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Up the Down Route – Part 1

by WATCHDOG

ALL STATIONS THIS IS 28 ALPHA. SUNRAY 9er has closed down his net and headed for British Columbia. The diary of then Major Bill McCullough, Cyprus circa 1974-76, cannot be found so we are unable to pick up the history of Bob Stevens as promised in the last issue of the Thunderbird. We are interested in the Cyprus tours of duty as it brings back memories for many of us. All stations are invited to pass on your diary entries, highlights and downers, to WATCHDOG c/o The Managing Editor. All stations Embassy Guards are also invited to share a day, week, month or year in the life of security secondment as well, OVER.

28 ALPHA, this broadcast will be devoted to SUNRAY's breaking away, turning over the reins of DG Secur and Branch Adviser to another generation. It went something like this.

Dec 21 Outstation in British Columbia requested permission to join the net. SUNRAY was then advised that he had won the competition, he had to close down the net as DG Secur and establish communications as Director Policing Planning and Programmes of the Solicitor General Department Province of British Columbia by 5 Feb 90.

Dec 22 SUNRAY's letter of resignation was making its way through NDHQ.

Dec 24 SUNRAY departed on Christmas leave having provided final advice to the Career managers on the APS 90 posting plot.

Jan 4 SUNRAY announces the interim acting DG Secur. In his

view it was time to let the Newfie have a turn at the helm. There was still time to recover "if he runs'er aground boys"

Jan 5 Part 1 Medical. During SUNRAY'S absence an emergency meeting of SAMP (Security and Military Police) Management Board was held to consider farewell parties, luncheons, etc and to establish measures to control SUNRAY's work plan. He now had to push on to complete all those outstanding goals and objectives he had expected to achieve as the DG and Branch Adviser. Everything now had a two week target date.

Jan 8 SUNRAY departed on HHT.

Jan 15 SUNRAY was back on the job. He bought a house, his spirits were high and he was more determined than ever to get everything done.

Jan 16 and 17 SUNRAY was still busy. There were no signs of handing over the reins to the "Newfie".

Jan 18 Farewell Luncheon at the Army Officer's Mess. All ranks attended (undercover) in civilian clothes. There were 120 or more, the dining room was filled to standing room only in the hallway. Everyone breathed a sigh of relief when SUNRAY appeared. SUNRAY was known for missing luncheons; there was apprehension that he might miss his own farewell. The acting DG then introduced the speakers who had assembled to say farewell. An agent from the Canadian Security Intelligence Service presented a plaque to acknowledge the good relations which had developed between the two organizations during SUNRAY's tour as DG. Major Tony Cannons present-

ed a bas-relief on behalf of the CMPA to Colonel Bill. The bas-relief is a Colonel Andy Gauthier (ret'd) work of art, serial numbered limited edition and available only to retiring members of the CMPA. There's no other way to get one except to buy it from a CMPA retired member for whatever price he asks for it. SUNRAY was presented with #2, as #1 is always reserved for the Artist. The acting DG then presented SUNRAY with an oak clock and provided a short resume of his career. The highlights are summarized below.

Col McCullough enrolled in the Canadian Army Reserve in 1953 and transferred to the Regular Force in 1953 and was commissioned in 1959. He completed his combat arms training with 2nd Battalion R22eR and then went on to serve in the following positions: APM Saskatchewan area; Military Police Administration Officer Germany; Instructor CFSIS; Exchange Officer RMPTC; SSO Secur Training Command; the first SSO Secur of Air Command; CFA Beirut; Director Security Operations and Director General Security and Branch Adviser. Col McCullough was awarded the Meritous Service Cross for his exceptional conduct while the Beirut Embassy was under fire. He was the first CF officer to be awarded the MSC. To date, only 14 have been awarded.

Jan 20 The Branch LCol's, the Colonel Commandant, MGen Al Pickering, and RAdm John Slade and ladies roasted Col Bill and bid a fond farewell to Denyse. Col Bill was reminded of his McCulloughisms, the word "extant" was retired from the Branch. SUNRAY was then presented with a David Winters English Cottage sculpture. Denyse was presented with roses



to acknowledge her friendship and to signify our best wishes.

Jan 22 SUNRAY'S terminal leave started and he actually did set about doing his clearances.

Jan 25 SUNRAY did the slow march walk around. We're not sure if we saw a tear or a smile.

CONCLUSION SUNRAY from all stations we appreciate the tremendous effort you made to improve our procedures, raise the reputation of the Branch and ensure a system of management was in place. Our best wishes to you and Denyse.



Up the Down Route – Part 2

By Watchdog

HULLO ALL STATIONS. THIS IS 28 ALPHA. HOW DO YOU HEAR ME? OVER.

Some umpteen columns ago I droned on about passing years, a sore back which was not quite up to gardening and the social advantages implicit to needing glasses. If you're someone like Lorne Henderson, you have the added advantage of being able to turn down your hearing aid when the grandchildren become too much. All this is part of the phenomenon known as graceful aging.

Passing years bring another reality. Sometime sooner than most of us expect, the dreaded CRA, 20/40 or the magic 28 arrives and you are faced with retirement. Unless you've won the Lottery or had an unusually benevolent maiden

aunt who did well in stocks or bonds, or whatever it was she did down in the Market, reaching the end of your active Service career is but a threshold. In the Regular Force, it is euphemistically described as arriving at Second Career.

Now Second Career is a subject all by itself, and no two experiences are entirely alike, so I'll just pass over that and talk about the dreaded four letter word SFTS: Separation From The Service. If you happen to complete your last tour of duty in Ottawa, there are additional pains to endure and some added experiences to enjoy which may not be de rigueur out on the frontier.

On retirement, who can possibly imagine the anguish involved in surrendering your "I" card to

some civilian flunky who looks like she's just out of school. Hey! Does she know anything about the summary investigations we had to go through to account for the loss of one of those suckers, and the inevitable \$10.00 administrative deduction that resulted? I was raised on the admonishment to never surrender your "I" card for any purpose at any time, and now she wants me to hand it over to her against a locally produced receipt! What kind of a dummy does she take me for anyway? I'm not like Paul Jenkins, whose card spent more time on Raegenia Street in '75 than he spent in the office!

Another blow to one's pride at NDHQ is the loss of the building pass. This occurs at least one day prior to your actual clearance and



is designed solely to disabuse you once and for all of the notion that you're anyone of import. I was assured, nay guaranteed, that all I had to do to get back into NDHQ was to show my leave form plus one other piece of identification, and I would be in like Flynn. Well, that's the idea, anyway.

Now I know I've got this leave form somewhere, but I'm not quite sure where! On my third last day, I appeared in uniform at 07:00 hours only to be told by the commissioner that, without the missing leave form, I would have to wait until someone from my old office got into work and would act as my guarantor, mentor and escort; "No tickee, No laundry!" This from a commissioner for whom I have had a cheerful "good morning" now for 6 years!

Hey, if that old boy ever comes West, I'll have a cheerful hello for him all right!

The Release Section of NDHQ operates on the evident principle, probably based on experience, that

anyone leaving the Service, regardless of rank, probably has an IQ in the 50-60 range and an attention span of half as many seconds. The clerks tend to use short words of not more than 2 syllables, speak loudly and repeat themselves a lot.

That notwithstanding, there must be something seriously wrong with them or the way they work. I mean, is it my fault that I lost my diary and missed one or two clearance appointments? Come on now, anybody can forget to cancel his pay assignments, so that a lot of his pay is still going to an Ottawa bank account closed last January. I've written DPS three times on that one, and I am still hopeful it will work itself out sometime soon.

And the move. That was something else! In my case, I literally retired on a Friday and started a new job at the far end of the country the following week. Did you ever move houses in winter using the Three Stooges as your carters? At around -25° Larry and Moe had my front door off the hinges and my dining table

jammed into it not moving in any direction. That last heating bill was a corker! The Stooges miscalculated volume, finished loading in the dark and had to off-load and re-pack the next morning. Curly, the driver, was four days late arriving on the West Coast. He claims to have got stuck in Rogers Pass in a storm, but I suspect that his map reading was off; he probably came via Mexico. His map reading reminds me of that of Vance McDougall when he served with the Van Doos; but that's another story.

Unfortunately, I missed all the excitement of the move into my new house. I had to go back to Ottawa for a couple of days. Seems there is a small problem with my accounts in NDHQ Clothing Section. Does anybody have a spare pair of ammunition boots and a complete set of 37 Patern Webbing they could let me have?

THIS IS 28 ALPHA, OUT TO YOU.

Letter from the Editor

by Maj Sandra Entwistle

By now, you have had three opportunities to absorb the new look of the Thunderbird Journal. Along with the changes to the Journal itself, there have been some significant changes within the Branch which I will briefly address here.

Col Bill McCullough has moved on to a new life and career in beautiful British Columbia. At last word, he was up to his neck in alligators!

CWO Dan Nolan has finally run out of bus passes to count till retirement, so now we'll have to find someone else to count down the months and days to retirement. (A favorite pass-time at NDHQ!)

Col Al Wells has been in "the chair" for a few months now and needless to say, the inherent duties have kept him busy and out of trouble, not to mention out of sight!

Although technically in the chair, other duties have kept the new Branch CWO, CWO Ron Bens, away from the office. We'll try to get his impressions for you in the next issue.

Now to some administrative points. One of the things we're trying to do to improve the image/effectiveness of the Thunderbird is to sort out our massive administrative backlog. Of particular note is that we have a number of photo-



graphs we'd like to return to their rightful owners. The problem is, we don't know who they are! If you at one time submitted an article for Thunderbird consideration along with photos and they were never returned to you, now's your chance to let us know. Write us a note briefly describing the photo and we'll endeavour to get it back to you. NO PROMISES THOUGH! Some of the photos have been

around for a while; others may have been lost over the years. But, we'll try our best. Don't forget to give us a return address.

At the risk of getting overly lengthy in my discourse, I wish to make a plea for help from the talented artists/cartoonists amongst our members. We like to run a MP-oriented cartoon in the "Last Laugh" section of the Journal, but

we are limited by the amount of material we have. If any of you out there like to pass the time "cartooning" and think that you may be able to help, *PLEASE* (I'm on my knees) send in your stuff.

Well that about does it from the Editor's corner. Enjoy the issue and don't hesitate to drop us a line, or an article — *anything!*

Colonel A.R. Wells

by Lt Lorna Fisher

Colonel A.R. Wells was born 14 July 1940 at Gooseberry Island, Newfoundland. At an early age his family moved to Hare Bay, Bona Vista Bay, where he was raised and completed high school. In 1960, he enrolled in the Canadian Officers Training Plan and attended Memorial University. While continuing his education at Memorial, Col Wells transferred to the Regular Officers Training Plan in 1962. He graduated in 1965 receiving Bachelor of Arts degrees in Arts and Arts Education and was commissioned as Lieutenant in the Canadian Provost Corps.

Col Wells began his career as a Provost officer with the Canadian Provost Corps School, however, in August 1965, he was attached to the 2nd Battalion, the Canadian Guards for combat arms training. He served with the Battalion for a year, including six months as company administrative officer and second in command.

Following his Combat Arms attachment, Col Wells was posted to the Canadian Provost Corps School. From 1968-1971 he served as Police Operations Officer at



CFB Halifax, Adm O for the UNFICYP MP Company and Intelligence Analyst Special Studies in NDHQ. He was appointed Officer Commanding — 4 CMBG MP Platoon from 1971-1974. This was followed by a one year tour as B Secur O at CFB Chatham and two years as SSO Secur at CFTSHQ. In 1977 he was posted to DGIS Operations Plans and Training Section and moved to

D Secur/Police Operations in 1980. Col Wells was appointed Senior Staff Officer Intelligence and Security at FMCHQ in 1981 and returned to NDHQ in 1983 as Section Head of D Secur Plan and Requirements Section. In 1984 he assumed command, as commandant, of the Canadian Forces School of Intelligence and Security. After attending the year long French course in Ottawa, Col Wells was posted in 1988 to NDHQ as DSecur Ops. On 15 January 1990 he was promoted to the rank of Colonel and appointed Director General Security and Branch Advisor.

During his career, Col Wells assisted in the development of the Scandinavian UN Stand-By Military Police Course and lectured at the Danish Military Police School. He has attended the Canadian Forces Staff School, the Canadian Forces Land Forces Command and Staff College, and the Canadian Forces Command and Staff College.



DG Secur/Branch Adviser Views

by Col Al Wells

Welcome to the fast lane. It's hard to believe that I have been the Director General Security and the Branch Adviser for only six weeks. Although I have been wearing both hats for only a short period, I have had time to reflect on several issues and form some conclusions. In this, my first column, I wish to share some of my ideas and to provide some rationale of the principles and factors that must guide us in the way ahead. I do not expect that everyone will agree with my views, or the eventual courses of action I adopt, but I do hope that there will at least be an understanding of the rationale used. This is particularly important when I, as Branch Adviser or as DG Secur, must decide the amount of energies that can be devoted to resolve minor or major issues. There are no magic or simple solutions to a lot of the issues we deal with, but the operative phrase should be "we are making progress".

Harkening back to the Fall 1989 Issue of Thunderbird, Colonel Bill McCullough outlined in the Secur 21st article the management matrix and the bureaucratic process whereby we coordinate day to day operational procedures and establish short and long range plans. Secur 21st serves me in both my capacity as DG Secur regarding my divisional activities and also as Branch Adviser regarding Branch matters. It is important that all Security officers and Military Police understand the workings of the various committees, boards and working groups that make up Secur 21st as they assist me in making the final decisions on courses of action. This is not a one man operation but a team effort in which all of us have a part to play.

My first month in office has confirmed a long standing opinion that over the years we have been very inward looking and have not done a good job of keeping senior management and the chain of command abreast of our operational mandate, conduct of operations and the accountability systems which guide the conduct of security and military police operations. This has been highlighted by the considerable amount of time that we in the Security Division have spent preparing briefings and explaining our *raison d'être* to various levels of senior management. I predict that this trend will continue for some time and that we all must continue to spread the word as the opportunity presents itself — eg. Commanding Officer seminars, Staff College lectures and OPDP studies, to name a few.

Let me now move on to itemize what I see as the priorities and overriding factors which will guide my decisions and which will attract my concentration and effort. These items of priority, I suspect, are not unlike those which have guided our efforts in the past.

Operations. We exist to provide the necessary security and military police support to commanders and senior departmental managers and their staffs. Whatever stand we take on a particular issue must be done based on well-founded doctrinal principles that do not degrade our operational support capabilities. Such principles must ensure that our policies and procedures are relevant, current and correct. In us, the conduct of our operational support activities is our first priority.

Training. An ongoing, dynamic activity that is essential in supporting our operational capability.

Standards must be established that ensure we get the job done. In so doing and within our resource limitations a balance will have to be struck among that which is desirable, that which is necessary and that which is feasible. Notwithstanding the resource limitations, our ultimate goal must be excellence. Although CFSIS must strive to be our learning centre of excellence, the onus is on all supervisors to keep up to date so that we all will fulfill our primary role of educating and training our subordinates. There must be a team effort to develop professional competence. Innovation and creativity will be necessary if we are to serve our masters in a meaningful and realistic way.

Personnel Matters. People matters and concerns are the key to priorities one and two. Although as Branch Adviser I do not command and control any security officers and military police, it is incumbent on us all within the chain of command to identify those people issues which detract from the operational capability and the well being of all Security Branch personnel. In judging and managing people matters, it is necessary to distinguish the significant issues as opposed to those which arise from desirable and nice-to-have aspirations.

A logical conclusion that can be drawn from my statement of priorities is that you can expect that I will not take a firm stand on a minor issue if it is likely to have a detrimental impact on our operations or training.

While Secur 21st provides us with a management concept and advisory structure, we have not yet totally flushed out statements of objectives and priorities to be con-



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sidered by the various corporate entities. That is not to say that work is not proceeding in several areas. A document to more clearly identify our objectives is now being prepared to ensure that all the phases and implications of an activity are stated.

Such a process is not an easy one, however, once completed this document will serve as a road map

to get us to the 21st century as smoothly as possible. There is bound to be the occasional bump and detour along the way but I am confident that if we all do our part we'll have a safe journey.

In this my first message, I do hope my overview provides you with a better understanding of my priorities and views. Future columns will further discuss secur-

ity and military police issues and operational and administrative goals and objectives. I am looking forward to serving you as both DG Secur and Branch Adviser. No doubt my visits to units will afford opportunities for reasoned and healthy debate on the matters affecting all of us as viewed from various perspectives.

FEATURE ACTICLES

Changing of the Guard

by Lt Lorna Fisher

Once again, it is time to bid farewell to a long-time member of the Security Branch. CWO Danny Nolan, MMM, CD, the current Branch CWO, is retiring at the end of August. After a busy 34 years, CWO Nolan will be handing over the reins as Branch CWO to CWO Ron Bens, CD.

CWO Dan Nolan was born in Quebec City, PQ, 2 October, 1935.

CWO Nolan enrolled in the Canadian Provost Corps in 1956 at 3 P.D. Quebec City and went through recruit training group I and II Service Police course at CFB Shilo, Manitoba, where he was subsequently posted to the C Pro C School for a year.

In 1958 he was posted 3 MP P1 at CFB Borden where he completed his Junior Leaders Course at 2 TPT Coy. After completing his Group 3 Senior Police Course at CFB Shilo in 1960, he was posted to 3 R22^eR.

In 1961, he was posted to Quebec City Provost Detachment. Promoted to Cpl in 1962, he was posted to HQ CBUE, Fort Henry,

Germany. In 1965, he returned to Canada and was posted to CFB Valcartier.

Having completed his Senior NCO Course in 1965, he was later promoted to Sgt in 1968. He was

then posted to Cyprus for six months as an investigator for the UN MP Coy. On his return, he was posted to CFB Bagotville and promoted to WO.

(Photo donated by a course mate — Maj Gary Gesner)



CWO Ron Bens on his investigator's course in 1970.



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In 1976, CWO Nolan was posted to CFB St Jean and promoted to MWO. CWO Nolan was sent again to Cyprus in 1980-1981 as the UN MP Coy Sgt Major. On his return, he was posted to CFB Valcartier in the capacity of Sgt Major 5 P.P.M.

In 1983, CWO Nolan was appointed to the Order of Military Merit as a member.

Posted to CFB Ottawa in 1984, he was promoted to CWO and put in charge of CIP operations.

In 1987, CWO Nolan was appointed Branch CWO.

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CWO Bens was born in Cudworth, Saskatchewan, on 10 April 1941. CWO Bens enrolled in the Royal Canadian Air Force as an Air Force Policeman on 5 May 1962 at Regina, Saskatchewan and completed his basic training at CFB St Jean, Quebec and CFB Borden, Ontario, respectively.

In 1962, CWO Bens was posted to CFB Calgary where he remained until 1964 when he was posted to RCAF Station Zweibruecken, Germany. Promoted to Cpl in 1967, he was posted to CFB Cold Lake, Alberta in 1968 and promoted to MCpl in 1970.

In 1972, CWO Bens was promoted to Sgt and posted to SIU Section Vancouver, British Columbia. Two years later, he was posted overseas to SIU Section Lahr, Germany in 1974 and promoted to WO in 1975.

CWO Bens was posted to NDHQ/D Secur Ops 2, Security Education, in 1978. He was promoted to MWO that year and then spent six months in Cyprus. In 1980, he was moved to D Secur Ops 2, Police Operations.

In 1983, CWO Bens was posted to Central Detachment SIU, CFB Toronto and promoted to CWO later that year. In 1987, CWO Bens was posted to his current duties as the Unit Chief Warrant Officer at SIU Headquarters, Ottawa.

So, now we say farewell to CWO (soon to be Mister) Nolan and bid a hearty "Welcome!" to CWO Bens. On behalf of the entire Branch, congratulations to CWO Bens on his appointment as the new Branch CWO, and the best of luck to CWO Nolan in all of his future endeavors.



CWO Bens as he looks today.



CWO Dan Nolan (Ret'd) on his senior NCO course at the C Pro C school in 19____
(Date forgotten by the classmate who donated the photo).



Let sleeping dogs lie...
(Photo courtesy of CWO Nolan's son, John)



Top Guns

by Capt Don Dixon

Forty kilometres of varying terrain, steep grades of shale and rocks, pain and blisters. That is what the Chichester March is all about. It also means the opportunity to compete with both military and civilian police forces in an international milieu.

The Canadian Military Police Contingent team representing the Security Branch in Chichester for the 1989 March was a team made up of 21 members from Air Command units. Indicative of their professionalism, leadership, determination and esprit de corps, this team received top honours for their outstanding achievement in all areas of assessment.

All team members trained individually at their various units for three months prior to a one week final training phase which culminated in a prove-up march of 30 kms. This phase successfully completed, all were ready for the big moment.

The march officially kicked off at 0730hrs, 6 August 1989 with 7,000 competitors crowded together at the start line. Included in this group were 30 police marching teams who were trying to stay in formation while being jostled about by the hordes of people. This proved to be the hardest aspect of the march. The pace was slow and to make matters worse, we had the displeasure of inhaling copious amounts of dust. It took about two hours to make our way through the crowd before we settled into a steady pace which we maintained for the duration.

Competition throughout the march was keen as all the teams were aware of the critical factors on which they were being judged.



Photos by MCpl Norm Schats

These factors were: morale; dress and deportment; esprit de corps; marching formation; and leadership and overall timings. Teams were judged throughout the march and particularly in the latter stages where the terrain was the most rugged, fatigue was setting in, and enthusiasm was being pushed to the limit. To help us overcome the

fatigue and the pain, our team was boosted by the ever-present Sgt Frank Stubbert who provided inspiration through the haunting sounds of his bagpipes. Seeing his silhouette in full piper regalia at the top of each hill and hearing the sound of his pipes provided the team with the incentive to push on. Equally important to the



team was the logistical support provided by MCpl Norm Schats, the team coordinator. Both during the important training phases and while in Chichester, he was a welcome sight, providing food and beverages when they were needed most.

The tremendous amount of effort that went into organizing this trip was obviously worth it. Needless to say, had it not been for the inspired leadership, the dedication, pride, enthusiasm and determination of every member, the team would have been hard pressed to reach top honours.

It was a proud moment for all team members as well as for the Security Branch when the Mayor of Chichester presented the team leader, Capt Don Dixon, with a silver tray as a mark of their excellent overall performance. A traditional British dinner was also hosted by the Mayor and other prominent citizens for the proud (and tired) team members.

Who says "Top Guns" can only be pilots? Bravo to all the team members who truly put their best foot forward and represented the Branch in such a magnificent manner. Our hat's off to you!!

Standing Guard

by Maj Wayne Kendall

"O Canada, we stand on guard for thee..."

IN THE BEGINNING

Our national anthem proclaims for all to hear that we stand on guard for country. Even on foreign

soil, we stand on guard, keeping watch over our embassies and missions. It has taken many years for security at the Canadian missions abroad to evolve into its present form. It started during the war in 1942-45, when the Canadian Army Liaison Establishment Provost Detachment was attached to the Canadian Joint Staff in London and Washington. Duties varied from security services to providing escorts for the Canadian Prime Minister's visits.

After the war, the RCMP provided a limited number of personnel, but were unable to expand their services to cover the growing number of missions where guards were required. It was therefore necessary, in 1952, for the Department to establish its own civilian guard unit with its personnel belonging to the protective and custodial services group, classified as GS-PRC. Their primary task was the protection of classified material. Since then, the PRCs have assumed more responsibilities and developed certain new and specific skills.

Besides providing security for the missions, the PRCs were also involved in Indo-China between 1954 and 1974 and in Cyprus in 1966/67 at the Canadian High Commission. In early 1976, the Canadian Embassy in Beirut was taken over by an expatriate Lebanese Canadian who held the staff hostage for four days. As a result of this incident, Department of External Affairs (DEA) requested that the Department of National Defence (DND) assist by providing military security guards (MSGs) to protect the Embassy and its staff. In 1979, an MSG team was sent to the Embassy in Tehran until its closure in 1980.

Based on these experiences and the increasing risks to our embass-

ies, it was decided that the military, as is the case with many other nations, could provide the most effective means of ensuring security at a number of Canadian Missions. Lengthy discussions between DND and DEA culminated in authorizing the conversion of all multi-guard missions to MSG status as the person years (PYs) came available. To date, with the exception of Washington and Bucharest, all multi-guard missions have been converted. Washington will receive MSGs in the summer of 1990 and Bucharest, which had been converted, but later changed back to PRC status, will retain PRCs for the foreseeable future.

MILITARY SECURITY GUARDS

At present, plans are under way for the military security guards to become a unit, hopefully by 01 January, 1991. Negotiations are under way for the gradual replacement of the civilian guards with MSGs over the next ten years. The new posts are one person security guard positions at the Sgt or WO rank and are located in Algiers, Ankara, Athens, Baghdad, Bonn, Brussels, Cairo, Damascus, Geneva, Hong Kong, Islamabad, Mexico, New Delhi, New York, Rome, Stockholm, Tel Aviv, Tokyo and Vienna.

The program in the past had its ups and downs, and we had some problems selecting the right personnel, but we are overcoming these problems with the new orientation and training program of six weeks, split with two weeks in March and four weeks in July. In this regard, the screening process and recommendations given by B Secur O/NCMs are very important. The MSGs reflect on all of us as Canadians, members of the CF, and as military police.



The job of the MSG is often boring and monotonous and is not suited to everyone. Working in a foreign environment can be stressful for the member, but more importantly, can also have devastating effects on the spouse and other family members. It is extremely important that the members and their families are well motivated

and have stable relationships, free of alcohol problems and other support systems. They must be able to live in a small community environment and socially interact with Canadians and foreigners in all walks of life.

One final note, as of 3 December 1989, we have 8 MSGs on TD

in Bogota, after having had 7 from 5 October to 5 December. We have 5 combat arms personnel on a one year posting to guard our new Chancery currently under construction in Beijing, China. Even after almost fifty years, the security force at our missions abroad is still expanding. Who knows where we will go next? Only time will tell.

Not Just Another Pretty Place

by MCpl Yves Piche, Canadian Embassy Beijing, PRC

'TIS NO CLUB MED!

Ni Hao! From the middle land of the world!

Like they told us during our briefings in Ottawa: China is no Club Med. Picture about 10 million duly registered people of the Republic, mixed with an expat (foreigners) population of about 10,000, add 2 to 3 million unconcerned bicyclists, mix them again and wait for an accident. That, at a glance, is Beijing. Having a LOT of patience and a wide sense of wonder is the key to surviving in China.

We live in apartments which are owned and maintained by the DSB (Chinese government). Those three letters simply mean that you hope nothing will break on Friday, or as a matter of fact, any day of the week! The apartments themselves are furnished by the Embassy and are nothing but the highest quality. A big inconvenience, though, is when they cut the hot water for about a month, twice a year, in order to clean the pipes.

The schools are very good and transportation is provided for all the Canadian children. One thing

about the Chinese, they are all fascinated by our young children. They are used to adult foreigners, but not children. They like to pinch their cheeks and have pictures of their children taken with ours. (My daughter has warned me the next time she gets pinched, she will pinch them right back, Ha-Ha!!!).

Beijing is still a relatively safe place to live. You can walk around at night without fearing for your life. Common sense prevails, however, and the days of the Chinese running after you because you left one dollar on the table are long gone. We have reports of some Canadians who have had their belongings stolen, but these are few and far between.

A DRIVING EXPERIENCE

One week after last summer's massacre you could have driven around Beijing and you would never have guessed that anything had happened here. Driving in Beijing brings with it unique perils and experiences. If you are involved in an accident, you can be sure that you, the foreigner, will always be at fault. If, for example, a bicycle strikes your vehicle, you're at fault. Whether it is partially or totally, you are at

fault. You have to pay for any damage to the bicycle and the cyclist may have to pay a five dollar fine.

An even greater challenge when driving is that the Chinese do not have road maps. I am telling you, it is quite an experience to venture off the known paths. If you break down, make sure it is close to a phone and pray that someone at the Embassy is willing to tow you back. Travelling in and around Beijing is limited only by your gas tank. By the way, there are only two gas stations for us in Beijing and they are located close to our compounds.

TOURIST TRAVEL

On the positive side, the June incident has completely stopped the influx of tourists and makes the city easier to get around. You do not require pre-authorization to travel in China, except for the unopened economic zones. If you can get a booking for a plane or train, and return (that's another thing), you've got it made. You see in China, you cannot book return for anything; it has to be done once you have reached your destination. Many times our Embassy personnel end up staying longer than they want to on trips, but



that is China. We often go to the Great Wall or the Ming Tombs; it is a refreshing break from the most polluted city of the world and the crushing crowds.

One of the perks of being in China, is that we are close to all these exotic places. Australia, New Zealand, Macau, Singapore, Bangkok, Hawaii, and Newfoundland are but a few places that our group has been to! As for my family and I, we have relaxed on the beaches of Penang, Malaysia and recently returned from a 3 week trek around the Pacific, including two weeks in Tahiti/Moorea and naturally Hong Kong (which has become for all of us a shopping stop-over before returning to Beijing). After having travelled to three different areas of China, I can assure you, Beijing is well appreciated upon our return.

CRAZY CANUCKS

For entertainment around Beijing, we frequent the five to seven joint venture hotels, restaurants, the few good and reliable Chinese restaurants, the pool and the Clark Hatch Club (gym) at the Sheraton Hotel, our pool and tennis court at the Embassy and the parks and

temples around the city. This elaborate list is exhausted after one month or so of touring so that you must start at the top again, and again, and again! You could say that, I have seen more action watching two pandas at the zoo than in the whole city itself.

To add spice to the "variety" offered by Beijing, we have the T.G.I.F. alternately sponsored by the Kiwis, the Swiss, the Brits, the Aussies and of course, we Canucks. It is a weekly event rarely missed by the expat population. And thanks to Doug Harbak (Tech 411), John Corcoran and Dave St-Clair (MP 811), the Canuck T.G.I.F. is the best one in town. We just cannot keep those hungry and thirsty crowds away. And we don't even have Canadian beer! Not bad, eh! Last, but not the least, we rely on good old video. I'm telling you, those heads have to be cleaned at least twice a week.

The new Chancery is well underway and hopefully will be completed by summer 1990. In this regard, the 5 new combat arms Security Guards are fitting in nicely and are looking forward to their first trips to Hong Kong,

Singapore and Bangkok. By the way, congratulations to Cpl and Mrs. Claude Blake on their addition to the Canadian community. Claude, you will have to sell the MR2 and trade it for a station wagon!

FINAL WORD

Don't get the wrong idea, there is more to China than travelling around and trying to find things to do! Work is such that we don't have time to get bored. We have an average of 200 Chinese, who line up outside the gate (sometimes at 2000 hrs, the night before) and are willing to do anything to get their hands on that Canadian Visa. Gosh, they even smile at you on their way in and this is a rarity in China.

Nearly ten months have passed and most of us still have mixed feelings about Beijing. Either you don't mind the place or you plainly hate it. But I guess it goes with all of our posts around the world.

Zai Jian from Sgt Michel Matteau, MCpl Dave St-Clair, Cpl Claude Blake, MCpl John Corcoran and yours truly.

Front:

Sgt Michel Riberdy (CFA Asst, Int Op 111), Sgt Michel Matteau (NCO i/c MSGs Military Police, MP 811), Mr Earl Drake (Ambassador, Canadian Embassy), Col Bill Trimble (CF Attaché), MCpl François Caron (NCO i/c MSGs Combat Arms, Inf 031), Sgt Doug Harbak (Embassy Mechanic, Veh Tech 411)

Rear:

MCpl Dave St Clair (MP 811), MCpl Yves Piche (MP 811), MCpl John Corcoran (MP 811), Cpl Claude Blake (MP 811), Cpl Frank Keeley (Inf 031), Pte Michael Mulholland (MP 811), Cpl Jorg Adler (Inf 031)

Missing:

Cpl Derek Trask (Crnm 011) (Embassy photo)



Dedication of the Branch Flag

by Col William J. McCullough
(Ret'd)

The exchange of officers between the Canadian Forces Security Branch and the British Army's Corps of Military Police is now of almost 30 years duration. A succession of Branch officers have served with Royal Military Police units in Germany or in the United Kingdom, while Royal Military Police officers have served in Borden at our school.

In August 1989, the close nature of this relationship was reinforced with the presentation and dedication of the Security Branch Flag in the Corps Chapel in Chichester,

England. In a simple but moving ceremony, the Flag was paraded into the Chapel by Sgt Greg Cherwyk of CFB Cold Lake, escorted by two Royal Military Police halberdiers. As Director General Security, I then called on the Corps Chaplain to "dedicate this Flag, presented by the Canadian Forces Security Branch to the Royal Military Police". Following prayers by the Reverend Canon K.W. Catchpole, the Collects were read by RSM S.A.J. Rogers of the Royal Military Police Training Centre, and by WO Bruce Bradt from Air Command Headquarters. The Lesson (God's Armour), I read myself and the homily was given by the Chaplain. The Service con-

cluded with the singing of both National Anthems.

Fortunately, the service coincided with the City of Chichester — RMP March. Thus, the Service was attended by a large contingent of Security Branch and RMP personnel and was followed by several receptions and a military spectacle. The Branch Flag will be maintained in perpetuity in the Corps Chapel alongside others of the Corps. Members or former members of the Branch visiting the South of England are encouraged to and would be made most welcome should they choose to visit the Training Center at Chichester.

OF SPECIAL NOTE

Supporting the Dream

by LCol Don Johnson

With a great display of warm-up exercises and calisthenics, which dazzled on-lookers, the members of the Military Police QL3 course 8904(F) prepared to participate in the Terry Fox Run. The annual 10Km run was held at CFB Borden in September, 1989. Aply led by WO Ben Boulet and MCpl Bob Quenneville, the team went on to complete the run in 57 minutes without losing a single member. The Branch flag was carried proudly throughout the run. Well done newcomers to the Branch. You have done us proud. Keep it up!!

The members of the MPQL3 course 8904(F) just before participating in the Terry Fox Run.



Honourable Mention

by Capt Joe McLaughlan

Once again, a member of our branch has distinguished himself and the Security Branch while saving the life of others. MCpl J.R.G. (Gilles) Isabelle of the CFB Borden MP Section was awarded the CFTS Commander's Commendation for actions that were credited with saving two lives.

Around four o'clock in the morning, 6 August 1989, while travelling on Highway 11, MCpl Isabelle came upon the scene of a motorcycle accident. Stopping his car, he found two people who had apparently been thrown from the motorcycle as a result of the accident. Both had been seriously injured. He provided First Aid to the victims and protected the scene until relieved by the civilian police.

In letters of commendation received from the investigating police Sergeant, the civil police detachment commander, and the Superintendent of No 12 District OPP Headquarters, the OPP con-



FOR THE SAVING OF LIVES

MCpl Gilles Isabelle, MP Section, CFB Borden is presented the CFTS Commander's Commendation by CFB Borden Base Commander BGen R. Dziver.

veyed their gratitude to the Canadian Forces for the capable assistance rendered to them, and the public, by MCpl Isabelle. In a letter of gratitude from the mother of one of the accident victims, MCpl Isabelle was thanked for saving her son's life.

By all accounts, his quick thinking, disciplined and compassionate response to the situation directly contributed to the saving of two lives and the prevention of further injuries or death. WAY TO GO GILLES!

An Alternative Retirement Gift

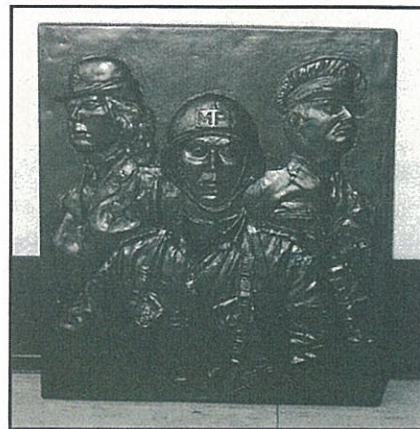
by Maj Tony Cannons

For years now, retiring members of the Canadian Military Police Association (CMPA) have received a gift or memento from the CMPA. This illustrious gift is a replica of the members badge cast in a clear plastic (lucite) block and is usually presented to the retiring member by the applicable base security officer or other Security Branch officer on behalf of the CMPA.

Early in 1989, Col André Gauthier (Ret'd) was approached by the CMPA Executive and asked

to develop an alternative retirement gift/memento. Col Gauthier (Ret'd) is a sculptor of some reknown, as most of you know, and as a former member of the Branch, it seemed like an appropriate request. In September, 1989, Col Gauthier's sculpture was shown to the Security Branch Council and subsequently accepted as an alternative to the badge replica.

Now, retiring CMPA members of good standing can indicate which of the mementos they wish. Should they wish to have both,



then sufficient funds must be forwarded to enable the purchase of the other gift.



CDS' Commendation

by WO Jim Stewart

General P.D. Manson, then CDS, presented Sgt Denis Delorme (MSG) with a CDS Commendation on the 4 Jul 89. Sgt Delorme, in the wording of the commendation, "was instrumental in defusing a tense and life threatening situation" which occurred in our Embassy in Havana, Cuba.

On 27 Feb 88, two female Cuban nationals presented themselves to the Canadian Embassy Charge D'Affaires, at our Embassy in Havana. After a short discussion, one female pulled a pistol from her purse and the other female pulled a large knife from her purse. The Charge D'Affaires struggled with both females and subdued the one with the knife.

Sgt Delorme had heard the commotion and upon observing the altercation, he subdued the female with the pistol. Eventually, it was learned and determined to be true that the females had no intention to harm anyone within the Embassy, but were intent in committing suicide because they were not being allowed to leave Cuba. Those details aside, Sgt Delorme did not know what the women's



Chief of Defence Staff Commendation presented by General P.D. Manson, CDS to Sgt J.E.D. Delorme (MSG) on the 4th of July, 1989 for a courageous act involving two armed Cuban Nationals and another Embassy employee. Sgt Delorme was a MCpl in our Embassy in Havana, Cuba from 1987-1989.

intentions were and reacted to disarm her without considering his own possible injury.

EDITOR'S NOTE: The actions of Sgt Delorme brought credit upon

the CF, the Branch and of course, himself. Though this recognition for Sgt Delorme's horics is tardy, it is nonetheless important for his subordinates, peers and superiors to be aware of his accomplishment.

"Gone...But Not Forgotten"

by A/CWO Jim Lemieux
(CANCON)

"May the Peace of God, which is beyond our utmost understanding, and of far more worth than human reasoning, keep guard over our hearts, thoughts, and actions."

In an age where fast paced living is the norm, significant incidents of the past are often forgotten. In UNFICYP, the regular rotation of troops further dims the recollection of memories both joyful and sad.

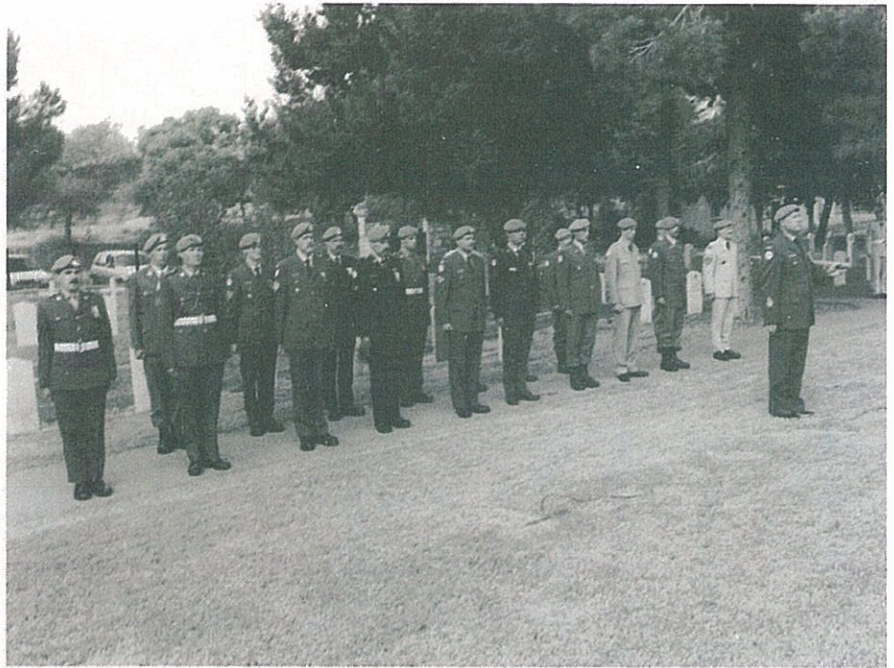
Brushing aside the dust of time, serving Canadians in Cyprus have

attempted to trace the steps of C Pro C and MP who have served on the island since 1964. This laborious task resulted in precious little overall but it did shed some light on the interment, in Cyprus, of Cpl Ken Salmon, C Pro C, who passed away of natural causes on September 24, 1967. He left





The flag bearers Sgt Gordon McLardy, RMP and Sgt Ken Neilson, MP



UNFICYP MP Coy personnel on parade at the Memorial Service.

photos by SSgt Peter Stickler (AUSCON)

behind a wife and two sons in Canada.

To pay tribute to a fallen comrade, a memorial parade was organized by A/CWO Lyle Clifton, then Coy CWO. MPs from the seven contributing nations volunteered to attend the parade.

As if by design, October 20th dawned bright and clear in contrast with preceding days as if to

reflect the cheerfulness which characterized Ken Salmon. In his address to the gathering, the OC, Maj Gilles Nault, pointed out that Cpl Salmon had served during difficult times in Cyprus where cultural and professional differences between MP elements in the Coy were sometimes difficult to bridge, adding that Cpl Salmon was amongst those whose open-mindedness, sense of unity and dedication had earned him unconditional respect.

As Cpl Salmon would have wished, the ceremony was followed by a round of small talk

over a good meal in company of the Director General, Col Bill McCullough and the Branch Chief Warrant Officer, CWO Dan Nolan.

An account of the ceremony will be sent to Cpl Salmon's son, Mr. Russ Salmon who resides in the USA at the following address: 1612 E Gateway Circle #106 Fargo, ND 58108. I'm sure he would be very pleased to hear from his father's former comrades.



CWO E.H. Wooley (Retired)

by Lt Lorna Fisher

It is with deep regret that we announce the death of CWO E.H. "Wild Bill" Wooley (Retired) at the Chilliwack General Hospital on 12 May 1990.

CWO Wooley joined the C Pro C in October 1948. He served in Churchill, Winnipeg Provost Coy, CJATC Rivers and the A&I Cadre in Winnipeg prior to going to Korea in 1953 with 3 RCR. On his return to Canada, he was sent to Saskatoon (Prairie Command Provost Coy), then to 2PPCLI (Airborne) Edmonton. In 1959, he went to Germany with 4 Provost Platoon and then to the C Pro C School in Camp Borden in 1962. In 1968, CWO Wooley returned to Germany and moved the Brigade to Lahr. He then returned to the Prairies to join the CFB Shilo MP Detachment. He spent six months in Cyprus and on return was posted to CFB North Bay. In 1975, he completed the first of two tours in Ismalia, Egypt. In 1976, he was posted to 14 SDB Edmonton then back to Egypt in 1978. In 1981, CWO Wooley retired from the CFSPDB at Edmonton after serving 33 years.



Photo reprinted from "The Canadian Provost Corps Silver Jubilee 1940-1965".

CWO "Wild Bill" Wooley will be sorely missed by all his friends and family. He is survived by his wife, Vi; daughter Margaret of Edmonton; two grandchildren and brother and sister-in-law George and Margaret of Winnipeg; parents George and Margaret Woolley of Richmond; and two nieces and three nephews. Funeral services were held at the All Sappers Chapel at CFB Chilliwack, 16 May 1990.

EDITOR'S NOTE: Condolences may be sent to:
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Matches	\$ 3.50
Pewter Plaques	\$ 43.00
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Ball caps	
(black & white	
w/shoulder crest)	\$ 7.00
Ball caps	
(red, blue, green, camo	
w/screen crest)	\$ 6.00
Ball caps	
(red, blue, green, black	
w/embroidered crest)	\$ 7.00
Branch crest	\$ 23.00
Desk flag	\$ 3.00
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Buckles alone	\$ 4.50
CMPA pin	\$ 2.00
Blazer crest	\$ 15.00
Hat Badge CWO/Officer	\$ 8.00
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Decals 3 inch	\$ 2.50
6 inch	\$ 3.50
Coffee mug	\$ 5.00
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(silk-screened, red, green, blue, white)	\$ 20.00
Hooded Sweat shirt	\$ 25.00
Badge holders small	\$ 3.00
large	\$ 4.00
Mini-mag flashlight	\$ 25.00
Holder, all-weather	\$ 9.00
Cloth cap badge	\$ 1.00
Securitas shoulder titles (Land element)	
unit orders only (price per pair)	\$ 3.00
Securitas Rings	
Large head 10 kt	\$429.00
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Male	\$ 10.00
Track suits tops (red, blue, small green)	\$ 20.00
Track suits bottoms (red, blue, XL green)	\$ 20.00
Handcuff tie tac (gold/silver)	\$ 5.00
Embroidered Sweaters	
(red, blue, green, white)	\$ 40.00
Embroidered Golf shirts	
(red, blue)	\$ 20.00
Wallets	\$ 25.00
T-Bird cuff links (pair)	\$ 15.00
Cloth hat badge (bush cap)	\$ 2.00
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Last Laugh



"Come! Come! Colonel!
No one's that ticklish!"
(Col McCullough's retirement
medical...)



French Language Book Exhibition

The Department of National Defence (DND) will again this year sponsor the 16th French language Book Exhibition which will be held at the Government Conference Centre, 2 Rideau Street, Ottawa, from 4-7 September 1990. This annual event is aimed at acquainting DND personnel with commercially available French language books that can be useful in their respective line of work, particularly in technical fields.

The exhibition which has grown in popularity over the years, has been a catalyst in the acquisition of readily available French language work instruments thus eliminating the need for expensive translation of unilingual English publications, especially in training institutions. Elsewhere such books have become a useful and timely complement to the still scarce internal publications in the French language. It is expected that more

than 9,000 books will be on display including some 6,500 technical, scientific and medical books as well as many others in the fields of history, strategy, politics and economics.

The exhibition will be open to all DND and Canadian Forces members, official languages personnel from federal departments, crown corporations and civilian firms associated with DND. The hours of operation will be as follows:

0900-1630	4 September
0900-2100	5 September
0900-2100	6 September
0900-1500	7 September

For more information about this event contact Georges Whelan, (613) 992-7586.





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