

Long Record of Faithful Service To The Citizens of Saint John

No. 1. Company Salvage Corps and Fire Police Had Active Year in 1935—Report of Secretary.

No. 1 Company Salvage Corps and Fire Police has given 53 years of service to the people of Saint John. This service has been voluntary and has been instrumental in saving much property damage to the citizens. The annual report for 1935 of the secretary of the organization, as presented by Fred Doig is as follows:

This, the fifty-third year of the existence of No. 1 Company Salvage Corps and Fire Police, has been a memorable one. Within the year the British Empire celebrated the King's Silver Jubilee, the 25th year of the reign of King George V. The city of Saint John welcomed the Chief of the Boy Scouts, Lord Baden-Powell, when this company assisted at the ceremonies.

It is with pleasure and pride that I submit the secretary's report for the last year of an organization that has given to the citizens of Saint John a continuous voluntary service of 53 years.

We are again thankful to the Supreme Ruler and Great Architect of the Universe for the health and strength and the many blessings that have flowed freely from His Hand to enable us to perform the obligations we have voluntarily undertaken.

To those who have been called upon to mourn the loss of loved ones, the Corps extends its sincere sympathy with an understanding knowledge.

It is indeed with deep sorrow that we record the passing on of one of our older members, viz.: George Herbert Green, who, answering the Great Last Alarm, on the evening of December 5, 1935, passed to his reward. He happened to be visiting the fire station, and while engaged in conversation with our driver was suddenly overcome. Our late member joined this body in 1891, and gave faithful service of 44 years to the city as a member of this company. For some time he was our treasurer, and again, our captain. Even although he attained the highest office, that of captain, on retirement he still retained an active interest in the work and welfare of the corps.

No. 1 Salvage Corps and Fire Police always found Mr. Green ready and willing to lend his assistance in any direction that made for the betterment of the Corps. He was wise in council, fearless in expression of opinion and of excellent judgment. We mourn the loss of a faithful comrade and friend.

"I have fought the good fight, I have finished my course, I have kept the faith." Timothy 4: 7.

We are glad to report that very little sickness has taken place among the Corps members. Our captain being laid aside with a serious illness has brought out perhaps more noticeably the wonderful co-operation that exists among the members. The work, so far as an outsider is concerned, has been carried on apparently in the same smooth way as when our captain was present.

As secretary of this body for the last six years I take this opportunity of thanking the members for their continuous assistance. This assistance has been an inspiration that has enabled me to do the work connected with this office with more pleasure than otherwise.

On May 6, this company was requested to assist at the Armoury and Barracks Green with the celebration of the silver jubilee of their Majesties, the King and Queen.

On June 3, the King's birthday, this company took part in the parade which was held in the evening, celebrating their Majes-

ties Silver Jubilee and also to welcome Lord Baden-Powell on his visit to the Boy Scouts.

We were privileged to offer our felicitations to one of our members, Ronald S. Kerr, when on June 17, he took unto himself a life-partner. The Corps expresses the wish that they be spared many years to enjoy each other.

The fire chiefs' convention of the Maritime Provinces was held in Moncton on July 16-17, and at this convention our captain, K. J. MacRae, was again selected as secretary-treasurer of that body, thus continuing the confidence shown in a member of No. 1 Company Salvage Corps and Fire Police.

On Tuesday, August 6, at 3.00 o'clock in the afternoon, William Donahue was presented with the Honour Certificate by the City Council. Mr. Donahue having served the full 25 years as a voluntary member of this company and in recognition of this voluntary service the city of Saint John, through the Common Council presented this certificate in the presence of His Worship the Mayor, Commissioner Massie, Commissioner Wilson, Commissioner Wigmore, the Common Clerk, Henry D. Hopkins, and several members of the Corps, and Chas. A. Cunningham, chief of the Fire Department. The Mayor, James W. Brittain, in presenting this certificate, extended the appreciation of the citizens of Saint John for the voluntary services thus rendered.

Commissioners Massie, Wilson and Wigmore expressed their appreciation of the Salvage Corps for the wonderful work done by this organization. Mr. Donahue feelingly replied. Captain K. J. MacRae, of No. 1 Company Salvage Corps and Fire Police replied to the remarks of His Worship the Mayor and the Commissioners, on behalf of this company.

On Monday, August 19, an old and respected member of the Fire Department, Sanford Speight passed on to his reward.

On Wednesday, September 25, Edward J. Armstrong, a former member of this body, having joined in January 16, 1883, passed away.

On October 6, the annual church service and parade was held. Assembling on Adelaide Street at 9.45 a.m. The services were held in St. David's United Church and St. John the Baptist Church. In St. David's, the Minister, Rev. Dr. E. H. Ramsay, gave a very instructive sermon from the 5th chapter of the Gospel according to Matthew and the 41st verse: "And whosoever shall compel thee to go a mile, go with him twain." This sermon being particularly applicable to the Fire Department and Salvage Corps as those who not only go the first mile willingly but also the second in their effort to save the property of others from destruction.

In Saint John the Baptist Church, the Very Rev. Dean McDermott, preached from the text: "Love Thy Neighbor," illustrating particularly the thought of the service rendered by the Fire Department and Salvage Corps.

November 11—Armistice Day—this company assisted at the service held in King Square in remembrance of those who took part in the Great War of 1914-18. Foreman E. E. Dykeman placed the Corps' wreath at the Soldiers monument, thus honoring those who valiantly fought in the Great War and recalling reverently those who made the Supreme Sacrifice.

Our funds were augmented by the donation of \$25 from T. M. Cogger in appreciation of services rendered him at the fire which

occurred in his building on Haymarket Square; also, we received a letter of thanks from F. A. Dykeman and Co., for prompt and efficient service in their building on Charlotte Street.

These evidences of appreciation from citizens show the confidence that is placed in No. 1 Company Salvage Corps. As secretary, I would suggest that the younger members take note of these acts of confidence and through taking more interest in our work gain and keep the respect and confidence of the future citizens of our city. Thus shall we lay a foundation on which we may build with pride.

During the year one member, C. H. Peatman, having removed

from the city, resigned after a service of three years.

One new member, Albert H. Morrison, was elected October 7.

The attendance at meetings has been about the average of previous years.

The Corps is indeed to be congratulated upon having a member serve voluntarily in an office for 21 years. I refer to our treasurer, Edwin A. Ellis, who was elected to this office in 1914.

I would also refer to our captain, K. J. MacRae, who was elected to this office in October, 1911, and who has served continuously since that time—a period of 24 years. More than doubling the longest service of any captain. These two members

are to be congratulated for their loyalty to this organization.

The supper and gathering previous to our annual meeting was apparently looked forward to, and was well attended, 38 members attended, also invited guests and members of the House. This indeed reflects credit upon the entertainment committee.

This company has been called upon to answer 78 alarms. The largest and most serious fire would appear to have been at Box 412, T. M. Cogger's at Haymarket Square, when we worked three hours and 20 minutes and spread 35 covers. Mr. Cogger also publicly acknowledged our work through the press.

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