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#### Water Safety

June 16-22 was National Water Safety Week-a period planned by the Canadian Red Cross Society to bring to our attention the value of swimming and other summer sports and a word of warning of the many dangers that lurk in, near or on the water. It was a week devoted to an ideal and a hope that sound advice and guidance will control and curtail Canada's dreadful drowning

In most cases, drownings are not mere accidents. They are the result of venturesome escapades coupled with an ignorance of water safety. Canada is blessed with thousands of lakes, rivers and streams. They are a setting of nature for enjoyment by Canadians of all ages, a mecca for pleasure during a delightful season. A knowledge of water safety rules and an understanding of their application will mean a happier and healthier summer for you and your family.

The rules are simple and practical - common sense should dictate most of of them. Don't go out in a small boat unless you are a swimmer or wear a life preserver. Don't overload any boat, or use one that is not completely seaworthy. Don't go out in a boat in stormy weather or attempt to shoot rapids. Don't stand up or change places in a boat or canoe. If a boat capsizes, don't attempt to swim ashore, cling to it until rescued. Don't use rafts or logs as boats.



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swim after eating, or when overheated or overtired. Don't "duck" or push bathers into water. If you must swim after dark, be sure the area is safe and you are accompanied by a "buddy". Watch children whenever they are near the water. If they are poor swimmers or non-swimmers they must wear life-jackets. Don't use inner tubes or water wings and watch children playing with plastic toys-the slightest breeze will carry them out of reach and into deep water. Learn and teach "reaching assists"-how to help a swimmer in difficulty by lying flat and extending an arm, a pole, a paddle, towel or clothing; how to throw a life-line or ring buoy. The tragedy of drowning accidents is

Don't swim alone or at unsupervised swimming places. Don't dive into unknown water or swim too far from shore. Don't

The tragedy of drowning accidents is never easily forgotten. Summer months are months of pleasure and a drowning casts a shadow that lingers for years. This summer we must be concerned about the rules of water safety. The outdoors is yours to enjoy. Enjoy it—SWIM SAFELY.

#### This Issue's Cover

Our cover picture shows the RCMP Patrol Boat Cutknife II in the waters of Lake Ontario, near Kingston. The craft is one of the fleet of 50-foot boats in the RCMP "Marine" Division which patrol Canada's inland waterways. Duties embrace enforcement of the Customs Act, Excise Act, Canada Shipping Act, Immigration Act, Migratory Birds Act, Fisheries Protection Act, as well as assistance to shipping in general and the public. Much of the work is routine, patrols co-operating with local detachments in preserving law and order along the International Boundary's water line. Occasionally, daily routine is broken by a rescue mission or a maritime emergency demanding seamanship and cool nerve. These fast, sleek patrol boats are well-equipped and comfortably appointed, providing their crews with ideal conditions under which to serve efficiently.

The photo was by Cst. I. K. Taylor, Headquarters Identification Branch.

# "For Great Bravery"

Medal to Cpl. H. M. C. Johnstone, RCMP, for great bravery. The award was in recognition of Corporal Johnstone's courageous action in thwarting a bank robbery at Coquitlam, B.C., on Apr. 3, 1956.

When four masked bandits held up the Royal Bank of Canada at Coquitlam, the manager was able to trip an alarm. The RCMP Maillardville Detachment responded immediately and Johnstone was the first to reach the bank. He was shot down almost as soon as he entered the door, but with complete disregard for himself he returned the fire of the three gunmen in the bank with such good effect that one was killed and another wounded. In the blazing gunbattle, Corporal Johnstone was shot eight times, but despite his wounds made sure that the bandits were in custody before being taken to the hospital. The fourth man, armed with a loaded sub-machine gun, who had been waiting in a truck nearby, got away, but was captured soon afterwards. (See also RCMP Quarterly, July 1956.)



Cpl. H. M. C. Johnstone

Official recognition of Corporal Johnstone's heroism will be received with satisfaction, not only by members of the Force, but by all law-enforcement officers. In its own way, it is a reminder that the life of a policeman is not one of calculated risks. Any time a peace officer steps out on his beat, enters a patrol car or sets out on an investigation, he may encounter a situation demanding quick thinking and courageous action. This sort of service is expected by the public; by the same token it is gratifying when an act of public service receives such high recognition.

Rough on the Indians

The odd chuckle still crosses our desk in these days of the generally grim face of the dangers of H-bomb tests, crises in the Middle East, and more localized problems of falling lumber markets and tightened credit restrictions.

Latest in these lighter items came our way from the pen of Chief Antoine Peeps of Soda

Creek.

Writes Chief Antoine: "I was reading in the Tribune the other day and they wanted to change some of the Indian Act. It's one bad change they made when they open the beer for us and I hope they open the whiskey too. And they are saying to let a white man live on the Indian Reserve and I don't think that will work. When the Hudson's Bay come to the country they brought in a bunch of Scotchmen and they crossed with the Indian. It improve the Scotchman but raised hell with the Indian." (From: Williams Lake Tribune)

# Almighty Voice — Public Enemy No. 1

By H. S. M. KEMP

When a young Indian brave turned "bad" 60 years ago, it provoked the biggest manhunt in the West's history and cost the lives of seven men.

HE grave is barren, uncared for, its marker but a weather-beaten cross. The icy winds of Winter sweep over it, warm Summer breezes ripple the prairie grass that grows around it. But this spot, on Saskatchewan's One Arrow Indian Reserve near Duck Lake, is tragic with history. It is the resting place of Almighty Voice and his two renegade companions.

Few there are who have not heard of Almighty Voice and the Almighty Voice "incident", yet most connect the happening with the dim ages of the past, something that occurred when the West was woolly and wholly wild. Yet there are men living today who had a direct connection with it, who participated actively in the affair. One is Almighty Voice's brother, Prosper John, still living on the One Arrow Reserve; another is Daniel Milligan, now 91 years of age and residing at St. Louis near Prince Albert, but who in 1895 was a special constable of the North-West Mounted Police and employed at Prince Albert as a cook.

The events that led to the tragic incident were, of themselves, commonplace. Almighty Voice killed an Indian Department steer and was arrested for it. Ordinarily, this would have meant a few days in jail, and the matter would have been closed; but why it led to a trail of blood, why Almighty Voice suddenly

Editor's Note: The author, who is a brother of Asst. Commr. V. A. M. Kemp (Rtd.), is also author of "Northern Trader" (Ryerson Press) reviewed in the April 1957 issue of *The Quarterly*.

turned outlaw, can be a matter only for conjecture. Legend has it that the Indian was told, following his arrest and merely in a joking manner, that he would hang for his crime; and it may well be in the light of subsequent events he decided he might as well hang for a sheep as a lamb. History reports, however, that when Almighty Voice escaped from the Duck Lake lock-up and Sgt. C. C. Colebrook took after him, the Indian, finally cornered, shot him down in cold blood on Oct. 29, 1895.

Dan Milligan was the first of those at Prince Albert headquarters to hear of it. Under cover of darkness, an Indian vaulted the back fence of the barracks and brought the information. Dan, in turn, took the Indian to the Duty NCO, Cpl. C. C. Raven, and it was by a twist of fate that Raven, 19 months later as a sergeant, was himself to fall wounded by one of the outlaw's bullets.

From this point on and for those next 19 months, history is vague concerning the outlaw's movements. He was reportedly seen all over Saskatchewan and from such widely-separated points as northern Montana and Lesser Slave Lake. But his brother, Prosper John though only a lad of nine or ten at the time, can fill in a lot of details that history has missed.

According to Prosper John, after escaping from Duck Lake his brother went into hiding right on the One Arrow Reserve; but only for a short time. Feeling insecure, he set out with his cousin, a young Indian girl, for Fishing Lake Reserve, east of Humboldt. It was on his



The old NWMP detachment quarters at Duck Lake, Sask.

way to the Reserve that he shot and killed Sergeant Colebrook.

That winter, Almighty Voice trapped with a band of Woods Crees from the north, but early summer found him back on his home range, the One Arrow Reserve. He doubtless moved around, but Prosper John says the parental home was his headquarters. There he built a dugout, access to which was gained by a tunnel leading from the root-cellar under the floor of the family residence. And it was to this sanctuary Almighty Voice retreated whenever danger threatened. In this security measure he was aided and abetted by his mother. She moved her bed over the trap-door to the root-cellar; and, where the Scriptural hen gathered her chickens under her wing, the mother would gather her outlaw chick under her skirt. That is, when danger appeared she sat on the edge of the bed over the trapdoor, her voluminous skirt covering it, inviolately and completely.

According to Prosper John, however, the outlaw life was beginning to wear on his brother. The father, John Sounding Sky, had been taken to Prince Albert following the killing of Colebrook and was being held in the Barracks there. Apparently the action was for security reasons only, for he was allowed certain privileges. He slept in the guard-room and was given the honor of driving the

manure-wagon twice daily from the stables to the nearby manure-dump. But he was in custody nevertheless, and this fact seemed to add to the worries of Almighty Voice. The outlaw finally decided to come out in the open and, if necessary, force a show-down.

His mother tried to dissuade him. There were arguments. At last, however, he agreed to refer the matter to his father. He would be governed by his father's advice.

Prosper John states that during this period he himself was attending an Indian boarding-school at Duck Lake, but on his frequent visits home he often met his brother. It was on one of these visits that he learned that his mother had decided to go to Prince Albert to visit her husband; and he, Prosper John, was ordered to go along.

They made the journey by wagon and pitched their tent near the Barracks. This was quite an event for the youngster, for, once settled, not only was he allowed to go into the stables and see all those fine Mounted Police horses but he was, on occasion, given a good meal in the kitchen. During this time his mother had several conversations with her husband, but Prosper John was no little surprised to be wakened one night by voices in the tent and to see his brother in conversation with his mother. He cannot just recall just what was said,

but on the way home, two days later, his mother told him that his brother had had an opportunity to discuss the future with his father on one of the latter's trips to the manure-dump. The advice Almighty Voice received was that he should continue in hiding, and if this were not satisfactory he could make his own decision as he was now a grown man.

Prosper John also supplies details of his brother's next brush with the law, and that was when Scout Napoleon Venne was wounded. Some time after his interview with his father, Almighty Voice appeared on the One Arrow Reserve accompanied by his cousin, Standing-In-The-Sky, and his brother-in-law, Tupean. The spelling, "Tupean," is the way the name now appears in official records, but it would be more properly written as Too-pee-ann. At his baptism by a French missionary, the man had been given the name of Joe Pierre, but as there is no "r" in the Cree language nor can the native pronounce it, "Joe Pierre" had degenerated into "Too Peean." However, Tupean, Standing-In-The-Sky and Almighty Voice appeared on the Reserve, and the outlaw might have lived there in comparative security had not he or some of his people succumbed to that liking for Indian Department beef. Once more a steer was killed, and once more the Police were called. On the scene appeared Corporal Bowridge and Scout Venne. The subsequent action appears to have occurred after dark, for it was in the dark that Venne was shot and wounded. The shooting was credited to Almighty Voice, but Prosper John states quite emphatically that the triggerman was Standing-In-The-Sky.

In Prince Albert, Inspr. John B. Allan heard of the affair. Positive that such an act could only have been perpetrated by the notorious Almighty Voice, he took Sergeant Raven and 11 men and struck out immediately for the One Arrow Reserve. Almighty Voice, apparently warned, fled the Reserve but Allan's

party overtook him and his companions and ran the three to earth in a not-far-distant poplar bluff.

It seemed that the long hunt was over. Allan had the outlaw corralled; but the arrest had yet to be effected. And this, for the Inspector, posed a problem. Screened by the heavy cover the outlaw and his companions could not be seen, there was no possibility of them surrendering voluntarily, but unless the arrest were made before night closed in, Almighty Voice would vanish once more. Faced with all these contingencies, Allan took a desperate gamble: he led his men on a beating expedition through the heavy brush.

The result was foreseeable. From their hiding-place the Indians drew blood. Raven was shot through the groin; the Inspector suffered a shattered arm.

The small force retreated. With Allan disabled, command fell on Corporal Hockin. Reinforcements had been ordered to follow Allan's party, but evening had begun to close in and none had appeared. Hockin was faced with the alternatives that had faced Allan.

Only now these alternatives were more grim. Almighty Voice was desperate; and in that last flurry of gun-fire he had emphasized his viciousness. Prior to being cornered he had already killed one man and wounded another, and in those past few moments he or his companions, apparently as vicious as he, had wounded two more. But if the arrest were not now effected, the outlaw would be free to resist again and the Force itself would be held in contempt. Hockin made his choice. The bluff *bad* to be stormed.

His decision was gloriously brave but suicidally foolish. None could have known better than he that any of the men under his command—or he himself—would go down, wounded perhaps like Allan and Raven, or killed outright. But he spread out his men and gave the order to advance.

The men with him were Constables O'Kelly, Cook, Hume, Ferris, McNair,

Kerr, McClean and Williams, together with a civilian named Grundy, who fell-in as a volunteer.

The advance was an epic of heroism. Each of the ten men was tense, nerves tight. Each expected, at every step, a bullet to smash into him. But they advanced, at wide intervals, fingers on triggers . . . and broke through to the bluff's far side.

They had seen nobody, they were still living, but their mission had not been accomplished. Grimly, they wheeled into the bluff once more.

Their tension must have been terrific. The outlaws were still in there, although not a shot had been fired. And not a shot was fired on this the second trip through the bluff. So, on the far side, they turned once more in a third desperate bid.

Almost for the third time they emerged, then a blast of gun-fire crashed out. It came from a pit, a depression. Grundy, the volunteer, collapsed dying, shot through the abdomen. Hockin, the party's gallant leader, was next. Hume, McClean and Ferris carried him out but he was beyond further aid. Then Kerr and O'Kelly rushed the pit; and Kerr went down, shot through the heart.

The action had taken but a few short minutes, but it had cost the lives of three. The survivors retired. All they could now do was to keep the bluff under surveillance until darkness fell. Then, at sundown, Supt. S. Gagnon and eight more men arrived on the scene.

By order of Commissioner Herchmer in Regina, who had been kept in touch with things by telegraph, Asst. Commr. J. H. McIllree, Inspr. A. C. Macdonnell and 24 NCOs and men with a nine-pound field-gun left Regina at 10.30 a.m. May

Police personnel who participated in the Almighty Voice affair were: Reg. No. 1128 Sgt. C. C. Raven (later Inspector), Reg. No. 3106 Cpl. C. H. S. Hockin, Reg. No. 3052 Csts. A. N. O'Kelly, Reg. No. 2259 W. Hume, Reg. No. 3119 W. W. Ferris, Reg. No. 3135 C. M. McNair, Reg. No. 3040 J. R. Kerr, Reg. No. 2959 D. Williams, Reg. No. 2865 D. L. McClean and Reg. No. 605 Sgt. C. C. Colebrook.



Graves of Almighty Voice's Police victims in the cemetery of the old St. Mary's Church near Prince Albert. The tall stone with the urn on top marks the grave of Sgt. C. C. Colebrook, the cross on the left the grave of Cpl. C. H. S. Hockin and the cross on the right the grave of Cst. J. R. Kerr.

29 on a special CPR train, reaching Duck Lake at 4.50 that afternoon. By 10 p.m. the reinforcements had arrived at the scene of action, about 17 miles from Duck Lake. They found another force of special constables from Prince Albert had brought with them a seven-pound gun.

Night passed. One of the beleagured men made an attempt to escape but was driven back by rifle-fire, and at dawn the light field-guns began to rake the bluff.

Among the many spectators who had arrived on the scene was the mother of Almighty Voice. She took up her position near the bluff and refused to move. Prosper John was not there. He was at the Duck Lake Indian School. But he remembers hearing the sound of the gunfire and recalls one of the priests telling him that this signified that his brother was making his stand against the Police.

But with the field-guns going into action, the outcome was no longer in doubt. In the half-light, the guns barked savagely, rifle-fire answered them, while as a macabre background could be heard the wavering voice of the old Indian



woman, chanting a death-song for her errant son. Then a concentrated charge into the bluff was made.

Now there was no resistance. The field-guns had done their work. Almighty Voice was dead in his pit, Standing-In-The-Sky with him. Tupean lay a short distance off. He had been killed by rifle-fire.



The common grave on the One Arrow Reserve in which Almighty Voice, Standing-inthe-Sky and Tupean were buried.

Almighty Voice had been badly wounded. A knee had been shattered, and he had bandaged it as best he could. He had no food with him, no water. All he had was his rifle, and a defiant, twisted courage. His defiance had brought wounds to three men, death to seven more, including himself. But he went out as he had elected to go out—fighting and with his moccasins on.

And what of the other two who enter the story-Prosper John and Dan Milligan? In his 70s, Prosper John is living out his days on the One Arrow Reserve with his seven sons, four daughters and a host of grandchildren; Dan Milligan, residing with friends, spends his time between the farm at St. Louis and their home in Prince Albert. Spare, trim, fastidious in dress, Dan's outlook and appearance belie his 91 years. His memory is amazing. He will tell you that Sergeant Raven afterwards became an Inspector and he believes that he forsook the Force to take Holy Orders. He will tell anecdotes of Colebrook, of Hockin and the other men of the Police who crossed his trail in those early days; and he chuckles when he recalls a talk he had with the father of Almighty Voice while the former was held in custody. He suggests that the father's summing-up of his outlaw son was a classic of understatement. "He," said the father, "was a bad bov."

But although Dan himself did not participate in the capture of the "bad boy", his life has been one of adventure and excitement. Of Irish birth, he came to Prince Albert in 1885 and in 1886 helped to repair the damage done by the insurgents at Duck Lake during the Riel Rebellion. He turned his hand to sawmill

Prosper John, 70 years of age, brother of Almighty Voice.

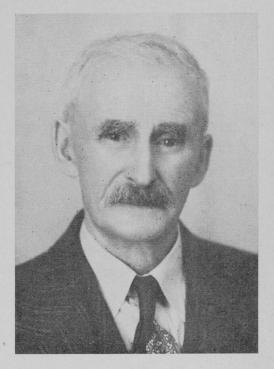
#### Dan Milligan, grand old man of the North.

work, to work in an early grist-mill and as a fireman on the old *Marquis*, plying the North Saskatchewan River. He was aboard the famous old steamer when she met disaster in a rapid. Cut off from civilization, Dan and his mates were marooned until the old *Northwest* arrived five weeks later from Edmonton with repairs. The *Marquis* managed to reach Prince Albert but she was never used again. Her bleached bones finally disintegrated in front of the Hudson's Bay District Office in East Prince Albert.

But the west called Dan Milligan, and he struck out for British Columbia. He first worked on the newly constructed smelter at Trail, then moved on to Vancouver. Up and down the coast and inland he worked in turn as miner, cook and prospector. While prospecting he once made an arduous 30-day trip on snowshoes, crossing the Fraser at Prince George on his way to Black River. In 1914 he returned to Prince Albert. There he partnered with Dan Mosher, another "Dan," another prospector; and this event was to bring about the highlight of his career.

The two men travelled the 400 miles down the North Saskatchewan River, making for Beaver Lake. It was the spring of the year, and when the river gave way to lakes, they encountered ice. They portaged, dragged their canoe over the ice or carried it around it, and ultimately reached their destination of Beaver Lake. Gold was there, in the milky-white quartz. They staked, ran lines around their claims; then the following spring they joined forces with four other prospectors, Jack Mosher, the Dion Brothers and Tom Creighton. The rest is history-they discovered, staked and named the now-famous Flin Flon property.

Last summer the Chamber of Commerce at Flin Flon invited this Grand



Old Man of the North to be an honored guest at Flin Flon's 25th anniversary. The Saskatchewan Government furnished him with an aircraft and a doctor—as though he'd ever need one!—and flew him to the town he had helped bring into being. There Dan was accorded the honor and respect that was due him.

Dan Milligan is a wonderful man, wonderful in many ways. The picture of health, one marvels how he retains his vigor, his mental alertness. Could it be that Dan doesn't drink, doesn't smoke? Offered a cigarette while being interviewed for this story, Dan courteously refused. Thank you, but he didn't use them. So that was it; he had never smoked? "Oh, yes," countered Dan. "I was always a heavy smoker. Smoked ever since I was 12 years old. But a year ago I cut out the cigarettes. Figured they weren't too good for me."

So that was the secret, Dan's secret, anyway. Smoke heavily from 12 years of age, then cut it out when reaching 90.

So Dan Milligan and Prosper John go into the twilight together, "full of years"

and full of memories. Colebrook, Hockin and Kerr lie at rest in the Police plot in old St. Mary's cemetery in Prince Albert; Volunteer Grundy, who gave his life outside the call of duty, lies in his own quiet spot; while for Almighty Voice and his two ill-fated companions there is but that barren and neglected

grave on the One Arrow Reserve and the weather-beaten cross above it.

(Author's note: I would like to express my thanks to Inspr. J. J. Atherton, Officer Commanding Prince Albert Sub-Division, for compiling much of the information that went into the writing of this article and for securing the photographs that accompany it.)

On the north shore of Lake Athabaska there is a large dome-shaped rock known all over as the beaver lodge. Directly across the lake from the lodge is a considerable patch of red rock which the Indians frequently use to make paint.

The legend says, that in the early days of the earth the beavers were the ruling race and men were their slaves. In the course of years the slaves finally became more intelligent and revolted against the beaver domination attacking the King Beaver and forcing him to fly from the identical beaver lodge on Lake Athabaska, which was then his home.

The King Beaver badly wounded, dived under the water until he reached the opposite shore where he died. In dying, he lost so much blood that it stained the rocks a permanent red color which remains to this day. Moreover, from some of this blood the present race of Chipewyan Indians were brought into existence. To this day, these Indians before killing a beaver first apologize to the animal for the necessity of so doing.

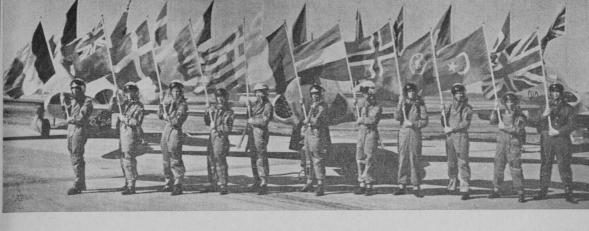
(An Indian legend as told to one of the members of a Police patrol at Fond du Lac, N.W.T., March, 1913).

The photos below show detachment personnel at Melfort, Sask., in 1936-37 and 20 years later. The first photo (on the left) was taken shortly after the RCMP took over policing in the town of Melfort. Front row, l. to r.—Reg. No. 12491 Cst. (now Sgt.) G. V. Morton, Reg. No. 10294 Sgt. (later Inspector) D. J. McCombe (deceased), Reg No. 12053 Cst. (later Cpl.) D. F. Bolger (Rtd.); back row—Reg. No. 12514 Csts. (Sgt.) S. E. W. Hemingway, Reg. No. 12075 (Sgt.) A. M. Erskine, Reg. No. 12518 (S/Sgt.) R. L. Welliver, Reg. No. 12516 (Inspr.) I. C. Shank.

Present-day personnel consist of Reg. No. 11788 Sgt. D. H. Minor, Reg. No. 17923 Csts. H. B. Weys, Reg. No. 18324 A. J. Peters, Reg. No. 18560 J. D. Lawson, Reg. No. 16706 H. R. Carlson and Reg. No. 19181 H. Dick.







#### NATO Language Training

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By A. A. YUNKER

The author is Reg. No. 11247 ex-Sgt. A. A. Yunker, formerly of "Depot" Division Training Staff who retired to pension almost two years ago. In this interesting article he relates something about a phase of NATO training which is required by all recruits from foreign countries trained by the RCAF.

is a school which is unique in the annals of Canadian history. Here non-English speaking student aircrew candidates from 12 NATO countries, after a comparatively few weeks, attain a fluency in English which enables them to be trained as pilots and observers in the North Atlantic Treaty organization. Fluency in English is necessary since all flying instruction is given in English which is the common language for NATO as well as for international aircraft control.

Number 1 Officers' School at RCAF Station London has three training sections:

- (a) Administrative training section for Junior Officers
- (b) A Service Indoctrination and Executive training section for newly enrolled officers (non-flying list personnel, officers commissioned from the ranks, and University Reserve Training Plan women officer candidates)
- (c) A NATO Orientation and Language Training section.

The Commanding Officer of the station is Wing Commander Welstead, AFC, CD; the Officers' School is commanded by Squadron Leader A. L. Ashton, CD, and the NATO Section is directed by Flt. Lt. W. G. Real, CD. Junior RCAF officers are assigned teaching and supervisory duties within the section.

RCAF Station London is the reception centre for all NATO aircrew trainees coming to Canada for training. On arrival as a "new intake" the NATO students enter an orientation phase. During the first week they are documented, given medical examinations, taken on a cultural tour (usually to Niagara Falls) and those who are not fluent in English are given language screening tests.

Trainees who are fluent in English remain in the orientation phase for a period of three weeks. This group, which always includes RAF students, is given lectures and shown films about Canadian industry, history and government. In general they are introduced to the Canadian way of life as well as to Service life in the RCAF. An industrial tour is arranged to indicate in a small way Canadian wa



RCAF Photos

Students working in language training booths.

dian industrial capacity. All trainees are given a talk by the writer about the Royal Canadian Mounted Police and the Canadian law enforcement system, prior to departure for flying training bases.

Those students who require instruction in English are phased into either a basic, intermediate, advanced or technical language phase. In each phase there will be one or more classes of from four to 12 students. Each class may have as many as five or six different nationalities represented. Instructors (civilian professors) rotate classes at three week intervals. Classes commence at 0815 hours and continue until 1100 hours, with a 20 minute break each morning, Monday through Friday. They resume in the afternoon at 1315 hours until 1600 hours with a similar mid-period break. Following the morning classes the students have either a drill or study period. An hour of sports follows the afternoon lessons. Evening study facilities are provided from 1800 to 2000 hours under the supervision of a professor.

Language instruction commences with a basic social vocabulary required for daily use. Since none of the staff is fluent in all foreign languages, English is taught by the direct method. That is, the student learns to associate a word with an object

or an action. Aural comprehension and oral reproduction, therefore, receive priority in the training program. The students are encouraged to mix with other nationalities in the Flight Cadets' Mess and to take the many opportunities offered by the different clubs, organizations and churches in the London area for meeting and conversing with English-speaking people.

Since the aim in English training of the NATO students is to permit them to undergo flying training, vocabulary and terminology used in this type of training is introduced early in the course. Great emphasis is placed on training aids such as charts, vu-graphs, and film slides, and particularly on electronic equipment such as tape-recorders, disc recorders and intercommunication equipment throughout their training. Aircraft control instructions as transmitted by control towers and conversations between the pilot and tower operators are made available on records and tapes for student practice.

Undoubtedly, the most useful aid in the program is the language "laboratory" designed by Sqdn. Ldr. M. J. Fitzpatrick, formerly in charge of the NATO section. This room consists of 12 separate booths, each equipped with a micro-



L. to R.—Flight Lieutenant Real, DNT, Squadron Leader Ashton, O.C. Officers' School Wing Commander Welstead, C.O. London Station and the author standing in front of the light panel connected to the Harvard Training Simulator.

phone, earphones and hi-fi record player. The professor sits before a master panel, where he may tune in to a single booth, or to any number of booths simultaneously. He may signal the student by flashing a red light, and likewise the student may signal the instructor if he requires any assistance. The students may thus play records covering individual lessons, or a record may be played on the main recorder for all to hear at the same time. This also may be done with examinations, lessons, etc., prepared for use on tape recorders. All records, tapes, lessons, and assignments are prepared by the staff in the recording studio. An electronics technician is employed on this work, and in the maintenance of other audio equipment.

Examinations are given at various stages of the training, and a careful progress record of each student is kept. Time spent in general language training may be anywhere from three to 21 weeks. When a student completes the first three phases of language training,

he spends a further three weeks in the technical language phase, where he is given technical vocabulary in meteorology, radio, engines, principles of flight, airmanship, and navigation.

The ingenuity of the former Director of NATO training and his staff has produced an outstanding training aid. This consists of a series of 12 Harvard aircraft cockpit mock-ups connected electrically to a large light panel erected at the rear of the classroom. (Note: The Harvard aircraft is used at Flying Training Schools.) Twelve students may be accommodated at one time. Each unit is connected via two-way intercommunication equipment to a master console, and all instructions (on tapes, records or by spoken word) are received aurally. The student is required to perform certain operations (such as lowering the flaps), while at the same time keeping his rudder pedals and control column in a central position. Each action is indicated on the large light panel or on a meter bank on the master console. If a trainee operates



Norwegian Minister of Defence. Norwegian Secretary of State and their Air Force Military Attache at NATO School. Sqdn. Ldr. M. J. Fitzpatrick explaining operation of pronunciator, Sqdn. Ldr. A. L. Ashton looking on.

the wrong control or fails to take the required action, the senior instructor is immediately aware of the deficiency, and a roving instructor can provide individual assistance.

Here one does not find the jejune routine of an ordinary school room. It is a never-ending source of information and interest for both professor and student alike. During oral production exercises, trainees discuss living conditions, customs, and traditions in the various countries, a fisherman's life in Britanny, skin-diving in the Mediterranean, and the usual customs of the Basque. We hear something about the tin mines in New Caledonia (a French possession one thousand miles east of Australia) and Indo China, Indonesia, Belgian Congo, French Morocco, and skiing in Norway.

We learn something about school systems and agriculture in Denmark, we get a word picture of a tour through Portugal, Italy and Greece, of the Olympic Games in Helsinki, and of the mosques in Turkey. Many students have travelled extensively by various means all over Europe, and the telling of their experi-

ences is always most interesting. They have brought their eagerness to see the world with them. On long week-ends here they may go to New York, Philadelphia, Chicago, or Montreal. Many are enthusiastic camera fans and are building up an interesting collection of pictures acquired in their travels.

Perhaps nowhere do we find teachers (or professors as they are called here) with such a variety of background. There is a married couple from Australia, a Ph.D. from Scotland. There is a native of Ireland, one from England, a member retired from the Army (and still a Major in the Militia), and others are from various parts of Canada. Most are already qualified teachers in the Ontario provincial system. At present there are 19 civilian teachers on the staff. Although the school is conducted by and comes under the supervision of the RCAF, the civilian teachers themselves are hired by the Defence Training Board, which works closely with the Ontario Department of Education.

Another item of particular interest is the excellent program arranged to assist the trainees to feel as much at home as possible in Canada and in the RCAF while at this unit.

During the first week in Canada the students are welcomed with an informal dinner. Upon graduation from the school they usually participate in a formal mess dinner. These functions are attended by both the civilian professors and the Air Force officers of the school. At the arrival dinner it is customary to invite members of some civic club or organization from London and district, and this affords an excellent opportunity for the new arrivals to become acquainted. This plan pays dividends, as the students are invariably invited to homes, clubs, and are otherwise entertained by local citizens at a later date. The residents of this area deserve a great deal of credit for their goodwill and generosity in creating a home-like atmosphere for the students, many of whom are still in their teens. To date an advance group of 15 German Air Force pilots has passed through the School, and they are presently undergoing their flying training at Moose Jaw, Sask. More are coming in September.

It is indeed a pleasure to see various nationalities in such friendly gatherings. A good illustration was the formal graduation dinner held Mar. 5, 1957. In attendance were trainees from the Royal Air Force, Turkish Air Force, Royal Norwegian Air Force, Belgian Air Force, Royal Netherlands Air Force, Royal Danish Air Force and German Air Force, in addition to civilian and uniformed officers of the staff. One of the German officers, an accomplished accordionist, led the sing-song as all the trainees sang national as well as international songs.

Each year this school is visited by many high ranking officials as well as representative educational groups. Included among distinguished visitors have been the Turkish Ambassador, the Norwegian Minister of Defence, the French Military Attache, the German Military Attache, the Costa Rican Supervisor of Education, and many others. The writer

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The author with class of Turkish trainees and one of the lady professors.

had the privilege of teaching a demonstration lesson to a class of Turks on the occasion of the visit of the German attache to this School recently.

Perhaps too little is known in the rest of Canada about the wonderful work carried out with NATO trainees at the Officers' School at London. Apart from the military aspect, the hospitality and diplomacy shown by the RCAF officials, as well as the general public in this part of Ontario, will no doubt go far in fostering good relationships with these NATO countries in future. As Air

Marshal C. R. Slemon, RCAF Chief of Air Staff, recently told the staff: "You are doing a very important work here, and the results will undoubtedly play an important role in world affairs in the years to come. Many trainees passing through the School now may be future leaders in their own country." Approximately 3,000 trainees from 12 countries have received language instruction at this training unit since it came into being, and STILL THE WORK GOES ON!

Alexis Creek Detachment, is situated in the heart of the Chilcotin Valley, British Columbia's great cattle country, where the Saddle Horse is King, the Hereford "dogie" is the most adored and talked about critter, and where the modern automobiles are few and far between. Traffic regulation and enforcement of traffic laws are therefore somewhat of a minor part of the work of the personnel stationed at this detachment. However, occasionally traffic checks are maintained, and occasionally traffic violators do come within the clutches of the law.

One such violator, a local Indian resident, was charged for driving without a driver's licence. On the date specified, he obediently turned up in Court, his transportation being supplied by the Indians' one Big Friend, those unsung heroes of the Indian Department, the Assistant Indian Agent, who also assisted this brave with the understanding of the Court procedure. Court progressed, the accused pleaded guilty, and was ordered to pay a fine of \$25 and costs of \$5. He was also politely but sternly advised by the presiding magistrate that he was not to drive an automobile of any kind until he got a driver's licence, which he still had not obtained. Our tanned citizen nodded that he understood the magistrate's good words, and produced a cheque far in excess of the amount he was to pay in Court. He was instructed to proceed to a local merchant, cash his cheque, and return with the correct amount of cash. Turning to the Assistant Agent and without batting an eyelash he asked: "Can I use your car?"

# "Paira'lin Ang Katui'ran"

By CPL. J. P. ROMAIN

T has been said on numerous occasions that no other two nations in the world have so much in common as Canada and the United States. Customs, ways of life, standards of living and language are all common to the two countries. Many sections of the International Border can be crossed and recrossed without being aware of the grave consequences. Considering the geographical locations of these two great nations it is not surprising that the people of one would and quite frequently do adopt the ways of their neighbors to the North or South. This fact has come one step nearer to reality recently when a phrase so typically Canadian, "Maintiens le Droit", has come into official use in the United States.

For more than three-quarters of a century the motto "Maintiens le Droit" has been truly Canadian through its link with the Royal Canadian Mounted Police. Whether this motto is uttered in French or English, the fact that it is part of the traditions of the Force stands out clearly in the minds of all who hear it. However, should one be able to read Tagolog, a dialect common in the Phillipines, and should that person be visiting the Watertown district in New York State it might be surprising to come across the same motto on another uniform. Since the summer of 1954 the RCMP has not been alone in using this proud motto for in May of that year it was suggested to the Heraldic Section Research and Development Division, Office Quarter Master General, Washington, D.C. for adoption by the 314th MP Bn., United States Army based at Watertown. Having been



suggested in the Tagolog dialect, one of the many used by the natives of the Phillipines, it was readily accepted for use by the 314th MP as their motto written in Tagolog "Paira'lin Ang Katui'ran".

The new Coat of Arms of this unit which now proudly bears the Force's motto, "Uphold the Right", is made up as follows: at the top of the field, horizontally, is a barong, representing a weapon popular to certain tribes of Luzon, Phillipines, and symbolizing for this unit battle honors for service in this area during World War II. Immediately under the barong will be found five rings or annulets linked signifying "50", the predecessor's unit. Then there are two fountains, one representing overseas origin of the unit and the other the home base, after which of course follows the motto "Uphold the Right" in Tagolog.

It might be of interest to note that the present motto was suggested by the commanding officer of the unit, Lt.-Col. John F. Graham of Morristown, N.Y. Since the end of World War II this officer has been on Reserve and is now with the United States Customs Department of the Bureau of National Revenue. Being stationed for the most part on the border of the United States and Canada he frequently has occasion to meet members of the Force. It is believed that it is this close liaison which inspired his using the Force's motto.

# Memorial to Lt.-Col. James Farquharson Macleod, CMG

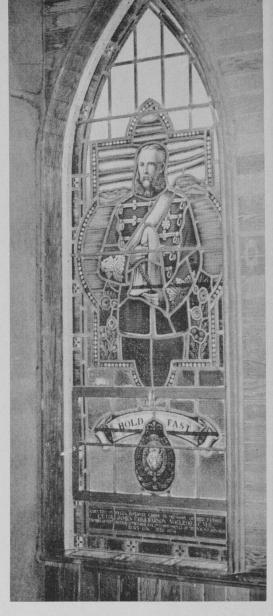
By INSPR. I. C. SHANK

born with the arrival of the North-West Mounted Police on Oct. 14, 1874. The fort, and later the town, was named after Lt.-Col. James Farquharson Macleod, CMG, who supervised the building of the fort and later rendered great service to the Force and his country as Commissioner (1876-1880). He subsequently served as magistrate and judge of the North-West Territories until his death in 1891.

Christ Church in Fort Macleod was erected by the Anglican denomination in 1886. Colonel Macleod attended services here until his transfer to Calgary shortly before his death.

On Nov. 26, 1956, a service was held in Christ Church for the dedication of two beautiful stained glass windows, one a memorial to Colonel Macleod and the other in memory of Mr. D. W. Davis whose father was manager of northern trade for I. G. Baker and Company of Fort Benton, Montana. Shortly after the arrival of the Force in the west Mr. D. W. Davis, Sr. assisted in obtaining men and materials to build Fort Macleod and later Fort Calgary. In 1887, he was elected as the first member from Alberta to the Dominion Parliament when this area was a part of the North-West Territories. The memorial to Colonel Macleod was presented to the church by his daughter, Mrs. A. E. Cross of Calgary, while the Davis memorial was a gift from Mayor and Mrs. G. Ryder Davis, of Fort Macleod.

The Colonel Macleod window, designed by Miss Annora Brown, A.O.C.A., daughter of Reg. No. 1916 E. Forster Brown, who died on Aug. 2, 1956, depicts Colonel Macleod with Chief Mountain in the background and a foreground resplendent with flowers native to Alberta.



An old friend of Colonel Macleod once wrote of him:

"He was a particularly handsome man: a happy combination of the gentleman of the old school, and the man of the world and affairs. He had a manner which put strangers at their ease at once, but effectually prevented any undue familiarity. As a host he was simply without a superior: generous to a degree, the soul of hospitality, he always knew the right thing to say and the right thing to do. As Soldier, Diplomat, Law-maker and Judge, he deserves an honored place in the history of Canada."

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# Musical Ride in United Kingdom

United Kingdom Information Office Photographs



On April 4 and 5 personnel of the RCMP Musical Ride and horses sailed for the United Kingdom aboard the Cunard Liner Saxonia and the S.S. Coronalda. The itinerary of the "Ride" includes performances at the Royal Winter Horse Show, which began April 9, and several Agricultural Fairs throughout the United Kingdom. The troop will return to Canada early in September. This is the first display of equitation by the Mounted Police Overseas since an RCMP troop participated at a display at Wembley some years before World War II. The appearance of the Mounted Police "Ride" so far has produced a great deal of favorable comment.

On arrival in the United Kingdom the RCMP troop was quartered at Combermere Barracks, Windsor. During their stay the "Ride" was inspected by Her Majesty the Queen, accompanied by Prince Phillip and their children, the Duke of Cornwall and Princess Anne.

# A Late Confession

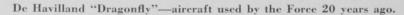
By SUPT. P. B. COX

N 1937 the Royal Canadian Mounted Police purchased its first aircraft and the nucleus of the present "Air" Division was formed. The early days of this Section, as it was then known, produced some humorous but critical situations due to the type of aircraft we were flying and the tasks we were expected to accomplish. As well, owing to the lack of communications, weather reports, and in particular experience and common sense in the pilots, passengers were placed in rather precarious situations. I recall an incident which occurred previous to the war in which Commr. S. T. Wood, CMG, (Rtd.), was the unsuspecting victim.

We were flying De Havilland Dragonflys at that time, twin-engined biplanes purchased chiefly for anti-smuggling patrols on the East Coast. They were the last days of the big liquor smuggling rings and by 1939 these had petered out to such an extent that only one aircraft was based in Eastern Canada and that one at Moncton. Commissioner Wood had gone to Halifax with the Royal Party upon completion of Their Majesties' tour across Canada. From that point he telephoned me that he would arrive in Moncton by train early Monday morning and wished to be flown to Ottawa where he would be required later on that day.

It started to rain on Sunday afternoon and the ceiling fell rapidly. In those years there was no airline operation between Montreal and the Maritime Provinces. Communications were poor and weather reports practically nonexistent except for local consumption. Not liking the look of the weather and thinking of the hills of Maine and Quebec we would be passing over, I wired to Montreal and asked for a weather report and forecast. It was not good, so I requested that a further one be forwarded to me early Monday morning. This I should receive by 7 a.m. A large low pressure area extended over the eastern part of the continent and much rain with low ceilings and poor visibility was all I could hope for. Not very promising for the flight, particularly as there were no radio ranges operating at that time.

Monday morning showed no improvement and when I picked up my passenger about 7 a.m. it was raining the proverbial





"cats and dogs". We drove to the airport to await the expected weather report. The ceiling was about 500 feet. We waited around until 7.30 a.m. and failing to get the report and believing that my future depended on the success of this flight, I decided to set out anyway, figuring I could have the report relayed to me by our local station, and if it was entirely unsatisfactory, I would then return to base. If not, I would be that much on my way. However, I had not figured on the static in the radio due to rain and I never did hear the report which should have kept me on the ground.

Keeping under the overcast I headed for the Maine border at Vanceboro, counting on following the CPR line to Montreal and on to Ottawa. By the time I had reached the border about 1½ hours later, I was down to 200 feet and the visibility was not more than a mile, however, I kept going and suddenly the sky opened up. For a space of about ten miles the weather was clear and unlimited. No doubt I was in the centre of the low pressure area, I now realize, but all I thought was that here was a chance to get on top of this overcast and over the hills, which go up to 5,000 feet, the highest being Mount Katahdin, which was right on our course. Up we went and I levelled off on top of the overcast at about 9,000 feet. This should be easy I thought. All I had to do was set a westerly course and come down through a hole which I was sure to see in time through the overcast. It had closed in beneath me but that did not bother me too much as I had gas for about four hours more.

On we went under a beautiful clear sky for a couple of hours. At first this did not bother me until I realized that every so often I had to climb for altitude as the cloud bank kept rising. Finally at 11,000 feet we were stalling along and the aircraft did not wish to go any higher. We had quite a load on board, my passenger, two of a crew and considerable luggage and that appeared to

be the ceiling of the Dragonfly. This was not at all good, as at times we were flying blind through the clouds and I was not too confident of my ability to fly under these conditions. To make it worse the cloud bank seemed as solid as ever and it was not until about 11 a.m. I saw a hole down through to the trees. Down we went to get underneath the overcast but the opening was small and disappeared rapidly leaving our aircraft between two solid layers of clouds at 7,000 feet. By this time I was beginning to think that I had bitten off more than I could chew. Frequently I wished I had had the courage to tell the Commissioner to stay on the train that morning instead of attempting to make this flight. He sat calmly through it all however, not knowing my thoughts.

Another 20 minutes passed and I kept wondering-too late-what the wind might be and where we were. Had we been blown over the Laurentians with a southerly wind or south over the New England States. There was no way of knowing. I kept thinking of the clouds, stuffed with hills which covered this route. Suddenly I saw trees. I chopped the throttle and dropped down to see where we were, hoping again that we could get underneath. It was a gamble but I felt I had to take it. We came out over the trees at about 500 feet and there was the railway and ahead by only a couple of miles was the airport of Megantic, Quebec. We were right on



course though a little behind schedule. I said a prayer of thankfulness and with a nonchalance I did not feel, pointed out the airport to the Commissioner who was leaning over my shoulder. I wanted him to think that I was not at all surprised to be on course.

We landed at Montreal, had our lunch, refueled and were off for Ottawa. The weather was perfect. My passenger was full of enthusiasm for flying and as he alighted from the plane at Rockcliffe Airport, said: "I want to thank you for the enjoyable trip Sergeant. To think that a few hours ago I was in Moncton. I would still be on the other side of

Quebec City if I had remained on the train. This was my first trip by air, but it won't be my last."

He little knew how close it had come to being just that. You may be sure that I didn't tell him then and I never have, until now.

The flying conditions described above do not exist today. Royal Canadian Mounted Police pilots are fully qualified for airline operations and a complete network of radio communication is in operation across the country, so that the pilot is in contact at all times with the airports below and receives periodic weather reports while in flight.

#### A Common Night Walker

Liquor and beer could be imported into the North-West Territories in the earlier years only by permit and the enforcement of the law regarding liquor permits and their application was part of our duties. As is generally the case where liquor prohibitions occur, there was considerable bootlegging which was most difficult to stop.

On the night of Dec. 2, 1887, a young and ambitious constable was prowling the rear of certain notorious houses in Prince Albert determined he would stop this bootlegging where his more experienced comrades had failed. By his zeal and efficiency he was successful in observing an illegal liquor transaction and apprehending the bootlegger. When the uniformed constable loomed out of the darkness and seized the liquor, all the miscreant could think to say was "What are you doing here" before he was led away to durance vile.

The bootlegger appeared before two Justices of the Peace on December 5 and it was soon evident that he was among friends, if not relatives, for while he quickly obtained a remand, the astonished constable was informed by the J.P.s that he was charged, by the bootlegger, with "being a common night walker and unable to give a satisfactory account of himself when asked". A remand was refused and despite his plea of "not guilty" he was quickly convicted upon the evidence of the bootlegger to the effect the action took place at night and certainly the constable had failed to give him a satisfactory account of himself when asked. A fine of \$25 or six months' imprisonment was imposed.

The constable, at peace with himself, and confident in the justice of his cause a few minutes previously was by now feeling somewhat aggrieved and offered, not too politely, to beat the extreme views of the J.P.s and the complainant out of their respective or collective heads. He was sternly reminded of the uniform he wore and, to heighten his astonishment, was told to place himself under arrest and deliver his body to the Police guard-room to undergo his imprisonment as he had refused to pay the fine. One can easily understand how he felt when he reported back to the barracks from whence he had rather triumphantly emerged such a short time before.

His Commanding Officer immediately entered an appeal and justice finally prevailed when the conviction was later quashed. The bootlegger was subsequently fined by other Justices and sentenced to one month's imprisonment.

# Plains Indian Beadwork

By MRS. J. A. HERMAN

HE museum of the Royal Canadian Mounted Police at Regina, recently acquired a collection of great value as a gift from Mrs. Margaret Dann, wife of Deputy Commr. Thomas Dann/(Rtd.), now residing in Aurora, Ontario. Consisting of a variety of beaded Indian articles of dress and utility, at one time used by the Cree and the Sioux of the plains, this exceptionally fine collection is highly interesting from both the historic and the artistic standpoints. Through the generosity of Mrs. Dann, many may now enjoy the beauty of select samples of beadwork ornamentation which, because of the infinite patience of its women executors, reflects so excellently the Indian spirit. The Algonquian patterns of decor found in Cree work are highly prized by collectors, as these patterns generally display a keen sense of decorative values in the filling of space, in the blending of color harmonies, in the conventionalized delineating of botanical forms and in the richly imaginative working out of symbolical compositions. Indian artistry is the result of the selection of form and color combinations being based not on undisciplined whim but on wisdom and experience built up by many generations of beadwork artists.

The Dann beadwork collection has been attractively assembled for display by Mr. A. S. Band, a retired member of the RCMP who acts as a curator of the Regina museum. At one time during his career in the Mounted Police, Mr. Band underwent a thorough course of education in regard to the life and culture of Indian people; this was when he was stationed at Punnichy, Saskatchewan and had under his jurisdiction the Day Star, Gordon, Muscowequan, and the Poorman Indian Reserves. This practical course, of 13 years' duration, gave Mr. Band a great understanding of the ways of Indians. As a result he is well able to

appreciate the value of the Dann collection as a record of an early part of Saskatchewan's history.

Many memories must have crowded Mrs. Dann's mind as she listed in her small, neat handwriting and packed with care the pieces of Indian workmanship which she and her husband had collected in southern Saskatchewan around Wolsely, Broadview and Qu'Appelle. The value of the collection lies not only in the fact that it is composed of handiwork of beauty and age, but also because it was gathered by a well loved and highly respected one-time member of the Royal Canadian Mounted Police. Thomas Dann, while in the Force from 1904 to 1940 was held in high esteem for many reasons, some of which can be found in an article appearing in the RCMP Quarterly, July 1940. A frontispiece shows Deputy Commissioner Dann as a man of handsome features and of commanding bearing; in the keenly intelligent face can be seen lurking the propensity to acts both unexpected and entertaining—as generally are the acts which are the outcome of a mind of unusual perceptiveness and insight, integrity and good sportsmanship.

It is most appropriate that the RCMP Museum in Regina has such a collection as the Danns built up, for it was the Police who first conveyed to the western Indians the power and importance of the white men's justice. Through myriads of unrecorded acts of tact, courage, good judgment, and fairness, the Force taught the Indians to respect and to trust the laws of Canada. The Mounted Police are Canada's pride because early in her history these august sons acted not only as gendarmes but as teachers of "le Droit", and because of their dedication to the protection of man's highest possessionstruth and justice.

Ceremonial collars, vests, cuffs, leggings, moccasins, medicine bags, dresses, necklaces, horse decorations, and many



Indian
Beadwork
donated by
Mrs. T. Dann,
on display in
"Depot"
Division
Museum.

other articles are included in the Dann collection of Indian bead and leather work. To appreciate the extraordinary comprehensiveness of this collection, something of the history of beadwork should be known. Mrs. M. B. Weeks-Regina author and authority on Indian work who, with the writer, assisted Curator Band in unpacking and assembling the collection-points out that from the earliest days Indians have been makers, workers and traders in beads. The beads first used by the Indians were carved out of shells. The quahog or clam shell so numerous on the Atlantic coast and, somewhat less extensively, the tooth shell or Dentalium on the north-west coast and the Abalone on the California coast were used. Tribes living away from the sea coast obtained the coveted purple and white shells through trade. As the Crees were reputed to be shrewd traders, they no doubt obtained large supplies

through barter; but they also manufactured their own from any hard substance that came to hand. These beads although less valuable than wampum as the shell beads were called, were nevertheless highly prized.

Wampum was of two kinds-white and black or dark purple. The black beads had twice the value of the white. Wampum was formerly used as a medium of exchange among the Indians and was also worn as ornament to denote the wearer's wealth, social position in the tribe and standing with regard to the Great Spirit's favor. The use of wampum constituted a bond of union among them such as scarcely was supplied by language, religion or racial customs. Wampum beads were simply cylinders of shell about one-eighth of an inch in diameter, and about one-fourth of an inch in length, which were polished smooth by being rubbed against stones, and bored

by means of a flint awl. Stringing beads crude and uneven of their own manufacture on threads of sinew, Indian women with the use of bone needles wove stories of victorious wars, exciting hunts, ancient legends, and important tribal events into the beadwork which adorned the clothing of the Indian braves, or sometimes ornamented the articles used for offering in worship to the Great Spirit, and oftentimes recorded messages of peace and war on beadwork belts sent to distant tribes.

With the coming of the white man, Indian women were supplied with china beads. Delighted and dazzled with the rainbow colors of the beads which they thought possessed magical properties, the Indian women were inspired to express themselves more vigorously through beadwork art. Many excellent examples of Algonquin designs have been more vigorously carried with the tribes in their westward journeys. These aboriginal artists developed and enriched the patterns to such an extent that the beadwork of the Crees is more highly valued by connoisseurs than that of any other tribe.

The designs worked can be roughly divided into two classes-geometric and floral. The geometric patterns show squares, arrow heads, knife, tent and other such designs which are somewhat reminiscent of Caucasian decorative art symbols. The floral designs copied from flowers, berries, and vines along the trails, as well as patterns found on the calicoes and shawls brought in by the traders, are not as old and original as the geometrical decorations, but have a romantic and delightful significance in Indian beadwork art. The curves in the floral designs, both single and double, were often used to represent the different branches of a family and other such significant facts. White beads often meant peace: red beads signified war: black beads recorded disaster: blue beads conveyed religious meanings. Plants considered valuable because of their food, medicinal, or religious properties, were often depicted in beadwork. The violet flower has a romantic history of its own, as have the arrow head, marsh marigold, wild buckwheat plants and many others.

To quote Mrs. Weeks: "In Cree beadwork each bead is sewn to the cloth separately which gives the completed work a pleasingly smooth appearance, especially when the background is white. The rich color combination in either floral or geometric patterns stand out vividly against the white background so common in Cree work. In Sioux beadwork, five or six beads are threaded onto a thread already attached to a canvasthen laid flat and fastened. This process is continued back and forth until each row is finished. The work when completed has a rigid effect which is most attractive. The Sioux favored solid areas of strong color such as deep blue, crimson red and deep wine. Glass beads are not satisfactory in copying old designs,



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Czechoslovakian or Austrian beads can more nearly approximate the old beads which were bought by Indian women from the Hudson Bay Company. The designs were worked out as the beadworkers went along—charts were never used. Animal, curve, floral and geometric designs were created and blended into an over-all picture as they originated or following a pattern of heraldic or traditional prototypes held fast in the women's memories."

Relics of an almost completely vanished type of prairie scene, the vests and ceremonial breastpieces in the Dann collection invoke thoughts of solemn meetings around council fires, of whooping warpath preparations, of chant-accompanied sun dances, and of impressive peace pipe rites. One of these vests is embellished with beadwork flowers in shades of light, cobalt and periwinkle blue, pale and dark rose, violet, wine, and light and dark tones of brown: the flowers are suggestive of bluebells, poppies, swamp roses and violets. Just as colorful is another man's vest which is extremely valuable because it is an outstanding example of early Cree work done with beautiful old fashioned beads: antique buttons add interest to this piece. Another article of Indian dress abounding in color is an antique breastpiece embroidered with a tree-of-life-looking motif consisting of a winding black stalk bearing flowers, berries, and leaves, all of different forms and colors: the yellow, violet, russet and wine colored flowers are of various shapes, while the light and dark green leaves are lanceolate and palmate-lobed in contour.

Geometric designs in black, red, and yellow, which stand out vividly against a background of white, are worked in tiny beads on a ceremonial collar fringed with long strings of corn-kernel-sized white, blue, and amber beads—the amber beads are especially rare. The bead fringings are delightfully finished off with tiny brass bells.

An excellent example of the Indian woman's skill in blending colors is found in a bugle-beaded ceremonial jacket which shimmers in translucent shades ranging from pearl white, ivory, and pale pink to the darker tones of cherry red and royal blue. In this piece, pale pinks are contrasted with deep blues; tangerine shades are set off with light blues; grey tints are touched up with amber hues; opal tones, deep cherry reds and soft blues are placed together in pleasing partnership. As this jacket is replete with beautiful and rare old shells, it may have been worn by some woman of a chieftain's family. What a brilliance it would have in the rays of the sun upon being worn in a sun dance ceremonial! This piece although not of typically Cree workmanship, is nevertheless valuable because of its materials and its superb blending of iridescent colored rare old beads.

Entirely from this gorgeous vest is a quietly designed small child's vest with geometric figures in color of navy, yellow, dark red, and blue, woven into a white beaded background.

Another type of ceremonial item is a striking horse's apron of great age and skilled workmanship; it may have belonged to a chief for the tent design on it may have been intended to represent the number of tents its owner had under his rule. The handwoven canvas background of this beadwork is of ancient vintage.

Included in the collection are magnificent necklaces, some made from six to ten strands of pea-sized beads. One necklace which would extend down to the knees is made of old light and royal blue beads and lovely old shells. Another necklace is made of old green and white large glass beads. A copper coil spring necklace decorated with a bear claw as a centre ornament must have been the property of a medicine man at one time, for the claw represents a most potent tribal fetish.

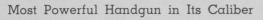
To adequately describe the collection piece by piece would make it necessary to write a book, however, a few can be mentioned to give a general idea of the completeness of the collection. A pair of beaded mittens made of tanned moose hide, lined with red flannel, trimmed with rabbit fur and delightfully embroidered with floral motifs, is a fine example of an Indian's woman's skill and patience. Other such examples are: a pemmican bag and legging set worked in floral design against a background of white; gauntlets expertly fashioned and covered with floral beadwork; a belt of moose hide on which had been embroidered with beadwork, the multicolored bird's feet designs on a blue background; a deer skin pouch beaded with glass beads in geometrical design; moccasins for all occasions, in all sizes, colors, and materials. One deer skin bag adorned with the beaded initials "A.S." and heart-shaped flowers may have been

fashioned by a maiden in love.

Along with the Dann collection, there is displayed in the RCMP museum, another older collection featuring many Sioux Indian pieces presented as gifts by Chief Sitting Bull to the brave and illustrious Superintendent Walsh.

Rifle scabbards, sheaths for buffalo hunting knives, necklaces of birds claws, quill-tasselled pouches, medicine men's bags, war clubs, dresses of animal skin, and scores of other Indian items donated by such people as the Danns make up a treasured museum assemblage which serves to remind us of the prairie scene as it was when the Mounted Police first came west. The imagination is stirredit would be a pity to let such things fade into the dusty grey of a forgotten past. Fine museums such as Regina's will help maintain the brightness of Canada's glorious past, and will keep Canada's future generations in touch with the brave hearts of their forefathers.

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# New RCMP Building Opened at Lethbridge

By S/SGT. D. P. MCLAUCHLAN

HE official opening of the new Royal Canadian Mounted Police Administration Building in Lethbridge, Alberta, was set for 2.30 p.m. Jan. 23, 1957. Preparations had been made to hold an open air ceremony, on a special platform built at the front of the building. January 23 dawned clear, and extremely cold, with the mercury registering between 20 and 30 degrees below zero. Weather conditions necessitated a last minute change in plans, resulting in the opening speeches being made in our new 14 car garage. A speaker's platform was hastily erected, which was flanked by a two man Guard of Honour, one wearing the NWMP uniform, and the other present day Review Order.

Despite the extreme weather, a crowd of over 300 witnessed the colorful opening ceremony, a tribute to the high esteem that the people of Lethbridge District hold for the RCMP. Asst. Commr. G. B. McClellan, Officer Commanding "K" Division, acted as master of ceremonies, introducing many special guests, including the Lieutenant-Governor of Alberta, J. J. Bowlen; the Premier of Alberta, the Hon. E. C. Manning; Commr. L. H. Nicholson, M.B.E.; Asst. Commr. J. Brunet; Asst. Commrs. W. F. W. Hancock and H. H. Darling (Rtd.); Mayor T. R. Haig of Lethbridge; Chief Jim Shot-Both-Sides, head chief of the Blood Indians and Chief John Yellow Horn of the Peigans.

Speeches were interesting and appro-

G. E. Blake, then Dominion President RCMP Veterans' Association, at unveiling of plaque in new Lethbridge building.



priate for the occasion, in particular Commissioner Nicholson's address, reviewing important milestones in the history of the Force in southern Alberta from 1874 to the present era.

The closing phase took place outside in front of the main doors, where Commissioner Nicholson cut the ribbon, declaring the Administration Building officially open. Simultaneously, Cst. J. T. Wood raised the flag, symbolizing a connecting link with the past. Constable Wood is the son of Commr. S. T. Wood, CMG, (Rtd.) and a grandson of the late Asst. Commr. Z. T. Wood.

A plaque presented by the RCMP Veterans' Association, was unveiled in the front vestibule by the Dominion President, ex-S/Sgt. G. E. Blake of Calgary. It bears the following inscription: "THIS BUILDING ERECTED ON SITE OF ORIGINAL N.W.M.P. BARRACKS WHICH WERE ERECTED IN THE YEAR 1886."

It is interesting to note that the first NWMP Administration Building was erected at Lethbridge in 1886. It was designated Headquarters of "D" Division and was under the command of Supt. A. R. Macdonell. It is only fitting that our new modern Administration Building should be erected on the original site, which has been occupied continuously by the Force since that date.

Following the unveiling of the Veterans' Plaque, the building was open for inspection to the public. Refreshments were served throughout the afternoon.

Approximately 45 guests attended a reception dinner at the Marquis Hotel in the evening, climaxing an eventful day. Inspr. I. C. Shank, Officer Commanding Lethbridge Sub-Division, was master of ceremonies on this occasion. Included among the guests were several ex-members, and persons who have been associated with the Force, some for over 50 years. After dinner speeches were refreshing with numerous amusing incidents being recalled by some of the old timers.



#### SCOUTING NEWS...

Of the many RCMP personnel who assist in the development of young Canadians by participation in the Boy Scout Organization, few have more glowing accounts to relate of activities, than Cpl. R. J. Davidson, Orderly Room NCO, "J" Division, on his return from attending the 2nd Canadian Rover Moot at Sussex, N.B., with his Fredericton Rover Crew, last year.

N MY arrival at the camp site near Sussex, I was most impressed by the efficiency and organizational ability demonstrated by these fine young men who attended the Moot from every province in Canada with the exception of Newfoundland and British Columbia. My advance party of Rovers had the Fredericton District Camp well established and it was a great thrill to find myself under canvas once again.

On the opening day of the Moot, close to 500 Rover Scouts, Leaders and Provincial and Dominion Headquarters' representatives, as well as representatives from the Boy Scouts of America, gathered beneath the towering hills of the camp site to meet the Moot officials and renew acquaintances made during many years of Scouting. A truly New Brunswick luncheon was served in traditional open air style and tables groaning under the weight of containers of lobster, tasty sardine fingers, whole baked salmon decorated with lemon points, pickles, sliced tomatoes, cucumbers, celery and potato chips, were sufficient to satisfy the needs of even the greatest gourmet. Hearty appetites were certainly in evidence in these healthy young clean looking Canadians.

On the day prior to the opening, the Rovers had visited the Fundy National Park, one of Canada's most entrancing beauty sights, and on the following Sunday came an impressive moment in all the Rover hearts, when they paraded to the Town of Sussex to attend Divine Services. Afterwards the motto of "Conservation Through Service" was com-

memorated when trees were planted in the town and thus also leaving remembrance with the Sussex folk of the 2nd Canadian Rover Moot.

Over 300 Rovers attended the Rover Forum where subjects such as Duty to God, application of service, Co-educational Training and Promotion of Rovering were discussed. Competitions including painting, sketching, photography cross-country run, backwoods cooking, knotting, life-line throwing and orienteering were held with amazing talent and ability demonstrated. Following the Moot, Rovers were taken on tours to various parts of the province, including the famous Reversing Falls at Saint John and a fascinating boat trip on the Bay of Fundy when schools of porpoises and whales put in their appearance around the boat, much to the amazement of inland Rovers who never before had the opportunity of seeing the sea.

Termed one of the greatest successes in Scouting history, the Moot was in every respect enjoyable, educational and inspiring. Fine outstanding men from every walk of life from all over Canada gave untiring effort to give these young Rovers memories to take back to their home communities and of these men, I can name such persons as Mr. S. F. Fry of Calgary, Alberta, father of Cst. B. H. F. Fry of our Highway Patrol, Dr. Alan Hopper, Camp Chief from Moncton, N.B. and Jerry Purkis of Dominion Scout HQ., Ottawa. Our own Crew were thrilled when their camp was visited by Supt. D. O. Forrest, ADC, accompanied by Brigadier Jones, N.B., Area Commander (Army) and Provincial Scout Commissioner, Dr. Eli Boyaner. But of all the memories the Rovers took home with them, none will compare with the remembrance of the volume of song from the throats of 500 healthy young Canadians joined around the evening Camp Fire in the final verse of that great Scout Song which ends:

"Oh may I go awandering until the day I die

Oh may I always laugh and sing beneath God's clear blue sky."

While many long hours are spent by members of our Force in their association

with the Boy Scout Movement, the result can be clearly seen in the type of young men turned out, and I am proud of the fine group of Scouts I met and associated with at the 2nd Canadian Rover Moot.

#### It Happened in the Force ...

A staff sergeant, a corporal and a constable, all in plain clothes, recently had occasion to visit some state officials in the United States. The investigation was being handled by the constable, who was carrying two brief cases. He proceeded with his inquiries while the NCOs remained in the background, emptyhanded. After some time a Negro employee approached the constable inquiring: "Are you a buck private, boy?" "Yes," replied the constable, "why do you ask?" "Well," said the Negro, "I figured those other two fellows must be carrying rank since you are carrying everything else."

It would certainly facilitate administration and the crime readers' job were all explanations as forthright and honest as the one presented here:

"No valid excuse can be offered to cover this error by this member, the only feeble explanation that can be given is that I was working too hard."

Several constables were detailed, in Review Order, to act as escorts at a display at the Montreal Museum of Fine Arts. During a slack period, one of them visited the men's wash room where he noticed an elderly man having difficulty in getting the paper towel machine to operate. The constable assisted and presented the gentleman with the paper towel. The man dried his hands and then turned presenting a generous tip to the Mounted Policeman!

In quoting the statement of a railway conductor, a detachment member wrote it thus: "Mr. Quinn advised me that Mr. Anderson was not feeling well and might like to have a birth later on".

# Nominee for the title of "The Most Unlucky Guy I've ever met"

An Ottawa driver raced through a stop sign with an "A" Division Traffic Branch constable in hot pursuit. When finally overtaken and stopped, he dejectedly admitted: (1) that he had totally disregarded the stop sign; (2) that he had no driver's licence in his possession; (3) that his licence had recently been suspended for an impaired driving conviction, and, (4) that the third gentleman presently approaching this happy scene was the bailiff who had been chasing him all over town with seizure papers for his car.



# Recent Cases . . .

R. v. Kelly, et al

Theft of Cheques—Forgery— Uttering

ment issues approximately 75,000 cheques to its employees in the Ottawa area. Only a few go astray; the theft and subsequent forgeries of government cheques in Ottawa has as a rule been confined to instances where they have been stolen by an employee and cashed by the thief or a close associate, which has enabled the investigator to isolate the suspect and usually brings the case to a speedy and successful conclusion.

On Dec. 15, 1955 an envelope was stolen from the Inspection Services, Department of National Defence, Ottawa, and the contents, ten expense cheques being mailed to the department's Montreal office, were forged and uttered in various Ottawa stores. The total amount of money involved was \$311.36. No suspects were located despite thorough in-

vestigation.

On Apr. 17, 1956 an official of the Department of Defence Production, Ottawa, advised the RCMP that four cheques had been returned to their department bearing forged signatures. All had been cashed in Ottawa, two in stores and two in a bank. The cheques were for expense accounts and were issued by the department's Treasury Branch located in another building. In all cases they were addressed to the recipients, placed in sealed "window" envelopes and transmitted by departmental mail carriers to the Central Registry of the department, the usual practice in transactions of this nature.

A preliminary investigation had been conducted by a member of the department who had the cheques processed for possible fingerprint evidence by the RCMP Scenes of Crime Section, Identification Branch. Four prints suitable for identification were found and several of the department's Central Registry employees had been asked and volunteered to submit their fingerprints for comparison. As a result one print found on a cheque was identified as the right index finger of a clerk, Donald Peter Kelly. The identification had been made on April 16, and Kelly had failed to return to work after having his prints taken on that date.

Kelly had been employed by the department since Feb. 8, 1956 and the thefts had commenced on February 15, but considerable time had been lost before the cheques had been returned and the department found out what was happening. Kelly was employed sorting and processing mail in the Registry, but nothing in the course of his duties would permit him to handle the cheques, other than in sealed envelopes.

At this time the investigator assumed that he was handling an "open and shut" case. Inquiries into Kelly's background revealed that on Jan. 25, 1956 he had been convicted of false pretences by Magistrate G. Strike in Ottawa City Police Court and placed on suspended sentence for one year. He had forged 15 cheques on his brother's account in a local bank, but only one charge was

laid at the request of the complainant. Kelly had obtained employment with the department on the strength of a Civil Service questionnaire completed in 1953 when he was employed by another department for a short period. His recent conviction, therefore, was unknown to the Civil Service.

A photograph of Kelly was shown to the persons who had cashed the cheques, but none identified him. The investigator received descriptions of three different persons as being responsible and these varied so that there was little doubt that at least three persons were involved in the cashing of the four cheques. Extensive inquiries failed to reveal any of Kelly's known associates or fellow employees who may have been involved.

On April 19, Kelly was located at his home and brought to the detachment office for questioning. He refused to admit any knowledge of the thefts and when confronted with the fingerprint evidence maintained that he had never opened any envelopes or touched any cheques. "If that's my fingerprint you're going to have to prove it to me in Court," he said. Kelly although slightly nervous was cocksure and full of bravado which did not rest well on his 20-year-old shoulders. After consultation with the Crown Attorney it was decided not to arrest him at this time in the hope that he would eventually lead to his companions. Handwriting specimens were obtained from Kelly at this time.

In the meantime the department continued to receive more returned forged cheques until the total reached ten. These had been stolen between February 15 and April 12, and totalled \$1,166. As each cheque was returned it was checked for fingerprint evidence and eight prints suitable for identification were found. The investigator worked from photographic copies of the cheques and in addition, another set of photographs was given to the RCMP Crime Detection Laboratory, Ottawa, for preliminary comparison of suspect handwriting.



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The first break came on the tenth cheque cashed at a grocery store on Bank Street in Ottawa. The person presenting the cheque had been accompanied to the store by a man who was a former school companion of the store owner. This man, a proprietor of a small dress shop, had identified the person cashing the cheque as the payee, and on the strength of this statement the cheque had been cashed. Although the description of the person cashing the cheque was vague the information concerning the dress shop proprietor was valuable. He was interviewed immediately. Although slightly nervous he was co-operative and gave the following story. On April 9 a man had come to his store and purchased several articles of ladies' clothing. During the business transaction this man had mentioned that he wished to buy a suit or dress for his "five-foot-two, blonde, blue-eyed" girl friend and had finally bought a size 14, French red gabardine suit and accessories, paying cash. On April 10 the man had returned and made several small purchases and asked if he could cash a government cheque, payable to W. Downey of Hamilton, Ont., in the amount of \$50. The store owner stated he was short of funds but had driven the man to his friend's store to cash the cheque. A complete and detailed description of the customer was given by the store-keeper, who added that he had only known this man through the business dealings described to the investigators.

During these inquiries the investigator learned from Ottawa City Police detectives that they had heard persistent rumours about an organized forged cheque "ring", operating in the area and they, as well as the Hull and Quebec Provincial Police had received a number of these cheques. There seemed to be no set pattern in the manner the cheques were being negotiated and no concrete information on the persons responsible. One name mentioned frequently was that of a former Big Four and Western Con-

ference football player, Donald Hollingworth but investigation had not disclosed any evidence against him. It was alleged that he was the man behind the scenes as the criminal element described the dealing "was in the business of buying and selling paper".

At this point in the investigation "Lady Luck" chose to smile on the Police. On May 1, Ottawa City Police had observed a known criminal, George Petry in company with a blue-eyed blonde wearing a red gabardine suit. The woman, Shirley McKinnon, had been arrested on a vagrancy charge and subsequently released on \$25 bail supplied by Petry who, although unemployed, was in possession of a considerable amount of money. Petry also had a piece of plate glass, tissue paper and other paraphernalia suitable for forgery purposes, but there was no evidence at this time to warrant his arrest.

In co-operation with Ottawa City Police, arrangements were made to pick up Petry if he could be located and if not to hold him when he appeared with Shirley McKinnon for her scheduled Court appearance on May 3. In the meantime a photograph of Petry was obtained and the investigator had the feeling that he had seen him previously. The photograph was shown to one of the victimized merchants who made a tentative identification.

On the morning of May 3, Petry appeared in Court with Shirley McKinnon, who was remanded one week in custody. Petry was brought to the detective office and arrangements made for an identification line-up. All persons victimized were present and four persons identified Petry; only one, however, was positive in his identification. On the strength of this Petry was held. A new angle now confronted the investigator and a fellow member of Town Station who was to assist during the remainder of the case. The "star" witness, the dress storekeeper who knew Petry, was on the face of things an "honest man", but it was

not an opinion shared generally by several members of the Ottawa City Police. In addition, the investigator remembered where he had seen Petry before—while interviewing the store-keeper Petry had "poked" his head in the door and asked for a female employee. Told she was absent, he had said: "Tell her Mr. Hunter called." This incident provided a rather humorous note when Petry was questioned later on this point. "Well after all you were the hunter and I was the hunted," he said.

The store-keeper was detained and questioned thoroughly. He admitted he knew Petry and had accompanied him but stated he was afraid of him, and refused to give a statement or admit any complicity. After obtaining counsel he was permitted to leave, as there was no evidence to warrant holding him.

It was decided to refrain from questioning Petry at this time except to try to obtain handwriting specimens. This

appeared remote in view of Petry's record, but to the surprise of the Police he wrote the "Canada" letter and several requested endorsements of the payees' signatures on the cheques in question. These writings were rushed to the Crime Detection Laboratory and document examiners gave a conditional positive opinion on four or five of the endorsements.

Petry was then interviewed in the presence of an Ottawa City Police detective and admitted responsibility for several of the forgeries. He refused to make any written admission stating that he wished to plead guilty. After being warned he gave a verbal statement which consisted of selecting from the photographic copies four cheques he was responsible for forging and uttering. He refused to give any information about other members of the alleged ring or to implicate Kelly in any way. Four charges of forgery and four of uttering were



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laid against him and he appeared on these counts on May 4, requesting bail to enable him to settle his "affairs". In the meantime comparison of Petry's writing was progressing and it now appeared that he was responsible for the forgery of several of the ten cheques stolen in December 1955 from Department of National Defence. He was questioned on this point and shown photographs of these cheques. After looking through them he replied: "Have your experts pick them out and I'll plead guilty. When you're passing a lot of paper its hard to remember." After a moment's thought he added, "I guess I wasn't very smart giving you fellows that handwriting but then it's the first time I ever ran into those laboratory boys."

After returning Petry to the cells on the night of May 3, Kelly was arrested and questioned thoroughly, but again he refused to make any admission. One charge of theft was laid against him in

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connection with the cheque bearing his fingerprint. He appeared in Court on May 5 and through counsel requested bail, which was set at \$500 and posted later in the day by his parents. Petry's bail was set at \$400 and was posted by Donald Hollingworth.

The investigation continued in an effort to locate further members of the ring. Reports from the Crime Detection Laboratory gave a positive opinion that Petry had written the endorsements on six of the ten cheques stolen from the Department of Defence Production and five of the cheques stolen from the Department of National Defence. All of these had been cashed in stores and it was apparent that the larger cheques which had been passed in banks were not Petry's work.

When an 11th cheque was returned after being deposited to the credit of Petry's store-keeper companion, the latter was interviewed and confronted by this additional information. He admitted receiving the cheque from Donald Kelly in partial payment of a bill, giving Kelly the remainder in cash. In view of this turn of events a second charge of theft was laid against Kelly and the store owner's part in this matter was thoroughly discussed with the Crown Attorney.

After Petry's initial Court appearance, Hull City Police and Quebec Provincial Police showed the investigators 11 cheques involving approximately \$3,000 which had been forged against a Hull firm's account and passed in that city and surrounding district. The handwriting on the face of these cheques bore a marked similarity to Petry's "bold" style and examination by the Crime Detection Laboratory confirmed that Petry was responsible. These two forces were holding William Stewart, a young Ottawa man with a previous criminal record, on several charges of uttering in this connection. Stewart had refused to make any admission or statement concerning these cheques.

In view of this development Petry, who was out on bail was picked up by the RCMP and handed over to the Hull forces. He was charged with 11 counts of forgery, appeared in Hull Court on May 10, pleaded not guilty and elected trial by Judge and jury. Bail was set at \$3,000 cash and Petry was unable to raise this amount.

On May 15, Petry was brought from the Hull Jail on a Judge's order for hearing on the Ottawa charges. As a result of the Crime Detection Laboratory's findings an additional seven charges of forgery had been laid against him. He appeared before Magistrate J. Sauve, pleaded not guilty and elected trial by Judge and jury. On May 22, Petry was arraigned on the 11 charges laid in Hull and following evidence of the investigators and laboratory examiners, he was committed for trial.

On May 22, an attempt was made to cash a forged cheque on a Member of Parliament's account in a local bank. Luckily the bank had received an anonymous tip and the attempt was thwarted, with the would-be passer running from the bank leaving the cheque with the accountant. In addition Ottawa City Police were advised that 200 cheques had been stolen from a local insurance agency; 20 of these for approximately \$5,244 had been cashed in Toronto banks on May 16-18. Indications were that this was the work of the alleged ring from Ottawa with Donald Hollingworth a strong suspect. Toronto City Police reported that four persons had been involved, two men and two women.

The matter received considerable publicity through a front page story in the Toronto *Telegram* during the latter part of May and subsequent follow-up stories in other papers and radio newscasts. Investigation continued and sufficient evidence was obtained by Toronto Police to issue a warrant for Hollingworth. He was arrested by Ottawa Police and RCMP investigators on June 6, and questioned thoroughly but refused to make

any admissions. Taken to Toronto for a brief Court appearance, Hollingworth was successful in obtaining \$3,000 bail and returned to Ottawa.

Investigation continued in an effort to locate other members of the ring. On May 30, with co-operation of the Ottawa City Police another suspect Joseph Anthony Shannon, 21, was located and interviewed. Handwriting specimens were taken and submitted immediately to the Crime Laboratory, and the RCMP Scenes of Crime Section was asked to check his prints which were on file as a result of previous convictions. The laboratory reported Shannon appeared to be responsible for forging two endorsements on Defence Production cheques cashed in Ottawa banks, involving \$575. One fingerprint had been identified as Shannon's left ring finger. He was interviewed and made a full admission stating that he was responsible for cashing these two cheques and that they



had been given to him by Petry who had given him \$35. Shannon's statement appeared to confirm suspicions and facts concerning the operation of a forgery ring and the use of young men with previous criminal records to cash the stolen and forged cheques for a small percentage of the total value. He was unable to name the persons who had accompanied Hollingworth to Toronto and did not give the investigators any concrete evidence. Shannon admitted responsibility for the attempted uttering on the Member of Parliament's account; a part time messenger in the House of Commons was responsible for the forgery and had obtained the signatures and account numbers of several M.P.s. The person named was interviewed but the investigation did not reveal sufficient evidence to warrant prosecution. It appeared that this portion of the operations was thwarted on the first attempt and therefore no physical evidence was available.

On June 19, another suspect, Douglas Jack Parsons, was arrested for break, enter and theft of the Ontario Motor Vehicles licence office in Ottawa wherein a number of blank driver's and chauffeur's licences had been stolen. A typewriter found in a room occupied by Parsons and his girl friend was the machine rented by the men responsible for the forgeries in Toronto. Parsons admitted the break, enter and theft but refused to make any admission concerning Toronto or Montreal. His girl friend was located and interviewed by the Ottawa Police and RCMP investigators and made a full statement in which she named Hollingworth and Parsons as the men responsible for the Toronto offences and added that Parsons had cashed two cheques in Montreal alone. She described in detail Hollingworth's method of holding the cheques to the hotel window in Toronto to forge the signatures and stated that Parsons had cashed them all as the former said he was too well known to do the actual cashing. She confirmed

that Hollingworth had been the "man behind the scenes" in the forgeries and that he had used other young men with criminal records to do the actual cashing.

Parsons refused to give any sample handwriting to the investigators who then obtained a search warrant and obtained an ample supply from his home. These writings were handed over to the Crime Detection Laboratory who stated that he was responsible for forging the endorsements on the back of the Toronto and Montreal cheques and the endorsement on one Department of Defence Production cheque cashed in an Ottawa bank. In addition one of his fingerprints was identified on the back of the same cheque. When confronted with this evidence Parsons admitted his guilt in connection with the one Government cheque and the insurance company cheques but refused to involve any other person, or give additional information. He was charged with one count of forgery by this Force and one charge of break, enter and theft by the Ottawa City Police. After several remands the accused pleaded guilty on July 25 to both counts and was sentenced to two years less one day in Guelph reformatory on each, the sentences to run concurrently.

After several adjournments for both Petry and Kelly necessitated by having to bring witnesses from as far as Halifax, N.S., the Preliminary Hearing of these accused commenced on June 28. Petry appeared first on 11 charges of forgery and four counts of uttering and following similar evidence as given in Hull he was committed for trial. Bail was raised to \$1,000, but he was unable to raise the money or the amount required in Hull and was kept in custody. Kelly appeared on two charges of theft of cheque and an additional charge of uttering as a result of the 11th cheque given to Petry's store owner "friend". Following discussion with the Crown counsel on June 29, Kelly pleaded guilty to the two theft charges and the uttering charge was dropped at request of the Crown.

Kelly was remanded for sentence and on July 17, was sentenced to two months in Carleton County Jail and warned by the magistrate that he was being given his last chance to become a useful citizen. After being convicted Kelly was interviewed and admitted stealing all the cheques from Defence Production. Efforts to gain information from him about other ring members met with little success, although he stated the store owner previously mentioned was involved.

Investigation to date was reviewed and it was noted that all but one of the original 11 cheques stolen had been dealt with. Of the ten cheques stolen in December 1955, five had been traced to Petry. A suspect in this case was connected with Petry and Hollingworth but there was insufficient evidence to support prosecution. Petry and Hollingworth appeared to be the key men in the ring as far as Government cheques had been concerned but the latter's activities had

been such that there was no evidence to connect him strongly enough to permit prosecution.

Joseph Anthony Shannon was the next person to appear for trial and on August 24 he pleaded guilty before Magistrate J. Sauve to two charges of forgery and was remanded for sentence. On August 27 he was placed on suspended sentence for eight months

eight months.

Douglas Jack Parsons was returned to Toronto where on August 21, he pleaded guilty to 20 charges of uttering and was sentenced to three years in Kingston Penitentiary. On October 22, in Toronto, Hollingworth pleaded guilty to 20 charges of uttering and was sentenced to six months imprisonment.

George Petry was tried by Judge J. MacDonald in Carleton County Court on September 30, pleaded guilty to 11 counts of forgery and was sentenced to two years less one day definite in the Ontario Reformatory at Guelph and six

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months indeterminate, sentences concurrent. Following this conviction he appeared in Supreme Court, Hull, Que., where he entered a plea of guilty to 11 charges of forgery but in view of the sentence received in Ottawa he was sentenced to time spent in custody on these charges. William Stewart an accomplice of Petry's in Hull was sentenced to time spent in custody on several charges of uttering.

In summing up this investigation it was noted that all persons involved in these offences had previous criminal records. None of the accused was steadily employed and all lived at a fast pace, frequenting the night spots in Ottawa and Hull nightly and spending money as fast as they could get it. With the exception of Shannon, none of the accused would involve other members of the ring and several sources revealed that this esprit de corps was instilled by threats of violence by Hollingworth and

Petry who were reputed to be typical "bully" boys. The total amount involved in stolen Government cheques was \$1,521 but a far larger amount was involved in private and business accounts—in Toronto and Hull alone the take was in excess of \$8,200.

Although all accused pleaded guilty there is no doubt that this was the direct result of being confronted either during the investigation or at the Preliminary Hearing by the physical evidence available, a tribute to the excellent work of the Crime Detection Laboratory and Scenes of Crime Section, Identification Branch. There was also fine co-operation from the Ottawa, Hull, Toronto and Quebec Provincial Police forces, with the result that approximately 75 charges of forgery, uttering, theft and break, enter and theft were disposed of by the Courts.

(Submitted by Cst. K. T. F. Parker, RCMP, Ottawa)

#### R. v. Gleiser

False Pretences

sed car dealers are generally not considered a particularly gullible class of individuals. One in Peterborough, Ontario, was no exception to the rule.

When he recognized the handwriting of his salesman on the face of a bad cheque for \$50 taken in by his firm he headed for the police station armed with the fraudulent document, specimen writing of the salesman, and the firm conviction that his employee had tried to swindle him.

The salesman's story was that a Mr. F. G. Gleiser had shopped around the used car lot, chosen a car valued at \$1,000 and written a cheque for the full amount. He had then requested that the car be ready for delivery the following day, and mentioning that he was short of funds, asked to have a \$50 cheque cashed. The salesman claimed he had obliged him

and had seen no more of the alleged Mr. Gleiser.

The crime was beginning to fit a pattern which was more than slightly familiar to the police investigator, and being astute enough to realize that the salesman was telling the truth, he decided to submit the bad cheque to the RCMP Identification Branch, Fraudulent Cheque Section, for search of their files rather than to the Document Examination Section of the Crime Detection Laboratory for comparison with specimen writing of the salesman.

The result? The investigator had decided correctly. Within 48 hours he had received a telegram informing him of both the identity and the whereabouts of the elusive Mr. Gleiser. Frederick George Gleiser, a known cheque passer, was under arrest for a similar offence in

Fort Erie, Ontario. When contacted, he admitted the offence and agreed to plead guilty to it along with the charges at Fort Erie.

No doubt the owner of the used car lot had to do some fast talking to smooth things over with his salesman, but he had not been entirely wrong. Comparison of the cheque with specimen writings of both Gleiser and the salesman showed that Gleiser had written only the signature of the payer, while the salesman had obligingly filled in the remainder of the writing on the face of the cheque for him.

(Submitted by Cst. A. Wrenshall, Head-quarters Identification Branch)

### R. v. Bahl

Bank Robbery

HE banks down here in Nova Scotia are a cinch—a couple of guys could knock one off any time," bragged a Quebec criminal recently while in conversation with a policeman. He did not explain why banks should be more of a cinch in Nova Scotia than elsewhere; nor did he fill in the details of how these guys would make their getaway from the province. Made up as

it is of a little peninsula, it can be completely bottled up to highway traffic in a matter of minutes and all rail, sea and air exits can also be effectively controlled.

Cinch or not, the fact remains that in over 25 years no one has successfully robbed a bank in Nova Scotia and made good his escape.

It was on Aug. 23, 1932 that two masked men, armed with revolvers,

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entered the Royal Bank of Canada at Shubenacadie in Hants County, N.S. They herded together the manager and other employees and proceeded to carry out a robbery. The operation worked smoothly until three members of the RCMP and two members of the Halifax City Police stepped out of hiding where they had been waiting several hours as a result of an advance tip-off. In the gun battle that followed, one of the bandits was killed and the other critically wounded.

Twenty-four years after-Aug. 23, 1956-was a sunny, warm Thursday and everything seemed quiet in the little village of Kingston, located at the extreme western end of Kings County, N.S. The village is in the heart of the Annapolis Valley farming district and normally nothing too eventful occurs to disturb the placid life of its inhabitants. Business in the village over the past few years has been stimulated by the large sprawling Greenwood RCAF Station some four miles distant. There is little crime in the village and it is policed by the Kentville RCMP detachment, 26 miles to the east. To its westward the nearest Police detachment is Bridgetown, a distance of 23 miles.

Elaine Hergett, the teller at the Kingston branch of the Canadian Bank of Commerce, looked up from her desk to see two young men wearing sun glasses enter the bank and approach the teller's wicket. She noticed, as she moved to the wicket to serve them, that both were dark, of medium height and wore charcoal grey suits. As she entered the cage, one of the men spoke with a French accent: "Don't say anything-this is a holdup." She then noticed that each man carried a small automatic pistol. Ralph MacMichael, the accountant, was attracted to the scene at the same time and looked up to face one of the men pointing a gun directly at him and saying: "This is a holdup." They were ordered to put their hands up and one man remained with them while the second

moved to the manager's office. There, the manager, Eugene Pamenter, was ordered, at gun point, to join the others. All three were forced to lie face down on the floor while the younger of the two men scooped over \$23,000 from the teller's cage into a brief case.

The other bandit attempted to persuade the manager to open the safe in the vault but he declined, claiming that he could not open it without the accountant, who, he said, was out to lunch. The three bank employees were then herded into the vault where the door was closed but not locked and an office desk was placed against it. After warning them not to sound any alarm for a half hour, the bandits fled with their loot.

Word of the hold-up was telephoned to the Bridgetown Detachment at 12.20 p.m. and Kentville Detachment was immediately notified by radio. Police from both points converged on the scene, checking cars en route. Upon hearing the bandits' description, Kentville Detachment NCO at once called the RCAF Service Police at Greenwood. He knew that a number of residents at Greenwood were of French descent and hoped some information might be obtained from that source. He learned that an observant member of the RCAF Service Police had witnessed a peculiar incident on the previous day. While walking in the woods near the Air Station he had noticed two cars parked close together on an isolated road. One car was a 1955 Oldsmobile and the other a 1953 or 1954 Pontiac, both with Ontario licence plates. Two men behind the cars appeared to be changing their clothes. His suspicions aroused, the Service Policeman recorded the description of the cars and the licence numbers. This information, together with that obtained from the bank staff, was immediately broadcast to all Police detachments in Nova Scotia and New Brunswick.

Later that afternoon, a hotel man informed the Digby Detachment that two young French Canadians had been stay-

ing at his hotel in Middleton for a week. He was unaware of their occupations but both men were driving Ontario-registered cars. In a room at the Middleton Hotel investigators found a clean-cut young man, dressed smartly in sports clothes, who gave his name as Andre Jacques Bahl. He was owner of the 1955 Oldsmobile seen the previous day by the RCAF policeman, and in the car was a charcoal grey suit. In the trunk of the car was a set of Ontario licence plates, the same number as those which had been on the Pontiac car seen the previous day by the Service Policeman.

Andre Bahl had \$400 on his person, and hidden under the mattress on the bed in the hotel room was a roll of bills amounting to over \$4,000. Upon being taken to the Bank of Commerce at Kingston, he was positively identified by the teller as the younger of the two hold-up

men.

Andre told a variety of stories about the money, his car and his hotel companion, whom he called Leonard Perrault, but meanwhile some rapid checking was being done in the Province of Quebec. Eventually Bahl admitted the hold-up, naming Leonard Perrault as his accomplice and attempted to lead the investigators on a wild goose chase to Edmundston, New Brunswick, where he was to meet Perrault the following day. With the co-operation of the Quebec Police, the RCMP Identification Branch at Ottawa were able to identify the suspect Perrault as Lionel Bahl, elder brother of Andre. Both men were wanted for armed robbery in Quebec. Although close attention was paid by police in New Brunswick to the Edmundston angle, the search for the wanted man continued to be concentrated in the Annapolis Valley.

Andre Bahl finally admitted that Leonard Perrault was his elder brother, Lionel. He also accompanied investigators to a spot approximately three miles from Kingston where the 1953 Pontiac

had been hidden in the woods.

It was found that the two men had been moving about quite freely in the Annapolis Valley prior to the hold-up and that they could be recognized by a number of hotel employees and hotel guests in various centres. Thus it happened that on the day after the robbery a hotel guest in the town of Wolfville excitedly called Kentville Detachment to say that he had just seen a man on a Wolfville street who looked very much like a French Canadian who had recently registered at the hotel under the name of Perrault. Within a few minutes, investigators from Kentville had taken the suspect into custody without a struggle.

Upon learning what evidence confronted him, Lionel Bahl related the entire story of the robbery and led the investigators to a wooded area near Kingston where he had buried the remainder of the loot and the hold-up weapons, two starting pistols. It was also learned that on August 22 the RCAF



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Service Policeman had seen the Bahl brothers changing their clothes after they had visited the bank in Kingston and decided to delay the robbery for one more day because they had found too many people around the bank.

Thus, within 30 hours after the crime, both hold-up men were in custody and the bulk of the loot had been recovered.

Subsequent investigation revealed that the automobiles driven by the Bahl brothers were stolen. The 1955 Oldsmobile had been stolen in Westmount, Ouebec, and had later been registered in Ontario in the name of Andre Bahl. Lionel Bahl had stolen an eight cylinder 1953 Pontiac in Cornwall, Ontario, and had obtained licence plates and registration papers for a 1953 six cylinder Pontiac. While the two men were in Halifax on August 16 they observed a six cylinder 1953 Pontiac which answered quite closely the description on the papers they were using for the eight cylinder car. They stole it and hid the Cornwall car in the woods after stripping it and transferring the Ontario licence plates and related papers to the Halifax car. All three automobiles were recovered and returned to their owners, but in view of the seriousness of the charges against the two men, no prosecutions were entered for auto thefts.

Lionel and Andre Bahl appeared in Provincial Magistrate's Court at Kentville on August 28 and pleaded guilty to a charge of armed robbery. Lionel, because of a lengthy criminal record was sentenced to seven years in Dorchester Penitentiary and Andre received a fiveyear term in the same institution.

However, they were not yet finished with the law. After their arrival at Dorchester Penitentiary they were removed to Three Rivers, Quebec, to answer armed robbery charges at that point. There, each of them was sentenced to eight years in Dorchester Penitentiary, concurrent with sentences previously

imposed at Kentville.

Twenty-four years to the day had elapsed between the first armed robbery at Shubenacadie and a second one at Kingston. The first ended tragically for the hold-up men, yet successfully from a law enforcement point of view thanks to the vigilance and courage of the police. Fortunately, there was no loss of life as a result of the second robbery, but it was, none the less, just as successfully thwarted. The bandits got the money without firing a shot, but just as surely and also without gunplay they were captured and the money recovered. The ends of justice had been met by a highly successful police operation, made possible by the close co-operation of various Police Departments, the Armed Services and the general public. In the words of a bank official, expressed after the Bahl brothers had been sentenced to penitentiary: "The over-all effect of such prompt justice should be a lesson to would-be outlaws and a deterrent against future outbreaks of this nature in our community."

(Submitted by Sgt. W. R. Lee, "H" Division C.I.B.)

#### One For the Road!

During the course of a year, many files come to the attention of the readers. One or two stand out, pinnacled, as it were, by a certain sense of closeness and feeling. The following is a true story, of more than usual human interest. The names of the characters have been changed to spare relatives from deeper sorrow and further heartache.

RAGEDY rears its terrible head in many ways but, who would have thought the beauty of the day was to be shattered and marred before nightfall.

The sun rose crisp and clear on Oct. 27, 1956—ideal football weather. Everyone arose with anticipation, looking for-

ward to the big event—the University of New Brunswick "Red Bombers" were due in Sackville for a game with the Mount Allison University "Mounties".

To Wayne Folkins, it was just another half-working day. Saturdays—how he hated them! He must not forget to contact Joann, his fiancee, a co-ed at Sackville's Mount "A". A beautiful girl, pert and clever, the star of her class, and attending the "U" on a scholarship.

To James Martin, the 27th was another Saturday, his usual run of affairs and back home for the evening. Nothing unusual in sight; a peaceful day. Yet, before nightfall, this date was to be etched into his memory for all time!

Excitement was everywhere; the alumni were present; the stalwarts of the game were on the field to do or die for "alma mater". On the sidelines to cheer the "Maroon and Orange" to victory were pretty co-ed Joann Shores and her tall escort, Wayne Folkins. Wayne had

arrived at the game in his mother's late model Nash Rambler. If he had had a few drinks, who was to notice it at a football game. If there were a few bottles being discreetly passed around at the game, another drink or two would not hurt—or would they?

Late afternoon arrived: the cheering the hope, and the silent prayers of the home fans were rewarded: the visitors were vanquished with a humiliating defeat. Now, one could really celebrate!

As far as the RCMP Port Elgin Detachment was concerned, this was just another routine Saturday. Suddenly, the steady click-clack of the typewriter was interrupted by a man bursting into the office. "I'm James Martin," began the stranger breathlessly. "I just overtook and stopped a late model Nash Rambler on the road outside of town. The driver of the car is drunk," he went on. Martin described the odd driving habits of the operator of the Nash-bursts of speed

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ranging from 25 m.p.h. to 70 m.p.h., following an erratic weaving shoulder-to-shoulder course. He had stayed behind this car until it had stopped just outside Port Elgin. Martin had stopped too and had gone over to the car. There were two people in it, a man and a very pretty girl. Martin had pleaded with the driver to give him the keys and offered to take him and his passenger to their destination. Failing that, he begged for safety's sake that the girl be allowed to get out. The driver refused—"they were all right".

The complaint seemed justified and a Policeman prepared to leave, the interception of this vehicle foremost in his mind. The shrill ring of the detachment phone brought him back to the office. "Come quick officer! A severe accident on the Port Elgin bridge!" A thought crossed his mind; could it be the same

car? A patrol to the scene proved him correct! A doctor on the bridge pronounced the girl dead immediately and Folkins, who had to be pried from the wreckage, had only minutes to live.

The cycle was not yet complete for Martin, in leaving the town of Port Elgin, had noted this same car approaching at an excessive rate of speed and turned to follow. He was only yards away and watched in horror as the small car struck the concrete abutment of the bridge. Death had pointed its grim finger and won.

Just prior to the crash, the young couple were locked in a loving embrace. As dusk fell, only a woman's shoe remained as mute evidence that gasoline and liquor will not mix.

(Submitted by Cst. D. L. Lynch, "J" Division.)

### R. v. Keller and Olson

Attempted Armed Robbery

N THE morning of Feb. 22, 1956 a rather frightened young fellow nervously stood before the sergeant in charge of Regina Sub-Division C.I.B. and advised startled Policemen that two friends of his, "Jake" Keller and "Vince" Olson were planning to rob the bank at Rouleau, Saskatchewan, and had decided that Saturday night, February 25 would be an ideal night to commit this offence. The plans, according to the informant, were quite simple: Keller and Olson believed that upon gaining entry to the bank through the employees' living quarters at the rear, they could force one of the bank staff to open the safe. The two had made several trips to Rouleau recently, had thoroughly "cased" the town, and carefully observed the bank employees' habits. They were now convinced that their plan would work. The youth was asked to keep in close contact with his two friends, and advise the sub-division C.I.B. office of any

change in plans by noon of the day in question.

In the meantime, sceptical investigators attempted to obtain some information and background on the two would-be robbers, who were completely unknown to the RCMP. It was learned that Keller and Olson lived together in a rooming house on Victoria Avenue in Regina; both were steadily employed, the former as a serviceman for a soft water service firm in the city, and the latter as routeman for a local dairy. Neither had any police record, and by this time, investigators were rather doubtful that this fantastic scheme, if such existed, would ever be carried out.

Saturday morning, February 25, passed slowly for members of the C.I.B., who anxiously, but not too hopefully awaited further word. Shortly after noon our breathless young friend arrived and announced that the "job" was going ahead as planned; this particular night

had been selected because Rouleau was holding its annual Ice Carnival and the town was expected to be unusually active. He further stated that Keller and Olson had borrowed a 1951 Plymouth from a friend for the day and intended using this vehicle for the offence.

At approximately 4 p.m., two RCMP investigators quietly left the city and arrived in Rouleau shortly after dark. For the most part the streets and alleys were completely blocked with snow; vantage points were at a premium. Close attention was paid to the location of the bank, the surrounding buildings, and the general layout of the town, then the patrol headed for Wilcox, ten miles distant, for a pre-arranged meeting with the sergeant in charge and the member of Milestone Detachment. However, a 1951 Plymouth heading for Rouleau, was met en route, and the Police, believing this to be the suspect vehicle, made a quick about turn and followed. They saw the car make a quick tour of the town, afterwards proceeding to a service station directly across the street from the bank. It was manouvered into a position whereby the occupants—two men who remained in the car with the motor runningcould observe the main street, as well as the front and side doors of the bank. At this point investigators were finally convinced that this incredible scheme was actually being attempted.

A short time later, the Police were joined by the second patrol who were made acquainted with details to date. An observation point was selected approximately two blocks distant, from where the bank and the suspects' vehicle could observed simultaneously, without arousing suspicions. Its main drawback was the distance from the bank, and the fact that it was on the other side of some railroad tracks, which later proved to be a handicap. There was no light in the living quarters of the bank and as it appeared certain that the staff was attending the carnival, there was little possibility that an attempt would be

made on the bank until the show concluded and employees returned home. Investigators now settled down to a vigilant, but not particularly relaxing wait.

At approximately 11.30 p.m. some activity was noted in the bank-the lights in the quarters went on and then were turned off almost instantly. At this precise moment, the inevitable happened-a slow freight lumbered through town, completely blocking the investigators' view and passage to the remainder of the town. In what seemed like eternity, but was in reality only three or four minutes, the train finally passed through town, and the Police drove to the bank, observing that the suspects' vehicle was now unoccupied, with the motor still running. The bank was quietly surrounded, with two men covering the side door into the living quarters, one beside the front door, and the other man covering the front door from the suspects' car across the street.

The culprits had not taken the precaution of closing the venetian blinds on the windows and the investigators were able to see the scene being enacted within, as the night light on the vault illuminated the interior. One man with a stocking mask over his face, later identified as Keller, was standing near the vault; a second man, Olson, was nearby, a revolver in his hand. A third person was on his hands and knees attempting to open the vault by turning the dial. After determining that there were no

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further exits from the building, the Police gently tried the doors, only to find them both securely locked. They then decided to wait for the culprits to leave the building before effecting their arrest, thus minimizing the chances of

possible injuries.

The carnival was over for another year and the local people, both young and old, were wending their way home; laughter and gaiety echoed in the streets. Many of the people, participants in the night's activities, were still wearing costumes and masks, thus unknowingly presenting a vast contrast to the scene being enacted within the building. One resident, somewhat inebriated, sensed an unusual occurrence at the bank and edged closer, but upon being quietly advised of the situation, he departed for home as fast as his condition would allow.

The night was bitterly cold and the Police were beginning to get rather shaky, possibly not altogether because of the weather. In the bank, Keller was observed to disappear into the basement of the building and return shortly carrying a double-bitted axe, with which he attacked the vault door, knocking off the dial. He and Olson then attempted to batter their way through the door, in a last desperate attempt to gain entry to the vault.

The investigators maintained their positions outside the bank for approximately 20 minutes, before Olson and Keller left the building by the front door with a third man, later identified as Kenneth Epp, teller, between them. The three men were surrounded and placed under arrest, handcuffed and returned to the main office of the bank. Keller dropped his mask in the snow, as well as another dark object, which proved to be a loaded revolver, the property of the Bank of Commerce. The teller, Epp, appeared to have been implicated in this offence with Keller and Olson, but he was soon cleared of any suspicion and allowed to return to his home. Although

only 19 years old, Epp impressed investigators with his courage and cool-headedness during and after his frightening

experience.

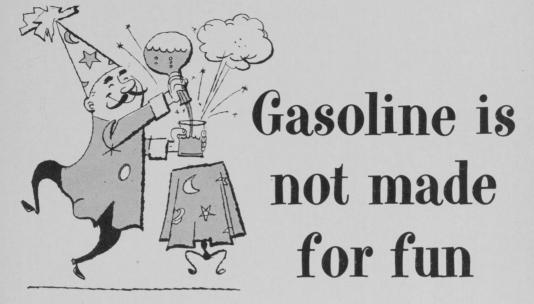
Keller and Olson gave somewhat similar statements—they had "jumped" Epp before he could close the bank door, upon his return from the carnival. The former then located the bank revolver in the employees' quarters and forced the teller at gun point to attempt to open the vault. Epp insisted that he did not have the combination and was unable to do so, but they demanded that he open it. Both Keller and Olson denied having any accomplices in the offence.

On March 6 the two accused appeared before Police Magistrate E. S. Williams, Q.C. in Provincial Magistrate's Court, Regina, and each entered a plea of "guilty" to a charge of attempted armed robbery. Each was sentenced to two years less one day; Keller at Regina Jail and Olson at Prince Albert Common Jail.

This wrote *finis* to one of the strangest and most fantastic crimes ever to be attempted in this area, and one that was destined to fail right from the beginning. For all their plans, these subjects overlooked the most important fact, one that is fairly common knowledge to the general public-that every bank vault contains another safe within the vault, which holds all the money. These safes are all equipped with a time lock device which is set at the close of the day, to open automatically in time for the following day's business, and cannot be opened before the time lock releases by anyone, including the bank manager.

Nothing further needs to be said about their absurd attempt to batter their way through the vault door with an axe, and can only be considered as a final frantic attempt by two desperate men in their endeavor to find a short cut to wealth. It would be difficult to follow the reasoning of these two, who prior to the commission of this offence, led reasonably normal law abiding lives.

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### R. v. Belanger

Customs Act - Trafficking in Stolen Furs

HE year 1956 was but a babe in arms when the Windsor Detachment Preventive Service learned of the operation of a fur smuggling ring functioning between Windsor and Detroit. Detroit sits on the north bank of the Detroit River like a mountain of concrete and steel glaring down at the city of Windsor as a lion might look at a rabbit. Yet within that mountain of streets, buildings and people, expensive furs were being stolen, smuggled to Windsor, sold and re-sold in an organized, prepared manner. The break came, however, as all breaks will come to those who persist in their effort.

On Jan. 24, 1956, an alert store detective in the employ of the J. L. Hudson Co., Detroit's largest department store, noticed a woman shopping in the fur department. The woman caused no suspicion, in her appearance or activity, but the detective through curiosity, interest, or possibly instinct watched her move from rack to rack. After a great deal of looking, pondering and debating, the woman nonchalantly donned a mink stole, taken from a rack and slowly worked her way to the store exit. The store detective had no trouble in apprehending her with the stole and the matter was placed in the hands of the Detroit Police Department for prosecution. The woman was Gertrude Whitman, a citizen of Windsor.

Next morning Jeanette Chapman appeared at the General Service Bureau of the Detroit Police Department and requested permission to see her friend Gertrude, who was in custody. The Detroit Police had been advised of Whitman's possible accomplices and Chapman was immediately detained for interrogation. At first Chapman would say nothing but repeat her innocence of any wrong doing, but once again persistence paid off and she finally admitted having stolen a total of five fur pieces in the

city of Detroit within a period of one month. Three of these garments were taken from the J. L. Hudson Co. and two from Sam's Department Store. Chapman admitted smuggling four of these furs into Canada and selling them to individuals in Windsor. She was unable to remember who came into possession of the coats in Windsor, but as the day wore on her memory improved sufficiently to substantiate the possibility of Gerard Belanger being involved in the ring as a receiver.

Gerard Belanger resided in the second floor flat of a house located in a back alley near the down-town section of Windsor. He formerly came from a town in eastern Ontario, where he was employed as a police officer for a period of ten years and at the time of his resignation had held the rank of sergeant. After leaving the police force, Belanger deserted his wife and family and came to Windsor to live common-law with a woman who was known to her neighbors as Mrs. Rita Belanger. Gerry obtained employment in the Chrysler plant at Windsor and for a time was apparently well contented with his new way of life. However, he also began to associate with persons of questionable character and he soon fell into step with their interests and habits. Two of his associates were Bob Chapman and his wife Jeanette, who was known to her friends as "Lucky".

On January 27 Belanger's flat was searched. At first nothing was found that would incriminate Belanger, but finally a lady's Russian broadtail lamb fur jacket was located well hidden under the bottom drawer of a linen closet. The jacket was valued at \$1,900. Belanger was escorted to the RCMP detachment office in Windsor, where he was interrogated about his associates and the furs he had in his possession. He finally admitted that he had been in possession of one other

fur but had sold it to his landlord Frank Davies.

Davies not knowing the fur cape had been stolen purchased it from Belanger for \$175, then presented it to his daughterin-law as a gift. Things were fine with the Davies family until the daughter-inlaw was relieved of the cape by the Police, who informed her that it was stolen merchandise-and Frank Davies learned that the value of the cape when it was new was only \$100, the price Belanger paid Chapman.

At this time two of the four pieces known to have entered the country were in the hands of the Police. Bob and Jeanette Chapman were again questioned and they adimtted that they sold the other two to a large fur establishment in Windsor. The store was searched but the question of identification came up and the Police were not able to associate any of the furs with the Chapmans.

Belanger was charged under s. 203 of the Customs Act and appeared on Mar. 1, 1956, before Magistrate A. W. Mac-Millan in Windsor Police Court. He was found guilty and fined \$500 and costs or in default of payment three months imprisonment. He paid the fine.

Gertrude Whitman, who had been charged with "larceny from a store" by the Detroit Police Department, received a sentence of from one to four years' imprisonment. Jeanette Chapman was released by the Detroit Police on \$500 bail for her part in the activities. She immediately returned to Canada and has not found it in her heart since to venture over the border. Her bail bond was estreated by the U.S. Courts. No charges were laid against Bob or Jeanette Chapman in Windsor as it was felt that the Police had insufficient evidence to obtain a conviction.

### R. v. St. Germaine and Vauchair

Breaking, Entering and Theft-Fingerprints-Tire Marks

Matthewson, owner of a hardware store, Stonewall, Man., advised the local RCMP detachment that his shop had been broken into during the night. Electrical appliances valued at approximately \$266.65 had been stolen. Shortly afterwards Aldus Preston, owner of the Central Sales and Service Garage,

Balmoral, Man., reported that his garage had been broken into and about \$25 in cash stolen from the till, and a few gallons of gasoline taken. A further unlawful entry and theft occurred at Teulon the same night, when Wainwright's Esso Service was entered and cigarettes and confectioneries worth approximately \$122.86 stolen. This offence

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was investigated by Teulon Detachment.

A check of Matthewson's Hardware for fingerprints was unsuccessful, but several plaster casts were obtained of footprints in the basement of the store. The heel of this print was identified as a "Wingfoot", which is manufactured by Goodyear. Entrance to this building had been gained by breaking a rear window which allowed the culprits access to the basement where a large cold air pipe was removed, enabling them to climb up into the front of the store.

At the Balmoral offence, the Police found that entry into these premises was through a rear door which had been forced open. Again there were no fingerprints, but there were tire tread impressions in the vicinity. The suspect vehicle was equipped with a 7TC Atlas Cushionaire tire on the left front and a 7TC Firestone Superballoon on the right front. Both rear wheels were equipped with 7TC tires, but a similar tread could not be found in the RCMP Tire Tread Identification Book. The tread width of this vehicle was measured to be 58 inches in front and 56 inches in the rear.

At Teulon the criminals had entered the Wainwright Garage through an unlocked transom. Fingerprints were found on a drink cooler cash box and also on the neck of a soft drink bottle. Footprints, identical to those found at the Stonewall crime, were observed outside the garage and also tire tread marks the same as those found at Balmoral. The gauge of the tire prints were 58 inches in the front and 56 in the rear. These facts indicated fairly conclusively that the three offences were the responsibility of the same criminals.

A study of tire specifications found in an automotive service manual, entitled "Chilton's Motor Age, Flate Rate and Service Manual", 1956 Edition, published by Chilton Company, Philadelphia, Pa., revealed that in referring back as far as the year 1946, the measurements, front 58 and and rear 56, related only to 1952-54 Mercury and Monarch auto-

mobiles and 1952-56 Fords and Meteors. This information was passed on to the RCMP Crime Index Section, Winnipeg and through this section and the Winnipeg City Police it was learned that a 1953 Meteor had been stolen in Winnipeg the night of these offences and was found abandoned in the city a few hours later. The speedometer reading of this vehicle indicated that it had been driven about 100 miles, which was the distance that a vehicle from Winnipeg would drive if used in the commission of the three offences. It had apparently been driven at a high rate of speed as it was necessary to add two quarts of oil to the motor. The left front tire of this car was an Atlas Cushionaire and the right front a Firestone Superballoon; the rear tires were Eaton Trojan brand.

This vehicle was checked for fingerprints by the Winnipeg City Police and four prints suitable for identification

purposes were found.

Numerous break-ins of a similar pattern in the rural area around the city of Winnipeg were under investigation but nothing of value was learned about the culprits until September 9 when two Winnipeg City Police detectives arrested four men during an assault inquiry. One of them, Arthur Vauclair, was in possession of three boxes of shot-gun shells which were subsequently identified as having been stolen from Lavack's General Store, St. Anne, Man.

These shells led Police to believe that Vauclair had been involved in four other break-ins committed in the Steinbach area on the same night. Fingerprints obtained from an automobile stolen in Winnipeg and abandoned in St. Anne on the night of the break-ins, were identified as those of Arthur Vauclair. Confronted with this evidence Vauclair admitted five break-ins along with the theft of an automobile. He also admitted the theft of the Meteor which had been found abandoned in Winnipeg.

Through interrogation Vauclair revealed that he had been involved in numerous offences in the outlying detachment areas of Winnipeg Sub-Division and he named John William St. Germaine, Glen Russell Kossar, and Steve Klimchuk as his accomplices at one time or another, the latter as receiver

of the stolen goods.

The home of Klimchuk was searched at the time of his arrest and about \$1,200 worth of stolen goods were recovered. Klimchuk involved a man named Rene Dawson as another receiver. Dawson was arrested and when his home was searched stolen goods valued at \$300 were recovered. St. Germaine who eluded Winnipeg City Police for five days after Vauclair and Kossar were arrested, verified Vauclair's statement after he was

apprehended.

Twelve charges of breaking, entering and theft, s. 292 (1-b) Cr. Code, one charge of breaking and entering with intent, s. 292 (1-a), one charge of attempted breaking and entering with intent, s. 406(b), along with one charge of theft of auto, s. 280(a) were laid against Vauclair and St. Germaine. Two charges of breaking, entering and theft, were laid against Kossar, two charges of breaking, entering and theft, and three charges of possession of stolen property, s. 296 Cr. Code were laid against Klimchuk and two charges of possessing stolen goods, were laid against Dawson.

In pleas of guilty being entered Vauclair received a term of 23 months in Headingly Jail. Kossar received a twoyear term in the Manitoba Penitentiary and St. Germaine received a three-year penitentiary term. Klimchuk and Dawson were released on bail and at the present time are being remanded weekly.

Klimchuk's roommate, Walter Wuziak, who had no active part in the break-ins but who knowingly purchased a stolen rifle from Klimchuk was charged under s. 296 Cr. Code and received a two-year suspended sentence and was ordered to pay \$25 as Court costs.

As well as the charges laid by the RCMP against these men, two counts of

theft of auto were laid against Vauclair by the Winnipeg police and four charges of theft of auto were laid against St. Germaine and Kossar. Vauclair pleaded guilty and was given a six-month sentence; St. Germaine and Kossar entered "not guilty" pleas, but were found guilty and sentenced to two and three years concurrent with the RCMP offences.

One of the car theft charges laid against Vauclair was for the theft of the 1953 Meteor used in the crimes at Stonewall, Balmoral and Teulon. Three prints found in this car were identified as those of Vauclair.

Referring to the tire gauge measurements in this case, it was noted with interest that a considerable variance exists in the width of motor vehicles, or as referred to in the manual, "tread in inches". There is, however, some duplication. For the purpose of illustration, comparative measurements for four makes of cars on the Canadian market are as follows:

Chevrolet

	Model	Front	Rear
	1949-54	57"	59"
	1955	58"	59"
	1956	58"	60"
Dodge			
	1949-52	56"	57"
	1953-54	56"	59"
	1955-56	59"	59"
Plymouth			
	1949	55"	56"
	1950	55"	58"
	1951-52	56"	58"
	1953-54	56"	. 59"
	1955-56	58"	58"
Studebaker			
(Champion)	1947-49	56"	54"
(Commander)	1947-49	55"	54"
	1950	56"	54"
	1951	57"	54"
	1952-56	56"	56"

(Car identification by wheel base principle has received some publicity in FBI Law Enforcement Bulletin, Vol. 25 No. 12 (1956) page 18.)

(Submitted for publication by Cst. A. A. Stupich, RCMP Stonewall Detachment.)

## Old-timers' Column

Spirit of the Force

By GRAY CAMPBELL

Each year they are a little longer in the tooth, a bit more bent, a mite slower. They start for the rendezvous in good time, remarking on the changes along the trail. And each year some of them are missing. The survivors admit the bits are getting rusty. They need polishing and burnishing.

At Frank they pull into Turtle Mountain Playground where genial host John Kerr is waiting. And Saturday May 18 marked the fourth anniversary of Kerr's annual party for "K" Division members of the Royal Canadian Mounted Police Veterans' Association. His invitation had gone out to members from the border at Walsh to the border at Coleman for dinner Saturday, cabin and breakfast plus a Sunday tour of the Pass after Church Parade.

Also present from Calgary were Eric Osborne, Dominion President, W. E. Buch-

Editor's Note: Some of the Old Timers mentioned in this article, and their period of service, are as follows: Reg. No. 11764 ex-Cpl. Gray A. Campbell, Aug. 25, 1932-Aug. 31, 1939; Reg. No. 12961 ex-Cst. G. R. Stewart, Sept. 6, 1937-Sept. 5, 1944 and Dec. 26, 1945-Aug. 27, 1948; Reg. No. 5216 ex-Cpl. S. Clarke, May 29, 1911-May 28, 1916; Inspr. F. Humby (Rtd.) Oct. 6, 1904-Sept. 1, 1932; Reg. No. 3521 ex-Cst. Neil Nicholson, Mar. 23, 1900-Mar. 22, 1905; Reg. No. 12663 ex-Cst. John Kerr, June 28, 1935-June 27, 1940; Reg. No. 10316 ex-Cst. J. A. Simpson, June 1, 1927-Aug. 21, 1929; Inspr. W. E. Buchanan (Rtd.), Jan. 31, 1916-Aug. 31, 1951; ex-Reg. No. 10447 P. T. May, June 7, 1928-June 6, 1943 and Oct. 17, 1945-July 14, 1950; ex-Reg. No. 3082 Nicholas Kunzli, June 12, 1894-Feb. 28, 1898 and May 20, 1898-June 13, 1901; ex-Reg. No. 4554 Arthur Grant, Apr. 2, 1907-May 27, 1920; ex-Reg. No. 13856 James Clarke Bradley, Jan. 3, 1941-Aug. 31, 1945; ex-Reg. No. 5063 William Ambrose Shardlow, Feb. 7, 1910-Feb. 6, 1915; Lt.-Col. Philip Carteret Hill Primrose, 1885-1915.

anan, Dominion Vice-President and P. T. May, Dominion Secretary.

The small gathering contained a history of the Force in capsule, which means a history of Southern Alberta. For here was its cradle. Thirteen members represented a total service of 170 years.

There was no talk of stocks and bonds, oil leases and Cadillacs, politics and T.V. But there was good talk of personalities and events on the Canadian scene from a few who have watched the play from curtain time.

From his Pinhorn ranch near the border came Regimental Number 3082, Nicholas Kunzli, a young fellow of 89 years who has never missed a reunion. He came to Montreal in 1893 from Switzerland to work for six dollars a week as a watch case worker. In 1894 he could speak English well enough to join the NWMP for 50 cents a day, a yearly raise of five cents to a maximum of 75 cents a day.

Buck Kunzli liked his detachment at Pendant d'Oreille, remembers the good times and the bad. The good times meant that for as much as eight months he was alone, out of sight of NCO or officer. Made out and signed his own pass for leave at Havre, Montana, where the U.S. Cavalry were pleased to entertain the lone Mountie. He says the officers would not let him spend a cent. Kunzli owned a beautiful purebred Russian Wolfhound which they liked to borrow for hunting. Particularly does he remember a fine young Lieutenant they called "Black Jack" Pershing.

Arthur Grant, Reg. No. 4554, was asked to recall the time he chased the Haney gang over the mountains back in 1910. These three characters blew up the train at Ducks, B.C., and held up the passengers. P. C. H. Primrose, later Lieutenant-Governor of Alberta, ordered Corporals Grant and Bower with another Mountie to catch these bad apples. Grant from Blairmore met Bower from Coleman and they started by saddle horse from Crow Lake. They went over Dead Man's Pass, down Vicery Creek and across the North Fork in what the manual calls "fresh pursuit". By Boggie Porter's ranch on Meadow Creek they came upon the desperado's camp and exchanged fire with rifle and revolver. The fugitives soon threw in their hands, were escorted back to B.C. for sentence. This was a lark for Grant, who had seen action in

the South African War. He still looks a cavalryman, jaunty and trim.

The dinner highlighted the Veterans' motto: "Spirit of the Force" when, after honoring the Queen, President Rollie Stewart of Lethbridge, flanked by Osborne and Buchanan from Calgary, took part in the ceremony in remembrance of departed comrades.

Two candles were burning this year on each side of the President. As Stewart read out the Regimental Number and name of George Harvey, Dominion President Osborne snuffed out the first candle. For George Pelletier of Lethbridge, Dominion Vice-President Buchanan snuffed out the second as the comrades stood in remembrance.

Dominion President Osborne surprised the gathering by saying that membership in the Association now numbers 1,100. It was his plea that retiring members now serving would close up the gaps in the ranks left by departed members.

Buck Buchanan, known far and wide for

his 36 years of service, admired as much by the men who had served under him as NCO and officer, reported on his recent trip to the 44th Annual dinner and Roll Call of "A" Division, Vancouver. This is the largest Division in the Association and in the previous week 240 members and wives held the candle service in memory of eight departed members. Buchanan's theme is that comradeship of lasting value is ours to share and that as far as humanly possible we will not forget those who served. He remarked how fitting it was that those who shared the Service and who seldom meet from one year to the next should get together to reminisce.

And though they might not fit the old uniform to the Commissioner's approval, they turned up in their various disguises, still regimental, to reveal in glowing comradeship the barrack clown, the barrack lawyer, the efficient policeman, the good horseman, to chuckle over the embarrassing and amusing incidents. Until at some point after dinner there weren't any awkward youngsters standing between old men, but



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a merry band of timeless age who shared common experiences to help bring this country into the present.

There were regrets that Nobby Clarke, Humby, Ellis, Nicholson and many others could not make the trip. But Bill Shardlow was there, the man from Derbyshire, 77 years young and Brownie, the "mayor" of Turin, Jock Kennedy and Clarke Bradley.

Beaming in the background at the colorful anecdotes and good fellowship were John Kerr and the indefatigable Jimmy Simpson, "K" Division secretary who keeps the boys together.

And looking down on the happy company, one could almost feel the presence of the late Dominion President, Frank Baxter, who had enjoyed so much the last Turtle Mountain romp.

It was, in truth, the "Spirit of the Force". Let us hope it doesn't get lost in an overfed, overgrown era of prosperity.

### The Unexpected Guest

By A. R. Douglas

It was a rather chilly evening in the late Fall of 1906 and I sat beside the kitchen stove in the little RNWMP outpost of Twin Lakes, Alberta, near the foothills of the Rockies. We were within a mile of the Montana border and the nearest neighbor was a Mormon rancher whose place lay 15 miles to the north-west. I had not bothered lighting a lamp but had opened the door of the stove to watch the glowing bed of coals. In imagination I was seated in front of a fireplace back east and my reverie was interrupted only by the long dismal wail of a coyote calling to its mate. My back was toward the narrow passageway leading to the front door. I finally picked up my banjo and started strumming some old tunes to while away the long hours before my companions returned from night patrol -rustling operations were to be anticipated this time of the year and we had been warned to be on the alert.

Editor's Note: Reg. No. 4340 ex-S/Sgt. A. R. Douglas served in the Force from May 6, 1905 to June 30, 1907. He is the author of several other articles published in *The Quarterly*.

Although I had not heard a sound I had an uncanny feeling that I was not alone as, half asleep, I hummed softly the old familiar tune of "Carry Me Back to Old Virginia". Turning slightly toward the open hallway, my feelings were verified; a human form was framed in the doorway. In the uncertain light his features were indiscernible, but his Napoleonic pose intrigued me—his right hand was thrust into the folds of his mackinaw coat and his slough hat tilted slightly to one side. "Keep right on playing stranger," he drawled in a decidedly Southern accent, "I ain't heard anything like that since I left Tennessee."

"You must be a long way from home," I replied, "how come you are away up in this part of the world?"

"Oh! I get around a lot. I just dropped in to see if you had any objections to me paying a short visit to your little town of Cardston—saw your sign back on the trail, warning all travellers from the South to report here for Customs inspection, so naturally I try to obey the law."

There was an ironic touch to his reply which I didn't altogether fancy but I assured him it would be quite alright if he was on legal business, and did not prolong his visit beyond the usual time specified.

"I'll just take a look at your horse first," I said. Picking up a lantern and lighting it, I accompanied him outside. His horse was a magnificent dappled bay gelding with a brand on the left shoulder which I recognized immediately. "One of Galbreath's horses," I remarked.

"Yep," he admitted. "I'm working on the fall round-up with his outfit and just thought I'd like to see a little bit of Canada before I head South again."

Swinging into the saddle with the easy grace of a cowboy, he disappeared into the night, and I returned to the warmth of my fireside. I was not very favorably impressed with my strange visitor, nor his stealthy manner of creeping in without the usual formality of knocking.

Three days elapsed and I was just returning from a visit to the stable about sundown when I sighted a horseman riding at breakneck speed down the trail from the north. He slowed down a bit as he approached and I recognized my recent guest. Waving

his hand in salute as he passed, he pointed to the south and then urged his foamflecked mount onward and over the slight rise of ground bordering the International Boundary line.

Half an hour later I heard the thud of horse's feet outside the detachment. Expecting to see him back, I opened the door, but it was a total stranger whose horse also bore evidence of hard riding. The man seemed somewhat agitated as he dismounted and beckoned me toward him in the gathering dusk.

"See any sign of a rider headin' south on a big dappled bay hoss?" he inquired.

"Yes," I admitted. "There was a horseman passed by here not long ago. I guess he's over the Line by this time."

He swore volubly as he loosened the cinches of his saddle, to give his badly winded horse a chance to breathe more easily. Introducing himself as Jim Larsen, Sheriff of Teton County, he opened his coat to display his badge of office.

"You don't know that hombre I suppose?" was the first question he flung at me.

"No," I admitted "except that he gave me the name of Al Jenkens and said he was working for the Pick and Shovel outfit over in Montana.

"That's him alright! The notorious Kid Gannon-escaped from Tennessee jail where he was under sentence to hang for murder in the first degree."

"Come to think of it he did say something about Tennessee," I replied, "but it had no significance to me at the time."

"Well sir," he continued, "I've trailed that bird over a heap of country but he always seemed to be one jump ahead of me. Then I heard he was working for a Montana outfit and learned that he was taking a few days off and intended paying a visit to Cardston, where he claimed he had a friend. So I made a wide detour and crossed at Coutts, hoping I could pick up his trail and shoot it out in the open with him before he could get back into the Montana badlands, where he seems to have a hideout and possibly a pal or two."

"Well Sheriff it's almost dark now so you'd better rest up, while you tell me the rest of the story." I persuaded him to have a cup of tea while he related further details about my unbidden guest.

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I agreed. "I noticed he kept his right hand under his coat all the time but I did not suspect that he had a shoulder holster."

As he went into further details I learned the dramatic story of Gannon's escape from a Tennessee prison where he was under sentence to hang for a brutal murderadding a second victim as he made his getaway. He persuaded the guard to lend him a wire on which to hang some clothes he had just washed. Unsuspecting, the guard secured some copper wire and pushed it through the bars, unwittingly sealing his own fate, for as he stooped to open the cell door at supper time, a wire noose circled his neck, and with a swift jerk he was pulled against the bars and strangled. It was an easy matter for Gannon to secure the key to his cell and open the door, dragging the limp body of his jailer inside. Under cover of darkness he scaled the prison wall before any alarm had been given.

Then the Sheriff related how he had set a trap for him in the town of Cardston, which proved a failure. Knowing Gannon's passion for poker playing he surmised that he would spend his evenings at that pastime. The Sheriff soon learned that nightly sessions were held at a meeting place above the Chinese laundry on Main Street and one man, named Bates, had been losing heavily and was in desperate financial straits. The Sheriff found him at a nearby saloon, struck up an acquaintance and made him a proposition whereby he could easily pick up \$50. No questions were to be asked, he was simply to do as he was told.

"I'll stake you to a \$10 bill in advance, the balance to be forthcoming if you are successful. All you have to do" instructed the Sheriff, "is to get into that poker game tonight and keep your eye open for a stranger by the name of Gannon. Put him in such a position that I can get the handcuffs on him and the \$40 is yours. I will wait outside in the hall for a signal from you; he probably knows I am in town by this time, so be careful and don't slip up or there will be some lead slinging and somebody is liable to get hurt. He knows me too well to let me get within range of him but

he may not suspect that you are in on the deal."

And so, after satisfying himself that the game of cards was in progress and that the elusive Gannon was one of the players, the Sheriff waited impatiently for the signal that never came—three distinct taps on the floor.

Bates was to chose his own methods to ensure Gannon's capture and the story he told later, serves to illustrate that it was not as simple as he had anticipated. When it came Gannon's turn to deal he unwittingly brushed his jacket aside and Bates caught the glint of an automatic pistol in its holster just underneath his left arm.

"I see you're packin' a fancy gun" he remarked casually, "mind if I have a look at it."

"Not at all," replied Gannon, handing over the pistol for inspection. Bates looked it over with apparent interest and slid back the mechanism slightly to satisfy himself that it was loaded. All he had to do now was to raise it quickly and cover the man opposite, but as he prepared to do so, he found himself looking into the muzzle of a .45 Colt.

"O.K., pardner" drawled Gannon, "when you get through lookin' that thing over, I'll take it back." And suiting the action to the word he reached for the automatic and returned it to its holster. Then he rose, still holding the .45 and swinging it menacingly in front of the three players he backed slowly toward a rear door that led down into the alley below.

"A frame-up, eh gentlemen? Well! better luck next time." And a moment later he was gone.

The Sheriff left the detachment an hour later on his hazardous mission, but whether he ever caught up with the wanted man or not I never heard.

One thing I did learn a day or so later, in conversation with the younger Galbreath rancher, was that Gannon never returned to the ranch after his visit across the border and although Galbreath bemoaned the loss of a good horse he had also lost a top cowhand who could rope and ride with the best, and a crack shot as well, for he could pick the ear off a gopher at 50 feet. "He just blew in at the ranch from nowhere in particular," the ranchman concluded, "and asked for a job on the fall round-up. But

he acted kinda queer—always slept with a six-gun under his pillow and if anyone entered the bunk house during the night he was up in a flash and had him covered until he was sure of his identity."

### A Fine Public Servant

Chief Constable George Harvey of Lethbridge, Alta., who died Mar. 29, 1957, at the age of 63, was a former member of the RCMP. Born in England, Mr. Harvey came to Canada at an early age. In November 1914, he joined the Canadian Expeditionary Force, served Overseas and was demobilized May 24, 1919. Three weeks later he commenced his police career when he engaged in the RNWMP at Vancouver, B.C. Throughout the next 37½ years George Harvey earned an enviable reputation as a fearless, impartial law enforcement officer, an able administrator and a sound leader. When he retired from the Mounted Police in 1944 as a staff sergeant, he was the choice of the Lethbridge City Council to take charge of the municipal police. The respect in which he was held in that community is perhaps best told in editorial comment in the Lethbridge Herald:

"In a democracy, the police force is an agent of the law as enacted by the people through their legislators. Our policemen are regarded as public servants and conduct themselves accordingly. This appears so normal to the citizens of a democracy that they tend to take it for granted. Yet in point of fact those differences in the position and attitudes of the police are among the features which most distinguish a democracy from a dictatorship.

"Chief Constable George Harvey was in the best tradition of democratic policemen. His adult life, apart from military service during the First World War, was devoted to law enforcement. And for him the law was not a club to be used to beat and cow people but a guide to an orderly and mature society. He asked only that others respect the law as he did. In so doing, he himself won wide respect.

"This, together with his energy and efficiency, helps to explain why Lethbridge has been one of the best-policed cities in Canada during his term of office as its chief constable. The debt we owe him is compounded of our pride in this fact and in the excellent force which he built, and of an enhanced sense of security in our homes and on the streets. In Chief Harvey's death, we have lost a man who was a fine police chief because he was a fine public servant."

### Ex-Member Meets "Ride" in England

Inspr. Arthur J. King of the Bucks Constabulary (ex-Reg. No. 10105) in a recent letter to the *Quarterly* reported his great pleasure in meeting members of the Musical Ride currently touring England. Inspector King, in addition to taking every opportunity available to him to see the "Ride" in practice or on show, kindly entertained Inspector Downey at his home. He reports the troop making a great impression in their appearances in the Old Country.

Over the years the *Quarterly* has published letters from Inspector King from time to time and to him it is obviously a great source of satisfaction to be able to renew acquaintances with RCMP personnel who visit England on duty. In his letter he asks the *Quarterly* to extend his best wishes to ex-Sgts. Lewis McLauchlan, Ray Nelson, Mac Veitch and Tom Corliss, and also to ex-Cst. W. R. McCondach, Duncan, B.C., and S/Sgt. C. W. Anderson, "Depot" Division, who went to England with the Coronation Ride.

## RCMP Veteran's Association "O" Division, Fort William, Ontario.

At an inaugural meeting at Fort William, Ont., in November 1956, some 20 ex-members of the Lakehead District formed a branch of the RCMP Veteran's Association. Ex-Reg. No. 9598 G. Brownridge was elected president; ex-Reg. No. 11336 W. G. Renton vice-president; ex-Reg. No. 9366 D. J. McCall secretary-treasurer. Membership includes such persons as ex-Sgt.-Major F. Camm Reg. No. 6193 who will probably be most widely remembered by present serving members; also ex-Reg. No. 8652 P. T. Hake who served for over 30 years with the Ontario Provincial Police, and is now City Police Court Magistrate in Port Arthur. The association meets every second Monday in each month, and all members or ex-members are cordially invited to attend.



## Division Bulletin

### PARTY LINE OF THE FORCE

"Headquarters" Division

(Ottawa, Ont.)

**Births** To Reg. No. 14319 Cpl. and Mrs. N. E. Reeves, a son, Richard Arthur, on Aug. 30, 1956.

To Reg. No. 15966 Cst. and Mrs. P. S. Gazey, a daughter, Margaret Patricia, on Mar. 25, 1957, at Ottawa, Ont.

To Reg. No. 14691 Cpl. and Mrs. J. A. G. de la Durantaye, a son, Joseph Paul, on May 4, 1957.

To Reg. No. 15876 Cst. and Mrs. R. M. Dick, a daughter, Doris Jane, on May 21, 1957, at Sydney, N.S.

Marriages Reg. No. 17122 Cst. T. J. Church of Winnipeg, Man., to Miss Ethel May Baptie of Calgary, Alta., on Nov. 3, 1956, at St. Boniface, Man., (now residing in Ottawa, Ont.).

Reg. No. 15917 Cst. C. A. M. Johnson to

Miss Lucille Pauline LaRoche, at Ottawa, on May 18, 1957.

Reg. No. 18646 Cst. J. S. Cummins to Miss Helen Gregoire, at Eastview, Ont., on June 15, 1957.

Arrivals To Fingerprint Section: Cst. J. F. Cormier from Sydney Sub-Division on February 26, and Cst. J. D. Ewing from "Depot" Division on March 4. Mr. H. L. Vaneshe has been recently engaged for work in physical chemistry at the newly-established maritime unit of the Crime Detection Laboratory at Sackville, N.B.

**Transfer** First member of the Ottawa Laboratory to be transferred to the new unit at Sackville was Cpl. A. M. Headrick of the Document Examination Section who arrived at his new posting late in April.



Winners of the Crump Trophy and the Canadian Police Curling Association Championship. Left to right—Cst. T. O. Lewis; Cpl. J. J. F. Miles; Sgts. D. M. Leask and W. A. Coombs (skip).

Retirements A presentation in the main bureau on the morning of March 29 marked the retirement to pension of Spl. Cst. John G. Dickson who has been in charge of Photographic Section for the past 20 years. In tribute, Supt. R. P. Hanson presented the retiring photographer, on behalf of the Identification Branch, a gift which Mr. Dickson should find useful as he continues on the basis of a hobby, the line of work in which he has shown deep interest through the years. Commencing his career as a commercial and portrait photographer in Galt, Ont., in 1914, Mr. Dickson has since served eight years as a photographer in the Department of the Interior at the Dominion Observatory, Ottawa, engaging as special constable in charge of our Photographic Section on June 1, 1937.

Reg. No. 16180 Cst. G. Coveyduck retired to pension on April 15, carrying with him the best wishes of his many friends and past associates

in the Fingerprint Section.

Members of Central Registry have bade farewell to S/Sgt. H. W. Reddington who

recently retired to pension.

A popular NCO and promoter of sports activities within the Force, Reg. No. 11143 S/Sgt. L. F. Wilson, Senior NCO, Identification Branch, left June 10, on leave pending retirement to pension with 26 years of service to his credit. Joining on Nov. 5, 1931, Staff Sergeant Wilson has served in "H", "O" (12 years) and "A" Divisions and, since April 1952, in "HQ" Division. On May 27, a stag party afforded the opportunity to his friends to say farewell; a portable typewriter was later presented as a token of esteem. Always genial in his relationships and devoted to his work, S/Sgt. Frank Wilson will be greatly missed. His many friends and past associates wish him well in his new pursuits.

Promotions Congratulations to Sub-Insprs. D. G. Kells and R. V. Currie, newly commis-

sioned officers.

Course Identification Class No. 14 convened on March 4 for a six week course which was attended by members of the RCMP, Ontario Provincial Police, various municipal police forces from the province of Ontario, and one member each from the Calgary City Police and the RCAF.

Civil Staff News Miss Shirlie La Branche (Firearms Registration Section) was wed to Mr. John Claude Charron on March 23, in Ottawa. Miss Florence (Penny) Wakefield resigned in March, at Rome, Italy to marry, and is now residing in Madrid, Spain as Mrs. T. Hughes.

Curling The months of February, March and April of this year saw our local curling club wind up a season's activities with a number of play-off events. The President's Draw was won by a rink skipped by CSM W.

Taylor, Sgt. G. V. Eaton's rink captured the Jack Snow award, leaving Cpl. R. M. Handford in possession of the consolation award, the "skips and thirds" competition was taken by a rink under Sgt. G. B. Harrison and Sgt. D. C. Sprott skipped the rink which took the "seconds and leads" draw. All prizes and major trophies were presented at a Club dance in the "N" Division gymnasium on April 27.

The Canadian Police Curling Association Bonspiel, held at Ottawa, March 18-20, drew representatives from all provinces and many police departments. In the finals of the three major events, three RCMP teams came out on top: a local rink representing "RCMP Canada" fared especially well. Emerging winners of the N. R. Crump trophy and Bonspiel champions, this rink was composed of Sgt. W. A. Coombs (skip), Cst. T. O. Lewis, Cpl. J. L. Myles and Sgt. D. Leask. While Inspr. G. A. Woodward skipped his Nova Scotia rink to victory in the L. H. Nicholson trophy event, the final event brought glory and the Chiefs of Police trophy to Cpl. L. C. Stephenson's rink from Saskatchewan. (Other RCMP teams came from Vancouver, North Bay and Montreal.)

**Shooting** Probably the biggest sweep of main prizes ever accomplished by one group since the organization of the Ontario Police Revolver Competition was made last Fall by

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Left to right—Expert Pistol — Cst. S. W. Kelly; Sharpshooter Pistol — Cpl. T. Auchterlonie; Master Pistol — S/Sgt. E. Davies; Commr. L. H. Nicholson Trophy — Sgt. E. C. Armstrong; Inspr. G. H. Prime. Master Rifle — Sgt. W. D. Johnson; Expert Rifle — Cst. G. White; Sharpshooter Rifle — Miss L. Larabie.

a five-man pistol team representing the Ottawa Senior Handgun Club. The match, held in Toronto last November 28, was the tenth in this annual competition. Winner of the Police Memorial Trophy, with a Grand Aggregate score of 349 out of a possible 360 was Sgt. E. C. Armstrong, other members of our local team and their aggregate scores being: Cst. M. N. McCulloch, 328, S/Sgt. E. Davies, 327, Cpl. J. W. Meahan, 318 and Cst. G. A. Walker, 305. Staff Sergeant Davies, Sergeant Armstrong and Corporal Meahan combined to win the Dominion Envelope Trophy for team competition and the Ed. Tong Memorial Trophy, Tyro Championship award was won by Constable McCulloch.

Eight members of the Senior Handgun Club motored to Montreal on April 13, engaged in a .22 and .38 handgun match with members of the "C" Division, RCMP and Canadian National Railways pistol clubs, and emerged victorious with a margin of 13 points over their closest contenders. Responsible for a winning total of 2622 points were: Cpl. J. R. Zavitz, 572, S/Sgt. E. Davies, 516, Sgt. E. C. Armstrong, 513, Cpl. B. Lensen, 511, Cpl. G. E. Gaines, 510. The CNR team placed second with a total score of 2609 edging out "C" Division's team which posted 2591. Following the match, a dinner was held in the "C" Division mess.

At a return match, fired at Ottawa, May 12, the Ottawa club soundly defeated their previous close contenders, the CNR Pistol Club, with a score of 2629 to 2569, the "C" Division club placing second with a comfortable 2621. Victorious club members and their scores were: Cpl. J. R. Zavitz, 556, Sgt. E. C. Armstrong, 527, S/Sgt. E. Davies, 519, Cst. G. A. Walker, 519, and Cpl. C. E. Gaines, 508. All rivalry forgotten, members of the three teams gathered for a post-match dinner in the "N" Division mess. When these matches are resumed (probably in September), it is quite possible that four clubs will be participating, the Ottawa NDHQ club being a new representative from this area.

Golf With the April election of a new executive, the RCMP golf club for the Ottawa area reorganized for the 1957 season, Cpl. D. H. Lauber succeeding Sgt. W. D. Johnson as president, and Sgt. E. W. Willes replacing Cpl. J. D. Fletcher as secretary-treasurer.

This year members have been using the facilities of the Glenlea Golf Club, near Aylmer, P.Q. With the number of golfers participating equal to that of previous seasons, the club—favored with an early start and ideal week-end weather—seemed at last report to be on the way to another successful season.

Social During an interval in a March 16 St. Patrick's dance at Spadina Ave. Barracks, responsive party-goers-invited to join in a sing-song-were quick to take advantage of a chance to display their vocal talents. Song sheets in hand, led by Cst. R. C. King and a choir of nine radiant young ladies of the Identification Branch, they voiced a host of Irish melodies with gusto and fervor. A visitor from Edmonton, Miss Sandra Gavin, soprano, sweetly rendered two solo items and Constable King (ably taking over in the absence of S/Sgt. D. N. Cassidy) offered an ebullient rendition of "McNamara's Band". Choristers, along with organizer Mrs. B. Lovett and musical adviser, Cpl. D. Clarke, are to be congratulated on the success of their venture, for, needless to say, their special musical treat was greatly appreciated.

A party at the Long Island Summer Camp on May 31, drew members of the Identification Branch together for a pleasureable evening of dancing. Music was supplied by records and a light lunch was served at midnight.

Sorrow Reg. No. 13076 Sgt. John Dean Dunbar of the Regulations and Orders Section, died June 10 after a lengthy illness. Joining the Force on Nov. 8, 1938, as a member of the Band, he had transferred to general duty in 1943 and had served in "D", "O", "J", "A" and "HQ" Divisions. As a musician he had played trombone and drums.

Keenly interested in curling, Sergeant Dunbar was one of the enthusiasts who put a lot of time and effort into the thriving RCMP curling club in Ottawa. He was also active in fraternal circles and was a member of a degree team composed of members of the Force from the Ottawa area.

To his widow and a brother, S/Sgt. Al Dunbar, "K" Division QMS, goes the sympathy of a host of friends and acquaintances.

### "A" Division

(Ottawa, Ont.)

**Births** To Reg. No. 17034 Cst. and Mrs. L. E. Dunham, a daughter, Patricia Anne, on Mar. 14, 1957, at Ottawa, Ont.

To Reg. No. 13996 Cst. and Mrs. R. W. Storie, a daughter, Vikki Helene, on Mar. 17,

1957, at Ottawa.

To Reg. No. 13665 Cst. and Mrs. E. O. McGregor, a son, James Frederick, on Feb. 8, 1957, at Ottawa.

To Reg. No. 17114 Cst. and Mrs. W. E. K. Morris, a daughter, Pamela Anne, on Apr. 12,

1957, at Saint John, N.B.

To Reg. No. 13701 Cpl. and Mrs. R. W. Malloch, a son, Robert Scott, on Mar. 30, 1957, at Kingston, Ont.

To Reg. No. 17818 Cst. and Mrs. G. B. McRae, a daughter, Karen Elaine, on Jan. 22,

1957, at Ottawa.

To Reg. No. 17613 Cst. and Mrs. V. J. Aquilina, a daughter, Nancy June, on Mar. 22, 1957, at Ottawa.

To Reg. No. 17831 Cst. and Mrs. M. F. Torreson, a son, Glenn Paul, on Oct. 6, 1956, at Ottawa.

To Reg. No. 18138 Cst. and Mrs. W. O. McTavish, a son, Ronald Garth, on Feb. 18, 1957, at Ottawa.

To Reg. No. 16932 Cst. and Mrs. D. M. Hope, a daughter, Lynda Dyanne, on Feb. 14, 1957, at Ottawa.

To Reg. No. 17271 Cst. and Mrs. G. J. M. Love, a daughter, Elizabeth Jane, on Mar. 4, 1957, at Ottawa.

To Reg. No. 17290 Cst. and Mrs. A. R. Tassie, a son, Marc Joseph, on Mar. 12, 1957, at Ottawa.

To Reg. No. 16926 Cst. and Mrs. D. B. MacDonald, a daughter, Ida Marie Louise, on Feb. 7, 1957, at Ottawa.

To Reg. No. 13249 Cst. and Mrs. M. R. Kennedy, a son, Michael Gerard, on Apr. 13, 1957, at Ottawa.

To Reg. No. 15352 Cst. and Mrs. W. Hamluck, a son, John Albert, on Apr. 3, 1957, at Ottawa.

To Reg. No. 14423 Cpl. and Mrs. M. V. McComas, a son, James Verne, on Apr. 26, 1957, at North Bay, Ont.

To Reg. No. 15473 Cpl. and Mrs. H. T. Reitsma, twins, Darcy Glenn and Debbie Jane, on Mar. 17, 1957, at Sudbury, Ont.

To Reg. No. 15090 Cpl. and Mrs. E. H.

Trefry, a daughter, Sharon Lee, on Feb. 20, 1957, at Timmins, Ont.

To Reg. No. 15386 Cpl. and Mrs. J. G. A. Jutras, a son, Joseph Peter, on Apr. 30, 1957, at Noranda, Que.

Marriages Reg. No. 17883 Cst. D. K. Colwell to Miss Marjorie Edna Smith, on Mar. 2, 1957, at Kingston, Ont.

Reg. No. 18192 Cst. M. L. Morrison to Miss Georgina Allen, on Mar. 9, 1957, at Toronto, Ont.

Reg. No. 17526 Cst. J. L. R. Lortie to Miss Aline Cote on Feb. 16, 1957 at Sudbury, Ont. Reg. No. 18596 Cst. J. A. P. E. Thivierge to Miss Denise Ferrow, on Apr. 22, 1957 at Amos, Que.

Bereavements Members of the Division extend deepest sympathy to the following: Cst. J. McNaughton on the death of his mother on Apr. 3, 1957 at Perth, Ont.; Cst. E. L. McPhee

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on the death of his father on May 11, 1957 at Toronto, Ont.; Cst. B. L. Campbell on the death of his mother on May 11, 1957 at Ottawa.

Transfers Csts. T. Lucko to "D" Division; N. L. Hicks and M. J. Spooner to "HQ" Division; T. Zannie and A. Stairs to "H" Division; E. F. Elliott to "L" Division; J. H. Borle, G. S. Callaghan and E. E. Fraser to "E" Division; D. J. Moss and R. W. Woolaver to "B" Division; L. A. Taylor to "F" Division.

**Arrivals** Csts. M. L. Morrison from "O" Division and D. K. Colwell from "H" Division.

Presentations On February 27 members of Ottawa Town Station gathered to present gifts to Constable Wiebe and on April 29 to Constables Taylor and Lehman on their transfers from Ottawa. Our best wishes go with them to their new detachments.

On May 1 members of "A" Division Headquarters witnessed the presentation of the Bronze Clasp and Star to the following members for completion of 25 years' service in the Force: S/Sgt. J. Batza, Sgt. E. C. Sinnema, Cst. C. G. Ball, ex-Sgt. A. Lecuyer and ex-Cpl. J. E. Goulet. The presentation was made by Inspr. H. S. Cooper at Spadina Barracks. Refreshments were served afterwards.

Stag On March 29 a party was held at Spadina Barracks in honor of Sgt. H. C. Sandrock and Cpl. J. A. Schryer who were proceeding on annual leave pending discharge to pension. A large crowd attended and appropriate gifts were presented by the Officer Commanding, Supt. J. H. T. Poudrette.

**Promotions** Congratulations to the following: Sgt. H. R. Hancock; Cpls. K. T. F. Parker, I. W. Taylor, H. T. Reitsma, R. K. Hayman and T. C. Smith.

Golf On April 27, Cpl. R. Malloch of Kingston Detachment realized a "golfer's dream" while playing his first game of the season when he scored a hole-in-one on the 150 yard eighth hole at the Glen Lawrence Golf Club, Kingston.

Personnel Movement Cst. J. A. P. E. Thivierge from South Porcupine Detachment to Division H.Q., replaced by Cst. J. R. G. Tardif from Maniwaki Detachment. Cst. C. R. Duncan from Sault Ste. Marie goes to Sudbury and is replaced by Cst. R. L. Duff. Cst. J. F. Waterman of Sault Ste. Marie has gone to Prince Albert ("F" Division) and his place has been taken by Cst. B. S. Moss from Division Headquarters. Cst. J. S. D. Saville from Protective Branch Ottawa has gone to Pembroke Detachment. Spl. Csts. G. A. Cook and D. B. Taylor from "Marine" Division Halifax are now at Sault Ste. Marie Detachment and Cst. L. W. Leadbetter also of "Marine" is on temporary duty at the Soo.

Cst. W. G. Turner from Parry Sound Detachment is now at Division H.Q. and has been

replaced by Cst. D. A. Lehman from Ottawa Town Station. Csts. H. Johnson and M. G. Johnston from Kirkland Lake Detachment have changed places with Csts. F. G. Bollman and J. Wiebe from Division H.Q. Cpl. J. D. Lewak from Val d'Or is now at Division H.Q. and has been replaced by Cst. J. C. Y. Turgeon. Csts. H. Bannister and L. F. Sprague from Ottawa are now at North Bay and Cst. R. G. McGrath from the Sub-Division has moved to Division H.Q. Ottawa. Cst. P. S. Roy from Moose Factory has been transferred to Sault Ste. Marie and replaced by Cst. W. G. Salt from Division H.Q.

Social On May 3 the Rifle and Revolver and Bowling Clubs held their dance at Spadina Barracks. Trophies were presented by the Officer Commanding and music was by the RCMP orchestra.

Under the patronage of the Governor General, the Rt. Hon. Vincent Massey, CH, "A" Division Recreation Club held a dinner and ball at the Chateau Laurier on March 1. Guests of honor, who included the Minister of Justice, the Hon. S. S. Garson and Mrs. Garson; the Mayor of Ottawa, George H. Nelms and Mrs. Nelms; Commr. and Mrs. L. H. Nicholson and senior officers of the Force, were received by the Officer Commanding and Mrs. Poudrette. Music was provided by the RCMP Band (Ottawa) and more than 500 attended the dance. The Chateau ballroom was colorfully decorated in a motif that was included in the table decorations. The ball was an overwhelming success and plans are underway for a repeat next year.

At North Bay an informal party was held on April 20 at the Marine Room in honor of S/Sgt. R. L. Woodhouse, Sub-Division Patrol NCO., who was retiring. Following dancing and a buffet lunch, Inspr. W. Dick presented the guest with a mantle clock suitably inscribed on behalf of the Division. The Woodhouses will be residing in Kirkland Lake, Ont.

On April 12 a stag was held at Kirkland Lake in honor of Cst. H. Johnson, recently transferred to Division H.Q. after approximately seven years at Kirkland Lake. The gathering included representatives of other police forces, as well as personal friends, and Constable Johnson received a varied selection of fishing tackle.

On April 29 a farewell party was held at Sault Ste. Marie for Cst. and Mrs. J. F. Waterman who are now in Prince Albert, Sask. The guests of honor were presented with a 400 day clock.

At Parry Sound, Cst. W. G. Turner was honored twice prior to his transfer to Division Headquarters. On May 1 the local Pistol Club, which was formed largely through Constable Turner's efforts, presented him with a handmade revolver carrying case. The next night a dinner held at a local restaurant saw many

friends gather to say good-bye to Constable Turner. Gifts presented to him included a set of cuff links suitably inscribed and a sport shirt.

Shooting The Rifle and Revolver Club has just completed a busy season which included matches with many clubs in the district. Cst. I. W. M. Thibeault won the Connaught Cup for highest combined rifle and revolver aggregate, Cst. G. A. Walker took the Rowan Cup for revolver shooting and S/Sgt. C. C. Wilson won the RCMP Cup for the highest rifle aggregate. Other trophy winners were Csts. G. W. Black, R. L. Lavalley, G. F. Meyer and S/Sgt. R. L. Gilchrist. The R. J. Heeney Shield for revolver team shooting was won by Cpl. J. U. M. Sauve's group and Cst. T. Lucko's rifle team took the People's Credit Jewellers Trophy. The A. C. Brown Trophy in rifle and pistol shooting was regained from NDHQ, while all four "A" Division teams placed well up in the DCRA Winter Rifle Team competition. Thirty-five shoots from "A" Division entered the DCRA individual competition and 21 placed in the prize list.

Bowling Cst. Barry Gibson's team won the

championship by edging out S/Sgt. Lorne Gilchrist's squad by one point. Men's High Single for the year went to Mr. R. Crepin; Cst. R. Lavalley took the High Cross; Cst. M. McCulloch was High Average winner. Miss B. Tolle took the Ladies' High Single; Miss P. Atcheson the High Cross; Mrs. I. Hayman was High Average winner. Cst. Earl Elliott's team won the league play-off by edging out three other teams on the last night of competition.

Curling "A" Division held its first bonspiel during February and March. Thirty-two members of the division stationed in Ottawa participated in this event and the curling took place at "N" Division. A rink skipped by Inspr. D. O. E. Bartram defeated a rink skipped by Sgt. M. E. Linden in the finals. At a dance held May 3, under the auspices of the bowling and rifle and revolver clubs the officer commanding presented individual curling trophies and prizes to the winning rink and to the runners-up, as well as the trophy to the winning rink which has been presented to "A" Division by Superintendent Poudrette for annual competition.

Back row, l. to r.—Asst. Commr. and Mrs. J. Lemieux, Deputy Commr. and Mrs. C. E.
Rivett-Carnac, Commr. and Mrs. L. H. Nicholson, Asst. Commr. and Mrs. J. Brunet. Front row—Mrs. S. S. Garson, Mrs. Geo. H. Nelms, the Hon. S. S. Garson, Supt. and Mrs. J. H. T. Poudrette and Mayor Geo. H. Nelms of Ottawa, at the "A" Division Ball.





Curling Trophy donated by Supt. J. H. T. Poudrette.

**Square Dancing** Our Ottawa area "Grand Square Club" is approaching the end of another successful and enjoyable season. Our members

have reached a stage of proficiency where they can dance with the best of the local clubs and have no hesitation in attending other dances where callers of international standing are brought in. Perhaps the most enjoyable features of our programme have been our guest nights.

A star has been born in our midst! Under the able tutelage of our caller, S/Sgt. Jack Batza, and by the sweat of his own brow, Sgt. Jack Smith has thrown his hat into the callers' ring. Good luck to you Jack and congratulations.

As a member club of the Ottawa Valley Square Dance Association we have just enjoyed the final fling of our winter season—the Jamboree. This year, due to increased numbers, we had to split into two groups, with approximately 50 squares dancing in each hall. The summer will see two club dances at the Summer Training Camp at Long Island and individual participation by many members in open and other dances. This will prevent that rocking chair rust from eating too deeply into our bones and keep the fun of the dance ever in our minds. If the rockin' chair don't get you square dancin's mighty likely to!

### "Air" Division

(Headquarters-Rockcliffe, Ont.)

**Promotions** Congratulations are in order to S/Sgt. M. W. Ney, confirmed in rank; Sgts. A. F. Dye, R. L. Fletcher, Gordon A. Fallis, and Cpl. Gordon M. Carter who were appointed to ranks shown effective May 1.

New Arrivals The latest arrival in the "Air" Division is Cst. Norman Brisbin. Age 25, he is from the Whitefox district of Northern Saskatchewan, where he was brought up and educated. He joined the Force Aug. 25, 1950 and after training was posted to "K" Division, Alberta and was employed in Calgary Sub-Division, both in Calgary and High River, mostly on highway patrol. He started to fly with Chinook Flying Services, Calgary about 1953, obtained his private pilot's licence in March of that year and his commercial licence in May 1955, all at his own expense. In November 1956 Cst. Brisbin was married to the former Doreen McClelland in Nipawin, Saskatchewan. Cst. Brisbin was transferred to the "Air" Division at Rockcliffe in April 1957 and is presently a co-pilot undergoing instruction.

**Departures** Cst. F. R. "Bill" Howe took his discharge from the "Air" Division of the Force at Edmonton on March 16, when his period of engagement expired.

Flights of Interest In February 1957 the Grumman "Goose" aircraft CF-MPG based near Victoria, B.C., was called upon to transport a Canadian Army specialist with a mine detector from the balmy coast to the winter weather of Prince George, B.C. for the purpose of searching for a murder weapon. The weapon was located. Pilot of the aircraft was S/Sgt. "Wing" Reid, while the mine detector was successfully handled by L/Cpl. Barker, Canadian Army. On the return trip Police Dog "Pride" and Dogmaster Constable Ulmar were returned to Kamloops. An incident such as this serves to illustrate the varied types of facilities that are available to assist in solving a case.

A glance over recent flying returns for this same Goose aircraft shows under "Passengers or freight carried" on February 22 "Mental patient"; February 18, "Game Warden"; February 6, "Two prisoners, Constable and magistrate"; March 4, "Mental patient"; March 11, "three prisoners"; March 13, 14, 15 "Royal Canadian Navy Frogmen"; March 1, "four prisoners"; on April 5, "Police Dog "Tim"; with handler; April 12, "five prisoners"; April 17, "two prisoners, escort constable and one body"; April 20, "Doctor and one body"; April 23, "three prisoners" and so on. This gives a small indication of the use to which an aircraft can be put when called upon.

Over the same period that the Goose and

Beaver aircraft were working on water and wheels on the West Coast, the DeHavilland DHC3 "Otter" aircraft captained by Sgt. Lorne Fletcher was working on skis from its base in Churchill, in Northern Manitoba. Its passenger and freight list includes X-ray equipment, Indians, a multitude of Eskimos, including babies, a Doctor, members of the Force, officials of the Department of Northern Affairs, freight and supplies of various kinds, prisoners, matron, nursing sister, and so forth.

Over the same period the ski-equipped DHC2 Beaver aircraft based in St. John's, Nfld., and captained by Sgt. J. F. Austin carried out a search for two missing men on the ice between an island and the mainland; and in addition to the usual Police passengers carried mental patients, a boat engine for Hopedale Detachment, Welfare Department officials, Game patrol with Federal Wild Life Officials; searched for two missing loggers, and carried a Police constable to investigate the circumstances surrounding the sad death of seven children burned to death in a fire at Hopedale on the remote coast of Labrador.

Truly a variety of service.

### "B" Division

(Headquarters-St. John's, Nfld.)

**Births** To Inspr. and Mrs. E. A. Pennock at Corner Brook, Nfld., an adopted son, Stephen Robert, on June 1, 1956.

To Reg. No. 16227 Cpl. and Mrs. D. L. Goodyear at Corner Brook, a son, David John, on Feb. 7, 1957.

To Reg. No. 17080 Cst. and Mrs. G. W. Lightle at Harbour Breton, Nfld., a daughter, Maureen Ann, on Apr. 13, 1957.

To Reg. No. 14788 Cpl. and Mrs. H. Light at St. John's, Nfld., a son, Robert Jeffrey, on Apr. 22, 1957.

To Reg. No. 16195 Cpl. and Mrs. E. S. Bennett at Stephenville Crossing, Nfld., a son, Wayne Stewart, on Dec. 23, 1956.

To Reg. No. 16191 Cpl. and Mrs. C. C. Parsons at St. John's, a son, Francis John, on Apr. 8, 1957.

Spl. Cst. and Mrs. F. Bennett at St. John's, an adopted son, Brendan Edward, on Nov. 16, 1956

To Radio Operator and Mrs. H. B. Pollard, at St. John's, a son, Harold Anthony, on Apr. 29, 1957.

Marriages Reg. No. 17855 Cst. T. S. Bennett, Goose Bay Detachment, to Miss Miriam Edna Agnes of New Carlisle, Que., on Apr. 23, 1957.

Promotions Congratulations are extended to Cpls. G. L. Laidlaw of "B" Division Head-quarters Identification Section and H. Taylor of Grand Falls Detachment on their recent promotions; and to Sgt. G. A. Fallis of "Air" who, when the promotions were announced, was spending many busy happy hours hereabouts "flying his kite".

Pick the Stars Best wishes are extended to Miss Bernadette Crotty of Headquarters Stenographers' Pool on being selected by the CBC to proceed to Toronto and appear as a vocalist on a "Pick the Stars" television program.

Au Revoir At a social gathering held in the

mess during March, a presentation was made by Inspector Duff, on behalf of all members stationed at St. John's to Cpl. "Mike" Pepe, on transfer to Edmonton with his wife and two children. This transfer was noteworthy as it severed one of the few remaining links with the pioneer days of "B" Division. The Corporal, according to his own calculations and explanations, never owned a canine, yet, many of the pioneers will recall with amusement "Pepe's Dog" and the unbelievably embarrassing situations into which the big black animal used to land him by appearing from nowhere and attaching itself religiously to his spur tabs whenever important inspections were in progress.

Sweet and Low This division came socially of age when its first formal regimental ball was held in the gymnasium during the week following Easter. More than 100 couples danced happily for several hours to the "sweet and low" strains of the "Blue Notes" Orchestra. An appetizing turkey dinner proved a fitting climax to an already truly enjoyable affair.

Badminton Our entries in the St. John's City Badminton League failed to capture any first place honors. We did provide however, runners-up in the mixed doubles, men's doubles and men's singles. All in all, in view of the high calibre competition met, the showing of our representatives was, to say the least, creditable.

Rifles and Revolvers The indoor rifle shooting season was highly successful, with the two teams from St. John's entered in the DCRA, ending up each month in "the money". In the Inter-Divisional Rifle and Revolver Contests, respectively, three teams from St. John's and one from Corner Brook all did reasonably well, in that none of them made themselves conspicuous by appearing near either end of the final scoring column.

Bowling After a strenuously contested



Bowling Champions— Sgt. L. Arkles; Miss B. Spurrel; Cst. B. F. Brown; Mrs. Mabel Nickerson; Cst. C. Spofford; Mrs. Dorothy Clark.

schedule, in which managerial savvy and player transfers played no small part, Cst. B. F. Brown and his "Fog-Birds" (Mesdames Dorothy Clark and Mabel Nickerson, Miss Bernice Spurrell, Sergeant Arkles and Cst. C. H. Spofford) ended up on the top of the tree, with Cpl. H. Light and his "Snow-Birds" just one branch below.

Individual ladies' awards went to Mrs. Marlene Brown—high average—189.16; Mrs. Helen Delaney—high three—738; Miss Bernice Spurrell—high single—289. Trophies for men were won by civilian employee Charles Udle—high average—224.32; Inspr. R. W. Duff—high three—819; Cst. B. F. Brown—high single—336.

### "C" Division

(Headquarters-Montreal, Que.)

Births To Reg. No. 15550 Cpl. and Mrs. J. G. L. Lantagne, a daughter, Marie Josee Suzanne, at Coaticook, Que., on Mar. 13, 1957.

To Reg. No. 15636 Cpl. and Mrs. J. L. P. Mantha, a daughter, Marie Andree Michele, at Joliette, Que., on Feb. 8, 1957.

To Reg. No. 15172 Cst. and Mrs. R. Soucy, a daughter, Marie Eliane, at Quebec, P.Q., on Mar. 31, 1957.

To Reg. No. 15223 Cst. and Mrs. W. B. N. Kelly, a son, Walter David, at Montreal, Que., on Aug. 30, 1956.

To Reg. No. 16857 Cst. and Mrs. J. J. M. Maynard, a son, Daniel Keith, at Montreal on Feb. 9, 1957.

Marriages Reg. No. 17196 Cst. J. P. C. F. Garnier to Miss Gertrude Meunier of St. Cesaire, Que., on Mar. 2, 1957.

Reg. No. 17469 Cst. J. L. Melanson to Miss Maureen Allison Louise Stevens of Montreal, Que., on Feb. 2, 1957.

Reg. No. 17654 Cst. P. J. R. J. Plante to Miss Micheline Marsan of Montreal, on Apr. 22, 1957.

Reg. No. 18178 Cst. J. A. E. G. Sauve to Miss Fernande Foucault of Sherbrooke, Que., on May 11, 1957.

Reg. No. 17483 Cst. J. B. A. Moreau to Miss

Jocelyne Abran of Hemmingford, Que., on Feb. 2, 1957.

Promotions Our congratulations to the following: Sub-Inspr. J. J. P. Dessureau; S/Sgts. J. C. E. Dubord, J. L. Forest; Sgts. R. M. Bradley, R. N. R. Morin, J. G. P. E. Lecavalier, H. H. F. Patenaude; Cpls. O. R. Aubry, E. R. Robitaille, J. A. A. A. Cote, J. J. F. E. Berlinguette, J. L. P. Mantha and J. E. J. B. Giroux.

Bowling The "C" Division duck pin mixed bowling league came to a close after enjoying a popular and active year. The league was a success in every way. The "Hawks", winning team, led the closely fought race to the end. Miss G. Soucy topped the women in yearly averages and Ross Sheppard rolled a high season average for men. He also rolled a high triple of 501 for the season's best. Bill Hingley came through with a 224 single. Mrs. F. Law won the women's high triple with 391 and tied with our popular steno., Miss T. Fraser, for high single with 164.

Rifle and Revolver Club The Winter activities of the rifle and revolver matches came to a successful conclusion with the "C" Division .22 revolver team having placed first in the Inter-Divisional matches. The interme-

diate .22 revolver team also won the Montreal Rifle and Revolver Association competition, finishing first in a five team league of the Montreal district. The senior team placed second to the CNR Club in a closely contested series which went to the limit and required an additional match to decide the winner. Both our senior and intermediate .22 rifle teams won championships for the PQRA Military League indoor rifle competition for the past season.

On April 13, a team of eight men from "HQ" RCMP Senior Handgun Club favored us with a visit and won the .22 calibre and .38 calibre pistol match held at our indoor range on that date. The CNR pistol team also participated and although some excellent scores were shot, no one came close to the fantastic

score posted by Cpl. J. Zavitz of the Ottawa squad who shot a total of 572. Headquarters' team came first, with Montreal CNR placing second and our team in third position. On May 3, a return match was held at "N" Division outdoor range at Rockcliffe, and once again the Ottawa Senior Handgun Club won, with "C" Division placing second and CNR third.

Retirement Reg. No. 10804 Sgt. J. H. Blais retired to pension on May 18, 1957 after having served 27 years in the Force. He has moved to Sun Village, Clearwater, Florida, U.S.A., with

his family.

Reg. No. 12054 Cpl. J. A. L. S. Langlois retired to pension on May 10 and is now residing at Seven Islands, Que., where he is employed as Chief Constable of the Seven Islands Municipal Police.

### "D" Division

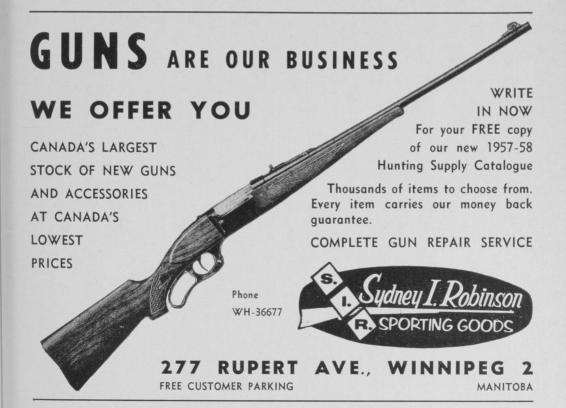
(Headquarters-Winnipeg, Man.)

**Births** To Reg. No. 15897 Cst. and Mrs. R. P. E. Hartl, Dauphin Sub-Division, a son, Dennis Athol, on Oct. 16, 1956.

To Reg. No. 15779 Cst. and Mrs. R. E. Smith, Winnipeg, Man., a daughter, Jo-Anne Heather, on Dec. 26, 1956.

To Reg. No. 15882 Cst. and Mrs. K. R. Ohly, Winnipeg, a daughter, Susan Nora, on Jan. 24, 1957.

To Reg. No. 16862 Cst. and Mrs. L. R. Moore, Reston, Man., a daughter, Debra Dawn, on Jan. 30, 1957.



To Reg. No. 15544 Cst. and Mrs. F. F. Yorke, Carman, Man., a daughter, Catherine Dale, on Feb. 4, 1957.

To Reg. No. 13204 Sgt. and Mrs. R. D. Walters, Winnipeg, a daughter, Karen Patricia,

on Feb. 28, 1957.

To Reg. No. 16669 Cpl. and Mrs. E. A. Bonderud, Winnipeg, a daughter, Gail Joanne, on Mar. 10, 1957.

To Reg. No. 16964 Cst. and Mrs. G. L. Huff, Killarney, Man., a daughter, Terry Lynne, on

Mar. 15, 1957.

To Reg. No. 15201 Cst. and Mrs. D. G. Roberts, Hamiota, Man., a daughter, Sandra Lynn, on Mar. 15, 1957.

To Reg. No. 14784 Cst. and Mrs. R. E. Fraser, Winnipeg, a son, Robert Ross, on Mar.

19, 1957.

To Reg. No. 16900 Cst. and Mrs. J. P. McArthur, Winnipeg, a daughter, Marie Shawne, on Mar. 25, 1957.

To Reg. No. 16703 Cst. and Mrs. K. R. Elliott, Flin Flon, Man., a son, Robert Edward, on Apr. 11, 1957.

Marriages Reg. No. 17488 Cst. J. E. P. Blais, Brandon, Man., to Miss Yvonne Gloria Dennison, of Virden, Man., on Apr. 27, 1957. To reside in Minnedosa, Man.

Reg. No. 17577 Cst. A. Bischoff, Brandon, to Miss Joan Marilyn Rogers of Souris, Man., on

Feb. 28, 1957.

Reg. No. 17573 Cst. D. A. Whyte, Portage la Prairie, Man., to Miss Irmgard Judith Uffelmann, at Winnipeg, Man., on Mar. 1, 1957.

Reg. No. 18376 Cst. J. C. Schram, Killarney, Man., to Miss Ruby Ann Spratt of Brandon,

on Mar. 23, 1957.

Reg. No. 17462 Cst. A. J. Chapman, Winnipeg, Man., to Miss Joan Kerr of Winnipeg, on Apr. 13, 1957.

**Departures** Our best wishes are extended to the following who have been transferred: Csts. M. I. Murton to "HQ" Division, E. G. Blanchette to "G" Division; Cpl. L. Jones to "E" Division; Cst. J. C. Schram and Sgt. P. S. Hobbs to "B" Division. Miss J. F. Reesor, Dauphin Sub-Division, Overseas.

Arrivals This Division recently welcomed the following: Csts. H. C. E. Smith, W. Alexander, F. J. Ramsay, E. T. Higgs, R. J. Nolan, L. L. Pearson, R. J. Gatland, B. F. Doolan, T. D. Byrnes, J. R. Henry, G. D. Foss, K. W. Capstick, R. W. Burchett and R. I. D. Juby from "Depot" Division; Csts. D. T. McCallum, R. D. Parsons, M. A. Malnyk, C. A. Hill, G. W. King, W. R. Beer, O. W. Steele and B. G. Cusack from "N" Division; Csts. J. Baziuk from "K" Division, T. L. Edwards from "F" Division and T. Lucko and N. A. Saunders from "A" Division; Cst. G. S. Coutts re-engaged at Toronto; Misses J. M. O. Borex, Head-

quarters Mess Staff and G. A. Anderson, Stenographer, Brandon Sub-Division.

Pensioned Reg. No. 11496 Cpl. G. C. Harpell and Reg. No. 11263 Cpl. E. E. Benson. A gathering was held in the "D" Division Recreation Room to honor these two members upon their retirement from the Force. Corporal Harpell, a former member of the Manitoba Provincial Police, had a total of 29 years' service in Manitoba, and was commended by the Officer Commanding for his long and faithful devotion to duty. He was presented with an electric floor polisher. Corporal Benson, with 25 years, was also commended by the Officer Commanding, and on behalf of members of "D" Division was presented with two Hudson Bay four point blankets.

At the same time S/Sgt. W. A. Gill and Cpl. W. D. J. Young were presented with their Bronze Clasp and Star, having completed 25

years of service.

Promotions All members of the division join in congratulating the following on their recent promotions: S/Sgt. W. A. Gill; Sgts. J. E. Kessler, S. C. Cundal, G. J. Wiens, E. Hodgson, P. A. Carter and J. A. P. G. Paquette; Cpls. J. Krassie, R. H. Bradford, W. B. Smith, J. M. McCuish, G. L. Dalton, D. C. Shepherdson, D. W. McGibbon and W. D. Luelo.

**Deaths** Condolences to Cst. J. P. R. Beaudette, whose father died at Asbestos, Que., on Apr. 23, 1957, and to Civil Servant and Mrs. E. C. W. Bailey, whose infant son died on Mar. 10, 1957.

Social Prior to his departure for "E" Division, Cpl. L. Jones, a long time member of this division, was honored at a headquarters gathering. He was presented with a suitably engraved gold watch by the Officer Commanding, on behalf of the staff.

Sgt. P. S. Hobbs, on transfer to "B" Division, was presented with an electric clock by members of Winnipeg Sub-Division, and with an engraved desk set by the Sergeants' Mess.

On March 28, the Dauphin Sub-Division Women's Auxiliary entertained their husbands at a social gathering in the local recreation room. Entertainment consisted of films, games and a rather extraordinary fashion parade.

Brandon Sub-Division report a party held at the Foresters Hall on May 2. More than 30 couples were in attendance, and the evening was thoroughly enjoyed.

Rifle and Revolver Club The Winnipeg club had a particularly active winter and can feel justly proud of its achievements. The revolver team captained by Staff Sergeant Hannah, with Corporals Bonderud and Dalton and Constable Kiss won the Winnipeg Transit Trophy.

Rifle Team-Back Row: Left to right-Cst. J. P. McArthur; Civ. Svt. E. C. W. Bailey; Sgt. R. D. Walters; Spl. Cst. J. Lazark; Cst. D. C. Rivers. Front Row: Left to right-Cpl. D. W. McGibbon; Sgt. Major C. T. Hanman; Asst. Commr. S. Bullard; Cpl. G. L. Dalton.



All police forces in the Winnipeg area had

teams competing in this event.

The rifle team, composed of Sergeant Major Hanman, Sergeant Walters, Corporals Bonderud, McGibbon and Dalton, and Constables Smith, Rivers, Special Constable Lazark and Mr. Bailey, won the Whitehead Trophy in a shoot-off against five other teams after a season long, shoulder-to-shoulder battle in the Manitoba Provincial Rifle Association. We are pleased to learn that they also placed first in the Inter-Divisional rifle matches, and fourth in the Dominion of Canada Rifle Association Sherwood Trophy aggregate. It was the first time that a team from this Force had won the Whitehead Trophy in competition since 1924. Practice has already begun on the outdoor range, with hopes of a large representation in the MPRA large bore matches.

The Dauphin Rifle Club had an active winter,

terminating on April 30.

Bowling The "D" Division mixed bowling league completed the schedule on April 9. Owing to the destruction by fire of the Recreation Alleys, the finals were reduced to one night only and these were run off at the Park Alleys. Judging from most of the scores during the finals, it is the general concensus that we should have bowled at the Park Alleys during the season.

Dave Rivers with his "Argonauts", composed of Janet Lambert, Ed Sauve, Doreen Jenkins and M. Christenson, proved to be the champions of the main event. Al Gillespie and his "Eskimos", composed of Terry Skelton, Kay Beaumont, Bob Smith and Yvette Fourneaux. nosed out George Currie and his "Lions" at the wire in the consolation event. It required the handicap, however, to silence these howling "Lions", and we do mean "howling".

The ladies' high average was taken by Janet Lambert, and the men's by Lew Jones. The ladies' high single was won by Doreen Rivers and the men's by Buck Walters. The ladies' high three was won by Dorothy Gillespie, and the men's by A. Pluckwell. The most improved bowler trophy was won by Hank Hillaby.

Curling A second round was played in the mixed curling league with the top four teams playing a double round robin and the other six teams doing likewise. When the season wins were totalled, a tie for first place existed between the rink skipped by Sergeant Wiens comprised of Constable Andrusky, Mrs. Jordan and Miss Larsen, and the rink of Corporal Jordan, made up of Constables Sjolie, Guyader and Miss Gaden. Since Wiens' rink won the first round, it was declared the champion.

As the result of the hard work of our prize committee composed of Corporal Kent and Constable Hornett, every rink received a prize, which must surely set some kind of a record.

Basketball Cst. J. W. Dafoe of Fort William Detachment put in a busy season on the basketball floor, both as coach and player. In the former capacity he coached the "Court Kings" in the Fort William Juvenile League and his squad took the city championship. He also played on an entry in the city senior league and his club won the championship and later went on to play-off against Winnipeg.

Banquet The bowling and curling season was brought to a close by a smorgasbord dinner and dance on April 23, at the Vasa Lund in Charleswood. This proved to be a most successful and enjoyable evening. The Vasa Lund once again proved they still put up the best and most food for the money in the Greater Winnipeg area. Following the dinner, bowling prizes were presented by the Officer Commanding and curling trophies by Superintendent Cox.

At the dance which followed, a number of prizes were donated for exponents of the finer arts of "rock and roll" and the "butterfly dance". Judges Superintendent Cox and Inspec-

tor Stone had considerable difficulty in deciding on the winners of the "butterfly dance", but after repeated performances, Constable Chetner and his two competent female companions were declared the winners over Corporal Young and his partners. We now understand Chetner has taken up the "butterfly dance" seriously in view of its weight reducing qualities. Judges Mrs. Cox and Mrs. Stone had an equally difficult job in declaring a winner in the "rock and roll" contest. Constable Human and our popular steno Diane Aiello were eventually declared the winners in a close contest, with Constable and Mrs. Hillaby.

#### "Depot" Division

(Training Centre-Regina, Sask.)

Transitions Congratulations are extended to the following on their recent promotions: Inspr. H. Robertson, S/Sgts. E. Knull and C. J. W. Chester, and Cpls. K. J. Jensen and F. W. Perry. Changes among staff personnel include the arrival of Sgt. J. H. Poole from "B" Division as lecturer on Criminal Law. An exchange in the foot drill department was completed when Cpl. A. R. W. Wilvert from "N" Division filled the position vacated by Cst. T. Scott transferred to "N" Division. Other changes on the local scene include the slowly rising hulk of new "B" Block on the site of old "B" torn down last year. Steel framework has now been completed and exterior bricking is underway on the nine-barrack room structure which, when completed, will accommodate up to 270 men.

Retirement On April 12 a joint celebration was held in the new division mess honoring two well-known figures on the "Depot" roster, Cpl. J. W. H. (Squire) Waddy and Emp. Civ. George J. Pyne. Both men were employed on the Post Garage staff and will be remembered by many members of the Force who have been posted in the Regina area or trained at

L. to R.—Cpl. Waddy, Emp. Civ. G. Pyne and Spl. Cst. G. Woodford, recent retirements from "Depot" Division.



"Depot" Division. Corporal Waddy will make his new home at Powell River, B.C. and Mr. Pyne is still residing in Regina. To them both we offer our best wishes for a long and happy future.

#### Spl. Cst. G. H. Woodford

Members of the Officers' Mess and their wives gathered on December 14, following the C.P.C. 29 graduation, to bid farewell to Spl. Cst. George Henry Woodford, for many years cook in the Officers' Mess in Regina. "George" as he is known to officers throughout the Force, was first employed with the RCMP in 1931 in Vancouver. He served in the Royal Canadian Army Service Corps during the World War I and was at the Dardanelles under the command of Sir Ian Hamilton and spent 2½ years in the service of Lawrence of Arabia. Prior to his employment in this Force he worked as cook in the dining car service of the CPR and at several logging and paper companies on the west coast. He will reside with a married sister in Windsor, Ont.

Roadeo Four members of our driving staff, Sgt. R. A. Faircloth and Csts. T. W. O'Connor, R. K. Williams and W. A. Glover, working with members of the Saskatchewan Highway Board, Regina City Police and Saskatchewan Motor Club officiated at the Jacee Teen-Age Driving Roadeo on May 11. Forty-eight enthusiastic teen-agers demonstrated their driving skill during the competition which was held on the Army parade ground in Regina. The event was covered by TV and radio and during the intermission our driving staff gave a public demonstration of Stopping Distances on the course with a Brake Reaction Detonator.

Sports The inter-troop and staff basketball league season came to a close with "P" Troop as top finalists. Ideal spring weather in this region promoted early formation of a double

knock-out inter-troop and staff softball league. Keen staff interest in this sport resulted in two teams formed among personnel. League games are being played each Tuesday and Friday evening with Friday evenings being open for chal-

lenge games. The P.T. staff are hoping to organize an Inter-Service League this year. Interest in track and field is evidenced by activity shown among staff and recruit members at evening practices.

#### "E" Division

(Headquarters-Victoria, B.C.)

Births To Reg. No. 16485 Cst. and Mrs. G. N. Hacking at Salmon Arm, B.C., on Sept. 28, 1956, a son, Norman Ernest.

To Reg. No. 17368 Cst. and Mrs. K. M. Laughland at Vancouver, B.C., on Dec. 16, 1956, a daughter, Heather Eileen.

To Reg. No. 17460 Cst. and Mrs. C. C. Conrod at Burnaby, B.C., on Jan. 3, 1957, a son, Randall George.

To Reg. No. 15042 Cst. and Mrs. P. A. Eastman at Vancouver, on Jan. 9, 1957, a daughter, Nonie Jean.

To Reg. No. 15226 Cst. and Mrs. W. G. Pooler at Golden, B.C., on Jan. 12, 1957, a son, Ronald William.

To Reg. No. 15192 Cpl. and Mrs. G. A. R. Sharp at Murrayville, B.C., on Jan. 16, 1957, a daughter, Leslie Irene.

To Reg. No. 17008 Cst. and Mrs. J. E. R. G. Tremblay at Burnaby, on Jan. 23, 1957, a

daughter, Linda Susan.

To Reg. No. 14658 Cst. and Mrs. W. E. Fraser, at Burnaby, on Jan. 30, 1957, a son, Norman William Paul.

To Reg. No. 17771 Cst. and Mrs. D. L. E. Paquette at Burnaby, on Feb. 1, 1957, a son, Darryl Wayne.

To Reg. No. 14681 Cpl. and Mrs. G. E. Mumford at Lytton, B.C., on Feb. 2, 1957, a son, Donald Edward.

To Reg. No. 15735 Cst. and Mrs. R. Sannes at Nanaimo, B.C., on Feb. 5, 1957, a son, Randall Mark.

To Reg. No. 16594 Cst. and Mrs. J. D. Turner at Murrayville, on Feb. 9, 1957, a daughter, Jo-Ann Elizabeth.

To Reg. No. 16884 Cst. and Mrs. R. W. Hobson at Port Alberni, B.C., on Feb. 11, 1957, a son, Richard Alan.

To Reg. No. 16069 Cst. and Mrs. W. J. R. Stacey at New Westminster, B.C., on Feb. 14, 1957, a son, Peter Robert.

To Reg. No. 15139 Cst. and Mrs. M. Hochsteter at Duncan, B.C., on Feb. 24, 1957, a son,

Terry Joseph.
To Reg. No. 16323 S/Sgt. and Mrs. J. O. Hall at Powell River, B.C., on Feb. 26, 1957,

a son, Robert John.

To Reg. No. 15197 Cst. and Mrs. W. M. McConnell at New Westminster, on March 4, 1957, a daughter, Mary Lorraine.

To Reg. No. 15466 Cst. and Mrs. B. W. Giberson at Port Alberni, on Mar. 22, 1957, a daughter, Tannis Joann.

To Reg. No. 17813 Cst. and Mrs. W. A. Stokes at Kamloops, B.C., on Mar. 23, 1957, a daughter, Wendy Alaine.

To Reg. No. 17505 Cst. and Mrs. J. C. Dukeshire at Prince Rupert, B.C., on Mar. 27, 1957, a daughter, Kari Kim.

To Reg. No. 17299 Cst. and Mrs. J. C. Groves at Vancouver, on Apr. 5, 1957, a daughter, Marina Jaye.

To Reg. No. 15128 Cst. and Mrs. W. J. McElwee at Vancouver, on Apr. 11, 1957, a son, William James.

To Reg. No. 16096 Cst. and Mrs. A. S. Hobbs at Kelowna, B.C., on Apr. 11, 1957, a son, David Thomas.

Marriages Reg. No. 18508 Cst. L. M. Newson to Miss Charlotte Elsie Dillon of Abbotsford, B.C., on Jan. 15, 1957, at Abbotsford.

Reg. No. 17876 Cst. R. J. Pletz to Miss Shirley Ann Lambert of Vancouver, B.C., on Jan. 16, 1957, at Vancouver.

Reg. No. 17453 Cst. W. D. Gilchrist to Miss Elizabeth Ann Dolman of Victoria, B.C., on Jan. 19, 1957, at Victoria.

Reg. No. 18238 Cst. J. A. Kiez to Miss Shirley Ann Gagne of Vernon, B.C., on Feb. 2, 1957, at Vernon.

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Reg. No. 17528 Cst. A. J. Terry to Miss Phyllis Margaret Williamson of Courtenay, B.C., on Feb. 4, 1957, at Courtenay.

Reg. No. 17343 Cst. R. E. Myles to Miss Nicola Elizabeth Valerie Langley of Merritt, B.C., on Feb. 9, 1957, at Merritt.

Reg. No. 18482 Cst. M. J. Brown to Miss Janet Marie Picco of Vancouver, on Feb. 14, 1957, at Vancouver.

Reg. No. 17281 Cst. R. J. Woolger to Miss Gaylene Elizabeth Magrath of Victoria, on Feb. 15, 1957, at Victoria.

Reg. No. 14373 Cst. A. White to Miss Marlene Ada Woodward of New Westminster, B.C., on Feb. 23, 1957, at New Westminster. Reg. No. 17727 Cst. R. V. Pasemko to Miss

Mary Margaret MacDonald of Vancouver, on Feb. 25, 1957, at Fernie, B.C.

Reg. No. 17508 Cst. K. E. Greensword to Miss Luella Emilie Kurbis of Vernon, on Mar. 16, 1957, at Vernon.

Reg. No. 17646 Cst. E. V. Miller to Miss Thelma Elizabeth Creech of Victoria, on Apr. 20, 1957, at Victoria.

Reg. No. 17562 Cst. K. E. Hollas to Miss Lydia Kraemer of South Burnaby, B.C., on Apr. 20, 1957, at South Burnaby.

Reg. No. 17383 Cst. R. G. Morgan to Miss Beverly Ryan of Vancouver, on Apr. 24, 1957, at Vancouver.

Reg. No. 17549 Cst. A. J. Crothers to Miss Joyce Adams of Cranbrook, B.C., on May 4, 1957, at Cranbrook.

Sorrow The genial personality of Reg. No. 11016 Cpl. H. K. ("Pat") Byce had brought him, during his service in the Force, a host of friends in public and private life. Pat's sudden and premature passing at Duncan, on April 17, 1957, leaves us all with a deep sense of loss, which we share with his sorrowing widow and children. The funeral, with full RCMP honors, took place at Duncan.

Departures Recent transfers have seen us saying farewell, with our best wishes, to the following members: Sgt. W. H. Davidson to "K" Division; Cst. R. G. McDonald to "HQ" Division and Cst. C. W. S. Follett to "F" Division.

Arrivals A welcome to "E" Division is extended to these recent arrivals: from "A" Division, Csts. D. G. Doige to Quesnel, D. F. Haggarty to Cranbrook, G. S. Calaghan to Richmond, J. W. Fraser to Chilliwack, K. L. J. Rice to Vancouver, L. C. Sash to Vancouver, and J. H. A. E. Borle to Prince Rupert; Cpl. L. Jones from "D" Division to Division Headquarters, i/c Central Registry; Cst. G. A. Stewart from "K" Division to Division Headquarters and Cst. K. H. Richert from "HQ" Division to Port Alberni.

Also among arrivals have been a number of re-engagements: Csts. A. A. Guy and G. K. Martin to Prince George; Cst. Y. E. J. Beaulieu to Burnaby and Cst. R. J. Chapman to Nanaimo.

To Pension Another group of our veterans are taking their leave to pension, on the dates shown. They all carry with them our hearty wishes for success and prosperity in civilian life: Reg. No. 12017 Cpl. A. C. ("Cam") Forbes, June 1, 1957; Reg. No. 16330 Sgt. H. C. C. Daubeny, Aug. 9, 1957; Reg. No. 16353 Cpl. W. G. McLauchlin, Aug. 14, 1957; Reg. No. 10989 Sgt. A. D. Kupkee, Aug. 28, 1957; Reg. No. 16300 Sgt. E. F. McKay, Aug. 28, 1957; Reg. No. 11010 Cpl. E. E. Robinson, Aug. 29, 1957.

We have said a regretful farewell also to Reg. No. 16331 Sgt. G. S. C. Pearson, who has purchased his discharge to take up residence

in California.

Recreation Members in the Victoria area finished up the bowling season in a flurry of enthusiasm, with the team of Fred Carver (our cheerful elevator man at D.H.Q.) being victors in the play-offs. Fred was assisted by Mrs. Carver, Sgt. and Mrs. P. Bourassa, Cst. D. A. V. Hall and Miss Florence Scrimshaw. The season wound up with a bowlers' dance at the Work Point Sergeants' Mess.

Members in the Prince Rupert area finished up the bowling season with a record to look back on happily. Each of the two teams entered in the local leagues emerged the victor in the Grand Roll-offs. In individual play, Cst. L. A. Harrington won the men's high average trophy.

The heat was barely off the bowling rinks before the Prince Rupert RCMP softball team was out for spring practice. In the opening game the sub-division Officer Commanding, Inspr. W. M. Taylor, pitched the ceremonial first ball to Mayor George Hills, with City Clerk William Long as catcher. Our boys lost a close game, 8-7, but form displayed promises well for a repeat of last season's success.

Unusually fine spring weather has seen our golfers burning up the fairways with lots of practice. In Victoria the annual series of monthly competitions got off to an early start on April 16 at the Royal Colwood course. Low gross went to S/Sgt. J. O. Hall, of Nanaimo, with Cst. D. L. Grayling of Division Headquarters taking low net.

The May tournament saw another good turnout with Supt. J. R. W. Bordeleau, at the top of his form, taking the low gross prize; Sgt. G. L. Simons, Division Headquarters, came away with the low net.

Shooting Good news from the interior tells of the formation of the Kamloops Sub-Division Rifle and Revolver Club. Army authorities have kindly placed their Kamloops range at our disposal, and we are looking forward to hearing of the development of a group of promising young shooters in the near future.

In the January, February and March postal matches of the DCRA competitions, the "E" Division Headquarters Rifle team placed well in the winning column, and in the second year in the first division, showed considerable improvement over the previous season. The same team also competed regularly in the Inter-Divisional rifle and revolver matches. Full-bore rifle shooting is now under way, with members practising assiduously at Heal's Range every Saturday. Our two veterans, Cpl. J. H. Bishop and Cst. R. Walker, are regularly on hand to assist younger members, and they have also given freely of their time in coaching local Army and RCAF cadet groups.

Social During the past several years it has come to be recognized in Kamloops that the outstanding social event of the year is the Annual Police Ball, sponsored and organized by the Officer Commanding and members of Kamloops Sub-Division. The 16th ball, held this year at the Elks Hall in the city, lived up to the expectation of the previous ones. Over 400 persons were on hand to hear Mr. Justice J. V. Clyne of the B.C. Supreme Court officially open the evening's festivities with an address of welcome. As usual, the decorations and refreshments-put on by hard working committees-were of a high order, and did much toward the social success of the affair and the financial profit which is channeled into a worthy cause.

In Prince Rupert, the main event of the social season was the first Annual RCMP ball on

April 26. Among the guests were the Officer Commanding HMCS Chatham—who had kindly placed the Navy Drill Hall at our disposal—the Mayor, and the Officer Commanding the local Army Reserve unit. With some of Inspector Taylor's famous cartoons gracing the walls, and S/Sgt. W. J. Todd (now fully recovered from his illness) leading the Grand March with the bagpipes, the evening got off to a flying start which ended in one of the most successful affairs held in Prince Rupert.

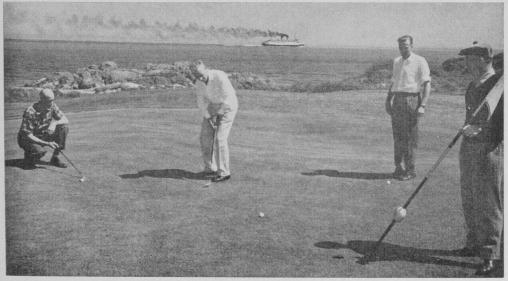
Youth Activities It continually surprises us to learn that even at some of our busiest detachments, members are able to find time to do a first class job of supervisory and organizational work amongst the youngsters. Latest example is the formation of the 7th Kitimat Wolf Cub Pack at Kitimat Indian Village by Sgt. J. F. Gregory of Kitimat Detachment.

Out of Victoria, Spl. Cst. W. B. Munton continues his bi-weekly visits to the Queen Alexandra Solarium, putting on regular programs of movies and stamp collecting sessions. The occupational therapy thus provided is a source of great satisfaction to the Solarium staff, and its benefit to the young and often helpless patients can never be measured.

#### An Invitation

The third Annual Invitational "E" Division Golf Tournament takes place at Victoria on Sept. 20, 1957. This yearly meet is growing rapidly in popularity and promises to become the outstanding summer sports event in the

An "E" Division Victoria four-some warming up for the big Annual Invitational Tour-nament on September 20. Left to right—Cst. K. O. Alexander; Cpls. W. J. Clancy, J. H. Bishop and Sgt. G. L. Simons. In the background, steaming through the Strait of Juan de Fuca, is the CPSS Princess Kathleen, which brings visitors (including golfers!) from the mainland to the Island city.



Force. In the large number of members who will be spending leave in British Columbia during September, there will be many golfers and would-be golfers interested in taking part in the tournament, and to all these a hearty invitation

is offered to come and join in the fun. Just drop a note to the secretary of the tournament committee, Cpl. W. J. Clancy, at Victoria, and he will be happy to register you and provide any further information required.

#### "F" Division

(Headquarters-Regina, Sask.)

Births To Reg. No. 15683 Cst. and Mrs. R. L. Birby of Regina, Sask., a son, Robert James, on Feb. 14, 1957.

To Reg. No. 14660 Cst. and Mrs. R. C. Hornett of Regina, a daughter, Brenda Mau-

reen, on Feb. 20, 1957.

To Reg. No. 18114 Cst. and Mrs. J. W. Herring of Assiniboia, Sask., a son, Lorne Robert, on Feb. 26, 1957.

To Reg. No. 15208 Cst. and Mrs. A. E. Traynor of North Battleford, Sask., a son,

Michael Jacques, on Mar. 2, 1957.

To Reg. No. 16137 Cst. and Mrs. D. G. Falconer of Regina, a daughter, Connie Jane, on Mar. 10, 1957.

To Reg. No. 16913 Cst. and Mrs. J. A. Smith of Torquay, Sask., a son, James Boyd,

on Mar. 13, 1957.

To Reg. No. 15004 Cst. and Mrs. P. J. McKerrall of Regina, a daughter, Teresa Lynn, on Mar. 27, 1957.

To Reg. No. 14686 Cpl. and Mrs. S. W. Keech of Rose Valley, Sask., a daughter, Chris Robin, on Mar. 28, 1957.

To Reg. No. 15244 Cpl. and Mrs. T. A. Farr of Regina, a daughter, Leslie Diana Cope, on Mar. 29, 1957.

To Reg. No. 17039 Cst. and Mrs. C. C. Coutts of Saskatoon, Sask., a son, Clinton Edward, on Apr. 6, 1957.

To Reg. No. 17327 Cst. and Mrs. J. R. Nickel of Regina, a son, Jeffrey Charles, on

Apr. 7, 1957.

To Reg. No. 14713 Cpl. and Mrs. L. Skinner of Punnichy, Sask., a daughter, Wendy Gaye, on Apr. 8, 1957.

To Reg. No. 16729 Cst. and Mrs. S. A. Martin of Carnduff, Sask., a daughter, Terri Lynn, on Apr. 11, 1957.

To Mr. and Mrs. E. J. Price of Saskatoon, (Communications), a son, Daniel Francis, on

Apr. 19, 1957.

To Reg. No. 15062 Cpl. and Mrs. A. Sikora, of Saskatoon, a son, Bernard Anthony, on Apr.

Marriages Reg. No. 15153 Cpl. C. W. Smith of Ile a la Crosse, Sask., to Wilma Kapphahn on Mar. 2, 1957.

Reg. No. 16972 Cst. R. E. Sims of Regina, Sask., to Miss Emma Mae Benny at Edmonton, Alta., on Apr. 6, 1957.

Reg. No. 17649 Cst. B. Procyk of Regina, to

Miss Elinor Glennis Dahlgren at Indian Head, Sask., on Apr. 25, 1957.

Reg. No. 17192 Cst. C. W. Kary of Prince Albert, Sask., to Miss Maureen Dolores Martin at Prince Albert, on Apr. 24, 1957.

Reg. No. 17689 Cst. J. Hoday of Regina, to Miss Elsie Margaret Oblander at Weyburn,

Sask., on Apr. 25, 1957.

Reg. No. 17294 Cst. A. T. Gawthrop of Indian Head, to Miss Emma Radfelder at Mossbank, Sask., on Apr. 27, 1957.

Reg. No. 14264 Cpl. J. W. Warbey of Regina, to Miss Leola Pearl Ganshorn at Regina,

on May 4, 1957.

Reg. No. 17563 Cst. H. F. Kathol of Regina, to Miss Ursula Fay Campbell at Weyburn, on May 11, 1957.

Reg. No. 17619 Cst. H. H. Babcock of Radville, Sask., to Miss Elizabeth Rachel Matthie at North Battleford, Sask., on May 11, 1957.

Bereavement All members of the division extend deepest sympathy to Inspr. W. G. Fraser on the loss of his wife, who passed away at North Battleford on February 28. From the Maritimes, Ontario, and the far reaches of Aklavik, N.W.T., personnel who had the privilege of knowing Mrs. Fraser will realize the loss of a very true friend of the Force.

Battleford Sub-Division -Two senior members of the sub-division retired to pension this Spring. On April 9, Reg. No. 10941 Sgt. E. C. Clendenning proceeded on retirement leave, after having accepted the position of Probation Officer for the Department of Social Welfare in Alberta. Sergeant Clendenning and family will reside in Grand Prairie, Alta., where he will open a new branch office for the department.

The North Battleford City Police will be obtaining the able services, as Deputy Chief, of Reg. No. 10732 S/Sgt. J. Sixsmith, who commenced retirement leave on May 10. Staff Sergeant Sixsmith has 28 years' service behind him, 20 of it spent at various points in Prince Albert Sub-Division and the remaining eight at North Battleford as Sub-Division NCO.

The best wishes of the entire sub-division accompany these two NCOs on their return to

civilian life.

Social Prior to his transfer to "N" Division as Training Officer, Inspr. W. G. Fraser was the guest of honor at a farewell banquet. It

was held at the Evergreen Lodge, North Battleford on April 8, with His Worship, Mayor H. J. Mayer, a number of civilian friends, and sub-division members in attendance, all of whom extended best wishes to Inspector Fraser in his new duties.

Prince Albert Sub-Division—Sports For the members of the sub-division, particularly the curling enthusiasts, a happy event occurred recently when Mr. R. E. Dunning, local Justice of the Peace, presented a Cup for competitive curling. It is to be known as "The R. E. Dunning, J.P. Trophy for Annual Competition by the R.C.M.Police, Prince Albert Sub-Division".

The donation of this cup provided added stimulus to the keen interest in curling which was evident throughout the season, so there was little difficulty in arranging a sub-division bonspiel with the new cup the main honor at stake. This bonspiel was held at Melfort on March 8, and the major event winners were: Csts. F. J. Stock (skip), R. C. Harrison, R. D. Crisall, and W. R. Alexander. Presentation of the trophy to the winning rink was made at Prince Albert on April 8 by the donor. Appropriate individual prizes were also presented to the members of the "top rink".

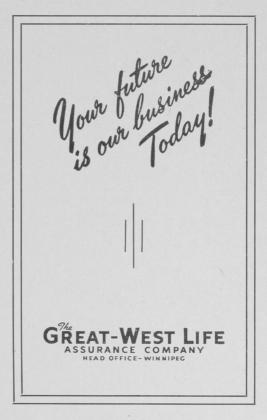
The donor of our new Curling Trophy, Robert Edward Dunning, is an ex-member of the RNWMP. He was born at Des Moines, Iowa, U.S.A. on July 18, 1879 and came to Canada as a young boy. He joined the RNWMP at Edmonton in 1902 and was assigned Reg. No. 3936. He later served at Regina, Prince Albert, Melfort and North Portal, all in the Province of Saskatchewan. During the winter of 1904-05 the then Constable Dunning attended a class composed of 22 members and at the conclusion he stood first with the result that he was promoted to the rank of Corporal. Mr. Dunning purchased his discharge fom the RNWMP at North Portal in 1905 to accept the position of Chief Constable of the Saskatoon City Police, a position he held until 1915. After leaving Saskatoon, Mr. Dunning raised cattle in the Birch Hills district. He sold out in 1946 and in 1950 he and Mrs. Dunning moved to Prince Albert to take up permanent residence. Mr. Dunning has been a Justice of the Peace for Saskatchewan since 1928 and is still active in that capacity. He and Mrs. Dunning have a son and a daughter, both of whom are teaching in Prince Albert.

Regina Sub-Division—Sports This year our annual curling bonspiel produced some keen competition with 14 rinks vieing for the famous Rigby Trophy which was donated by the local Justice of the Peace, Mr. C. F. Rigby. The victorious rink was skipped by Cst. R. J. Schrader, with Cst. A. E. McAuley placing third; Cst. S. A. Martin, second; and

Cpl. A. F. Brewin, lead. With the exception of McAuley, all members shared in honors last year. The second best team, which threatened all the way, was composed of Cpl. K. E. Campbell (skip), Inspr. F. W. Joinson, Cst. R. N. Heywood and Spl. Cst. W. Malyj.

Now that curling has faded out of the limelight, our next big sport will be softball, in which we intend to enter a team in the "Depot" Division League.

Retirements and Social Personnel of Regina Sub-Division sponsored an informal gathering held at the "Depot" Division Auditorium on February 22, in honor of Reg. No. 10406 S/Sgt. J. (Jim) Paton who, after completing 29 years' service had relinquished his hold on the southern section of the sub-division. A very pleasant evening was spent with the guest of honor. We were also privileged to have as guests on this occasion Police Magistrate D. J. Mitchell, Q.C. of Weyburn, Sask., and Mr. R. D. Newsome, Q.C., Agent of the Attorney-General of Estevan, Sask. Asst. Commr. C. N. K. Kirk, Officer Commanding "F" Division and Inspr. F. W. Joinson, Officer Commanding Regina Sub-Division, both spoke highly of the services of the departing member and presented hm with a suitably inscribed gold watch. The canny "Scot" responded in his usual fashion without any noticeable





Cpl. S. Green, S/Sgts. T. H. Colmer and J. Paton who have recently retired to pension.

change in his dour countenance. At the end of the school term Jim and Mrs. Paton will move to British Columbia where they intend to take up residence at Burnaby.

An enjoyable informal dance was held at the "Depot" Division recreation room on April 25. Music was supplied by the RCMP Dance Band and was well received by the 150 guests present. Judging by the turnout and local comment these informal affairs are extremely popular. The highlight of the function, which was attended by the Officers Commanding "F" Division and Regina Sub-Divison and members of the Sergeants' Mess, was the farewell ceremony for S/Sgt. T. H. (Tommy) Colmer and Cpl. S. W. (Sam) Green, who are retiring after completing 24 and 27 years' service respectively. All the close associates of the two members were sorry to see them leave and extended to them their best wishes for a happy and leisurely life in the future. During the evening, retirement gifts, suitably engraved, were presented to both members and their lovely wives as a further expression of the good wishes and high esteem in which they were held in the sub-division.

Staff Sergeant Colmer has accepted a position with the legal department of the Trans-Canada Pipeline in Winnipeg where he intends to take up residence in the near future. Corporal Green intends to go west, as all young men yearn to do, and will eventually make his home at Victoria, B.C.

Saskatoon Sub-Division—Shooting Winter indoor shooting activities concluded with a "smoker" held in the Sergeants' Mess at the Saskatoon Armouries. Presentation of the Birk's Trophy for the first place team of the winter league in the Saskatoon Services Rifle Association was made to the RCMP Saskatoon Team comprised of S/Sgt. N. F. Bennett, Sgts. E. R. Lysyk, S. J. Leach, Csts. K. McKenzie, A. M. Kuiack, A. H. Buttler, G. S. Cory and A. N. Cameron. Interest in both rifle and pistol shooting is on the increase and although our standing in Inter-Divisional and DCRA competitions for the past winter was by no means remarkable, it is hoped that by keeping the

majority of the same group of shooters together, a more creditable showing will be made next year.

Social Prior to the departure of Cst. F. W. Johnstone of Vonda Detachment on transfer to Prince Albert, a farewell get-together was held with a suitable presentation being made on behalf of the sub-division.

Swift Current Sub-Division—General In the line of general interest, good progress is now being made on the new RCMP Administration Building and garage at Swift Current, which has now reached the stage where efficiency of design and layout can be appreciated from both the administrative and practical sides of law enforcement. The new Officer's Quarters at this point were occupied on April 27. Landscaping of the grounds and a few odd jobs are not yet completed but should be finished in the near future. The quarters are satisfactory in every respect and a credit to the community.

Yorkton Sub-Division—Sports The annual Yorkton Sub-Division bonspiel was held in Yorkton on March 13, and was again a huge success with the largest turnout of curlers to date. The Winner's Event, the Wings Lunch Trophy, was won this year by a rink skipped by S/Sgt. L. J. Kiggins, which defeated S/Sgt. D. G. Chater's foursome in the finals. Other members of the winning rink were Csts. J. E. Switzer, W. Wasko and Mrs. B. A. Deer. The loser's event, sponsored by the T. Eaton Co. Ltd., was won by Cpl. W. F. Isaac's aggregation which defeated the rink of Cst. R. M. B. Toews in the finals. Other members of the winning rink were Csts. K. D. Curry, B. A. Deer, and Miss A. Fedun.

It is gratifying to report the successful formation of a Boxing Club in Yorkton under the able supervision of Cst. L. A. Taylor and sponsored by the Yorkton Kiwanis Club. Constable Taylor is being assisted in this endeavour by Cst. H. M. Hoswitschka.

Social A farewell smoker was held in Yorkton on May 7, in honor of Cpl. S. W. Keech and Cst. E. J. Giesbrecht upon their transfers to Stoney Rapids and Fort Smith Detachments, respectively. During this occasion suitable gifts were presented to each member by Inspr. G. R. Engel on behalf of all members of Yorkton Sub-Division.

"F" Division Headquarters—Retirements Members of "F" Division Headquarters staff gathered in the C.I.B. Offices on March 8, to bid farewell to Spl. Cst. Chas. F. MacBean on the eve of his retirement to pension after 25 years' service with the Force. Presentation of a gift from RCMP personnel in Regina and one from his more immediate associates was made by Supt. J. A. Peacock, Officer in Charge, C.I.B.

#### "G" Division

#### North-West Territories and Yukon (Headquarters-Ottawa, Ont.)

Births To Reg. No. 14853 Cst. and Mrs. W. Parsons, a daughter, Patricia Mae, at Owen Sound, Ont., on Nov. 28, 1956.

To Reg. No. 15157 Cst. and Mrs. J. R. Simpson, a daughter, Shannon Louise, at Whitehorse, Y.T., on Feb. 28, 1957.

To Reg. No. 15476 Cpl. and Mrs. A. B.

McKenzie, a son, Graydon Sherwood, at Yellowknife, N.W.T., on Feb. 27, 1957.

To Reg. No. 15834 Cst. and Mrs. R. I. Fendrick, a son, Robert Ian, at Edmonton, Alta., on Jan. 22, 1957.

Marriages Reg. No. 16781 Cst. J. E. Mc-Kenzie to Miss Sheilagh Patricia Campbell, at Aklavik, N.W.T., on Mar. 14, 1957.

Reg. No. 17351 Cst. G. O. George to Miss Patricia Margaret Armstrong, at Whitehorse, Y.T., on Apr. 26, 1957.

Reg. No. 18522 Cst. F. J. Jenkins to Miss Gail Valerie Swan, at Whitehorse, on May 10, 1957.

Arrivals Mr. A. C. L. Adams from Ottawa, commenced his duties as Police Magistrate in the Yukon Territory, on March 30. Police Magistrate Adams succeeds the late A. H. Gibson who passed away suddenly in Whitehorse on January 28.

Miss Frances Lee, typist, on transfer from "E" Division Headquarters to Whitehorse Sub-Division, arrived in Whitehorse on March 16. Miss Anne Ennest, typist, arrived in Whitehorse on May 3, on transfer from "E" Division, Burnaby Detachment to Whitehorse Sub-Division.

Promotions Congratulations are extended to the following NCOs who were promoted on May 1: S/Sgt. C. B. Sullivan, Fort Smith, N.W.T.; Sgt. W. L. Carey, Aklavik, N.W.T.;

Cpls. P. T. Hanley, Fort Smith, D. F. Friesen, Whitehorse, Y.T., H. Milburn, Whitehorse, W. F. Gallagher, Eskimo Point, N.W.T. and H. A. Feagan, Aklavik.

Sports The Whitehorse Juvenile Hockey League was active during the past winter. A team sponsored by "Hogens Ltd." and coached by Cst. C. W. Nolan won the championship and individual trophies were presented by Inspr. J. T. Parsons at a banquet in the Curling Rink on April 17.

The annual Whitehorse International Bonspiel was held this year on February 28-March 4. A total entry of 72 rinks was announced by the draw committee, rinks coming from all points in the Yukon and Alaska. Two RCMP rinks entered and were skipped by Inspector Parsons and S/Sgt. J. B. Fitzgerald, respectively. The former's team won second prize in the second event and the latter's rink took second prize in the third event. A ladies' team entered and skipped by Mrs. J. B. Fitzgerald was winner of the Ladies' Grand Aggregate prize. The RCMP was also represented on out-of-town rinks by Cst. D. F. Frieson who skipped an entry from Watson Lake, Y.T., and by Cst. R. G. Moulton who played on a team from Teslin.

Little League Baseball comprised of teams made up of boys between the ages of nine and 11 years, from the Whitehorse district, will be sponsored by units of the Army, RCAF, RCMP, and community organizations from the city of Whitehorse. Cpl. E. J. Ard, manager, Cst. G. O. George, assistant manager and Cst. R. R. Hogg, coach, will be in charge of training and organization of the RCMP team.

#### "H" Division

#### (Headquarters-Halifax, N.S.)

Births To Reg. No. 13281 Cpl. and Mrs. F. J. W. Sauriol, a daughter, Joann Leslie, on Mar. 16, 1957.

To Reg. No. 13320 Cpl. and Mrs. J. B. Shepherd, a daughter, Debra Lynn, on Mar. 16, 1957.

To Reg. No. 14799 Cpl. and Mrs. J. W. Beaman, a daughter, Janice Carol, on Mar. 8,

To Reg. No. 16906 Cst. and Mrs. J. G. Stewart, a daughter, Gail Ellen, on Mar. 26, 1957.



"Grand March" at Truro Dance. To Reg. No. 16952 Cst. and Mrs. J. T. Hickling, a son, Keith Morley Herschel, on Apr. 26, 1957.

To Reg. No. 14817 Cst. and Mrs. R. M. Douglas, a daughter, Dianne Rosemary, on

Apr. 23, 1957.

To Mr. and Mrs. J. D. McNeil, radio technician, Sydney, a son, Douglas Joseph, on Mar. 1, 1957.

Marriages Reg. No. 18244 Cst. K. W. Mac-Kay to Miss Elizabeth Mackenzie at Debert, N.S., on Apr. 13, 1957.

Reg. No. 17555 Cst. C. V. Smith to Miss Patricia Marguerite Thibault, at Kentville,

N.S., on Mar. 29, 1957.

Bereavements Members of the division extend deepest sympathy to the following: Cst. A. T. McHaffie, whose father John Forsythe McHaffie, died at Aberdeen, Scotland, on Feb. 24, 1957; Cst. D. J. Wright, on the death of his father, George S. Wright, at Simcoe, Ont., on Mar. 17, 1957.

Arrivals A warm welcome is extended to Csts. J. B. Brennan, R. S. Durling, F. I. Zannie and A. W. Stairs from "A" Division, the latter two to Sydney Sub-Division and Halifax Sub-Division, respectively.

**Departures and Retirements** Cst. D. K. Colwell to "A" Division and Cst. R. O. Walling to "G" Division.



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On Mar. 31, 1957, Reg. No. 10843 Cpl. D. Clarkson, in charge of our Pay and Accounts Office retired to pension after almost 27 years' service. Corporal Clarkson was the recipient of a suitably engraved mantel clock presented to him by the Officer Commanding, Asst. Commr. J. Howe on behalf of members and staff of the division. We are sorry to lose this efficient and co-operative NCO and wish him every success in his new position.

On this same date, Assistant Commissioner Howe made a presentation to Spl. Cst. Paul Samson who terminated his services with the Force on March 31, after 25 years at "H" Division H.Q. Our best wishes go with him.

Presentations Long Service and Good Conduct medals were presented to six members of the Force by Deputy Commr. C. Rivett-Carnac, in an impressive ceremony at Thornvale Barracks on March 27. Wives and friends of the recipients were in attendance and tea was served following the presentations. Those awarded medals were: Sub-Inspr. R. C. C. Butt and Cpl. S. J. Pitts, "Marine" Division, S/Sgt. W. J. Lawrence, Sgt. R. N. Langley, Cpl. P. McGough and Spl. Cst. Paul Samson, "H" Division. Supt. J. P. Fraser (Rtd.), who was also to receive a medal was unfortunately absent from Halifax on that date.

Social The ninth annual Sydney Sub-Division ball was held at the Isle Royale Hotel on February 15. Although unfavorable weather conditions were again experienced, a gay crowd attended the function. Inspr. J. A. Henry, Officer Commanding Sydney Sub-Division and Mrs. Henry led the Grand March and dancing continued until the small hours of the morning. Our perennial emcee, Cpl. M. W. Morrow, performed in his usual inimitable manner. As usual, credit for the success of this affair must be given to the combined efforts of the dance committee headed up by Sgt. F. H. Finney and consisting of Cpls. M. W. Morrow, J. S. W. Ramsey and Csts. W. Uhryniw and C. D. Tiller.

A formal ball was held at the Canadian Legion Hall at Truro on April 26. The committee, under the leadership of Cpl. J. A. Andrew and Cst. K. W. MacKay arranged a most enjoyable evening. Door prizes, travel alarms for men and compacts for ladies, were awarded to lucky ticket holders. Highlight of this function was the Grand March at 10 p.m.

An informal social evening which featured a Nova Scotia sea food lunch was held at Thornvale Barracks on March 22, honoring Deputy Commr. and Mrs. C. Rivett-Carnac. Dancing was enjoyed and members of the Inspection Team took full advantage of the opportunity to renew acquaintances among personnel of "H" Division.

Lobsters are not too plentiful as yet due to the lateness of the 1957 season, but our enterprising committee managed to secure enough to satisfy the lusty appetites of 65 members of "Marine" and "H" Divisions who attended a smoker at Thornvale on May 10. The occasion marked the termination of the rifle and revolver club activities for the current season. We were honored by the presence of the D.O.C.I., Asst. Commr. D. A. McKinnon, who kindly consented to present the many trophies and prizes won by competitors in our handicap rifle and revolver matches.

At Sydney Sub-Division, winter rifle and revolver club activities were climaxed with a banquet held at Sydney River on April 25. Attending were sub-division personnel, their wives and civil servants. Trophies and prizes were presented to winning competitors by the O.C. Sydney Sub-Division Inspr. J. A. Henry.

Shooting Marksmen at "H" Division H.Q. enjoyed a successful and profitable season. Our teams won cash prizes in all three DCRA matches and gave a good account of themselves in Inter-Divisional competition. In the Halifax Garrison Indoor Rifle League our teams won the senior championship, came second in the junior. Additionally, numerous individual honors, including the senior individual aggregate, were secured. The senior championship trophy, it should be added, has been held by HMCS Stadacona for 18 years, as this is the first time since 1939 that another team has

topped the Navy.

In our own handicap matches, honors in the revolver matches went to Spl. Cst. R. S. Bell, Cst. J. D. M. Jordan and Spl. Cst. R. B. Allen in the senior division and by Cst. L. Winters, Spl. Csts. L. O. Titus and A. L. Roach in the junior bracket. Rifle awards were won by Cst. J. F. Entwistle, Sub-Inspr. G. A. Woodward and Cst. J. D. Jordan in the senior group and by Csts. E. A. Marshall, J. F. Kovacs and Cpl. S. R. Gardiner in the junior.

At Sydney Sub-Division, teams competed in the DCRA and Inter-Divisional matches and gave an excellent account of themselves, carrying off prizes in the DCRA matches during February and March. Handicap matches during the season proved popular among club members and individual prizes were won by S/Sgt. E. Swailes, Sgt. G. A. Tuft, Csts. H. N. Holton, D. L. Brook, D. J. Wright, A. Kozak, J. G. Stewart, J. E. Cormier and Spl. Cst. S. W. I. Remmler.

In the competition for the Sub-Division Trophy Shield which represents the subdivision championship, Cst. H. A. Palmer emerged victor in the revolver competition while Spl. Cst. S. W. I. Remmler proved to be the best rifle shot.

#### "J" Division

(Headquarters-Fredericton, N.B.)

Births To Reg. No. 16239 Cst. and Mrs. R. G. Haynes at Grand Manan, N.B., on Feb. 26, 1957, a daughter, Loralee Denise.

To Reg. No. 15061 Cst. and Mrs. A. J. Niedzwiecki at Bathurst, N.B., on Mar. 4, 1957,

a son, Allan Patrick.

To Reg. No. 16979 Cst. and Mrs. H. D. Zwicker at Saint John, N.B., on Mar. 28, 1957, a son, John Robert Douglas.

To Reg. No. 13319 Sgt. and Mrs. A. H. Gardiner at Saint John, N.B., on Apr. 2, 1957,

a son, Bruce Howard.

To Reg. No. 17222 Cst. and Mrs. J. A. Murphy, at Woodstock, N.B., on Apr. 4, 1957, a son, Michael Joseph.

Promotions Our congratulations are extended to the following: Sub-Inspr. C. A. Lougheed and S/Sgt. D. T. Saul.

**Instructional** During the periods January 7-18 and January 21-February 1, 39 members of "J" Division received refresher training on a divisional level with difficult problems of policy and procedure being given preference. The presence of drill instructor, Cst. A. C. Minshull of "HQ" Division did much to

enliven the course and his complimentary remarks at the conclusion of the courses were appreciated.

A Radar Speed Meter Course held at the University of New Brunswick, April 22-29 was attended by one member from "D" Division, eight from "H" Division, three from "L" Division, five from "B" Division, three from "A" Division, as well as ten members of our own Highway Patrols. The course was held under the direction of Dr. Colin B. MacKay, President of the University of N.B., with lecturer being J. O. Dineen, Professor of Electrical Engineering from the University.

Traffic Patrolman's Training Course No. 8 was held at this Division Headquarters April 29-May 11. This course, conducted by lecturers from "H", "J", "B", and "L" Divisions under the supervision of Inspr. J. A. A. Thivierge, C.I.B. Officer, was attended by eight members from "J", seven from "H", two from "L", and four from "B" Divisions. Inspr. E. A. Holm, Officer In Charge of Traffic Section, Head-quarters, Ottawa, attended and lectured to the class on various subjects. A farewell party was



The Shute Trophy, in rifle competition for 20 years.

held for attending members and lecturers on the evening of May 10.

Following the conclusion of Traffic Patrolman's Training Course, a Motorcycle Training Course was held for members of our Highway Patrols to give added proficiency in the care and handling of motorcycles. This course is a yearly event and it is pleasing to note that the training is considered a contributing factor in reducing the number of motorcycle accidents in this division.

**Shooting** Shooting activity was reduced to a minimum during the past winter as the result of the various training courses at this Division Headquarters. However, the indoor range was well attended by our shooting enthusiasts with good results shown in our participation in the Inter-Divisional and DCRA matches.

On May 8, paced by a sparkling possible 100 x 100 registered by Sgt. A. Lockett, RCEME, of the HQ N.B. Area Rifle Team, the Annual Shute Cup Competition, held at our indoor range, was won by our rifle team with a total score for the five-man squad of 490 x 500. This score was closely followed by the total of 486 of the HQ N.B. Area Team who were holders of the trophy for the past year, with the Fredericton Garrison Rifle Association Team following a close third with their total of 483.

Although purely military rifle competition in Fredericton has been carried on for many years, the Shute Cup was donated by Mr. Frank Shute, Fredericton merchant in 1937 in order that the RCMP might enter the matches. Aside from the intrinsic value of this solid silver trophy, it bears the names of all the crack riflemen who have competed in Fredericton during the past generation. The names are engraved on the small silver medallions which encircle the teakwood base of the cup.

The Fredericton Garrison Rifle Association is recorded as having won the first match in 1938 with a score of 471 x 500. In 1939 the trophy was taken by our RCMP team with a score of 474 x 500. In 1940 we retained the trophy with the score of 464 x 500 after which the match was suspended during World War II and resumed in 1948 when the FGRA again took possession of the valued trophy with a score of 473 x 500. The next match was held in 1953 when the FGRA again retained the cup by eliminating our team with a score of 475 x 500. In 1954 our team emerged victors with the score of 486 x 500, but in the following year, 1956, when the HQ N.B. Area Team entered the competition for the first time in many years, we lost to their superior shooting and score of 480 x 500. It is most gratifying to have the trophy again in our display cabinet with the final winning score the highest to date.

The teakwood base of this fine trophy is now completely encircled with engraved silver medallions, but to keep the trophy in circulation and to maintain the fine competitive spirit which exists for the possession of this beautful prize, it is planned to have an additional base added which will keep the Shute Trophy Competition alive for years to come.

It is a pleasure to note that shooting enthusiasm has extended to our detachment areas and a revolver club has been formed at Perth, N.B., through the efforts of Cpl. G. A. Lewis who is to be congratulated on the winning of the gold crossed revolver badge and crown, and the Marksman's Lapel Button. It is gratifying to also note that able assistance is being given by ex-Sgt. Frank Russell in acting as range officer for the new club.

Citizenship Ceremonies On May 3, two members of our Saint John Detachment participated in Canadian Citizenship Ceremonies, by their attendance on County Court Judge, Reginald D. Keirstead of Saint John, N.B. Dressed in Review Order our members stood one on either side of the presiding Judge with the Union Jack draped overhead during an impressive ceremony while 11 persons of mixed nationalities were presented with certificates granting them Canadian Citizenship. Also present were friends of the candidates, interested citizens, members of the Imperial

Photo: Climo, Saint John, N.B.

Member of the Force with new Canadian citizens following ceremony at Saint John.



Order Daughters of the Empire, and Court attendants. Before closing, Judge Keirstead made the following remarks to the candidates: "We have with us today two members of a distinguished Canadian Force, the Royal Canadian Mounted Police. All of us who have grown up in this country have learned to respect the Force and what it has done through the years in the development of Canada. The administration of justice has been greatly enhanced by having such a force as the RCMP. One thing about this Force, they know the business to which they are assigned and not only that, but they carry it out with a sense

of fairness and justice hard to excel. As a former crown prosecutor in the City and County of Saint John, I had the pleasure of working with the Force and I may say that it is only by working with these men that we get to know their high sense of justice and fairness in securing evidence and presenting it in our Courts. They are not to be feared, as we all know, and you too will come to know what they stand for and what they mean to Canada."

This is another first in the history of the Province of New Brunswick insofar as this Force is concerned.

#### "K" Division

(Headquarters-Edmonton, Alta.)

**Births** To Reg. No. 16090 Cst. and Mrs. W. F. Burton, a daughter, Leslie Loraine, on Mar. 17, 1957.

To Reg. No. 15328 Cst. and Mrs. M. H. B. Beck, a daughter, Janet Lynn, on Mar. 27, 1957.

To Reg. No. 15672 Cst. and Mrs. C. P. Hainsworth, a daughter, Phyllis Susanne, on Apr. 26, 1957.

To Reg. No. 15393 Cst. and Mrs. M. A. Dougherty, a daughter, Darlene Alice, on Mar. 18, 1957.

To Reg. No. 15765 Cst. and Mrs. C. T. Cripps, a daughter, Leslie Gai, on Mar. 31, 1957.

To Reg. No. 16700 Cst. and Mrs. R. F. Virgin, a daughter, Brenda Lee Ann, on Mar. 31, 1957.

To Reg. No. 16833 Cst. and Mrs. D. M. Webb, a daughter, Gail Lynn, on Apr. 2, 1957.

To Reg. No. 14305 Cpl. and Mrs. E. V. Christianson, at Red Deer, Alta., a son, Wayne Morris.

To Reg. No. 18227 Cst. and Mrs. P. Thachik, at Red Deer, a daughter, Sandra Joanne.

Marriages Reg. No. 15850 Cst. H. Tabler, to Miss Ruby Joan Kassian on Feb. 14, 1957, at Vegreville, Alta.

Reg. No. 17079 Cst. J. L. West, to Miss Joyce Bondeson on Apr. 27, 1957, at Calgary, Alta.

Reg. No. 17652 Cst. R. R. Sheppard, to Miss Sheila Mary Husselby, on Apr. 6, 1957, at Calgary.

Reg. No. 15528 Cst. H. J. Russell, to Miss Cynthia Olive Nelson, on Feb. 12, 1957, at Brooks, Alta.

Reg. No. 17092 Cst. M. Demaniuk, to Miss Rosa Milford, on Apr. 6, 1957, at Lethbridge, Alta.

Reg. No. 17216 Cst. A. D. Clearwater, to Miss Helen Ione Keller, on Feb. 8, 1957, at Edmonton, Alta.

Reg. No. 17230 Cst. K. L. Sutherland, to Miss Violet Cecilia Oggelsby, on Apr. 25, 1957, at Fort Macleod, Alta. Reg. No. 17711 Cst. W. K. Hoover, to Miss Patricia Ann Labenovich, at Calgary.

Reg. No. 18328 Cst. E. D. Cook, to Miss Carol Jean Clair, on Feb. 26, 1957, at Fairview, Alta.

Reg. No. 18153 Cst. W. J. C. Whetstone, to Miss Patricia Harnden, on Apr. 5, 1957, at Lethbridge.

Reg. No. 17475 Cst. O. J. McInnes, to Miss Jean Evelyn Jones, on Apr. 20, 1957, at Central Butte, Sask.

Reg. No. 17713 Cst. W. H. Dustan, to Miss Anne Juhasz, on May 8, 1957, at Milk River, Alta.

Reg. No. 17404 Cst. R. C. Heembrock, to Miss Natalie Aschacher, on May 18, 1957, at Blairmore, Alta.

Social On April 26 a large gathering of members and friends celebrated the wind-up of the hockey season. There was dancing and an enjoyable lunch, with the Scarlet and Gold Chapter of the I.O.D.E. taking care of the catering.

On May 16 recently promoted personnel from Division Headquarters sponsored a "stag", held in the single men's lounge.

On February 15 the recreation club at Calgary held its annual formal ball at the Palliser Hotel. In the ballroom, appropriately decorated, 350 people danced to the music of the RCMP dance band from Regina. The Division Officer Commanding and Mrs. G. B. McClellan attended. Arrangements were in charge of S/Sgt. R. C. Gray and Cpl. J. M. Nelson.

On March 1 Peace River Sub-Division held its annual regimental banquet and ball. It was held in the Athabasca Hall, which was appropriately decorated for the event. The Peace River Anglican W.A. catered for the banquet. Music was supplied by the RCAF orchestra from Tactical Air Command, Edmonton, which was flown to Peace River by the RCAF for the occasion. Bishop Reginald J. Pierce, Bishop of Athabasca, was the main speaker and his interesting talk covered the history of the RCMP, particularly in the land of "Twelve Foot" Davis. Cst. W. A. Woods was chairman of the banquet and Cpl. W. H. M. Brace was master of ceremonies at the dance which followed. The guests included Assistant Commissioner and Mrs. McClellan from Edmonton and Archdeacon and Mrs. J. Whittles.

An informal gathering, held at Peace River Sub-Division on February 2, provided the occasion to say farewell to Mrs. B. I. Coulter, a member of Headquarters staff for three years. Inspr. A. S. McNeil presented Mrs. Coulter with a gift on behalf of all-personnel. Mr. and Mrs. Coulter and son have moved to St. Paul, Alta. Another similar gathering at Peace River

on April 15 provided the opportunity to extend best wishes to ex-Cst. G. G. Brunet, who took his discharge recently. S/Sgt. E. A. C. Hertzog made the presentation.

On March 19 the Scarlet and Gold Chapter, I.O.D.E., celebrated its second anniversary. Special guests included members of the Municipal Chapter and prospective members. Mrs. L. F. Willan, regent, presented a framed picture of the Queen to the Officer Commanding "K" Division for use in the division men's mess. In accepting the gift, Assistant Commissioner McClellan emphasized the necessity of educating the younger generation in loyalty and pride in the British Empire and its traditions and praised the Order which did so much in this field. Souvenir spoons were presented to Mrs. C. F. Wilson, retiring regent, and Mrs. E. C. Hasselfield, retiring chairman. Entertainment featured an original skit by Mrs. T. Porteous called "Baby Beauty Contest", with Mrs. H. M. Silver as commentator.

**Training** Staff Sergeant Allen and Corporals Smith and Brace of Peace River attended a Preventive Service Class at Calgary in March. Cst. J. R. Galbraith and Police Service Dog "Toni" took part in the annual P.S.D. refresher class at Saskatoon in May.

Sympathy To Cst. L. M. Sauder on the death of his father at Chilliwack, B.C., and to Cst. W. J. Thomson on the death of his father at Norwood, Man.

Cpl. C. R. Duff of Innisfail Detachment was seriously injured in a motor accident around the end of March and since then has been confined to hospital. All members of Red Deer Sub-Division in particular pass on get-well wishes.

**Sports** At Edmonton leaders in all branches of summer sports have been elected and an active season is anticipated.

At Lethbridge Sub-Division headquarters personnel have organized a baseball team to play in a commercial league.

General Constable Smith of Fort Vermilion Detachment is active as a director of the Boy Scout committee. While on duty in the isolated area of Hay Lakes, Alta., he showed colored slides to pupils of the Assumption Indian residential school. Approximately 125 children and 25 adults were present. He also showed movies to pupils of the Fort Vermilion school and all the films and slides are from his own personal collection, and mainly depict landscape scenes of the beautiful northern Alberta area. An interesting feature is that many of the Indians had never before seen moving pictures.

On April 21 the mighty Peace River released itself from icy captivity and started its turbulent flow north. It was unusually late this year

and speculation among the troops as to the break-up reached a high pitch.

Transfers From Calgary Sub-Division the following have been transferred: Cpl. C. K. Thompson to "O" Division; Csts. N. Brisbin

to "Air" and J. Baziuk to "D" Division. Lethbridge Sub-Division reports that the Officer Commanding is to be transferred to New Westminster Sub-Division and will be replaced by Inspr. J. A. Young from the Maritimes.

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#### "L" Division

#### (Headquarters-Charlottetown, P.E.I.)

Births To Reg. No. 16684 Cst. and Mrs. W. J. P. Couglan, a daughter, Lynn Marie, on Apr. 24, 1957.

**Arrivals** The following members have been welcomed to the division: Csts. R. C. Poole from "Depot" Division and E. F. Elliott from "A" Division.

Courses Csts. W. J. P. Coughlan, J. J. Borys, and P. F. Austin attended a course in Race Track Supervision at Halifax, N.S. Cpl. R. M. Stunden, Csts. J. O. Murray, and R. E.

Williams attended a Radar Speed Meter and Traffic Control Training Course at Fredericton, N.B.

**Rifle Club** A team from Charlottetown Detachment competed in the Garrison League during the winter months and finished in second place.

Athletics Our volleyball team which started last season with great force and vigor was considerably weakened through change of personnel and finished without a berth in the play-offs.

#### "Marine" Division

#### (Headquarters-Ottawa, Ont.)

**Births** To Reg. No. 19133 Cpl. and Mrs. B. R. MacKenzie, a daughter, Carol-Anne Elizabeth, on Sept. 24, 1956.

To Spl. Cst. and Mrs. N. H. Brownell, a daughter, Norma Catherine, on Sept. 4, 1956.

Marriages Spl. Cst. W. A. P. Edmonds to Miss Joan Eilene Zinc, at Halifax, N.S., on Mar. 2, 1957. **Promotions** Congratulations are extended to the members of "Marine" Division, who were recently promoted: Sgts. J. S. Kenny, W. B. Drew, A. E. Reid, G. F. Connolly; Cpls. J. A. W. Forgerson, R. C. Russell, C. R. Bain and J. B. McKinnon.

**New Members** Welcome is extended to the following special constables who have joined this division: R. A. Campbell, A. K. Richard-

#### "Marine" Division - Refresher Class at "N" Division

Rear Row: Spl. Csts. R. F. Laing, W. V. Jesso; Cst. R. J. Brennan; Spl. Cst. D. R. McNeil; Cst. G. H Wilson; Spl. Csts. J. O. Devison, M. F. O'Reilly, A. L. Vaughan, D. B. Taylor. Centre Row: Spl. Csts. C. L. Feeley, J. E. Bragg, A. T. Seaboyer, H. B. Grant; Cst. R. E. Dodds; Spl. Csts. R. W. Davidson, R. A. Courtemanche, P. M. Clarke, J. O. Hooper, C. E. McFarlan. Front Row: Spl. Csts. J. Desrosiers, J. J. Martin, L. D. Musclow; Cpl. W. F. MacRae; Supts. L. Bingham, G. C. Roberts; Inspr. H. C. Russell; CSM Wm. Taylor; Cst. R. E. Sparks; Spl. Csts. E. C. Olander, J. Houlihan.



son, D. A. Hiltz, M. R. McKay and K. D. Dibden.

Pensioned Best wishes are extended to the following members who have retired: Reg. No. 12160 S/Sgt. M. Nickerson and Reg. No. 12272 Cst. T. G. Marsh.

Presentations On January 10, Inspr. A. R. Ascah, Officer Commanding Marine Depot Sub-Division, at Halifax, presented Long Service Medals to the following: ex-Sgt. J. L. Scott and Sgt. J. F. McNair. On March 15, the Long Service Medal was presented to S/Sgt. N. C. C. Roberts at "N" Division by the former Departmental Secretary, Mr. George Hann. On March 27, Deputy Commr. C. E. Rivett-Carnac presented Long Service Medals to Sub-Inspr. R. C. Butt and Cpl. S. J. Pitts.

New Construction The RCMP M.L. Victoria, one of our latest and most modern vessels on the west coast underwent speed and acceptance trials during the Winter, and after minor alterations and additions, will be placed in operation at Victoria, B.C. The vessel is fitted with the latest aids to navigation, such as Radar, Radio Directional Finder, Chernikeeff Log for calculating speed and distance run, Depth Recorder, and up to date radio equipment. The Victoria is 92 feet in length with a beam of 16 feet, and is powered by two Cummins Diesel Engines, 60 b.h.p. each. This motor launch is equipped with a modern galley, refrigeration and deep freeze, with ade-

quate messing facilities for her crew of 12 members.

The RCMP P.B. Nanaimo, the latest addition to the "Marine" Division on the west coast, is a sleek 65 foot wooden constructed Patrol Boat which was launched at the yards of McKay-Cormack Limited, Victoria, B.C., on Dec. 12, 1956. This patrol boat is up-to-date in every respect with modern aids to navigation, such as, radar, echo sounding apparatus, and ship-to-shore radio equipment. The accommodations on this craft are good; it will normally carry a crew of four members, but has room for seven. The Nanaimo is equipped with a modern galley and dinette, and will be considered a home away from home to her crew. She is powered with a 400 b.h.p. Cummins Marine Engine and a 32 volt lighting system. This craft was placed in service during the latter part of May, and will be based at Campbell River, B.C.

The RCMP M.B. Kenora II is a motor boat launched by the Kingston Shipyards Limited, Kingston, Ontario, on April 18, for patrol duties at Kenora, Ontario. She is of steel construction, 26 feet long, with a nine foot beam. Power is supplied by two 185 h.p. Dearborn Interceptor Engines. The Kenora II carries a crew of one, and has a small galley, and sleeping accommodation for two. Her shallow draft and specially constructed skegs for propeller protection, will make her most suitable for patrol duties in the Kenora area.

#### "N" Division

RCMP QUARTERLY

(Training Centre-Rockcliffe, Ont.)

Births To Reg. No. 15070 Sgt. and Mrs. W. F. MacRae, on Mar. 19, 1957, a daughter, Cynthia Mary.

Cynthia Mary.

To Reg. No. 15485 Cst. and Mrs. A. G.
Rumsey on May 13, 1957, a son, David Brent.

**Promotions** Congratulations on recent promotions are extended to Sgts. E. C. Curtain, W. F. MacRae; Cpls. G. W. Armstrong and J. F. Duthie of this division.

Departures Cpl. A. R. Wilvert left on transfer for "Depot" Division on March 30. Corporal Wilvert had been on the division drill staff for the past three years and he and his wife and family will be missed by their many friends in the Ottawa area. Before heading west, Corporal Wilvert was guest of honor at a going away party held in the staff recreation room.

Arrivals Welcome is extended to Cst. T. Scott, who arrived at this division on transfer from "Depot" on April 18. Constable Scott is assisting on the P.T. Staff in place of Cpl. W. R. Leitch who is Overseas with the Musical Ride.

Retirements A dance, bingo and bean feed was held in the auditorium on February 15, to honor Reg. No. 11563 Cpl. C. C. Munroe, whose retirement was recorded in the last issue of the *Quarterly* and Spl. Cst. P. Kehoe, who served at this division as night guard from June 1, 1945. Arrangements for the dance and bingo were attended to by Cst. A. B. Ewen and the bean supper was prepared by our messing officer, Miss C. G. M. Lorrain and her staff. Presentations to the departing members were made by Supt. L. Bingham, O.C. "N" Division.

Courses Sgt. J. L. T. Demarais to the RCAF School of Instructional Technique at Trenton, Ont.; Cpl. J. R. Zavitz to the Civil Defence Course at Arnprior, Ont.

The members of C.P.C. No. 30 held at "N" Division "passed-out" on March 15 in an impressive ceremony which was coupled with the presentation of Long Service Medals. Introductory remarks were made by Supt. L. Bingham, Commanding "N" Division and Deputy Commr. C. R. Rivett-Carnac introduced Mr.

G. T. Hann, MBE, former Departmental Secretary, who addressed the graduating class and presented the diplomas. Valedictorian S/Sgt. Gordon Preston of the Windsor City Police spoke of the fine associations he had enjoyed during the class with members of other forces and of the Armed Services who were represented and he paid tribute to the value of the Police College and the co-operation extended by the instructors.

Long Service medals were presented to: S/Sgt. N. C. C. Roberts; Sgts. D. J. McMahon, C. R. C. Peters; Cpls. H. S. Switzer, J. W. McCallum; Reg. No. 7608 ex-Cpl. A. K. W. Jack.

The spring "Marine" Division Refresher Class held at this division "passed-out" on April 12. Prior to their departure, the men of the "Marine" held a smoker which was much enjoyed by those attending. Sea shanties were the order of the night.

Social The annual Curling Club dance was held in the division gym on April 27 and was an outstanding success. Decorations by Sgt. E. C. Curtain and his staff under the direction of CSM W. Taylor were excellent and the RCMP (Ottawa) dance orchestra received compliments from all who attended. Prizes were presented and as we are not covering the curling season here, we will just point with pride to the fact that rinks skipped by "N" Division members won and were runners-up in the RCMP Ottawa Curling Club Champion-ship, with CSM W. Taylor's rink winning the Robertson Trophy and a rink skipped by Cpl. Eric Jensen, the runners-up.

Musical Ride The Musical Ride which returned to "N" Division from a tour of eastern Canadian and United States cities last December has departed for a tour of England and Scotland. The 1957 Ride is composed for the most part of men who were on the '56 Ride and Inspr. J. G. C. Downey is again the officer in charge with S/Sgt. Van Patten, riding master and staff members Cpls. E. C. Hill, R. Cave, W. R. C. Leitch and Cst. A. B. Ewen, together with 24 other members from the various divisions of the Force.

Thirty-six horses with personnel to look after them left Saint John, N.B. via the S.S. Corinaldo on April 5 and the remainder of the men departed from Halifax, N.S. aboard the S.S. Saxonia on April 4.

The horses, of course, are all blacks and members of previous "rides" will remember "Bobby" and "Lucky" who are again on the job. "Corona" the veteran of so many rides in the past is sitting this one out, content to take it easy in the "N" Division pasture. Prior to their departure, members of the Ride held a bon voyage party in the auditorium which

was attended by Commr. L. H. Nicholson, Deputy Commr. J. D. Bird, Asst. Commr. F. A. Blake (Rtd.), Supts. M. F. A. Lindsay and L. Bingham, Insprs. C. H. Bayfield, J. G. C. Downey and H. C. Russell. Advantage was taken of the occasion to present a trophy to the members of the Musical Ride which they had won by coming out on top of the Divisional Broomball League.

Staff Sergeant Van Patten has taken his wife and two of their children with him for a visit to the Old Country, while Cpl. Bill Leitch and Cst. Sam Baird are accompanied by their wives. In this regard, Cpl. Mel Gilbey has received a letter from Leitch saying that he has purchased a bicycle built for two and he and his wife are seeing what they can of the British Isles by this method, between performances.

It is noted that while in England, Inspector Downey became the first Canadian officer in history to take the salute during a march past of a graduating class of Household Calvalry recruits at Windsor.

Visitors Four hundred and fifty carrier boys and girls of the Hamilton *Spectator* arrived at "N" Division on April 27 to see how an RCMP Training Division operates. Forewarned of their coming, the division went all out to make their visit a memorable one. The

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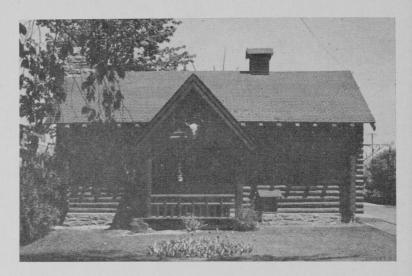
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youngsters, who arrived in a fleet of 12 buses were met by staff members in Review Order and taken on a tour of the grounds. They saw No. 32 Troop put on a display of foot drill under Sgt. W. F. MacRae followed by a P.T. exhibition under Sgt. E. C. Curtain. Next they saw No. 33 Troop on a ride under the guidance of Cpls. Cliff Morin and Paddy Gardiner. It was a happy occasion, enjoyed as much by the members of the division, as by the boys and girls.

Thirty boys from all over Canada, representing the areas in which they live in the Rotary Club's "Adventure in Citizenship" stayed at "N" Division on a four day visit. "Adventure in Citizenship" was the idea of Dr. McGregor Easson, former Chief Inspector of Schools in Ottawa. Now in its seventh year, the Rotary Clubs across Canada sponsor outstanding senior high school students for a visit to the Capital City, where they see the operation of our democratic system of government, hear addresses by leading Canadians, spend an afternoon at Government House and are taken

on tours of the Ottawa area. The total of boys and girls sent this year was 185 and "N" Division regards it as a privilege to have the opportunity to look after the accommodation for 30 of the boys. Inspr. J. G. E. Murray acted as Liaison Officer with the boys and girls and reports that these young people are each a credit to his or her community. Commissioner Nicholson was chosen to be guest of honor and to give the concluding address at a banquet held for the group on the eve of departure from Ottawa.

**Miscellaneous** We are happy to be able to announce that the "N" Division Museum opened on June 1. A fine collection of items historically related to the Force has been assembled and it is believed that the display will be of interest to members of the Force and their friends when visiting "N" Division.

Work has commenced on the new curling rink and the "N" Division air is filled with the sound of hammer on nail and noisy machinery. A good start has been made and it looks like a fine curling season ahead.

#### "O" Division

(Headquarters-Toronto, Ont.)

Births To Reg. No. 14887 Cpl. and Mrs. J. W. O. C. Ellis, twins, a son and a daughter, Joseph Gerald Michel and Marie Beatrice Suzanne, on Jan. 27, 1957, at Windsor, Ont. To Reg. No. 14860 Cst. and Mrs. L. F.

To Reg. No. 14860 Cst. and Mrs. L. F. Straus, a daughter, Mary Catherine, on Feb. 17, 1957 at London, Ont.

To Reg. No. 15844 Cst. and Mrs. V. A. Yurkiw, a son, Dennis Victor, on Mar. 20, 1957 at Toronto, Ont.

To Reg. No. 15947 Cst. and Mrs. G. T. Brewer, a daughter, Cynthia Louise, on Feb. 4, 1957 at Chatham, Ont.

To Reg. No. 16038 Cst. and Mrs. H. M. Giesbrecht, a son, Gregory Hugh, on May 10, 1957 at Toronto.

To Reg. No. 16059 Cst. and Mrs. E. R. Gaillard, a son, Jeffrey Richard, on May 5, 1957 at Toronto.

To Reg. No. 16066 Cst. and Mrs. J. W. McDougall, a daughter, Leslie June, on May 6, 1957 at Toronto.

Marriages Reg. No. 17635 Cst. E. M. Swift to Miss Jacqueline Francis Prince, at Sarnia, Ont., on Apr. 22, 1957. To reside at Hamilton,

Reg. No. 17442 Cst. W. M. Combden to Miss Elizabeth Noreen Brown, at Ottawa, Ont., on May 4, 1957. To reside at Toronto, Ont.

Reg. No. 18192 Cst. M. L. Morrison to Miss Georgina Allan at Toronto, on Mar. 9, 1957. To reside at Ottawa.

Reg. No. 17441 Cst. D. C. Sargeson to Mrs. Mary Ellen Perryment (nee Hood), at Toronto, on Feb. 2, 1957. To reside at Toronto.

Bereavements Members of the division extend deepest sympathy to the following: Cpl. R. T. Ewing, Toronto, on the death of his brother at Winnipeg, Man., on Mar. 10; Miss M. O. Gillespie, on the death of her mother at Toronto, on February 25; Cst. F. E. Evans on the death of his mother at Calgary, Alta., on April 5; Miss M. Turner on the death of her mother at Toronto, on March 26.

Arrivals A warm welcome is extended to the following personnel: Csts. M. Tusa from "E" Division; M. Melnychuk, G. F. Farough, L. N. Cowan, R. C. Stone, L. R. MacDonald, W. Sandziuk, A. Michalow, T. K. Vickers, H. A. Vivian, A. E. Dornan and J. Avbar from "N" Division; J. D. Carr, B. R. Mackey and M. Ferguson from "Depot" Division; Spl. Csts. C. V. Horne, C. E. Killam and A. L. Vaughan from "Marine" Division, Halifax.

Departures Members of "O" Division offer farewell and best wishes to the following who have been transferred: Cpls. J. W. O. C. Ellis, to "C" Division, W. N. Ritchie, to "K" Division, R. H. Martin, to "G" Divison; Csts. M. L. Morrison, to "A" Division, D. B. Jessiman, to "Depot" Division, R. S. McClure and E. A. Trewella, to "G" Division; A. Kozak to "H" Division and then to "G" Division.

Courses S/Sgt. E. I. Touchie attended C.P.C. Class No. 30 at "N" Division; Sub-Inspr. V. M. Seppala and Sgt. G. M. Beaton attended C.P.C. Class No. 31 at "Depot"

Division.

Basketball Although basketball got off to a late start, a team was formed in time to play three exhibition games. The first of these was a loss to the Metropolitan Toronto Police by a score of 52-37. The other two games were also a losing cause to National Cash Register by counts of 45-43 and 42-41. Plans are underway to enter a local league next season.

Hockey The disappointment of the season was the missing of the yearly home and home series with Ottawa. However, two exhibition games were played with the Niagara Falls Detachment of the Ontario Provincial Police.

The first, in Toronto, ended in a 6-6 tie with the second game at the Falls ending 12-4 in our

Bowling Nearing the end of the bowling season with only the finals to complete, we find the C.I.B. team, captained by Cst. Jack McDougall, "facing off" against the Headquarters team, captained by Cst. Douglas Watt, for top spot. Odds seem to favor the C.I.B. team which enters the finals with a high score. Miss Mary Sydney of Headquarters team still holds ladies high single and high cross. Cst. Bill Moskaluik copped men's high single, while men's high cross went to Will Powell.

Shooting "O" Division Headquarters rifle and revolver club continued its activities until April 18 with a marked improvement being shown in all scores. Many members, too numerous to mention, won spoons and presentations are being made in the near future. The club enjoyed an active and successful year and hopes are held for further improvement in

scores next season.

Social A delightful party was held on March 30 at Officers' Ward Room of HMCS Provost to bid "au revoir" to Cpl. and Mrs. W. N. Ritchie, transferred to "K" Division. This party was attended by members and wives of London Sub-Division Headquarters and several detachments, as well as several exmembers and their wives. On behalf of sub-division personnel, Inspr. H. C. Forbes, the Officer Commanding, presented "Bill" with a suitably engraved gift and Mrs. Forbes presented Mrs. Ritchie with a pair of earrings. Corporal Ritchie will be greatly missed; "K" Division will most certainly gain by our loss.

Smoker Another bigger and better smoker was held at Beverley Barracks on May 3. A "fantabulous" buffet lunch of exotic foods topped an evening of fun and games. Everyone reported a good time and left, somewhat reluctantly, with a feeling of "well being".

Sergeants' Mess On May 4, members and honorary members of the Sergeants' mess, with their wives, enjoyed their annual Lobster

Sgt. J. Lumb (left) and Cpl. W. Ritchie who recently left "O" Division, the former to pension.



Dinner at Beverley Barracks. Mountainous trays of lobsters were literally torn "limb from limb" and the delicate meat, seasoned with tangy sauces prepared by our messing staff, satisfied even the most exacting Maritimer. Following a brief period of utter relaxation, singing and dancing to music by "Red" Kelly (honorary member), topped off a most enjoyable event.

Pensioned On March 29 all members and staff of division headquarters gathered to bid farewell to Reg. No. 12851 Sgt. J. Lumb on his retirement to pension. On behalf of the Officer Commanding, Supt. R. F. Karrow presented Sergeant Lumb with a matched set of luggage.

On March 23, 1957 members and honorary members of the Sergeants' mass, with their wives, held a social evening to pay tribute to Sergeant and Mrs. Lumb. Sergeant Major MacKay presented the guest of honor with a gift of steins and Mrs. Lumb with a bouquet

of roses. Our best wishes go to Jimmie and Mrs. Lumb who will reside at Hamilton, Ont.

Promotions Congratulations to: S/Sgts. H. J. F. Ade, R. J. Cherry and W. G. Pritchett; Sgts. J. H. Payzant and J. T. Halward; Cpls. J. B. Gray, K. J. MacIver, T. A. Mathews and A. McCallum, who were recently promoted to their present rank.

In Lighter Vein At 5.29 p.m. on April 7 in a small box at Windsor Detachment, triplets were born. The birth was ably assisted by Constables Urquart, Wilson and Hodgson. The successful birth concluded three weeks of worry and concern over the delicate condition of "Tiger", the member of Windsor Detachment employed on the Rat and Mouse detail. It appears that she could see no chance for advancement in her detail and ignoring the detachment establishment, is now in charge of a formidable squad. Tiger now, no doubt, will be looking for promotion.

## Book Reviews

THE SCIENTIFIC INVESTIGATION OF CRIME, by L. C. Nickolls. Butterworth & Co. (Canada) Ltd., Toronto. Pp. 398. Illustrated. \$10.

It is not often that a good book is published on the application of the sciences in the broad field of criminal investigation. It is even less frequent that a good book is published purely on the laboratory aspects of forensic science. In the work of this author we have an attempt, in part at least, to combine the two, and it is unique perhaps in approaching the subject from the forensic science laboratory's point of view.

The author is a director of one of the seven Home Office Forensic Science Laboratories in England and Wales who has recorded the experience gained from many years of service as a forensic scientist.

Mr. Nickolls has presented a fairly complete cross-section of forensic science with the exception of pathology, and handwriting and typewriting identification, the latter two of which, he explains, are specialized fields of study dealt with solely by a sister unit of his laboratory. The material and its application in crime detection is amply illustrated by photographs and actual cases, and accompanied by adequate and up to

date bibliographies. If one felt the treatment of some subjects could have been extended, as for example the chapter on "The Examination of Documents", Mr. Nickolls would be the first to admit it, for he clearly states that, ". . . all that can be described here is the scope and nature of the various aspects of document analysis". He cannot be as readily excused, however, for the use of photographs of two different documents (or different areas on the same document) as a comparative illustration of the results of infra-red photography on a mechanical erasure.

Of particular interest to the reader is the glimpse one can get of the organization and practices of the forensic scientists connected with one of the most renowned law enforcing agencies in the world, Scotland Yard.

Notwithstanding their close association with police officers, they are appointed essentially as Civil Servants whose work is completely independent of police authority. Their concern for impartiality and integrity is clearly indicated in their pride in the remarks of Mr. Justice Humphreys, "The expert is not a witness for the prosecution or for the defence but is a witness of the Court".

The ability to remain an impartial "witness of the Court" in a system which advocates the personal attendance of the laboratory scientist at the scene of the crime during the course of the investigation is likely to raise a question in the minds of readers on this continent. What Mr. Nickolls seems to be proposing, and is no doubt practised in his country, is the forensic specialist's assumption of a dual role—that of a scientist within the laboratory and that of a criminologist without.

Mr. Nickolls devotes just less than a chapter under the sub-title of "The Role of the Scientist at the Scene of Crime", to telling us why this should be done. This reviewer would have appreciated a second chapter on how it could be accomplished—without threatening the individual's impartiality.

Notwithstanding the author's conscientiousness otherwise in avoiding bias, it may well be that this too close relationship with the details and development of a criminal investigation is responsible for such statements creeping into the pages of this book as:

"This (scientific) knowledge and these instruments can be applied to the purpose of obtaining circumstantial evidence to assist the police officer to secure the conviction of the criminal."

"In cases in which every effort must be made to secure the conviction of an offender large numbers of articles are submitted to the laboratory".

"This shows the extent to which the taking of materials can go with profit to police."

Certainly this point of view will conflict somewhat with that of others who hold that: it is the responsibility of the police officer to present the evidence—all the evidence—which tells the story of the events which occurred; it is the responsibility of the Court to convict or to acquit; and that the police never profit nor does the Crown ever win a case.

The far greater portion of this book, however, is technical and can be an asset to other forensic laboratories, particularly smaller units with limited resources and personnel. It will serve as a worth-while introduction to scientists new to forensic work. It has also much to offer to the in-

dustrious and experienced investigator, given the time and patience to sort it out. R.A.H.

THE STRUGGLE FOR RESPONSIBLE GOVERNMENT IN THE NORTH-WEST TERRITORIES, by Lewis Herbert Thomas. University of Toronto Press, Toronto, Canada. Indexed. Pp. 276. \$5.

A unique study of an important episode in the political history of Canada, this contribution by Lewis Herbert Thomas, Archivist for the Province of Saskatchewan, describes the manoeuverings which led to the achievements of responsible cabinet government for the North-West Territories, a subject which has never been treated in detail although a few older general histories present sparse outlines. Motivated by a divergence between federal policies and local aspirations for autonomy, the struggle began in 1870 with the acquisition of the Territories by Canada and the establishment of a territorial government to rule an area with a dispersed population, now contained in the Provinces of Alberta and Saskatchewan-and terminated in 1897 when a system of responsible government was finally installed. The first result of the movement which pressed for local control of the territorial government was the establishment of an elected legislature in 1888 and from then on it was a fight to attain an executive or cabinet composed of members of the Assembly and supported by a majority of that body.

Sources of information used in the preparation of this study are, chiefly: the records of the federal and territorial governments, collections of private papers and contemporary newspapers. While generally, the author has shown discretion in his use of these sources, one ill-chosen excerpt from a report might better have been omitted, not only because of the private nature of the material it divulges, but since it unfairly maligns the personal reputation and dignity of a highly respected and able officer of the North-West Mounted Police, all for the sake of conveying a point that could easily have been made at less expense. Reference to the NWMP itself is so slight, in fact, that one might wrongly conceive from reading this book that this organization for the preservation of peace and order played a minor role indeed in the affairs of the North-West. Although one might dispute the book's value as a piece of sectional history, it is plain to see that a tremendous amount of energy has been expended in seeking information to make the contents detailed insofar as the main theme is concerned. There is no doubt that Dr. Thomas' examination is an important contribution to the study of Canadian political development.

M.G.R.

A STUDY OF HISTORY, by Arnold J. Toynbee. Abridgement of Vols. VII-X. By D. C. Somervell. Oxford University Press, Toronto, Canada. Pp. 414. \$5.

In 1954 the four concluding volumes of Arnold J. Toynbee's massive *Study of History* were published, completing a work that was started in the 1920's. The abridgement of those volumes by D. C. Somervell now provides a companion to his earlier condensation, released in 1946, of the first six volumes, and together they epitomize Professor Toynbee's stupendous erudition, his varied information, and his provocative ideas about history.

Abridgement, at first glance, may seem to be a comparatively simple, leisurely literary task. The magnitude of Somervell's work, however, may be gauged by simple arithmetic: to reduce 2,685 pages of prose that at times is dense, awkward, and often extraordinarily pedantic, and still preserve the essence of the original thesis and presentation indicates the extent and the nature of the problem. Nevertheless, the words are almost entirely Toynbee's and his argument has been carefully preserved. Only the detailed and lengthy illustrations that support his approach in the original volumes have been pruned in the process of condensation. The result is that Professor Toynbee's views and his concept of history have been made available to an enormous number of people who normally would never consider struggling through the four thick concluding volumes of a Study of History.

Two principal concepts are basic to Toynbee's writings. One is that his historical units are civilizations instead of the more limited but more generally accepted areas of nations or periods. These, he claims, have risen through a process of challenge and response, and all civilizations go through

the same cycle of genesis, rise, decline, and fall. It is this thesis that forms the theme of the first six volumes, and which Mr. Somervell pin-pointed so well in his first abridgement.

The second theme which runs through Toynbee's writings and which dominates the last four volumes of the Study, deal with the emergence of universal states following the disintegration of each civilization, and, significantly, the rise of universal religions. In fact, Toynbee notes that as civilizations declined, the troughs in secular affairs were paralleled by religious peaks, and he assesses the greatness of civilizations by determining if they have contributed to the rise of higher religions. With the present polarization of power in the world, and with the rapid secularization of western civilization (one of the signs of disintegration and decay according to his analysis) Professor Toynbee feels that the world can only be saved by a new religious revival that will develop despite an inevitable drift towards a world-wide oecumenical state, with all of its implied controls and rigidities. Indeed, he rests his case with the conviction that religion is the key to history, and that historians should try to answer the question: "What is the nature of the universe?" instead of concerning themselves with the more conventional approach to the subject. The essence of this argument, with its rich supporting illustrations and its element of prophecy, is brilliantly crystallized by Mr. Somervell.

Although this volume presupposes an acquaintance with Toynbee's views as presented in the first six volumes of his massive work, or in Mr. Somervell's corresponding abridgement, a summary of the whole argument is available at the end of the book. It is in many ways, as Toynbee admits, "the deftest piece of Mr. Somervell's work", for it catches the sweep of the entire ten volumes. In less than 50 pages the reader can discover the bold and startling generalizations that characterize the Study, and may decide for himself if in the attempt to find a pattern in universal history, Professor Toynbee has, as he claims, actually substituted English empiricism in preference to the German a priori method employed earlier by Oswald Spengler, or whether Toynbee too has merely drawn selected historical evidence to illuminate a thesis

already chosen. Whatever the verdict A Study of History has already stimulated much thought and discussion, and provoked considerable criticism. Mr. Somervell's excellent abridgement is bound to cause more. W.R.

MANITOBA: A HISTORY, by Prof. W. L. Morton, University of Toronto Press, Toronto, Canada. Illustrated. Indexed. Pp. 519. \$5.95.

In Elizabethan times, Hudson Bay's western shoreline posed bitter disappointment to sailing captains who were committed to the discovery of an opening to the riches of the Orient. But modern Captain Thomas Buttons-freighter captains who steer their ships toward the tall pillars of concrete marking the 2,500,000 bushel granary at Churchill and scan the level coastline for the warehouses and harbour lights of Port Nelson-look no further for cargoes of wealth. Manitoba has emerged prosperous, in spite of the trials of intervening years.

While much new wealth has come from recent mineral exploitations in the Pre-Cambrian Shield region of Manitoba's northland, the development of power resources and the advance of new heavy industries, the economy of Canada's most central province still leans heavily on her agricultural out-put and the beginnings of prosperity can be traced back to 1812 and the establishment of Selkirk's colony when tenants of the fertile prairie region first looked to products of the soil for their wellbeing.

Through the years, prairie farmers have witnessed crop failures, seen the ravages of Nature and a capricious western clime and felt the pinch of low returns for their produce. This history emphasizes how one industry has vitally influenced the lives of Manitobans in economic, political and social spheres, for, appropriately, Professor Morton has employed "agricultural settlement" as his central theme.

Subordinating all else to that theme, he portrays his native province not in a narrow, provincial way, but as an integral part of the Canadian nation. A mosaic of many nationalities, Manitoba emerges a complex society: in troubled times the scene of bitter racial tensions, religious controversy, labor unrest, political discontent and economic chaos.

Successfully managing to "tell the story rather than relate its details", the author relegates extraneous information to footnotes and narrates the adventure of Manitoba in an interest-sustaining fashion. To start with he tells of probings into the hinterlands, the struggle for dominance of two rival fur companies, and describes in passing, such institutions of pioneer western life as the buffalo hunt and the creakingwheeled Red River cart. With modern times, incidentally, comes mention of the beginnings of those famous Manitoban cultural and sports institutions which today symbolize high levels of achievement of an enterprising people.

Himself a native of Manitoba (born in

Gladstone), W. L. Morton received his early education there, took his M.A. at Oxford in 1937, and is currently Professor of Canadian History and Chairman of the Department of History, University of Manitoba. For his book "The Progressive Party in Canada" Professor Morton won the Governor General's Award for Academic Non-Fiction in 1950. His numerous articles and essays have reflected an interest in, and a broad understanding of Canadian history and political practice. M.G.R.

THE LIVING LEGEND, by Alan Phillips. Little, Brown & Co. (Canada) Ltd., Toronto. Pp. 328. \$4.50.

Of all the books on the Mounted Police to appear in recent years this is certainly one of the best written, most entertaining and thoughtful appraisals of the Force and its role in Canadian society. There is nothing of a history book about it, in a chronological sense, and yet in its own way it gives complete coverage of a great portion of the Force's activities since the organization of the NWMP in 1873.

The origin of the book is rather interesting. Mr. Phillips, an accomplished and successful feature story writer, came to Headquarters first to do some research on a series of articles on the Force for Macleans magazine. Whatever his original plans might have been, it soon became apparent that he was not going to be satisfied with a few sketchy details; the more deeply he became immersed in research, the more engrossed he seemed to become with his subject. Eventually the articles were published in Macleans and many readers of The Quarterly are undoubtedly familiar with them. They form the background for this book but they have been augmented by additional research and by thoughtful re-writing and arrangement. The end result is that Mr. Phillips has largely caught the spirit of the Force and the traditions which have been so deeply

interwoven in its history.

"The Living Legend" is an extremely honest appraisal of the Mounted Police and of the men who serve in it. Perhaps not all of his comments are as flattering as many of us would like them to be. The author says, for instance: "Individually they are not all lithe six-footers . . . neither are they all young and handsome. Many reach middle age and look it. . . . They're not supermen. They don't 'always get their man'." That he has caught something of the principles of service in the Force is reflected in such comments as: "The attitude of the Force is the first and foremost influence in almost every Mounted Policeman's career. Wherever one sees a Mountie . . . he seldom stands out as an individual. And it is a curious feature of most RCMP tales that the heroes seem interchangeable, peculiarly alike."

Basically the book is composed of stories of the Force, investigations and important cases interwoven with intimate insignificant details which frequently do more toward reflecting the personalities of the people involved. But while the stories in themselves are mostly familiar ones, they are used in a new manner, each playing a part in illustrating some facet of the Force's history and work. It is a book which should have a great deal of appeal to anyone with any connection with the Force and to readers interested in the part the Mounted Police has played in Canada's past and in law enforcement today.

ARCTIC TRADER, by Charles Madsen with John Scott Douglas. Dodd, Mead & Co. (Canada) Ltd., Toronto. Illustrated. Pp. 273. \$4.50.

Charles Madsen was a Danish boy who, early in life, found himself in Alaska around the turn of the century. It was in the era during which gold was discovered in that territory and undoubtedly the great rush to the North had more than a little to do with Madsen's subsequent arrival there. But Madsen took no part in gold mining activities; he sensed that there were fortunes to be made in other fields.

Acquiring a small schooner, he sailed it through the treacherous ice floes of the Arctic coast from one Eskimo settlement to another, returning with huge valuable cargoes of hides and ivory. Later in life he became a professional guide, hunter of big game and special police officer and game warden on the Alaska Peninsula. But it was during his early years that he encountered many of his most thrilling experiences and they provide the substance of this story. In addition to facing the grim relentless elements of nature, Madsen and his small crew had many hectic encounters with Russian gunboats along the Siberian coast. His adventures make exciting reading and it was a happy circumstance that led his family to give him a tape recorder in 1952, two years before his death, so that the record of his pioneering experiences might be preserved.

ARCTIC BIRDS OF CANADA, by L. L. Snyder. University of Toronto Press, Canada. Illustrated. Indexed. Bibliography. Pp. 310. \$4.75.

Perhaps, in its own way, this book is another illustration of the increasing importance of the Arctic, for it is aimed primarily at providing the increasing population of the North with an introduction to bird life in Canada's Arctic. The book covers 72 species of birds which form a regular part of the bird population in the North. Other species which are known to made an appearance there, even for short periods, are also included. The accent of the book is largely on identification, and the illustrations excellently produced in black and white by T. M. Short should be of much assistance.

For students of ornithology, as well as bird watchers, the book should provide some absorbing reading on the fascinating study of the survival of birds in the frigid regions of Canada's northland.

THE TRUE NORTH, a story of Captain Joseph Bernier. By T. C. Fairley and Charles E. Israel. The Macmillan Company of Canada Ltd., Toronto. Illustrated. Pp. 160. \$2.00.

This is another in the "Great Stories of Canada" series. Like others in the series, it is directed toward young people and focuses attention on another noted Canadian whose illustrious service to Canada has never re-

ceived the publicity it deserved.

Long before his first Arctic explorations, Joseph Bernier's career as a sea captain won him acclaim for his acknowledged skill, but early in life one of his greatest ambitions was to explore the Arctic. In 1906 he began the first of a long series of voyages to the North, which resulted in many of the Arctic islands being claimed as Canadian territory for the first time. Although termed by Admiral Richard E. Byrd as "the dean of Arctic explorers" and rated by many as the greatest of all explorers of the Canadian North, Bernier never achieved the fame which has been directed to many others.

Today the North has taken on a new importance and in an era when we read much of its strategic significance, the roles played by such men as Bernier assume

added stature.

JAIL ADMINISTRATION, by Myrl E. Alexander. The Ryerson Press, Toronto, Canada. Illustrated. Indexed. Pp. 326. \$7.50.

This is another in the "Police Science" series and, like the others in the series, is produced on an excellent grade of paper, well printed and edited. The author is Assistant Director of the Federal Bureau of Prisons, United States Department of Justice, Washington, D.C.

This volume reflects the modern scientific and professional approach toward the problem of better administration of prisons and other centres of correction. It covers

a wide variety of questions and provides the answers on everything from types of medication to the tuition of jail staffs in the handling of major problems of discipline and training. While the material for the book is based on studies of penology problems in the United States, the experience and practices upon which it is based will provide the basis for study by jail administrators in any country.

PARKER ON POLICE, edited by O. W. Wilson. Ryerson Press, Toronto, Canada.

Pp. 234. \$5.25.

William H. Parker, Chief of Police, Los Angeles, California, is a career law enforcement officer whose professional approach to his work has earned him the reputation of being one of the top police administrators in the United States. This volume, a collection of Parker's addresses and articles, is edited by the Dean of the School of Criminology at the University of California, Berkley. Chief Parker's approach to police work advocates good public relations between police and the people, modern equipment and good working conditions for his personnel. From this the citizens of Los Angeles derive the benefits from a well trained, intelligent and efficient law enforcement body, which has proved in the long run to be an economical solution to the city's police needs. The book makes interesting reading, not only for those interested in police administration, but because it reflects much of the progressive thinking which has made Chief Parker an H.E.B. able administrator.

### OBITUARY-

Reg. No. 13076 Sgt. John Dean Dunbar, 42, died June 10, 1957 at Ottawa, Ont. He joined the RCMP Nov. 8, 1939 and served at Regina, Sask., Winnipeg, Gimli, Emerson, Beausejour and Selkirk, Man., Fredericton, N.B., Toronto, London and Ottawa, Ont. He was an original member of the RCMP Band formed in 1938 and served in it for 4½ years.

Reg. No. 11098 ex-Cst. Wilfred George Thompson, 52, died Feb. 26, 1957 at Saint John, N.B. He joined the RCMP Oct. 23, 1931 and was discharged Feb. 12, 1935. He served at Vancouver, B.C., Saint John, Fredericton, N.B. Reg. No. 14277 ex-Cpl. John Randolph LeRoy Phinney, 41, died June 6, 1957, on a train

while en route to Peterboro, Ont. He joined the RCMP Aug. 27, 1941 and was invalided to pension Mar. 25, 1957. He had served at Regina, Wadena, Rose Valley, Foam Lake, Prince Albert, Sask., New Glasgow, Sydney, D'Escousse, St. Peters, North Sydney, Eskasoni, Inverness and Halifax, N.S.

Reg. No. 11016 Cpl. Harold Kenneth Byce, 48, died Apr. 17, 1957, at Duncan, B.C. He joined the RCMP Aug. 29, 1931 and was discharged June 15, 1934. On Oct. 13, 1939 he re-engaged. He had been stationed at Regina, Sask., Winnipeg, Man., Edmundston, Mc-Adam, Fredericton, N.B., Vancouver, Esquimalt, Victoria and Duncan, B.C.

- Reg. No. 16202 Cst. Clayton Woodrow Gilbert, 34, was killed in an automobile accident near St. John's, Nfld., on December 23, 1956. He joined the RCMP on Aug. 1, 1950 after serving in the Newfoundland Constabulary and Newfoundland Rangers from Mar. 6, 1943 to July 31, 1950. He had been stationed at Grand Bank, Harbour Breton and St. John's, Nfld.
- Reg. No. 10903 ex-Cst. Reginald Robert Warner, BEM, 48, died May 5, 1957 at South Porcupine, Ont. He joined the RCMP Mar. 12, 1931 and was invalided to pension Mar. 11, 1946. From Apr. 26, 1940 to Dec. 1, 1945 he was a member of No. 1 Provost Company (RCMP) and served Overseas. He had been stationed at Regina, Sask., Toronto, Hamilton, Cobourg, Timmins, Sudbury and Kirkland Lake, Ont.
- Reg. No. 12231 ex-Cst. William Chesley Huelin, 67, died at Fairview, N.S. He joined the RCMP Apr. 1, 1932, when the Force absorbed the Preventive Service, and was invalided to pension Aug. 7, 1950. He was a member of "Marine" Division and served aboard the Fleurdelis, Laurier, French, Macleod and MacBrien. During World War II he served in the Royal Canadian Navy from Sept. 18, 1939 to Apr. 6, 1946.
- Spl. Cst. John Franklin McNaught, 56, died Jan. 6, 1957 at Victoria, B.C. He joined the RCMP Aug. 15, 1950 when the Force absorbed the B.C. Provincial Police with which he had served for over 20 years. He was Mechanical Supervisor and was stationed at "E" Division Headquarters, Victoria.
- Reg. No. 7641 ex-Cst. Cecil Albert Milner, 56, died Mar. 18, 1957 at Port Dover, Ont. He joined the Force May 6, 1919 and was discharged "time expired" May 5, 1922. Reengaging on Jan. 18, 1932, he was invalided to pension Oct. 8, 1947. He served at Regina, Sask., Nelson, Grand Forks, Vancouver, B.C., Winnipeg, Man., Dawson, Y.T., Rockcliffe, Ottawa, Ont., Halifax, Antigonish, Parrsboro, N.S.
- Inspr. William James Moorhead, 74, died Feb. 25, 1957 at Whitstable, Kent, England. He joined the RNWMP May 9, 1910 and purchased his discharge Feb. 17, 1915. On Jan. 6, 1919 he re-engaged in the Force and was retired to pension because of ill-health on Feb. 1, 1936. From Feb. 18, 1915 to Jan. 4, 1919 Mr. Moorhead was a member of the C.E.F., served Oveaseas and was wounded and gassed in action. He held the rank of Lieutenant and was commissioned an Inspector in the Force Feb. 1, 1920. He served at Regina, Weyburn, Yorkton, Sask., and at several points in the North.

- Reg. No. 9112 ex-Cpl. Charles Dufort (Duford), 70, died may 22, 1957 at Eastview, Ont. He joined the RCMP Feb. 1, 1920 and was discharged to pension July 12, 1946. All his service was in "A" Division, Ottawa, and before joining the Force he served in the Dominion Police from Jan. 18, 1916 to Jan. 31, 1920.
- Inspr. Lewis Arthur Denton (Rtd.), 57, died May 16, 1957, at Hamilton, Ont. He joined the RCMP Oct. 9, 1920 and was discharged "time expired" Oct. 8, 1923. On May 11, 1932 he re-engaged in the Force and was invalided to pension Nov. 30, 1956. He had served at Regina, Prince Albert, Sask., Lethbridge, Edmonton, Alta., Cobourg, St. Thomas, Sault Ste. Marie, Thorold, London, Toronto and Ottawa, Ont., Aklavik, N.W.T. Inspector Denton served with the B.E.F. from Aug. 27, 1915 to Aug. 12, 1916 and from Aug. 27, 1917 to Oct. 11, 1919 in World War I. In World War II he joined the No. 1 Provost Company (RCMP) on Jan. 17, 1941, served Overseas and was demobilized Jan. 30, 1946. He was appointed a commissioned officer in the Force on Mar. 1, 1950.
- Reg. No. 11615 ex-Cpl. Charles Dawson Mac-Kenzie, 67, died May 29, 1957, at Halifax, N.S. He joined the RCMP Apr. 1, 1932 and was discharged to pension Sept. 30, 1949. Before joining the Force he had served with the Nova Scotia Police from Aug. 18, 1930 to Mar. 31, 1932. In World War I he joined the C.E.F. June 4, 1918 and was demobilized July 13, 1919. He had been stationed at New Glasgow and Halifax, N.S.
- Reg. No. 8054 ex-S/Sgt. George Harvey, 63, died Mar. 29, 1957 at Lethbridge, Alta. He joined the RNWMP June 14, 1919 and purchased his discharge May 26, 1926. He reengaged in the Force Apr. 1, 1932 when the RCMP absorbed the Alberta Provincial Police with which he had served from May 28, 1926 to Mar. 31, 1932. On Oct. 31, 1944 he retired to pension to become Chief of Police, Lethbridge, a position he held at the time of his death. He had served at Regina, Sask., Vancouver, Penticton, B.C., Banff, Calgary, Edmonton and Lethbridge, Alta. During World War I Mr. Harvey joined the C.E.F. on Nov. 6, 1914, served Overseas and was demobilized May 24, 1919. (See also Old-timers' Column.)
- Reg. No. 11376 ex-Cst. John Napoleon Menard, 67, died Apr. 24, 1957 at Montreal, Que. He joined the RCMP Apr. 1, 1932 and was retired to pension June 14, 1949. Before engaging in the Force he served in the Preventive Service from June 15, 1927 to Mar. 31, 1932. He was stationed at Riviere du Loup and Montreal, Que.