

From Apr. 1, 1932, onwards, the Royal Canadian Mounted Police Force has been responsible throughout Canada for the enforcement of the laws against smuggling by land, sea and air. It also enforces the provisions of the Excise Act, is responsible for the suppression of the traffic in narcotic drugs, the enforcement of the Migratory Birds Convention Act, the Indian Act, the Ticket of Leave Act, and numerous other Dominion statutes, and assists many Departments of the Dominion Government, such as Mines and Resources, Fisheries, Agriculture, etc., in executing the provisions of their respective Acts, and, in some cases, in administrative duties. It is responsible for the protection of government buildings, and some of the more important dockyards, and is the sole police force operating in Yukon Territory and the Northwest Territories. It is the only police force in Canada which undertakes secret and security services for the Dominion Government.

The Force is continually attempting to keep abreast of the times, and recently established a Personnel Department, which attempts to see that, from psychological and other points of view, the right man is assigned to the right place. It has also recently added the services of dietitians to its establishment.

During recent years, extraordinary progress has been made in a movement intended to assist the youth of Canada in their games, their outlook upon citizenship, their responsibilities and privileges, with the view of lessening the number of those brought before the Courts under the Juvenile Delinquents Act and in several provinces the Boards of Education and other authorities are giving hearty co-operation. The Police personnel for this work are carefully selected and the Youth Movement shows great promise for the future.

**Two Voyages Through the Northwest Passage.**—During the summer of 1944, the Royal Canadian Mounted Police schooner *St. Roch* completed the voyage through the Northwest Passage, from Halifax to Vancouver, in a little over 80 days. This was the second successful voyage through the Passage. The previous one, from west to east, made in 1940-42, took more than two years to accomplish.

## Section 6.—The Civil Service of Canada

**Organization.\***—During the War of 1939-45, many new Departments and Branches of Government were formed which, being set up under the War Measures' Service Act, were not automatically governed by the provisions of the Civil Service Act. Under an Order in Council of April, 1940, appointments by the Governor in Council under the War Measures' Service Act were, in the main, subject to the approval of the Treasury Board after investigation of need and rates of pay by the Civil Service Commission, and appointments were to be made by the Civil Service Commission after such tests of qualifications as the Commission considered practicable and in the public interest. During the War, nearly all appointments were made on a temporary basis and the permanent organization of the Departments remained unchanged.

Since the close of the War, other questions have increasingly demanded the attention of the Commission. Reduction of staffs in Departments expanded by war activity is being proceeded with, thus providing opportunity for the release of married women and those wishing to return to their homes. Replacements and new appointments are being made so far as possible from among ex-service personnel.

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