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Though he may not look it, the man on the opposite page is a sailor. He is Able Seaman Harold Keays, of Ottawa and Belleville, Ont., and he is wearing the approved wardrobe for men engaged in spray painting. Target for AB Keays' spray gun is the side of his ship, HMCS Quebec. How well he and his fellow painters did their job will be thoroughly tested during the coming months as the Quebec pursues a training program that will eat up a good many salt water miles. (QB-178).

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Cover Photo — Celestial navigation is but one of the many subjects in which some 900 cadets of the UNTD and the Canadian Services Colleges will receive practical training this summer. On board the ships of the East and West Coast Training Groups, they will go through a full and well-planned schedule of instruction as they fit themselves for future roles as officers of the RCN and RCN (Reserve). On this month's cover, "shooting the sun," is Midshipman Richard Hitesman, RCN, of Winnipeg, a Royal Roads graduate. (O-2236-22).

R.C.N. News Review

Quebec to Participate in Sorel Ceremony

Ceremonies involving the christening of two ships being built for the Royal Canadian Navy and the delivery to the R.C.N. and United States Navy and Army of guns produced for the first time in Canada, will be held Saturday, June 14, at Sorel, Quebec.

Canadian cabinet ministers and senior officers of the armed services of Canada and the United States will attend the ceremonies.

Adding color to the occasion will be the presence of two warships—HMCS Quebec (cruiser) and USS Samuel B. Roberts (destroyer). The Quebec will spend two days at Sorel in the course of her first visit to the province after which she was named.

Prime Minister Louis St. Laurent, Defence Production Minister C. D. Howe and Defence Minister Brooke Claxton will head the Canadian government representation at the Sorel ceremony.

Mrs. St. Laurent, wife of the Prime Minister, will christen HMCS Labrador, the new Arctic patrol vessel, which is to be operated in northern waters by the Royal Canadian Navy.

Mrs. Claxton, wife of the Minister of National Defence, will christen HMCS Chignecto, a coastal mine-sweeper.

The guns, first of two types to be ordered and produced in Canada, will be turned over to Mr. Howe's Department of Defence Production, which is responsible for the placing of all Canadian defence contracts. A ceremony will then be made of turning over the guns to the United States Navy, the United States Army and the RCN.

On leaving Sorel, the Quebec will go to Quebec City for four days, June 15-20, and to Montreal for a similar period. From Montreal the cruiser will proceed to Cornerbrook, Nfld., for a two-day visit before returning to Halifax.

Iroquois to Relieve Cayuga this Month

HMCS Iroquois is scheduled to arrive in the Far East early in June for her first tour of duty in the Korean war zone. The Iroquois will relieve

HMCS Cayuga, with the latter returning to Canada with two full operational tours to her credit.

The Cayuga's second tour lasted more than ten months. During this period she has operated almost entirely in waters off the west coast of Korea, her duties varying between carrier screening in the Yellow Sea and inshore patrol, bombardment and blockade.

In mid-May, the Cayuga was engaged, with other U.N. forces, in bombarding enemy positions on the west coast. A Tokyo communique reported the Cayuga was part of a force which poured more than 500 rounds into gun positions, bunkers and troop concentrations on the Ongjin peninsula, then followed up with a bombardment of targets in the Haeju approaches and the Chodo area.

The Nootka and Sioux were similarly occupied, dividing their time between carrier screening and inshore patrol and bombardment assignments chiefly concerned with protecting U.N.-held islands off the enemy coast.



A Korean suffering from acute appendicitis was transported from his island home to HMCS Nootka in the ship's motorboat, then transferred later to HMS Ceylon for treatment in the British cruiser's operating room. Here the patient is lowered into the Nootka's motor cutter to be taken to the Ceylon. (NK-1025).

Crusader Sets Sail for Korean Theatre

The number of RCN destroyers with Korean service to their credit will be increased to seven with the arrival in the war theatre this month of HMCS Crusader. The Crusader sailed from Esquimalt May 25 for the Far East, where she is scheduled to relieve HMCS Athabaskan.

Other Canadian destroyers which have served or are serving in the war zone are the Athabaskan, Cayuga, Sioux, Nootka, Huron and Iroquois. The Sioux has completed two tours, the Cayuga and Athabaskan will soon do so, and the Nootka is in the midst of her second session of U.N. service. The Iroquois will begin hers shortly and the Crusader will follow in about a month.

Magnificent to Exercise in U.K. Waters and Med.

HMCS Magnificent is scheduled to sail June 2 for United Kingdom waters and a program of training and exercises which will occupy her until October. The carrier will be accompanied to the U.K. by HMCS Haida but the latter is due to return almost immediately to Canada.

The Magnificent will take part in a NATO exercise, "Castanets," until the latter part of June, then will proceed to the Mediterranean to spend a month-and-a-half with units of the Mediterranean fleet.

Following this, she will return to the United Kingdom for further exercises before returning to Canada in October.

Navy's Personnel Chief Visits Far East Ships

Commodore J. C. Hibbard, Chief of Naval Personnel, flew to the Far East in May to visit the Canadian destroyers serving in the Korean war theatre. After calling on senior U.N. authorities in Tokyo, Commodore Hibbard proceeded to sea in the Canadian ships as they carried out their operational duties off the coast of Korea. Accompanying Commodore Hibbard was his executive assistant, Commander (S) S. A. Clemens.

Battle of the Atlantic Sunday is Observed

Battle of the Atlantic Sunday was observed May 18 in ships and establishments of the Royal Canadian Navy and in many churches across Canada.

This year's observances had a special significance in that it was exactly ten years ago that Nazi Germany pressed U-boat warfare far up the St. Lawrence River and Canadian sailors fought and died within sight of the shores of their homeland.

U-boats struck in the St. Lawrence at a time when escort vessels could be spared only at great sacrifice from the North Atlantic convoy lanes.

During the summer that followed, 24 merchant ships were sunk, the armed yacht Raccoon was lost with all hands and the corvette Charlottetown went down with the loss of nine lives. A grievous blow as winter drew near was the torpedoing of the Sydney-Port aux Basques ferry, the S.S. Caribou, at a cost of 136 lives, including that of the only woman member of the Canadian naval services to die from enemy action.

The St. Lawrence campaign brought the war home to Canada as never before. Its victims shared in the honour paid on Battle of the Atlantic Sunday to the 1,797 naval personnel killed and 319 wounded during the war.

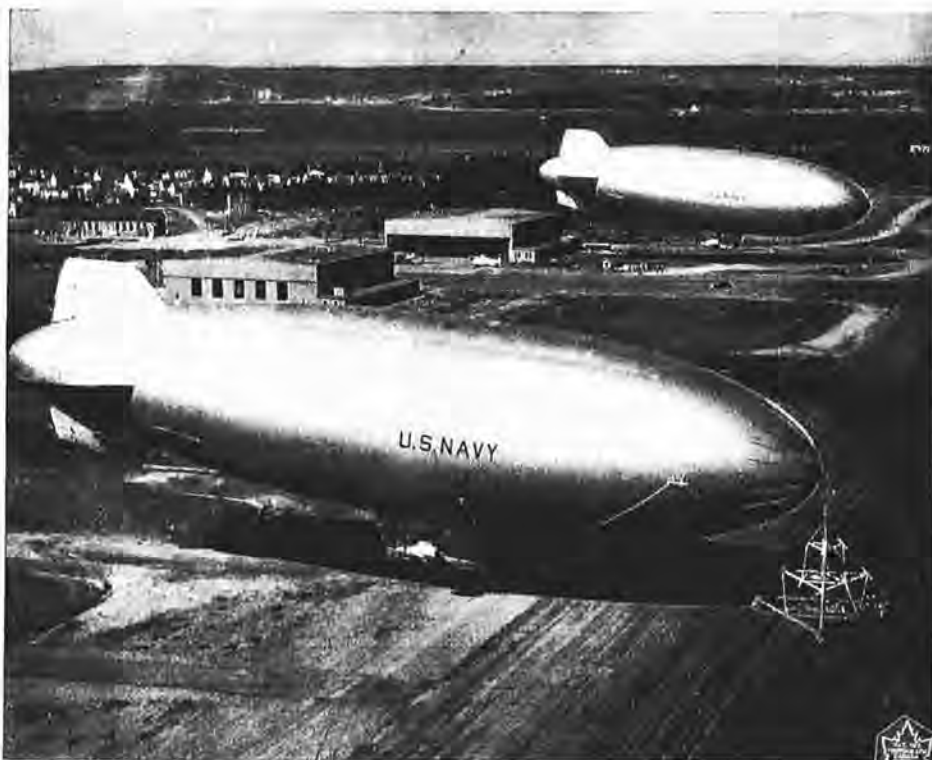
Navy Acquires 42 Additional Avengers

Delivery began in May of 42 Avenger aircraft purchased from the United States government to sustain anti-submarine squadrons of the RCN. The acquisition of these additional Avengers underlined the fact that the Avenger as modified by the RCN for anti-submarine duties had definitely proved its ability to perform this specialized role successfully.

The first of the 42 aircraft was flown to HMCS Shearwater, the RCN Air Station, in mid-May and the rest were scheduled to follow at regular intervals.

The Avenger has been in service in the RCN for two years, being flown by 881 Squadron of the 30th Carrier Air Group and 880 Squadron of the 31st Support Air Group.

Preceding the Avengers was a 12-place Sikorsky helicopter, which arrived at Shearwater April 26. This was the first helicopter of its size to be acquired by the RCN.



Two U.S. Navy blimps rest at their moorings at HMCS Shearwater following their arrival at the RCN Air Station May 6 for a week's stay. Object of the visit was to test the feasibility of working airships from Shearwater. One of the blimps made a practice landing on the flight deck of HMCS Magnificent. (DNS-7006).

Training Groups Begin Summer Cadet Cruises

The summer training program for UNTD and Canadian Services College cadets began in May, with the East Coast Training Group — Crescent, Swansea and La Hullose — sailing from Halifax on a one-month cruise to Europe and the West Coast Group — Sioux, Beacon Hill and Antigonish — proceeding on a three-and-a-half-week cruise to Alaska.

Ports of call for the East Coast ships are Gibraltar and Toulon and Ville Franche, in the south of France. The West Coast group was scheduled to visit Prince Rupert, B.C., and Juneau, Alaska, filling out the cruise with training periods at Bedwell Harbor.

On their second cruise the Crescent and her cohorts will go to Dartmouth, England, and Dieppe, France. On the third, stops will be made at Chatham, England, and Antwerp, Belgium, with the La Hullose making an independent call at Whitby.

The second and third West Coast cruises will be to California, with Long Beach the stopping place on the former and San Diego the port of call on the latter.

Shearwater Plays Host to RCAF Jets, USN Blimps

HMCS Shearwater, the RCN Air Station at Dartmouth, N.S., played host to an unusual variety of aircraft in early May. Besides attending to its own naval air squadrons, Shearwater also provided facilities and services for an RCAF jet fighter squadron and a pair of U.S. Navy blimps.

The Air Force jets used Shearwater as a base during the course of a tour of the Maritimes, while the blimps were there chiefly to test the feasibility of working airships from the station.

Special Reserve Courses to be Held at Star

The annual reserve training program at the East and West Coasts will be supplemented this summer by a series of two-week courses at HMCS Star, the Hamilton naval division, for new entries of the RCN(R).

Men who have been in the reserve less than six months and have not completed their new entry courses will go to Star for training, with the first group scheduled to arrive June 2. Courses will consist of classroom and parade ground instruction and experience afloat in three motor launches which will be attached to the Hamilton division for the summer.

Shake Down, Work Up

Combine The Two, Add Some Sweat
A Well-Trained Ship Is
What You'll Get

ON BOARD HMCS QUEBEC — It was with mingled feelings that the ship's company of HMCS Quebec said good-bye to Esquimalt on March 11. For those returning to wives and families in Halifax it was the Big Day; but for some who were leaving their homes on the West Coast there was the sadness of parting with loved ones.

However, excitement ran high throughout the ship as this was her first cruise and everyone was keen to shake down to a proper sea-going routine.

The trip to Magdalena Bay, Mexico, commenced with cold blustering weather. For some, who as yet were unaccustomed to the roll and pitch of a ship, it involved an horizon limited to the bottom of a bucket. But after the first day or so the sea and weather calmed, resulting in a more orderly life for all.

Once the ship's company had settled in, the commanding officer, Captain P. D. Budge, began to drive home the fine arts of seamanship.

Each day at evening quarters the ship fairly quivered with activity.

There were some pretty unorthodox evolutions in the Captain's little bag of tricks that shook more than one staid old sailor. Such things as the Chief Stoker, CPO Fred Norwood, firing an emergency rocket (he is now known as "Rocket" Norwood); the Communicators rigging the capstan for weighing anchor by hand (Oh! the swifter they passed!); supply personnel shoring bulkheads and fighting fires; engine room personnel changing Jack and Ensign staffs, and many other interesting innovations. For a time it appeared as though the seamen might even be pushed below to steam the vessel.

All this, however, was only a preliminary to the program planned for Magdalena Bay, where the ship came to anchor on Sunday, March 16.

The next week was one of intensive work-ups, with the cleaning of the ship fitted in during breathing spaces. Tow forward, tow aft, spring ship, away kedg anchor, lay dan buoy,

rig emergency power, shore bulkheads, fire a 4-inch gun and pull round the buoy were just a few of the many interesting evolutions carried out. Few sailors in the Quebec required rocking to sleep at night.

For the lad who had his eyes wide open there was a wealth of experience to be gained. It was a good re-scrub, too, for those who were in charge of the various evolutions, especially as many had never carried them out in a cruiser.

Weapon training was conducted daily, with many converts being made on both the gunnery and TAS sides.

The training organization was geared to a fine pitch. Ordinary seamen, men training to pass for higher substantive ratings and sea cadets had a good session of sailing whalers and dinghies. It was truly amazing how well they progressed; young lads who had never sailed a boat before in their lives were handling them like veterans by the week's end.

Recreation parties were landed daily and it is fitting that a description of Magdalena Bay should be given here.

The bay itself is large, being some 100 square miles in area, with a good depth of water (15 fathoms average). The village of Magdalena consists of a group of about 20 frame houses sheltering 70-odd inhabitants. The people make their living by fishing and are devout, honest folk of pleasant temperament. There is one small general store tended by an elderly gentleman who possesses a most dignified and aristocratic appearance. The Governor of the settlement, Mr. Augustine, and the Captain of the Port, Mr. Gomez, were most friendly and co-operative.

The settlement has a small wireless station, which happened to break down during the Quebec's stay. The ship's electrical staff effected repairs and thereby made a good friend.

During the stay, Father R. R. White, the ship's Roman Catholic padre, celebrated mass with the villagers and ministered to their spiritual needs. Surgeon Lieut.-Cdr. Harvey Little administered what medical care was required and Captain Ben Lavoie, RCDC, performed many dental operations.



Rigging and streaming of paravanes was one of the many evolutions carried out in the Quebec as the cruiser steamed from West Coast to East. (QB-12).



A little Mexican boy, Rosario Martinez, gets a softball lesson from men of the Quebec on the beach at Magdalena Bay. (QB-0131).

Twenty miles to the southeast of the village is a Mexican naval base, Puerto Cortes. The Quebec had the pleasure of having Capitan de Fragata Carlos Palma de la Rosa, Chief of Staff to the Commandante of Puerto Cortes, on board during the stay. Capitan de la Rosa proved to be a most interesting and charming guest and before his departure, Captain Budge was observed to be telling some fairly good yarns in the Spanish tongue. Another visitor was Mr. Arthur Blanchette, Third Secretary of the Canadian Embassy in Mexico City, who lent a great deal of assistance during a three-day stay on board.

Every morning whaler crews had been training — many secretly in the chilly pre-dawn hours. There were the "Young Officers", the "Not so Young Officers", Sea Cadets, Electricians, Communicators, four crews of New Entries, Stokers, Stewards, Gunner's Party, Sick Bay and the Chief Petty Officers. What a representation!

In the first heat, the Electricians, with CPO William C. Cooper in command, were awarded first place, with the "Young Officers" a thrilling second. New Entry crews placed 3rd and 4th. There seemed to be just a trace of boats fouling each other in this heat. Coxwains with asdic eyes may be the answer.

The second race saw the Sea Cadet crew romp home a strong winner.

Next were Stewards, Stokers and New Entries.

The Communicators, under Ldg. Sea. Louis D. Coyle, won the third race hands down. Stroked by the Chief Yeoman, CPO C. E. Light, they pulled magnificently all the way and there was never any doubt as to the outcome of the race.

CPO Guy J. Beaulieu has never been known as a "hard man" in the ship but in the fourth race he was definitely seen flogging his crew with a rope's end. At any rate, it did the trick as the Chief Petty Officers nosed out the "Not so Young Officers". The Seamen's crew, calling themselves the "Snake Pit Boys", came third and the Sick Bay fourth.

There was a beautiful spanking breeze for the dinghy races, which were run in three heats. Winners of the three heats were: Lieut. (S) William McCulloch and Lieut. (L) Bruce Wilson; PO T. D. Skaym and PO A. Aylward; Lieut.- Cdr. E. Petley-Jones and Lieut. Lenn Speight. Unfortunately, the following day the weather was much too heavy to run off the finals.

As the ship weighed anchor and proceeded for the bright lights of Long Beach, the next port of call, all hands agreed that Magdalena Bay had been full value and that much had been accomplished there in moulding the ship's company into a unit.

FROGMEN PERFORM AT TORONTO SHOW

Sharky, the trained seal, spent an anxious few days at the Canadian National Sportsmen's Show held at Toronto, March 14-22. Cruising about in his pool were some strange new aquatic types who didn't quite fit into his picture of creation.

Sharky's dilemma arose out of the participation in the Sportsmen's show by a naval underwater swimming team, under the sponsorship of HMCS York. Lieut.-Cdr. Don Loney, Lieut. (E) Earl Thompson and Lieut. (A/E) Tommy Rutherford twice daily dressed themselves in full underwater swim suits, swam the length of the pool, cut a wire barrier, "murdered" a sentry and, with assorted thunder flashes, "blew up" the west wing of the Canadian National Exhibition's Coliseum Building.

Assisting in the operation were CPO W. R. Franklin, CPO Len Rutherford, PO Joseph D'Amico, PO Alexander Watson, Ldg. Sea. George Counce and AB Harry Hoyle.

An interesting innovation added more than usual realism to the last show when Ldg. Sea. Counce, who played the part of the sentry, was hurled unceremoniously into the pool instead of being gracefully murdered at its side. The show is believed to have drawn a crowd in excess of 200,000 and the gaily decorated booth, with fan-powered flags waving, answered many questions and satisfied a large number of requests for pamphlets regarding the Navy.

The display was organized and directed by Lieut.-Cdr. (SB) A. C. Theobalds, of York.

Navy's Fourth Gate Vessel Launched

HMCS Porte Dauphin, the fourth gate vessel to be launched under the Navy's current new construction program, went down the ways at Pictou, N.S., April 25.

The ship was sponsored by Mrs. J. F. MacDonald, of Pictou, whose three sons served in the Navy during the Second World War.

Before breaking the traditional bottle of champagne over the vessel's bow, Mrs. MacDonald said, "May you serve your country with honor, may Pictou craftsmen be proud of you and may God bless all who sail in you."

The Porte Dauphin is being built by Pictou Foundry and Machine Company Limited.

AN HISTORIC OCCASION

by R. E. S. B.

TO: CANFLAGLANT

FROM: SACLANT
FOR COMMANDER CANADIAN ATLANTIC SUB AREA (DESIGNATED) X
WILL ASSUME COMMAND 1600Z 10 APRIL: AT MY HEADQUARTERS
NORFOLK VIRGINIA X I EXTEND HEREWITH A CORDIAL INVITATION
FOR YOU TO ATTEND THE CEREMONIES AND WOULD BE PLEASED TO
HAVE YOU SHOULD YOUR DUTIES PERMIT X MCCORMICK.

TO: SACLANT

FROM: CANFLAGLANT
I AM HONOURED TO ACCEPT INVITATION TO ATTEND CEREMONIES
YOUR ASSUMPTION OF COMMAND AT 1600Z 10 APRIL X.

Thus it was on the 10th April, 1952, that I had the honour of attending the inauguration ceremony for Admiral L. D. McCormick, USN, as the Supreme Commander Atlantic in the North Atlantic Treaty Organization.

The day for the ceremony was beautiful, warm but not hot, with clear blue skies, typical, I believe, for that time of year. Our party arrived at Norfolk Airport at 1015. We were met by Vice-Admiral Stump, USN, and Rear-Admiral Davies, USN, as well as many worried Flag Lieutenants whose great concern was to get the arriving parties off in the awaiting cars. We drove off at once to the headquarters of Admiral McCormick, escorted by motorcycle police.

The ceremony took place in a large square in front of Admiral McCor-

mick's headquarters. In the centre of the square was a large dais where Saclant and the various subordinate Commanders designate were to sit for the ceremony. Facing the dais were many seats for the guests and around the dais in a semi-circle were 14 masts for the flags of the NATO nations. Guard and band were paraded for the occasion as well as 45 colour bearers.

A very distinguished gathering had assembled, and at least 30 admirals could be seen, together with wives, daughters and friends in gay attire. Senior Army and Marine Corps officers were also present, and a fair number of foreign officers in full uniform. Rear-Admiral H. G. DeWolf, Vice Chief of the Naval Staff, and Commodore H. N. Lay, Naval Member Canadian Joint Staff, Washington, represented the RCN.

The proceedings commenced with the arrival of the Norwegian Ambassador to the United States. The Norwegian National Anthem was played and a 19-gun salute was fired in his honour. The members of Saclant and his subordinate Commanders then took their places on the dais. Present on the platform were the following:

Admiral L. D. McCormick;
Admiral Sir George Creasey, C-in-C, Eastern Atlantic;
Air Marshal Sir Alick Stevens, Air C-in-C, Eastern Atlantic;
Vice-Admiral Sir William Andrewes, Deputy Saclant;
Admiral Sir Cyril E. Douglas-Pennant, British Joint Services Mission, Washington;
Vice-Admiral Oscar C. Badger, USN, Commander United States Atlantic Sub Area;
Rear-Admiral R. E. S. Bidwell, Commander, Canadian Atlantic Sub Area;
Air Commodore A. D. Ross, Air Commander Canadian Atlantic Sub Area.

The Chaplain of the US Atlantic Fleet said a few prayers for the guidance of Saclant. Following this the Chief of Staff to Admiral McCormick, Rear-Admiral C. D. Glover, USN, introduced Admiral McCormick. The Admiral then read his letter of appointment as Saclant from President Truman. He followed this with a short but stirring address in which he outlined in an eloquent, but simple, straightforward and sea-manlike manner the reason for the establishment of NATO, and for his particular Command.

Another stirring part of the ceremony took place when Admiral McCormick called out the names of the 14 countries and as each name was called the flag of that country was hoisted to the masthead and the National Anthem played. Lastly the flag of Saclant was broken and a 17-gun salute was fired.

The ceremony ended with Admiral McCormick reading out the names of all his subordinate Commanders. As each name was called those of us present rose and saluted the supreme command and shook his hand. To each of us he said, "Welcome aboard".

Thus the ceremony ended, and history was made, and the navies of 14 nations bound themselves together to keep the peace, but if war came to fight side by side to hold the Seas.



Flags of 14 NATO nations were raised on flagstuffs outside the headquarters of Admiral L. D. McCormick as he officially took up the appointment of Supreme Allied Commander Atlantic in ceremonies held April 10 at Norfolk, Va. (Official Saclant Photo).

GREW UP WITH THE SEA ON HIS DOORSTEP

*As a Boy, CPO Malcolm Meredith
Helped Grandfather Tend
Seal Island Light*

A MAN who has lived close to the sea all his life is the choice of the minesweeper HMCS Wallaceburg as Man of the Month for June. He is CPO Malcolm Grant Meredith, who effectively disproves the erroneous but generally accepted theory that coxswains come only in one mould — hard-bitten and leather-lunged.

This coxswain is quiet and unassuming and grows flowers as a hobby. He is also a veteran of 17 years' service in the RCN, with ten of those years spent in ships at sea.

He has been in the coxswain business since 1942 and in this capacity has served in corvettes, frigates, minesweepers, a training tender, a diving tender and the barge of the Flag Officer Atlantic Coast. He joined HMCS Wallaceburg in March 1951 and his reputation as a popular and efficient "Swain" made him an overwhelming Man of the Month selection.

CPO Meredith was born in Maldon, Mass., February 2, 1918, but his family moved to Seal Island, off the southern shore of Nova Scotia, when he was only six months old. His grandfather was keeper of the lighthouse on the island and young Meredith grew up in an environment dominated by the sea. He was a willing assistant to his grandfather in his early childhood and during his school days at Barrington Passage.

It was a natural step when he applied for entry into the Navy in 1935. Actually, the RCN had a rival for Meredith's services. He sent off letters of inquiry to both the Canadian and United States navies but chose the RCN, which he entered in September of that year.

He took his new entry training ashore in HMCS Stadacona, which then was in the dockyard at Halifax, and at sea in HMCS Champlain. When the destroyer was scrapped, less than a year later, he went to the United Kingdom as a member of the Canadian crew which took over the destroyer St. Laurent. He continued his service in destroyers through the next two years and was in the Saguenay and the Restigouche, leaving the latter to go to HMCS Naden in November 1939.

He was at Naden only briefly before going to the United Kingdom to qualify as a submarine detector at HMS Osprey. His first draft as an SD was to the Skeena, which he joined in April 1940 in Halifax.

A month later his ship went overseas, one of four Canadian destroyers despatched in answer to an appeal for forces to aid in resisting the threatened invasion of the United Kingdom. The Skeena operated in the



CPO MALCOLM GRANT MEREDITH

English Channel, the Irish Sea and the U-boat-infested approaches to the British Isles for nearly a year. Aircraft and submarine attacks became commonplace and, though the ship herself came through unscathed, she had a first-hand view of the heavy toll being taken by the enemy. Four times in three months she picked up survivors of torpedoed ships.

In July 1941, after the Skeena had returned to Canada for refit, Meredith was drafted to HMCS Bittersweet, one of the early flower class corvettes. Experienced men were rare in those days and he and the "Buffer", the only two seaman petty officers aboard, swapped jobs every other week as a means of giving one another a bit of a rest.

The Bittersweet was employed on

convoy escort duty in the North Atlantic. At the completion of one of her voyages, she was despatched to Halifax for repairs. When about 400 miles from port the Bittersweet came upon a lifeboat carrying the only 12 survivors from the SS Larpool, which had been torpedoed 13 days earlier. The corvette picked up the freezing, hungry sailors and proceeded at full speed to Halifax.

In July 1942 Meredith went to Stadacona for a torpedo coxswain's course, on the completion of which he was promoted to acting CPO. Then he spent four months as coxswain of the training tender HMCS Acadia before going to the Bangor minesweeper Ungava, employed on local escort between North Sydney and Port Aux Basques, Nfld.

Of his experiences in the Ungava CPO Meredith best recalls the time when engine defects forced the ship to beg off a patrol in Cabot Strait. The corvette Shawinigan was sent to take her place, sailing on what proved to be the Shawinigan's last voyage. Only a few hours after she began her patrol, the corvette was torpedoed and sunk, with the loss of her entire ship's company.

When V-E day came in May 1945, CPO Meredith was on Pacific leave. On his return he was shuttled from one ship to another as the "little ships of the escort navy" paid off. He was coxswain in "at least five ships" but can't remember all their names, he changed from one to another so quickly.

After his paying-off project was finished, he was drafted to the Reserve Fleet, where he remained during most of 1946 and 1947. For a time he was coxswain of the auxiliary craft Greenwood.

In October 1947 he went to the barge Veraine, where he had the honor to be the coxswain to Rear-Admiral C. R. H. Taylor, Flag Officer Atlantic Coast. In June 1948 the Chief was drafted ashore to Shearwater, where he was employed in the regulating office and later was in charge of all the seamen blocks. It was from Shearwater that he came to the Wallaceburg in March 1951.

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OFFICERS *and* MEN



Five are Cited for Korea Service

It was announced in The Canada Gazette, May 10, that Her Majesty the Queen had been pleased to approve awards to two officers and three men of the Royal Canadian Navy for services in the Korean war theatre.

The awards were as follows:

DISTINGUISHED SERVICE CROSS

Commander Edward T. G. Madgwick, CD

BRITISH EMPIRE MEDAL

Petty Officer Edward H. Randall

MENTION IN DESPACHES

Commander A. B. F. Fraser-Harris, DSC and Bar, CD; CPO Frederick C. Emmerson and CPO Reginald Winter, CD.

Commander Madgwick commanded HMCS Huron during her tour of operations in the Far East in 1951. The citation to his DSC referred to his devotion to duty and zeal in carrying

out the various tasks assigned his ship and in particular to his initiative on patrol north of the Yalu Gulf.

Commander Madgwick came ashore last September to take up the appointment of Director of Manning and Personnel Statistics at Naval Headquarters.

PO Randall served in HMCS Nootka during the destroyer's first tour of duty in the Korean theatre. The citation to his BEM spoke of his "aggressive spirit of enthusiasm" and of his "coolness, courage and initiative" while acting as coxswain of the ship's motor boat when on detached duty at night, in fog and under fire. He is now at HMCS Stadacona.

Commander Fraser-Harris commanded HMCS Nootka during her first tour of operations and for the major portion of that period served additionally as Commander Canadian Destroyers Far East.

He was mentioned in despatches for his part in actions against enemy

shore batteries and for initiative and zeal in organizing a small landing party from the Nootka on the north east coast of Korea.

Commander Fraser-Harris is now executive officer of Stadacona.

CPO Emmerson, a naval storesman, served in the Nootka during her first tour of duty and was mentioned in despatches for "outstanding performance, attention to duty and initiative displayed in dealing with the many complex problems with which he was faced." He is now serving at Stadacona.

CPO Winter saw service in Korean waters in HMCS Huron. The ship's gunnery instructor, he was mentioned in despatches for his personal example, knowledge and zealous attitude and in particular for the fine example he set the ship's gunlayers, off Songjin, by scoring six hits on the end of a girder rail bridge with six rounds. He is now at Stadacona.

Captain J. V. Brock Receives DSO at Palace Investiture

Captain Jeffrey V. Brock, DSO, DSC, CD, RCN, was invested with the Distinguished Service Order on March 26 at Buckingham Palace. He was one of more than 100 officers and men honored at this investiture at which the Duke of Gloucester represented Queen Elizabeth II.

Captain Brock commanded HMCS Cayuga and was Commander Canadian Destroyers Far East during the Cayuga's first tour of duty in the Korean war zone. He was awarded the DSO for his services in this dual capacity, the citation referring particularly to his initiative and vigorous leadership during the evacuation of Chinnampo in December 1950. Captain Brock had previously been mentioned in despatches for services in the Korean theatre.

Appointed Aide de Camp to Governor-General

Lieut. (P) Jacques J. P. Cote, RCN, of Quebec City, has been appointed naval aide de camp to His Excellency the Governor-General of



Vice-Admiral E. R. Mainguy, Chief of the Naval Staff, inspects members of Chippawa's RCN staff during his visit aboard the Winnipeg division. Left to right are Ldg. Sea. W. L. Jenkinson, Ldg. Sea. J. Law, Ldg. Sea. W. J. Gable, PO W. J. Hudson, Admiral Mainguy, Lieut.-Cdr. Douglas Chivers, executive officer of Chippawa, and Commander L. B. McIlhagga, commanding officer of the division.

Canada. He commenced his new duties on May 6.

The appointment of a number of senior RCN and RCN(R) officers as honorary aides-de-camp to the Governor General was also announced last month. They are: Commodore H. F. Pullen, Commodore RCN Barracks, Halifax; Commodore K. F. Adams, Commodore RCN Barracks Esquimalt; Commander R. P. White, commanding officer, HMCS Carleton; Commander Harold Garrett, commanding officer, HMCS Cabot; Lieut.-Cdr. J. J. Trainor, commanding officer, HMCS Queen Charlotte; Commander J. A. MacKinnon, commanding officer, HMCS Brunswick; Commander P. A. Langlois, commanding officer, HMCS Donnacona; Commander Marcel J. A. T. Jette, commanding officer, HMCS Montcalm; Captain R. I. Hendy, commanding officer, HMCS York; Commander L. B. McIlhagga, commanding officer, HMCS Chippawa; Lieut.-Cdr. D. F. Clark, commanding officer, HMCS Queen; Commander G. P. Manning, commanding officer, HMCS Nonsuch, and Commander Glen McDonald, commanding officer, HMCS Discovery.

Eight Men Qualify as TAS Instructors

Eight men qualified as torpedo anti-submarine instructors in a course which completed at the TAS School, Halifax, March 28. They were: Chief Petty Officers David James Thomson, Candido DeCandido and James Alfred Wilson, and Petty Officers Joseph Frank Wilson, John MacDonald, Dennis Mann, Allan Wilfred Tassell and Morley J. Middleton.

The following qualified as TAS lieutenant's writers in a course which ended a week later: Able Seamen Windsor Sutherland Campbell, Alex Murray Donnachie and Joseph Bernard Pinard.

Former Leading Seaman Receives Commission

A/Sub-Lieut. Paul A. Roggeveen, RCN, 23, of Edmonton, was promoted recently from leading seaman to commissioned rank following completion of an officer's qualifying course in the United Kingdom.

Entering the RCN in January 1947 at HMCS Nonsuch, Edmonton, as an ordinary seaman, Sub-Lieut. Roggeveen took his new entry training at Esquimalt and in the Ontario and was promoted to able seaman in April 1948. He served ashore at Esquimalt from the latter part of



Not an army platoon on the Korean battlefield but members of Junior Officers' Technical and Leadership Course "G", photographed at Bedford Ranges, near Halifax, during a day of land combat training. The naval officers went commando as they spent the morning at weapons practice and went into such subjects as camouflage, stalking, deployment and map reading in the afternoon.

Front row, left to right: are CPO Erland (Bob) Grant, Lieut. Russell Freeman, Commander R. P. Welland, officer-in-charge of the course; Lieut.-Cdr. J. N. Donaldson, Lieut. William Rikely, Lieut. A. J. Byrne, Instr. Lieut. Donald Sabiston and Lieut. Lawrence Chaney. Rear row: Lieut. F. M. Skinner, Lieut. J. F. Perrault, Lieut. Donald MacLeod, Lieut. R. V. Bays, Lieut. W. D. Munro, Lieut.-Cdr. W. E. Widdows, Lieut. F. C. Laphen, Lieut. G. W. Blatchly, Lieut. D. A. Wardrop and CPO Jack Rafter (HS-18871).

A full-scale attack over a one-mile course (below) was the highlight of the day. As the "JOLTS" advanced, a Bren gun fired live rounds ahead of and above them. (HS-18862).



1949 until May 1950, when he was promoted to leading seaman and returned to the Ontario. He commenced an upper yardman course in September 1950.

Radio Class Completes Communications Course

Members of Communications Radio class 45 completed a 26-week course April 17 at the Communications School at HMCS Cornwallis.

The graduates included Able Seamen John O. Callory, Montreal; J. R. Talbot, Dartmouth, N.S., and R. H. Pepine, Montreal, and Ordinary Seamen R. A. Cunningham, Sarnia, Ont.; H. F. King, Leamington,

Ont. D. S. Davidge, Wynndel, B.C.; Al Bellamy, Bonnyville, Alta.; C. A. Huggard, Saint John, N.B.; B. C. Bromell, Toronto; Peter Foot, Lamaline, Nfld.; A. Rintoul, Taber, Alta., and R. G. Mack, MacNutt, Sask.

Awards Presented at Nonsuch Ceremony

Ord. Sea. G. E. Clarke, who was selected as the best all-round new entry at HMCS Nonsuch in the 1951-52 training year, was presented with the Dwyer shield and a \$15 prize at the annual presentation of merit awards at the Edmonton naval division. Captain A. G. Boulton, Director of Naval Reserves, made the



Pictured above are members of the 28th leadership course for chief and petty officers to be held at HMCS Cornwallis. Front row, left to right: POs Anthony Mattingsley, Eugene Haas and Norman Marsaw; Lieut. (S) Colin White, course officer; CPO Edward Rigby, instructor, and POs Nicholas Semczyszyn and Bernard Levesque. Centre row: POs Lorne Cooper, Arthur Luining, John Smith, Floyd Dekker, Peter Quinlan, Ronald MacKay and Donald Ball. Rear row: POs John Crowther, Donald Fowler, Mohamed Shah, Jack Allan, James Hayward, Edward Aubrey, Garth Hodgson and Wilburn Shaw. (DB-1264).

presentations to eight award winners following his inspection of the division.

Other prize winners were: Ord. Sea. D. C. MacKay, the new entry showing the most progress in the current training year; Ldg. Sea. G. Ninian, the communicator who contributed most to his department; Ldg. Sea. C. Richardson, for regular attendance; Ord. Sea. R. E. Chawner, the new entry stoker mechanic showing the most progress during the year; Ord. Sea. J. Kovacs, for interest and attentiveness in training; Ldg. Sea. J. R. Tyler, for interest in the supply division, and Wren W. M. Allen, for her contribution to welfare and morale of the Wren division.

Scotian Able Seaman Awarded NOAC Trophy

Able Seaman V. M. Spurr, RCN(R), was presented with the Naval Officers' Association Trophy for the best all-round rating during the commanding officer's annual inspection of HMCS Scotian, Halifax Naval division. Commander Roland Harris, RCN(R), Ret'd, made the presentation.

Other awards were presented to Cadets D. S. Beanlands and D. K. Murray, who tied for the prize for the best first-year cadet, and Ord. Sea. C. G. White, for the best new entry seaman.

The Halifax Press Club Trophy for the best all-round athlete went to Ord. Sea. Peter Evans; the inter-part rifle trophy was won by the officers'

team and the individual average prize by Lieut. D. J. Williams, while Cadet J. T. Linihan received the prize for the most valuable player on the division's hockey team.

Brunswicker Seamen Elect Mess Committee

Able Seaman Lewis Ellis was re-elected president of the seamen's mess at HMCS Brunswicker at the recent annual meeting. Others elected were Ldg. Sea. Ubald Lafortune, vice-president; AB Robert Banks, secretary, and the following members of the recreation and canteen committee: Ldg. Sea. Vesey Flecknell and Able Seamen John Day, John Goodin, James Blair and Joseph McNeill.

Cadet Jean Laframboise Receives Dirk of Honor

Cadet Captain Jean Laframboise, an electrical engineering student at McGill University, was awarded the dirk of honor for being selected the outstanding cadet of the University Naval Training Divisions attached to HMCS Donnacona. The dirk was presented by Vice-Admiral E. R. Mainguy, Chief of The Naval Staff, at the annual inspection of Montreal UNT Divisions.

Other awards went to Cadet F. R. Lindsay, most outstanding second year cadet; and Cadet C. A. Cantley, outstanding first year cadet. Both are students at McGill.

Some 200 cadets from McGill and the University of Montreal were on parade. Cadet Captain R. B. Evans was in command of a guard of honor.

Cadet George Mainer Wins UBC-UNTD Award

The coveted Sea-Bird award, presented annually to the outstanding naval cadet at the University of British Columbia, was won this year by Ordnance Cadet George Mainer, RCN, a final year engineering student.

The presentation was made to Cadet Mainer at the last parade of the season of the university's naval training division. Others to win awards were Cadet Glyn Fitzgerald, first year; Cadet Peter Grantham, second year, and Cadet (E) Ken Moore, third year.

Supply School Graduates Three New Entry Classes

Three new entry classes completed technical courses in the Supply School at HMCS Naden in April.

New Entry Administrative Writer Technical Class 22 and New Entry Pay Writer Technical Class 21 graduated together on April 11. AB David M. Robertson topped AW 22, followed by Ord. Sea. Kenneth R. Campbell. AB James Turner was high man in PW21, with Ord. Sea. Cyril C. Kane his next astern.

Ord. Sea. Charles W. Simser headed New Entry Cook Class 66, which graduated April 18. Ldg. Sea. W. J. Martell was in second place.

Chief Cooks' Course Completes at Naden

A qualifying course for chief petty officer cook, trade group 3, completed early in April at the Supply School, HMCS Naden. Members of the course were CPO Kenneth Campbell and POs Ralston McVicar, Clarence Burill, Christopher Moody, John McGowan and S. Peerzan.

Three Petty Officers Join Centre's Staff

Recent additions to the staff of the Communications Training Centre at HMC Naden included Petty Officers Hugh Christie, Ken Potter and Ernest Sargeant. Ldg. Sea. Howard Oja has been drafted from Naden to Aldergrove radio station, PO Robert Watson and AB William Goronuk have left to join the Athabaskan and PO Lindsay Sheppard has gone to the Cayuga.

FIRST TRI-SERVICE CLASS GRADUATES FROM RMC

The first graduating class since that of 1942 marched off the square at a history-making closing exercise at the Canadian Services College, Royal Military College, April 25. In slow time, to the tune of "Auld Lang Syne," the 72 graduating cadets — members of the first tri-service class to complete training at the Canadian Services College — left the square for the last time and marched up the steps to Currie Hall, where they were received by the reviewing officer, Lieutenant-General Charles Foulkes, Chairman of the Chiefs of Staff.

As the graduating class left the square, the remainder of the 347-man cadet wing presented arms, then raised three rousing cheers. The band of the Royal Canadian Regiment, Petawawa, Ontario, then played the remainder of the wing off the square.

For the first time in the history of the college a graduating class elected a non-commissioned officer an honorary member of their class. WOI J. E. Coggins, known as "Coggie" among the cadets, is the college regimental sergeant-major. He has seen 14 graduating classes leave the college. During the war "Coggie" rose to the rank of captain but relinquished his commission after the war in order to return to his former position at RMC.

The Royal Military College was re-opened as one of the two Canadian

Services Colleges in 1948. At the same time the RCN-RCAF College, Royal Roads, near Victoria, became tri-service. The cadets enrolled that year began a four-year course, taking the first two years at either college and going to RMC for the last two years. However, a number of naval cadets exercised the option of entering the RCN as midshipmen after completing the first two years.

The ceremony of April 25 was not the actual graduation exercise. It will take place on June 2 and will be followed in the evening by the traditional June Ball.

In the meantime, the first second and third year cadets have proceeded to their respective services and corps for their summer term training. The engineers of the graduation class are staying on at the college until June, taking laboratory and surveying courses, while the general course cadets, having completed all their final examinations, have proceeded on leave or for a further month's familiarization with their units.

66 CADETS COMPLETE ROYAL ROADS COURSE

Eighteen naval cadets, 21 army cadets and 27 air force cadets completed the second year of their course at the Canadian Services College, Royal Roads, B.C., on April 25. This



The graduating class of RMC slow marches from the parade square while the remainder of the cadet wing presents arms in the background.

marked the end of their training at Royal Roads. For the balance of their four-year course they will go to the Royal Military College, Kingston.

Major General W. H. S. Macklin, Adjutant General of the Canadian Army, took the salute at the march past and inspected the cadets. He later paid tribute to the cadets' appearance and their drill. This was the first time an Army officer had been the inspecting officer at a Royal Roads graduation since the college became tri-service.

The band of HMCS Naden provided the music for the march past and inspection, after which a group of the cadets put on a physical training display.

Among the distinguished visitors attending the parade were Vice-



Cadets of the graduating class march past the saluting base during graduation exercises at Royal Roads. Taking the salute is Major General W. H. S. Macklin, Adjutant General of the Canadian Army. (E-18684).

Naval Cadet Wins Top Athletic Awards

Naval Cadet Palle Kiar of Shawinigan Falls, Quebec, was presented with two coveted prizes by Lieutenant-General Charles Foulkes at the closing exercises of the Royal Military College, Kingston, April 25. Cadet Kiar received the Prince of Wales Cup, awarded to the best all-round athlete during the four-year course, and the Militia Staff Course (1929) Cup for proficiency in boxing, fifty-yard swim, rifle and track. Cadet Kiar, a member of the graduating class, held the position of Cadet Squadron Leader during his final year.

Another Naval Cadet, W. R. Allan, a second year cadet, was awarded the Edith Boulton Nordheimer Memorial Prize for his essay on "The Economic Aspects of Confederation".

Admiral E. R. Mainguy, Chief of the Naval Staff; Rear-Admiral W. B. Creery, Flag Officer Pacific Coast; Air Vice-Marshal F. G. Wait, Air Member for Personnel, and Rear-Admiral A. E. Smith, USN, Commandant of the Thirteenth Naval District, Seattle, Washington.

Eight from Lower Deck Earn Degrees, Commissions

Eight Royal Canadian Navy cadets graduated from universities across Canada this spring and simultaneously were commissioned as acting sub-lieutenants.

The eight were the first to graduate of 31 men selected from the lower deck and given university courses at service expenses under a scheme for the training of technical officers which was inaugurated by the armed forces in 1948.

Four of the officers graduated with electrical engineering degrees from the University of New Brunswick. They were Acting Sub-Lieutenants (L) Lawrence Carr, Cornwall, Ont.; George Allan Kastner, Morris, Man.; Charles George Le Roy Joudrey, Bridgewater, N.S., and Colin D. di Cenzo, Hamilton, Ont.

Cadet di Cenzo has been awarded an Athlone Fellowship and has been granted permission to take post-graduate engineering training in England.

Other graduates were:

Sub-Lieut. (S) Gerald William Blackburn, Halifax, who had been studying commerce at St. Mary's College, Halifax;

Cadet (E) Bruce Morgan Watson, Hamilton, Ont., engineering student at Queens University, Kingston;

Cadet (E) Keith Fiddy, Melville, Sask., studying engineering at the University of Saskatchewan, Saskatoon;

Ordnance Cadet George Thomas Mainer, Victoria, engineering student at the University of British Columbia, Vancouver.

The university training is open to men who have at least nine months' satisfactory service in the RCN, have the equivalent of university senior matriculation and who possess qualities making them likely officer material. Students entered under this scheme are required to spend their summers in naval training or in industrial work related to their courses.

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Busy 'Athabees'

by D. C. L.

ON BOARD HMCS ATHABASKAN — Though it is not readily understood by much of the public, the navy's job is vital to the prosecution of the United Nations effort in Korea. And though the communists have offered little opposition to the UN sea forces, the patrolling warships still have their work cut out for them. Moreover, they have another enemy, insidious and unseen, with which to contend.

That enemy is monotony.

The average patrol for a UN warship is 14 days. On each of those days a sailor has a certain amount of free time. What to do with that time, particularly in a crowded ship like a destroyer, is a major problem.

On board HMCS Athabaskan that problem has been licked to such an extent that monotony hardly dare rear its ugly head.

Letter-writing is still the most popular spare-time occupation in this ship, but to fill the rest of their off-duty periods the men of the Athabaskan have turned to a variety of things to keep themselves busy, and happy.

A ship's newspaper, a regular movie schedule, a shoe repair shop and hobbies and handicrafts of all descriptions have produced an almost workshop atmosphere.



HMCS Athabaskan is not the only ship in which hobbies are practiced. In HMCS Nootka, for instance, PO Frank Lay, of Halifax, specializes in making models of early vintage automobiles. Here he works on models of a 1903 Cadillac and a 1911 Maxwell. (NK-906).

The "Athabulletin", claimed to be the only paper produced regularly by a ship of destroyer size in the Far East, is the result of a combined effort by the entire ship's company. Each mess contributes regular "tid bits" and news of common interest for the reading of the others. The actual editing and production of the paper are done by AB Don Lory, of New Westminster; AB Ray Carlyon, of Cloverdale, B.C.; Ldg. Sea. John Ford, of Victoria, and Petty Officer Dave Glover, of Victoria, with volunteer assistance from other interested personnel.

AB Douglas Storey, of Perdue, Sask., spends his spare time operating — amidst rifles, Bren guns and revolvers — a unique cobbler shop which caters to the immediate shoe repair needs of his shipmates.

His shop comes near to providing Storey with a full-fledged occupation. Though his equipment consists only of the barest essentials, the pre-enthusiasm knowledge of this ambitious anti-submarine operator has resulted in a professional touch with amateur facilities.

When letter-writers have not occupied too great a table area in No. 12 mess, the space available usually becomes the work-place of two model aircraft enthusiasts, AB Ronald Manzer and Ldg. Sea. Jim Peterson, both of Victoria. Both men have completed models of the famous Corsair, while Manzer is at present engrossed with the framework of a Spitfire.

On the other side of this sub-divided mess, ABs Harry Snaith, of Red Willow, Alberta; John Ellis, Granthams Landing, B.C., and Gordon Campbell, Ottawa, spend their free time making cushion covers. These three are proud of their work but strongly resent references to "making someone a good wife".

Popular movies currently showing in theatres back home are also doing the rounds on board the Athabaskan. In a closely timed schedule, the projector and loud-speaker rotate from mess to mess each day.

Operational commitments dictate the amount of spare time available each day — and sometimes, on inshore bombardment patrols, there is no such thing — but when time is available, the ship's company of HMCS Athabaskan knows how to make use of every minute.



Some of the various ways in which members of the ship's company of the Athabaskan keep themselves occupied during off-duty hours are illustrated above. Clockwise, they are:

1. Able Sea man Douglas Storey, operates an unique cobbler shop on board ship.
2. Many of the sailors are enthusiastic builders of model aircraft. AB Ronald Manzer and Ldg. Sea. James Peterson display their models in No. 12 Mess.
3. AB Raymond Audette and Ldg. Sea. James P. Slator find a game of chess, spun out over several days, eats up a lot of spare-time.
4. Three editorial staffers of the "Athabulletin", the ship's newspaper, plan the next issue. Left to right, are PO David Glover, AB Raymond Carlyon and Ldg. Sea. John Ford.
5. Lieut. (S) Frederick R. Fowlow spends his spare time painting. Here he puts the finishing touches to a painting of a corvette. He served in corvettes during the Second World War. (O-2255-1).

The Laws of the Navy

by H. F. P.

IN these days of an expanding Navy we are inclined to take for granted a great deal of what governs our lives in the Service. On occasion, the Articles of War are read. Have you ever wondered why they are called the "Articles of War"; when they were first written, or, for that matter, how the Navy was governed in the "Old Days"? QRCN Article 1.12 directs the Captain to display the Articles of War in a prominent position. Henry VIII gave a similar order some 400 years ago.

The laws under which we live and serve in the Navy have been evolved over hundreds of years, and this article is intended to show, in a modest way, how all this came about.

The earliest known laws governing ships and seamen were the "Laws of Oleron." They were derived from a code established by the Republic of Rhodes and used by the countries bordering the Mediterranean Sea from the earliest times.

Richard I (1189-1199) introduced the "Laws of Oleron" to England when he returned from the Crusades. There were 47 articles dealing with offences against life and property, those against discipline being dealt with by Military Law.

At that time there was no Navy as we know it. Hired merchant ships were used for sea warfare, being manned by soldiers suitably equipped with bows and arrows, Greek fire, etc. In time, the King built or acquired ships of his own, which were administered by the King's Council during the 13th and 14th Centuries. The Council was responsible for the supply and maintenance of the King's ships, and for issuing instructions to the Admirals in command of the fleets. They were known as "keepers" or "governors of the sea," or "keepers" or "Governors of the King's ships," and appear to have had jurisdiction as far as discipline on board was concerned.

During the reign of Edward I (1272-1307), two Admirals were appointed, one to be responsible for all sea affairs along the South Coast of England, the other from the Thames northward. Their duties included the administration of justice as far as seamen and shipping were concerned. This was done through Courts of Admiralty using Richard the First's laws as the code. Offenders were punished according to the custom of

mariners by the Admirals. Captains of ships could not punish unless given special permission.

Sometime before 1350, the "Black Book of Admiralty" was compiled from the "Laws of Oleron." It contained the duties of Admirals, and the laws and penalties relating to offences committed at sea. The Admirals were required to administer justice "according to the law and ancient custom of the sea."

During Henry the Eighth's reign (1509-1547), what is believed to be the earliest set of regulations drawn up for the government of a fleet were issued by Thomas Audley. They were known as "A Book of Orders for War by Sea and Land." In summary, some of them were as follows:

(a) No Captain shall go to windward of his Admiral;

(b) Disobedient Captains shall be put ashore;

(c) Boarding is not to be undertaken in the smoke, nor until the enemy's deck has been cleared with small shot;

(d) If a captured ship can not be held, the principal officers are to be taken out of her, the ship "boulged" and "the rest committed to the bottom of the sea for else they will upon you to your confusion."

Internal discipline was based on the regulations drawn up by Richard I. They were "Set in the mayne part in parchment to be rid as occasion shall serve." (KRCN Article 1.12 orders the Articles of War to be placed in a prominent place in the ship). For example—a murderer was tied to the corpse and thrown overboard. To draw a weapon on the Captain meant the loss of the right hand. To sleep upon his watch for the fourth time meant being lashed to the bowsprit with a biscuit, a can of beer and a knife, and left to starve or cut himself down into the sea. A thief was to be ducked two fathoms under water, towed ashore astern of a boat and dismissed. Only a boat from the flagship was to board a stranger to make enquiries, as the men "would pilfer things from our nation as well as of the kinges dere friends." In a captured ship, all plunder, except treasure, between the upper and lower decks, was allotted to the men.

Up to the Commonwealth (1649-1660) the internal discipline of the fleet was still based on the "laws

and ancient customs of the sea." These were supplemented by orders and instructions issued by the Admirals to their fleets for any particular operation, lapsing when the operation was completed. A good example is supplied by the instructions issued by Howard and Essex for the combined expedition against Cadiz in 1596. They were entitled "The Discipline directed by the Generals to be observed in the Fleet." The first article reads, in part: "First, that you take a special care to serve God, by using of common prayer twice every day, except urgent cause enforce the contrary. . . ."

During James the First's reign (1603-1625) the Navy was not properly paid or fed. While some said that "the English were good seamen and better pirates," Sir Walter Raleigh wrote that "they go with as great a grudging to serve in His Majesty's Ships as if it were to be slaves in the galleys."

The penalties for misconduct were very severe. Flogging was so common that "some sailors believe in good earnest that they shall never have a fair wind until the poor boys be duly whipped every Monday morning." Ducking, keel-hauling, tongue-scraping and tying up with weights around the neck "until head and neck be ready to break" were common punishments. They were very old, semi-illegal and, if connived at, were not publicly recognized.

Under Charles I (1625-1649) prayer was to be said twice daily, before dinner and after the Psalm sung at the setting of the evening watch. Anyone absent was liable to 24 hours in irons. Swearing was punished by three knocks on the head with a boatswain's whistle. Smoking anywhere but on the upper deck, "and that sparingly," was punished by the bilboes. A thief was lashed to the capstan "and every man in the ship shall give him five lashes with a three-stringed whip on his bare back." For brawling or fighting, the offender was ducked three times from the yardarm, then towed ashore and dismissed. If a man slept on watch, three buckets of water were poured on his head and into his sleeves.

During the Commonwealth the first steps were taken to put the discipline of the Navy on a firm foundation. During 1648-49, the House of Commons passed a set



of regulations for the government of a fleet commanded by the Earl of Warwick. They were based on orders and instructions issued long ago by various Admirals for their fleets. At the Battle of Dungeness, on November 30, 1652, Blake was defeated by Tromp, partly because some of his ships ran away. He wrote to the Admiralty pointing out that he did not have authority to punish his cowardly captains — all he could do was report them.

Up to this time, power to punish was still vested in the Admiralty. The Commonwealth Government acted quickly. Within two weeks a complete set of laws was drawn up, based on those passed for the Earl of Warwick's fleet. On December 25, 1652, The House of Commons passed the first Articles of War, which were known as "The Laws of War and Ordinances of the Sea."

There were 39 articles. The first dealt with the observance of divine service, the 39th was a vague reference to offences not otherwise mentioned, which were to be dealt with according to the "laws and customs of the sea." Of the remaining 37, 13 required the death penalty, 12 "death or such lesser punishment according as the Court Martial shall direct."

On the restoration of Charles II (1660-1685), an Act of Parliament was passed on May 8, 1661, which replaced that passed by the Commonwealth Government in 1652. It was "An Act for the Establishing of Articles and Orders for the Regulating

and better Government of His Majesty's Navies, Ships of War, and Forces by Sea."

Up to the Eighteenth Century, additional articles, with Admiralty approval, were added as were found necessary for the good government of fleets and squadrons. Finally, in 1730, this mass of orders and instructions was condensed, brought up to date, and in 1731 the first edition of the King's Regulations and Admiralty Instructions was issued to the Navy.

In 1749, a bill known as the Consolidation Act of George II was passed by Parliament. It reduced into one Act the laws relating to the Navy, and is known as the first regular Articles of War. It was based on the Act passed in 1661, and was amended in 1779. In its amended form, it was the foundation of the present Articles of War. All previous Acts were repealed by the Naval Discipline Act of 1860 which, after being amended twice, became the Naval Discipline Act of 1866 and is still in force in the Royal Navy.

When the Canadian Naval Service was organized in 1910, the Naval Service Act of that year made the Naval Discipline Act of 1866 and

York Produces Monthly Magazine

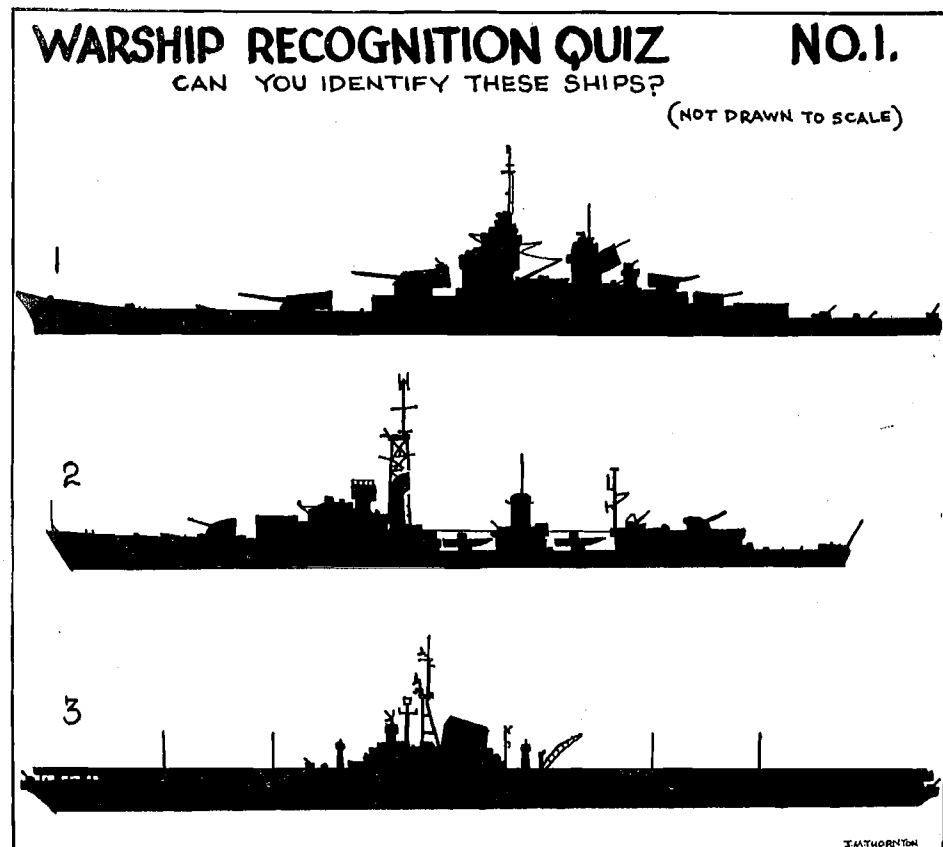
The Yorker, a monthly magazine produced by and for the ship's company of HMCS York, made its first appearance in March.

A lively publication, The Yorker does credit to the editor, Lieut.-Cdr. (SB) A. C. Theobalds, the members of his staff and the correspondents for the various divisions and departments in the Toronto naval establishment.

The 18-page magazine has sections devoted to notices of interest, news of the division, personal items, sports and other matters.

The Crow'snest takes pleasure in saluting The Yorker and extends to it best wishes for a long and successful career.

KR and AI applicable to the RCN, except insofar as they were inconsistent with the Naval Service Act and Canadian Naval Regulations. In 1944, a new Naval Service Act was passed by Parliament at Ottawa. It repealed the previous Act of 1910, including the application of the Naval Discipline Act of 1866 and KR and AI to the Royal Canadian Navy. Finally, on June 30, 1950, The National Defence Act was passed by Parliament. It replaced the Naval Service Act, 1944.



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Afloat and Ashore

ATLANTIC COAST

HMCS Brockville

On the weekend of April 19, the Brockville became a "Princess for a day." The CPR ferry — SS Princess Helene — was out of service that week-end and the Brockville was called upon to transport from Saint John to Digby a draft of 64 new entries destined for Cornwallis.

Earlier in the month the Brockville took a group of UNTD cadets from St. Francis Xavier University on a training cruise to St. John's, Nfld. Ice and snow encountered on the return voyage to Halifax convinced the cadets that life at sea can be rugged. — O.F.

HMCS La Hullose

For the second successive year the La Hullose forms part of a task group providing summer sea training for University Naval Training Division cadets.

Prior to commencing the cadet training program, the ship made two trips to Bermuda. On the first she paid a ten-day visit to St. George's, where the scars of winter refit were

covered with a proper coat of gray paint. During what free time there was, the crew made new friends ashore and enjoyed a daily swim.

The ship returned to Halifax for a week-end and then turned back again for the Easter period. In company with HM Submarine Alcide and HMCS Wallaceburg, the La Hullose went 'round to Malabar for a boat regatta with HMS Sheffield and HMS Sparrow. The Canadians got no firsts but the crews showed a good measure of determination and sportsmanship.

Joint Maritime Warfare School

Two more courses were completed at the school in April. A combined RCN-RCAF senior officers' course, the second of the kind to be held, was conducted from April 7 to 18. Course No. 9 from the RCAF Maritime Operational Training Unit, Greenwood, received two weeks' instruction in anti-submarine warfare.

Additions to the staff in the last two months have included the arrival of Mr. J. W. Jones, from the Anti-Submarine Warfare Development Unit in Northern Ireland, and Flying

Officer T. Delong, from 405 (MR) Squadron, Greenwood.

Mr. Jones has been brought to Canada for a two-year period by the National Research Council and will work with Operational Evaluation Teams of both the RCAF and RCN on anti-submarine problems. Flying Officer Delong has assumed the duties of Staff Navigator and will present lectures and demonstrations on air searches and patrols.

A convoy planning conference demonstration, presented by the "Delemar Players," made its debut during the senior officers' course and will become part of the instructional program for future courses. This skit portrays a typical meeting in a Maritime Area headquarters during time of war.

TAS School

The heavy pressure on the instructional staff of the Torpedo Anti-Submarine School eased off somewhat with the completion of four training courses in March.

During April the school kept HMS Alcide continuously employed, the submarine serving as target for ships carrying classes embarked for practical A/S training.

Two groups, JOTLC "E" Class and TD3 "Y" Class, had the good fortune to travel to Bermuda in the course of their "ping" training program.

HMCS Swansea

To the accompaniment of chipping hammers and electric drills, the refit progressed through February, March and April toward its ultimate completion in early May.

Once again the Swansea is attached to the East Coast Training Group, carrying out the familiar task of providing sea training for UNTD cadets.

The ship's company recently bade farewell to Lieut.-Cdr. J. E. Korning, who left to become Sea Training Commander, and welcomed his successor as commanding officer, Lieut.-Cdr. J. R. Coulter.

The UNTD training program claimed two of the ships' officers, Lieut. T. D. Hayes and Lieut. H.



Yet another destroyer begins the long voyage to the Korean theatre. As families and friends wave from the jetty, HMCS Iroquois points her bows to sea and sets off for her first tour of duty in the Far East. The destroyer left Halifax April 21. (HS-19031).

Rusk being appointed as term lieutenants. A recent addition, Lieut. G. W. S. Brooks, joined from submarine duty with the Royal Navy.

During the refit period, HMCS Shearwater kindly placed her recreational facilities at the disposal of the ship's company.

Albro Lake Radio Station

April marked the end of one of the station's shortest hockey seasons. Three games were played to decide the inter-watch championship and a dispute of long standing was finally settled. The Third Watch team, coached by Ldg. Sea. Dave Walling, won the title after a hard-fought battle with AB Kenneth Driscoll's Fourth Watch.

All three games were well attended and spectators were provided with a brand of hockey which can best be described as "unique." Toward the end of one game, for instance, a shortage of equipment compelled one player on each team to play without a stick. At this point the game became a cross between hockey and football as these two men could be seen kicking madly at the puck whenever it came within range.

The games were a lot of fun for everyone concerned and whatever was lacking in playing ability was made up in determination and spirit.

PACIFIC COAST

Ordnance School

There were some hasty greetings and good wishes to Ordnance Lieut. George Moyes, who passed through the school en route from the Ontario to Halifax for a course.

Another officer going to the East Coast was Commissioned Ordnance Officer Guy Copley. Mr. Copley is taking courses to qualify as lieutenant.

CPOs Hugh MacLean and Cyril McNeil are completing final examinations of the Commissioned Ordnance Officers' course.

Three petty officers who had been serving in the Sioux in the Korean theatre were drafted to the school on the ship's return. They are POs Elwood MacDonald, Don Jackson and William Wood. CPO Murray Demone and PO Murray Meikle have gone to the Sioux.

CPO Arnold Parkinson, who has been in Shaughnessy Hospital, Vancouver, since early January, reports that he is making very favorable progress and hopes to be back on duty in a few weeks. He says he has taken



Inspecting the RCN Hospital at Esquimalt during his recent western tour, Vice-Admiral E. R. Mainguy stopped to chat with Gunner A. D. Newcombe, 129th Battery RCA, a patient in the hospital. Left to right are Surgeon Lieut.-Cdr. John Simpson, Admiral Mainguy, Lieut. (MN) Mary Pogson, Lieut. J. J. Brooks, Lieut. (MAd) V. H. Skinner, Lieut. (MN) Mary Russell and Gunner Newcombe. (E-18756).

more than 40 pounds off his frame, so fears he will lose his usual Christmas appointment of Acting/Santa Claus (temp.). (See Crowsnest, February 1951).

CPO Ronald Street is hard at work qualifying for promotion to CPO 1st Class and between examinations is busy producing some hydraulic training aids in the gunnery section of the centre.

Communications Training Centre

The month of April was taken up with the usual courses and much drafting. The training program included a two-week general communications course for officers of the Crusader and a two-week refresher course for communications personnel from the Ontario, Beacon Hill and Crusader. Twenty leading seamen taking a squadron board were examined and daily buzzer and resultant order exercises were carried out with the ships in harbor.

Supply School

The eight officers and three men taking the tenth supply officers' technical course spent a week in Vancouver in April, visiting dairy plants, meat packing plants and other industrial locations to study their methods of preparing, handling and packing foodstuffs.

Twelve short service officers began an administration course April 24,

under Commissioned Writer Officer H. G. Smith.

Lieut. (S) P. J. Bates joined the school April 21 as course officer for RCN(R) officers and cadets (S). Lieut. (S) J. B. Tucker left the school to join the Beacon Hill as supply officer. Newly arrived in the captain's office are POs John J. W. Huber and Thomas A. Miller and AB David M. Robertson.

Lieut.-Cdr. (S) J. K. Power, senior instructional officer, was promoted recently to that rank. CPO Frank G. Elston has been awarded the Long Service and Good Conduct Medal.

Gunnery Training Centre

The Gunnery Training Centre at HMCS Naden provided two guards of 48 men each in April, one in honour of Rear-Admiral A. E. Smith, USN, Commandant of the 13th Naval District, Seattle, and the other for the Chief of the Naval Staff, Vice-Admiral E. R. Mainguy, on his visit to the Pacific Command late in April.

Recent personnel changes saw CPO David Graves drafted to the Crusader, CPO Andrew Cochrane to the Ontario and CPO Bruce Colegrave to the Reserve Training Establishment in HMC Dockyard. Lieut. G. J. Brockhurst has also joined the RTE, while Commissioned Gunner L. J. Parry has been appointed to the East



These are the "Down Easterners," who won first prize in an inter-divisional talent show held at HMCS Cornwallis. Left to right are Ordinary Seaman George W. Ball, Kingston, Ont.; James O'Callahan, Lake St. John, Que., and Bernard Whitty, St. John's, Nfld. (DB-1222-3).

Coast. CPO James Luke has joined the staff of the training centre from the Crusader.

TAS Training Centre

Since the first of the year the centre has been carrying out a heavy schedule of training for torpedo detector qualifying classes and RCN(R) officers. With the addition of three new TAS instructors, Petty Officers Dennis Mann, Allan Tassel and Morley Middleton, the staff situation was somewhat eased.

CPO Edgar Carter has left the school to join HMCS Ontario, CPO Cecil Buckley is now aboard the Crusader and PO Frank Andrews is taking the leadership course at Cornwallis.

With the summer "Cock of the Walk" championship as their goal, TAS classes and instructors are vigorously training in swimming, baseball and rifle and pistol shooting.

NAVAL DIVISIONS

HMCS Scotian (Halifax)

Rear-Admiral R. E. S. Bidwell, Flag Officer Atlantic Coast, carried out his first inspection of HMCS Scotian March 6. The guard of honor for the occasion was composed of senior cadets of the University Naval Training Divisions and was under the command of Sub-Lieut. M. E. Delory.

Admiral Bidwell spoke to the ship's company and referred to the

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important part the reserves have played, and continue to play, in the defence of Canada.

In the course of the inspection, Admiral Bidwell presented the Canadian Forces Decoration to Ordnance Lieut. G. W. Bridgehouse. Lieut. Bridgehouse has a total of 30 years' service to his credit.

During the visit to Halifax of the Swedish cruiser Gotland, some of her ship's company were entertained in the messes of Scotian. Members of the Wren division helped entertain the young midshipmen from the Swedish Naval Academy who were taking part in the cruise.

Fourteen UNTDs from Acadia University spent the last week-end of March at HMCS Cornwallis, where they took parade training, received lectures and witnessed routine functions at the training establishment.

HMCS Star (Hamilton)

The stage is being set at HMCS Star for the fourth annual Great Lakes Naval Regatta to be held at the Hamilton naval division over the Labor Day weekend. Besides the usual sailing, boat pulling and other sports, it is anticipated there will be some novel exhibition events added to this year's regatta program. They include water ski-ing, surf board riding and possibly speed boat races. Hamilton was the scene of the second annual regatta in 1950. — F.T.B.

HMCS Malahat (Victoria)

Vice-Admiral E. R. Mainguy, Chief of The Naval Staff, inspected the ships' companies of HMCS Malahat and HMCS Sault Ste. Marie on the evening of April 28.

The training tender, Sault Ste. Marie, was being made ready during May for a busy summer of training. Cruises are scheduled to Bedwell Harbour and to ports on the west coast of the United States.

Prospective RCN(R) recruits at Malahat, while awaiting official acceptance, have been organized into a pre-training group. They are given an eight-week course, consisting of introductory lectures and informative training films.

With the recent formation of a yacht club under the direction of Sub-Lieut. Michael Powell, Malahat looks forward to an active sailing season. The division has purchased a Snipe, a number of members have their own boats, both sail and power, and service whalers are also available. Sailing classes have been organized, with POs W. R. Harding and C. A. Richards conducting the first of these for a group of Wrens.

PO Howard Norman has returned to Victoria following a motor transport safety course at Toronto.

Malahat's Wren division played host to the Victoria ex-Wrens' Association April 22 at the first official "At Home" to be held by the division. — A.J.C.



Rear-Admiral R. E. S. Bidwell inspects a cadet guard of honor during the annual inspection of HMCS Scotian. Officer of the guard is Sub-Lieut. M. E. Delory. In the background is Commander W. G. Allen, commanding officer of Scotian. (HS-18105).

HMCS Hunter (Windsor)

A church parade to St. Paul's Anglican Church in Windsor marked the end of the April training period at Hunter. The service was conducted by Chaplain B. A. Silcox.

A separate service for those of the Roman Catholic faith was held at St. Clare's Church.

Led by the band, the division paraded up Ouellette Avenue, Windsor's main thoroughfare, to the church. Commander W. G. Curry, commanding officer of Hunter, took the salute at the march past.

A reception for officers, cadets and officials of Assumption College was held April 19 by the gunroom mess at the close of the cadet training year. During the last two weeks of April the cadets were busy writing examinations at Assumption College. Then they departed for the coasts and the annual summer training period. — *R.M.P.*

HMCS Queen Charlotte (Charlottetown)

One of the early members of the naval reserve in Charlottetown, ex-Chief Petty Officer Joseph H. Fisher, died early in April at the age of 43. Mr. Fisher entered the RCNVR in 1928, became the first member of the Charlottetown division to be promoted to CPO and was the division's representative at the Coronation of King George VI. After serving throughout the Second World War he was demobilized in 1945. He was



A White Ensign worn by HMCS Cayuga in the Korean theatre was presented to St. Paul's Church in Nanaimo, B.C., April 18 by Mrs. James Plomer, wife of Commander James Plomer, commanding officer of the Cayuga. Left to right are Rev. A. E. Hendy, rector of the church; Mrs. Plomer and Lieut.-Cdr. C. R. Sandey, of Nanaimo, representing the Flag Officer Pacific Coast. (E-18624).

buried with full naval honors in the Roman Catholic Cemetery, Charlottetown.

The firing party was under CPO Al Costello and a bearer party included CPOs S. G. Bowles, M. L. MacDonald, L. A. Llewellyn and E. V. Pineau and POs R. A. Wilson and E. W. Anderson.

HMCS Brunswick (Saint John)

The annual inspection of UNTD cadets at the University of New Brunswick was held April 1 at the UNTD quarters on the campus. The inspection was carried out by Lieut.-Cdr. G. F. O'Connell, executive officer of Brunswick, who congratulated the division on its smart appearance.

The UNTD at UNB is commanded by Lieut.-Cdr. B. F. Macaulay. — *R.S.M.*

HMCS Donnacona (Montreal)

Members of the Wren division at Donnacona have set an example in volunteering for naval training this summer that will be difficult for their male counterparts to equal. All 27 of Donnacona's Wrens have volunteered to take two weeks of naval training at Cornwallis.

On April 9 the Red Cross held its annual blood donor clinic in the division and, as usual, received a good response.

PO Eric Brimble left in April to attend the leadership course at Cornwallis.

Over the Easter week-end, volunteers from the ship's company worked overtime on the drill deck to mark it out for various sports activities. It now accommodates four badminton



A class of Wrens receives communications instruction from Ord. Sea. Warren Taylor in the communications cabin aboard HMCS Unicorn, the naval division in Saskatoon. Left to right, seated, are Ord. Wrens Dorothy George and Gladys Cressman, Ord. Sea. Taylor and Ord. Wren Mary Davidson. Standing are Ord. Wrens Gladys Duda and Marian Gajdycz. (Photo courtesy the Saskatoon Star-Phoenix).



Sixteen-months-old Lyndell Lloyd got right into the spirit of things when her family became the 300th to move into the Belmont Park Naval Married Quarters recently. Her father, Ldg. Sea. Edward Lloyd, of Calgary and Vulcan, Alta., is a crew member of HMCS Sioux. (E-18632).

courts, a basketball court and two volleyball courts.

A highly successful Easter party was held in the seamen's mess at Donnacona April 12 with an overflow crowd in attendance.

The three services in Montreal were on parade in full dress Sunday, April 20, for the annual parade in commemoration of the Battle of Ypres. — R.F.D.S.

HMCS York

(Toronto)

After being laid up for the winter at Hamilton, York's tug, the Plainsville, made her way to Toronto in April under the command of Lieut. J. F. Ewing. Members of the tug's crew on her first voyage of the season included Ldg. Sea. George Caunce, PO A. G. Dennis and PO S. J. D'Amico.

Two of York's reserve men, Ldg. Sea. Thomas W. Manson and AB John Harris, recently qualified as RP3s.

A large boxing ring has been erected on the drill deck at York, for use by all those associated with the division. York's civilian engineer, Mike Rankin, has volunteered to help in the instruction of boxing enthusiasts.

The "buffer," CPO Wilfred Frank-

lin, assisted by Leading Seamen Donald Young and Carl Benn and Able Seamen Vincent Healey, Edward Tothe and Dennis Popa, erected the ring. — A.C.T.

HMCS Montcalm

(Quebec City)

Montcalm provided part of a composite guard which was inspected April 2 by His Excellency Vincent Massey, Governor General of Canada. In command of the guard was Lieut. P. E. G. Simard.

Defence Minister Brooke Claxton paid an informal visit to the Quebec City naval division in mid-April.

HMCS Catarqui

(Kingston)

With the advent of good weather, the centre of activity at Catarqui shifted to the boat jetty and an early start was made on the training of personnel in boat pulling, sailing and handling.

CPO Gordon Gillespie, an engine room artificer on loan from HMCS Star, and CPO Charles Vaughan, a shipwright from Royal Military College, rendered valuable assistance in the repair and refit of Catarqui's diesel cutters.

Able Seamen Roy Dingley and Earl Wisker, both members of the permanent staff, were promoted to lead-

ing seaman's rank during April. Both have re-engaged for further service in the RCN.

Commander G. M. Coleman, commanding officer of the Kingston naval division, has presented a trophy to be won by the top marksman in an individual .22 rifle shoot being run off along with the inter-divisional competition.

HMCS Chippawa

(Winnipeg)

"I have never said this before — this is the finest division I have ever seen," Vice-Admiral E. R. Mainguy, Chief of the Naval Staff, told the ship's company of Chippawa following his inspection of the division April 23.

The compliment more than repaid officers and men of Chippawa for the extra effort put into cleaning the ship in preparation for the admiral's visit. All hands, from the commanding officer down, pitched into the job of scrubbing, sweeping, cleaning and polishing.

More than 600 officers, men, Wrens and sea cadets were present for the inspection, as well as two bands, Chippawa's and that of the John Travers Cornwell, V.C., Corps, RCSC.

On May 1, some 85 UNTD cadets left Winnipeg for training on the West Coast. During the summer, more than 100 new entry reserves will go to HMCS Star for training on the Great Lakes.

A/Sub-Lieut. D. S. (Stu) Johnston was promoted from able seaman to commissioned rank early in April. — T.W.C.



A man who has his work cut out for him is AB William Musclow, of Kitchener, Ont., official laundryman in HMCS Iroquois, the most recent RCN destroyer to be despatched to the Far East. (HS-19001).

NAVAL TOWN ELECTS COUNCIL

*Representative Group
Speaks for Belmont
Park Residents*

IN the course of his comprehensive tour a month ago of West Coast ships and establishments, the Chief of the Naval Staff, Vice-Admiral E. R. Mainguy, took time out to meet informally with members of a town council.

This was not, however, any ordinary town council. Its members were all either naval personnel or naval wives. Together they form the representative body, the voice, of the newly-occupied, 300-family Belmont Park Naval Married Quarters, near Victoria.

Admiral Mainguy expressed keen interest in the manner in which the council had been elected and the responsibilities it has shouldered since taking office in the latter part of March.

At the same time, Rear-Admiral W. B. Creery, Flag Officer Pacific Coast, who accompanied Admiral Mainguy, took the opportunity to address the council and answer questions regarding future developments at Belmont Park.

Later the councillors reported to their constituents on what took place at the meeting and passed on the information received from Admiral Creery. In so doing they were fulfilling one of the several duties they accepted when chosen to represent their fellow-residents.

The Belmont Park council was elected March 21, its purpose being to enable occupants of the married quarters to air problems in an orderly fashion and obtain information on future plans and projects.

The councillors were chosen on the basis of one to each block of houses, except in cases where there was only a small number of houses in a block. Then the voters combined with those of another small block.

The male members are all below the rank of commissioned officer, Belmont Park having been set aside for chief petty officers first class and below. In any case, the men serving on the council shed their uniforms and rank when they proceed to the monthly meetings. Around the table they are "Mister" to one another, in obedience to the principle that each has an equal say in the proceedings.

Belmont Park has a town manager, Hugh Dunbar, appointed by the Flag

Officer Pacific Coast. However, the deputy town manager, secretary and council members were all elected by majority vote of the residents.

To avoid the hazard of absenteeism, due to sea duty, courses or other service requirements, alternates were chosen for each position—a precaution to which the ordinary town council does not have to resort.

Meetings are held in the John Stubbs Memorial School. Residents wishing to attend as spectators may do so, but are not permitted to take part in discussions. If a resident has a problem he wishes brought before the council, he must see his block representative and have him bring up the matter at the next regular meeting.

Minutes are kept of each session and copies are sent through the town manager and the married quarters officer to the appropriate administrative authority. If the town manager and council are unable to resolve any particular problem, the representative of the Flag Officer Pacific Coast acts

as arbitrator. This is normally the Married Quarters Officer, Lieut.-Cdr. I. H. MacDonald.

Elected members of the Belmont town council are: Deputy manager, Arthur Cownden; secretary, Mrs. K. B. Guthrie; treasurer, Mrs. W. Crystal; "A" Block member, Mrs. D. R. Allen; "A" Block alternate, Mrs. G. R. Freeman; "B" Block member, J. E. Plastow; "B" Block alternate, P. T. Jackson; "C" and "K" Blocks member, Mrs. J. W. C. Pottinger; alternate, Mrs. J. L. Pringle; "D" Block member, C. E. Brown; alternate, D. H. Freeman; "F" and "L" Blocks member, N. G. Anderson; alternate, Mrs. J. A. Philpott; "G" Block member, R. Robertson; alternate, J. H. Jack; "H" Block member, A. Cochrane; alternate, Mr. H. V. Stevens; "RN", "RS" and "S" Blocks member, S. F. Pelan; alternate, R. Gavin; "J" Block member, J. D. Cragg; alternate, G. E. Copp.

In the absence of the town manager, the deputy town manager presides at the meetings.



Pictured here are members of the Belmont Park Town Council at one of their regular meetings in the John Stubbs Memorial School. Left to right are S. F. Pelan, H. V. Stevens, C. E. Brown, J. E. Plastow, Mrs. K. B. Guthrie, secretary; Hugh Dunbar, town manager; Arthur Cownden, deputy manager; Mrs. W. Crystal, treasurer; Mrs. G. R. Freeman, Mrs. J. L. Pringle, Mrs. J. A. Philpott, J. D. Cragg and R. Robertson. (E-18638).

THE HYPNOTIC ATTRACTION OF GUNNERY

or: NO BRANCH IS SAFE

by P. L. S. McC.

ONE night during the month of March, HMCS Athabaskan lay at anchor in waters that separated a group of friendly islands from the enemy mainland. Her duty was to give early warning of the approach of Communist invasion craft, illuminate any suspicious vessels under way, and investigate them with the assistance of USN landing craft. At first light in the morning it was usual to carry out a bombardment on the known enemy gun positions and villages, the latter long since evacuated by civilians and at this stage in the war serving solely as billets for Communist troops.

The ship was darkened, it was after "pipe down" and all was silent. Below in the boiler rooms and engine room, they were keeping her at 10 minutes notice for steam. Up on deck, the watch at night cruising stations manned "B" gun and the twin Bofors. The officer of the watch and lookouts were on the bridge, keeping their eyes on that dark strip along the horizon that was the enemy coast. In the distant sky could be seen the flashes of bombs and the sparkle of flak as UN bombers braved Communist anti-aircraft fire to attack

the inland cities.

In the ship, the radar sets were operating as airguard, seaguard and anti-junk watch; the ACR crew was carrying out an all-round sweep for hydrophone effect. In other words, every man in the Athabaskan had settled down for a typical night's work on inshore patrol off the west coast of Korea.

In the wardroom, it had been the officers' night for a movie. Normally, unless the Communists decided to attack, the night would have remained peaceful until the early morning bombardment. But the movie shown was, "I Was a Communist for the FBI," and it painted such a vivid picture of the ruthlessness and cruelty of the Communist party that the officers were roused to fighting pitch. Unanimously they agreed that their anger would not cool until they had had a shot at the Reds.

The captain, Commander D. G. King, was approached for permission to man "B" gun with an officers' crew and fire a few rounds at the nearer known enemy targets. It was unfortunate for these bloodthirsty offi-

cers that the captain at that moment was just turning in, and made a reply to this effect, "Certainly, but you must fire at least a 50-round shoot!" This was a little more work than the aspiring gunners had anticipated.

The gun's crew of the cruising watch was more than mildly surprised when the officers' crew arrived; and when the captain of the mounting, Able Seaman Charles F. Greengrass, discovered that the officers were actually going to fire, he hovered nervously around while this new crew took up position.

The supply officer, Lieut. (S) Fred Fowlow, was layer; the engineer officer, Lieut. (E) John W. Hamilton, sat in the trainer's seat, and Sub-Lieut. John F. Watson (most recently from Whale Island) was breechworker. However, shortly after the first few rounds had been fired, for the sake, shall we say, of efficiency, the captain of the mounting took over as breechworker. The remainder of the officers were load numbers, while generally supervising matters was Lieut. (G) William W. Bowditch. On the bridge, the captain and the gunnery officer, Lieut. R. A. Evans, controlled the shoot.

It may seem incredible, but the bombardment went very smoothly. The spread of starshell fired to illuminate a lone junk off the enemy coast was, all the officers agreed, the best they had ever seen!

When the last ten rounds had been fired at target number five, the gold-braided gunners slapped their hands together, heaved a sigh of accomplishment, and prepared to push off, as it was getting late (one o'clock in the morning, in fact).

They were halted by the Armament Broadcast, saying: "Officers' gun's crew sponge out and return all empties!"

So their initiation into the gunnery world was on the whole a little more complicated than expected. Apart from how to sponge out, they learnt a bit of the more delicate arts of gunnery — for example, how to snarl back at the Armament Broadcast.

The Athabaskan's angry officers' gun crew obtained results something like this in the midnight shoot at enemy targets. The photo shows a star-shell from HMCS Nootka illuminating the horizon during a night patrol and bombardment on the west coast of Korea. (NK-894).





Instructor Sub-Lieut. Henry Derynck, of Tillsonburg, Ont., a member of the Prep School staff, clears up a physics query for CPO Charles Strand, Watrous, Sask., and Victoria; PO William Driega, Cadomin, Alta., and CPO William Byatt, Saint John, N.B. (E-18336).

Concentrated Study

by L. W. T.

THE men sat silent and attentive, their eyes glued to the front of the room. The only sound, save for the chirping of the larks outside the open window, was the faint squeak of chalk on a blackboard. Suddenly a bell shrilled, and a few minutes later 22 sailor students — chief petty officers, petty officers and able seamen intermixed — filed out of the room. Though it was 1700, several hours of study still faced these pupils of the Royal Canadian Navy's Preparatory School at HMCS Naden.

The RCN Prep School commenced operations in the fall of 1949, its chief aim being "to provide an avenue of advancement to commissioned rank for every ambitious sailor, regardless of rating." It does so by giving selected men the academic courses they need to qualify educationally for promotion from the lower deck. The success of the venture is vouched for by the fact that 22 men who graduated from the first and second classes have been promoted to commissioned rank or are undergoing university or technical courses prior to promotion.

Part and parcel of the Central School at HMCS Naden, the Prep School consists of three classrooms, a large theatre room, a projection room, a well-equipped laboratory and administration and education offices. A comfortable lounge has been installed for use by the students.

A wide range of subjects is covered in the curriculum. These include mathematics (geometry, trigonometry, algebra and calculus) physics, chemistry, naval history, English grammar, composition and literature, French, navigation, accounting, mechanics, heat and electricity. Bureau of Current Affairs studies are also stressed.

Students attending Prep School are men with a purpose and they "slug it out" in the battle for education. From 0800 until 1700 would seem sufficient time in which to pound the books in any one day, but to complete the course in the allotted time of nine months a further two hours of supervised study is required each evening. "Free" at 2100, most of the pupils then settle down to homework. It is no easy task re-learning

the "three Rs" on a university entrance level.

In this unusual institution, chief petty officers study alongside able seamen, for all partake of the same educational fare. Not only does the system obviate the necessity for duplication of instructors and instructions but it also saves classroom space.

Of more than passing interest is the manner in which the chief petty officers, mostly in their early thirties, vie for scholastic honors with the able seamen, ten or more years their juniors and not long graduated from formal school. A direct outcrop of this friendly rivalry is the tremendous esprit-de-corps which abounds throughout the entire class.

This co-operation among the students manifests itself, too, in the internal organization, where the onus for the men's disciplinary and scholastic action has been placed directly on themselves. The senior chief of the term, CPO Jack Keating, is the class leader and through him requests and other matters are funnelled to the "front office" for appropriate action. Assisting him are class leaders, students who take a weekly turn on a rotation basis. Their duties include maintaining order and checking the daily attendance.

At the helm of this unique "Lower Deck College" is the guiding hand of Instructor Commander R. S. Martin, Command Education Officer. The faculty includes Instructor Lieutenant-Commanders H. V. Irving and W. G. Kelly; Instructor Lieutenants J. D. Harbron, J. L. P. Bernatchez and D. A. Robinson, and Instructor Sub-Lieut. H. M. Derynck.

Enrolled for the 1951-1952 semester are Chief Petty Officers Jack Keating, Charles Stroud, James Ellerton, William Byatt, Frank Dewling, George Harvey, Percy Eoyd, Edward Percival, Keith McIntyre, Robert Smith, William Wilkinson, Ensley Anderson, John Fleming and Lloyd Turner; Petty Officers G. L'Italien, William Ower and William Driega; Leading Seaman Elmer J. Hodgson and Able Seamen Richard Bowden, Percy Mulholland and John A. Sinclair.

While all agree that it is a tough grind, they also insist it is interesting and of infinite benefit. In the words of Commander Martin, "Though the hours are long and the study hard and often tedious, these men will be enriched by the experience, both materially and mentally."

The Navy Plays



Comschool Takes Two Titles at Cornwallis

The Communications School came out on top of both the inter-part hockey and bowling leagues at HMCS Cornwallis.

The Communicators scored a narrow victory over the Cornwallis Chief and Petty Officers in the hockey final, the fifth and deciding game of the series going into overtime before the champion was declared.

Captain of the hockey team was AB Joseph St. John, who, along with Ordinary Seamen Robert Purdy, R. J. Ferbey and John Dunham, played the full season on the Cornwallis entry in the Annapolis Valley League. Other members of the Comschool squad were Ordinary Seamen William Keen, Blair Sullivan, Raymond Cadotte, Bud Harris, Andrew Barber, Robert Taylor, Ronald Cunningham and Lloyd Johnston.

The Communications "B" bowling team overcame a late start and an 18-point handicap to reach the play-offs, and from there went on to victory. The team gained other honors. Ord. Sea. Donald Churchill's 217 topped the individual averages and the team's 3077 was good for high pinfall.

Team captain was Ord. Sea. Rene Pepin and other members were Ordinary Seamen William Bromell, Charles Reisenburg and James Duncan.

A member of the Comschool "A" team, CPO F. Fenn, was runner-up for high average with 208.

Combines Hold Lead in Naden Tourney

With one competition remaining on the schedule, the combined Medical, Communications and Navigation Direction team held a 15-point lead in the race for the winter Cock of the Barracks trophy at HMCS Naden.

The nearest challenger was Naden Supply, which picked up points by winning the inter-part badminton tournament. CPO's Les Noon and Peter Loverick starred for the supply men.

MTE "A" finished second in the badminton scoring and Medical, Comm. and ND third.

In the over-all point total, Supply

School "A" was third and TAS and Electrical fourth. MTE "A", MTE "B", Band, Supply School "B" and Ordnance followed in that order. — J.S.

AB Joseph Perron Stars in Stadacona Victory

HMCS Stadacona won the Atlantic Command hockey championship by scoring two goals in overtime to defeat HMCS Shearwater 9-7 in the sudden-death final.

AB Joseph Perron notched five goals, including the two overtime tallies, to pace the Stadacona attack.

The Shearwater team gave a great display considering it had only four regulars in its lineup. The naval airmen appeared to have the game sewed up, as they led 7-5 with only five minutes remaining in regulation time, but Stadacona overtook the tiring birdmen and tied the score. AB Perron fired the equalizer at 18.29 on a pass from CPO Ed McSweeney.



Lieutenant-General Charles Foulkes presents the HRH the Prince of Wales Cup to Cadet Squadron Leader Palle Kiar at the RMC closing ceremonies. The cup is awarded to the best-all-round athlete throughout the four-year course. Cadet Kiar also received the Militia Staff Course (1929) Cup for proficiency in boxing, 50-yard swim, rifle and track.

Perron continued his spree in the overtime period, notching the winning goal on a solo effort at the 34-second mark and adding an insurance tally eight minutes later.

Outstanding for Shearwater were AB John Bechtold and AB Fred Trigg, each of whom scored two goals, and Ldg. Sea. Lester Shatford, who scored once and assisted in three others.

Air Department Cops Shearwater Hoop Crown

Air Department won the Shearwater inter-part basketball championship in a hard-fought final series with Carrier Air Group.

Air Department won the first, third and fifth games. Scores in the first four were close but Air Department went on a scoring spree in the final game to rack up a 73-27 victory.

AB David Leclair, 6-foot 4-inch Air Department captain, notched 26 points in the deciding contest, while AB John Leduc got 17 and AB Gordon Gillies 13. For the CAG, Ldg. Sea. Denny Duggan, captain, scored 16 points and AB Donald Sutherland netted seven.

Chippawa Retains Service Hockey Trophy

HMCS Chippawa retained the Basil Baker Memorial Trophy, emblem of the Winnipeg inter-service hockey championship, with a 6-3 victory over Army in a sudden-death final. AB Dick Guinan, captain of the Chippawa team, scored three goals for the winners. After the game he was presented with the trophy by Major-General N. E. Rodger, officer commanding Prairie Command.

Queen Charlotte Tops League, Loses Playoff

HMCS Queen Charlotte's "A" team wound up in first place by a comfortable margin in the Charlottetown Garrison Rifle League senior division but did not fare so well in the shoot-off for the challenge trophy, losing out by 12 points to the RCMP.

With a 98.2 average, CPO S. G. Bowles was top marksman in the "A" division over the regular schedule.

Sailors Take Victoria Hockey League Title

A team from the RCN's Pacific Command won the Victoria Commercial Hockey League championship, defeating Victoria Merchants four games to one in a best of seven final series.

The sailors took the first three games of the final, then lost out in overtime, 6-5, in the fourth. In the fifth and what proved to be the last game, Navy ran wild to score 14 goals while yielding only six to the Merchants.

Iroquois, Micmac Divisions Triumph at Cornwallis

Iroquois division copped the inter-divisional hockey trophy and Micmac division defeated Crusader to win the the inter-divisional basketball title as the winter sports season closed at Cornwallis.

Softball, baseball, soccer and badminton leagues got under way the first week in May.

Cornwallis reached the semi-finals in the Atlantic Command hockey playoffs by defeating Magnificent in a sudden-death game, but fell 11-3 before the powerful Stadacona team, which went on to win the title.

'Docs' Win West Coast Bowling Championship

Medical won the grand championship of the Pacific Command Bowling League in bowl-offs held at the Strathcona alleys in Victoria.

The "docs" rolled 5,188 points, 278 more than Communications and ND. Royal Roads was third and Ordnance fourth.

In the consolation championship, Supply School was first, followed by Regulating, MTE and Writers. Damage Control took the prize in a further consolation event. Civil Service, Cooks and Nursing Officers trailed in that order.

CPO Harold H. Booth, of Royal Roads, topped the individual averages with 222. High among the ladies was Mrs. G. Pumphrey's 163. Other individual winners were: Men's high single, Commissioned Stores Officer Frank Bentley, 353; ladies' high single, Miss M. Crawford, 308; men's high three, PO Bruce L. Timmons, 823; ladies' high three, Miss Verna Bonnell, 586.

In the bowl-off, individual awards went to PO Frederick B. Kelly, Lieut. V. H. Skinner, Mr. Bentley, Miss J. Tanner, Mrs. Pumphrey and AB S. Martin.



This is the Navy team that swept through the playoffs to win the Victoria Commercial Hockey League championship after finishing third in the league standings.

Front row, left to right: PO Russell MacKay, AB Ivan Woods, Ldg. Sea. Doug Johnson, Ord. Sea. Lloyd Milne, Ord. Sea. Stan Spark, PO Ray Shedlowski (captain), AB Arthur Standley and Ord. Sea. John Bond.

Rear Row: Commander (L.) H. G. Burchell, coach; AB Roy Derry, Lieut.-Cdr. H. V. Irving, AB Del Brown, Ord. Sea. Arnold Riches, AB Paul Wannamaker, Ord. Sea. Orville Coulter, Ord. Sea. Paul La Pointe, AB Dave Hill, AB Bert Booth, Ldg. Sea. Don Laverne and CPO Vic Smith.

PO Shedlowski, a crew member of HMCS Quebec, brought further honors to the team when he was awarded the league's most valuable player trophy. (E-18570).

Shearwater Puck Title Won by Air Groups

Air Groups defeated SNAM in two straight games to win the Shearwater inter-part hockey championship. Air Groups had defeated CAG 11-5 in a sudden-death semi-final while SNAM edged Supply 7-5 in the other bracket.

Shearwater lost out in the finals of the Halifax Metropolitan Hockey League, bowing to Dartmouth Royals by a margin of three games to one in the best-of-five final.

Officers' Team Scores in Scotian Shooting

For the third successive year the officers' team won the inter-part shooting championship of HMCS Scotian.

Members of the team were Lieut.-Cdr. (SB) J. T. Burns and Lieutenants D. I. Darling, D. J. Williams and F. E. Turner.

Three-Time Winner in Shuttle Tournament

Lieut. (SB) W. D. MacAuley was a triple winner in the annual badminton tournament held by HMCS Brunswicker, the Saint John naval division. Lieut. MacAuley defeated Lieut.-Cdr. Wilbur Brown in the men's singles final and teamed with Ord. Sea. Garnett Ferris to win the men's doubles and with Wren Dorothy

Fraser to take the mixed doubles. Wren Carole Smith won the ladies' singles.

The tournament was directed by PO Al Riley.

A volleyball team from Brunswicker again defeated the Army Garrison volleyball squad in three matches played at the Saint John Vocational School gymnasium. The Brunswicker team included CPO W. Johnson, PO A. J. Riley, PO David Saunders, Leading Seaman James Feehan and Ubald Lafortune and Ord. Sea. Garnett Ferris.

Petty Paces Stad to Swim Meet Win

HMCS Stadacona amassed a total of 39 points to take top honors in the Atlantic Command swimming and diving championships April 25 in the Stadacona pool. HMC Ships placed second with 31 points and Shearwater trailed with 14.

The Stadacona team took most of the firsts in the swimming events and placed second in the diving competitions.

Able Seaman Rod. H. Petty, of the Explosive Disposal Unit, turned in the outstanding performance in the swimming events, placing first in the 30-yard free style, 30-yard breast stroke and 60-yard breast stroke and leading the Stadacona team to victory in the 90-yard medley relay. AB Joe

Perron and PO Mike Bidnock brought first and third diving honors to HMC Ships, while AB Clifford Near gave Stadacona second place.

In the 120-yard free style relay, Ships posted a win over Stadacona, with PO Bidnock leading the way.

Winnipeg Division Takes up Curling

With CPO Hugh McCaw doing the organizing, curling was taken up in the Winnipeg division, HMCS Chip-pawa, during the past winter. Six rinks were formed from the ship's company and had a highly enjoyable season.

In inter-division competition, Lieut.-Cdr. J. Dangerfield's rink came out on top, while in an inter-service bonspiel, the rink of Sub-Lieut. Gordon Livingston got the consolation prize.

SAG Officers Capture Air Station Volleyball

Support Air Group, officers' league champions, defeated Carrier Air Group, inter-part titlists, to win the station volleyball title at HMCS Shearwater.

CAG started out by winning the first two games of the final but the SAG officers got rolling in the third and went on to score three straight victories and win the championship.

Headquarters Bowlers Hold Annual Banquet

The Naval Headquarters Bowling League wound up a highly successful season with a banquet, prize-giving and dance in the Coliseum Convention Hall at Lansdowne Park, Ottawa, April 30.

The premier award, the McCallum trophy, was presented by Surgeon Commodore Archie McCallum to Lieut.-Cdr. Doug Waring, whose Rockcliffe team won the championship of the 24-team league.

Rockcliffe stepped forward again, this time to receive from Lieut.-Cdr. William Simpkin, league president, the prizes for winning the "A" section of the playoffs. Other members of Lieut.-Cdr. Waring's team were Les Boucher, Connie Fitzgerald, Marie Potvin and Chriss McGrath.

The "B" section playoff award went to Brockville, captained by Gerry Tessier. Others on the team were Dave Castleman, Jean Murphy, Dot Derouin and Miss N. Hartnett.

Runner-up prizes in the two sections were won by Crescent, captained by Henry Dallaire, and Algonquin, skippered by Jim Defayette.

High average awards were presented to George Berniquez, whose 216.83 topped the men, and Connie Gratton, whose 198.82 was best among the ladies. Runners-up were Gerry Tessier, 197.58, and Thelma Saunders, 189.82.

Other prize-winners were:

Men's high cross—Hugh Robertson,

859; runner-up, Tony Lecompte, 795.

Ladies' high cross—Olive Gorman, 789; runner-up, Joan Barlow, 758.

Men's high single—Lieut. Walter Huculak, 341; runner-up, Jim Defayette, 329.

Ladies' high single—Edith Fraser, 390; runner-up, Chriss McGrath, 313.

Naden Badminton Club Ends Successful Season

The Naden Badminton Club wound up a highly successful season with two tournaments in April. The first was an American tournament open to all members and associate members. The second was a return match with Royal Roads which ended in a 7-3 triumph for Naden. In an earlier match with Royal Roads, Naden won by a 7-2 margin.

The club president, Lieut. (SB) William Northey, announced following a meeting with the Greater Victoria Badminton Association that arrangements had been made for tournament play with eight Greater Victoria clubs in the 1952-53 season.

Malahat Rifle Trophy Goes to CPO Burch

CPO Walter C. Burch won the Malahat Cup for having the highest average, 95.6, at the end of the rifle shooting season at the Victoria naval division.

Other high averages were posted by PO A. A. Loverock, 94; Ord. Wren E. Paterson, 93; Ord. Wren D. Smith, 92, and PO R. Riguse, 92.

Malahat's rifle team was the only naval entry to finish in the money in this year's DCRA shoot.

Turning to summer sports, Malahat has entered a team in an inter-service softball league composed additionally of two Army, an Air Force and another Navy team.

Tournament Closes East Coast Badminton

Lieut. (L) E. M. Gummer won the men's singles championship by defeating Mr. J. McNeil 15-17, 15-12, 15-10 in a closely fought match that featured the season closing tournament of the Atlantic Command Badminton Club.

Mrs. M. Korning won the ladies' singles and paired with Mrs. L. MacAlpine to take the doubles. Mr. McNeil paired with CPO H. Jackson to win the men's doubles and with Mrs. MacAlpine to capture the mixed doubles.

Mr. J. Drouin and Miss T. Jones won the consolation singles events.



Shown above is the Navy swimming team that competed in the Nova Scotia swimming meet and took first place in the men's division. Front row, left to right: PO Albert Trepanier, Ottawa, coach; AB Harold Perry, Guelph, Ont.; Eileen O'Neil, Halifax; Betty McDonald, Dartmouth; Ord. Sea. Joe Perron, Montreal, and AB Les Franks, Toronto.

Back row: Ordinary Seamen Robert Blain, Montreal, and Norman Fleming, Bruce Mines, Ont.; Lieut. Alexander MacRae, Toronto; AB Robert Smith, Cranbrook, B.C.; Ldg. Sea. Gordon Champion, White Rock, B.C.; Able Seamen Bill Lawrence, Bermuda, and AB Rod Petty, Bermuda. Absent from the photo is AB George Renwell. (HS-18830).



Two opposing players "bury the hatchet" at the conclusion of an exhibition hockey game between York and Hunter, the Toronto and Windsor naval divisions. Hunter won 9-1. Lieut. W. A. Walden is the Windsorite and Ldg. Sea. Morley Scott the Torontonians (Photo courtesy the Windsor Daily Star).

Mrs. C. Ivany and Mrs. K. Greene copped the ladies' doubles and Mr. J. Zwicker and Mrs. Greene the mixed doubles.

York Conquers Star in Officers' Softball

Officers of HMCS York defeated their opposite numbers from HMCS Star in the annual softball game played this year in the Hamilton Armouries. The Toronto team took a 14-1 lead in the first five innings, then held off an exciting rally by the Hamiltonians to win 18-16. — *F.T.B.*

Montcalm Ends Season with Victory Margin

Under the coaching of CPO Joseph Carisse, HMCS Montcalm's hockey team finished the season with a record of five victories, four defeats and one tie.

The Quebec division's team defeated Quebec Bulldogs, 5-3 and 5-4, Canadian Army 8-2 and St. Damien 5-4 and 11-4.

The sailors lost to the Quebec Bulldogs, St. Gregoire, St. Jean Bosco and Ste. Anne de la Pocatiere.

A game with Sillery Aces ended in a 3-3 tie.

Sailors Defeat Airmen in Hoop Exhibitions

The basketball team of HMCS Chippawa, Winnipeg, chalked up a creditable exhibition game record during the recent season. The Navy

cagers scored eight wins over the RCAF team from Stevenson Field, Winnipeg, and five over the Air Force at Gimli, Man.

In an inter-service badminton tournament, Lieut.-Cdr. George Rooke won the men's singles and Audrey Freeman, of the Ex-Wrens' Association, took the ladies' singles. In the over-all scoring, Navy finished in second place.

A pistol and rifle shooting program has been launched at the Winnipeg division under the direction of Sub-Lieut. W. H. Wilson and CPO F. Bobbie.

Gains Final Round of Squash Tourney

The Navy had six representatives in the Pacific Northwest squash tournament held this year at the Victoria Squash Club.

Lieut.-Cdr. J. D. McCormick was the most successful, reaching the "B" class final before being eliminated. PO D. Barwis gained the semi-finals in "C" class and CPO J. Waldron, Lieut. Ean Sunderland, Lieut. W. E. Clayards and Lieut. (S) Kevin Power were eliminated in earlier stages of the same division.

A five-man RCN team travelled to Shawnigan Lake and scored a decisive victory over a team composed of staff members and students of Shawnigan Lake School.

CHIVALRY STILL EXISTS, WREN FINDS

by Wren G. A.

When their division recently became all of seven months old, Wrens of HMCS Discovery paused to indulge in a little retrospection. Unanimously the members of that first group agreed that none could have predicted the many interesting and varied events that occurred since the day she first stepped into the recruiting office and filled out an application.

After the initial stage of confusion with medicals, G-tests and sorting of the right foot from the left at divisions, there came lectures in bends and hitches, pilotage, boatwork and seamanship (just to mention a few of the topics) to confuse them more.

Then came uniforms and the complete kit. As Wren Norma Whiteside remarked, "I'll have to buy an extra wardrobe for all this — and with a lock and key!" Wren Whiteside

meant that, with her two sisters, Wrens Catherine and Beverly, also at Discovery, it might become a bit hectic trying to keep their uniforms separated.

Aside from keeping up with their lectures during the week, Wrens Peggy Egan, Pat McLaren, Margaret Irvine and Margaret McKenzie managed also to turn out on Thursday nights for badminton and rifle shooting.

The first parade in which the Wrens participated was the memorial service for His Late Majesty King George VI. In preparation for the occasion — at which they paraded with the officers and men of Discovery and members of the Army and Air Force — they put in many extra hours of drill.

Another eventful occasion came when the Chilean training ship Presidente Pinto arrived in Vancouver for a five-day visit. The ship's company extended an invitation to the Wrens to go aboard for a tour of inspection, on which they were escorted by an extremely courteous group of midshipmen. A dictionary came in handy once or twice but, with descriptive hand-waving and facial contortions, the Wrens and their escorts exchanged some interesting details of their respective lands and customs.

Wren Gay Christieson, representing the Wren division in the welcoming party from Discovery which greeted the ship on her arrival, caused quite a commotion. As she was being shown about the ship by a group of attentive sailors a sudden gust of wind caught her skimmer and carried it over the rail. Before she had time to so much as say "Oh", a swarm of eager young men made for the Jacob's ladder, each one intent upon the honor of retrieving it. Sailor Jose Salinas was first over the side and thereby became man of the hour.

More recently the Wrens have been doing a little extra studying for the last phase of their basic training.

Reserve Seamen, Wrens Learn Air Maintenance

Three reserve seamen and three Wrens from HMCS Scotian, the Halifax naval division, are attending training classes in naval air maintenance at HMCS Shearwater. Though they may eventually enter other specialized branches, it is felt that a basic course in tools and metalwork and general instruction in alloys and their components will provide the trainees with useful knowledge and experience.

LOWER DECK PROMOTIONS

Following is a further list of promotions of men on the "lower deck". The list is arranged in alphabetical order, with each man's new rating, branch and trade group shown opposite his name.

ABBOTT, Woodrow A.....	LSTD1	GRANT, Frederick R.....	LSAR1	LORD, Albert W.....	LSTDS
ABLETT, Richard.....	LSSE1	GREENLEES, Clive A.....	LSAF1	LOWE, William A.....	P1AL3
ABS, Harold J.....	LSRPS	HALL, Richard J.....	LSAR1	LYNCH, William F.....	PISM2
ADDY, Frederick E.....	P1AA2	HALPIN, Lloyd J.....	LSTD1	MALONE, Joseph B.....	C2AT4
ALMAAS, Gordon A.....	LSTDS	HARVEY, Victor G.....	LSQRS	MANSELL, William T.....	C2PC3(NQ)
ANDERSON, Ross C.....	LSQR1	HAYWARD, Ernest E.....	P2CS3	MANZER, Ronald S.....	LSRCS
AUNGER, Raoul L.....	LSTD1	HAZEN, James E.....	LSAF1	MARCUS, Robert C.....	LSAAS
BACKEWICH, William S.....	P2SM2	HEBGIN, John L.....	LMSO1	MARKIEWITZ, William P.....	P1AL3
BAKER, Harold W.....	LSAO1	HEIDE, Norman E.....	LSRPS	MARTENSON, John R.....	P1TD1
BARNSHAW, George A.....	P1AF2	HENDERSON, Kenneth F.....	C2Q13	MASON, Murray J.....	CIAT4
BEATH, MacDonald M.....	LSAR1	HEPPELL, Herman.....	C2LR2	MENARD, Lionel J.....	LSAR1
BELL, James D.....	P1RC2	HERTSLET, Reginald L.....	LSAAS	MILLS, James.....	LSRPS
BELL, James G.....	LSTD1	HEWENS, Clarence.....	LSAN1	MITCHELL, John E.....	LSAAS
BENTLEY, David L.....	LSLRS	HIGGINS, Wilfred R.....	LSSM1	MONTGOMERY, John S.....	LSCK1
BIELBY, John W.....	P1QR2	HILL, Edwin B.....	C2RA4	MORGAN, James A.....	LSAAS
BISHOP, Donald H.....	LSEM2	HILL, Ian A.....	P2AR2	MORGAN, Kenneth W.....	LSSM1
BOUCHER, Adrien J.....	LSAA1	HOAR, Kenneth G.....	LSTDS	MORRISON, Harold S.....	LSRP1
BOYCE, Roy G.....	LSAC1	HOLT, George H.....	LSAR1	MOSS, John R.....	LSAR1
BRAND, Victor R.....	P1RA4	HUGHES, Victor W.....	LSLRS	MOTS, Raymond J.....	LSSM1
BREEN, Gordon H.....	P1AA2	JENKINS, Everett M.....	P2AR2	MUIR, William G.....	LSAR1
BRENNAN, James P.....	LSSM1	JESSIMAN, Harold R.....	LSSM1	McARTHUR, William.....	LSAAS
BRIDGES, Richard J.....	P1RP1	JONES, William G.....	LSCS2	McDONALD, MacAvoy A.....	P2RP2
BROPHY, Joseph C.....	LSSM1	KIRKNESS, George L.....	LSAAS	McDOUGALL, Donald C.....	LS(NQ)
BRUNELLE, Rheal.....	LSDV2	KNEEBONE, Raymond C.....	P1AL2	McINNIS, Reuben G.....	P2AA1
BUCHANAN, John G.....	LSRCS	KOSTEK, Michael.....	LSAAS	McNABB, Bruce W.....	LSAF1
BUSCH, Frank K.....	C2RA4	LAKE, Keith J.....	P1RT4	MacLEOD, Everett J.....	LSLRS
CARL, Robert E.....	LSAF1	LAMORIE, Norrie R.....	LSCS2	NELSON, Norman R.....	LSLRS
CARROLL, Rowan J.....	LSPT1	LANDRY, Roger G.....	LSSM1	NICKERSON, Douglas C.....	LSSM1
CASTLE, Alexander G.....	C2CS3	LANGMAN, Donald G.....	LSAF1	NORRAD, Donald C.....	LSSM1
CASWELL, Jack A.....	LSAAS	LATIMER, Ivan C.....	P2ET3	O'BRIEN, Allan R.....	LSSM1
CLEMENTS, Robert C.....	LSAC1	LAW, James A.....	LSAAS	OGILVIE, Neil A.....	LSAC1
CLERGY, Roderick J.....	LSSM1	LEAVENS, David S.....	C1AT4	OSBORNE, Roy.....	P1ER4
COADE, Vincent P.....	LSEM1	LECLERC, Robert M.....	LSQRS	OVERALL, Clayton H.....	LSEM1
COCHRANE, Gordon P.....	LSRPS	LEGER, Norman J.....	LSAAS	PAPROSKI, John.....	LSRPS
COLE, Douglas N.....	LSSM1	LEMON, Shirley G.....	C2RA4	PAQUETTE, Raymond J.....	LMSO1
COYLE, Terrence R.....	LSSM1	LEVECK, Stanley J.....	LSAAS	PARKIN, George R.....	LSAAS
CRABB, John.....	P1SW2	LOCK, Stanley W.....	P1ER4	PARSONS, Robert A.....	LSAAS
CRANDELL, Donald F.....	LSSM1	LAKE, Keith J.....	P1RT4	PATTERSON, Robert M.....	P1PC3
CULLEN, Thomas J.....	LSRPS	LAMORIE, Norrie R.....	LSCS2	PATTERSON, William T.....	P2AA1
DAVIDSON, Desmond A.....	LSAAS	LANDRY, Roger G.....	LSSM1	PEARSON, Ronald.....	PIET4
DAVIDSON, Everett H.....	LSLRS	LANGMAN, Donald G.....	LSAF1	PEARSON, William G.....	LSSM1
DAWE, Norman G.....	P1QM1	LATIMER, Ivan C.....	P2ET3	PELLETIER, Maurice R.....	LSQRS
DEVLIN, Frederick J.....	P1RA4	LAW, James A.....	LSAAS	PERCY, Norman C.....	LSSM1
DINGLEY, Roy.....	LSLRS	LEAVENS, David S.....	C1AT4	PETERSEN, Jerry R.....	LSRCS
DINNEY, Ronald C.....	LSFM1	LECLERC, Robert M.....	LSQRS	PHILPOTT, John A.....	LSRPS
DIXON, Leonard J.....	LSCS2	LEGER, Norman J.....	LSAAS	PICHETTE, Jean P.....	LSQRS
DIXON, Lloyd R.....	LSLRS	LEMON, Shirley G.....	C2RA4	PILGER, Charles V.....	LSMO1
DOHERTY, Wilfred R.....	LSAAS	LEVECK, Stanley J.....	LSAAS	PITT, John V.....	CIAT4
DOULL, Alexander J.....	LSRCS	LOCK, Stanley W.....	P1ER4	POST, Neal A.....	LSSM1
DOYLE, James B.....	C2QR2	LAKE, Keith J.....	P1RT4	POZDNEKOFF, Peter.....	LSEM2
DRYSDALE, Roy B.....	P2AA2	LAMORIE, Norrie R.....	LSCS2	PUGH, Robert L.....	LSLR1
DUNN, James H.....	LSAF1	LANDRY, Roger G.....	LSSM1	QUINN, William J.....	LSSM1
DUTCHAK, William A.....	LSEM1	LANGMAN, Donald G.....	LSAF1	RAE, Donald W.....	LSSM1
DYBLE, Lawrence W.....	LSSM1	LATIMER, Ivan C.....	P2ET3	RAE, Kenneth R.....	C2LR2
DYSON, James A.....	P2RW3	LAW, James A.....	LSAAS	RANDALL, Edward H.....	P1AAS
FAIRBANK, George E.....	P1SM2	LEAVENS, David S.....	C1AT4	RANDLE, Douglas M.....	P1ER4
FAVON, Emile J.....	LSRPS	LECLERC, Robert M.....	LSQRS	REDFORD, William F.....	PIET4
FREDERICK, John P.....	P2EG3	LEGER, Norman J.....	LSAAS	REELEDER, Floyd H.....	LSAC1
FRYMIRE, Walter J.....	LSQRS	LEMON, Shirley G.....	C2RA4	REES, Michael A.....	LSAC2
GAGNON, Emery J.....	LSAR1	LEVECK, Stanley J.....	LSAAS	REEVES, Wendell R.....	LSAR1
GERVAIS, Clancy F.....	C2RA4	LOCK, Stanley W.....	P1ER4	REVEGE, Harry J.....	LSSM1
GERZANICH, Frank M.....	LSRPS	LAKE, Keith J.....	P1RT4	REYNARD, William S.....	LSAC1
GILLESPIE, Douglas R.....	LSQRS	LAMORIE, Norrie R.....	LSCS2	RHODES, Robert E.....	LSQRS
GORDON, Ray T.....	LSSM1	LANDRY, Roger G.....	LSSM1	RICE, Lloyd W.....	LSRP1
GORTON, Douglas L.....	P1AF3	LANGMAN, Donald G.....	LSAF1	RICHARD, Frederick J.....	LSSM1
GOURLIE, John B.....	LSAF1	LATIMER, Ivan C.....	P2ET3	RICHARDSON, Stewart S.....	LSEM1
GIBSON, John W.....	LSAR1	LAW, James A.....	LSAAS	RING, Donald E.....	LSQMS
GRAHAM, Robert C.....	LSAF1	LEAVENS, David S.....	C1AT4	RIVA, John E.....	P2RT3
		LECLERC, Robert M.....	LSQRS	ROBERTS, William J.....	P2TD1
		LEGER, Norman J.....	LSAAS	ROSS, Maurice J.....	LSSM1
		LEMON, Shirley G.....	C2RA4	ROSTEK, Arthur H.....	LSLRS
		LEVECK, Stanley J.....	LSAAS	SALESKI, George J.....	LSAC1
		LOCK, Stanley W.....	P1ER4	SALKUS, Hilary T.....	LSAF1
				SHEARD, Donald S.....	LSAC1

Sea Cadet Pays \$1 For Personal Instruction

On board HMCS Quebec when she slipped from Esquimalt for her maiden cruise were 12 eager young sailors of the Royal Canadian Sea Cadet Corps. Chosen on a competitive basis, from Sea Cadet Corps across Canada, they demonstrated, by their bearing, appearance and ability that the selections were well made.

These young men, whose average age is 17 years, carried out the normal duties and training of ordinary seamen in the Quebec. They sailed whalers and dinghies, took part in the various evolutions and proved themselves to be capable young seamen.

During the ship's regatta in Magdalena Bay, the sea cadets pulled beautifully to win their heat in a closely contested whaler race.

One young lad achieved at least temporary fame when he appeared on the bridge with a boot polishing that failed to meet the captain's high standards. For \$1.00, payable to the ship's fund, he had the distinction of having the captain demonstrate, personally, how a pair of pusser's boots should be shined.

The sea cadets were under the supervision of Instr. Lieut. T. J. R. Cole and Ldg. Sea. Bernard Hughes, the ship's physical training instructor.

SHORTEN, William.....C2PC3
 SIMPSON, Donald F.....LSAR1
 SINGLETON, William A.....LSAAS
 SMITH, Norman W.....P1SE2
 SMITH, Raymond S.....LSMO1
 SMYLSKI, Mike.....LSRP1
 SPICER, Robert.....P1PC3
 SPIELMAN, Lloyd J.....LSRPS
 STARKEY, Thomas J.....C2AA2
 STEELE, George A.....C2SE3
 STUDLEY, Desmond A.....P1ER4
 SUTHERS, Roy F.....P2AF2

TAKACKS, Michael A.....LSAF1
 TAYLOR, Roy E.....LSSM1
 TEBBUTT, Douglas M.....LSSM1
 TEMPERTON, George A.....LSSM1
 TETLOCK, Donald B.....P1AL3
 TEVENDALE, Robert.....LSNS1
 THERRIEN, John F.....LSAF1
 THOM, John A.....LSRCS
 THOMPSON, Herbert.....LSRPS
 TOBIAS, Francis.....LSLRS
 TROTTER, Robert L.....LSRPS
 TUCKWOOD, Robert H.....LSOM1
 TURCOTTE, Joseph R.....C2RC2
 TURNER, Robert.....LSAO1

VANDERBERG, Allan R.....LSAC1

WALKER, Francis R.....P2AF2
 WALLS, Charles R.....LSSM1
 WATSON, Robert B.....C2ET4
 WAUGH, Gerald W.....LSEM1
 WEIR, Neil J.....P1RA4
 WELBURN, Roy V.....LSAAS
 WESTRAN, Byrne W.....LSCS2
 WHITE, Alfred.....P1ER4
 WHYTE, Edward A.....P1AR2
 WIESE, Glenn E.....LSAR1
 WILLIAMS, Clyde C.....LSRP1
 WILLIAMS, William E.....LSSM1
 WILLIAMSON, Thomas R.....P2AF2
 WILSON, Howard G.....LSEM2
 WILSON, John W.....LSEM2
 WISKER, Earl L.....LSAAS
 WOOD, Charles M.....P2AN2
 WOODALL, Ernest M.....C2AT4
 WRIGHT, Carroll F.....LSCS2

YOUNG, Harley A.....LSSM1
 YULE, Andrew C.....C2AT4

Retirements

CHIEF PETTY OFFICER LEONARD SIDNEY STONE

Rate: C1CS3
 Age: 43
 Length of Service: 25 years, seven months,
 239 Carling Avenue, Ottawa.
 Address: Saskatoon and Victoria.
 Hometowns: September 1926, as a Boy
 Joined: Seaman.

Served in: HMS Victory and Nelson;
 HMCS Patrician, Armentieres,
 Skeena, Vancouver, Champlain,
 Fraser, Naden, Prince Robert,
 Prince David, Stadacona,
 Niobe, Huron, Scotian and
 Naval Radio Stations
 Gloucester, Coverdale and
 Churchill.

Awards: Long Service and Good Conduct
 Medal, December 6, 1943;
 Distinguished Service Medal,
 August 29, 1944.

Retired: April 30, 1952.

CHIEF PETTY OFFICER GEORGE QUINNEY IRVING

Rate: C1SM3
 Age: 44
 Length of Service: 20 years, six months.
 Address: Simcoe, Ontario.
 Hometowns: Edinburgh, Scotland and
 Simcoe, Ontario.
 Joined: October 1931, as a Stoker 2nd
 class.

Served in: HMS Victory; HMCS Fest-
 tubert, Saguenay, Champlain,
 Saint Laurent, Skeena, Stada-
 cona, Cornwallis, Avalon,
 Iroquois, Huron, Qu'Appelle,
 Nootka, Prevost and Bytown.

Awards: Mention in Despatches, Novem-
 ber 17, 1944; Long Service and
 Good Conduct Medal,
 October 29, 1946; King's Com-
 mendation, October 24, 1949.

Retired: April 4, 1952.

PETTY OFFICER JAMES ROWBOTTOM HALLAS

Rate: P1CR3
 Age: 46
 Length of Service: 20 years.
 Address: Bristol, England.
 Hometown: Peterborough, England.
 Joined: September 1928, as an Ordinary
 Seaman.

Served in: HMS Victory and Furious;
 HMCS Armentieres, Skeena,
 Naden, Ottawa, Restigouche,
 Stadacona, Saint Clair, Sague-
 nay, Venture, St. Hyacinthe,
 York, Givenchy, Prince Robert
 and Niobe and HMC Naval
 Radio Station Aldergrove.

Awards: Long Service and Good Conduct
 Medal, April 17, 1947.

Retired: April 16, 1952.

PETTY OFFICER JAMES EARLE MACDONALD

Rating: P1LR1
 Age: 39
 Address: Green Street, Imperoyal, N.S.
 Hometown: Halifax and Dartmouth, N.S.
 Joined: March 24, 1931, as an Officers'
 Steward 3/c.

Served in: HMS Pembroke, Royal Sovereign
 and Comet; HMCS Stadacona,
 Champlain, Saguenay, St. Lau-
 rent, Restigouche, Ottawa,
 Naden, Skeena, Hamilton, St.
 Clair, Givenchy, Prince Robert,
 Middlesex, Scotian, Micmac,
 Nootka and Shearwater.

Retired: March 28, 1952.

ST. F. X. UNTD ENDS SUCCESSFUL SEASON

Highlighting the past year's pro-
 gram of cadet training at Saint
 Francis Xavier University, Antigon-
 ish, N.S., was a cruise to St. John's,
 Newfoundland, in HMCS Brockville,
 training tender to HMCS Scotian.
 This was the climax of a training
 season which featured several new
 aspects introduced by Lieut. R. C.
 Brown, RCN staff officer, and
 was one of the most successful
 since the inauguration of the UNTD
 at St. F.X.

Besides several week-end cruises
 in the Brockville, the program also
 featured inter-divisional quizzes,
 which provided keen competition
 among the three divisions—Fro-
 bisher, Drake and Hawkins—and
 resulted in victory for Frobisher,
 commanded by Sub-Lieut. Neil
 Cullens. Also inaugurated this year
 was a lounge room operated in con-
 junction with the COTC. The first
 function in the lounge was a reception
 for 15 Swedish naval cadets who
 visited the university while on a tour
 of the Maritimes.

Concluding the winter's activities
 was a dinner at which prizes and
 awards were presented.—*T.L.McG.*

\$1,091.96 Donated To Halifax Charities

A total of \$1,091.96 was distributed
 to 11 charitable organizations in
 Halifax by the Royal Canadian Navy
 Central Charities Fund recently.

The charities fund is made up of
 contributions from naval ships in
 commission and establishments in the
 Halifax area and money from it is
 donated to various causes.

Donations included: Salvation Army
 \$121.15, Rainbow Haven \$54.65,
 Halifax Community Chest \$327.89,
 Goodfellows Fund \$54.65, St. Joseph's
 Orphanage \$54.65, Nova Scotia Home
 for Colored Children \$54.65, Flying
 Angel Mission to Seamen \$54.65, Boy
 Scouts Association \$54.65, Canadian
 Cancer Society \$54.65, Canadian Red
 Cross Society \$163.94, and Walter
 Callow Veterans' and Invalids Welfare
 League \$86.43.

Meanwhile, civilian employees of the
 Dockyard in Halifax have collected
 more than \$2,000 to date in their
 current drive for charitable funds.

UBC Produces UNTD Magazine

Twice a year the UNTD produces a
 magazine. The White Twist, published
 in the early fall, covers the preceding
 summer training period. The UNTD
 Magazine, published in the spring,
 deals with the winter training term
 just past.

The latest edition of the latter,
 recently off the press, is a credit to
 the UNTD in general and the editors
 in particular. Besides reporting on
 activities in the various UNT divisions,
 it contains several interesting articles,
 a sprinkling of humor and some frank
 and honest opinions.

Responsible this year for producing
 the magazine was the UNTD of the
 University of British Columbia, with
 an editorial committee headed by
 Cadet P. R. Grantham doing the
 actual dog-work. The result is an
 instructive and interesting publication.

SPECIAL BROADCASTS WARMLY RECEIVED

Ed Farey, program director of Radio Station CKDA, Victoria, who prepared special recordings of his popular radio show, "Spinner Sanctum," for broadcast to the Cayuga, Athabaskan and Sioux while they were serving in the Far East, has received a letter of appreciation from Rear-Admiral W. B. Creery, Flag Officer Pacific Coast, on behalf of the three ships.

Mr. Farey made recordings of the voices of wives, relatives and friends, dedicating their favorite pieces of music to the individual men in the Canadian ships. The recordings then were shipped to Japan and broadcast over the Armed Forces Radio Station at Kyushu, Japan.

In a message to the Flag Officer Pacific Coast, Commander James Plomer, Commander Canadian Destroyers Far East, asked that the thanks and appreciation of all officers and men in the Athabaskan, Cayuga and Sioux be conveyed to Mr. Farey.

Subsequently, in his Report of Proceedings, Commander Plomer said the broadcast was an "unqualified success" and "cheered the ship's company (of the Cayuga) immensely. This was a very fine piece of work on the part of Mr. Farey . . . and could he have seen the faces of the listeners during the broadcast Mr. Farey would have been amply rewarded for all the trouble taken."

Hobby Shop Popular Even on Week-ends

The hobby shop which was opened at HMCS Cornwallis early in February (Crownsnest, April 1951) has proven even more popular than was anticipated. The original intention was that the shop provide a means of keeping idle hands busy during spare-time hours aboard. This it has done, and more, having had the additional, unexpected result of reducing the number of men going ashore on week-end leave periods.

The Cornwallis hobby shop is not an elaborate set-up. Large power-driven machines and other expensive equipment have been deliberately omitted. Instead, the shop serves more as a source of supply for the pursuit of relatively simple hobbies that can be continued with ease when the men go to sea.

TEN NATO COUNTRIES WAIVE PASSPORT REQUIREMENTS FOR CANADIAN SERVICEMEN

Effective immediately members of the Canadian Armed Forces may travel in the following NATO countries on duty or leave without passports:

Belgium, Denmark, France, Iceland, Italy, Luxembourg, Netherlands, United Kingdom, Norway and Portugal (excluding the Azores).

Personnel must be in possession of a service identity card and shall be issued with a new form DND 12 "CANADA—Armed Forces movement order."

Personnel travelling on leave in Switzerland do not require passports provided they are in uniform and are in possession of:

- (a) A service identity card
- (b) Form DND 12 and
- (c) A special form obtainable from Swiss legations in London and Cologne and the Swiss consulate in Hanover.

Personnel who have requested passports will be provided with form DND 12 by Naval Headquarters. In future, form DND 12 shall be issued by the commanding officer.

Supplies of form DND 12 are being distributed to Bytown, Stadacona, Naden, Niobe and Niagara immediately and to other ships and establishments in the near future.

Dependents still require passports.

Regulations regarding the wearing of uniform and civilian clothes in NATO countries will be promulgated in General Orders.

UNTD'S TAKE RIVERS COURSE

"Any Officer who aspires to hold high command in war must understand clearly certain principles regarding the use of air power. In addition, it is necessary for commanders and staffs at all levels to have a sound knowledge of the capacity and limitations of air support and a familiarity with the machinery and procedure."

This axiom, laid down by Field Marshal Viscount Montgomery, was underscored for second and third year UNTD cadets of the University of Manitoba at a two-day familiarization course at the Canadian Joint Air Training Centre, Rivers, Manitoba.

A thoroughly prepared program, assembled by Lieut.-Cdr. (P) H. J. G. Bird, Naval Liaison Officer, was

conducted under the supervision of Lieut. (P) S. C. Wood.

Highlight of the classroom lectures for many of the UNTD cadets was the photographic interpretation course, during which practical problems were set in observing battle photographs through stereoscopes.

At the Airborne School the cadets were given an insight into the training of the parachute soldier and the problem of landing troops from the air, and witnessed a display of supply dropping by a Dakota aircraft.

Cadets were airborne on the second day of the course. Each was given a short hop in an Army Auster air observation aircraft and a helicopter. Some also managed to work in flights in Harvards.



UNTD cadets from the University of Manitoba who attended the familiarization course at the Canadian Joint Air Training Centre, Rivers, are pictured above with officers of the CJATC staff.

CEREMONIES HONOR AIR CRASH VICTIMS

Memorial services were held in HMCS Shearwater, April 22, and on board HMCS Magnificent, April 24, for five officers and two men who lost their lives when two Avenger aircraft crashed into the sea off the southern coast of Nova Scotia on the night of April 17.

The Shearwater-based aircraft became missing during a search and strike exercise against HMCS Quebec, which was enroute to Halifax. Visibility suddenly decreased during the exercise and it is believed the two planes collided. No survivors were found in subsequent searches.

Missing were Lieut. (P) John S. Murphy, Lieut. (D) John K. H. Mason, Lieut. (P) William J. Hutchinson, Lieut. (O) John E. P. Anderson, Sub-Lieut. (S) Phillip J. A. Plotkins, Able Seaman William Hunter and Able Seaman Douglas Moffatt.

The Shearwater services were attended by senior officers of the Atlantic Command, officers and men of the air station and friends and relatives of the seven officers and men and of personnel serving at the air station.

Chaplain A. J. Mowatt, of Shearwater, officiated at the Protestant service, held in the gymnasium. Assisting were Chaplain Harry Ploughman, Command Protestant Chaplain, and Rev. James A. Fraser, of Imperial United Church.

Miss Audrey Farnell sang "The King of Love My Shepherd Is" and Captain Duncan L. Raymond, commanding officer of Shearwater, delivered a brief message and read the prayer. After the singing of "Abide With Me," the Last Post was sounded, two minutes silence was observed and the bugler sounded Reveille.

A requiem mass was celebrated in the Shearwater chapel by Chaplain of the Fleet (R.C.) M. P. MacIsaac, who was visiting naval establishments in the Atlantic Command at the time.

Two days later the Magnificent steamed to the area, 150 miles from Halifax, in which the accident occurred. In the late afternoon, a small group of relatives, the carrier's ship's company and other officers and men from the Command gathered on the windswept flight deck for the memorial service.



A mace commemorating the occasion when Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth and HRH the Duke of Edinburgh were embarked in the ship was presented to HMCS Ontario April 30. In a ceremony witnessed by the assembled ship's company, Dr. A. F. Mahaffey presented the mace, on behalf of the people of the Province of Ontario, to Captain E. P. Tisdall, commanding officer of the Ontario. Captain Tisdall then turned the mace over to Ldg. Sea. Robert Murray (above), drum major of the cruiser's band.

The mace (right) was hand-made by Maurice Carmichael, silversmiths, Victoria. It features a terrestrial globe, in sterling silver, mounted on an ebonized birch staff. Above the globe a silver bear, taken from the provincial coat of arms, is mounted on a platform supported by a naval crown. The globe itself bears the province's coat of arms on one side and on the other the inscription: *Presented by the People of Ontario on the occasion of the Embarkation of Their Royal Highnesses Princess Elizabeth and the Duke of Edinburgh. November 9th, 1951.*



Prayers were offered by Chaplain (P) Horatio Todd, Chaplain (RC) James Noonan and Rev. James Fraser. Captain K. L. Dyer, commanding officer of the Magnificent, read the scripture. Ten wreaths were dropped on the sea at the conclusion of the service.

The Last Post was sounded, followed by two minutes' silence and Reveille, then the Magnificent gathered speed and set course toward Halifax.

Earlier in the week, Father MacIsaac celebrated requiem high mass in the chapel on board the Magnificent.

Big Landscaping Job at Shannon Park

Shannon Park, the new naval married quarters across the harbor from Halifax, will be the site of one of the biggest landscaping jobs ever undertaken in Halifax County.

R. G. Lillie, assistant regional supervisor of Central Mortgage and Housing Corporation, said tenders would be called for the landscaping of the 521-apartment project and that it was hoped the work would be under way by the end of June.

Plans call for the laying of permanent streets and curbs, followed by the planting of lawns in front of the dwellings. The whole area will be planted with shrubs and trees.

MAN OF THE MONTH

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He is happy to be back in ships again and finds the Wallaceburg to his liking. "I feel more at home and happier in smaller ships", is the way he explains it.

CPO Meredith is married to his childhood sweetheart, the former Velma Atkinson, of Liverpool, N.S., whom he met while going to school at Barrington Passage. They have two children, an eight-year-old son and a daughter, two. Recently they purchased a home in Dartmouth and CPO Meredith spends his spare time "tiddleying up the place". Part of the "tiddleying up" includes a flower garden, a plot 50 by 125 feet in which he grows flowers of all colors and variety.

CPO Meredith doesn't regret his choice of a naval career for a moment. He is convinced there is no finer life for a young man who wishes a good profession, with opportunities for advancement and an early pension.

LETTER TO THE EDITOR

Flying Saucers

Sir:

The other day I picked up from a news stand a book called "The Flying Saucers Are Real", which gave numerous highly authenticated stories of the appearance and behaviour of these phenomena.

I suddenly remembered having seen, many years ago, something which might well have been a flying saucer (if these exist) and I not only saw it but made a record of it in my Midshipman's Log.

I was a Sub-Lieutenant at the time, but I continued to write up my log, though it was considerably more informal than in the days when it had to be inspected weekly by the "Snotties' Nurse." Here is the entry, verbatim, written in faded ink and dated:

H.M.C.S. Aurora
Dominica to Barbados
January 6th, 1922.

'We sailed in the evening and I kept the first watch (traded with H. for the morning). Extraordinary incident took place at 10 p.m. when we were just off the North West corner of Martinique. A brilliant green light appeared on port bow. Looked quite close and was moving

Polio Victims Aided in Stadacona Pool

The swimming pool at HMCS Stadacona added further to its public service activities in April.

In co-operation with the March of Dimes and the Callow Veterans' and Invalids' Welfare League, a scheme was instituted whereby polio victims in Halifax would receive therapeutic treatment in the Stadacona pool. Arrangements were made for persons crippled by polio to have assisted swimming periods twice a week as a means of bringing strength and control back to weakened muscles.

For some time the facilities of the Stadacona pool have been made available to swimming classes from Halifax schools.

rapidly astern. It went out, came on again, and then finally went out. Its movement was quite even, *not* in a trajectory, but level. I can't explain it.'

I can well remember this incident. The green light in question looked to be the size of a soccer football and was about 500 feet up in the air, travelling very rapidly in level flight. My immediate reaction was that it must be a rocket or star shell (it looked far too close to be a shooting star) but I immediately realized that had it been either of these it would be moving in a trajectory.

I recollect turning to my Signalman, who had been watching this thing open-mouthed, and saying to him, "Do you think we should report this to the Captain?" He shook his head and said, "Better not, sir," and I did not, but contented myself with recording the incident in my Log.

Yours truly,

R. E. S. Bidwell,
REAR-ADMIRAL

Answers to ship recognition quiz

1. French battleship *Jean Bart*.
2. British "Weapon" class destroyer.
3. U.S. carrier, "Midway" class.

Weddings

Able Seaman John Barry, HMCS Quebec, to Miss Lillian Keating, of Chatham, N.B.

Able Seaman Hubert Bedard, HMCS Quebec, to Miss Stella Patterson, of Toronto.

Ordinary Seaman Allan Bennett, HMCS Quebec, to Miss Doreen Ayling, of Victoria.

Chief Petty Officer Charles W. Bourgeois, HMCS Quebec, to Miss Cecelia Clappier, of Midway, B.C.

Petty Officer Joseph T. Brown, HMCS Naden, to Miss Claire Lily Barnett, of Cumberland, Ont.

Ordinary Seaman Louis Carveth, HMCS Quebec, to Miss Marlene Anderson, of Victoria.

Lieut. R. F. Choat, HMCS Cornwallis, to Sub-Lieut. (MN) Frances A. Mitchell of HMCS Cornwallis and formerly of Toronto.

Able Seaman Harry Deyarmond, HMCS York, to Miss Margaret O'Brian, of Halifax.

Leading Seaman S. Ronald Dunn, HMCS New Liskeard, to Miss Muriel MacLean, of Halifax.

Leading Seaman Maurice Lacroix, HMCS Swansea, to Miss Bertha Cooper, of Halifax.

Sub-Lieut. (MN) Elizabeth McFarlane, HMCS Stadacona, to Captain Charles H. S. Barter of the Seaforth Highlanders.

Leading Seaman F. G. McKendry, HMCS Swansea, to Miss Alma Jones, of Osgoode, Ont.

Leading Seaman Cecil Morgan, Aldergrove Radio Station, to Miss Shirley Epp, of Aldergrove, B.C.

Births

To Petty Officer Marcel Corbeil, HMCS Montcalm, and Mrs. Corbeil, a son.

To Able Seaman Raymond Dean, HMCS York, and Mrs. Dean, a son.

To Ordinary Seaman David Dimarco, HMCS York, and Mrs. Dimarco, a son.

To Able Seaman R. A. Drolet, HMCS Montcalm, and Mrs. Drolet, a daughter.

To Able Seaman C. W. Duff, HMCS York, and Mrs. Duff, a daughter.

To Commander F. C. Frewer, HMCS Niobe, and Mrs. Frewer, a daughter.

To Commander (L) J. C. Gray, HMCS Niobe, and Mrs. Gray, a daughter.

To Able Seaman K. L. Hicks, HMCS Montcalm, and Mrs. Hicks, a daughter.

To Able Seaman J. Hillier, HMCS Catarqui, and Mrs. Hillier, a son.

To Commander J. A. MacKinnon, HMCS Brunswick, and Mrs. MacKinnon, a daughter.

To Able Seaman Jack Maxwell, HMCS Quebec, and Mrs. Maxwell, a son.

To Petty Officer Graham McKay, Aldergrove Radio Station, and Mrs. McKay, a daughter.

To Able Seaman John R. Murray, HMCS Catarqui, and Mrs. Murray, a son.

To Leading Seaman J. W. D. Pelchat, HMCS Montcalm, and Mrs. Pelchat, a son.

To Able Seaman F. J. Perrier, HMCS Quebec, and Mrs. Perrier, a daughter.

To Able Seaman Bertrand Pinard, HMCS Stadacona, and Mrs. Pinard, a daughter.

To Able Seaman W. Earl Preston, HMCS Catarqui, and Mrs. Preston, a daughter.

To Lieut. E. D. Robbins, HMCS Naden, and Mrs. Robbins, a daughter.

To Petty Officer Ernest Sargeant, Aldergrove Radio Station, and Mrs. Sargeant, a son.

To Commissioned Gunner D. A. Scott, HMCS Naden, and Mrs. Scott, a son.

To Petty Officer Norman Sellers, HMCS Haida, and Mrs. Sellers, a son.

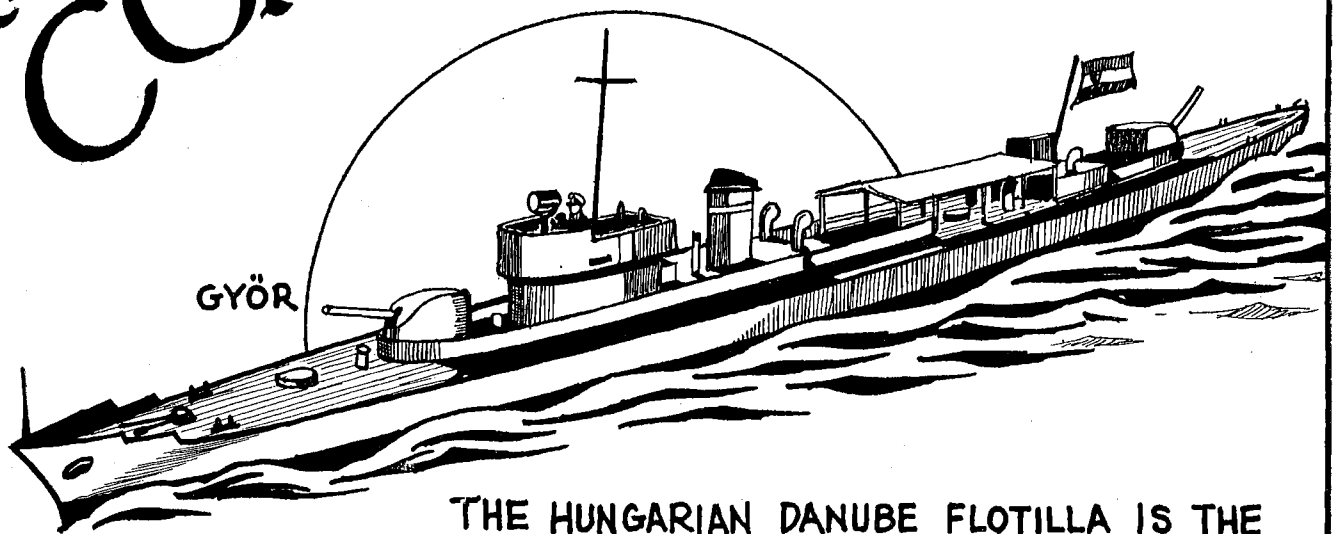
To Petty Officer Ernest Tuttle, HMCS Naden, and Mrs. Tuttle, a son.

To Lieut.-Cdr. T. A. Welch, HMCS York, and Mrs. Welch, a daughter.

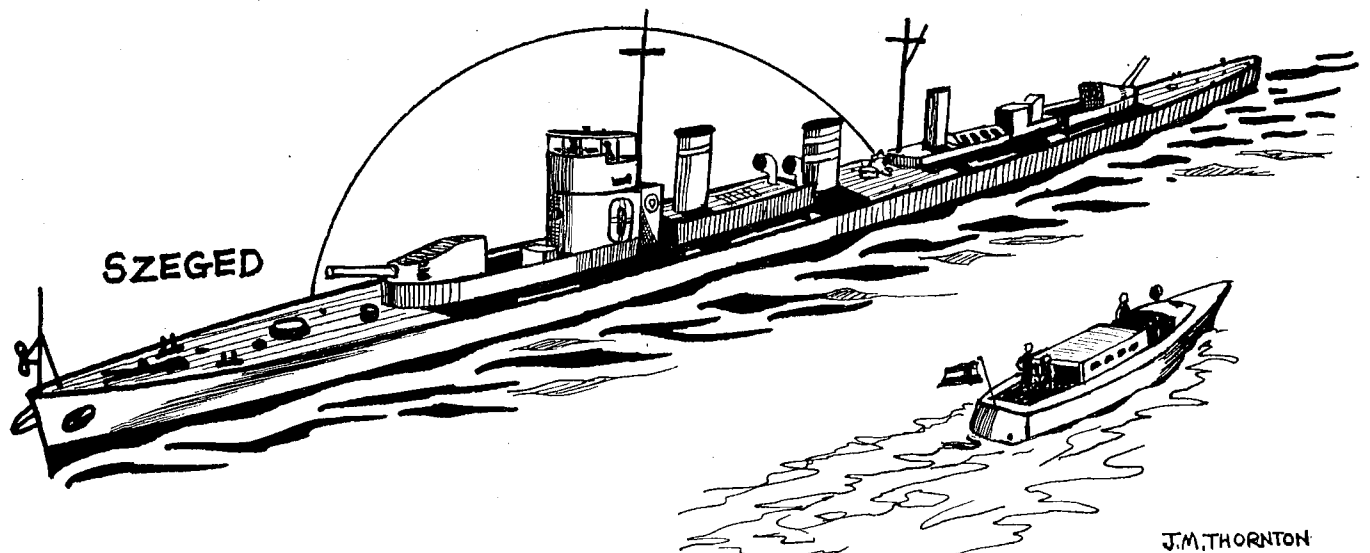
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