

THE TRUMPETER

ROYAL CANADIAN HUSSARS ASSOCIATION

May 6th, 1959.

The Annual General meeting of the Association was held at the Armoury Friday April 11, 1959. Attendance was up noticeably over preceding years and it was indeed gratifying to see such a good turnout. Noteworthy in this regard was Fred Pring from Lachute who never seems to miss a meeting. Keep up the good work, Fred!

For you members who could not attend, there follows herewith a resume of the meeting. The President called the meeting to order at 8:40 P.M., the first item of business was the Treasurer's (George Routley) report. The Report of Revenues and Expenditures follows:-

Financial Statement for year ending December 31st, 1958.

Credits:

Cash on hand Jan. 1st, 1958	\$1,263.47
Transfer from Royal Bank, Dorval	16.80
Receipts from Reunion	1,483.73
Receipts from Membership	402.04
Miscellaneous Receipts	3.13
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	<u>\$3,169.17</u>

Debits:

1957 Accounts Payable	\$ 165.13
Reunion Expenses	1,422.16
Trumpeter Expenses	258.90
Membership Expenses	16.53
Regimental Christmas Tree	75.00
Welfare (Hospital Visiting)	22.61
Miscellaneous Expenses	88.09
Cash in Royal Bank, Dec. 31st, 1958	<u>1,120.75</u>
	<u>\$3,169.17</u>

It will be noted that the year 1958 shows a net operating LOSS of \$142.72.

However, a carryover of accounts payable from 1957, amounting to \$196.63 was paid during the year 1958, thus indicating an actual operating PROFIT of \$53.91.

The President, Tom Breen, then submitted his report on the year's activities and these, in brief, were as follows:-

REUNION

Again a resounding success, ably chaired by Dunc Munro and Bill Brown.

CHRISTMAS PARTY

Larger than any preceding year with some 504 youngsters receiving gifts from Santa Claus (Mike Street), and indeed even the parents enjoyed the party.

BATTLE HONOURS

Under the chairmanship of D. MacKenzie and D. DeVolpi who have submitted their findings to the C.O.

SICK VISITING

There was an increase in our members entering the Military Hospital, 30 members were visited on 26 occasions; our sincere thanks to Mrs. Alma Routley and all those who took an active part on this committee.

MEMBERSHIP

Out of a list of 500, dues were collected from 300 members; cards were sent to all members including those who may have overlooked paying their dues. The aim of the membership committee is to see that all members will be paid up during the coming year.

In terminating his report, the President thanked the Executive and Committees for their support during the past year.

NEW BUSINESS - DISCUSSION RE PROPOSED AMENDMENTS TO THE CONSTITUTION

The last issue of the Trumpeter noted that some changes were contemplated in the Association by-laws. These changes were as follows:-

Article 1, Sec. 1 - The name of the Association shall be The Royal Canadian Hussars Association.

Article 2, Sec. 1 - The purpose of the Royal Canadian Hussars Association shall be to maintain a continuous link between all past, present and future members of the Royal Canadian Hussars Association, 17th Hussars, 6th Hussars and attached personnel.

Article 3, Sec. 1 - Members, upon payment of Annual dues, anyone who has served or is serving with the 17th Hussars, 6th Hussars or the Royal Canadian Hussars (Montreal) including those of other branches of the service who were or are attached to these units, are eligible for membership. Former members or attached personnel must have been honorably discharged.

Colonel Benbow spoke to the meeting about the changeover of the Regiment and how well the amalgamation had taken place. He submitted that the proposed changes in the Association constitution would help in assuring the future of the Association. The President also spoke and indicated that the Executive Committee were in favor of the proposed by-law changes.

Subsequently, the meeting was opened to the members to discuss these amendments. Many members took the opportunity to discuss the changes and although the discussion was at times spirited and lively, the majority of the speakers felt the changes were in the best interests of the Association and, consequently, when a vote was called the three amendments were unanimously carried.

ELECTION OF OFFICERS

The chairman of the Nominating Committee submitted the following names to serve on the Association Executive in the coming year:-

Lt.-Col. J. R. Benbow	(Honorary President)
Tom Breen	(Past President)
President	George Routley
Vice-President	Mort Lyons
Secretary-Treasurer	Ralph Ryan
Dunc Munro	Cy Young
Bill Browne	Jack Wilson
Paul Lefebvre	

There being no further nominations the Chairman of the Nominating Committee declared the above slate to be elected by acclamation.

PERSONAL NEWS

A few of the fellows with whom we had an opportunity to talk and whose names come to mind, Messrs: Christie, Lambert, Pope, Canavan (Al and Ross), White, Browne, Oden, Thom, Edwards, McLeod, Lehuquet, Armstrong, Philips, Sutherland, Wellington, Bowen, Domville, MacKenzie, Feltus, Scott, Wheeler, Young, Rillie, Anderson, Breen, Ryan, Routley, Giles, Pring, Lefebvre, Wilson and Keck (Harvey).....Two motions of thanks which were roundly and un-animously applauded were made to the President, Tom Breen, and the Editor of the Trumpeter, Jim Billie.....Tom has agreed to continue his fine work on the Membership Committee. Jim, unfortunately, because of business pressure, will not be with us this year, he will be sorely missed.....Charlie MacLean is leaving the Company he is presently with and moving to a new position in Galt, Ont.; we hope to see you at future reunions, Charlie.....The Regiment made a fine showing on April 26 in the Verdun Ypres Day Parade. The good citizens of Verdun were quite impressed by the Greyhounds.....Pete Whiteside will be coming over from England and has promised to attend the Reunion. Welcome, Pete!!.....Don't forget to reserve June 5th and 6th for the Reunion.....Those of you who have not been to the Armoury in the last year or two will notice a marked difference to the front of the building; the wide sweeping lawns on either side of the front door are no more, the City having expropriated the land to widen the road.....Old Remembrance Road now Camilien Houde Blvd., crosses from Cote des Neiges to Park Ave. right over the top of the mountain with an observation post from which Montreal can be viewed without leaving the car.....If any of your friends were formerly with the 6th Hussars, bring them along to the Reunion. We'll sign them up as members.....Several hundred extra copies of this issue are to be provided to the Active Squadron Commanders at the next monthly meeting. It is hoped they will arrange for as wide a distribution as possible both within the Regiment and to ex-members of the 6th Hussars so that as many potential new members can be reached as possible.....The Reunion Stag night Show will not be presented this year - interrupts the conversation and interferes with the drinking.....Remember, next week is National Pickle Week, so drive safely!

DON'T FORGET THE REUNION

JUNE 5TH THE STAG

JUNE 6TH THE DANCE

OBITUARIES

It is with sorrow and sincere regret that we must report the deaths of Colonel Vickers, formerly of the 17th and a member of the Association, and Colonel Tyndale, formerly of the 6th Hussars.

EDITORIAL

'Tis nice to know
Ex-Trooper Joe,
Just go back
From Kokomo.
But how can we
Write of he,
Unless you tell us so.
Anon.

The poetry is horrible, but its' meaning is clear. We find it harder with each issue of the Trumpeter to find something to write about, hence we would appreciate hearing from, and about yourself, and other members of the Regiment, so don't hesitate to drop us a line c/o The Armoury. This applies equally as well to present members of the Regiment and former members of the 6th Hussars.

For your convenience we are providing herewith a convenient form (again) for you to use in renewing your membership for the present year. Simply fill in as noted, insert in an envelope along with one dollar (\$1.00) and we will forward your membership card for 1959.

The Secretary:

Enclosed please find one dollar as payment of dues for 1959.

Name _____

Address _____

Phone No. _____

Mail to: Secretary, Royal Canadian Hussars Association,
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Montreal, Quebec.

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