, Danielle Lynn and Jenelle Lynn on November 26, 1981.

To Reg. No. 31637, Cst. and Mrs. M. D. G. Duncan, a son, Andrew Robert, on October 7, 1982, at Langley, B.C.

To Reg. No. 34804, Cst. J. C. Frechette and his wife Pat, a son, Tyler Christopher, on August 17, 1982, at Coquitlam, B.C.

To Reg. No. 33581, Cst. K. C. Boody and his wife Nancy, a daughter, Leah Louise, on October 27, 1982, at Comox, B.C.

To Reg. No. 33415, Cst. Mike Snow and his wife Cindy, a daughter, Taryn Colleen, on October 13, 1982, at Campbell River, B.C.

To Reg. No. 36855, Cst. John Snow and his wife Judy, a daughter, Amanda Geanne, on October 28, 1982, at Whiterock, B.C.

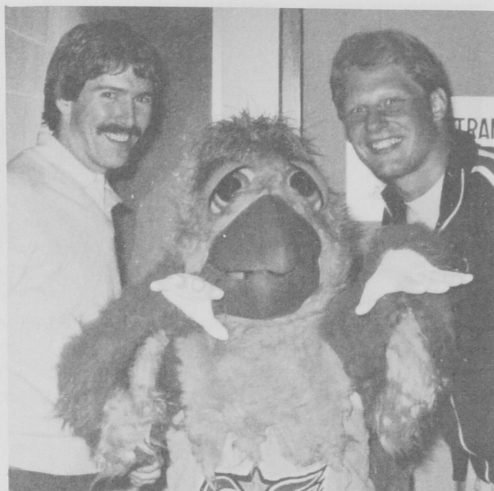
To Reg. No. 30737, Cst. and Mrs. G. E. Fielding, a daughter, Robin Joyce Catherine, on February 1, 1978, a daughter, Kelly Mary, on May 7, 1981, and a son Patrick George Robert, on September 14, 1982, all at New Westminster, B.C.

To Reg. No. 35469, Cst. Paul R. Darbyshire and his wife Tina, a daughter, Jessica, on January 15, 1982, at Kitimat, B.C.

To Reg. No. 35205, Cst. Patrick J. Fenton, and his wife Cindy, a daughter, Ami, on February 4, 1982, at Kitimat, B.C.

To Reg. No. 35982, Cst. Larry A. Burden and his wife Janet, a daughter, Monica, on March 18, 1982, at Kitimat, B.C.

Police Appreciation Week The Nanaimo Chamber of Commerce, Peace and Security Committee, organized a week of activities from November 1 to November 7 in honour of the Nanaimo police. The purpose of the week was to remind



The San Diego Chicken, pictured here with undercover bodyguards Alan Hay, left, Assistant Director of the University Endowments Recreation Project and Cst. G. R. Groenke of University Detachment, was a feature attraction at a football match between the University of British Columbia Thunderbirds and the Alberta Golden Bears, held October 15, 1982, at the University of British Columbia. The Chicken, seated in the rear of a marked police car with lights flashing and siren blaring, and driven by Cst. A. G. Power, won the hearts of the spectators. The Thunderbirds won the game.

the people of Nanaimo what a great police department they had and to reassure the police that they had the full support of the community. Community participation in the activities was excellent. Service clubs, schools, churches, local businesses, and the media willingly gave of their time and talents. The Daily Free Press ran a 24-page special supplement highlighting the history and work of the police and in addition printed "Police Appreciation Week" bumper stickers. Twelve RCMP members were interviewed on local radio stations, and McDonald's Restaurant supplied 6,000 "We Love Our Police" stickers. Local elementary schools were visited and a poster and essay contest was held for students. A local shopping-centre mall featured two displays entitled, "Duties of the Force," "You Be the Policeman," and a drug display. The week closed with a banquet attended by 500 people. Guest speakers were Judge Les Bewley, Attorney General Allan Williams, B.C. Police Commissioner Paul St. Pierre, and Deputy Commissioner T. S. Venner. Rev. Frank Durksen of Nanaimo Neighbourhood Church, who was responsible for organizing the week, was master of ceremony.

nies. All the members of Nanaimo Detachment agreed it was a great shot in the arm for the police.

Submitted by Cst. D. R. L. Brown

Public Safety Fair From June 9th to June 12th Courtney Detachment held a Community Awareness and Public Safety Fair. The fair featured many elaborate exhibits from RCMP Headquarters, as well as displays from Comox Valley organizations. Information on every facet of police work was available to the public. The first two hours of the fair saw 1,500 school children pass through the gates. Another 6,000 people attended throughout the following four days. Among the highlights of the fair were dog shows by P.S.D. "Lance" and his trainer, Cpl. R. Nichol; trips aboard RCMP launch, Rivett-Carnac; and a poster contest for children based on the theme, "The Police Help the Community." The theme of the fair was "Working Together to Prevent Crime" and if the spirit of co-operation shown by the many organizations involved in helping to organize and set up the fair was any indication, the fair achieved its objective.

Submitted by S/Sgt. D. S. Hemphill

Northwest Police and Firefighters Olympics

Over 1,000 law-enforcement members and firefighters from Canada and the United States participated in the Northwest Police and Firefighters Olympics held the past year from June 23 to June 26 at New Westminster, British Columbia. S/Sgt. Keith Doane, "E" Division HQ, Contract Policing Section, walked away with two gold medals in the table tennis event. This year the Olympics are tentatively scheduled for Edmonton, Alberta, to coincide with the Klondike Days.

submitted by Cpl. R. K. Ulmer

Unique Detachment Building

Chemainus Detachment building which is owned and maintained by the municipality of North Cowichan on the east coast of Vancouver Island and shared with the Chemainus Volunteer Fire Department sports a mural depicting a locomotive hauling logs to the Chemainus saw mill. Painted in 1982 as part of the Chemainus Revitalization Program, it is one of 5 such murals, all with a logging-oriented theme, that can be seen in the Chemainus downtown area. Detachment members are sure that it is the only detachment building decorated in this fashion.

Submitted by Cst. M. D. Adair

Kelowna Sub-Division Regimental Dinner

On November 24, 1982, the sixth annual Kelowna Sub-Division Regimental Dinner was held at the Lodge Motor Inn, Kelowna, British Columbia. A



Inspector L. R. Proke, right, O.I.C. General Investigations, Vancouver, presented Sgt. M. J. Vanderkinder, with his Silver Clasp and Star at the Section's annual Christmas Luncheon held on December 22, 1982. A Long Service Medal was also presented to Sgt. D. W. Pinchin.

total of 145 regular members, as well as retired members, and auxiliary members were in attendance. Retired member G. Cutting proposed the toast to the Force which was replied to by Assistant Commissioner D. K. Wilson representing the Commanding Officer. Guest speaker for the evening was Supt. T. J. Collins, O.C. Kelowna Sub-Division. During the evening, Inspector W. V. Williams and City Traffic Officer M. McCorkell were presented with the O.C.'s Letter of Appreciation, B. M. Lute was presented with a Public Service Long Service Award and Cpl. R. J. McFarland, Sgts. D. N. Marchand, L. S. Waugh, and G. W. Gibbs received Long Service Medals.

100 Mile Run On November 22, 1982, Mr. Mike Tadman representing Tadman Agencies presented the C.O. "E" Division with the Miller Hi-Life Perpetual Trophy commemorating the "E" Division annual "100 Mile Run." This year's winner was Vancouver Commercial Crime Section. The race is a popular event with all major units and detachments in the lower mainland participating.

Surrey Detachment Regimental Dinner On October 18, 1982, members of Surrey Detachment gathered at the St. Bernette Roman Catholic Church to participate in the third annual Regimental Dinner. The purpose of this year's function was to promote fellowship between current



100 Mile House Detachment hockey team (L-R) Front Row: Roy Worbets, Cst. B. C. Reid, Ray Carlson, Gord Mills, S/Sgt. D. L. Simson, Cst. B. F. Hodgkin, Cst. A. C. Rozdolsky. **Back Row:** A/Cst. L. Ingram, Cst. D. R. Sutherland, Cpl. R. J. Allison, Bob Scott, Eric Ohlund, Cst. E. E. Buck, Cst. B. D. Imrie, Cst. J. P. Fudali, A/Cst. R. Wolfe and Cpl. H. R. Burki.

serving members and retired members of the Force. Special retired members in attendance were Joe Olsen (one of the original members of the *St. Roch* and Jim Craig (the last serving Police Chief for the Surrey Municipal Police Force). Craig was accepted into the ranks of the RCMP when the RCMP took over provincial policing. S/Sgt. J. Graham presented a moving toast to the Force which was responded to by Deputy Commissioner T. Venner.

The O.I.C. Surrey Detachment, Superintendent A. C. Wilson, took the opportunity to present S/Sgt. R. Briske and Sgt. K. Gill with their Long Service Medals; S/Sgt. D. Silzer received the 25-year clasp and S/Sgt. J. Graham, the 30-year clasp.

The feature attraction of the evening was the outspoken and controversial television program host, Jack Webster. Members in attendance had the rare opportunity to hear and speak with the "real" Webster. It was ironic that his personal dislikes were very similar to all individuals in attendance: Webster hates horses, dislikes phoney people and distrusts politicians. With formal proceedings over, the members and ex-

members adjourned to a social evening of camaraderie and socializing.

Submitted by Cst. S. E. Boles

Hockey Tournament During the Christmas holidays the 100 Mile House Detachment was invited to enter a team in a local hockey tournament sponsored by the Canim Lake Indian Band. The RCMP team won its first game 7 to 2 over the 100 Mile Dusters. The second game was a 9 to 4 victory over the Canim Lake entry which put the RCMP team into the finals. In the final game we met another local team, Interlake Hitmen, and came out victorious winning first place. Scoring for the RCMP were S/Sgt. Simonson, Cst. Hodgkin, Cst. Reid, and Eric Ohlund. One Hundred Mile House Detachment team is unique because the detachment has a total strength of 15 members, 11 of whom actively play hockey. While not involved in the regular league, we usually play two games a week which helps to keep us in good physical condition during the winter months.

submitted by S/Sgt. D. L. Simonson

"F" DIVISION

(Headquarters — Regina, Sask.)

Marriages Reg. No. 36180, Cst. Ross Marasco to Simone Leippi, on July 31, 1982, at Regina, Sask.

Reg. No. 35510, Cst. John B. Mansbridge to Shannon Lee Marshall, on April 24, 1982, at Smeaton, Sask.

Reg. No. 34761, Cst. R. T. Stephen to Dianne Denise Schmitz, on July 17, 1982, at Fort Macleod, Alberta.

Births To Reg. No. 35887, Cst. G. W. Davis and his wife Vicky, a daughter, Heather Anne, on October 17, 1981, at Balcarres, Sask.

To Reg. No. 32774, Cst. and Mrs. R. W. Kenke, a son, Drew Edward, on November 12, 1982, at Saskatoon, Sask.

To Reg. No. 22712, Sgt. and Mrs. R. W. Squire, a son, Brett Christopher John, on December 25, 1981, at Saskatoon, Sask.

To Reg. No. 35686, Cst. G. H. Petracek and his wife Jenny, a daughter, Lisa Helana, on February 1, 1979, a daughter Janna Catherine, on July 25, 1980, and a son, Bradley Gordon, on October 15, 1982, at Canora, Sask.

To Reg. No. 34295, Cst. and Mrs. R. E. Moulton, a son, William Nelson, on March 8, 1982, and a son, Robert Neal, on May 19, 1980.

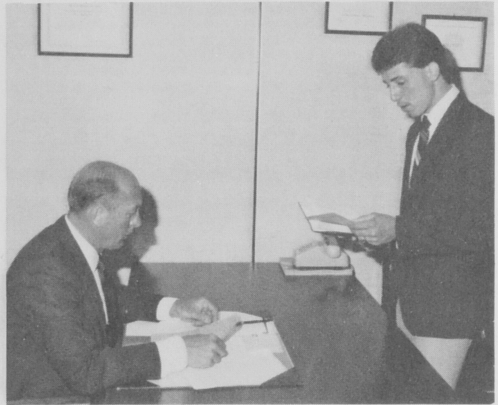
To Reg. No. 27197, Cst. and Mrs. A. L. Jacobson, a son, Aaron Allan, on May 22, 1982.

To Reg. No. 33002, Cst. and Mrs. R. F. Rae, a son, Christopher John Frederick, on March 15, 1982.

To Reg. No. 35475, Cst. and Mrs. S. A. "Tony" McCulloch, a daughter, Michelle Diane, on November 18, 1982.

Swift Current Regimental Ball One hundred and forty members and guests attended the biannual Regimental Ball which was held at the Civic Centre in Swift Current on October 15, 1982.

Insp. P. Chyzuk introduced C/Supt. Light who expressed greetings from "F" Division Headquarters. Mayor Len Stein spoke on behalf of the City of Swift Current. Other head-table guests were: Mrs. Light, Mrs. Chyzuk, Mrs. Stein, Mr. Justice and Mrs. Ben Moore and The Hon. Pat Smith, M.L.A., and Mr. Smith. Cst. Sheila Dragani said grace and Cst. Margaret Champion presented the Toast to the Queen. Master of ceremonies was Sgt. Bruce Irwin of Morse Detachment.



Insp. M. M. Bielert, Assistant Officer Commanding Prince Albert Sub-Division, swore his son, Perry Alan Bielert, into the Force on June 22, 1982, at Prince Albert.

New Swift Current Detachment Building The new Swift Current City Detachment office was officially opened on September 17, 1982. Approximately 300 local citizens attended the ribbon-cutting ceremony performed by A/Commr. Neill, C.O. "F" Division and Mayor Len Stein. Members of the City Detachment, in full-dress uniform, conducted public tours of the new building, while the Swift Current wives' club served refreshments.

Swift Current Softball On September 17, 1982, Swift Current Sub-Division personnel played a softball game against the "Saskatchewan Brass," a team comprised of "F" Division officers assisted by one import, the former C.O., R. J. Mills. In the seven-inning game, "Brass" pitchers, A/Commr. Neil and Insp. Clegg, were defeated 15-7 by Dawn Wellsch and members of Swift Current Sub-Division.

The game was umpired by Ralph Baumann, a Swift Current native who recently retired from service with RCMP horse ranches at Fort Walsh and in Ontario.

Forty Years On July 2, 1982, a gathering took place at "F" Division HQ, to honor Miss Helen McKinnon of Records Management, who completed 40 years' service with the Force. Sgt. R. R. Beaudoin gave a magnificent account of Helen's deeds in the division over the past 40 years. C/Supt. T. M. Light, on behalf of the division C.I.B., presented her with a plaque with the Force's crest encircled by the Coats of Arms of the provinces. Supt. E. R. Madill, O.I.C. Administration and Personnel, on behalf of the division



The Honourable C. Irwin McIntosh, seated third from the left, presented Long Service Medals and Bars to members of the Regina area on October 14, 1982, at the Regina and District Senior NCO's Mess. The combined service of the recipients totals more than 360 years. (L-R) Front Row: Insp. W. Shewchuk, Sgt. B. Bullock, The Honourable C. Irwin McIntosh, Cpl. J. Frankow, Sgt. T. Hluska, Sgt. J. McGill. Second Row: Insp. P. J. Brown, S/Sgt. L. Flata, Sgt. G. Vander Kracht, C/M E. Schuster, Sgt. R. Casson, S/Sgt. N. Taylor, S/Sgt. N. Pouliot, S/Sgt. G. Shearer, S/Sgt. J. Van Norman. Back Row: S/Sgt. J. Somers, S/Sgt. A. Hunter, Cpl. M. Winton, Cpl. B. McCourt, Sgt. R. Pick.

Administration, presented her with a silver tray engraved with the names of all the people she has worked with over the past 40 years. Helen has served under 15 commanding officers during her service. I am sure everyone wishes her a great many more years of service.

submitted by Sgt. N. G. Wilson

Lloydminster Salutes RCMP On Saturday, October 23, 1982, tribute was paid to the Royal Canadian Mounted Police by Mayor Kathleen Matheson, Lloydminster, Saskatchewan, who hosted the 11th annual Mayor's Prayer Breakfast. The members and families of Lloydminster, Onion Lake, Maidstone and Kitscoty Detachments were special guests for this function. Approximately 600 people attended the function.

The invocation, given by Sgt. R. S. Kredba, Lloydminster Detachment, was followed by words of welcome from Mayor Kathleen Matheson. Greetings were extended by S/Sgt. R. L. Beaton, NCO i/c Lloydminster Detachment, and by The Honorable Grant Devine, Premier of Saskatchewan. The scripture reading was given by The Honorable Bud Miller, M.L.A., Associate Member, Public Lands and Wildlife, Province of Alberta. The Honorable Don Mazankowski, M.P., delivered an address entitled, "Tribute to the RCMP." Assistant Commissioner W. J. Neill, Commanding Officer "F" Division, responded to

his kind words. Father Lucien Larre, Founder, Bosco Homes, Regina, Saskatchewan was guest speaker. He selected as his topic "Obeying The Law and The Commandments" which was most appropriate for the occasion. Father Larre is an excellent public speaker and his message was thoroughly enjoyed by all in attendance. Throughout the program various other congratulatory tributes were given to the Force. The O.C. North Battleford Sub-Division, Supt. R. H. D. Head and his wife were also present.

The musical prelude and guest solo songs throughout the program gave all in attendance occasion to reflect on the law, the commandments and our role within the community.

submitted by Cpl. F. L. Matchett

North Battleford Regimental Ball On September 24, 1982, the North Battleford Sub-Division Regimental Ball, hosted by the Officer Commanding Supt. R. H. D. Head and his wife, was held in Lloydminster, Saskatchewan, for the first time.

The ball was preceded by a friendly fastball game — a rematch of an earlier game held in June 1982. The "F" Division officers, calling themselves the "Sask Brass," lost for the second time this year to the well-balanced detachment team. Notwithstanding who won or lost, the event provided an excellent opportunity for so-

cial engagement and a chance for members to get to know each other better. The ground work has already been laid for further encounters in the upcoming spring season.

The Regimental Ball was held in our local Civic Centre which was filled to capacity with local and out-of-town members and their invited guests. Master of ceremonies was S/Sgt. R. L. Beaton, NCO i/c Lloydminster Detachment. The toast to the Queen was proposed by Cst. V. M. Oracheski and the toast to the Force by ex-S/Sgt. W. H. Wilson. S/Sgt. R. L. Beaton introduced head-table guests: Mayor Kathleen Matheson and Mr. George Matheson; Assistant Commissioner and Mrs. W. J. Neill, Commanding Officer, "F" Division; C/Supt. and Mrs. T. M. Light, C.I.B. Officer "F" Division; Supt. and Mrs. R. H. D. Head, Officer Commanding North Battleford Sub-Division; Insp. and Mrs. C. W. Follett, A/O.C. North Battleford Sub-Division; and C/Supt. and Mrs. W. T. F. Sherman, C.I.B. Officer, "K" Division. Also adding to our impressive list of guests were several other "F" Division officers; the Officer Commanding Vegreville Sub-Division, "K" Division; and a host of ex-members who made this a memorable occasion.

The event was a tremendous success and brought many favourable and rewarding compliments from members and community leaders. Having achieved such success on our first venture with the Regimental Ball we look forward to assisting in future events.

submitted by Cpl. F. L. Matchett

Fort Qu'Appelle Spring Ball The 10th annual Fort Qu'Appelle Detachment Spring Ball was held at the Echo Valley Centre, Fort San, Saskatchewan on Friday, May 14, 1982. Approximately 240 people including 16 members who had been stationed at the detachment during the past ten years attended the event. The newly-elected Attorney General for the Province of Saskatchewan, Honorable Gary Lane, was the guest of honour.

S/Sgt. Shearer, NCO i/c, introduced the head-table guests. The Honorable and Mrs. Gary Lane; Superintendent and Mrs. Morin, O.I.C. Regina Sub-Division; Mr. and Mrs. Fred Schmidt, Mayor of Lipton, Saskatchewan; Mrs. Shearer; Mr. and Mrs. Don Cockwill, Mayor of Fort Qu'Appelle; and S/Sgt. Jim Hill, Section NCO.

Retirement To culminate more than 31 years of RCMP service, Gerry Fraser was feted by friends and family at Swift Current on September 18, 1982. Gerry joined the Force at Winnipeg in November of 1950 and trained in Rockcliffe and Regina. He served at the following Saskatchewan detachments: Blaine Lake, Melfort, Uranium City, Rose Valley, Watrous, Saskatoon G.I.S., North Battleford G.I.S., Kindersley and Swift Current. Gerry retired as East Section NCO, Swift Current, with the rank of S/Sgt.

Through the years he gained many friends from across the country and they came to roast and toast him. Master of ceremonies was Neil Matheson and he definitely lived up to his title for he is a master at the craft and contributed enor-



Supt. and Mrs. Morin, The Honourable and Mrs. Gary Lane, and S/Sgt. and Mrs. Shearer at the Fort Qu'Appelle Spring Ball.

mously to the successful evening. Gerry was presented with a tee shirt and fishing pole and we hope he has time to enjoy these accoutrements of retirement.

Kinookimaw Beach Powwow In conjunction with the World Assembly of First Nations Conference in Regina, Saskatchewan, a cultural event in the form of a powwow was held at Kinookimaw Beach between July 18 and July 25, 1982. The site which is approximately 55 kilometers northwest of Regina, is a resort area operated by the 7 Indian Bands of the Qu'Appelle district. Indigenous people from all over the world, including Australia, South America, Europe, Greenland, Mexico and the United States attended the event.

A typical day started at 6:00 a.m. with the Elders' Pipe Ceremony and a raising of the flag. Spiritual leaders then gathered at the Elders' Lodge for a discussion of the history and culture of the Indian people. In the afternoon and evening more than a thousand dancers in colourful hand-made costumes and ranging in age from small children to great-grandparents performed to the singing and drums of twenty different groups from across North America. Explanations of the cultural significance of the dances, songs and dress were interspersed throughout the performances.

The Saskatchewan Indian Native Corporation (SINCO), Security Division under the direction of Rob Irvine, a retired member of the Force, assisted Lumsden Detachment in providing policing services. A trailer set up on a temporary base station was manned on a 24-hour-a-day basis and police emphasized foot patrols and the preventive/public relations aspect of policing. Twenty RCMP Indian S/Csts. carried out most of the policing. This received favourable recognition from participants and visitors.

The event took on an atmosphere of a festival, and to those of us working it was more like a day at the fair than a day of police work. The week was remarkable for the absence of crime, especially when one considers that we had approximately 8,000 campers and on the weekend a daily attendance of approximately 15,000 people. Informed sources tell us that this was the largest powwow ever held in modern times. Organizers are hoping this will become an annual event.

*submitted by Sgt. Chuck Cameron
and Sgt. John Baker*

Joint Force Sporting Event Twelve teams made up of members of the RCMP, city and provincial police forces, and retired police personnel came to Saskatoon from March 15 to March 20th



An example of one of the many colourful costumes seen at the Kinookimaw Beach Powwow.

1982, to compete in the 27th annual Canadian Police Curling Championship. The event, which was organized and hosted by 34 members of Saskatoon City Police and their wives and by members of the RCMP stationed in Saskatoon, was under the chairmanship of Norm Gilbertson of Saskatoon City Police.

After nine ends the Saskatchewan team consisting of Norm Gilbertson, John McDonald, Dennis Read and Robbie Findlater was declared the winner, beating the Manitoba team in the final game of the round-robin competition.

Thanks go to the sponsors and people of Saskatoon who contributed the \$12,000 which allowed us to host this great event. Thanks also go to the participants and their families who travelled from across Canada to make it a week we will all remember.

submitted by Sgt. R. G. MacLaren

"G" DIVISION

(Headquarters — Yellowknife, N.W.T.)

Births To Reg. No. 30034, Cst. and Mrs. A. H. Elliott, a son, James Charles, on May 5, 1981, at Hay River, N.W.T.

To Reg. No. 34049, Cst. and Mrs. C. J. Keyes, a daughter, Amanda Lee, on August 7, 1982.

To Reg. No. 30807, Cst. R. V. Bowman and his wife Jean, a son, Shaun Cameron, on May 16, 1982, at New Westminster, B.C.

Marathon At 2:00 p.m. on September 19, 1982, the Terry Fox Run for cancer research was held at Resolute Bay, Northwest Territories. The weather was blowing snow at -10°C with an 18 km/h wind. It wasn't the most pleasant weather but the enthusiasm of the participants made up for the poor conditions.

Over 42 persons ran the 8.2 km course from the Resolute Airport to the Resolute Bay Settlement.

A total of \$3,229.86 was collected for cancer research, a significant sum considering that Resolute's population is no more than 200 residents in the winter season.

Both detachment members participated in the run. Cpl. John Hastey was the treasurer and Cst. Dan Palmer ran the course.

Everyone who ran in the Marathon of Hope felt proud to be part of one of the most northern settlements in the high arctic participating in the event. All look forward to next year's run.

submitted by Cst. J. D. Palmer

Presentation On April 11, 1982, Princess Patricia's Canadian Light Infantry (PPCLI) Battalion presented a plaque to Resolute Bay Detachment,



Aklavik Detachment members (L-R) Insp. R. D. J. Epp, Cst. C. J. Keyes, Cpl. W. J. Haanstra and Cst. D. S. Whyte dressed to take the heat in the only free-standing sauna north of the Arctic Circle. The sauna, which was built by members for use in the long winter months, was officially opened on September 5, 1982.

in appreciation of their making the battalion's stay in the high arctic a little more enjoyable while performing manoeuvres entitled "Sovereign Viking." Cpl. J. P. Hastey accepted the plaque on behalf of the two-man detachment at a dinner held at the PPCLI Headquarters. Resolute Bay Detachment is responsible for covering over 500,000 square miles of detachment area, the largest in Canada.

submitted by Cst. J. D. Palmer

Christmas in July In the 1950's, people living in the settlements of the Canadian high arctic received their mail via parachute dropped from an overflying aircraft. On November 14th, 1958, an aircraft laden with mail was approaching the Inuit community of Spence Bay, Northwest Territories. The people of the community were excited about this particular mail drop because they knew it contained their Christmas mail. Soon, the package filled with presents, cards, and letters from friends and relatives would be seen falling from the sky.

Something went wrong, however, when the aircraft was approximately 20 miles southwest of Spence Bay. Somehow the basket containing all the Christmas mail destined for Spence Bay fell out the open door of the aircraft. Although the people searched relentlessly for more than a week, the basket of mail was lost in the massive expanse of arctic tundra.

On July 30th, 1982, Joe Kiloonik of Spence Bay, N.W.T., was hunting caribou along the shores of Netsilik Lake to the southwest of Spence Bay. The keen eye of the hunter Kiloonik told him that there was something out of place

on the open tundra before him. No, it was not a relic of the long-lost Franklin Expedition that so many archaeologists had searched the area for, but it was the Christmas mail of 1958.

Cst. Wayne Lowrey and I subsequently made a patrol to the location of the mail find. Dennis Lyall, a local guide, assisted us in reaching our destination by boat, via the Netsilik River system.

At the scene we collected the remains of the Christmas 1958 mail drop. This included a vast assortment of items. In addition to Christmas decorations we found colour photographic slides, gum and chocolate bars wrapped in aluminum foil, reel-to-reel tapes, toys and a dozen plastic records of gospel music in the Inuktitut language which had weathered the 24 years on the tundra quite well.

As a matter of particular interest was a letter recovered from the drop that had been written by Clay Fryer to Ernie Lyall of Spence Bay. Clay Fryer is a retired member of the Force who served in Spence Bay as corporal in charge from 1955 to 1958. Ernie Lyall, author of the book "An Arctic Man," was residing in Spence Bay at the time of the mail loss. We contacted Clay and he was quite surprised and amused to hear of the find. I discussed with Clay the aspects of policing the same community in the same capacity as he had done 24 years earlier and I learned from him that police work in this Canadian high arctic community has not changed to any great extent.

This was a very interesting investigation for all concerned.

submitted by Cpl. Wayne M. Bodie

"H" DIVISION

(Headquarters — Halifax, N.S.)

Marriages Reg. No. 37571, Cst. J. J. M. Ancil to Robin Peters, on August 21, 1982, at Montreal, Quebec.

Reg. No. 36733, Cst. G. P. MacDonald to Evelyn Plaxton, on September 4, 1982, at Newcastle, N.B.

Reg. No. 28274, Cst. W. E. Dickie to Wanda Hachey, on October 9, 1982, at Windsor Junction, N.S.

Births To Reg. No. 28213, Cpl. and Mrs. J. J. Gaudet, a daughter, Josée, on June 16, 1982.

To Reg. No. 35301, Cst. and Mrs. J. P. LeBlanc, a daughter, Deanna Rae, on June 13, 1982.

To Reg. No. 32465, Cst. and Mrs. M. E. Brown, a daughter, Erin Lynn, on August 9, 1982.

To Reg. No. 33043, Cst. and Mrs. L. D. MacIver, a daughter, Michelle Suzanne, on August 8, 1982.

To Reg. No. 30857, Cst. and Mrs. J. L. Lauzier, a son, Jeffery Patrick, on August 5, 1982.

To Reg. No. 30819, Cst. and Mrs. G. Letto, a daughter, Heather Gail, on September 1, 1982.

To Reg. No. 29569, Cst. and Mrs. J. J. MacPhee, a son, Jared Alexander, on September 4, 1982.

To Reg. No. S/2547, S/Cst. and Mrs. B. J. Theriault, a son, Ryan Jean, on September 8, 1982.



The New Minas Detachment float which travelled throughout Nova Scotia in 1982 celebrating the 50th anniversary of RCMP policing in that province. (L-R) Front Row: Cst. Turcotte, Cst. Saunders, Cst. Wright, ex-S/Sgt. Lawrence, Cst. Palmer, Cst. Carter. Back Row: Cst. Legresley and Cpl. Gorman.

To Reg. No. 26733, Cst. and Mrs. S. D. Flindall, a son, Aaron Stephen, on September 18, 1982.

To Reg. No. 31495, Cst. and Mrs. G. D. Morash, a son, Andrew Palmer, on September 21, 1982.

To Reg. No. 30472, Cst. and Mrs. D. M. Scharf, a son, Graham Alexander David, on September 24, 1982.

To Reg. No. 27538, Cst. and Mrs. B. J. Roach, a son, Andrew, on October 1, 1982.

To Reg. No. 24009, Cpl. and Mrs. D. A. Burke, a son, Paul Joseph, on October 8, 1982.

To Reg. No. 31331, Cst. and Mrs. R. L. Gillis, twins, a son, Sean Neil, and a daughter, Sarah Eugenie, on October 13, 1982.

To Reg. No. 28567, Cst. and Mrs. S. D. Craig, a daughter, Natalie, on October 10, 1982.

The Truro Corporate Challenge On June 19, 1982, twenty-three teams representing various

businesses and organizations from the Truro area participated in the annual Truro Corporate Challenge Cup track and field meet, a "just for fun" event with a strong emphasis on "Participation." The Force was represented by two teams from Truro Sub-Division building, the "County Mounties" and the "Stetsonettes." The competition was fierce and when the smoke cleared the "Stetsonettes" could be heard chanting, "We're number seven, we're number seven." The "County Mounties" managed a respectable 10th-place finish. In the costume-race event, however, the "County Mounties" took first place with an imaginative entry consisting of two crooks and two Mounties equipped with fireball riot helmet and siren.

Presentations On October 29, 1982, Supt. C. A. J. Bungay, O.C. Halifax Sub-Division, presented Certificates of Commendation to Vaunda Lee MacDonald and Sheila Johnson at the Hammond's Plains Consolidated School, Hammond's Plains, Nova Scotia. The two girls, both

nine years old, found \$550.00 in a wooded area near their homes. They took the money to their parents who turned it over to the RCMP. Due to the honesty of Vaunda Lee and Sheila and the high integrity of their parents, the persons responsible for the theft were convicted and sentenced in court and the money returned to the owner. Sgt. W. W. Bishop, now the "H" Division Analytical Member, was stationed at Lower Sackville Detachment and investigated the offence. He was instrumental in having the certificates presented but could not be present at the ceremony due to other duties.

submitted by S/Sgt. D. S. Smith

Fiftieth Anniversary Celebrations The year 1982 was the fiftieth anniversary of Royal Canadian Mounted Police policing of the Province of Nova Scotia. To advertise the anniversary, New Minas Detachment members, under the direction of S/Sgt. Fraser, constructed a float. Decorated in the traditional yellow and blue of the Force and bearing a map displaying the location of each RCMP detachment in the province, the float was loaned to detachments in Nova Scotia for various parades and community activities. Thanks go to New Minas for their ambitious and original contribution to the anniversary celebrations.

submitted by Cst. C. A. Palmer

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On September 13, 1982, S/Sgt. G. F. Horne, Windsor Detachment Commander, accompanied by S/Sgt. W. Rowan, Stewiacke Detachment Commander, attended the East Hants Municipal Council meeting where they were presented with certificates of appreciation by Warden Snow. The certificate given to Windsor Detachment reads as follows:

*The Warden and Councillors of the
Municipality of East Hants,
on behalf of the Residents of the Municipality,
wish to express their
appreciation and gratitude in recognizing the
50TH ANNIVERSARY
of Service to the
Province of Nova Scotia and the Municipality
of East Hants by
THE ROYAL CANADIAN MOUNTED POLICE
and present this Certificate to the Members of
the
WINDSOR DETACHMENT
in recognition of Service to the Municipality.*

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On May 8, 1982, the new detachment building at Bridgetown, Nova Scotia, was officially opened by South West Nova Member of Parliament, Coline Campbell; Attorney General of the

Province of Nova Scotia, Harry How; and the C.O. of "H" Division, C/Supt. Reid.

In conjunction with the opening of the building, members of the Bridgetown Detachment and Highway Patrol organized a 50th-year anniversary formal dance at the Nova Scotia Land Survey Institute at Lawrencetown, Annapolis County, Nova Scotia. One hundred and thirty couples attended and danced to the music of the RCMP Bison Dance Band from Ottawa. Members of the detachment and Highway Patrol put a great deal of work into the dance and received many compliments for their efforts. Everyone present felt it was "the dance of the year."

After all expenses were paid, we realized a profit of \$1,782.23 which was donated to the Bridgetown-Lawrencetown Minor Hockey Association on September 18, 1982.

submitted by Sgt. E. J. Pettit

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A nostalgic and memorable affair celebrating the 50th anniversary of RCMP policing in Nova Scotia was held on September 10th at the Combined Cpls. and Senior NCO's Messes at "H" Division Headquarters in Halifax. This event served a dual purpose. First, it gave Halifax Division of the RCMP Veterans Association an opportunity to present the regular Force with a painting of the vessel *St. Roch* by ex-Sgt. Major J. Don Fraser, a well known Maritime artist from Dartmouth, Nova Scotia. The painting, which was presented to C/Supt. Reid by Vince Young, is now hanging in a prominent position at the entrance level to "H" Division Headquarters building. Second, the regular Force had an opportunity to honour and entertain those members who were stationed in or transferred to Nova Scotia at the time of the take-over on April 1st, 1932. The instant rapport between 1932 veterans and present-day members of the Force was a refreshing sight.

Three messes, the Cpls., Senior NCO's and Officers Messes sponsored the affair. Members and guests were met at the door by two members in period uniform. Twelve 1932 veterans from as far away as Prince Edward Island and New Brunswick attended and were presented with 50th anniversary lapel pins. They were: A. R. "Abe" Ascah, J. W. G. "Watson" Ascah, A. H. "Bert" Cassivi, R. C. "Clayton" Butt, C. D. "Claude" Cheesman, M. P. "Percy" Furlong, J. F. "Jim" Henderson, T. F. "Tom" Himmelman, D. F. "Dave" Ryan, S. J. "Stan" Pitts, P. "Pat" McGough, and Vince Young who, at 82 years, was by a very slight margin the oldest member present.



Among the many attending 50th anniversary celebrations at the Combined Cpls. and Senior NCO's Messes at Halifax were (L-R) Doug Lee; J. Plomp; C. J. Reid, C.O. "H" Division; F. Christian, Vice President RCMP Veterans Association; Vince Young; H. Grainger, President of RCMP Veterans Association, Halifax; Claude Cheesman and Stan Pitts pictured here with a painting of the *St. Roch* by ex-Sgt. Major J. Don Fraser.

Short speeches of welcome and appreciation were given by the C.O. "H" Division and E. "Hal" Grainger, President of the Veterans Association. A "happy hour" followed and was enjoyed by all.

this was indeed the largest crowd ever witnessed at the Combined NCO's Messes. In all it was a wonderful afternoon and a fitting climax to this anniversary year's festivities.

Several members in attendance observed that

submitted by ex-S/Sgt. Alex Taylor

"J" DIVISION

(Headquarters — Fredericton, N.B.)

Marriages Reg. No. 37102, Cst. J. J. P. P. Proulx to Manon Labbe, on August 21, 1982, at Sherbrooke, Quebec.

Reg. No. 35582, Cst. R. Pessot to Aline Robichaud, on September 3, 1982, at Charlo, N.B.

Reg. No. 34155, Cst. J. D. Laliberte to Mona Plante, on July 23, 1982, at Campbellton, N.B.

Reg. No. 30045, Cst. J. F. R. Girard to Edith Giermindl, on August 28, 1982, at Sussex, N.B.

Reg. No. 30117, Cst. R. L. J. Gosselin to Elaine Fawcett, on August 24, 1982, at Saint John, N.B.

Reg. No. 26493, Cst. J. P. H. G. Chauvin to Donna Dickson, on September 25, 1982, at Moncton, N.B.

Reg. No. 35725, Cst. J. R. D. Houle to Angela O'Neill, on September 4, 1982, at St. Andrews, N.B.

Reg. No. 36851, Cst. W. A. Jacquard to Janice Fahie, on September 11, 1982, at Dartmouth, N.S.



Chief Superintendent W. J. Hunter (centre), C.O. "J" Division, presents an Athletic Achievement Certificate to S/Sgt. Andy Chartrand, left, Internal Investigations Section, for having run a combined total of 1,000 miles. Sgt. Cy Doucette, Crime Prevention P.C.O. Coordinator and promoter of physical fitness, looks on.

Reg. No. 37111, Cst. J. H. Lang to Odette Morin, on February 27, 1982, at Drummond, N.B.

Reg. No. 37307, Cst. J. J. D. Cashulette to Anne Simard, on May 15, 1982, at Montreal, Quebec.

Reg. No. 28764, Cst. A. W. Maund to Carol Brooks, on August 28, 1982, at Saint John, New Brunswick.

Births To Reg. No. 34057, Cst. K. E. Legge and his wife Lori, a son, Michael Andrew, on July 26, 1982, at Moncton, N.B.

To Reg. No. 35452, Cst. and Mrs. J. R. D. Roberge, a daughter, Marie Nancyann Kathy, on September 14, 1982, at Sussex, N.B.

To Reg. No. 35972, Cst. and Mrs. R. M. Matthews, a son, Christopher Earl Gordon, on September 30, 1982, at Neguac, N.B.

To Reg. No. 24562, Sgt. and Mrs. E. W. Carroll, a daughter, Andrea Joy, on August 19, 1982, at Newcastle, N.B.

To Reg. No. 31359, Cst. and Mrs. S. J. Aucoin, a son, Paul David, on August 26, 1982, at Saint John, N.B.

To Reg. No. 29009, Cst. and Mrs. W. D. Kelly, a daughter, Shanna Elizabeth, on July 23, 1977, at

Port Elgin, New Brunswick, and on July 21, 1980, at Hampton, N.B., a daughter, Heather Leighsha.

To Reg. No. 29372, Cst. and Mrs. J. A. P. Cormier, a son, on August 11, 1982, at Jacquet River, N.B.

To Reg. No. 34336, Cst. and Mrs. J. A. M. Roy, a daughter, on August 1, 1982, at Florenceville, N.B.

To Reg. No. 31140, Cst. and Mrs. G. J. Vincent, a son, on July 15, 1982, at Plaster Rock, N. B.

To Reg. No. 29974, Cpl. and Mrs. J. G. Gaudet, a daughter, on August 28, 1982, at Fredericton, N.B.

To Reg. No. 30699, Cst. and Mrs. C. E. Cannon, a son, on June 25, 1982, at Fredericton, N.B.

To Reg. No. 29939, Cpl. and Mrs. R. J. Ouellette, a daughter, on July 3, 1982, at Grand Falls, N.B.

Softball Tournament About midday on Friday, August 22, the first participants of the Divisional Softball Tournament arrived in Bathurst, N.B. Taking up accommodation in five local motels and campgrounds, many took this opportunity to vacation with their families and meet old friends.



Winner of the second annual "J" Division Hockey Tournament was Fredericton Sub-Division hockey team. (L-R) Front Row: Don Vesey, Lee Fraser, Joe Rogers, John Nikita, Cy Doucette, Jean Whittom, J. P. Leblanc. Back Row: Dave McCord (coach), Guy Dupuis, Al McConnell, Dick Flynn, John White, Ed MacEarchern, Bob Power, Serge Bertrand, Sylvain Berthiaume, Tom Vickers, Al MacDonald and Lorne House.

Participating teams came from Fredericton, Shediac, Riverview, Campbellton and the host club, of course from Bathurst. From the first pitch to the last, an attitude of fun and a competitive spirit was maintained.

During Saturday afternoon, a horseshoe tournament was held between the members while their wives squared off in a "powder puff" game. Jacques Ouellette of Riverview Detachment dominated the event with some excellent pitching.

Saturday evening, the local Kinsmen Club Center was the scene of a dance and buffet. Sunday the competition intensified as Riverview and Shediac went into the finals with Shediac coming out victorious. Everyone had a very good time!

submitted by Phil Lagacy

Presentations On October 19, 1982, at "J" Division HQ, Supt. Yelle, acting in the absence of the Commanding Officer, presented Long Service Medals to Sgt. R. J. O'Brien, Sgt. W. Wiebe and Sgt. L. H. Armstrong; Bronze Clasps and Stars to Insp. H. J. Robicheau, Sgt. J. F. C. Luttrell, Sgt. G. W. Snow and S/Sgt. J. P. R. Tessier; and a Silver Clasp and Star to Insp. K. G. Kerr.

Canadian Police College Certificates were presented to S/Sgt. E. W. Smith, Sgt. L. C. Campbell, Sgt. L. Chipperfield and Cpl. N. R. Hooper.

Honorary Testimonial Certificates were presented by Mr. Hilary Howes on behalf of the Red Cross Society to Mr. Donald Gaynor and Mr. James Doherty. On September 12, 1981, these two men rescued four sixteen-year-old boys from the Oromocto Lake near McAdam, N.B. The boys had gone out on the lake in a boat without life jackets and, due to the heavy swell on the lake, the boat overturned. The weather was bad and the water treacherous. Neither Mr. Gaynor nor Mr. Doherty knew how to swim but they took a boat and, after considerable time, in darkness, effected the rescue.

submitted by Supt. J. E. A. Yelle

Softball Challenge In September 1982 the Kingsclear Youth Training Centre challenged the officers and staff of "J" Division C.I.B. to a softball game. Two games were organized by the counsellors of the Centre and S/Sgt. Cliff McCann, who has maintained an excellent rapport with the Centre over the past few years by acting as a "Big Brother" to many of the students.

Prior to game time all participants were treated to a delicious chicken barbecue with all the trimmings, compliments of the Youth Training Centre. Several innings and sore muscles later, the Youth Training Centre became the proud recipient of the trophy. A good time was had by all and by unanimous request it was decided to declare this challenge a yearly event.

submitted by Cst. D. G. Courtney

Bison Bowl On Grey Cup day, November 28, 1982, the Fredericton City Police answered a challenge from the "J" Division Cpls. Mess to participate in a game of touch football.

The teams locked horns in a foot of snow with a temperature of -10°C at the Fredericton Raceway, with the RCMP ultimately winning the battle, 14-0. Although it was touch football, there was many a "solid touch" with bodies somersaulting three or four times before coming to rest.

After the game both teams retreated to the "J" Division Cpls. Mess and enjoyed chili con carne while watching the Grey Cup on television. During the Grey Cup half-time show C/Supt. W. J. Hunter presented the "Chief Superintendent W. J. Hunter Annual Bison Bowl Trophy" to the winning team.

submitted by Sgt. J. C. Doucette

Scholarship Fund The New Brunswick RCMP Centennial Scholarship Fund was established in 1973 to commemorate the 100th anniversary of the RCMP. Administered by a Board of Directors comprising seven NCO's from New Brunswick detachments and three representatives of the New Brunswick RCMP Veterans Association, the fund provides an annual scholarship to help either a child of an RCMP member, or of an ex-member or veteran, to further his or her education. Funds for these scholarships come from donations from RCMP members, NCO's Messes, "J" Division Recreation Club, the RCMP Veterans Association and other sources.

Scholarship recipients this year were: Wendy Joy Vickers, daughter of S/Sgt. Tom and Irene Vickers, and Jennifer Mary Lea Lively, daughter of ex-S/Sgt. Dale and Dixie Lively, "J" Division.

submitted by Cpl. Norm Hooper

"K" DIVISION

(Headquarters — Edmonton, Alta.)

Marriages Reg. No. 35161, Cst. W. A. Greaves to Jody Van Den Brink, on September 4, 1982, at Calgary, Alberta.

Reg. No. C/2930, C/M K. A. Hanneman to Susan Edgerton, on October 9, 1982, at Cornwall, Ontario.

Reg. No. 32047, Cst. K. E. Green to Susan Williams, on October 9, 1982, at Banff, Alberta.

Reg. No. 37533, Cst. D. F. Albrecht to Leslie Shillam, on July 17, 1982, at Vernon, B.C.

Reg. No. 37405, Cst. J. S. Tereposky to Teresa Johnston, on April 17, 1982, at Lestock, Sask.

Reg. No. 35860, Cst. D. A. Hartl to Mary Haber-er, on September 4, 1982, at Rocky Mountain House, Alberta.

Reg. No. 34621, Cst. R. J. Carter to Susan Morrison, on July 3, 1982, at Penticton, B.C.

Reg. No. 32796, Cst. B. W. Enge to Catherine Woodside, on September 11, 1982, at Edmonton, Alberta.

Reg. No. S/2486, S/Cst. M. Gagnon to Jack Kraus, on September 11, 1982, at Edmonton, Alberta.

Reg. No. 35369, Cst. R. A. Bedford to Marlene Balash, on September 11, 1982, at Fort Saskatchewan, Alberta.

Reg. No. 30408, Cst. G. D. Holmes to Beatrice Comeau, on October 9, 1982, at Calgary, Alberta.

Reg. No. 37471, Cst. C. B. Scharff to Sonja Pearson, on September 18, 1982, at Sidney, B.C.

Reg. No. 37455, Cst. M. J. Kindratsky to Wendy Heaslip, on August 7, 1982, at Port Alberni, B.C.

Reg. No. 37316, Cst. B. J. Zieger to Barbara Sodeman, on September 4, 1982, at Consort, Alberta.

Reg. No. 36527, Cst. R. G. Budden to Irene Lewis, on May 23, 1981, at Lewisporte, Newfoundland.

Reg. No. 35909, Cst. S. L. Chanin to Kathryn Green, on September 25, 1982, at Vegreville, Alberta.

Reg. No. 35318, Cst. D. R. J. Bedard to Maureen Hickey, on September 18, 1982, at Prince George, B.C.

Reg. No. 34704, Cst. L. P. Squires to Sherry Kumar, on July 24, 1982, at Forestburg, Alberta.

Reg. No. 25768, Cpl. W. F. Kendall to Gaylene Brost, on October 9, 1982, at Medicine Hat, Alberta.

Reg. No. S/1644, S/Cst. J. J. Whitney to Cheryl Merrett, on June 5, 1982, at Priddis, Alberta.

Reg. No. 33473, Cst. W. L. C. Gemmill to Sally Heidinger, on July 3, 1982, at Taber, Alberta.

Reg. No. 34535, Cst. B. G. Jackson to Audrey Rigaux, on July 10, 1982, at Pincher Creek, Alberta.

Reg. No. 36678, Cst. P. A. Chornoby to Larry Mogck, on August 14, 1982, at Flin Flon, Manitoba.

Reg. No. 36868, Cst. A. R. Brownlow to Laurie Ganshirt, on July 14, 1982, at Crofton, B.C.

Reg. No. 36082, Cst. P. C. Hyde to Cathy Savers, on April 17, 1982, at Viking, Alberta.

Reg. No. 35797, Cst. M. M. Nowicki to Malcolm Cheesman, on May 8, 1982, at Surrey, B.C.

Reg. No. C/3002, C/M M. D. Loterzo to Douglas Stapleton, on June 5, 1982, at Edmonton, Alberta.

Reg. No. 37467, Cst. A. D. Larkin to Judy Dere-miens, on May 24, 1982, at Virden, Manitoba.

Reg. No. 35862, Cst. D. S. Beaton to Corinne MacDonald, on August 7, 1982, at Port Hawkes-bury, N.S.

Reg. No. 35844, Cst. R. J. C. Pinon to Anita Viel, on August 19, 1982, at Edmonton, Alberta.

Reg. No. 35708, Cst. H. Hahn to Lynn Porter, on July 30, 1982, at White Rock, B.C.

Reg. No. S/2509, S/Cst. E. B. Guertin to Nancy Logan, on July 31, 1982, at St. Andrews, N.B.

Reg. No. 36180, Cst. R. A. Marasco to Simone Leippi, on July 31, 1982.

Reg. No. 36149, Cst. R. E. Graham to Ruth Rogers, on August 28, 1982, at Lake Louise, Alberta.

Reg. No. 34963, Cst. J. M. Michaud to Donna Boddez, on May 15, 1982, at St. Albert, Alberta.

Reg. No. 34894, Cst. D. H. J. Boissonnault to Paula Jorgensen, on August 21, 1982, at Edmon-ton, Alberta.

Reg. No. S/0765, S/Cst. R. C. MacKenzie to Josette McGregor, on August 14, 1982, at Cal-gary, Alberta.

Reg. No. 34083, Cst. K. A. Chell to Dixie Ann Campbell, on July 10, 1982, at Peace River, Alberta.

Reg. No. 33146, Cst. G. J. Watamaniuk to Allan Wayne Pirnak, on July 3, 1982, at Smoky Lake, Alberta.

Reg. No. 37489, Cst. M. D. Thomson to Deanna Fraser, on July 10, 1982, at Duncan, B.C.

Reg. No. 37041, Cst. B. P. Siddell to Coral Fletcher, on August 28, 1982, at Regina, Sask.

Reg. No. 34666, Cst. D. C. Page to Diana Bohne, on August 21, 1982, at Edmonton, Alberta.

Reg. No. S/2322, S/Cst. T. G. Owne to Dorrie Davey, on August 7, 1982, at Regina, Sask.

Reg. No. 37349, Cst. K. D. Bielert to Brenda Briggs, on May 29, 1982, at Kelowna, B.C.

Reg. No. 36903, Cst. P. R. Lavallee to Wendy Kidd, on August 21, 1982, at Victoria, B.C.

Reg. No. 36682, Cst. M. P. Hickey to Daryl Be-dard, on September 18, 1982, at Prince George, B.C.

Reg. No. 37228, Cst. J. B. Newton to Susan Bedford, on August 13, 1982, at Edmonton, Alberta.

Reg. No. 36568, Cst. P. W. Haring to June Bur-strom, on September 4, 1982, at Jasper, Alberta.

Reg. No. 33412, Cst. M. M. Moritz to Jill Mac-Whirter, on September 11, 1982, at Red Deer, Alberta.

Reg. No. 36003, Cst. I. C. Sanderson to Sharon A. Yakimyshyn, on October 9, 1982, at Vegreville, Alberta.

Reg. No. 35929, Cst. J. C. Ringrose, to Anne Hafso, on November 6, 1982, at Camrose, Alberta.

Births To Reg. No. 26131, Cst. D. L. Inman and his wife Patricia, a son, Scott, on July 30, 1982.

To Reg. No. 31840, Cst. G. E. Frisby and his wife Kathryn, a daughter, Brenna, on September 29, 1982.

To Reg. No. 24623, Cpl. R. J. Somerville and his wife Pamela, a daughter, Carly, on October 7, 1982.

To Reg. No. 36255, Cst. R. A. Gushulak and his wife Barbara, a daughter, Penny, on May 14, 1980.

To Reg. No. 31721, Cst. C. A. Duplessis and his wife Joan, a son, Kyle, on October 22, 1982.

To Reg. No. 35917, Cst. P. A. Wilson and his wife Bernadine, a son, Aaron, on August 17, 1982.

To Reg. No. 35310, Cst. G. A. McKinnon and his wife Heather, a son, Barry, on September 10, 1982.

To Reg. No. 33379, Cst. D. S. Ingram and his wife Patricia, a daughter, Kelsey, on September 26, 1982.

To Reg. No. C/2273, C/M J. M. Palmer and his wife Kathleen, a daughter, Jaimie, on August 31, 1982.

To Reg. No. 26715, Cpl. T. J. Fenton and his wife April, a daughter, Jackie, on November 27, 1980, and a son, Trevor, on October 7, 1982.

To Reg. No. 30371, Cst. R. S. Holmes and his wife Emily, a daughter, Diana, on October 27, 1982.

To Reg. No. 35139, Cst. K. R. Rosher and his wife Ruth, a son, Leslie, on October 4, 1982.

To Reg. No. 32384, Cst. S. B. Harrington and his wife Debby, a daughter, Brooklyn, on October 3, 1982.

To Reg. No. 33216, Cst. B. H. Button and his wife Katherine, a daughter, Michelle, on October 12, 1982.

To Reg. No. C/2920, C/M C. E. Brennis and her husband Glenn, a daughter, Candice, on February 15, 1982.

To Reg. No. 29013, Cpl. C. G. Schmietenkanop and his wife Janice, a son, Nicholas, on April 12, 1982.

To Reg. No. 30876, Cst. D. C. Lock and his wife Paula, a daughter, Danielle, on July 15, 1982.

To Reg. No. 32615, Cst. R. Pitts and his wife Olga, a son, Bradley Robert, on May 7, 1982.

To Reg. No. 32608, Cst. W. K. McAllister and his wife Irene, a daughter, Cheryl, on May 15, 1982.

To Reg. No. 34289, Cst. R. Smith and his wife Sandra, a daughter, Alexandra, on March 28, 1982.

To Reg. No. 25254, Cst. K. A. Roberts and his wife Carole, a daughter, Heather Anne, on July 24, 1982.

To Reg. No. 35377, Cst. T. D. Clark and his wife Deena, a daughter, Leanne Joy, on July 5, 1982.

To Reg. No. 35851, Cst. I. B. Lande and his wife Karen, a son, Keith, on March 17, 1982.

To Reg. No. 36606, Cst. P. G. Wasylynuk and his wife Valerie, a daughter, Chantel, on March 15, 1982.

To Reg. No. 37213, Cst. D. A. Thornborough and his wife Lynne, a daughter, Laura Eileen, on May 26, 1982.

To Reg. No. 28176, Cst. G. D. Tonn and his wife Deborah, a chosen daughter, Lindsay, on June 22, 1982.

To Reg. No. 35174, Cst. P. G. Gagne and his wife Joyce, a daughter, Nicole, on May 17, 1982.

To Reg. No. 34081, Cst. M. N. C. Christiansen and his wife Wendy, a son, Bryan Noel, on July 26, 1982.

To Reg. No. 31161, Cst. S. L. D. St-Pierre and his wife Brenda, a son, Louis, on June 13, 1982.

To Reg. No. 31650, Cst. R. C. Bent and his wife April, a son, Regan Adam, on July 14, 1982.

To Reg. No. 34497, Cst. R. D. Milward and his wife, Barbara, a daughter, Jaime, on April 21, 1982.

To Reg. No. 26986, Cpl. S. F. Yadernuk and his wife Glenda, a son, Steven, on August 12, 1982.

To Reg. No. 24677, Sgt. R. D. Olsen and his wife Jacqueline, a son, Scott Jeremy, on May 21, 1982.

To Reg. No. 36527, Cst. R. G. Budden and his wife Irene, a son, Steven Richard, on April 1, 1982.

To Reg. No. 36337, Cst. K. G. Gervais and his wife Darlene, a daughter, Karline, on December 10, 1981.

To Reg. No. 34094, Cst. J. A. Hubbell and his wife Heather, a son, Ashley, on May 29, 1982.

To Reg. No. 33361, Cst. P. M. Ariss and his wife Margaret, a daughter, Barbara, on May 17, 1982.

To Reg. No. 32183, Cst. C. P. S. Neher and his wife Karen, a daughter, Patricia Anne, on April 7, 1982.

To Reg. No. 31064, Cst. C. D. Pelletier and his wife Ruth, a son, Douglas, on July 28, 1982.

To Reg. No. 27337, Cpl. J. W. Yaskiw and his wife Coleen, a son, Nolan Wilson, on June 24, 1982.

To Reg. No. C/2076, C/M W. H. Brunke and his wife Hendrika, a daughter, Kirstin Marie, on July 24, 1982.

To Reg. No. 36867, Cst. J. M. McAllister and his wife Terri, a son, Travis, on July 19, 1982.

To Reg. No. 34136, Cst. G. J. M. Farquhar and his wife Jane, a son, William Neil, on April 20, 1982.

To Reg. No. 31313, Cst. J. R. Bradley and his wife Barbara, a daughter, Laura, on September 20, 1982.

To Reg. No. 27660, Cpl. R. H. J. Gaultier and his wife Pamela, a daughter, Brianne, on June 28, 1982.

To Reg. No. 30589, Cst. J. C. Langridge and his wife Patricia, a son, Christopher, on August 17, 1982.

To Reg. No. 34923, Cst. V. A. Toppila and his wife Karen, a daughter, Lana Jacqueline, on January 21, 1982, at High River, Alberta.

To Reg. No. 28379, Cpl. and Mrs. G. S. Davidson, twin daughters, Garnette Diana, on May 9, 1982, and Gerri-Anne Nicole, on May 10, 1982, at Langley, B.C.

To Reg. No. 34085, Cst. T. A. Ashdown and his wife Karen, a son, Shane, on May 27, 1982.

To Reg. No. 35501, Cst. A. K. Huff and his wife Geri, a daughter, Jennifer, on June 18, 1982.

To Reg. No. 35155, Cst. T. J. Moore and his wife Julie, a daughter, Kristina, on October 18, 1982.

Alberta Law Enforcement Long Service Awards

In October of 1979, the Solicitor General of Alberta authorized the minting of the Alberta Law Enforcement Long Service Medal. This medal is to be awarded to all police officers who have served at least 25 years in the Province of Alberta. The Solicitor General's Department requested the assistance of "K" Division Headquarters in locating all serving and retired members of the RCMP who would qualify as recipients of the award. A total of 16 serving members of the Force were nominated for receipt of the award and with the assistance of the RCMP Veterans Association in Alberta, 43 retired members were also nominated. Presentation ceremonies were scheduled to be held at the Senior NCO's Mess, "K" Division Headquarters, on September 7, 1982, and at Fort Calgary on September 9, 1982.

The Honourable Graham Harle, Solicitor General for the Province of Alberta, made the presentations in both Edmonton and Calgary. Supt. S. W. Kelly, O.I.C. Administration and Personnel, acted as master of ceremonies at the Edmonton presentation and Supt. H. W. Hall, O.C. Calgary Sub-Division, was master of ceremonies at the Calgary presentation. Retired Supt. M. Laberge assisted in the presentation ceremony. Mr. Harle praised both the recipients and their wives for 25 years of dedicated police service in the Province of Alberta. Mr. Edward Buchanan of Edmonton was the eldest of the recipients at 83 years of age. He began his police service with the Alberta Provincial Police as Reg. No. 182, in May 1920. He joined the RCMP on April 1, 1932, and at the time of his retirement to pension, November 9, 1950, he was the Sub-Division NCO for Lethbridge Sub-Division. Memories were in abundance at both the Edmonton and Calgary presentation ceremonies and it was an excellent opportunity for old friends to reunite with recipients travelling from as far away as Vancouver.

submitted by Supt. S. W. Kelly

Regimental Dinner In our society many large organizations are frequently faced with a common phenomenon — a general lack of identification on the part of employees with the very institutions that provide their livelihood. The Force is a large organization by contemporary standards and yet members are able to retain a close sense of identity with the institution. This is due, in part, to the inclination of members to congre-



Insp. H. Burchill, O.C. Vegreville Sub-Division, presents a plaque to Chief Robert Lunney of the Edmonton City Police in appreciation of his attendance and effort as the guest speaker.

gate during the various social gatherings throughout the year.

One such gathering was the Regimental Dinner held at the Centennial Hall at Two Hills, Alberta, on Tuesday, March 16, 1982. This was the first event of this nature to occur in this region with members from St. Paul and Vegreville Sub-Divisions attending.

The head-table guests included: A/Commr. D. A. Whyte, C.O. "K" Division; Chief Robert Lunney, Chief of Police, Edmonton City Police Department; Supt. S. Kelly, O.I.C. "K" Division Administration and Personnel; Insp. J. A. Hart, O.C. St. Paul Sub-Division; Insp. A. Burchill, O.C. Vegreville Sub-Division; Cpl. Wm. McIlldoon, NCO i/c Two Hills Detachment; Mr. Walter Werenka, the Reeve of the County of Two Hills; Mr. Steve Shybunka, the Mayor of the Town of Two Hills; and Mr. Bob Watson, a piper from Grand Centre, Alberta.

The master of ceremonies was Cpl. Wm. McIlldoon of Two Hills Detachment. Cst. Pat Wasyluk of Vegreville Detachment performed the Toast to the Queen. The Toast to the Force was performed by ex-Cpl. Wm. Giroux of Viking Alberta with the reply to this toast by S/Sgt. F. K. Campbell, NCO i/c Vegreville Detachment.

Following the toasts and an excellent meal, Chief Robert Lunney, the guest speaker, provided several anecdotes about his earlier involvement in our Force while stationed in "O", "N" and "HQ" Divisions. Chief Lunney also com-

mented on "The Direction of Policing." Insp. A. Burchill presented a plaque to Chief Lunney in appreciation of his attendance and effort.

An additional highlight to the evening was the presentation of Long Service Medals by A/Commr. D. A. Whyte to S/Sgt. R. A. Bunn, NCO i/c Bonnyville Detachment; and Sgt. W. N. Peters, NCO i/c Boyle Detachment. Both recipients

have completed twenty years of service with the Force.

The function was a great success, with eighty members of all ranks attending. This event allowed the members the opportunity to make new acquaintances and renew old friendships. Well-deserved credit goes to the members of Two Hills Detachment, who, under the guidance of Cpl. McIlldoon, organized the dinner.

"L" DIVISION

(Headquarters — Charlottetown, P.E.I.)

Births To Reg. No. 28168, Cst. and Mrs. Hector MacDonald, a son, Jonathan Bayne, on March 7, 1982, at Charlottetown, P.E.I.

To Reg. No. 23835, Cpl. and Mrs. Paul Stetson, a son, Adam Paul, on June 13, 1982, at Charlottetown, P.E.I.



(L-R) S/Sgt. L. K. Orr, NCO i/c F.S.S., shown receiving the Silver Clasp and Bar from C/Supt. R. M. Culligan, C.O. "L" Division, on October 6, 1982, at "L" Division Headquarters.



"L" Division team, winner of the 1982 Fall Corporate Cup running competition at Victoria Park, Charlottetown, (L-R) Cst. Phil Lutwick, Montague Detachment; Cst. Katie Weigert, Charlottetown Detachment; Cpl. Don Davis, C.I.B. reader; Cst. Sarah MacLean, Sherwood/Parkdale Detachment; Cst. Jim White, Division Rep; C/M. Barb Maynard, Telecommunications; and Cst. Vic Josey, Sherwood/Parkdale Detachment.

To Reg. No. 33471, Cst. and Mrs. Bob Chase, a son, Jonathan, on May 28, 1982, at Summerside, P.E.I.

Golf Tournament It is raining cats and dogs; the wind is gusting to 40 knots; you can see your breath in the cold morning air; the kids are back at school; the tourists, for the most part, have left this fair isle. Yes, fall is here and it's time for the Fall Golf Classic.

The night before the tournament, midnight oil was burning. Our golfers were busily laying out their "golfing greens" and cleaning up their clubs. Some enthusiasts even ran their day's supply of second-hand golf balls through the wash, not to mention the heavy sweaters and jackets necessary for the nip in the air.

The Division Recreation Club, however, had ordered a beautiful day and it was delivered on time, a balmy 17°C and not a cloud in the sky. Thirty-six bodies arrived for tee-off. What was surprising was that everyone was on time and the departures were ahead of schedule.

Throughout the day at the Rustico Resort Golf Club, screams of delight and some moans of pain were heard echoing across the land, mainly from the woods. Even with heavy betting on the side and bizarre handicapping, the rounds were played with clubs and balls.

At the end of the day, the entire field retired to the resort's lounge where all were treated to

clam chowder. The owners of the club, John and Martha Langdon, donated a club membership to the prize list. The membership was won by Dave Gairns in a hat draw. Marian Dalton was honoured for being the most honest golfer with a gross of 174. That's persistence and it's gross! Max Hyde, recently out of the north, managed to complete his round and was truly impressed with all the grass. He and Louise Culligen tied for the hidden-score prize. Using the Atlantic Calloway Handicap System, Carl Broughton, Sunnyside Detachment, brought home the low net of 71 for his round. There was a four-way tie between Brian Vidito, Don Poulter, Greg Nixon and Preston Robbins for the second low gross at 90. Darrel Aucoin won the low gross honors with a round of 85. Darrel was presented with the B. MacKay Adjusters Trophy which is presented twice a year.

Another successful day on the links ended with the movie, "Airplane," shown at the lounge amidst copious libations and commentary from the likes of Bob Campbell and Dave Power.

And now we enter the snow caves for the next six months to await Ground Hog Day in hopes that, "when it's springtime, that squirrel will give back my ball."

Softball During the past summer, members from "L" Division defended the Sherwood-Parkdale Recreation Softball League Championship for the third consecutive year. This sea-

son the team was sponsored by Montreal Trust and was coached by Bob Hillier, assistant manager, Toronto Dominion Bank, who did an excellent job as his team finished in first place during the regular six-team season. After Bob was transferred to a manager's position in Marys-town, Newfoundland, Cpl. Bob Humes became the player/coach. Due to the fine pitching of George Wright and Greg Skidmore, the team captured the championship in three straight games over their competitor, Service Master. A new player who added much offensive and de-

fensive ability to the team was Brian Smith, federal parole officer. Unfortunately, he was unable to continue playing the last two games of the play-offs. Brian, after hitting a home run in the first game, fell at first base breaking his wrist.

The team also participated in the Eastern Graphic Men's Softball Tournament. Our team was runner-up after losing the championship game to Baldwins Road. Twenty-eight teams from across the Island competed in the two-day tournament held at St. Teresa's.

"M" DIVISION

(Headquarters — Whitehorse, Y.T.)

Regimental Dinner On October 8, members from throughout Yukon turned out for the 1982 edition of the Regimental Mess Dinner, held in the "ballroom" of the Yukon Indian Centre, Whitehorse. With over 140 members and guests attending, this was the largest dinner held in recent memory. Its success was largely due to the welcome attendance of members, ex-members and guests from Inuvik and Yellowknife Sub-Divisions, "G" Division Headquarters, Prince Rupert Sub-Division and of course representatives from our law-enforcement neighbours to the West, the FBI and Alaska State Troopers. Guest speaker for the evening was Robert F. Lunney, Chief of the Edmonton Police Department. Other head-table guests included Mr. Chris Pearson, Leader of the Yukon Territorial Government; Mr. Clarke Ashley, Minister of Justice; Senator Paul Lucier; City of Whitehorse Mayor, Florence Whyard; Commissioner Bill Nix, Dept. of Public Safety, State of Alaska; and C.A.F. Brig. General Blake Baile, Commander of Northern Region Headquarters, Yellowknife.

After dinner, the Commanding Officer, C/Supt. H. T. Nixon, presented Long Service Medals to ex-Sgt. K. C. Gabb, S/Sgt. C. A. Legassicke and Sgts. B. N. Singer, E. P. Cullen and G. K. Simpson, and the Bronze Clasp and Star to Insp. J. B. Pott. The evening's activities were then adjourned to the "M" Division Mess where "northern hospitality" was seen to prevail once more.

Annual Shoot The 23rd annual RCMP/Alaska State Troopers Shoot was held at the Whitehorse Rifle and Pistol Club range on Saturday, October 9, 1982. The Alaska State Troopers' 5-man team was victorious with a score of 5504/6000. The RCMP team scored 4982/6000. S/Cst. Karen Martychuk obtained the high RCMP course score of the RCMP shooters. As a result of being high qualifier, Karen will be the first female member to represent "M" Division at the upcoming Connaught Cup. Retired Sgt. Ken Gabb, coach of the RCMP team, promises better things for the 1983 event.

"N" DIVISION

(Headquarters — Rockcliffe, Ontario)

Marriage Reg. No. 28722, Cst. J. S. McCarty to Debra Ann Randall, on August 28, 1982, at Ottawa, Ontario.

Birth To Reg. No. 35607, Cst. and Mrs. B. H. McLellan, a son, Timothy James, on November 4, 1982, at Ottawa, Ontario.

Sounds and Saddles Those of you planning a trip to Ottawa and those who live in or near the

National Capital Region will have the opportunity in May to participate in a major, fund-raising event for the Children's Hospital of Eastern Ontario. Under the hospital's sponsorship, the RCMP will present a two-and-a-quarter hour production featuring the Musical Ride, Concert Band, Police Service Dogs and the always exciting Mounted Arms Display. A special feature of this family-oriented show will be a salute to young people. This is the first time in Ottawa



Coming soon — Sounds and Saddles

since our Centennial Review in 1973 that an event of this nature, combining both the Concert Band and the Musical Ride, has been seen. All proceeds from the six performances will go to the Children's Hospital of Eastern Ontario.

There will be two shows daily at 1:30 p.m. and 8:00 p.m. from May 19 to 21 at the Ottawa Civic Centre.

Terry Fox Canadian Youth Centre On Thursday, October 28, 1982, the Terry Fox Canadian Youth Centre was officially opened by the Governor General and Mrs. Edward Schreyer, and the parents of Terry Fox, Mr. and Mrs. Rolland M. Fox. A luncheon was held in the lounge at "N" Division, followed by an official ribbon-cutting ceremony at the Centre. The Youth Centre is located just off St. Laurent Boulevard, near the main gate leading into "N" Division. Students staying at the Centre will use the gym and pool at "N" Division. Before the official opening, the crowd was entertained by the sextet "Bison" from the RCMP Band.

The concept of the Youth Centre was conceived by the Council for Canadian Unity, a non-profit and non-partisan organization founded in

1964. The purpose of the Centre is to develop a spirit of understanding and brotherhood among Canadians of all backgrounds. During each academic year, 3,200 students will participate in its one-week bilingual programme of Canadian studies.

Presentation "All Canadian" is the name of an acrylic painting featuring the RCMP Musical Ride. The artist, Adeline Halvorson, who has been painting full-time for 6 years, specializes in portraits of people and animals. While the 1982 Ride was being performed at the Calgary Stampede, Miss Halvorson took a series of photos. From these she painted the "All Canadian" featuring Cst. M. A. Simms rounding a corner in traditional form on P. S. H. Jet. On November 24, 1982, Miss Halvorson presented the painting to C/Supt. G. M. Allen, C.O. "N" Division. It is now on display at "N" Division. For members who would like to obtain a print of the "All Canadian" or information about her work, Miss Halvorson's address is Box 13, Site 6, R.R. #1, Dewinton, Alberta T0L 0X0.

Long Service Medals During October 1982, C/Supt. G. M. Allen, C.O. "N" Division, presented Long Service Medals to S/Sgt. Gord Achter;

On November 24, 1982, Mr. Karl Mezger, right, Manager of Special Events for the Canada Post Corporation, presented Insp. Keith Thompson, left, A/O.I.C. Equitation Branch, "N" Division, with a framed print of a new 35¢ postage stamp. The new stamp is of special interest to Equitation Branch because it features a copy of a 10¢ stamp, first issued on June 1, 1935, depicting an RCMP member in review order.



Sgts. Dave Smith, Doug Johnston, and Claude Shaver; and to C/M Paul Dompierre.

Musical Ride Farewell Dinner After a summer of touring Canada and the United States, and countless hours of meeting the public, the members of the 1982 Musical Ride celebrated the end of the year with a traditional farewell party on Friday, November 26, 1982. The evening began with the gift-giving ceremony sometimes embarrassing but always humorous. Members roasted and presented each other with token

gifts relating to incidents which occurred throughout the year. The party then moved to the "N" Division lounge for a cocktail hour. Cst. Tom Kearney, master of ceremonies, wasted no time in introducing the head-table guests. These included S/Sgt. Gerry Ogilvie, Riding Master and also the guest speaker; Insp. Al Anderson, Officer i/c Equitation Branch; Insp. Jim Walker, Officer i/c 1981 Musical Ride; Insp. Keith Thompson, Officer i/c 1982 Musical Ride; Sgt. Darrell Karnes, NCO i/c 1982 Musical Ride, Cpl. Gary Welch, representing the "N" Division NCO's



Cst. Marty Butler, right, presents a cheque for \$5,000 on behalf of the 1982 Musical Ride to Donald Larkin, President of Big Brothers of Canada.

Mess; S/Sgt. John Dunn, i/c Administration for Equitation Branch. S/Sgt. Ogilvie gave an inspiring speech that left everyone with a sense of pride. The meal was superb and the division Food Services staff were given a rousing ovation from the gathering.

submitted by Cst. Cam Croal

Christmas Festivities "N" Division has always been noted for its festivities at Christmas time, and 1982 was no exception. The children's sleigh ride and Christmas party was held on December 18, 1982, at the C.P.C. lounge. A sleigh, complete with bells, was supplied by the Equitation Branch. The only item the youngsters had to

supply was their voices to sing Christmas carols as they were driven around the grounds. The children later enjoyed a magician and of course a visit by Santa Claus. A special thank you to Cst. Val Laflamme and the members of the RCMP Band who organized the entire day.

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On December 22, 1982, the annual "N" Division Christmas Amateur Hour was held. Each unit supplied a 10-minute skit and during the intermissions the audience was entertained by S/Cst. Gilbert Tremblay's band. The Amateur Hour and the reception which followed in the C.P.C. lounge were a tremendous success.

"O" DIVISION

(Headquarters — Toronto, Ont.)

Marriages Reg. No. 31970, Cst. A. G. Doyle to Heather Clarke, on September 11, 1982, at Rosemont, Ontario.

Reg. No. S/2480, S/Cst. J. L. Farren to Kelly Helowka, on June 26, 1982, at Toronto, Ontario.

Reg. No. C/1803, C/M C. A. Hedges to Reg. No. C/2640, C/M Ronald Wood, on July 3, 1982, at Windsor, Newfoundland.

Reg. No. 37047, Cst. S. A. Pasin to Lucy Zamparini, on September 18, 1982, at Montreal, Quebec.

Reg. No. 37753, Cst. J. R. M. T. Trudeau to France Dorion, on October 9, 1982, at Sainte-Foy, Quebec.

Reg. No. S/2473, S/Cst. T. E. Meldrum to Iona Tupper, on November 6, 1982, at Morristown, Nova Scotia.

Reg. No. 36302, Cst. J. S. Padda to Mohinder Samra, on November 20, 1982, at Vancouver, B.C.

Reg. No. 22144, Sgt. G. R. Milligan to Jutta Mueller, on November 20, 1982, at Toronto, Ontario.

Reg. No. 36728, Cst. D. G. Fraser to Cynthia Rowan, on October 9, 1982, at Tatamagouche, Nova Scotia.

Reg. No. 23169, Sgt. H. E. Young to Laura Tonelli, on December 29, 1982, at Toronto, Ontario.

Reg. No. S/0775, S/Cst. G. W. O'Brien to Jackie Menzies, on October 23, 1982, at Halifax, Nova Scotia.

Reg. No. 28541, Cpl. J. E. Judd to Judith McTavish, on December 20, 1982, at Oshawa, Ontario.

Births To Reg. No. 34432, Cst. and Mrs. J. R. P. Riopel, a son, Jason, on November 19, 1982.

To Reg. No. 33589, Cst. and Mrs. R. J. Paielement, a daughter, Catherine, on July 21, 1980.

To Reg. No. C/1386, C/M and Mr. K. E. Walker, a son, David, on February 7, 1981.

To Reg. No. 32835, Cst. and Mrs. B. A. Oconnell, a daughter, Maureen, on October 10, 1982.

To Reg. No. 31220, Cst. and Mrs. J. R. Jeffrey, a daughter, Kimberly-Ann, on July 12, 1982.

To Reg. No. C/3054, C/M and Mrs. W. D. Reid, a son, Shawn, on August 30, 1982.

To R g. No. 33583, Cst. and Mrs. R. W. Pluss, a son, Robert, on July 28, 1982.

To Reg. No. 31979, Cst. and Mrs. R. W. Gillies, a son, Jeffrey, on November 18, 1982.

To Reg. No. 31294, Cst. and Mrs. J. G. Froome, a son, Bradley, on December 18, 1982.

Gold in Texas An Oshawa Detachment member recently returned from the International Police Olympics in Austin, Texas, with a gold medal for javelin throwing. Cst. Jerry Gault rose above more than 3,000 world competitors to place first in the javelin competition with a distance of 174 feet.

Cst. Gault was one of seven Canadians who competed in the international games which are held every two years. Two other members, four Ottawa City policemen and one Hamilton Wentworth Regional policeman made up the Canadian contingent in Austin. Cst. Gault was the only Canadian competitor to win a medal.

submitted by Cpl. B. R. M. Harrison

Golf Tournament On October 1, 1982, thirty members of the "O" Division Cpls. Mess were on hand to participate in their annual Cpls. Mess Golf Tournament. The golf game was followed by a night in the Mess which included a barbecue dinner and prizes for some, particularly Cpl. Tom Kapusa, the low gross winner.

Presentations Twelve members of "O" Division and one member of Southwestern Ontario Security Service received their Long Service Medals on Wednesday, September 15, 1982. The medals were presented by A/Commr. F. A. Howe and Supt. Babineau to Sgts. W. M. Bell, J. K. Cornforth, L. T. J. Gallagher, G. H. Higgins, K. M. Murray, J. C. H. Pratt, E. Santori, D. M. Wood, E. M. J. Woods, J. A. M. Claydon, R. R. Thomson, R. K. Abrahamsen, and Insp. J. A. Landry.



Allan Lafontaine, son of ex-S/Sgt. E. A. E. Lafontaine, was sworn into the Force by C/Supt. D. H. Heaton at "O" Division HQ on June 22, 1982. He has since completed recruit training and has been posted to Rocky Mountain House Detachment, "K" Division.

Following the presentations, a reception was held in the "O" Division Sgts. Mess for the recipients and their guests.

Security Service

Gavillucci Wins One Gold, Two Silver Angelo Gavillucci, a 22-year-old public service employee from Security Service, recently competed in the National Amputee Games in Edmonton, Alberta. This was Angelo's third appearance in the national championships and he won a gold medal in the bench press and silver medal in the javelin and discus events.

Angelo lost his right leg in 1970 at the age of 10 to cancer. He started competing in 1976 in the

regional games in Smiths Falls winning 6 gold medals, 1 silver, and a bronze. In 1981 in the regional games in Belleville Angelo took gold medals in the shot put, discus, and javelin events and placed second in the bench press. In 1982 at the regionals he won a gold, a silver and a bronze medal. Angelo's chances of qualifying for the world 1984 Olympics for the physically disabled are excellent. We wish him luck.

Submitted by D. L. Stewart

Promotions

Headquarters (Ottawa)

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Inspector — S/Sgts. A. J. Gramolini, L. E. Thomas.

Staff Sergeant — Sgts. N. B. Daniel, G. P. Grenier, R. M. Juby, F. G. McInnis, J. R. Nobbs, J. G. L. Toews, I. H. Ross, E. R. Ward, G. M. Yorke, A. Butt, J. A. J. L'Abbe, H. E. Dzuba, T. L. Gervais, D. R. Herda, R. McCabe, R. T. Sweet, H. W. Van't Slot.

Sergeant — Cpls. J. S. G. Beauregard, D. B. Jeggo, D. J. Lee, J. S. McLean, D. E. Reece, V. L. Zanin, J. K. Cousins, J. G. Harris, D. J. L. McDonald, B. A. McDonald, E. V. Ross, F. C. Sheppard, P. A. Sutherland, W. J. Windeler, B. J. J. C. P. Borg, D. W. Cochrane, D. J. Robinson, A. T. Houghton, G. R. Kilgore, R. A. Lamy, H. W. Noseworthy, M. H. Onischuk, B. Pross, D. W. Smith, A. G. Steeves, K. H. G. Walkling.

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Special Constable — S/Cst. A. F. Crier.

Civilian Member — C/M's D. S. Banks, J. P. G. Grenier, J. M. P. Lavigne, M. R. E. Daigle, D. C. Tompkins, S. T. Wickett, K. M. Lau, M. F. Gelinas, M. A. E. Robertson, M. D. Holzbecher, J. L. Lacapra, C. T. Alletson, R. L. Armstrong, M. S. Meagher, M. B. Wheaton, G. R. Clancy, K. L. Archibald, J. S. I. Cox, M. R. S. Ladouceur, C. J. Scott, W. R. H. Thornton, R. A. A. White, W. M. Sheldrick, D. H. MacDonald, B. Samija, B. J. Forsyth, T. F. Harris, G. J. Fortier, A. J. Etherington, T. Toffoli, M. A. S. Lapointe, G. A. Merry, M. E. Turnbull, B. F. Allison, M. G. Huibers, P. J. M. Paolini.

"A" Division (Eastern Ontario)

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Sergeant — Cpls. J. M. P. A. Ayotte, P. J. Miller.

Corporal — Csts. J. G. E. N. Duquette, A. C. F. MacKay, J. R. P. Perreault.

Special Constable — S/Csts. J. P. R. C. Aubin, J. P. S. Coutu.

"B" Division (Newfoundland)

Superintendent — Insp. B. M. Blachford.

Staff Sergeant — Sgts. W. R. Fraser, J. T. Waterhouse, M. H. McGregor.

Sergeant — Cpls. E. A. Weeks, J. V. Edwards, S. J. MacDonald, D. A. Urquhart, D. M. Veinot.

Corporal — Csts. E. P. Walsh, J. G. K. Kenna, G. D. Bass, A. S. MacNeill, R. C. Thorne, R. E. Beaudry, A. G. McInnis, B. W. Raymond.

"C" Division (Quebec)

Inspector — S/Sgts. J. O. R. Laframboise, J. D. H. Whitehurst.

Sergeant — Cpls. J. G. E. Delisle, J. J. J. S. Normandin, J. A. A. Turcotte, F. J. P. Witty.

Corporal — Csts. J. R. G. Benard, J. L. H. R. Brunet, J. D. M. P. Fortin, J. L. O. L. Lapointe, J. F. G. Levesque, J. A. J. F. Martel, J. A. G. Paul, H. R. Philion, J. A. P. Lemay.

"D" Division (Manitoba)

Staff Sergeant — Sgts. P. L. Clarke, R. C. Paul, O. J. Larsen.

Sergeant — Cpls. D. G. Murphy, T. P. Smith, N. A. Trail, D. A. Aitken, P. T. Murphy, D. H. Douglas.

Corporal — Csts. T. A. Orr, T. E. Lawless, W. C. MacDonald, R. P. Zagulak.

Civilian Member — C/M's D. W. McLean, T. J. Cherepuschak.

Depot Division (Regina, Sask.)

Staff Sergeant — Sgts. K. A. Fader, R. W. Ross.

Corporal — Csts. D. N. Simpson, J. A. Cote, J. P. R. Duguay, D. C. Cohn, R. N. Krutson.

Constable — S/Csts. M. T. L. D. Asselin, S. D. Barwell, D. K. Bellegarde, J. M. Chapman, H. J. Cunningham, G. A. Findley, A. L. Gerow, J. N. D. W. Gingras, M. C. Gullion, J. G. Henley, M. M. Hoffman, M. F. Lane, J. R. E. Lepine, J. P. D. Lepine, W. K. MacGillivray, A. W. McDonald, J. D. McKay, I. F. Morris, E. J. L. Oates, R. P. Olson, I. L. Pelletier, J. C. Plante, R. N. J. Renaud, R. P. Smith.

"E" Division (British Columbia)

Superintendent — Insp. D. L. Render.

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Sergeant — Cpls. P. D. Eakins, M. G. McCague, W. D. Thaczuk, C. A. Adams, S. Ayliffe, W. P. Bresser, R. A. Brook, S. F. Leach, V. W. Loucks, J. J. McMurchy, D. M. Osse, K. H. Rehman, B. T. Shaw, F. J. Stacey, G. D. Wiggins.

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Civilian Member — C/M's T. D. Edwards, R. B. Vandament, D. M. Campbell, S. P. Patterson, B. E. Peirce, B. J. Woods.

"F" Division (Saskatchewan)

Staff Sergeant — Sgts. A. J. Hunter, W. J. Woods, D. R. C. Mosher.

Sergeant — Cpls. L. J. Baker, R. J. G. Boyd, J. A. Lavery, W. D. T. Craske, M. R. Devaney, D. J. Maloney.

Corporal — Csts. W. W. Martin, T. B. Scott, D. W. Bakewell, A. L. Jacobson, M. H. Chatwell, W. B. Leith, D. J. Nash, W. J. A. Royea, R. L. Thompson, T. J. T. Stevely, J. W. Burns.

"G" Division (Northwest Territories)

Staff Sergeant — Sgts. G. W. Hewins, A. D. Kirbyson, T. Pukas.

Sergeant — Cpls. H. B. Cameron, H. A. Baydak, G. L. Goodridge.

Corporal — Csts. D. J. K. Broughton, J. A. Conohan, T. H. L. Hoskin, L. S. Raczy, P. M. Evans, M. H. Smith, P. N. R. Villebrun.

Civilian Member — C/M J. C. Langille.

"H" Division (Nova Scotia)

Inspector — S/Sgt. J. Plomp.

Staff Sergeant — Sgts. B. F. Cooper, R. E. Jessup.

Sergeant — Cpls. W. L. Berry, W. W. Bishop, J. G. Cody, H. L. Davies.

Corporal — Csts. I. N. Drummond, S. A. Holmes, D. H. Landry, D. Hyde.

"J" Division (New Brunswick)

Staff Sergeant — Sgt. L. H. Armstrong.

Sergeant — Cpls. L. R. Chipperfield, J. D. L. Sirois.

Corporal — Csts. J. J. F. G. Laflamme, J. G. Rioux, G. D. Roach.

"K" Division (Alberta)

Staff Sergeant — Sgts. R. J. Anderson, H. L. Day, M. W. C. Harrower, P. R. Wlodarczak, A. E. Crosby, G. H. Benn, R. E. Carlson, C. C. Marks.

Sergeant — Cpls. J. V. W. Bennett, L. S. Anderson, J. H. Beuker, C. R. E. Bothe, P. F. Hayner, W. N. Hindle, R. R. Kopp, G. S. Porrier, P. R. Sopow, D. J. Spriggs, F. R. H. Von Krogh, R. W. Mow, I. S. Inglehart, R. J. Sheppard, R. J. Bill, R. E. Kells, L. L. Weber.

Corporal — Csts. L. J. Bunyan, E. S. Butler, K. N. Cherwinski, J. D. Greenan, T. H. Harris, J. Hes, G. P. Long, C. E. Lowes, W. G. Lynch, R. L. Martin, R. H. McDonald, D. M. Shewchuk, D. C. Lock, R. G. Ambler, H. P. H. C. Eichmann, H. E. Lachuk, A. D. MacIntyre, D. F. B. Mercer, W. L. Miller, J. P. Mizibrocky, R. B. Rauckman, R. K. Sherwood, G. D. Tonn, E. A. Harrold, R. R. Nicholson.

Civilian Member — C/M's R. H. Gillmore, C. P. Campbell, J. M. Morrison, G. V. Sanderson, M. A. Starsfield.

"L" Division (Prince Edward Island)

Corporal — Cst. M. B. O'Neil.

"M" Division (Yukon Territory)

Staff Sergeant — Sgt. N. N. Knowles.

Sergeant — Cpl. E. E. Best.

Corporal — Cst. R. A. Wheadon.

Special Constable — S/Cst. D. R. Downie.

"N" Division (Rockcliffe, Ont.)

Sergeant — Cpl. J. L. E. P. P. Morin.

"O" Division (Ontario)

Sergeant — Cpls. J. W. Briscoe, J. H. Ellis, L. K. Tronstad, R. G. Vassallo, L. L. Lowes, H. W.

Spence, J. R. Banks, J. K. Beer, T. G. Hunt, N. R. Hayward.

Corporal — Csts. W. Dowhayko, G. L. S. Froud, E. W. Horlick, G. E. Reid, M. C. A. Van Doren, G. D. Jenion, B. A. McKinnon, D. R. McQuillan, R. G. Nicholson, R. W. Nicholson, M. G. O'Malley, E. R. McClare.

Security Service (HQ — Ottawa)

Superintendent — Insp. J. J. L. Jodoin.

Sergeant — Cpls. R. R. Buchanan, S. G. R. Gilmore, D. M. Service, B. A. Denofsky.

Corporal — Csts. J. A. B. Godbout, G. L. Green, L. N. Cruickshank, S. J. B. Dickson, J. Y. M. Gagnon, J. R. Hunter, J. J. Y. H. Jacques, R. M. J. King, D. W. Lunau, J. F. P. N. Rail, J. P. Y. Rocheleau, J. C. G. M. Tremblay, D. J. Hicks, J. G. J. Leblanc, A. Sidaros, C. J. R. Tasse.

Civilian Member — C/M's E. C. C. Chung, A. F. Learn, J. L. Menic, M. A. McIntyre, P. D. Tierney, L. J. Higgins, J. G. Tessier, W. L. Chi, J. M. Dubas.

Retirements

The following members of the Force retired to pension during the period
July 25, 1982, to December 13, 1982.

Reg. No.	Rank	Name	Div.	Date
20981	S/Sgt.	J. E. J. Leduc	C	July 25
16216	S/Sgt.	F. N. Cheeseman	B	July 31
21929	Cpl.	S. A. Campbell	A	July 31
18927	S/Sgt.	M. A. Mohr	E	Aug. 2
19724	S/Sgt.	G. M. McGinley	F	Aug. 2
20768	S/Sgt.	J. F. McGuire	HQ	Aug. 2
16734	S/Sgt.	G. W. Fraser	F	Aug. 3
22101	S/Sgt.	G. J. Wool	HQ	Aug. 3
19474	Sgt.	K. O. Coburn	E	Aug. 6
19034	S/Sgt.	R. H. Spring	E	Aug. 7
15631	Sgt.	V. B. Petersen	K	Aug. 18
19008	S/Sgt.	W. H. C. Rowan	H	Aug. 18
20916	S/Sgt.	J. H. Barnstead	J	Aug. 20
0.0623	C/Supt.	R. A. Vaughan	HQ	Aug. 21
C/0070	C/M	H. S. Crabb	N	Aug. 22
21936	Sgt.	K. N. Smith	SS	Aug. 22
19437	Sgt.	E. R. Holland	F	Aug. 23
0.0785	Insp.	J. A. G. Synnott	HQ	Aug. 30

Reg. No.	Rank	Name	Div.	Date
21515	Sgt.	K. B. Kardish	E	Sept. 1
20416	Sgt.	H. W. Finch	E	Sept. 4
19082	Sgt.	E. J. Nicholson	E	Sept. 7
22262	S/Sgt.	E. M. Brydon	E	Sept. 7
21991	Sgt.	J. C. R. Malo	A	Sept. 10
21039	Cpl.	R. D. Nelson	E	Sept. 13
19597	Sgt.	J. Avbar	O	Sept. 14
20286	S/Sgt.	R. H. Getson	O	Sept. 17
21001	S/Sgt.	W. P. McGrath	B	Sept. 17
21606	Sgt.	R. F. Croy	K	Sept. 23
20658	S/Sgt.	H. J. J. Gallagher	DPT	Sept. 24
0.0637	Supt.	H. M. C. Johnstone	E	Sept. 25
20656	Sgt.	W. E. Halliwell	K	Sept. 27
20616	Cpl.	J. J. Prendergast	B	Sept. 30
21909	Sgt.	D. H. Bartlett	J	Oct. 1
19847	S/Sgt.	G. E. Ferguson	D	Oct. 2
22429	Sgt.	D. M. Roughley	O	Oct. 2
19454	Sgt.	E. P. Wegelin	E	Oct. 11
0.1147	Insp.	C. S. Sampson	C	Oct. 15
22103	Cpl.	W. D. Shaw	O	Oct. 15
21100	S/Sgt.	R. E. Linttell	K	Oct. 21
21110	S/Sgt.	D. W. Benson	E	Oct. 26
20162	Cpl.	J. N. Ludba	E	Oct. 29
22877	Sgt.	J. D. A. Boucher	J	Nov. 1
22119	Sgt.	R. L. Eaves	SS	Nov. 13
16155	S/Sgt.	G. W. M. Allen	E	Nov. 15
21679	S/Sgt.	G. W. Miller	E	Nov. 20
22895	S/Sgt.	P. Law	HQ	Nov. 23
19551	S/Sgt.	R. D. Greene	L	Nov. 29
16586	S/Sgt.	R. V. Alcock	E	Dec. 7
20119	Sgt.	K. C. Ross	O	Dec. 13

Obituaries

Obituaries without full service histories are those of members whose service files have been destroyed. Thus, the information is no longer available. Ed.

ABRAHAM Reg. No. 10640, ex-S/Sgt. Glyndwr Abraham, 77, died on September 19, 1982, at Delta, British Columbia. Born March 1, 1905, in Wales, he joined the Force on July 10, 1929, at Regina, Saskatchewan and took his recruit training at Depot Division. He spent the majority of his service in "G" Division at the following locations: Fort Smith, Stony Rapids, Arctic Red River, Coppermine, Norman, Providence, Cambridge Bay, Aklavik, Athabaska, and Yellowknife. On September 10, 1953, he was transferred to "G"

Division HQ, Ottawa, where he worked as a C.I.B. reader. Before retiring to pension on July 9, 1959, he had been promoted corporal on November 1, 1942; sergeant on November 1, 1947; and staff sergeant on November 1, 1951.

AITKEN Reg. No. 4410, ex-Cst. George Aitken, 97, died October 5, 1982, at Watrous, Saskatchewan. Born July 25, 1885, in Scotland, he joined the RNWMP on July 6, 1905, and was sent to Regina, Saskatchewan. He left the Force on September 8, 1905.

ANDERSON Reg. No. 14518, ex-Cst. Robert Bruce Anderson, 60, died March 9, 1982, at Kingsville, Ontario. Born July 24, 1921, at Sandwich, England, he joined the RCMP on January 4, 1943, at Toronto and took his recruit training at Depot Division. On September 1, 1943, he was

posted to "N" Division and on April 1, 1944, to "F" Division. He left the Force on June 30, 1945.

BRADLEY Reg. No. 12728, ex-Sgt. Robert Munro Bradley, 70, died on April 7, 1982, at Quebec City, Quebec. Born on April 22, 1911, at Three Rivers, Quebec, he joined the RCMP on July 9, 1935, at Ottawa, Ontario and took his recruit training at "N" and Depot Divisions. He spent a year at Drumheller, "K" Division before being posted on March 1, 1938, to Quebec, "C" Division, where he was employed in special investigations. On October 31, 1946, he was transferred to Thetford Mines, and a year and a half later to Hemmingford Detachment. Between October 10, 1949, and February 20, 1965, (when he was discharged to pension) he worked in Montreal with the Emergency Planning Branch and the Security and Intelligence Branch. He had been promoted corporal May 1, 1948, and sergeant on May 1, 1957.

BOHONIS Reg. No. 25547, Cpl. Dwight Charles Bohonis, 35, died July 14, 1982, at Winnipeg, Manitoba. Born January 18, 1947, at Hatherleigh, Saskatchewan, he joined the RCMP on March 15, 1967, at Saskatoon, and took his recruit training at Depot Division. He was posted to "D" Division upon graduating from Depot, and served at Brandon, Shoal Lake, Minnedosa, Dauphin, The Pas, Selkirk Township, Lac du Bonnet and Winnipeg Detachments. He had been promoted to corporal on February 1, 1975.

BRASSARD Reg. No. 32497, Cst. Joseph Louis Lionel Brassard, 26, died on June 2, 1982, at Saskatoon, Saskatchewan. Born on March 8, 1956, at Big River, Sask., he joined the RCMP on April 22, 1975, at Calgary, Alberta and was posted to Depot Division for recruit training. He had served at Biggar, Blaine Lake, La Ronge, Carlyle, Pelican Narrows, and Saskatoon Detachments of "F" Division.

CALDWELL Reg. No. 14127, ex-Cst. Gordon Miles Caldwell, 65, died October 8, 1982, at Toronto, Ontario. He was born January 10, 1917, at Toronto, Ontario, and joined the RCMP at Toronto on May 13, 1941. He was subsequently sent to "N" Division, Ottawa, and Depot Division for recruit training. He served in the following detachments in "F" Division: Regina, Moose Jaw, Wolseley, Willow Bunch and Weyburn, before being transferred to "G" Division on September 1, 1944. He left the Force on October 24, 1944.

CAMERON Reg. No. S/67, S/Cst. Clayton Newton Cameron, 54, died July 14, 1982, at Ottawa, Ontario. Born January 18, 1928, at Eldon Township, Ontario, he joined the RCMP as a special constable at Headquarters, Ottawa, on May 1, 1957, serving with Security Service "I" Ops.

CLANCY Reg. No. 19548, ex-Sgt. James Frederick Clancy, 45, died May 8, 1981, at Twil-

lingate, Newfoundland. Born March 13, 1936, at Saint John, New Brunswick, he joined the RCMP on July 6, 1956, at Fredericton, New Brunswick and took his recruit training at Depot Division. He spent his entire service in "B" Division at the following locations: St. John's, Twillingate, Harbour Grace, Battle Harbour, Placentia, Fogo, St. Lawrence, Glovertown, and Burin. He was NCO i/c at Battle Harbour, Fogo, St. Lawrence, Glovertown, and Burin. On August 15, 1976, he was invalided to pension. He had been promoted corporal on May 1, 1967, and sergeant on February 1, 1974.

CLARK Insp. Charles Malcolm Clark, 46, died April 14, 1982, at Fredericton, New Brunswick. Born December 22, 1935, at St. Stephen, N.B., he joined the RCMP on January 18, 1955, Reg. No. 18821, and was sent to Depot Division for recruit training. After completing training he served short appointments in Twillingate, Whitbourne, Placentia, and Goose Bay, "B" Division. On August 22, 1960, he was transferred to Charlottetown, "L" Division, and on March 1, 1965, became NCO i/c P. S. Squad, "L" Division. Shortly after, on July 5, he was transferred to Borden where he took charge of the detachment. On January 4, 1969, he was sent to "J" Division where he served at Oromocto Town Detachment, and Woodstock. On December 21, 1971, he was transferred to Halifax, "H" Division, where he served part of his time in the Drug Section. On July 23, 1973, he was transferred to HQ Career Planning Unit and on August 24, 1976, to Regina, "F" Division, as an assistant officer in the Staffing and Personnel Branch after having received his commission on July 1, 1976. On July 21, 1980, he was appointed O.I.C. of the Branch. On March 30, 1981, he was posted to "J" Division, as O.C. Fredericton Sub-Division and later, in August of that year, became O.I.C. C.I.B. He had been promoted to corporal on May 1, 1965; sergeant on October 1, 1973; and staff sergeant on February 1, 1976.

COATES Reg. No. 22928, Sgt. Trueman Ward Coates, 40, died November 26, 1981, at Grand Falls, Newfoundland. Born December 29, 1940, at Petitcodiac, New Brunswick, he joined the RCMP on January 17, 1963, at Fredericton, N.B., and was sent to Depot Division for recruit training. After graduation he worked at Deer Lake, Corner Brook Rural, and Corner Brook City Detachments. On November 18, 1967, he was transferred to "N" Division, Ottawa, where he served with the Equitation Unit until September 27, 1969, when he was transferred to the Identification Branch. He was then posted to Identification Section, "L" Division. On September 30, 1975, he was transferred to Ident. Section, Quesnel, British Columbia, and on August 28, 1977, to Ident. Section, Grand Falls, Newfoundland. He had been promoted to corporal on October 1, 1973, and sergeant on August 28, 1977.

CURRIE Reg. No. 10090, ex-Cst. Archibald Currie, 76, died December 11, 1982, at Tagish, Yukon Territory.

d'EASUM Reg. No. 12544, ex-S/Sgt. Bernard de Rabudy d'Easum, 67, died June 15, 1982, at New Westminster, British Columbia. Born November 1, 1914, at New Westminster, B.C., he joined the RCMP at Vancouver, B.C., on January 29, 1935. After completing training at Depot Division, he was transferred to "A" Division, Ottawa, on August 1, 1935. On October 1, 1936, he returned to Depot and shortly afterwards, on January 1, 1937, he was assigned to the position of stenographer, "E" Division, Vancouver. On April 11, 1939, he was transferred to "G" Division, Dawson, where he worked as a C.I.B. clerk in addition to performing general police duties. From Dawson he was transferred to Mayo on May 8, 1942, and two years later, on July 1, 1944, he was sent to "K" Division, Edmonton. Between this date and September 24, 1945, when he was transferred to Breton, he served a number of short appointments in Camrose, Edmonton, and Wetaskiwin. On June 14, 1950, he was transferred from Breton to Camrose where he worked until June 28, 1955, when he returned to Edmonton. On September 27, 1956, he was appointed 2i/c of Cloverdale Detachment, "E" Division, and on June 30, 1960, i/c Kamloops Municipal Detachment. On April 1, 1941, he was promoted corporal, and on May 1, 1952, sergeant. He retired to pension on February 15, 1964, three years after having been promoted to the rank of staff sergeant on May 1, 1961.

FERGUSON Reg. No. 5905, ex-Cst. Amos Gordon Ferguson, 92, died May 10, 1982, at Surrey, British Columbia. Born on April 18, 1891, at Glengarry, Ontario, he joined the RNWMP on August 22, 1914, at Calgary, Alberta. Following training at Depot Division, he was stationed at the Del Bonita Detachment, McGrath, Alberta. He left the Force one year later and served overseas with the Canadian Machine Gun Corps where he was promoted to corporal and awarded the Military Medal. On April 1, 1919, he rejoined the Force at Lethbridge, Alberta. On April 7, 1922, he left the Force. Before leaving he had been promoted corporal on August 15, 1919; and sergeant on November 24, 1920.

GAIR Reg. No. 9192, ex-Sgt. Clifford Alexander Gair, 81, died January 17, 1982.

GIBBONS Reg. No. S/4, ex-S/Cst. Jimmy Gibbons, 65, died April 28, 1982, at Churchill, Manitoba. Born March 12, 1917, at Baker Lake, Northwest Territories, he joined the RCMP on July 1, 1936, as a special constable for duty as a guide, hunter, interpreter, and snow-house builder at Eskimo Point Detachment. He was discharged to pension June 30, 1965.

GREBA Insp. Ernest Samuel Greba, 48, died March 15, 1982, at Victoria, British Columbia.

Born October 8, 1933, at Endeavour, Saskatchewan, he joined the RCMP as Reg. No. 18710 on August 26, 1954, at Regina, Sask., and took his recruit training at Depot Division. On June 24, 1955, he was posted to Vancouver and on August 2, 1956, to Alert Bay, both in "E" Division. Between March 2, 1958, and May 5, 1966, he served several postings in Squamish and Pemberton, "E" Division. The following two years he spent in general duties at Burnaby Detachment. On February 8, 1968, he was appointed NCO i/c Alert Bay and on August 8, 1971, he was appointed NCO i/c Castlegar. He was then transferred back to general duties at Burnaby Municipal Detachment. The following year he was appointed project manager, Management Services Section, Headquarters, Ottawa. On June 1, 1974, he transferred to the Operational Audit Unit. He then transferred to Frobisher Bay Sub-Division, "G" Division on July 24, 1975, as O.C. On July 28, 1977, he was appointed Regina South Section Officer and on July 6, 1978, Assistant O.C. Regina Sub-Division. On July 18, 1979, he was transferred to Richmond Township, "E" Division, and on June 1, 1981, to Staffing and Personnel, "E" Division. He had been promoted corporal on November 1, 1963, sergeant on May 1, 1968, staff sergeant on October 1, 1972, and inspector on April 1, 1974.

HEALEY Reg. No. 16366, ex-Cpl. William Henry Lawrence Healy, 73, died October 3, 1982, at Victoria, British Columbia. Born March 30, 1909, at Durham, England, he served with the British Columbia Provincial Police from April 7, 1935, until August 15, 1950, when it was absorbed by the RCMP. Healey joined the RCMP on that date and served at Nanaimo, B.C., until October 5, 1964, when he was discharged to pension. He had been promoted to corporal on May 1, 1963.

HIRON Reg. No. 15632, ex-Cst. Douglas William Hiron, 55, died on May 15, 1982, at Toronto, Ontario. Born November 25, 1926, at Stoughton, Saskatchewan, he served with the Canadian Army in 1944 and 1945 before joining the RCMP on November 16, 1948, at Winnipeg, Manitoba. Following recruit training at Depot Division, he was posted to Toronto, Ontario, on July 20, 1949, then the following year to Timmins, Ontario. He left the Force on February 14, 1951.

JOHNSON Reg. No. 10066, ex-Cpl. Donald Stuart Johnson, 78, died on September 12, 1982, in Halifax, Nova Scotia.

LOWRY Reg. No. 23987, Cpl. David Anderson Lowry, 36, died April 8, 1982, at New Westminster, British Columbia. Born August 10, 1945, at Edmonton, Alberta, he joined the RCMP on April 23, 1965, at Saskatoon, Saskatchewan, and was sent to Depot Division for recruit training. On December 17, 1965, he was posted to Chemainus, "E" Division. Following his posting to Chemainus, he performed highway patrol duties in Princeton, Hope, Boston Bar, Burnaby, and

Port Mann. On June 16, 1980, he was transferred to Langley, British Columbia. He was promoted to the rank of corporal on October 1, 1975.

LUNDRIGAN Reg. No. 16237, S/M Victor Llewellyn Lundrigan, 56, died June 1, 1982, at St. John's, Newfoundland. He was born September 26, 1925, at St. John's and served with the Royal Artillery from October 22, 1942, to December 2, 1945, and the Newfoundland Constabulary from April 7, 1948, to August 7, 1950. He resigned from the Newfoundland Constabulary in order to join the RCMP. He spent all of his service in the St. John's area. On November 1, 1958, he had been promoted to corporal; on May 1, 1962, to sergeant; on May 1, 1968, to staff sergeant; and on July 15, 1971, to sergeant major. (For further information about S/M Lundrigan refer to the Fall 1982 *Quarterly*, Vol. 47, No. 4, page 23.)

MARGETTS Reg. No. 9826, ex-Cpl. Steven Hugh George Margetts, 79, died August 17, 1982, at Ottawa, Ontario.

MARRIOTT Reg. No. 10679, ex-Cst. Edward John Marriott, 78, died July 28, 1982, at Red Deer, Alberta. Born September 21, 1903, at Garstang, England, he joined the RCMP on August 2, 1929, at Regina, Saskatchewan, and took his recruit training at Depot Division. He was posted to Vancouver, "E" Division, on December 12, 1929, and left the Force on April 23, 1931.

MAYER Reg. No. 7927, ex-Cst. John Thomas Mayer, 83, died July 5, 1982, at Moncton, New Brunswick.

MILLER Reg. No. 17867, ex-Cpl. Clarence Seldon Miller, 49, died September 19, 1982, at Northwest Cove, Nova Scotia. Born December 31, 1932, at Fox Point, N.S., he joined the RCMP on August 18, 1952, at Halifax, N.S. Following recruit training at Fairmont Barracks, Vancouver, British Columbia and Depot Division he was posted to Ottawa, "A" Division on April 23, 1953. The rest of his service in the Force was spent in "J" Division at the following locations: Fredericton, Plaster Rock, Woodstock, Saint John, St. Stephen, Minto, Oromocto, Gagetown, Moncton, Port Elgin, and St. Andrews. At Gagetown, Port Elgin, and St. Andrews he was NCO i/c. He was promoted corporal on November 1, 1964. On February 19, 1974, he was invalided to pension.

MONETTE Reg. No. 12582, ex-Cst. Joseph Maurice Monette, 73, died July 24, 1982, at Paquetville, New Brunswick. Born on June 13, 1909, at Tessier, Saskatchewan, he joined the RCMP on June 24, 1935, and took his recruit training at "N" Division. On September 1, 1935, he was transferred to Winnipeg, "D" Division and on May 1, 1936, to Fredericton, "J" Division. After four years spent at different detachments in

"J" Division, he was posted to "G" Division where he was stationed on the schooner "St. Roch," and later at Coppermine Detachment. On December 1, 1943, he was transferred to "C" Division. In May, 1945, he was appointed NCO i/c of Seven Islands Detachment "C" Division. He served in several detachments in "C" Division before being transferred to Ottawa, "A" Division on September 1, 1949. He was discharged to pension on October 21, 1955.

MUIR Reg. No. 11744, ex-Sgt. James Lauder Muir, 81, died August 21, 1982, at Calgary, Alberta. Born September 2, 1900, at Edinburgh, Scotland, he joined the Force on May 31, 1932, at Edmonton, Alberta, and took his recruit training at Depot Division. He spent the rest of his service in Edmonton, "K" Division. Before being discharged to pension on March 31, 1950, he had been promoted to lance corporal, September 1, 1938; corporal, February 1, 1941; and sergeant, November 1, 1946.

PEARCE Reg. No. 12321, ex-A/B Jack Graham Pearce, 69, died September 10, 1982, at Dartmouth, Nova Scotia. Born April 20, 1913, at Halifax, N.S., he joined the RCMP on April 16, 1934, at Halifax, N.S., and served with the Marine Section of the Force. Hired as an Ordinary Seaman, he was promoted to Able Seaman on July 1, 1937. He left the Force on July 18, 1938.

SMITH Reg. No. 13156, ex-Cpl. Lowell Bertram Smith, 74, died December 7, 1982, at Sacramento, California. Born March 1, 1908, at Scotland, Ontario, he joined the RCMP as a reserve constable on July 1, 1937, at Vancouver, B.C. Following recruit training at Depot Division he joined the No. 1 Provost Corps on November 1, 1939. After serving overseas for three and a half years he took up duties as a C.I.B. reader at Toronto Town Station Detachment, "O" Division, on September 23, 1943. From this position he moved to "O" Division Headquarters, Pay and Accounts Branch, where he was promoted corporal on January 5, 1948. He retired to pension on March 28, 1953.

STEPHENSON Reg. No. 25605, Cpl. David Robert Stephenson, 37, died July 17, 1982, at Calgary, Alberta. Born November 1, 1944, at Frinley, England, he joined the RCMP on March 31, 1967, at Calgary, Alberta, and took his recruit training at Depot Division and at Penhold, Alberta. He served at three detachments in "F" Division: Foam Lake, Kamsack, and Sturgis. On July 19, 1977, he was posted to Inuvik and a year later on June 15, 1978, he was appointed NCO i/c Norman Wells, "G" Division. On July 4, 1980, he was posted to Calgary, "K" Division, where he performed general duties until March 16, 1981, when he transferred to Calgary Sub-Division, Commercial Crime Federal Investigations. He was promoted corporal July 19, 1977.

VAHEY (nee Brunet) Reg. No. C/1469, ex-C/M Marie Therese Rejeanne Renee Vahey, 49, died July 15, 1982, at Ottawa, Ontario. Born June 14 1933, she joined the Force on February 22, 1974, at Ottawa, Ontario, as a civilian member. She was assigned to Headquarters, C.P.I.C., where she worked as a data analyst, level 1. On April 1, 1980, she transferred to Data Control Section, where, before her death, she had been promoted to data processor, level 4.

WALSH Insp. Joseph John Thomas Raynold Walsh (Rtd.), 49, died May 25, 1981, at Montreal, Quebec. Born May 23, 1932, at Montreal, he joined the RCMP on December 10, 1952, at Montreal, Reg. No. 18010. He took his recruit training at Fairmont, "E" Division and at Depot Division. His first posting was to Restigouche, "C" Division, on December 1, 1953. A year and a half later he was transferred to "C" Division, Quebec Sub-Division, where he worked with General Investigation Services. On June 2, 1956, he transferred to "G" Division and served at Fort Smith, Aklavik, New Aklavik, and Cape Perry. At New Aklavik and Cape Perry he was NCO i/c. After serving in "G" Division he served approximately two and a half years at Bathurst, "J" Division. His next posting was to Security and Intelligence Branch, "C" Division, on January 12, 1962. On May 1, 1970, he was appointed A/O.I.C. Investigation Section, Security and Intelligence, Montreal. He was then transferred to Paris, France, as Liaison Officer for Security Service. He returned from Paris on July 20, 1972, to take up the position of O.I.C. "G" Ops., Security Service. Three years later he was transferred to Montreal where he worked with Support Section, General Investigation Section

and Security Service. Before retiring on April 5, 1979, he had been promoted corporal on November 1, 1964, sergeant on May 1, 1968, sub-inspector on May 1, 1970, and inspector on May 1, 1972.

WEAVER Reg. No. 5967, ex-Sgt. Jesse John Weaver, 88, died September 19, 1982.

YOUNG Reg. No. S/861, ex-S/Cst. Harry Cook Young, 71, died November 23, 1982, at Victoria, British Columbia. Born March 4, 1911, in Scotland, he joined the RCMP on September 1, 1928, at Regina, Saskatchewan, and was posted to Depot Division where he worked as a clerk in the Interior Economy Office. On November 19, 1950, he was transferred to the Interior Economy Branch of "E" Division Headquarters, Victoria. He was discharged to pension on December 1, 1953.

ZIMMERMAN Reg. No. 13791, ex-Sgt. Arthur Zimmerman, 66, died July 28, 1982, at Regina, Saskatchewan. Born January 16, 1916, at Pono-ka, Germany, he joined the RCMP on November 30, 1940, at Edmonton, Alberta, and took his recruit training at Depot Division. He spent the major part of his service in "F" Division, serving at Balcarres, Regina, Craik, and Imperial Detachments until August of 1957 when he became NCO i/c C.I.B. at Saskatoon. In 1959 he was made NCO i/c Saskatoon Detachment and, the following year, Saskatoon East Section NCO. On May 29, 1961, he became Regina North Section NCO. He took his pension on December 7, 1961. Zimmerman had been promoted corporal on May 1, 1950, and sergeant on November 1, 1959.

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