

Federal District Commission

OTTAWA, CANADA



REPORT FOR PERIOD

APRIL 1 TO DECEMBER 31, 1946

FEDERAL DISTRICT COMMISSION

OTTAWA CANADA

REPORT

For the Period April 1 to December 31, 1946

The Right Honourable W. L. Mackenzie King, P.C.,
President of the Privy Council,
O t t a w a, Canada.

Dear Sir:

We have the honour to present to you herewith the Report of the Federal District Commission for the period April 1 to December 31, 1946, in accordance with the provisions of the Federal District Commission Act.

Yours truly,

Frederic E. Bronson,
CHAIRMAN.

Haldane R. Cram,
SECRETARY.

FEDERAL DISTRICT COMMISSION

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291 Carling Avenue, Ottawa,
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Report for the Period April 1 to December 31, 1946.

The Federal District Commission under the name of the Ottawa Improvement Commission was established by Act of Parliament in 1899 to beautify and improve the City of Ottawa and environs by the construction and maintenance of parks, driveways, public squares, boulevards, buildings and bridges.

In 1934, the Commission was given the further responsibility of improving and caring for the grounds of all Dominion Government buildings in Ottawa. These now number one hundred and eight, which are completely serviced by the Commission both in summer and winter.

Funds for this work are provided by annual grants and votes of Parliament on estimates approved by the governor-in-council.

The Federal District Commission also develops and landscapes the grounds of newly-constructed government buildings at the cost of the departments affected.

Mosquito Control operations in the Ottawa District were again organized and supervised. The grounds of the Ottawa Civic Hospital and the Bank of Canada were maintained at the expense of these institutions.

Amendments to the Federal District Commission Act

To enable the Federal District Commission to discharge more readily the duties that will devolve upon it in connection with the proposed further development of the National Capital District, the following amendments were made in 1946 to the Federal District Commission Act of 1927 to assure a more national outlook in the work of the Commission, to widen its powers and to increase the funds at its disposal.

1. The membership was increased from ten to nineteen to provide for representation from each province of Canada.

2. To provide for the orderly development in accordance with such general plan as may ultimately be decided upon, no structures may be erected on Dominion-owned or controlled lands within the National Capital District unless the site and plans have first been approved by the Commission.

3. The annual grant to the Commission was raised from \$200,000 to \$300,000 for a period of sixteen years from April 1, 1946.

4. Provision was made for the operation by the Commission of places of refreshment, amusement or shelter, for the sale of property not longer required for park or other purposes and for the leasing of property while it is not needed for purposes of the Commission.

5. The sum of \$3,000,000 has been provided for the purchase of land or the carrying out of schemes of improvements requiring a larger outlay than is available from the actual annual income of the Commission.

6. Real property costing less than \$5,000 may be acquired without the necessity of securing the approval of the governor-in-council.

7. Real property acquired through expropriation proceedings may be paid for from the Consolidated Revenue Fund of Canada.

8. The Commission shall submit an actual report to the President of the Privy Council for the information of Parliament, as soon as possible after the 31st of December in each year, descriptive of its activities in the preceding calendar year.

National Capital District Planning

In order the better to carry out the duties imposed on it by the amendments to its Act above referred to, the Federal District Commission was authorized under Order-in-Council P. C. 1266, dated April 18, 1946, to appoint a National Capital Planning Committee to act in an advisory capacity in the carrying out of its new duties. Further, in order to define the area to be covered by its activities, Order-in-Council P. C. 5634, dated August 16, 1945, laid down an area of approximately 900 square miles centering on Ottawa and Hull as the National Capital District.

The principal functions of this Committee are to advise the Federal District Commission in regard to the development on government-owned and controlled property in

the National Capital District and to draw up a master plan having in mind at all times the necessary interest of the people as represented by the Government of Canada, the Governments of the Provinces of Ontario and Quebec, the Cities of Ottawa and Hull and other municipalities within the district.

On the initiative of the Ontario municipalities within the District and under the authority of the Ontario Planning Act 1946, an Ottawa Area Planning Board has been set up to co-operate with the National Capital Planning Committee. This Committee, once its plans are approved, will have vested in it authority outside that of the Federal District Commission. The membership of these two Committees are largely interlocking and it is hoped thereby to secure complete co-operation and authority in the carrying out of any plans decided upon within the District on the Ontario side of the Ottawa River.

Representation for the Quebec municipalities within the District has been provided for on the National Capital Planning Committee and it is hoped that full co-operation will be forth coming in this area also.

The personnel of the National Capital Planning Committee is as follows:

Frederic E. Bronson, Chairman,
Federal District Commission
Honourable Alphonse Fournier,
Minister of Public Works
Col. J. P. Carriere, M.E.I.C., City Manager
and Engineer, representing the
City of Hull
E. L. Cousins, M.E.I.C., Consulting Engineer,
Toronto
C. G. Cowan, Ottawa
D. P. Cruikshank, Ottawa, representing the
Ontario rural municipalities
Charles David, F.R.A.I.C., Architect, Montreal,
President of the Royal Architectural
Institute of Canada
G. W. Goodwin, Controller, representing City
of Ottawa
Dr. R. Leduc, Maniwaki, Quebec, representing
Quebec rural municipalities

A. S. Mathers, F.R.A.I.C., Architect, Toronto
Finley McRae, Controller, representing City of
Ottawa

Watson Sellar, Ottawa

Dr. Arthur Surveyer, M.E.I.C., Consulting
Engineer, Montreal.

Mr. Jacques Greber, eminent landscape architect
and town planner is Consultant to the Committee.

The Committee feels that the primary consideration in the preparation of the master plan for the National Capital District lies in the solution of the very unsatisfactory railway and highway traffic situation presently existing in and around Ottawa and Hull. For instance, it is felt to be entirely unnecessary and undesirable for a freight terminal to exist in the centre of the National Capital within one-quarter mile of Parliament Buildings and that another should exist on what is one of the finest sites in the district adjacent to the bank of Ottawa River along Sussex Street. Furthermore, as the National Capital grows, it is considered that something must be done to relieve the traffic congestion in the centre of the city and to eliminate, as far as possible, the passage of through East-West commercial traffic along Wellington Street immediately in front of the Houses of Parliament. With the development of further Government Department Buildings on both sides of Wellington Street, this traffic will become more and more objectionable.

Therefore, in order the better to study these problems from the thoroughly objective point of view, the following Sub-Committees have been set up:

Railway Sub-Committee

E. L. Cousins, Chairman
Col. J. P. Carriere
Controller G. W. Goodwin

Highway Traffic Sub-Committee

C. G. Cowan, Chairman
D. P. Cruikshank
Controller Finley McRae

These Sub-Committees are now at work and are receiving full co-operation from all interested parties including both the Canadian National Railways and the Canadian Pacific Railway with their respective engineering departments and the Cities of Ottawa and Hull. In view, however, of the intricacies and primary importance of these two problems, it may be some time before it is possible to make a full report on these problems.

However, the National Capital Planning Committee realizes fully the importance of obtaining a solution to these basic problems at the earliest possible moment in order that the complete planning for the entire district may not be unduly delayed and every effort is being made to this end.

Parks and Parkways of Federal District Commission

The parkway system of the Federal District Commission extends from Rockcliffe Park, east of Ottawa, to the Aylmer Road, west of Hull, Quebec, which is reached by the crossing of the Ottawa River at the Champlain Bridges, constructed by the Commission in the years 1923--1928. The banks of the Ottawa and Rideau Rivers and Rideau Canal in the Federal capital are closely followed for considerable distances by the driveways. About twenty-two miles of driveways have been built.

The following areas of parkland are owned or controlled by the Commission:

1. Owned in Ottawa, Hull, and in immediate vicinity of these two cities (Undeveloped--450 acres)...	758	acres
2. Leased from the Crown (Undeveloped--32 acres)..	224	"
3. Leased from the City of Ottawa and maintained by the Commission.....	<u>129</u>	"
Total forwarded.....	1,111	acres

Total Brought Forward.....	1,111 acres
4. Grounds of Dominion Government Buildings maintained by the Commission.....	<u>200</u> "
Total.....	1,311 acres
Total Undeveloped.....	<u>482</u> "
Total developed as Parks and Parkways.....	<u>829</u> acres

Gatineau Park

In addition to the above listed park lands, the Commission was authorized just prior to World War II to acquire lands in the southerly fringe of the Laurentian Hills for the establishment of Gatineau Park. To date, some 20,600 acres of land comprising wooded hills, valleys, lakes and streams have been secured. Its ultimate size will be about 50,000 acres and it will be preserved in its natural state for the enjoyment of the public. The present southerly limits of the park are at Old Chelsea, Quebec, distant about 8 airmiles from the Parliament Buildings, Ottawa. It extends northward about 14 miles.

The park is a game sanctuary. Deer, bear, fox, beaver, mink, raccoon and other fur-bearing animals are quite numerous. Well-located trails, picnic spots and camping sites afford the maximum of pleasure and healthful recreation for the many thousands who patronize this beautiful natural park located at the very doorstep of Canada's capital city. Gatineau Park furnishes excellent opportunities for the enjoyment of skiing and is the principal centre in the Ottawa district for this popular winter sport.

In the further development of the park, it is expected that over-night cabins will be provided and that shelters, refectories, bathhouses and other essential structures will be added.

The park is maintained by a Superintendent and a force of five rangers who act also as game wardens, police constables and fire guards.

Maintenance of the Parkway System

In addition to the usual maintenance work of cutting grass, trimming walks and roadways, care of trees, shrubs, planting and care of flower beds, care of roadways, structures and bridges, painting, lighting systems, snow removal, seeding, sodding and fertilizing, etc., the following extra items of maintenance were carried out:

Parks and Landscaping

Grading and resurfacing main picnic field and adding plant food and rich soil to roots of the pine trees in Rockcliffe Park.

The playground in Parc Fontaine was resurfaced with good top soil.

A weed spraying machine was built and 95 acres of park lands were sprayed with the compound 24D with satisfactory results and 85 tons of commercial fertilizer applied.

A new tree nursery of 14 acres is being established on the grounds of the Rideau Health Centre of the Department of Veterans' Affairs, Billings Bridge, a licence of occupation having been secured from that Department.

Low areas north and south of the Ontario approach to Champlain Bridges were filled with 15,000 cubic yards of earth and graded.

At Hampton Park, a screen of trees was planted along the right-of-way of the Canadian National Railway and the wooded area brushed out and opened up.

Approximately five miles of disused foot paths were re-graded and seeded including the bridle path on the east side of Island Park Drive.

The easterly section of Rockcliffe Park adjoining the property of the Royal Canadian Mounted Police was levelled and regraded.

The grass strip on the north side of Wellington Street was graded, fertilized and sodded.

Top soil dressing was applied to Parliament Hill grounds, National War Memorial area, Elgin Boulevard grass areas and Strathcona Park.

The steep banks of the Ottawa River at Nepean Point and Lady Grey Drive were brushed out, soil added and trees planted.

A dry stone retaining wall was constructed from Slater Street to Driveway on Confederation Park in conjunction with the rebuilding of inclined beds at this point for the planting of tulips so graciously donated by Her Royal Highness, the Princess Juliana of the Netherlands.

Replanting of shrubbery at Strathcona Park was carried out.

Flower beds on Parliament Hill were enlarged and increased floral display provided.

The extensive planting of poplars on Echo Drive between Hawthorne and Concord Avenues were thinned out and topped and thirty maple trees planted.

Numerous shrubs removed from other parts of the parkway system were planted on the slopes adjacent to Nicholas Street.

Approximately 2,500 roses, 2,000 iris and 1,500 day lilies (gift of Central Experimental Farm) were planted in rock gardens and in borders.

A tennis court and a number of paths at Rideau Hall were resurfaced with asphalt.

The margins of Brown's Inlet were resloped and planted with additional shrubbery.

Various drains, catch-basins, and drainage outlets were rebuilt on all sections of the parkway system.

Roadways

Island Park Drive was resurfaced with asphalt from the Canadian Pacific Railway crossing to the Aylmer Road. Similar treatment was given to the one-way drive and to the driveway east of Acacia Avenue both in Rockcliffe Park. Also the drive in Strathcona Park was likewise treated. Total area covered was 41,200 square yards in a distance of 4.3 miles.

The intersection at Bank Street with the Rideau Canal Drive was reconstructed and greatly improved for traffic.

At Parc Jacques Cartier, a temporary surface was placed on an access roadway and a parking area built adjoining the Ottawa River.

Clemow Boulevard from Bank to O'Connor Streets was rebuilt. The roadway was resurfaced with bituminous asphalt, the sides elevated to remove the high crown and new gutters and additional catch basins added. The pedestrian walks were resurfaced with asphalt.

The parking area at the rear of Temporary Building No. 7 on Green Island was considerably enlarged.

Foot paths and walks

14,000 square yards of foot paths on Echo Drive between Bank Street and Bronson Avenue were given a surface treatment of asphalt.

Foot paths on the approach to Champlain Bridges--Ontario side--were surfaced with asphalt to the extent of 3,718 square yards. 860 linear feet of concrete curbing were rebuilt.

The bridle path in Rockcliffe Park was renewed with gravel.

Crushed stone walks in the following parks were rebuilt: Rideau Hall grounds, Strathcona Park, Rideau Canal Drive, Central Park and Dow's Lake Park. About two miles of paths were so treated.

Structures

Dow's Lake Boathouse was repainted.

Carling Avenue offices and shops were repainted and redecorated. An extension to the building for a paint shop and electrical supplies was completed and a heating system therefor installed.

Eleven large tool houses in the various parks were repainted and repaired.

5,000 feet of ten-foot steel mesh link fencing were repainted.

The rustic wooden bridge and pavilion in Central Park which, on account of its age, was beyond repair was demolished and will be replaced by a modern type of bridge.

The timber bridge carrying the bridle path across McKay Creek in Rockcliffe Park was rebuilt.

Considerable demolition and repair work was required at Bate Island following the fire that destroyed the refreshment booth and damaged the viaduct of Champlain Bridge.

A water service was installed to the shelter pavilion in Rockcliffe Park.

The bridge seats of three piers of the Champlain Bridge between Cunningham and Bate Islands required rebuilding.

The retaining wall on the west bank of the Rideau River, built in 1903, between the Minto and Canadian Pacific Railway Bridges was replaced by a stone rip-rap slope and a ramp was constructed from Minto Bridge Driveway to Maple Island.

The greenhouse at Rockcliffe was remodelled and reduced in size and a new heating system installed.

The pavilion on Parliament Hill was repainted and the one in Major Hill Park, which had become in a dangerous condition, was demolished.

Work undertaken by Federal District Commission
for Dominion Government Departments

Departments of the Dominion Government from time to time ask the Commission to carry out improvements to the grounds of newly-constructed government buildings on the basis of full reimbursement for the cost entailed. The Commission has the trained personnel and the special equipment required and is, therefore, in the position to carry out this class of work most economically (actual cost only being charged) and satisfactorily.

Department of Public Works

Parking area at north end of Bank Street

800 linear feet of heavy timber guard rail, supplemented by a dry stone curbing, was constructed in the parking area at the north end of Bank Street to prevent cars from approaching too near to the steep cliff on the bank of the Ottawa River. The cost was \$982.

Vegetable Garden, Rideau Hall

At the request of the Department of Public Works, the Federal District Commission assumed the responsibility from April 1, 1944, for the operation of the vegetable garden at Rideau Hall with the view to combining all ground work at Government House under Commission control. The cost of this work for the year amounted to \$3,400.

Bureau of Statistics, Green Island

The grounds of the Bureau of Statistics, at the edge of the Rideau Falls, were improved by filling, grading, sodding and planting. A dry stone wall was erected at the edge of the cliff overlooking the Ottawa River and Rideau Falls. The cost of the work was \$1,273.

Former Gordon Edwards Property

The grounds of this property on Sussex Street, which had been expropriated by the Dominion Government from Mr. Edwards, were improved and maintained at a cost of \$725.

Traffic Island Alteration, Confederation Park

The safety island on Queen Street between Elgin Boulevard and the Driveway entrance to Sparks Street was altered in shape at the request of the City of Ottawa Traffic Committee to improve traffic control at this point. The cost was \$192.

Civil Service Recreational Association Sports Area

The sports area of the Civil Service Recreational Association situated on the north side of Wellington Street at Baldwin Street was further improved by filling and grading. The cost amounted to \$420.

Snow Removal

Snow was removed from the roadways, steps, sidewalks and courtyards of the Navy, Army, Air Force and Ordnance Buildings, Cartier Square.

Department of Veterans' Affairs

The Department of Veterans' Affairs in 1943 commenced the development of a suburban Health and Occupational Centre for the post-hospital care of war casualties. About 300 acres of land in the Township of Gloucester, immediately south of Ottawa, were purchased for this purpose. Fourteen buildings in connection with the plant have been constructed. The Federal District Commission designed the layout of the developments including the landscaping of the grounds. During the season 1946-1947, the sum of \$12,495 was expended on grading the grounds and constructing paths, roadways, culverts and play fields.

Department of Agriculture

36,000 square yards of roadways in the Central Experimental Farm grounds, Ottawa, were resurfaced with bituminous asphalt at a cost of \$3,066.

Department of National Defence

The grounds of H. M. C. S. "CARLETON" adjoining Dow's Lake were maintained and some planting carried out at a cost of \$1,020.

National Research Council of Canada

The roads in the grounds of the Montreal Road Annex of the Research Council were repaired and given a retread treatment of bituminous asphalt at a cost of \$1,241.

Bank of Canada

Wellington and Sparks Streets

The grounds of the bank, including walks and courtyards, on Wellington and Sparks Streets, were maintained during the year at the cost of \$429.

King Edward Avenue

The maintenance of the grounds of the building for the year amounted to \$1,212. This included the replacement of some shrubs and snow removal in addition to the usual care of the grounds.

Ottawa Civic Hospital

The grounds of the Ottawa Civic Hospital of about seventeen acres in extent are maintained by the Commission at cost. The sum of \$7,217 was expended during the year on this work, all of which was repaid to the Commission by the City of Ottawa from the funds of the Black Estate.

Gatineau Park Snow Plowing

The Chelsea Highway, the principal route to Gatineau Park from Ottawa and Hull, was kept clear of snow from the Hull city limits to Old Chelsea. Sections of the Meach Lake and Kingsmere Roads were also plowed to furnish

easy access to park entrances. A total of fifteen miles of roadway are maintained in this manner during the winter season. The Commission is fully reimbursed for the expenditure by the municipality of West Hull and other organizations desirous of this service.

Mosquito Control Operations

Mosquito Control work was carried out as in past years over an area of some 100 square miles including Ottawa, Hull and surround districts.

Due to a comparatively dry spring, there was a considerable reduction in spraying. As in the previous year, a 1% solution of DDT in light fuel oil was used and satisfactory results obtained. The solubility of DDT in fuel oil was increased by using a small amount of Velsicol to first dissolve the DDT.

Underbrushing was done in the Rockcliffe area and Dow's Lake Swamp and some drainage alterations and improvements were completed in the Rockcliffe area. Following is a statement of receipts and expenditures:

RECEIPTS

City of Ottawa.....	\$2,000.00	
Village of Rockcliffe Park.....	1,000.00	
Federal District Commission.....	3,200.00	
County of Carleton.....	100.00	
Balance from previous year.....	<u>1,835.68</u>	\$8,135.68

EXPENDITURES

Labour, spraying and oiling.....	\$2,615.71	
Labour, underbrushing & ditching...	2,102.10	
Oil purchased--4,293 gallons.....	450.77	
DDT and other insecticides.....	268.12	
Truck rental.....	1,044.40	
Repairs to equipment and miscellaneous.....	<u>289.22</u>	
	\$6,770.32	
Add Supervision--7½%.....	<u>507.77</u>	<u>7,278.09</u>
Carried over to 1947.....		<u>\$ 857.59</u>

Planting

The following shrubs and vines were set out in the parkway system:

Deciduous trees.....	75
Deciduous shrubs.....	4,600
Coniferous trees.....	1,790
Perennials and vines.....	350
Forestry nursery stock.....	14,500
Chrysanthemums.....	9,500

52,500 annuals and 2,700 Cannas were also placed in the flower beds of the Commission.

Tulip bulbs totalling 149,000 were planted in the fall of 1946 in the various parks and in beds on the grounds of Parliament Hill, Government Grounds and Ottawa Civic Hospital.

Gift of Her Royal Highness The Princess Juliana of the Netherlands.

Commencing in 1946, Her Royal Highness the Princess Juliana of the Netherlands has arranged to make an annual gift to the Commission of 20,500 tulip bulbs during her lifetime for planting in Ottawa. Her Royal Highness made this very gracious gift as an appreciation of the kindness received by herself and family while resident in Ottawa during World War II. In accordance with the wish of Her Royal Highness, a portion of these bulbs will be planted annually on the grounds of the Ottawa Civic Hospital where a child was born to her. The first showing of these bulbs will be in the spring of 1947. Appropriately worded plaques will be erected at the beds in Confederation Park and at the Civic Hospital in which the donated bulbs are planted.

Nurseries

The Federal District Commission operates two nurseries of about 15 acres each; one at Rockcliffe and the other on the grounds of the Department of Veterans' Affairs near Billings Bridge. Various types of trees and plant materials are grown therein for subsequent re-planting on the parkway system.

An inventory of the stock on hand and its value as of December 31, 1946, follows:

	<u>Number</u>	<u>Value</u>
Deciduous trees.....	1,405	\$ 1,402.00
Coniferous trees.....	5,798	6,680.00
Vine.....	111	29.00
Lining Out Stock.....	3,235	603.00
Shrubs.....	8,280	2,202.00
	<u>18,829</u>	<u>\$10,916.00</u>

Policing of Property of the Federal District Commission

"A" Division, Ottawa, Royal Canadian Mounted Police is responsible for the policing of the Federal District Commission's ^{property} and for the enforcement of traffic regulations on the driveways. The report of the police follows:

MILES TRAVELLED: Motorcycles -- 80,277 Cars-- 42,986

FDC By-law No. 26	<u>Convictions</u>	<u>Dismissals</u>	<u>With- drawn</u>	<u>Warn- ings</u>	<u>Total</u>
Speeding	218	1	0	8	227
Disregarding Stop Signs	31	0	0	23	54
Objectionable Vehicle	18	0	0	11	29
Illegal Parking	22	2	0	48	72
Against one-way traffic	10	0	0	5	15
Negligent Driving	10	0	0	0	10
No Driving Permit	16	0	0	0	16
Defective Brakes	11	0	0	10	21
4 in front seat	4	0	0	0	4
Failure to produce					
Driver's License	0	0	0	4	4
Defective Lights	2	0	0	5	7
Cyclist holding onto car	1	0	0	0	1
Allowing cyclist holding					
to car	0	1	0	0	1
Un-registered vehicle (1946)	2	0	0	0	2
2 on Motorcycle	1	0	0	0	1
Totals forward	<u>388</u>	<u>4</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>114</u>	<u>506</u>

	<u>Convictions</u>	<u>Dismissals</u>	<u>With-</u>	<u>Warn-</u>	<u>Total</u>
			<u>drawn</u>	<u>ings</u>	
Totals Brought Forward	388	4	0	114	506
Carrying Firearm	1	0	0	0	1
Damage to FDC property	6	0	0	17	23
Playing football on FDC Property	0	0	0	11	11
Horses loose on FDC Property	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>1</u>
TOTALS	<u>395</u>	<u>4</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>147</u>	<u>542</u>

Total Fines Imposed -- \$4,057.00 Approximate Damage to FDC Property -- \$1,459.00
 Total Costs Imposed -- 1,080.00 Approximate Amount Recovered -- 1,098.00

Cars Recovered -- 10 Fatalities 5
 Bicycles Recovered - 4 First Aid Rendered 2

VEHICLE ACCIDENTS INVESTIGATED

	<u>Physical Injury</u>	<u>Property Damage</u>	<u>Both Injury and Damage</u>	<u>Total</u>
Vehicle Alone	1	23	1	25
Vehicle & Pedestrian	3	1	0	4
Vehicle & Vehicle	1	26	1	28
Vehicle & Horse	1	1	0	2
Vehicle & R.R. Train	<u>0</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>1</u>
TOTALS	<u>6</u>	<u>52</u>	<u>2</u>	<u>60</u>

ESCORTS

April 12, 1946 Escort for Viscount Alexander and Lady Alexander, on their arrival in Ottawa.

May 23, 1946 Escort for Sir Aylmer Firebrace, (Chief of Fire Staff), British National Fire Service.

June 19-20, 1946 Escort for American Press Party (Good will tour).

June 24, 25,
26, 1946 Escort for Dr. Mariano Ospina Peres (President-Elect of Colombia).

August 28, 29
30, 1946 Escort for Field Marshall Montgomery (Visit to Ottawa).

Sept. 15, 1946 Escort for R.C.A.F. Church Parade to War Memorial.

Sept. 29-30
Oct. 1-3, 1946 Escort to the Ancient & Honourable Artillery Company of Boston, Mass., on their visit to Ottawa.

Oct. 12, 1946 Escort to His Eminence Cardinal McQuiggan, on his visit to Ottawa.

Oct. 23, 1946 Escort for Funeral of Brigadier-General C. F. Winter.

Nov. 11, 1946 Escort to Armed Services taking part in Remembrance Day Ceremonies.

DEATHS

April 19, 1946 Suicide at Champlain Bridge, unidentified man.

May 17, 1946 Body of Baby Boy found in Rideau Canal by FDC workmen, body unidentified.

June 6, 1946 Drowning in Rideau River, assistance rendered to Ottawa City Police.

- Sept. 30, 1946 Accidental Drowning in Rideau Canal.
 (Assistance to Ottawa City Police).
- Dec. 13, 1946 Drowning in Dow's Lake (Miss Annabelle
 Mitchell).

REMARKS

1. With regard to other matters of interest for the period under review, and further to the above, may it be noted that the Motorcycle Squad rendered assistance to other Police Forces (Ottawa City, Nepean Township, Quebec Provincial, Hull, and Ontario Provincial) in approximately 52 cases, which included--Theft of auto, Gross Indecency, Accidental Drownings, Drunks, Missing Persons, etc.

2. Approximately 225 verbal warnings besides the official warnings were given to juveniles for infraction regarding riding bicycles on the walks and grounds of the FDC Parks and abreast on the Driveways. Also, numerous verbal warnings given as to the playing of football and other games in the parks which might be injurious to the grounds.

3. Enforcement of the Railways and Canals Regulations were also maintained, e.g. Policing of the Hogs Back Road.

PERSONNEL OF THE MOTORCYCLE SQUAD

1 N.C.O. in charge
9 Constable (patrolmen)
1 Constable (prosecutor) acting in dual capacity for FDC
By-law No. 26 and P.C. 2527, under
Traffic Control Squad.

EQUIPMENT OF MOTORCYCLE SQUAD

10 Harley-Davidson Motorcycles
2 Radio equipped patrol cars
1 Supervision car

Appointments to the Federal District Commission

Mr. A. J. Major, Ottawa, was appointed by the Governor-in-Council on April 18, 1946, to membership on the Commission to fill the vacancy caused by the death of Mr. Alphonse E. Provost.

His Worship Mayor Raymond Brunet was appointed on September 25, 1946, by the City of Hull as its representative on the Commission.

The membership of the Federal District Commission, as of December 31, 1946, consists of ten members.