

# List Results of 24 Thousand Hours Police Work in Report

## GEORGETOWN NCO GRADUATES



### BATTLE ATMOSPHERE

GRADUATE JOHN CLARKE, 29, of Georgetown, graduated March 29 from a four week second and final stage of an intensive senior leadership training course at Canadian Forces Base Borden's combat training area near Meaford. Here, while still on course, he considers his platoon's next move during tactical attack exercises held in the craggy Ontario Blue Mountain region. The course was designed to qualify the soldier for promotion to the rank of sergeant. During this exercise, his instant effective reactions were put to the test in a realistic battle atmosphere, complete with mortar, machine gun, and rifle fire from all sides. These practical exercises equip Canada's modern combat soldier with practical knowledge in military tactics used in a platoon attack, defence, and withdrawal of troops. Also included in this course were five consecutive overnight patrols in the cold, brisk air near the picturesque shores of Georgian Bay.

### ASHGROVE

## Officers Served Well UCW Makes Presentation

The Friendship Unit of the UCW was held on Wednesday afternoon at two o'clock at the home of Mrs. James McPhail, April 10th.

President Mrs. Ward Brownridge opened the meeting with a hymn and a prayer. Secretary Mrs. Francis Thompson read last month's minutes and called the roll which was answered with an Easter thought. The Devotional was given by Mrs. C. B. Dick on "Easter", the theme being God is not dead, with portions of Scripture read by Mrs. Frank Wilson. Mrs. John McNabb had charge of the Study Chapter on Religion in Japan, where Christianity is six hundred and fifty thousand strong in Japan today. The story was about a Japanese woman, Susumi Girkuta, a fourth generation Christian, and they are as rare in Japan as they are common in Canada. She was a wonderful worker and a good example of a lay Christian. With her courage and determination she was always able to accomplish any task she set herself to do. Today she is sixty-two, vigorous and decisive and still radiates the charm which has won her friends among her own people and among foreigners.

At the finish a record was played of an interview between herself and a Christian worker. A discussion period followed and many questions answered on life in Japan.

Following this Mrs. John Bellbody spoke a few words of appreciation to Mrs. Bob Cunningham, the past secretary and Mrs. Frank Wilson, the treasurer. Both ladies had done a splendid job for six years while in office and Mrs. James Carr-

Last year was one of changes in Georgetown Police Department. The annual police report, released last week singles out the appointment of a police commission to handle the affairs of the department, the resignation of Chief Roy Haley and promotion of Inspector Bud Lowe to the senior office, plus bringing the strength of the force to 15 men, as major occurrences in the department's year.

As requested by the Ontario Police Commission a new offense filing system was created and many printed forms have been changed or replaced, to keep a better check on daily occurrences and police activities. The schedule of shifts was also altered.

Another change was the assignment of certain officers to specific duties; criminal investigation; traffic and safety; radar and traffic control; and summonses and warrants. In addition certain officers have been assigned to motor vehicle maintenance.

The police department's 1967 staff was composed as follows: Chief R. Haley, Jan. - Aug.; Chief H. Lowe as of Dec. 22; Acting Chief H. Lowe March - Dec.; Sgt. G. Louth; Cpl. J. Field; Cpl. R. Henderson; Constables H. Vanderstijn, R. Danahon, F. Andrews, J. Glass, J. Paul, K. Firth, D. Allan, J. Powell, J. Ewert, A. Vanclief, Cadet W. Cunningham, clerk Mrs. L. Hart.

Resignations received during 1967: Chief R. Haley, Cpl. T. Scott, Cpl. D. Martin, Cpl. T. Oakley, Constables Bell, Liberty, Orpen, May, Hall and McKay and clerk Mrs. Ann Connelly.

The Georgetown department police a seven square mile area including 48 miles of streets and a population of 13,000.

Statistically 1967 looked like this:

**LIQUOR CONTROL:** Summonses 104, mainly for under age drinking, and having liquor in a place other than residence. Arrests: 50, mainly common drunks (20), and minors (29).

**CRIMINAL CODE:** Summonses 37, mainly for thefts, impaired driving, and causing disturbance. Arrests 67, mainly impaired driving (14), theft (11), causing a disturbance (9), and failing to remain at an accident (9).

**BY-LAWS:** Summonses 361, mainly motor violations (105) and parking (115).

**HIGHWAY TRAFFIC ACT -** summonses 1,559, mainly for speeding (1,023), running stop sign (199), improper lights (44). Arrests: 9, careless driving (8), and failing to remain (1).

**MOTOR ACCIDENT CLAIMS ACT -** Summonses 34, all for failing to provide proof of insurance.

**REGULATIONS -** Summonses 7, Failing to notify of ad-

dress change (6), and no sign on right hand drive vehicle (1).

Total charges laid under all Acts - 2,197.

**MOTOR VEHICLE ACCIDENTS -** Total 215; number of injuries 65; total estimated damage \$76,013; number of charges laid 68. Main causes - falling to stop or yield; improper turns; careless driving; speeding. Main locations, of motor accidents: Guelph Street at Rexway; Guelph at Maple; Guelph at Mountainview; and Guelph at Sinclair.

## Close Acton CNR Station Unless Board Nixes Plan

The CNR intends to go through with plans to close their station at Acton.

Representatives of the railway told the Free Press last week the CNR has made an application to the Railway Transport Committee of the Canadian Transport Commission to close Acton station. It is now up to the Commission to set a date for a hearing which will likely be held in Acton soon to hear pros and cons of the railway's request.

The Commission will make a decision based on evidence heard at the hearing whether the station should be closed or left open.

The experimental stage of plans for the master agency are now over and the railway's findings, representatives said, indicate "right service is run as efficiently" as it was when was handled from Acton.

Since there was not much op-

**OPERATIONS -** Foot patrol hours 6113; car patrol hours 12,564; radar patrol hours 649. Total hours on patrol 19,206. Miscellaneous hours: reports, office duty, investigations, escorts, court time, overtime, 5321. Total hours 24,527.

**INVESTIGATIONS -** Accidents, 215, sudden deaths 5, complaints 2,993, insecure property 290, house checks 640, thefts over \$50. 58, thefts under fifty dollars 74, arrests 129, summonses served 755, missing persons 22.

position and everyone seems to be satisfied with the service as it operates from Guelph, the railway has applied to close the Acton station.

Asked if the CNR has received no written objections about the proposed closing from Acton business and industry, representatives said they were not aware of any.

Opponents of the proposal point out many other stations with a much smaller revenue than what the CNR got out of Acton are still open.

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