

REPORT OF SUPERINTENDENT OF PROVINCIAL POLICE, 1924.

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SIR,—I have the honour to forward herewith my Annual Report for the year ended December 31st, 1924.

STRENGTH AND DISTRIBUTION.

At midnight of December 31st, 1924, the strength of the Force stood as follows: 8 officers; 178 non-commissioned officers and men; 45 automobiles; 3 motor-cycles; 7 launches; 6 power-boats.

Pursuant to the "Police and Prisons Regulation Act" of 1923, the reorganization of the Force originally proposed is practically complete. The Force is now divided into four Divisions designated by the letters "A," "B," "C," and "D," and for further convenience "A" Division is again divided into two Subdivisions—Victoria and Vancouver. Headquarters remains at Victoria.

The following table shows the distribution of the Force as at December 31st:—

	Superintendent.	Assistant Superintendent.	Inspectors.	Sub-Inspectors.	Staff-Sergeants.	Sergeants.	Corporals.	Constables.*	Probationers.	Automobiles.	Motor-cycles.	Launches.	Power-boats.
Headquarters.....	1	1	....	1	....	....	1	5	....	1	....	....	....
"A" Division.....	....	....	....	1	1	4	5	44	3	18	3	5	3
"B" Division.....	....	....	1	....	3	1	2	33	....	12	....	....	1
"C" Division.....	....	....	1	....	....	3	2	22	....	10	....	....	1
"D" Division.....	....	....	1	....	....	2	3	22	2	4	....	2	1
Liquor Branch.....	....	....	1	....	....	....	....	20	....	....	....	....	....
Totals.....	1	1	4	2	4	10	13	146	5	45	3	7	6

* In addition to the permanent staff, Special Constables were employed as occasion arose.

In the Province there are six divisional headquarters offices, sixteen district headquarters offices, and eighty-three detachments. A list of detachments with their officers is shown as Appendix V. on page 24 of this report.

On October 1st last year I considered it advisable for better policing to take the Clinton and Lillooet Detachments out of the Lillooet District and place them under the direction of the N.C.O. in charge of the Yale District. On October 16th the headquarters of the Boundary Police District were moved to Pentiction, this being done owing to the increasing importance of the Pentiction area. On November 1st the Cranbrook Police District was merged into the Fernie District. During the year the Campbell River Detachment was reopened, the officer at Clayoquot was moved to Ucluelet, and a new detachment opened at that point. New detachments were also opened in "D" Division at Finlay Forks and Telegraph Creek. The detachments at Alice Arm, Boundary, Clayoquot, Huntingdon, Hutton, Quathlaski Cove, Rolla, and Swanson Bay were closed during the year. With the inception of a regular launch patrol certain coastal offices might be safely discontinued.

ENLISTMENTS, DISCHARGES, ETC.

The following are the particulars regarding enlistments, discharges, etc., during the year 1924: Enlistments, 8; resignations, 6; dismissals, 4; discharges, *nif*; deaths, 2.

On April 1st, 1924, all officers were required to complete three-year engagement sheets, and the six resignations referred to took place prior to the completion of the forms.

APPENDIX V.

LIST OF OFFICERS OF THE B.C. POLICE, WITH DETACHMENTS.

HEADQUARTERS.

Superintendent.....	Colonel J. H. McMullin.....	Victoria.
Assistant Superintendent.....	W. Owen.....	"
Sub-Inspector.....	G. A. Hood.....	"
Constable.....	C. Clark.....	"
"	H. H. Clarke.....	"
"	T. F. C. Salt.....	"
"	T. Conly (Game).....	"

Criminal Identification Department.

Corporal.....	W. J. Voisey.....	Victoria.
Constable.....	R. Peachey.....	"

Vancouver Subdivision.

Divisional Headquarters—

Officer Commanding.....	Sub-Inspector F. Cruickshank.....	Vancouver.
Divisional Clerk.....	Constable J. C. Lowe.....	"

" B " DIVISION.

Divisional Headquarters—

Officer Commanding.....	Inspector W. R. Dunwoody.....	Nelson.
Divisional Clerk.....	Constable C. K. McKenzie.....	"

Boundary District—

Staff-Sergeant.....	J. A. Fraser.....	Penticton Dist. Hqrs.
Constable.....	J. J. McConnell.....	" "
"	R. M. Robertson.....	" "
"	C. H. Martin.....	Coalmont.
"	D. A. MacDonald.....	Fairview.
"	G. F. Killam.....	Grand Forks.
"	J. M. Bella.....	Greenwood.
"	A. E. Spall.....	Keremeos.
"	W. B. Stewart.....	Midway.
"	W. A. Walker.....	Princeton.

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West Kootenay District—

Staff-Sergeant.....	E. Gammon.....	Nelson Dist. Hqrs.
Constable.....	H. W. King.....	" "
"	C. F. Oland.....	Kaslo.
"	P. W. Jupp.....	Nakusp.
"	W. H. Laird.....	New Denver.
"	W. R. Henley.....	Salmo.
Corporal.....	J. F. Johnston.....	Trail.

" C " DIVISION.

Vernon District—

Sergeant.....	G. C. Mortimer.....	Vernon Dist. Hqrs.
Constable.....	G. A. Johnson.....	" "
"	J. M. Smith.....	Enderby.
"	P. Pentecost.....	Kelowna.