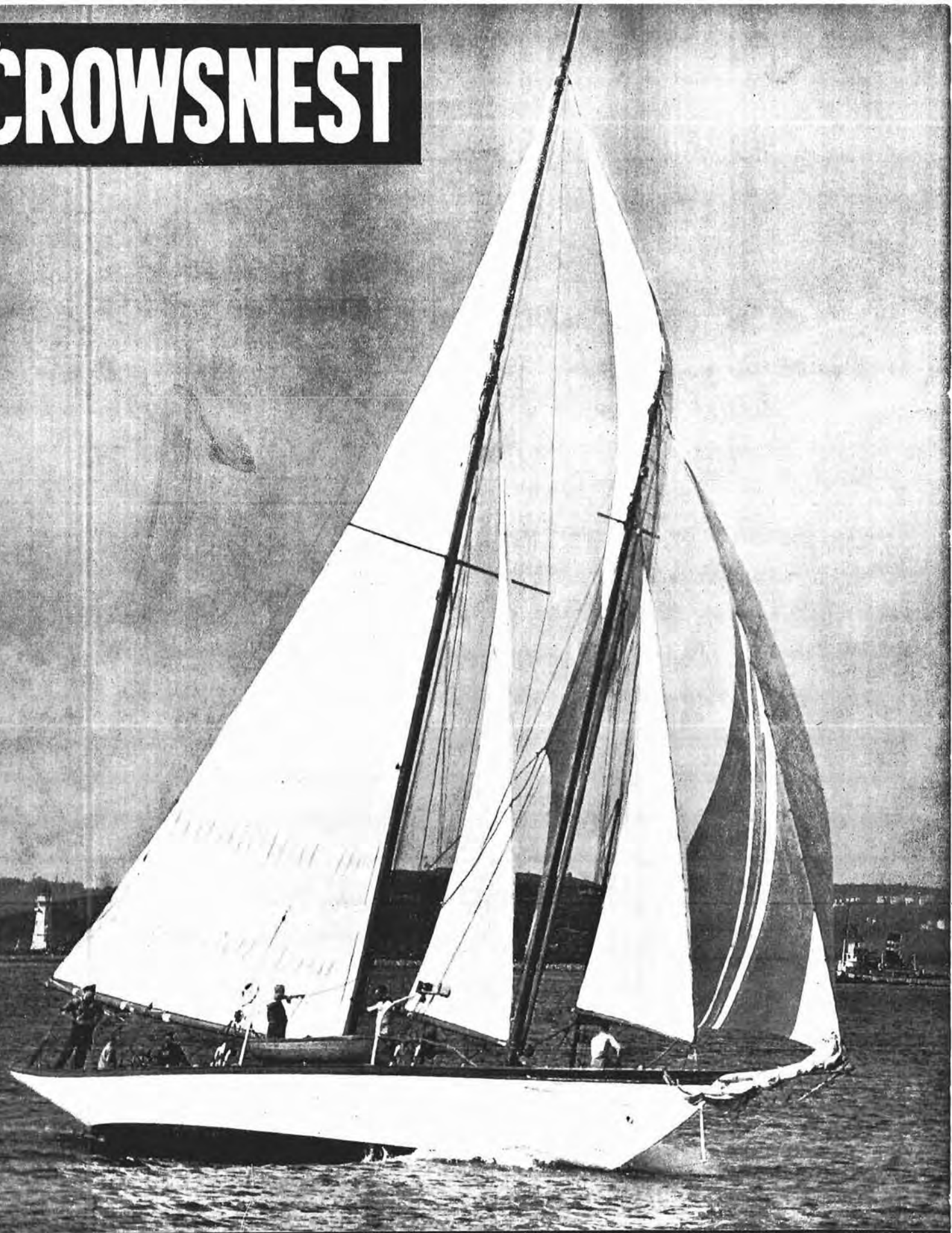
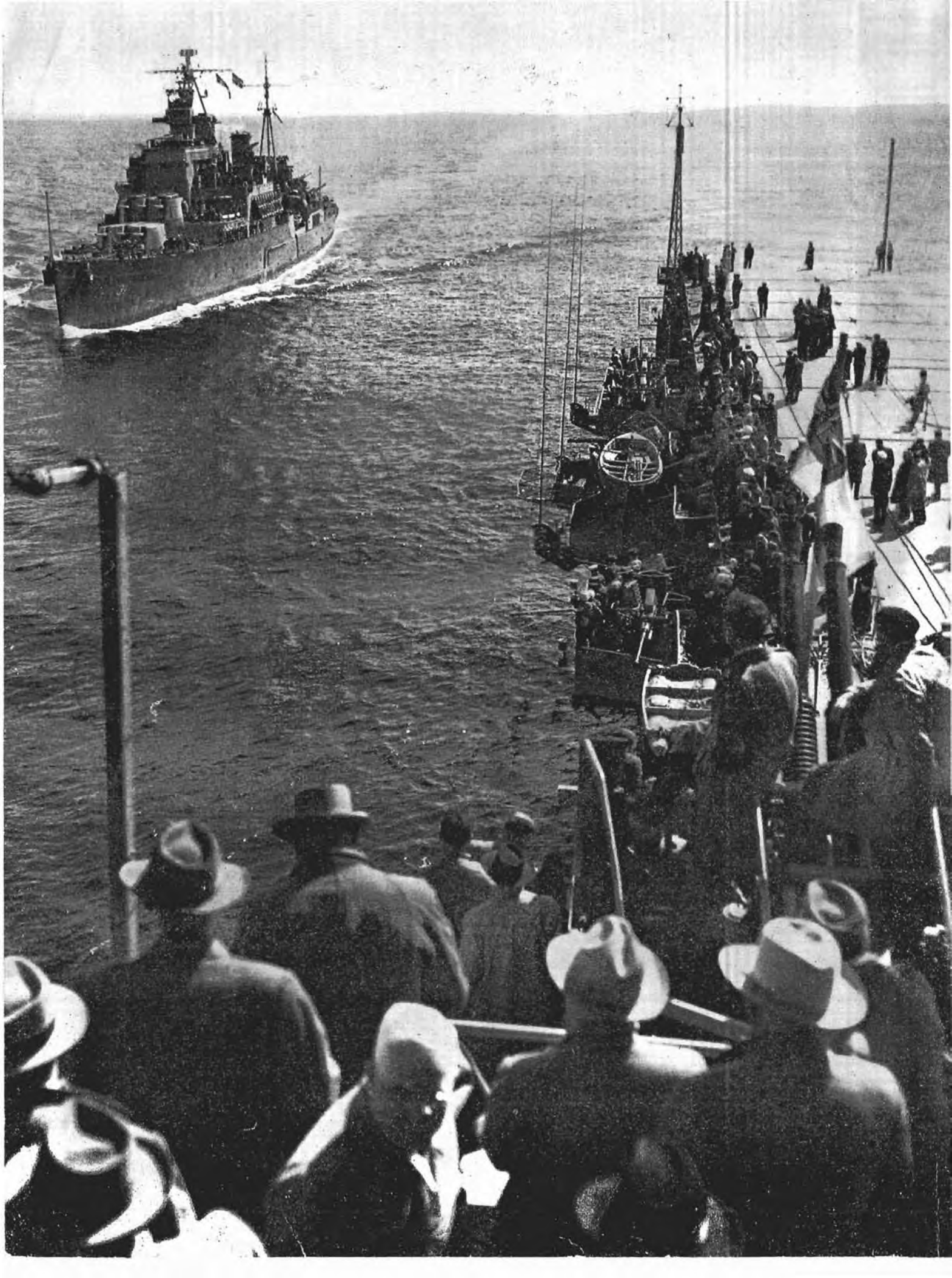


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The photo on the opposite page gives the impression, almost, that a civilian crew has taken over HMCS Magnificent. However, the gentlemen in the fedoras and topcoats are only guests—members of the Canadian Industrial Preparedness Association who spent a day at sea in the carrier, May 19, witnessing a naval demonstration off Halifax. In the party were more than 100 leading figures in Canadian industry. The photo shows them gathered on the flight deck, island and gun sponsons to watch as HMCS Quebec comes alongside to transfer stores. (See also page 4). (Photo HS-19673).

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*Cover Photo*—The Royal Canadian Navy was represented for the first time this year in one of the top international yachting events—the annual 630-mile race between Newport, R.I., and Bermuda. Flying the burgee of the newly-formed RCN Sailing Association, the staysail schooner Wanderer IX was the only Canadian entry among the 63 yachts which sailed from Newport June 21. The 31-year-old Wanderer IX is on loan to the Halifax Squadron of the RCNSA from the estate of the late D. R. Turnbull.

The yacht has a ten-man crew: Commander J. C. Reed is skipper, Lieut. (E/E) G. H. F. Poole-Warren is mate, and other members of the crew are Lieut. R. L. McKay, Lieut. (L) W. D. Hutchinson, Lieut. C. A. Prosser, Lieut. D. O. Campfield, PO J. W. Ayres, PO P. J. Quinlan, AB Robert Booth and Ord Sea. R. A. Woodhill. (HS-19951).

# R.C.N. News Review

## **Magnificent Takes Part In Big NATO Exercise**

The year's half-way mark found HMCS Magnificent in European waters where, for eight days in the latter part of June, she had taken part in Exercise Castanets, the largest international manoeuvres held since the war. The NATO exercise was designed to test the ability of the air and sea forces of North Atlantic Treaty countries to co-operate in protecting trade in the eastern Atlantic, English Channel and North Sea.

Ships and aircraft of nine NATO nations took part. These included a battleship, five aircraft carriers, three cruisers, three minelayers, 45 destroyers and escorts, over 70 minesweepers, numerous small craft and about 400 aircraft.

More than 100 warships and naval auxiliaries were provided by NATO countries to act as ships in convoy, and ship owners co-operated by flying special signals in suitable fast ships in the area to mark them as independently routed ships open to attack by the "enemy".



An ash tray made from the casing of the first shell fired by Canadian forces in the Korean war was presented to Prime Minister St. Laurent, May 19, by Vice-Admiral E. R. Mainguy, Chief of the Naval Staff, on behalf of the RCN. The shell from which the ash tray was made was fired August 15, 1950, by HMCS Cayuga. (O-2290).

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The "enemy" was a formidable one, well supplied with all known weapons of attack against shipping — submarines and E-boats for torpedo attacks; surface ships, aircraft and submarines for minelaying; land and carrier-based strike aircraft, and surface raiders.

Following Exercise Castanets, the Magnificent sailed from Portsmouth July 1 for Malta, where she was to join the Royal Navy's Mediterranean Fleet for exercises lasting until August 20. She will return to U.K. waters for a month of further exercises before returning to Halifax about October 7.

The Magnificent was accompanied to Plymouth in June by HMCS Haida, the destroyer then returning to Halifax.

## **Nootka Has Close Call in Duel with Reds**

Canadian destroyers in Korean waters were more than usually active in the latter part of May and first part of June.

HMCS Nootka had a particularly warm time of it. She had, in fact, the narrowest escape from battle scars of any of the Canadian ships that have operated in the war zone.

On May 30, while shooting up targets in the Chongjin area, far up the east coast of Korea, the Nootka and the USS Thomason (destroyer escort) came under heavy, accurate fire from shore batteries.

The Reds' first salvos landed close by the Nootka and succeeding broadsides continued to bracket and straddle her as she turned to seaward to open the range. One salvo landed so close on the port side that water was thrown over the bridge and a lookout and two of "A" gun's loading numbers had their helmets blown off.

Within the time it took the Nootka to steam out of range, an estimated 150 shells landed in close vicinity to the ship, about 15 salvos coming within 20 yards and 40 within 200. The upper deck was sprayed with shell fragments, some up to eight inches in length, but, fortunately, damage was negligible and there were no casualties.

Through all this, the Nootka's "X" gun had been answering the Reds with broadsides at the rate of one every four seconds. Then, after withdrawing and assessing the situation, the destroyer headed straight back in through a fog and rain bank and turned her full main armament on the batteries.

The ship's gunners saturated the battery positions with shellfire, this time without practically any opposition. Only three enemy rounds were fired in reply and all were short.

On this patrol, the Nootka carried out almost daily bombardments as she ranged from the "bomblines" almost to the far northern border of Korea. Industrial areas and communications, the latter including rail lines, bridges, truck convoys and water transport, were her principal targets.

On the west coast, the Athabaskan was equally active, shelling troop concentrations, gun positions, buildings and other targets. During the patrol, the Athabaskan worked with a variety of UN ships — British, American, New Zealand and South Korean — and with aircraft of the USN.



Just about every last item aboard was checked to make sure it was in top condition before HMCS Crusader departed for the war zone. Shown here replacing the breech on one of the ship's 4.5-inch guns are CPO Richard Williams and PO William Pinhos. (E-18957).

## ***Iroquois, Crusader Arrive in Far East***

Two Canadian destroyers arrived in the Far East in June. The first was HMCS Iroquois, taking the place of the Cayuga. She was followed a week later by HMCS Crusader, relieving the Athabaskan.

Both the Halifax-based Iroquois and Esquimalt-based Crusader are serving in the Far East for the first time.

## ***Cayuga Comes Home with Proud Record***

Just five days less than a year from the day she sailed, HMCS Cayuga returned to Esquimalt, June 14, from her second tour of operations in the Korean theatre. She was greeted at the jetty by some 500 friends and relatives of the destroyer's company.

The Cayuga's actual time in the war theatre lasted from July 1951 to May 1952. During that period her duties consisted mostly of carrier escort and inshore patrols, with the emphasis on the latter.

Statistically speaking, she steamed 53,045 miles and spent 233 days at sea in the operational area; fired 6,153 rounds at the enemy from her four-inch guns and 3,683 rounds from her Bofors; carried out 40 oiling operations at sea and made 40 sea transfers.

The Cayuga was fired on by shore batteries on three different occasions and by heavy machine guns several other times. Her motor cutter also came under machine gun and rifle fire. Several hundred rounds were fired at her but the Cayuga was never hit, although several near misses occurred.

On the Cayuga's arrival in Japan last July her captain, Commander James Plomer, took over the duties of Commander Canadian Destroyers Far East. The Cayuga was soon playing a leading part in the defence of UN-held islands off the west coast of North Korea and later was chosen to organize and head the defence of a number of islands against the threat of invasion.

Assistance was given by the Canadian sailors to refugees and others. During the bitterly cold winter, members of the ship's company supplied ill-clad islanders with clothing, some of which was charged to individual men and would eventually mean a fair sum of money out of their own pockets.



If we had a prize for unusual photographs, this one would take it, showing as it does a rare type of ship in an odd predicament. The Portuguese four-master, weighing anchor in St. John's harbor, has come up with a "foul anchor" caused by a complete turn around a derelict spar. The photo was taken at the instigation of Commander R. A. Webber, Canadian Naval Commander Newfoundland, who happened to be passing with a naval photographer at the time. Note the clothing hanging from the rigging. With no "vap" on board their ship, the Portuguese sailors have to wait until they reach port to get fresh water to wash their clothes. Then they have a mammoth wash-day.

## ***After River Cruise Quebec goes to U.K.***

HMCS Quebec for the first time visited the province whose name she bears when she made calls at Sorel, Quebec City and Montreal in June.

Her visit at Sorel coincided with a call there by the USS Samuel B. Roberts (destroyer) and both ships landed guards for the international gun presentation ceremonies held June 14 by Sorel Industries Ltd.

The Quebec was boarded at Halifax by the Cornwallis band, which took part, along with a guard from the Quebec, in ship-naming ceremonies for HMCS Labrador (Arctic patrol vessel) and HMCS Chignecto (coastal minesweeper), as well as other ceremonies during the day. The band remained with the cruiser for the visits to Quebec City and Montreal.

The stay at Quebec City lasted from June 15 to June 20 and the Quebec was in Montreal from the afternoon of June 20 to the morning of June 25. Band concerts and Sunset ceremonies were presented in both cities.

The St. Lawrence River cruise ended with a visit, June 26-29, to Cornerbrook, Nfld., where the stay was a day longer than originally planned so the Quebec could be present for Newfoundland Remembrance Day services. She arrived back in Halifax on June 30.

On July 4 the Quebec is due to sail on a three-week training cruise to the United Kingdom, putting in briefly at Portsmouth on July 10, and spending July 11-21 at Chatham before returning to Halifax.

A second summer training cruise for the Quebec, August 7-22, will include calls at Digby, N.S.; Bar Harbor, Maine, and Argentina, Nfld.

## ***One 'Sweeper Launched, Keels of Two Laid***

While HMCS Labrador and HMCS Chignecto were receiving their names in ceremonies at Sorel on June 14, the keel of another coastal minesweeper, the Quinte, was being laid at Port Arthur. A day earlier the keel of a coastal minesweeper, the

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# Naval Engagement Off Halifax

(From *THE BULLETIN*, official publication of the Canadian Industrial Preparedness Association)

OF the periodic armed services displays arranged for the benefit of the Canadian Industrial Preparedness Association during the past few years, the special functions staged by the Royal Canadian Navy at Halifax, highlighted by a day at sea on board the aircraft carrier *Magnificent*, will occupy a foremost place.

One hundred and ten industrialists, from many parts of Canada, were present at Halifax on May 19 and 20. They were afforded a particularly fine opportunity to familiarize themselves with many phases of the Navy's work, at sea, on land and in the air, and at the same time discuss problems peculiar to their particular business with the operational forces, and the persons who keep them operational.

With no routine association business on the program, the entire two days were devoted to seeing, fact finding and "talking shop", revolving around Navy, industrialists, and government officials in attendance. In all probability, no previous gathering of the CIPA has provided such an excellent opportunity to bring these groups together, and enable

them to hold discussions on their specialized subjects.

From the moment the group boarded the 694-foot, 17,770-ton aircraft carrier *Magnificent* (Captain K. L. Dyer) at 7:45 a.m. on the morning of May 19, until they trooped down the gangplank at 7:00 p.m., there was nothing but unflagging interest and enthusiasm for what they saw and heard. They were welcomed aboard, and duly briefed, by Rear-Admiral R. E. S. Bidwell, Flag Officer Atlantic Coast, before ascending to the flight deck, where they were afforded an excellent view of Halifax harbour and installations as the ship headed for the open sea.

Following astern, delegated to participate in the naval exercises, were the six-inch gun cruiser *HMCS Quebec*, which during the war years served with the Royal Navy and Royal Canadian Navy as the cruiser *Uganda*; the destroyer *HMCS Crescent*, and the frigate *HMCS La Hullose*. The Royal Navy submarine *Alcide*, which had been engaged in training exercises with the RCN, and was to continue to Bermuda, was

scheduled to participate later in the day, but fog concentration toward mid-day necessitated abandonment of her torpedo attacks.

## Staged a "Shooting War"

Once clear of the Nova Scotian coastline, in calm and sunny weather, the Navy launched a series of spectacular manoeuvres, on sea and in the air, which kept the industrial group continuously interested. As a commentator on the public address system kept his audience informed as to what was transpiring, the *Crescent* inaugurated the program by demonstrating the "hedgehog" anti-submarine projector, firing a salvo which laid down a broad circular pattern and produced delayed underwater explosions. This was followed by dropping of depth charges astern.

In the meantime the 30th Air Carrier Group, under the command of Lieut.-Cdr. (P) R. A. B. Creery, based in the *Magnificent* and consisting of 881 Squadron (15 Avenger aircraft) and 871 Squadron (11 Sea Fury fighters), was being marshalled for take-off. The fighters were launched from the fore part of the deck by catapult, while the Avengers followed into the air via normal flight deck take-off.

On shore, at this time, at the naval air station at Dartmouth, the 31st Support Air Group, under Lieut.-Cdr. (P) J. B. Fotheringham and consisting of a squadron of Avengers and a squadron of Sea Furies, was standing at readiness. When the *La Hullose* dropped a drogue into the water, and towed it from safe distance, it was the signal for the airmen to swing into attack. In dive bombing runs, the Sea Furies and Avengers showed fine marksmanship as they nosed down towards the drogue at high speed, firing their rocket projectiles, cannon and machine guns with telling effect. Other Avengers followed up by laying sticks of depth charges across the target.

Lieut. Roger Harris made deck landings and take-offs look comparatively easy, as he carried out a series of circuits in an Avenger for the benefit of his audience and make four landings within a space of 15 minutes.



CIPA delegates watch from the flight deck as two Avengers "buzz" the *Magnificent* during a simulated air strike carried out as part of the naval demonstration staged for the benefit of the industrialists. (HS-19670).

His performance was followed by a remarkable exhibit of aerobatics by Lieut. Ron Heath in a Sea Fury, the fastest piston-engine aircraft in existence. Diving and climbing, making slow rolls, loops, flying upside down, and practically skimming the sea, he kept the onlookers spellbound with his ability to handle the fast fighter.

While fog banks closed in on the exercises, and curtailed a certain amount of activity, they in no way marred the demonstration. CIPA members, assembled in groups of ten, were conducted to various parts of the ship by the Magnificent's officers and were given a thorough glimpse of carrier operations.

#### "Beat Up" From the Air

During the afternoon, the naval fliers put on a spectacular demonstration, with four squadrons being in the air at one time. For a sustained period they staged dive bombing runs at the naval craft, singly and in formation, and wound up with a splendidly executed fly-past.

As a final manoeuvre, before pointing towards Halifax late in the day, the Quebec drew alongside the Magnificent, a line was passed, and a cross-water transfer of stores and personnel was carried out between the two vessels.

Following a day at sea, the delegates on the 20th were transported by bus around Bedford Basin to the Dartmouth side. First they visited the aircraft plant, at the water's edge, of Fairey Aviation, as guests of C. E. Hibbert. This was followed by a visit to HMCS Shearwater, the naval air station, where they were welcomed

#### Mail Arrangements For Magnificent

Mail for HMCS Magnificent will go to the same address throughout the entire period she is in European and Mediterranean waters. Mail for personnel serving in the carrier should be addressed as follows:

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HMCS Magnificent,  
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More than 100 leading Canadian industrialists spent a day at sea in HMCS Magnificent, May 19, and saw a display of naval sea and air operations in which five RCN ships and 30 naval aircraft took part. Pictured on the flight deck of the carrier are, left to right, J. C. Armer, Toronto, president of the Canadian Industrial Preparedness Association; Rear-Admiral R. E. S. Bidwell, Flag Officer Atlantic Coast, and Major General G. B. Howard, Montreal, executive vice-president and general manager of the CIPA. (HS-19674).

and briefed by Captain D. L. Raymond, commanding officer. A tour of the base followed, training procedure on deck take-offs were demonstrated on the airfield, and the group witnessed a flying demonstration of a Sikorsky helicopter newly acquired by the RCN.

After lunch in the Shearwater officers' mess, the party moved on to HMCS Stadacona, where an inspection of the barracks and naval training schools was carried out. The tour ended with a visit to Halifax Shipyards Limited, on the invitation of R. J. R. Nelson, where the group inspected the shipbuilding, repairing and refitting facilities.

As a fitting close to two days well spent in inter-change of information and obtaining first-hand impressions of the Navy at work, the CIPA tendered a reception and dinner for naval officers and other guests at the Nova Scotian hotel. It was attended by 131 persons. Speeches were not on the agenda, but words of welcome were offered by President James C. Armer, of Toronto, who was in the chair. A toast to the Navy was proposed by T. Rodgie McLagan, Montreal, vice-president of the CIPA, which was replied to by Rear-Admiral

Bidwell. Those sitting at the head table, in addition to the above, were Captain P. D. Budge, commanding officer, HMCS Quebec; Brig. L. M. Chesley, Ottawa, Assistant Deputy Minister, Department of National Defence; A. P. Craig, Hamilton, vice-president Canadian Westinghouse Company Limited; Captain K. L. Dyer, commanding officer, HMCS Magnificent; Lionel A. Forsyth, Montreal, president, Dominion Steel and Coal Corporation Limited; Brig. G. M. Grant, Ottawa, Director, Electronics Division, Department of Defence Production; Rear-Admiral (E) J. G. Knowlton, Ottawa, Chief of Naval Technical Services; Major General J. H. MacQueen, Ottawa, president, Canadian Arsenals Limited; Ian F. McRae, Toronto, assistant to vice-president, Canadian General Electric Limited; Commodore (E) W. W. Porteous, Superintendent, HMC Dockyard, Halifax; Major General E. C. Plow, GOC, Eastern Command, Halifax; Captain D. L. Raymond, commanding officer, HMCS Shearwater; James I. Simpson, Toronto, president, Dunlop Tire and Rubber Goods Company Limited; Air Vice Marshal D. M. Smith, Ottawa, Air Member for Technical Services.

# Benevolent Fund Makes Gain

## President Warns Against Complacency, Urges Greater Support Still



THE Canadian Naval Service Benevolent Trust Fund came within \$460 of breaking even on its 1951 operations, thanks to increased revenue from investments and to donations from ships, establishments and individuals.

Engineer Rear-Admiral G. L. Stephens, RCN, Ret'd, who was elected president for a fifth term at the annual meeting held May 12 at Naval Headquarters, said this had been achieved without any change in the policy of the fund with respect to extending assistance.

Financial aid to serving and former naval personnel and their dependents totalled \$105,415, made up of \$47,409 in grants and \$58,006 in loans (1950 figures: \$57,263 and \$51,895). The audited balance sheet showed a surplus of \$5,173, but this did not take

into account grants of \$5,554 which had been authorized but not paid as of December 31.

"While the financial situation has so improved," Admiral Stephens said, "I must point out there is no room for complacency, but that the full co-operation of everyone is necessary, not only to continue this support but to increase it.

"We are still living in what may be considered fairly good times in Canada and any adverse change in that situation might create a very heavy drain on the fund. The executive committee will continue to do its best not only to administer the fund but to obtain increased donations from every possible source."

Admiral Stephens said donations were \$10,077 in 1951 as against \$5,706 in 1950, an encouraging increase.

"Nor do these figures present a picture of the increase, as donations from personal allotments by RCN personnel only came into effect in the latter part of the year and should have far greater effect on this year's donations."

The meeting was told that 719 applications for assistance had been received during 1951. Of these, 551 received financial aid, either in the form of grants or loans.

Many of the rest were assisted in finding employment or were advised on how to solve their own problems by proper budgeting of their incomes.

In other cases, the problems were such that they could be best handled

through governmental and social welfare agencies. Applicants, often unaware that help could be had from these sources, were put in touch with them by the fund.

The fund's invested capital at the end of the year was \$2,531,500, having been boosted to this figure by the receipt of \$1,379,710 in naval prize money.

Yearly interest on invested capital as of December 31 was \$66,670 but due to changes in investments since that date has been increased to \$70,625 as of June 1, 1952.

"I am sure I speak for all," said Admiral Stephens, "when I express our gratitude to those ships and establishments and officers and men who are contributing to the fund and when I express the hope that they will continue their interest and good work and that their actions will be an inspiration to others to do likewise."

He emphasized that the fund did not belong to the board of directors or executive members of the fund, but to every member and ex-member of the Navy.

"We are your elected representatives to administer the fund — voluntarily, freely and devotedly doing the best we know how to carry out the fund's policy.

"But it belongs to the individual who should feel, in honour bound, to be interested in it and support it to the best of his ability."

Admiral Stephens called attention to the increased support received from the naval divisions during the

### CANADIAN NAVAL SERVICE BENEVOLENT TRUST FUND

#### Statement of Income and Expenditure for the year ended December 31, 1951

INCOME		EXPENDITURE	
From investments.....	\$61,368.55	Grants.....	\$47,409.17
Donations.....	10,077.06	Administrative Expenses (salaries, travelling office, fidelity bond).....	9,799.77
Total income.....	\$71,445.61	Provision to maintain reserve for conversion of loans.....	9,063.62
Debit balance on year's work.....	\$460.50	Grants authorized but not paid at December 31.	5,554.69
		Other amounts payable.....	78.86
	<u>\$71,906.11</u>	Total.....	<u>\$71,906.11</u>





Officers of the Canadian Naval Service Benevolent Trust Fund and delegates to the annual meeting are shown above in the board room at Naval Headquarters. (0-2280-3).

year and expressed the confident hope that, as a result of recent correspondence and discussions with the divisions, there would be a material increase in this support this year.

He remarked that the fund was deeply indebted to all members of the three claims committees for their capable and faithful services.

"Your directors wish to record, with many thanks, their appreciation for the assistance given by Naval Service Headquarters, commanding officers of naval ships and establishments and the divisions, the members of their staffs, chaplains, members of the Department of Veterans Affairs, various social service and welfare

organizations, the Red Cross, Canadian Legion and the many provincial and municipal bureaus, whose assistance has been of the greatest possible help to the fund."

Admiral Stephens had a special word of appreciation for the fund's small headquarters staff.

"They have worked very hard for the fund," he said, "frequently expending much time and energy over normal requirements so that the work might be completed with the least possible delay."

Also recognized for their work on behalf of the fund were the Auditor General of Canada and his staff and those associated closely with Admiral Stephens in the work of the fund, particularly the members of the executive committee.

Vice-Admiral E. R. Mainguy, Chief of Naval Staff, was present at the meeting and spoke briefly of the fund's importance in alleviating hardship arising from sickness and other causes among past and present members of the Navy and their families.

The annual meeting paid honor to the memories of the late Admiral P. W. Nelles, former Chief of Naval Staff and a past president of the fund, and of the late Air Marshal A. Edwards, president of the Royal Canadian Air Force Benevolent Fund.

### BENEVOLENT FUND OFFICERS FOR 1952

Officers and directors of the Canadian Naval Service Benevolent Trust Fund, elected or re-elected at the

annual meeting in Ottawa, are:

Engineer Rear-Admiral G. L. Stephens, RCN, Ret'd, Ottawa, president for the fifth term;

Commander K. S. MacLachlan, RCN(R), Ret'd, Toronto; A. B. Coulter, Ottawa; Willard MacKenzie, Halifax, and CPO D. H. Nelson, HMCS Cayuga, vice-presidents; Commander A. C. Bethune, RCN(R) Ret'd, Ottawa; Commodore Paul W. Earl, RCN(R), Montreal; Captain (S) J. Jeffrey, RCN(R), Ret'd, London, Ont., Griffith Jones, Victoria; R. C. Stevenson, Montreal; Lieut.-at-Arms Wilfred Pember, Esquimalt; Captain P. B. German, RCN, Ret'd, Ottawa; Commodore J. C. Hibbard, RCN, Ottawa; G. C. DeWolfe, Halifax; Lieut. (W) Margaret Ellis Beck, RCN(R), Ottawa, and Commander R. P. White, RCN(R), Ottawa.

#### Royal Patron

The patronage of Her Majesty the Queen has been granted to the Canadian Naval Service Benevolent Trust Fund—as it had been extended previously by her late father, His Majesty King George VI.

A letter received at Government House from the Keeper of the Privy Purse, Buckingham Palace, said:

"I am commanded by the Queen to inform you that Her Majesty has been graciously pleased to grant her Patronage to the Canadian Naval Service Benevolent Trust Fund."

This permits the use of the words "Patron—Her Majesty The Queen" under the name of the fund on all correspondence.

On the occasion of the death of the King, a message of sympathy was sent on behalf of the fund to Her Majesty, with a pledge of loyalty to her crown and person.

This was acknowledged on behalf of the Queen by her command.

#### Flown From Far East To Attend Meeting

The Canadian destroyers serving in the Far East were well represented at the annual meeting of the Canadian Naval Service Benevolent Trust Fund.

CPO D. H. Nelson, of HMCS Cayuga, attended in his capacity as a director of the fund and, at the meeting, was elected a vice-president.

PO J. E. Radley, also of the Cayuga, attended as official representative of the destroyer group, and CPO R. Whaley was on hand from HMCS Athabaskan.

All three were flown to Canada in order to be present at the meeting and report back on what took place.



# OFFICERS *and* MEN



## **Three Supply Branch Men Are Promoted**

Three former petty officer writers have been promoted to the rank of Acting Sub-Lieutenant (S), RCN.

They are Sub-Lieutenants (S) A. R. Mason, 24, of St. Margaret's Bay, N.S.; Norman A. O'Neill, 25, of Saint John, N.B., and Bruce G. Richards, 24, of Edmonton, Alta., and White Rock, B.C.

Sub-Lieut. Mason entered the RCN in June 1946 as a probationary writer. After taking his early training at Naden, he returned to the East Coast for duty in Stadacona. In September 1947 he was drafted to the Nootka and served in this ship until the following April, when he was drafted back to Stadacona. In October 1950 he returned to Naden, where he recently completed a course at the Supply School qualifying him for promotion.

Sub-Lieut. O'Neill entered the RCN in May 1946 as a probationary writer. Following new entry training at Esquimalt, he was drafted to Halifax. A year later he went to the United Kingdom to join the Magnificent on her commissioning. He came ashore in July 1949 for duty with the 18th Carrier Air Group at Shear-

water, and subsequently served at Cornwallis and Stadacona prior to commencing a course at the Supply School.

Sub-Lieut. Richards entered the RCN in December 1945 as a stoker and on completion of his new entry training transferred to the supply branch as a probationary writer. He went to HMCS Ontario in March 1947 for sea training and was drafted to Stadacona the following November. In January 1948 he went overseas for duty at HMCS Niobe. In January 1950 he was drafted to the Magnificent, where he served until October 1951, when he was drafted to the Supply School for an upper yardman's course.

## **PO J. J. Brothers Wins Recruiting Prize**

Prizes were presented at HMCS Donnacona in mid-May to members of the ship's company who took a leading part in a recent recruiting campaign for RCN(R) personnel. Pierre Dessaulles, vice-president of the Montreal Branch of the Naval Officers Association, presented first prize to PO J. J. Brothers. Tied for second place were Ordinary Seamen B. W. Rice and R. J. Laws.

## **Ordinary Seaman Sets Record Examination Mark**

A new record for the Communications School was set when Ord. Sea. Eugene Walczak of Communications Visual class 46 obtained the nearly perfect mark of 97.5 per cent in fleet tactics in the class's final examinations.

In the absence of Commander R. W. Murdoch, officer-in-charge of the school, Ord. Sea. Walczak was presented with his passing out certificate by the supply officer, Commander (S) B. F. Gorely.

## **Photographer Promoted to Commissioned Rank**

Chief Petty Officer John M. Turner, 29, of Edmonton and Halifax, who has served as a naval photographer since June 1943, has been promoted to the rank of Acting Commissioned Officer (SB).

Born in Edmonton, Mr. Turner entered the RCN in June 1941 as an ordinary seaman and took his early training at Esquimalt. After two years in the seaman branch, he transferred to photographic duties while serving at Cornwallis.

In June 1944 he went overseas for training with the Royal Navy and



Pictured above are two officers and three men of the Royal Canadian Navy who recently received awards for service in the Korean theatre (Crownsnest, June 1952). Left to right are Commander E. T. Madgwick, who was awarded the Distinguished Service Cross; PO Edward H. Randall, British Empire Medal, and Commander A. B. Fraser-Harris, CPO Frederick Emmerson and CPO Reginald Winter, Mentioned in Despatches.

returned to Canada the following October. Two months later he was drafted to HMCS Uganda (now Quebec) and served in this cruiser in the Pacific in the final months of the war against Japan.

He was confirmed in the rank of petty officer photographer in April 1946 while serving at Naval Headquarters on the staff of the Superintendent of Photography. Drafted to Naden in August 1946, he was promoted to chief petty officer photographer in August 1948. For the past four years he has served for varying lengths of time in Stadacona, Cornwallis and HMCS Swansea. At present he is serving at HMCS Shearwater.

### ***Ships in Far East Visited by CNP***

Praise for the cheerful spirit and fighting efficiency of the Canadian forces serving in the Korean theatre was expressed by Commodore J. C. Hibbard, Chief of Naval Personnel, on his return to Ottawa from a visit to the Canadian destroyers in the war zone in May.

Commodore Hibbard was at sea in the Canadian ships as they carried out operations on the west coast of Korea; visited the 25th Canadian Infantry Brigade in the field and held conversations with United Nations authorities in Tokyo and Sasebo.

The purpose of his visit was to obtain first hand knowledge of the conditions under which the Canadian destroyers were operating. Accompanying him was his executive assistant, Commander (S) S. A. Clemens.

Commodore Hibbard found that the men were taking great pride in the work being done by their ships, which were frequently seeing action and coming under fire, were intercepting enemy shipping and were denying the use of fishing waters to the communists. Much of their time was spent in confined waters where navigational hazards were "very numerous and very real."

In between his visits aboard the ships, Commodore Hibbard flew from Inchon to 25th Brigade Headquarters, from where he was taken by the brigade commander, Brigadier P. M. Bogert, on a tour of the Canadians' front line sector.

Commodore Hibbard also went aboard a small patrol craft of the South Korean Navy which was working with the Cayuga. He met her captain, inspected her crew and was told how this and other ships of the South Korean Navy had teamed with



Commodore J. C. Hibbard, Chief of Naval Personnel, who visited the Canadian destroyers in the Korean theatre in May, is shown above being transferred by jackstay from the Nootka to the Cayuga at sea off the west coast of Korea. While on board the ships, Commodore Hibbard talked to a number of individual officers and men. In addition, he saw as many officers and men from the Ottawa area as possible, noting down messages which he delivered to their wives and families on his return to Naval Headquarters. In the photo at the right, Commodore Hibbard takes down a message from Ldg. Sea. Leonard Flanagan, of Hull, on board HMCS Nootka. (NK-1198 and 1192).

Canadians in operations against the communists.

Commodore Hibbard had high praise for the South Korean naval men, who, he said, were showing great skill and fighting qualities in spite of limited resources. He was impressed with the close co-operation between the South Korean Navy and the RCN destroyers.

### ***Commission Awarded Medical Branch PO***

Petty Officer Lawrence Raymond Oakley, 31, of Tuft's Cove and Halifax, has been promoted to the rank of Acting Commissioned Officer (Medical Technician).

Commissioned Officer Oakley has begun an officers' divisional course at Cornwallis, on completion of which he will be appointed for hygiene duties on the staff of the Pacific Command Medical Officer.

Commissioned Officer Oakley served



in the RCNVR from 1941 to 1946. He became a leading sick berth attendant in 1944 and re-entered the naval service in 1947 in that rank.

Since then he has served in the weather patrol ship St. Stephen and in the RCN Hospital at Halifax. He was promoted to petty officer in 1948.

### ***Electrical Technicians Complete Advanced Course***

Thirteen chief petty officers qualified as Electrical Technicians trade group four in a course which completed at the Electrical School, Hali-

fax, May 2. They were: Chief Petty Officers Donald Newman, William Lavis, Lennox Clark, Bernard L. McInnis, Arthur Gardner, William Norman, Kenneth Neal, Edward Swainsbury, George Halladay, Jean F. Brown, Robert Clemens, Claire Henderson and Gaston Thomasset.

### Naval Secretary Presents Certificates

The Naval Secretary, Captain (S) H. A. McCandless, who was on an official visit in Esquimalt at the time, presented certificates to members of a graduating class of senior storemen at the Supply School, May 23.

Members of the class were CPOs R. G. Skinner, T. M. Worthington, D. W. Addison and A. B. Connolly, and POs H. A. Deneau, E. L. Kelly, C. J. Clarke and G. A. Stone.

### Torpedo Detector Classes Graduate

Two classes of torpedo detectors completed courses at the Torpedo Anti-Submarine School in Halifax in May.

Members of TD2 "K" class who qualified for Torpedo Detector Second Class were: PO John Ward; Leading Seamen Stanley Skiba, Arthur Wilson, Frank Marsh, Thomas McCabe,



Pictured above are members of the 29th leadership course to be held at HMCS Cornwallis for chief and petty officers. Front row, left to right: PO A. Robb, PO F. Doolittle, CPO R. Baringer (instructor), Lieut. (E) J. F. MacKintosh (course officer), PO C. Lawson and PO C. Hancock. Centre row: POs R. Grentz, C. Reid, J. Broulette, C. Stone, J. Urquhart, L. Fredericks, D. Waring, D. Thompson, J. Boyd and D. Drake. Rear row: POs W. Crowthers, J. Jolin, F. Zeer, K. Brooking, N. Modin, R. Sevigny, N. Bearley and W. Nichols. (DB-1272).

Gilbert Ainsworth, Peter Wilkins, Edward Legere, William Stokes, and Eric Mason, and Able Seamen Thomas Douglas, William Beaumont, Robert Chalmers, Oakland Beck, Murray Long and Arthur Lovell.

The following members of TD3 "Y" class qualified as Torpedo Detector Third Class: Able Seamen Ernest Douris, Donald Kennedy, Thomas Lawrence, Laverne McLeod, Howard Saunders, Raymond Ruttaon, Barry Taylor, Victor MacFayden, Donald Huff and Arnold Brown.

### CPO Hugh K. MacLean Receives Commission

Chief Petty Officer Hugh K. MacLean, 34, of Pugwash and Dartmouth, N.S., has been promoted to the rank of Acting Commissioned Ordnance Officer.

Formerly a machinist with Halifax Shipyards, Mr. MacLean entered the RCNVR in 1942 as an Acting Ordnance Artificer, fourth class.

During the Second World War, he served in Cornwallis, Stadacona and the destroyer Iroquois and received training with the Royal Navy.

In September 1945, Mr. MacLean transferred from the reserve to the RCN and has since served in HMC Ships Huron, Qu'Appelle, Haida, Nootka and La Hullose.

Prior to commencing an officers' divisional course at Cornwallis on June 6, he was attached to the Ordnance School at Esquimalt.



Eight junior officers of the RCN (Reserve) and one Sea Cadet officer attended the first officers' training course to be held at HMCS Prevost, the London naval division. Pictured here are, front row, left to right: A/Sub-Lieut. J. S. Langford, Lieut.-Cdr. W. H. Shuttleworth, training commander, and A/Sub-Lieuts. N. L. Currie and S. B. McEwen. Rear row: A/Sub-Lieut. Ed Lee, Lieut. D. G. Paradine, RCSC, and A/Sub-Lieuts. Charles Brown and William Poulton. Absent from the photo were A/Sub-Lieuts. Marks Lee and Larry Holmes.

### Windsor Auxiliary Furnishes Room in San

The Ladies' Auxiliary to the Royal Canadian Navy (Reserve) in Windsor, Ont., recently completed its project of furnishing a room at the Essex County Sanatorium. The auxiliary also presented two cheques of \$50 each to the sanatorium for upkeep of the room.

The furniture and cheques were turned over to Dr. H. E. Robertson, superintendent of the sanatorium, by Mrs. Ellen Treanor, treasurer of the auxiliary, and Mrs. Ethel Gunnell of the auxiliary's sick committee. A navy veteran, William C. Desjarlais, was the first patient to occupy the newly furnished room.



Five reservists from HMCS Griffon who recently completed a course for layer rating 2nd class at the Gunnery Training Centre, Esquimalt, were termed by Lieut.-Cdr. C. E. Richardson as having formed one of the best classes that had come to his attention since his appointment as officer in charge of the centre. Left to right are Ldg. Sea. Len Martin and PO Rolf Tornblom, Fort William; Ldg. Sea. Thomas Gustafson, Port Arthur, and Leading Seamen Harold Gosling and John Bryant, Fort William.

### **Canadian Cadets Take U.S. Amphibious Course**

Twenty-four cadets from Canadian University Naval Training Divisions participated in a two-week amphibious operations course held in Virginia last month for 920 midshipmen from the United States Naval Academy, Annapolis, and 680 cadets from the U.S. Military Academy, West Point.

The course was conducted June 9 to 21 at the Amphibious Training Command, Little Creek, Norfolk, Virginia.

The participation of the Canadians was arranged through the Naval Member of the Canadian Joint Staff, Washington, at the invitation of the United States Department of the Navy. The first eight days were taken up with shore training consisting of lectures, demonstrations, movies and drills.

Climax of the course was a realistic amphibious assault from sea, in which ships of the U.S. Navy and aircraft of the Navy, Marine Corps and Air Force assisted the cadets and midshipmen as they actually conducted the approach and assault.

### **Spends His Leave Taking Parachute Training**

Ord. Sea. Harry Voth came up with a novel way to spend a leave period granted him on graduating from a communications radio course at the Communications School in May.

Though he had just finished 26 weeks of instruction, Ord. Sea. Voth applied for further training, this time as a parachutist at the Canadian Joint Air Training Centre, Rivers, Man. As parachute training was not part of his career curriculum, Voth took the course during his leave.

From Rivers he will go to the

West Coast to join two other graduates from CR class 46, Ordinary Seamen Stanley Blakey and Norman Eastwood.

Halifax port divisions members of the class went directly to sea, Ordinary Seamen J. C. Lamoureux and L. T. Luther to the Haida and Ord. Sea. William Stevens to the Portage.

### **Pay Writers, Cooks Complete Courses**

Two classes, one of pay writers and one of cooks, graduated from the Supply School at HMCS Naden in

mid-May.

High man in Pay Writer class 22, with an average mark of 86 per cent, was Ldg. Sea. George Kalyn. An average of 80 per cent put Ldg. Sea. Arthur MacIntyre at the top of Cookery class 67.

### **Awards Presented at Prevost Closing**

Proficiency and progress awards were presented at HMCS Prevost on the completion of the training schedule at the Kingston division.

Awards went to the following: PO James Truscott, captain's coxswain; Ord. Wren Margery Hall, Wren progress award; Ldg. Sea. Edward M. Baker, general proficiency; Ord. Sea. Stanley Broadfoot, new entry progress, and Acting Sub-Lieut. (L) S. B. McEwen, prize for top marks in the officer's training course.

### **Leading Wren Promoted to Commissioned Rank**

Acting Sub-Lieut. (W) Winnifred M. Allen became the first member of the Wren division at HMCS Nonsuch, Edmonton, to be promoted from the lower deck when she received her commission April 22.

Sub-Lieut. Allen served in the WRCNS during the latter part of the Second World War, mostly at Stadacona.



Personnel at Naval Headquarters turned out in force for a two-day Red Cross blood clinic in May. The photo shows Vice-Admiral E. R. Mainguy, Chief of the Naval Staff, left, making his 15th blood donation to the Red Cross and Ord. Sea. Harold Dolman making donation No. 2. The Red Cross nurses' aides are Miss Dawn Kingsland and Miss Gene Machum. (O-2281-4).

# LOWER DECK PROMOTIONS

The 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 rank, branch and trade group shown opposite his name.

AINSWORTH, Gilbert..... LSTD1  
 ALDHLM-WHITE, Richard W. C2RC2  
 AMODEO, Michael H..... LSAAS  
 ATKIN, Gordon C..... LSQRS  
 AYRES, John F..... P1SM2  
 BARKER, Robert W..... LSCS2  
 BARTEAUX, Frederick J..... C2TI3  
 BASKERVILLE, Douglas C..... LSRC1  
 BAUER, William H..... LSSM1  
 BENNETT, Allan G..... P2CV2  
 BERMAN, Sam..... LSEM1  
 BIALY, Edward S..... LSCS2  
 BINDER, Robert C..... LSCR1  
 BIRD, Harold H..... P2CV2  
 BLACK, Earl D..... LSAA1  
 BLAKE, Ronald H..... LSCR1  
 BOAGIE, Leo P..... P2SW1  
 BOUTIN, Maurice F..... LSAAS  
 BURKE, Addison W..... C2PI3  
 BURKE, Edward A..... LSCS2  
 CAIRNS, Lawrence K..... LSEM1  
 CAREY, Eugene E..... P2CS2  
 CHAPLIN, Lloyd P..... LSCR1  
 CLARK, Jack..... LSSM1  
 COLE, Eric R..... LSSM1  
 COMBA, Gordon L..... LSCS2  
 CONNOR, Robert V..... P2CR2  
 COOK, Leonard A..... LSAAS  
 CORKERY, Donley J..... LSCS2  
 COSBY, Donald E..... P2CV2  
 COTTON, Mervyn D..... LSPW1  
 COYLE, Louis D..... P2CV2  
 CRAYDEN, Allan M..... LSCR1  
 DENAULT, Earl T..... LSCV1  
 DOBSON, George E..... LSEM1  
 DUGGAN, Hugh A..... LSCR1  
 DUNCAN, Edward G..... P2CR2  
 DUNCAN, Robert J..... LSSM1  
 DUNNING, Harry E..... LSAAS  
 EBURNE, Andrew..... LSRW3  
 ECKSTEIN, Bryce C..... P2CS3  
 EMERY, Walter E..... LSSM1  
 FISHER, Harold F..... P2CV2  
 FORBES, Barry E..... LSSM1  
 GABEL, William J..... LSSM1  
 GEMMELL, William A..... LSQRS  
 GILLISS, James F..... LSAA1  
 GODWIN, William G..... LSRPS  
 GORONUK, William A..... LSCV1  
 GRAY, Gerald D..... LSTD1  
 GREENFIELD, Earl T..... LSCS2  
 GUINTA, Frank J..... P2CV2  
 HANSEN, Hjalmar O..... P1CS3  
 HARDING, Norman L..... P1MA2  
 HENSBEE, Delbert A..... LSCV1

HILL, Stanley W..... LSEM1  
 HODGINS, William A..... LSSM1  
 HOLLAND, William R..... LSRP1  
 HORNCastle, James R..... LSCV1  
 HOYLE, Harry G..... LSRP1  
 HUBELI, Richard J..... LSSM1  
 INGRAM, Richard N..... LSEM1  
 IRVING, Archibald M..... LSAAS  
 JAMIESON, James R..... P2CV2  
 JENKINSON, Gerald W..... LSCR1  
 JOHNSTON, Frank A..... LSCR1  
 JONCAS, Joseph S..... LSSM1  
 JOYNT, Irwin W..... LSRP1  
 KEENE, Harold R..... LSCR1  
 KELLY, David W..... LSSM1  
 KELLY, Thomas L..... P2CS3  
 KENNETT, Frederick G..... C2ET4  
 KIRK, James M..... P2CR2  
 KOSTUK, Daniel L..... LSCR1  
 LATIMER, David J..... LSEM1  
 LEGERE, Edward J..... LSTD1  
 LEWIS, Philip J..... P2CR2  
 LORY, Donald C..... LSCV1  
 LOWE, Robert W..... LSLR1  
 MALLETT, George H..... P2SM2  
 MASON, Eric C..... LSTD1  
 MAXWELL, Jack M..... LSAAS  
 MAYNARD, Alfred R..... P1CR2  
 MILKS, Charles L..... LSCR1  
 MILLER, Stewart..... LSEM1  
 MURPHY, Charles D..... LSSM1  
 MacDONALD, Kenneth G..... LSCS2  
 MacLEOD, Harry B..... LSSM1  
 MacPHAIL, Parker G. D..... LSEM1  
 McCALLUM, Robert D..... P2SM2  
 McCELLAND, Charles S..... LSEM1  
 McDOUGALL, Allan D..... P2SM2  
 NELLES, Alvin M..... LSCR1  
 NELSON, Walter R..... P1ET4  
 OAKES, Carl S..... LSAA1  
 OJA, Howard J..... P2CR2  
 PARKER, Wallace B..... LSSM1  
 PARTANEN, Vaino O..... P1ER4  
 PENDLEBURY, Roger J..... P2CV2  
 PENNEY, Edwin W..... LSCV1  
 RENSRAW, Arnold R..... P2CV2  
 RENTON, George M..... C2(NQ)  
 RHODES, Phillip L..... P2MA2  
 RISTAN, Herman..... LSSM1  
 ROBERGE, Paul E..... LSCR1  
 ROSENLUND, John..... LSCS2  
 ROUSHORN, Charles D..... LSMO2  
 SABOURIN, James T..... LSSM1  
 SALFI, Vincent J..... LSCR1  
 SARTISON, Harris G..... LSCS2  
 SINDALL, John S..... P1ER4  
 SMITH, Gordon J..... P2CR2  
 SNAITH, Harry A..... LSCR1  
 SOWCHUK, Alexander..... LSEM1  
 SPENCER, Alan..... P2SM2  
 STOKES, William M..... LSTD1  
 SWAYZE, Donald F..... LSCV1  
 SYMINGTON, Harvey L..... P2CR2  
 THOMPSON, George F..... LSCR1  
 TURNBULL, David T..... LSQRS  
 VLIET, LeRoy M..... P2CR2  
 WALKER, Albert S..... LSEM1  
 WEBBER, Lynwood E..... LSCR1  
 WHITE, Kenneth S..... LSAA1  
 WILKINS, Peter J..... LSTD1  
 WRIGHT, James A..... LSCS2  
 YAKUBOWICH, Nicholas..... P2SM2

## Weddings

Acting Sub-Lieut. C. H. Archibald, HMCS Carleton, to Miss Doris Mabel Eastman, of Ottawa.

Leading Seaman A. Boyle, HMCS Brockville, to Miss Edith Rowe, of Halifax.

Able Seaman Kenneth Driscoll, Albro Lake Naval Radio Station, to Miss Alice Christiansen, of Gunningsville, N.B.

Able Seaman S. Girvan, HMCS Brockville, to Miss Eleanor Miller, of Montreal.

Ordinary Seaman James Hughes, HMCS Cornwallis, to Ordinary Wren Frances Hanson, of Port Arthur, Ont.

Leading Seaman Barry Johnson, HMC Naval Radio Station Coverdale, to Ordinary Wren Phyllis Perry, of Coverdale.

Able Seaman Alexander Lecky, HMCS Portage, to Miss Evelyn M. MacCormack, of North St. Eleanor's, P.E.I.

Acting Sub-Lieut. (S) A. R. Mason, HMCS Cornwallis, to Miss Rita Bernice Wessel, of Halifax.

Able Seaman Gerald McLeod, HMCS Haida, to Miss Helen Works, of Truro, N.S.

Able Seaman F. Newman, HMCS Brockville, to Miss Laura Milligan, of Sydenham, N.S.

Able Seaman Gerald Purdy, Albro Lake Naval Radio Station, to Miss Verna MacKenzie, of Truro, N.S.

Able Seaman Ypres Thornton, HMCS Cornwallis, to Wren Patricia Allen, of Peterborough, Ont.

Leading Seaman G. E. Wiese, HMCS Shearwater, to Miss Beverley Ann Kniffen, of Eastern Passage, N.S.

## Births

To Able Seaman Clifford Ashton, HMCS Haida, and Mrs. Ashton, a daughter.

To Able Seaman Joseph Belleville, HMC Naval Radio Station Coverdale, and Mrs. Belleville, a daughter.

To Leading Seaman Paul Beshely, HMCS Stadacona, and Mrs. Beshely, a son.

To Leading Seaman Robert Dufour, HMCS New Liskeard, and Mrs. Dufour, a son.

To Leading Seaman John Elliott, HMCS Haida, and Mrs. Elliott, a daughter.

To Leading Seaman George Fletcher, HMCS Prevost, and Mrs. Fletcher, a daughter.

To Chief Petty Officer John Fox, HMCS Cornwallis, and Mrs. Fox, a daughter.

To Able Seaman William Grant, Coverdale Naval Radio Station, and Mrs. Grant, a daughter.

To Petty Officer F. J. Gunn, HMCS Cornwallis, and Mrs. Gunn, a daughter.

To Petty Officer Jack Hannan, HMCS Haida, and Mrs. Hannan, a daughter.

To Petty Officer Norman Harding, HMCS Haida, and Mrs. Harding, a daughter.

To Lieut. D. D. Lee, Coverdale Naval Radio Station, and Mrs. Lee, a daughter.

To Lieutenant J. D. McRuer, HMCS Cornwallis, and Mrs. McRuer, a son.

To Chief Petty Officer W. J. Murray, HMCS Cornwallis, and Mrs. Murray, a son.

To Petty Officer John Shelton, HMCS Haida, and Mrs. Shelton, a daughter.

### Airmen 'Go Navy'

Ten RCAF officers and airmen from the Airforce station at Greenwood, N.S., had a sampling of navy life when they boarded HMCS Quebec May 30 for a trip to St. John's, Nfld.

It was all part of the scheme whereby the opportunity is taken, when possible, to acquaint personnel of one service with the operations of another.

## HE HAS THE ANSWERS

*CPO Walter Burch is Coxswain  
and 'General Handy Man'  
at HMCS Malahat*

THE name of a famous, almost legendary Indian chief is perpetuated by HMCS Malahat.

Serving in the Victoria naval division is another "chief" whose name has become almost synonymous with Malahat and its activities. He is Chief Petty Officer Walter Burch, who officially is coxswain of the division and unofficially is its jack-of-all-trades.

CPO Burch has been connected with the Navy for a long time. Born in Selkirk, Manitoba, December 11, 1911, he entered the RCNVR division at Winnipeg in December 1929. However, it might come as a surprise to his many friends to learn that he had worn the King's uniform before that—as a member of the Canadian Army.

In those days it was possible for members of school cadet corps to take training with army units, and this Burch did, first with the 10th Machine Gun Regiment, then with the Fort Garry Horse.

On reaching his 18th birthday, however, he switched to the Navy and joined the "VRs" as an ordinary seaman. He took his annual training at Esquimalt and in 1931 was promoted to able seaman and took his seaman torpedoman's course.

Burch got his first real taste of life at sea on board HMCS Vancouver, subsequently served in the Armentieres and Skeena and in 1938 was promoted to leading seaman.

With the outbreak of war, the reserves changed from part-time to full-time sailors and in the first draft of men to leave Winnipeg for active service, on September 3, 1939, was Ldg. Sea. Burch.

That was a memorable day for him in more ways than one, for not many hours earlier Ldg. Sea. Burch and Miss Evelyn Borland of Winnipeg exchanged marriage vows.

Burch served for a time in Naden, then in the examination vessel Cancolin, operating out of Prince Rupert.

When HMCS Agassiz became the second corvette to commission on the West Coast, in January 1941, Burch was one of her crew. He sailed in her to Halifax and thence to St. John's, Nfld., where she became one of the pioneer escort ships working out of

that port on the North Atlantic convoy run.

In August 1942 he left the Agassiz—having been promoted to petty officer in the meantime—and went back to the West Coast for instructional duties. Then came a draft to HMCS Provider, Fairmile depot ship. While serving on board her he was promoted to chief petty officer and was awarded the Long Service and Good Conduct Medal (the bar to which he has since received).

Leaving the Provider in September 1945, Burch was demobilized at Naden two months later.

But once a sailor, always a sailor, and in September 1947, shortly after Malahat was re-established on a peacetime basis, he entered the active reserve at the Victoria division.

Subsequently, the "chief" added to his sea-time with service aboard the Charlottetown, Ontario and Sault Ste. Marie. (The latter ship now serves as training tender for Malahat).

In November 1950 he resumed full-time service with the Navy, joining Malahat on continuous naval duty. There, besides serving as cox-

swain, he has helped out the recruiting staff and has called on his experience to assist practically every branch of the division.

His numerous undertakings include the job of official projectionist, captaincy of Malahat's rifle team and director of all activities on the small arms range.

A marksman of note, CPO Burch has taken top honors in Malahat's annual indoor rifle shoot for four consecutive years. His average for the contest just ended was 96.5.

It is he, too, who gets the ball rolling on practically every social event held by the division. Whether it's the children's Christmas party, a dance, a picnic or a film evening—you can be sure the "chief" is one of the busiest members of the organizing committee.

CPO Burch comes from a "service" family. His father was overseas with the 43rd Cameron Highlanders in the First World War and, during the Second, came out of retirement to work in the dockyard at Esquimalt. For many years the "chief's" mother has been an active member of the Red Cross and the Navy League in Winnipeg.

During the Second World War, an older brother, Harold, served overseas with the RCAF and a younger brother, Gerald, was in the navy. A third brother, John, was a member of the RCNVR in Winnipeg for some time prior to the war.

CPO and Mrs. Burch have two children—Patricia, ten, and Barry, five.

Early this year the Sunday magazine section of a Victoria newspaper carried a story dealing with CPO Burch. Its introduction would make an adequate conclusion to this account. It read as follows:

"It is said there are only two things of which we can be sure in this troubled world—death and taxes.

"But personnel of HMCS Malahat, Victoria's naval division, can be sure of something else—if you want any information about the unit, you will get it from Chief Petty Officer Walter Burch. If he doesn't know—and that is most unlikely—he will find out, and he will have the data gathered, or the job done, in a hurry."



CHIEF PETTY OFFICER  
WALTER BURCH

# HMCS BYTOWN

by H. M. C.

## Our Headquarters Craft Is The Oddest Of All

WHEN the sailor swung down from the train at midnight, he hadn't the slightest idea where he would find his new ship. Another seaman, spotted in the waiting crowd, put him on the right course.

"She's out of port for the night," he said, "but, come morning, you'll find her tied up at the Slater Street jetty."

And the newcomer did. He found the good ship HMCS Bytown well and firmly moored in the Aylmer Building on Slater Street, in the heart of Ottawa. That was 1942. Since then Bytown has made several shifts, but all within a limited radius. Now she is berthed on the fourth floor of "A" building at National Defence Headquarters.

She's an odd craft, whatever way you look at her. Imagine a ship with a vice-admiral, four rear-admirals, commodores, captains and on down serving under the command of a lieutenant-commander; with some of her ship's company carrying out their duties hundreds or even thousands of miles away; with a complement of 400-odd but only about 30 of them — enough to sail a small minesweeper — working the ship. That's Bytown.

Of course, much of the foregoing is just theory. CO Bytown would be brash indeed if he tried to order around some of the people borne on his books for pay.

Some of Bytown's personnel are serving at the Canadian Joint Air Training Centre at Rivers, Man.; others at the aircraft winter experimental establishment at Edmonton. When an officer or man is on special duties that don't seem to fit into any other ship or establishment, he goes on Bytown's books.

Bytown has no boats or floats of her own. For "sea-time," Bytown's men go cruising on Dow's Lake in boats borrowed from HMCS Carleton, the Ottawa naval division.

The real Bytowners are the two officers and 30 men who carry out the routine duties of the establish-

ment. But Bytown has a flexible nominal list of men which may suddenly soar as high as 80 when, for example, the precision squad arrives in town for training or for duty.

Bytown is responsible for all naval stores at headquarters but these don't amount to very much. Her men point out, with loud moans, that the nearest "slops" is 1,200 miles away, with the result that keeping one's kit up to scratch is something of a problem.

One offshoot of this responsibility for naval stores is that Bytown has the odd sideline of ordering equipment to be used as pilot models by manufacturers filling contracts for the Royal Canadian Navy.

Bytown's pay office is a busy spot, but it handles no cash. Headquarters personnel are all paid by cheque.

The master-at-arms office bears up bravely under a barrage of demands from the directorates at headquarters. The men there look after requests for transportation, the drafting of men to and from Bytown and the enforcement of regulations concerning dress and deportment. They also help naval personnel to find suitable accommodation for themselves and families in Ottawa.



Among those who are on Bytown's books but are not connected with the "ship's" functions is a group of men on whom this magazine relies for much of its content. They are the photographers who, from negatives received from ships and stations, produce many of the pictures appearing in *The Crowsnest*.

That is only a small part of their job, however. Still shots, movies, lithographs and photostats are turned out in answer to a wide variety of requirements.

Nearest thing to sea-going sailors on Bytown's complement are the men who work for the Canadian Armed Forces Identification Bureau on Victoria Island in the Ottawa River. But even they cross the Ottawa by bus and bridge rather than boat.

Most widely travelled of the Bytowners are the members of the Electrical Engineer-in-Chief's maintenance team, who go from division to division keeping electrical and electronic training gear in working order.

Historically, the name Bytown stems from the original name of Ottawa which, in turn, honored Lieut.-Col. John By, who hacked the Rideau Canal through the wilderness from Kingston to the Ottawa River a century and a quarter ago.

Bytown's crest — a rudder *ancien* and maple leaf — well signifies her function, that of steering the Royal Canadian Navy.

Commanding officer of Bytown is Lieut.-Cdr. John M. Calver, while Lieut. (S) B. N. Stotesbury serves in the dual capacity of supply officer and executive officer. Others of her crew who are involved in the operation of this shore-bound ship are:

Chief Petty Officers Michael A. Barriault, Richard Morris, Floyd W. Noyes and Francis V. Smyth;

Petty Officers William E. Joy, Charles Laird, Arthur Robertson, Walter Rowan, Bruce Russell, Gordon Tough and James Watson;

Leading Seamen Claude Albert,





The Master at Arms in HMCS Bytown, Petty Officer James Watson, does everything from keeping a list of available accommodation to signing chits for medical supplies. Here he arranges for an identification card for newly-arrived Constructor Lieut.-Cdr. James Patrick, left. Looking on is PO William E. Joy. (O-2470).

Shannon H. Allison, James Edmunds, Hugh MacDonald, Allan J. Smith, John Baxter, Arthur Chisholm and Lauren J. Thibault and

Able Seamen Joseph A. Boutin, Garnet M. Bull, John Byrne, William Morris, Reginald Darwin, Ronald Norris and James E. McLay.

### Korea Flying Record Follows 'Warm-Up' Sortie

Air squadrons of HMS Ocean, sister-ship of HMCS Magnificent, "warmed up" for Korean operations as the aircraft carrier proceeded from Singapore to Hong Kong earlier this year to relieve HMS Glory in the war theatre.

Thirteen Sea Fury aircraft and seven Fireflies, fully armed and carrying rockets, flew from the Ocean on anti-bandit operations in a region south-west of Johore, Malaya.

This was one of the few occasions on which carrier-borne aircraft had attacked the bandits in Malaya.

Shortly after relieving the Glory, the Ocean achieved a remarkable operational flying record. In one day her two squadrons, 802 and 826, flew 123 sorties against enemy positions. They destroyed three railway bridges, an oil fuel dump, coastal gun emplacements and 15 vehicles loaded with ammunition, and attacked numerous troop encampments and store dumps.

The previous one-day record was 105 sorties and was held by the Glory's carrier air group.

(HMCS Magnificent exercised in company with the Ocean during the former's Mediterranean cruise in the fall of 1951).

# The "Steam Slingshot"

British Catapult Launches Carrier Planes Without Need of Wind

A new British aircraft catapult which is regarded as one of the most important developments for naval aviation since the Second World War will be adapted for use on U.S. aircraft carriers.

Nicknamed the "steam slingshot", the steam powered catapult proved in recent tests that it can hurl the U.S. Navy's jet fighters into the air even when the carrier is headed down wind or alongside a dock.

Tests of the catapult installed in the Royal Navy carrier, HMS Perseus, were conducted at the U.S. Naval Shipyard, Philadelphia, the Naval Operating Base, Norfolk, and at sea during January, February and March.

First installation will be made on board the USS Hancock, an Essex class carrier which is undergoing a complete modernization.

In adapting this experimental catapult for its own aircraft carriers, the USN will modify it as necessary for manufacture in the United States.

As installed for trials purposes in the Perseus, the catapult lies in a raised section of the flight deck, with compressors and other machinery on the hangar deck. Developed for the

Royal Navy by Messrs. Brown Brothers & Co., Ltd., Edinburgh, the catapult uses the principle of the slotted cylinder, and has no rams or purchase cables. A hook on the aircraft to be launched is connected directly to a piston which is driven along the cylinder by high pressure steam from the ship's boilers. A novel sealing device is used to keep the slotted cylinder steam tight.

While the amount of steam required for sustained operation is large, the tests have shown that the boilers can meet the demand without interfering with ship operations.

During the American tests, the USS Greene, a destroyer, supplied steam to the catapult at pressures higher than were available in HMS Perseus to see if the capacity of the catapult could be increased. It was found readily adaptable to the higher pressures.

In all, 140 test launchings were made using deadweights and the latest type carrier aircraft. Previously the British had fired 126 piloted aircraft and 1,000 deadweights over a 14-month period.



This photo of HMS Perseus shows the forward part of the raised flight deck which was built to meet the requirements of the revolutionary steam-operated aircraft catapult. The catapult reduces the need for a carrier to steam into the wind to fly off its aircraft and enables it to launch new and heavier types of planes. (United Kingdom Information Office Photo).

# Humble Hero

*William Hall, Son of Slaves,  
Brought Canada Her  
First Naval VC*

**Y**EARS before the Royal Canadian Navy was established, young Canadians, drawn by a love of the sea, had won a place for themselves and their homeland in the naval history of the British Empire.

One of the Royal Navy's outstanding heroes of the 19th Century was William Hall, a humble Negro who left a tiny hamlet in Nova Scotia to serve in the fleet, and who became, in the year 1857, one of the first three Canadians to win the Empire's highest award for bravery—the Victoria Cross.

It is somewhat paradoxical that the scene of Hall's valiant act was not the deck of one of the warships in which he served so long and well, but the plains of India during the mutiny of 1857. Hall was a member of a brigade sent from HMS Shannon\* to assist in the campaign against the mutineers, and particularly in the relief of the British garrison at Lucknow.

At a critical stage in the assault on the mutineers' stronghold, when all the other members of his gun crew had fallen, Hall continued working the gun alone under a hail of bullets until he fired the charge that breached the wall and made possible the rescue of the garrison.

The man who performed this brave deed was born at Horton's Bluff, N.S., on April 28, 1827. His father had been one of a group of slaves being transported from the west coast of Africa to the United States when the ship bearing them was intercepted by a British frigate during the War of 1812. The slaves were brought to Halifax, where they were liberated and given assistance in finding jobs and settling down in Nova Scotia.

His father adopted the name of Hall from a benefactor and found work with a farmer in Hants County. He married a girl who had also escaped slavery by fleeing to one of the ships in the British fleet which captured Washington in 1812.

Little is known of William Hall's boyhood. He attended school at Horton's Bluff, and even at an early age showed a keen interest in the

\*This was not the Shannon of Shannon-Chesapeake fame but a later, iron-hulled ship.

Navy. In this he was no doubt encouraged by his father and mother, who owed their freedom to the ships of the Royal Navy. It was a natural step, therefore, when young Hall joined HMS Rodney at Halifax as an able seaman.

He remained in this ship until January 30, 1856, serving through the Crimean War, and was awarded British and Turkish medals, the former with the Sebastopol and Inkerman clasps. After a short time in HMS Victory, he went to HMS



**WILLIAM HALL, VC**

*(from a photograph taken in the late years of his retirement)*

Shannon, where he served as captain of the foretop.

The Shannon was escorting troops to China, in readiness for expected trouble there, when the Indian Mutiny broke out in Meerut on Sunday, May 10, 1857. Lord Elgin, former Governor General of Upper Canada, was on board one of the ships in the convoy. He had been appointed Envoy Extraordinary to China to try to effect a settlement of difficulties with the Peking government.

When the ships arrived at Singapore, they learned of the desperate situation in India. Mutiny had broken out and, stimulated by early successes, had spread rapidly. The rebel Sepoys, part of the native army, had taken Delhi and Cawnpore, where they had killed all white women and children, and were besieging Lucknow, where only a small garrison still held out.

The expeditionary forces were sailed to Calcutta to swell the relief army assembling there. The warships continued on to Hong Kong but, after Lord Elgin had been urged to send back as many men as possible, two naval brigades, from HMS Shannon and HMS Pearl, were organized. Able Seaman Hall set out with the Shannon brigade under the command of Captain William Peel, VC, a Crimean hero who was later to recommend him for the Victoria Cross.

The brigade, composed of 450 men with six eight-inch guns, two 24-pound howitzers and two field pieces, arrived in Calcutta in August 1857. They proceeded 800 miles up the Ganges, towed by the steamer Chunar, to Allahabad. Here a prolonged halt was made while arrangements to take the guns across the country were attempted. This proved difficult and the heavy guns were left behind.

On October 28 they pushed on with the 24-pound howitzers, fighting their way to Cawnpore, which had already been recaptured by the British. There they joined up with reinforcements from Britain preparing to go to the relief of Lucknow. Commanding officer of the relief forces was Sir Colin Campbell, later to become Lieutenant Governor of Nova Scotia. On November 28, 1857, the historic march began. At Lucknow, an army of 50,000 Sepoys surrounded the residency, where the remnants of the British garrison, under Sir John Inglis, still held out. As a result of the long siege, the garrison had been reduced to a handful of men, supplies were running short and the residency was in ruins.

The relief forces numbered only 5,000 men. They marched under the burning Indian sun to face a well situated and far stronger enemy.

The key to Lucknow was the Shah Nujiff, a walled mosque; but first a walled enclosure, the Sekandarhagh, had to be taken. The attack was launched from the southeast. Initial progress was slow but in mid-afternoon the 93rd Highlanders and Sikhs attacked the Sekandarhagh and carried it with the bayonet.

The troops moved on to the Shah Nujiff, a half mile to the west. The

mosque was surrounded by loop-holed walls several feet thick, and was garrisoned by 30,000 Sepoys. It was a strategic position and the centre of resistance.

The Shannon brigade dragged its guns to within 400 yards of the walls to lay down the preliminary bombardment. The crew of a 24-pound howitzer was one man short and Hall, who had been in charge of a gun aboard ship, volunteered to replace him.

At 4 o'clock the order was given to attack the mosque. The Shannon crew laid down a heavy cannonade, sending shot after shot crashing into the mosque, but the walls were so thick that the projectiles had no effect. Meanwhile, the mutineers, from their protected position, were inflicting heavy casualties on the attackers.

"The men were falling thick and fast," reads an eye-witness account. "Even Peel's usually bright face became grave and anxious. Sir Colin Campbell sat on his white horse exposed to the whole storm of shot looking intently on the Shah Nujiff. It was wreathed in volumes of smoke from the burning buildings and sparked all over with bright flashes of small arms. It was now apparent that the crisis of the battle had been reached."

A breach had to be made in the walls without delay. The Shannon guns went forward with the field artillery, taking up a position a few hundred yards from the walls.

They poured a steady stream of fire against the walls, still without visible effect. The guns went forward again.

Then Sir Colin Campbell ordered the 93rd Highlanders to attack with bayonet. But the walls were still unbreached and, having no scaling ladders, they came to a halt in the enclosure surrounding the mosque. A torrent of musketry dropped them by the score and they were forced to retire.

Peel ordered two guns nearer to the walls. The sailors strained at the ropes and brought the guns to within 20 yards of the enclosure. The enemy concentrated its fire on the naval gun crews until one crew was completely annihilated. Of the Shannon crew, only Hall and one officer, Lieut. Young, were left, the latter badly wounded.

Hall, a fine, powerful man and steady as a rock under fire, calmly worked his gun under the murderous storm. He methodically sponged and reloaded and continued pounding away at the defences. Finally he fired the charge that opened the walls.

A number of the 93rd Highlanders then advanced, entered the mosque through the hole in the walls and opened the gates. They found the mosque deserted. The moment the breach was made in the walls, the enemy, though still possessing the advantage in numbers and position, turned and fled.

A historian says of the victory: "They fled from the place without a

struggle just when victory seemed secure. Never had there been a harder fought day."

The city of Lucknow now lay open to the British. Its relief marked the end of large scale resistance in India and the beginning of restoration of British prestige, not only there but elsewhere in the world.

That old soldier, Sir Colin Campbell, referred to the relief of Lucknow as an action "unexampled in war."

For his signal courage and devotion, Hall was recommended for and received the Victoria Cross.

The citation read, in part, "*Finally, in one of the most supreme moments in all the age-long story of human courage, Hall fired the charge which opened the walls and enabled the British to push through to the relief of the garrison and ultimately to the quelling of the mutiny and the restoration of peace and order in India.*"

Hall continued to serve in the Navy in various ratings, including that of quartermaster, until he retired as a petty officer first class on July 4, 1876. Following the mutiny he served in HM Ships Donegal, Bellerophon, Impregnable, Petrel and, finally, HMS Royal Adelaide.

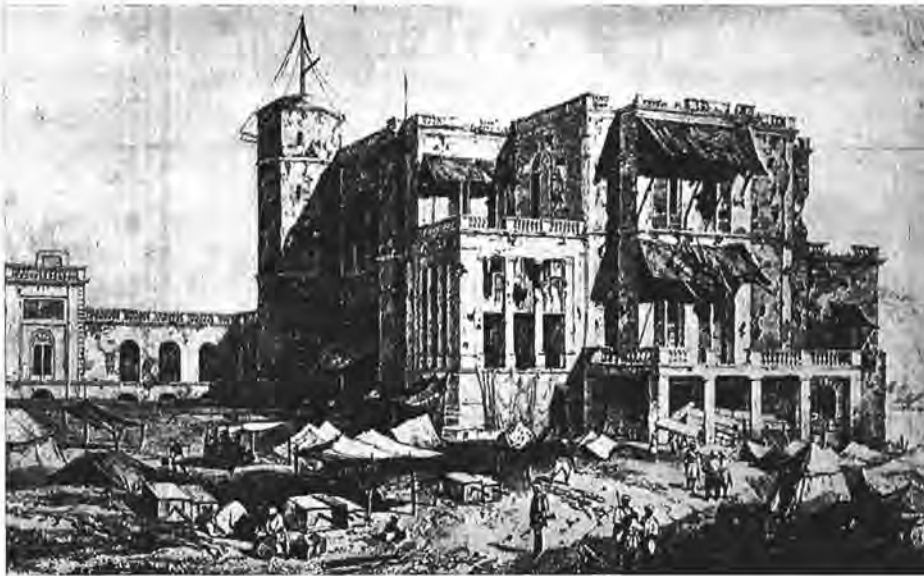
Hall returned to Nova Scotia to live. He never married but dwelt with two sisters, Mrs. Robinson and Miss Rachel Hall. His chief recreation was hunting.

His last public appearance was at Halifax on October 19, 1901, when he took part in a parade of British veterans during the visit of the Duke of York (later King George V). Hall was honored by being given a carriage in the procession. In addition to the Victoria Cross he wore Mutiny, Crimean and other service medals. This impressive array attracted the attention of the Sailor Duke, who stopped to shake hands with Hall and to inquire about his service.

Three years later, in 1904, Hall died in Hantsport of paralysis, in his 80th year. He was buried in what was, until comparatively recently, an unmarked grave. In 1937 the Hantsport branch of the Canadian Legion started a drive to have Hall's valor recognized in permanent form. Ten years later a memorial was erected in his honor at Hantsport.

The memorial is in the form of a cairn bearing a bronze replica of the Victoria Cross. Beneath the cross is a plaque telling of Hall's courage and devotion at the relief of Lucknow.

The ground on which the memorial  
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The Residency at Lucknow is shown above in its ruined condition at the end of the siege. Here the British garrison held out, short of supplies and reduced to a handful of men, until Able Seaman William Hall breached the wall of a nearby stronghold, allowing the relief forces to enter the city and free the defenders. (Print republished by courtesy of the Institution of Royal Engineers, Chatham).

# Afloat and Ashore

## PACIFIC COAST

### HMCS Crusader

Officers and men of the Crusader were hosts to their relatives and friends at "open house" aboard the ship a few days before she sailed May 25 for the Far East.

For the children there were tours throughout the ship, from engine room to bridge, motorboat rides in the harbor, movies, soft drinks and ice cream. Three clowns, in appropriate costume, roamed about the ship distributing balloons and other favors.

### HMCS Antigonish

The Antigonish completed refit in mid-April and, after a week of trials, sailed for Bedwell Harbor for work-ups and to clean and paint ship.

Returning to Esquimalt on May 8, the Antigonish embarked the band of HMCS Naden and a guard from the RCN Barracks and sailed for

Bellingham, Washington, to take part in that city's Blossomtime Festival.

Officers and men thoroughly enjoyed their three-day stay at Bellingham and were loud in their praise of the hospitality they encountered. Naden's guard and band created a very favorable impression, with the local newspaper terming the band's performance "the hit of the Blossom Festival Grand Pageant."

In an official letter to Lieut.-Cdr. Raymond Phillips, commanding officer of the Antigonish, Bellingham's mayor said, "I can confidently tell you that the entire group was a very excellent representation of our good neighbors to the North, and all those involved in organizing this presentation for Canada are in line for the highest compliments."

On May 13 the Antigonish embarked 46 cadets and six days later proceeded to Bedwell Harbor in company with HMCS Sioux to officially start the summer sea training program.

### Ordnance School

The school was pleasantly surprised to receive a call from CPO Bert Nelson, who was passing through from HMCS Cayuga, then in the Far East, on his way to attend the annual meeting of the Benevolent Fund in Ottawa.

Two officers who were in the school for a few weeks have joined the Ontario for training. They are Ordnance Sub-Lieutenants Laurence Arthurs and J. V. Germain, both former UNTD cadets.

PO William Still has gone to the Ontario to relieve PO Edward C. Alexander, who left for a leadership course at Cornwallis.

CPO Harry Leggett, who has been with the service for 22 years, has started his retirement leave. He has spent nearly all his career in the underwater weapon world, first in the old torpedo branch, then in the ordnance branch as a chief armourer (torpedo). CPO Leggett survived two sinkings during the war, those of the Fraser and the Margaree.

### ND Training Centre

Five classes are under instruction in the Navigation Direction Training Centre, two for RP3, one for RP2, one for QMI and a cadet class.

Two classes of RP3s, and three officers' classes, recently completed.

Among the new arrivals at the school are PO Frank L. McKay, recently qualified as a plot radar instructor; PO Leonard J. Paget from the Ontario and Ldg. Sea. George R. Robillard from the Antigonish.

Recent departures from the centre were PO Norman B. Hill and Ldg. Sea. Ronald Hooper to the Ontario.

A recent social evening held by the staff was so successful it was decided to make this a monthly event.

### Supply School

A supply course for cadets (S) got under way in the school annex May 19, with 36 cadets from universities across Canada enrolled. The course is of six weeks' duration.

The administrative and instructional staffs were increased in May. Sub-Lieut. (S) E. W. Van Allen took



Waving farewell to their father as HMCS Crusader sets sail from Esquimalt for the Korean theatre are Richard, left, and Carroll, son and daughter of CPO Richard Williams. With them and helping them to hold the Canadian flag is a cousin, Larry Williams. (E-18983).

over the duties of sports officer and, in addition, is giving bookkeeping instruction to the cadet course.

POs Vernon Judson and Geoffrey Clarke have joined the staff to assist with the training of RCN(R) men. Cadet (S) J. Penner has taken over from Cadet (S) B. W. Robertson as assistant to the senior instructional officer.

Lieut. (S) G. H. Smith has left the school and has been succeeded by Commissioned Writer Officer Mark Preston.

### **Naden Petty Officers' Mess**

The mess made a special occasion of Mother's Day, happily surprising the 104 residents of the Aged Women's Home in Victoria by sending them a huge cake and bouquets of flowers for their tables.

Jerry Gosley's Smile Show provided the entertainment at a social held in the mess May 24. The same show is trying to make arrangements to travel to the Far East and entertain the Canadian Forces serving there. — J.A.B.

### **Aldergrove Radio Station**

A number of personnel changes have taken place at Aldergrove. POs Kenneth Potter and Ernest Sargeant are now on course at the Communications School at HMCS Cornwallis, while CPO Henry Abercrombie has arrived as a replacement. AB Richard Lister has gone to HMCS Sioux, exchanging places with AB Frank Tyler, who recently saw service in Korean waters. Ldg. Sea. Marcel Bernier has arrived at the station to take over from PO Stanley Matychuk, who has gone to HMCS Naden. Lack of business has resulted in Petty Officer (Regulating) William Ramsdale being drafted to Naden.

### **Air Station Holds Father-Son Night**

A Father and Son Night held recently at HMCS Shearwater proved so successful that plans are being made for a repeat performance — but bigger and better — in the near future.

Some 75 fathers and their sons enjoyed a program featuring such events as sabre swinging, movies, clown acts and stunts of one kind and another. The fact that there was plenty to eat for both seniors and juniors also contributed to the success of the evening.

Chiefly responsible for organizing and staging the affair was the physical and recreational training staff at the naval air station.



High praise was accorded the band and a guard from HMCS Naden which marched in the armed forces section of a parade which opened the annual Blossomtime Festival at Bellingham, Wash. Band and guard were transported to Bellingham in the training frigate Antigonish and, during the stay in Bellingham, the ship was visited by Festival Queen Nadean Dunkin and her attendants.

## **ATLANTIC COAST**

### **Albro Lake Radio Station**

The annual inspection of Albro Lake Radio Station by the Flag Officer Atlantic Coast took place on May 2 following an intensive "spring cleaning" program in which all hands took part.

Outgoing drafts during the month of May included PO John Layton to the Haida, PO Leonard Murray to the Crescent and PO Herbert Cooper to Cornwallis for a C2CR qualifying course. New arrivals to Albro Lake are Leading Seamen Keith Wilson, Reginald Mann, Warren Huff and Edward Leppard.

### **HMCS Swansea**

The early part of May saw the completion of refit at Halifax Shipyards and of the ship's working up trials, both in record time.

Ammunitioning was carried out during three periods of intensive dog watch effort, the seaman, supply and stoker branches vying with one another on successive evenings.

Refit completed, the Swansea moved across to the dockyard and, with trials personnel and the ship's company co-operating perfectly, finished all pre-cruise trials in an unprecedented three days.

On May 19 the Swansea began what promised to be an interesting and successful summer, with 120 cadets to be trained in three short months, accompanying ships to be vanquished in various inter-ship competitions, and a number of interesting overseas ports to be visited.

During refit a ship's basketball team was organized and, although only two games were played, the nucleus of a fairly strong team for the future was formed.

Other sports activities included the participation by two ship's teams in the Command volleyball tournament. Though most of the players were new to the game, the First Team managed to win three games before going down to defeat. — A.J.M.

### **Coverdale Radio Station**

The first class of Wrens qualifying for communications duties completed the course at Coverdale and graduated May 10. Three weeks later a second Wren group was graduated.

Coverdale personnel joined with naval veterans of the Moncton area in parading to St. Georges Anglican and St. Bernard's Catholic churches in Moncton on Battle of the Atlantic Sunday.

Following the services, the parade marched to the City Hall, where the salute was taken by His Worship, Mayor A. E. Stone.

### **HMCS La Hullose**

After embarking her 'quota of 40 cadets, the La Hullose sailed from Halifax May 19 in company with HMC Ships Crescent and Swansea for the Mediterranean.

The week-end before sailing was a busy one as the cadets joined and were fitted into their quarters for the five-week trip.

Earlier in the month the task group visited Pictou while carrying out work-ups. During the two nights



One of two United States Navy blimps which operated out of HMCS Shearwater for a week in May is shown making a practice landing on the flight deck of HMCS Magnificent. The blimps, normally based at Lakehurst, N.J., carried out test flights from the RCN air station. (O-2489).

there "The Lady" took on the semblance of a lobster boat as the ship's company bought large quantities and rushed back to boil them.

No. 1 lobster eater was the navigator, Lieut. Gerry Hill, of Montreal, who consumed six at one sitting.

Lieut. (E) Jim Millen has gone to Stadacona for an education course and Lieut. Joe Mahan has been appointed to HMCS Star, in Hamilton.

### HMCS Cornwallis

A service in memory of the late Lieut. (P) William J. Spencer was held in St. George's Church, Cornwallis, on the afternoon of April 28. A large number of officers and men attended the service, which was conducted by Chaplain (P) Harry Pike and Chaplain F. H. Godfrey.

Lieut. Spencer was killed when an Avenger aircraft he was piloting crashed while flying out of the Naval Air Station at Dartmouth, N.S. Lieut. Spencer served at Cornwallis for more than two years prior to returning to flying duties shortly before the accident took place.

On Sunday, May 11, 70 members of the Cornwallis Choir, under the direction of Commander R. W. Murdoch, travelled to Liverpool, N.S., where they sang in the United Baptist Church.

### HMCS Brockville

The Brockville has been undergoing a short refit at Liverpool, N.S., prior to commencing her summer training program. Before entering refit, the ship made a seven-day trip to Bermuda in company with HMCS Wallaceburg. JOTLC classes were embarked, as well as few reserve personnel from HMCS Scotian. Seamanship training in the form of boatwork and evolutions was carried out. In addition, the JOTLC officers were busily engaged in taking star sights, sun sights and performing other navigational training.

### Communications School

Having read so much in *The Crowsnest* about large schools (empires), we would like to draw attention to the fact that at present the Communications School has more than 280 souls on board and is steadily increasing in strength.

Lieut.-Cdr. A. W. Brown and CPO A.P. Howard recently completed a tour of eastern naval divisions, during which they acquainted division staff with the latest communication publications and advised recruiting officers on requirements for communications personnel.

Lieut. P. W. Dolphin, RN, has joined the school on an exchange

arrangement with the Royal Navy. He comes from HMS Battleaxe, where he was staff communications officer to Captain D6.

CPO Edward S. Pratt has arrived from the Crescent, while CPO Cornelius Nast and POs Donald K. Hayward and Adam H. Christie are expected to join from the West Coast.

The electrical staff has a new departmental head, CPO Clarence A. Redden, who relieved CPO William J. Murray. PO Elmer H. Childerhouse recently joined the electrical staff from the Iroquois.

The Comschool got off to a good start in the inter-part softball league at Cornwallis, three of the four teams entered from the school having won their opening games by wide margins.

### HMCS Portage

The Portage spent the months of April and May in refit at Saint John, N.B.

The refit period saw numerous changes in the ship's company, with many of the older hands being drafted to Stadacona for higher courses.

The wardroom was not without its changes, either. Lieut. R. F. Gladman and Sub-Lieut. J. P. Morton left to join the staff of the Reserve Training Establishment for the summer, the former as a sea training officer in HMCS La Hullose and the latter as a term lieutenant for UNTD cadets in Stadacona.

Lieut. (E) Frank Hindle has been appointed to Stadacona after two years in the Portage and Commissioned Engineer Owen Jones has relieved him. Lieut. G. R. Ferguson has joined from the Search and Rescue unit in HMCS Shearwater.

### Scholarship Instituted by Victoria NOAC

The Naval Officers Association of Victoria has instituted an annual scholarship of \$300 to assist the children of ex-personnel of the Commonwealth Naval Forces, resident in the province of B.C., and expressing a desire to join any university naval training scheme, to enter the first year of university at the University of British Columbia or at Victoria College. The recipient of the award will be selected by the Joint Faculty Committee on Prizes, Scholarships and Bursaries of the University of B.C. and the selection will be based on scholarship, character, leadership and financial need.

Application forms are obtainable from the office of the Dean of Administrative and Inter-Faculty Affairs, University of B.C., Vancouver, and must be filed by June 15 preceding commencement of the university year.

### Mechanical Training Establishment

Four petty officers successfully passed a post-entry ERA class at the MTE and were drafted to sea late in May. They were Petty Officers Gerald MacKenzie, Clifford Ross, Andre Debaeremaker and Albert Lup-ton.

Faces reappearing around the shops and classrooms lately include those of Chief Petty Officers Arthur Cawley and Cameron Miller from Naden, Thomas Evans from Halifax Dockyard, James Dean from the Magnificent and Jack Quinn from the Iroquois, and PO George Crosman from the Magnificent.

### TAS School

After a temporary lull, the TAS School got back in full swing, with several miscellaneous classes being added to the regular groups under instruction. Among the former were divers qualifying in demolitions; radar plotters first class taking a two-day course in the TAS aspect of plotting, and one officer, one CPO and an able seaman of the Uruguayan Navy who spent two weeks with CPO Fred Purnell for instruction in depth charges and hedgehog. CPO Purnell also benefited from this course, acquiring an acceptable understanding of Spanish.

The destroyer command examinations held during May had some of the staff working additional hours, a large number of officers having chosen to sit for the TAS section of the exams.

Lieut. T. J. C. Thomas and CPO T. Elstone have left for Key West, Fla., and a special course with the USN. AB J. Santomero has joined HMCS Haida.

## NAVAL DIVISIONS

### HMCS Discovery

(Vancouver)

About 300 students from nine Vancouver high schools toured Discovery when the division held the first of what it hopes will be a series of semi-annual "High School Nights".

Transported to the Stanley Park naval establishment in specially chartered busses, the students, boys and girls 17 and over, were taken on special tours in small groups. They inspected the communications set-up and saw reserve operators transmitting messages by teletype and morse; saw asdic in operation; inspected weapons; were guests at a "dummy run" in the TAS school; witnessed the kitting out of new entries; saw the rifle range and toured the division's tender, PTC 124.

The evening, lasting about three



Wilfred Moss, Dockyard Naval Stores Officer at Esquimalt, was honored, May 16, on completion of 40 years of service in naval stores. Captain (E) B. R. Spencer, Superintendent of the Dockyard, presented Mr. Moss with a framed picture of HMS Cormorant, first warship to enter the dockyard officially when it was opened in 1887. (E-18942).

hours, ended with the presentation of two naval films, one showing the progress and life of a naval recruit, the other depicting the operations of Canadian ships in Korean waters.

Vice-Admiral E. R. Mainguy made his first inspection of Discovery since assuming the appointment of Chief of the Naval Staff. Admiral Mainguy toured the establishment, met the officers and also spent some time with the Chiefs and POs. While in Vancouver, Admiral Mainguy addressed a luncheon meeting held in his honor by the Canadian Club.

The Ladies' Auxiliary of Discovery sponsored a dog show for the B.C. Kennel Club and had a record entry of 189. The proceeds will go toward supplying comforts for the sailors in Korea.

PTC 124, commanded by Lieut. Jack Stephenson, made a tour of Gulf Island ports during the May 24 week-end. — W.J.H.

### HMCS Nonsuch

(Edmonton)

Personnel from Nonsuch and of RCSCC Warrior turned out more than 250 strong for Battle of the Atlantic Sunday services on May 18.

Protestant personnel attended a special service at Central United Church and Roman Catholics attended mass at Sacred Heart Church.

Following the services, the two groups formed up and marched to Nonsuch, led by the division's band.



Sea cadets of RCSCC Nelson form a guard of honor for Captain D. L. Raymond, commanding officer of HMCS Shearwater, at the annual inspection of the Halifax corps. With Captain Raymond are Lieut.-Cdr. P. K. Wilton, left, sea cadet area officer, and Lieut.-Cdr. G. V. Guy, RCSC, right background, commanding officer of RCSCC Nelson (HS-19377).

En route the parade passed a saluting base at which Commander G. P. Manning, commanding officer of Non-such, took the salute. — *E.W.H.*

### **HMCS Prevost** (London, Ont.)

The ship's company of Prevost, ex-naval officers and sea cadets paraded to St. George's Anglican Church May 18 to observe Battle of the Atlantic Sunday.

Three members of the permanent staff attached to Prevost recently were presented with Korean campaign medals by Commander F. R. K. Naftel, the commanding officer. The United Nations and Korean Commonwealth medals were presented to AB Lorne Barton, of Listowel, Ont.; AB Donald Davies, of Calgary, and AB Laurie Parkin, St. Mary's, Ont.

Some 40 UNTD cadets from the University of Western Ontario held closing exercises at Prevost before writing final exams at university. Upon completion of their studies they proceeded to the coasts for training.

The chief and petty officers' mess held a mess dinner recently, the first of its kind at Prevost. Guests were Lieut.-Cdr. Gordon Brighton and Lieut.-Cdr. N. J. Russell.

Ten acting sub-lieutenants and one sea cadet officer recently completed the first officers' training course at the

London naval division. Three of the officers went to HMCS Stadacona for summer training following completion of the course. They were Acting Sub-Lieutenants David Pope, S. B. McEwen and N. L. Currie.— *N.L.C.*

### **HMCS Catarqui** (Kingston)

PTC 704 arrived at Kingston from Hamilton, May 1, after a smooth passage across Lake Ontario. The Fairmile was put to good use providing training for personnel of Catarqui prior to transferring to the Great Lakes Training Command.

A firing party from the division attended the funeral at Trenton of Lieut. (P) W. J. Spencer, who was killed in a flying accident at HMCS Shearwater April 24.

The ship's company of Catarqui, along with the band and sea cadets from RCSCC St. Lawrence, marked Battle of Atlantic Sunday with a church parade.

The Kingston naval division had a change of executive officers in May, with Lieut. P. H. Skelton succeeding Lieut. P. M. Cornell.

Two members of the permanent staff, Leading Seamen William O. Gibbs and Roy P. Dolihan, have been promoted to petty officer second class.

### **Naval Air Helps Steward in Distress**

Naval aviation has an especially staunch supporter in Petty Officer Robert Barnes, a steward serving in HMCS Portage.

At Saint John, N.B., where his ship was refitting, PO Barnes received a telegram from Halifax informing him of serious injury to his wife.

As there was no commercial flight scheduled to Halifax until some time later, a telephone call was put through to Captain D. L. Raymond, commanding officer of HMCS Shearwater.

An Avenger, piloted by Lieut. G. D. Westwood, was dispatched immediately from the air station, landed at Saint John airport, embarked PO Barnes and flew him to Dartmouth. Soon after getting the telegram he was home.

### **HMCS Brunswick** (Saint John)

Brunswick played host to teachers and senior students of four Saint John and district high schools on May 14 with scores of inquisitive youths being taken on a tour of the establishment.

The "High School Night" was designed to give the students an opportunity to see for themselves the role played by the naval division in the community. During the nearly three hours the students were at Brunswick, they saw personnel under training and witnessed demonstrations of anti-submarine weapons, communications and seamanship. Later in the evening they were shown a color movie of the navy in action and were addressed briefly by the commanding officer, Commander J. A. MacKinnon.

Commander MacKinnon was an honor guest of the University of New Brunswick at the annual graduation exercises May 15. Among the graduates were four RCN cadets who received the degree of bachelor of science in electrical engineering. All graduated with high academic standing.

On May 18, personnel of Brunswick observed Battle of the Atlantic Sunday with a church parade and march past. Accompanied by the division's pipe and drum band; Rodney Corps, Royal Canadian Sea Cadets; the corps' drum and bugle band and the Wrenettes, the ship's company paraded to St. James Church and St. John the Baptist Church for morning services. Commander MacKinnon read the lesson at the St. James Church service.

Following the services, the units paraded through the central area of the city. The march past was held at the Cenotaph in King Square,



Seafaring names — Helms, Piers and Skipper — are possessed by three naval officers serving on the staff of the Supreme Allied Commander Atlantic at Norfolk, Va. Left to right are Commander H. J. Skipper, USN, Captain D. W. Piers, RCN, and Captain Adam Helms, Royal Danish Navy. (*Official SACLANT Photo*).



### Toronto IODE Donates \$200 to Magnificent

Thanks to the IODE in Toronto, HMCS Magnificent began her current training cruise well stocked with amenities. Not long ago the "Maggie" received instructions from the IODE to buy \$200 worth of whatever the ship might want and send along the bill.

After careful consideration, the carrier's personnel decided to use the fund for recreational purposes. Additional phonograph records were purchased for the ship's broadcasting station, MAGI, and playing cards, cribbage boards, chessmen and similar amusement gear were obtained.

The generous gift was acknowledged by Captain Kenneth L. Dyer on behalf of a grateful ship's company.

where the salute was taken by Capt. C. H. Bonnycastle, RCN(R), Ret'd, former commanding officer of Brunswicker.

On the afternoon of May 18, which is observed annually in Saint John as Loyalist Day, two detachments of Brunswicker personnel and the division's pipe and drum band participated in the observances. — *R.S.M.*

### HMCS Scotian

(Halifax)

Captain A. G. Boulton, Director of Naval Reserves, carried out an inspection of the ship's company and facilities at Scotian in mid-May during his annual tour of naval divisions in Eastern Canada.

Addressing the ship's company, Captain Boulton declared that a strong reserve was essential to a really effective naval effort. He outlined the changes in the reserve training program and complimented officers and men on their showing throughout the year and at the inspection.

Captain Boulton later visited the minesweeper Brockville, training tender for the division.

### HMCS York

(Toronto)

Mayor Allan Lamport of Toronto and several members of his council paid a visit May 7 to HMCS York. The group witnessed the regular Wednesday night training in the various classrooms and the departments.

Personnel of York paid last respects April 28 to CPO Harold Hart, who was fatally injured in an automobile accident on the Queen Elizabeth Highway. He had been a member of the ship's company of York for a considerable time.

A radar set installed in the division's radar room performed operationally for the first time early in May. Believed to be the only one functioning in any of the naval divisions in Canada, the set has a range of five miles and easily picks up the Fairway Buoy and other navigational aids in Toronto harbor. The set was loaned to York by Canadian Arsenals, Limited, and will be used for training and navigation direction practice with the division's Fairmile and tug.

Wrens at York have started to learn the art of sailing under the instruction of PO A. J. Edwards.

### HMCS Hunter

(Windsor)

The ship's company of HMCS Hunter, led by the division's brass band, paraded through downtown Windsor May 18 for special services at All Saints' Anglican Church to commemorate the Battle of the Atlantic. The church services were conducted by Rev. Carl Swan, a wartime naval chaplain.

Training afloat on the Detroit river stepped up with the return of PTC 762 from winter storage at Eriau. The training craft has taken Hunter personnel and sea cadets on a number of short training cruises.

Captain F. H. Gardner, United States Naval Attache at Ottawa, visited Hunter in May while in the Windsor-Detroit area. He inspected training facilities and took

the salute as the ship's company marched past during divisions.

AB William Scatterty has organized a softball team which will play home-and-home games with neighboring divisions in the Western Ontario area. — *R.M.P.*

### HMCS Montcalm

(Quebec City)

The ship's company paraded to divine service on Battle of the Atlantic Sunday, May 18. After the service, the parade proceeded to the Cenotaph, where a wreath was laid by Commander M. J. Jette, commanding officer of Montcalm, on behalf of the ship's company.

Lieut. Pierre Simard was in charge of the parade. Assisting were Instr. Lieut. L. W. Maundcote-Carter, Instr. Lieut. R. J. Leclair and Sub-Lieut. (S) J. B. Carisse. The band, under the direction of Lieut. (SB) Will Brodrique, was in attendance.

At a recent informal gathering in the wardroom, the officers said "au revoir" to Lieut.-Cdr. D. I. McGill, executive officer of the division, prior to his departure to take up residence and employment in Montreal.

The latest division to commence courses in the Basic Training School has been given the name "Louisburg", in memory of the corvette lost by enemy action in the Mediterranean during the war.

Recent arrivals at Montcalm in-



Mayor Allan Lamport and several members of the Toronto city council visited HMCS York on a recent Wednesday training night and witnessed the instruction and routine carried out on board the Toronto naval division. Present on the same night were Captain F. H. Gardner, United States Naval Attache at Ottawa, and Captain A. G. Boulton, Director of Naval Reserves. Left to right are Alderman W. R. Allen and E. Bogart, Captain Gardner, Captain Boulton, Mayor Lamport, Captain R. I. Hendy, commanding officer of York, and Alderman E. A. Phillips and John Knchereps.

### This Changing World

Although the navy is traditionally "a man's life", a leading marine paint manufacturing company in the United States admits having had to make a concession to the fact that the allegedly "weaker sex" has infiltrated the seagoing service.

The firm has re-named its paint, and has come out with a color chart listing such shades as "robin's egg blue," "powder puff yellow", "sea nymph green" and "flannel gray", the last being a fancy new title for old-fashioned battleship gray.

clude Instr. Lieut. Maundcote-Carter and two supply officers, Lieut. (S) N. W. Denney and Sub-Lieut. Carisse.

Able Seaman Kenneth L. Hicks, a quartermaster on the staff at HMCS Montcalm, picked up a perfect hand during a recent cribbage game. AB Hicks held three fives and the jack of clubs and turned the five of clubs. — R.J.L.

### HMCS Donnacona

(Montreal)

As the reserve training season came to a close in Montreal, all branches at Donnacona concentrated on studying and writing exams prior to departure for summer training at the coast.

The British cruiser Sheffield, wearing the flag of Vice-Admiral Sir William Andrewes, arrived at Montreal May 16 for a ten-day visit. Social and sports activities were arranged for the the entire ship's company during their stay. The cruiser was open to public inspection and Wrens from Donnacona were taken on a conducted tour of the ship.

Personnel from Donnacona and the Sheffield joined forces May 18 for a church parade in observance of Battle of the Atlantic Sunday. The parade was led by the Royal Marine band and during the march past Captain Michael Everard, commanding officer of the Sheffield, took the salute. — R.F.D.S.

### QUALIFYING COURSE FOR TAS BRANCH OFFICERS

A three-and-one-half month TAS qualifying course for lieutenants of the Regular Force who were originally TAS branch officers will be conducted at the Torpedo Anti-Submarine School, Halifax, the anticipated date of commencement of the first course being October 1952.

The course is designed to provide

lieutenants (ex-TAS branch officers) with the tactical knowledge required

for lieutenants (TAS) of the Regular Force.

### LETTER TO THE EDITOR

Dear Sir:

During the war I spent more than two years in HMCS St. Croix and although living conditions were not of the best, we had a lot of fun. Most of my shipmates are gone with the old ship, but many of the things that happened are well remembered. I think we are all inclined to forget the bad or unpleasant incidents and best remember the others. It is one of these I would like to tell you about.

I guess everyone in the service gripes a certain amount at some time, and I know the St. Croix was no exception. In our crowded stokers' mess we had a man named Paul McDonald. Paul was from Montreal and before his entry into the Navy had worked at the YMCA.

McDonald had two pet themes, or gripes, as we called them: "When this damn war is over I'm going back to

work at the 'Y' in Montreal", and, "I hate doing dishes!"

One day whilst the ship was on convoy duty in the Atlantic, Paul was dishing up in the mess and (so he said) forgot the silverware was in the dishwasher and dumped the lot over the side. We all thought it a joke and had a great laugh at Paul's expense — until we went to draw more cutlery and found there was none to be had. Well, you haven't seen meals eaten by hungry men under greater difficulty than we had with three spoons and two knives between the lot of us.

It was too much for one of the boys, Reg Lees. He was a bit of a poet and he wrote the following verse. I thought it might be of interest to others, hence this little article. I came across it while searching through my trunk and looking at souvenirs gathered over the past years.

J. W. PEARSON, C1SM3.

PAUL McDONALD — JUNIOR CHEMIST

HMCS ST. CROIX

*Mrs. McDonald had a son named Paul,  
He worked at the "Y" in Montreal.  
When the war broke out — Paul said one day:  
'Ma, pack my bags, I'm going away.  
I think the Navy is the place for me  
So I'm going to join, and sail the sea.'*

*Then he boarded a train for Halifax town  
With his neck washed clean and his hair slicked down.  
Like most of the boys he'd heard the old story  
And figured that he was fighting for Glory,  
And thought that he was a fortunate boy  
When they gave him a draft aboard the St. Croix.*

*'Twas then he learnt, against his wishes,  
That part of his work was washing dishes.  
But at last one day, our hero, Paul,  
Thought of a way to get rid of them all.*

*This day we had dinner — I think it was hash —  
And McDonald was ordered to clean up the gash.  
He gathered the scraps and he tidied the place,  
With a gleam in his eye and a smile on his face.  
Then he picked up the dishpan, without commotion —  
And dumped all our silverware into the Ocean!*

*"It couldn't be helped! 'Twas a mishap!" he cried,  
Then crawled in his bunk and contentedly sighed,  
While the rest of us figured we'd spend all our lives  
Eating our hash without forks or knives.*

# They Aim to Satisfy

*Cookery School is Lab  
for Testing, Fixing  
Unpopular Recipes*

**A**PPLÉ PIE with "built-in" cheese is one of the recent innovations on the menu at HMCS Stadacona, the RCN barracks and training establishment at Halifax.

This and a number of other changes have been made in Navy recipes since a cookery school was opened on the East Coast a few months ago.

When cooks at the main galley in Stadacona reported that the men were not eating the issue cheese along with their apple pie, the chief cook at the school, CPO Lloyd MacArthur, built the cheese right into the pie crusts.

It is CPO MacArthur's job to test and recommend changes in recipes when it is found that they are not being received well in the messes. And, if any of the cooks who use an issue recipe book find that the book doesn't produce the best results, or if they come up with a new wrinkle of their own, they pass it along to the Chief for a trial. If it proves more satisfactory than the existing recipe, it goes to Ottawa recommended as a replacement.

CPO MacArthur presides over a gleaming galley in the basement of the Stadacona administration building.

"It's a very tidy little galley and we didn't think it should be going to waste," said Commander (S) R. V. Bowditch, Supply Officer at Stadacona, at whose suggestion the school was started, in explaining why he proposed opening the cookery school.

Its most important function, as far as the supply branch is concerned, is the instruction it gives to all cooks in the command in the baking of bread.

As Commander Bowditch puts it: "It is extremely important that every Navy cook know how to bake bread. He may be in a ship at sea which runs out of bread before it reaches its base. Then it's up to him to produce bread for the crew, for bread is one of the staples of their diet."

Every day of the week finds a Navy cook busily baking a ten-pound batch of bread in the galley. He reports early in the morning and, under the watchful eye of CPO MacArthur, goes through the whole bread making routine, from the setting of the yeast to the slicing of the finished loaf.

If the bread isn't up to standard, he's headed for more instruction.

There have been several instances in which the school has proved its "trouble shooting" ability.

The most unusual concerned the apple pie and cheese. The school tried several experiments. First, the cheese was grated into the pastry mix. But it was found that the cheese contained so much salt that, when it was combined with the salt already in the pastry, it made the mixture unpalatable. The salt was dropped from the pastry mix recipe and the result was a good pie crust with "built in" cheese.

"The case of the pale pie crust" was also solved by the school. Because they were afraid the pie crusts, especially for steak and kidney pie, were being made tough, the cooks had stopped using an egg or milk wash in their preparation. This wash gives the crust a rich, golden color and its omission left the crusts looking pale and unappetizing.

After some testing with greater and lesser amounts of shortening, CPO MacArthur proved that the wash had little or nothing to do with the quality of the pastry. He did find that an egg wash does a better job. Now all steak and kidney pies look just like the ones mother used to make.

Another important function the cookery school fulfills is the testing of cooks for promotion.

These men come from the various ships and establishments in the command. They are required to prepare a five-course meal, from the ordering of their supplies to dishing it up ready to serve. These meals are cooked by a different man twice a day for two weeks.

The testing staff, which includes Commander Bowditch and the deputy supply officer, Lieut.-Cdr. (S) Leo Neveu, finds this job the hardest. A five-course dinner at 11 a.m. and 4 p.m. every day for two weeks is a little more than the average constitution can stand.



Commander (S) R. V. Bowditch, Supply Officer of Stadacona, tests a muffin baked in the cookery school at the East Cook training establishment. Awaiting the verdict is CPO Lloyd MacArthur, chief cook in the school. (HS-17466).



# The Navy Plays



## Three-Department Team Tops Naden Competition

A combined Medical, Communications and Navigation Direction team finished in first place in the competition for the winter Cock of the Barracks trophy at HMCS Naden.

The competitions consisted of volleyball, basketball, hockey, .22 rifle shooting, bowling, badminton and swimming.

Medical, Comm. and ND compiled 105 points, 13 more than second-place Supply Naden. Other teams in order of finish were: Supply School "A", TAS and Electrical, MTE "A", Band, Supply School "B", MTE "B" and Ordnance.

The week following the end of the winter sports, the softball schedule — the first of the summer sports — got under way. After two weeks of play, Supply Naden and TAS and Electrical shared the top spot with two wins in as many starts.

Many familiar names are appearing on the score sheets, a few of which are: for Supply, CPO Lester Noon, Ldg. Sea. Norman Richardson and PO Andy George; for TAS and

Electrical, PO Dennis Mann, CPO Dave Ingram and PO Jack Strachan; for Medical, Comm. and ND, Commissioned Communications Officer A. Shirley, PO Ken Guthrie and PO Fred Kelly; for Ordnance, CPO Chester Padget and PO Joseph Horneisty, and for the Band, AB Lorne Knox and PO David Fisher.

The two Supply School teams and the MTE have a number of new players but show promise of being in the thick of the battle for honors. Other sports scheduled for the summer are tabloid track and field and medley marathons.

## Wren Baseball Team Enters Moncton League

Wrens from HMC Naval Radio Station Coverdale have entered a team in the Moncton City and District Baseball League and, on the basis of the skill they have shown at practice sessions, have been picked as likely pace-setters.

In an exhibition basketball game played at the Moncton Garrison, HMCS Stadacona defeated Coverdale 78-61.

## Softball, Soccer Start at Cornwallis

Inter-part and inter-divisional softball leagues at HMCS Cornwallis got under way early in May with 12 teams entered in each circuit. Similarly organized soccer leagues were slated to begin play at the end of the month.

Champions were decided in volleyball and deck hockey as the indoor sports season ended at Cornwallis. Saguenay Division won the inter-divisional volleyball championship in a sudden-death knockout tournament in which all new entry divisions took part.

In deck hockey Crusader Division defeated Columbia Division in the final of a similar tournament.

Cornwallis played a not too gracious host to Shearwater in a challenge boxing meet, the Annapolis Valley mittmen winning five of the six bouts.

The Cornwallis chief and petty officers visited Dartmouth to take on the chiefs and POs of Shearwater in a challenge hockey match that ended in a 3-3 tie.

Another exhibition hockey game found the East beating the West by a 15-1 score at Cornwallis. The "Bluenosers" had too much class for the "Indians."

## Shearwater Gridders Hold Spring Practice

There was a lull in sports activities at HMCS Shearwater as winter schedules ended and preparations were under way for the summer competitions.

The soccer team donned playing togs earlier than expected in order to play host to the visiting team from HMS Sheffield in an exhibition game. The Sheffield scored a 2-1 win, with all goals being scored in the second half and the winning marker coming with only five minutes remaining in the game.

Candidates turned out for a representative team which has entered in the Dartmouth Suburban Softball League. While they took over one part of the playing field, the Shearwater football team was getting in some spring training on another.



For the fourth consecutive year, HMCS Naden won the port soccer championship at Esquimalt. This year Naden defeated HMCS Ontario in the final. Members of the winning team were, front row, left to right: Lieut. (S) P. J. Sands, AB N. Standley, CPO Thomas Reading, PO Charles Hall and PO David Sadler (referee). Rear row, Instructor Lieut. David MacKenzie (captain), Commissioned Communications Officer Albert Shirley, Instructor Lieut.-Cdr. H. V. Irving, Instructor Lieut. D. A. Robertson, PO George Kinch, PO George Buckingham, PO Jack Strachan and Lieut. (SB) W. A. Northey. (E-18801).

### **No-Hitter Twirled as Airmen Triumph**

HMCS Shearwater's entry in the Dartmouth Suburban Softball League opened the schedule by trouncing Fairey Aviation 17-0. CPO Dick Dupchak, Shearwater pitcher, tossed a no-hitter in the five-inning contest.

The league, now in its third year of operation, includes ten teams from Dartmouth and vicinity, with Shearwater the only service team entered.

### **Montcalm Enters Team in City Ball League**

A representative team has been entered by HMCS Montcalm in the Quebec City Intermediate Softball League. Coached by Lieut.-Cdr. R. D. Campbell, the team has shown early indications of being a strong contender.

An inter-part softball league is in full swing in the Quebec City division.

The Montcalm hockey team finally packed up its gear to terminate a season in which it did a splendid good-will job on behalf of the division.

### **Variety of Sports for RN Visitors**

An elaborate sports schedule was arranged as part of the entertainment program for the ship's company of HMS Sheffield during the cruiser's visit to Halifax May 8-13. Athletic events included soccer, rigger, basketball, golf, cricket, swimming and diving, water polo and squash, with teams from Shearwater, Cornwallis and Stadacona providing the competition in all but rigger. RCN teams won six out of ten events and in the rigger match the RN cruiser's team played to a 6-6 tie with Halifax Wanderers.

### **Aldergrove Competing in Local Ball Loop**

Aldergrove Naval Radio Station has entered a team in the Abbotsford and District Softball League for the current season. Members include CPO Charlie Moser, PO Bob Connor, AB John Jewell, Ldg. Sea. Lloyd Milton, PO Earl Beatty, Ldg. Sea. Harry Haines, PO Dave Bruce, Ldg. Sea. John Genik, PO Jim Gibson, Ldg. Sea. Bud Stephens, Ldg. Sea. Art Dieroff and PO Norval Giles.

Although the team got off to a poor start, the players were showing favorable improvement by mid-June.

Swimming, fishing, boating and horseshoes have also been on the go at Aldergrove, with the weatherman obliging with perfect weather.



Shown above are members of the new entry team which won the inter-divisional bowling championship at HMCS Cornwallis. Seated are Ordinary Seamen Rene Pepin, Montreal, left, and Donald Churchill, Toronto. Standing are Ordinary Seamen James Duncan, Parry Sound, Ont., Don Reisenburg, Montreal, and Bill Bromell, Toronto. (DB-1329).

### **Stadacona Competing in Softball Circuit**

HMCS Stadacona has entered a team in the Halifax Senior Softball League, a revamped version of the old commercial league in which Stadacona played a couple of years ago.

The Navy nine is coached by CPO Bernie Gordon and managed by Commander (S) Raymond Bowditch. Four teams are entered in the league, which plays night games on the North Commons. They are Army, Shipyards, Dockyard and Stadacona.

### **'Jolts' Take Inter-part Basketball Honors**

Junior Officers' Technical and Leadership Course "E" scored a 25-17 win over Electrical Mates in the deciding game of a best of three series for the Stadacona inter-part basketball championship. The Electricians won the first game 24-22, only to have the "Jolts" come back to record a 24-10 win in the second.

Commissioned Bos'n Jim Arnott and Lieut. Sheldon Rowell paced the winners in the final game, each notching six points.

Members of the JOTLC team were Lieut. S. M. Rowell, Lieut. Fred Lubin, Lieut.-Cdr. R. M. Greene, Lieut. D. H. McNichol, Lieut. J. O. Murray, Lieut.-Cdr. M. H. Page, Commissioned Bos'n James Arnott, Lieut. W. C. Wheeler and Lieut. Norman Eversfield.

### **Marksmanship Trophy Presented at Catarauqui**

Ldg. Sea. Preston Conley, with an average of 92, became the first winner of the Coleman marksmanship trophy at HMCS Catarauqui. The trophy was presented to Ldg. Sea. Conley by Commander G. M. Coleman, former commanding officer of Catarauqui and donor of the trophy.

### **Three Rifle Teams Compete at Prevost**

Three rifle teams have entered the monthly inter-divisional shoot at HMCS Prevost. Captains of the teams are Sub-Lieut. Charles Brown, CPO William Christiani and AB T. E. Nunns.

Prevost's Wrens have also taken up rifle and pistol shooting. Twenty-four Wrens make up four teams which turn out one night a week, in addition to the regular training night, for competition.

### **Shearwater Officers Are Volleyball Champs**

A tournament to decide the Atlantic Command volleyball championship was held at HMCS Stadacona the night of May 5 with 16 teams from the Halifax and Dartmouth area and from HMCS Cornwallis playing a total of 30 games.

Shearwater officers took the title, edging the P&RT Staff of Stadacona in a best of three final series. Scores were 14-15, 15-10 and 15-1.

The play began at 4:30 p.m. and the final game ended at 11:30. Games were played in the form of double knockout series on three courts in the Stadacona gymnasium.

### **Radio Station Staff Goes in for Fishing**

Fishing has become the main avocation at Albro Lake, with quite a large number of trout being taken from waters within the radio station's boundaries.

Honors for the largest fish caught are currently held by CPO Cassam (Slim) Marlin, who recently landed a speckled trout weighing two pounds 9½ ounces and measuring 17½ inches from bow to stern. Lieut. George Hoyte, officer-in-charge, is running a close second with a fish measuring 17 inches. PO John Layton, Ldg. Sea. Peter Craft and Able Seamen John Milligan and Leonard Sullivan are busily trying to top these figures.

A softball team is again representing the station in the Halifax North-end Softball League. Ldg. Sea. Harvey

Pare has attended to the many details concerning league membership and the team has high hopes of winning the championship it came so close to capturing last year.

### **Stadacona Tops Truro in Cricket Exhibition**

HMCS Stadacona scored a 124-35 victory in the second annual exhibition cricket match with the St. John's Cricket Club of Truro. The game was played on the Stadacona playing field.

The Stadacona team, playing its first game of the season, was led by Lieut. (L) Frank Turner, with 26 runs, and Lieut. Lloyd Jones and Lieut. (L) Ron Baker with 25 each.

### **Stadacona Captures Fraser-Harris Trophy**

HMCS Stadacona captured the Fraser-Harris Sailing Trophy in the annual regatta at HMCS Shearwater May 10.

Commissioned Bos'n Wallace Carey piloted the Stadacona whaler entry to victory over 12 others and CPO Charles Church came second in the dinghy race to win the regatta for Stadacona on total points. A dinghy from HMS Sheffield placed first.

Entries represented the Sheffield, RCN ships and establishments, Cadets, RCMP, the Royal Nova Scotia Yacht Squadron and the Armdale Yacht Club. It was the first sailing regatta out of Shearwater this year.

The trophy has been won in successive years by Shearwater, the Armdale Yacht Club and, now, by Stadacona.

### **Bowling League Playoff Won by Clothing Stores**

Clothing Stores, pace-setter during the regular schedule, won the Stadacona inter-part bowling championship, defeating Central Stores by 337 pins in a six-string, total pinfall final.

Twelve teams were entered in the playoffs, with first-place Clothing Stores and seventh-place Central Stores surviving the preliminary eliminations.

Outstanding for Clothing Stores in the final was AB William Hamilton with a triple of 793 and a single 322 in the first three strings.

### **MTE Bowlers Capture Mixed League Playoff**

Mechanical Training Establishment, leader of "A" Section, won the Stadacona Mixed Bowling League Championship in a round robin playoff with TAS School and Naval Research Establishment, leaders of "B" and "C" Sections, respectively.

PO George Fry of the TAS team cornered the individual honors. He had the high average (211), high single (338) and high triple (864). In the ladies division, high average went to Mrs. Myrtle Moulton of Depot "B" team with 189, while Mrs. Marion Sproule of MTE rolled the high single (310) and the high triple (698).

Members of the winning team were Mrs. Mary Hutchings, Mrs. Marion Sproule, Mrs. Helen Sample, Mrs. M. K. Larson, PO William Pollard, CPO Bob Semple, PO John Wright and PO John Duffy. Mrs. Sproule also

won individual prizes for high single and high three in league competition.

### **CPO Marcel Bolduc Tops Stad Bowlers**

Five bowlers recorded season averages of 200 or over in the Stadacona inter-part bowling league.

Topping the list was CPO Marcel Bolduc of Central Stores with a 218 mark. In second place was Ldg. Sea. John MacCormack of Electrical "B" with 215. Others to reach the charmed circle were PO George Fry, TAS School (205); AB Bruce Davis, Clothing Stores (205) and CPO William C. Conrad, Clothing Stores (200).

Two trundlers wound up with averages of 199. They were PO John Wright, MTE "A", and CPO Alvin Underhill, Regulating Staff.

### **Sports Events Arranged For Visiting Cruiser**

A varied sports program was arranged by HMCS Donnacona for the ship's company of HMS Sheffield during the cruiser's visit to Montreal. It included soccer, cricket and rugby matches and a swimming meet.

A sports week-end held on the drill deck of Donnacona resulted in a victory for the RCAF, St. John, Que. Donnacona placed second, followed by RCAF, St. Hubert, and the Black Watch. Badminton, volleyball and basketball were played.

The Montreal division will field two softball teams this year, one in the Westmount Inter-Service League and the other in the Montreal City League.

Soccer practices have begun and,



Pictured above are some of the craft that competed in the annual Fraser-Harris Sailing Regatta at HMCS Shearwater. HMCS Stadacona came first in the whaler and second in the dinghy events to win the meet on combined points. The regatta was the first of the year at Shearwater (HS-19404).

after a series of summer exhibition games, the Donnacona eleven will be entered in regular league play in the fall.

### **Hockey Trophy Presented to Magnificent's Squad**

Topping a highly successful sports season, HMCS Magnificent's hockey team, champion of the inter-ship league, was presented with the Hiram Walker trophy by Rear-Admiral R. E. S. Bidwell May 5. The team finished the regular schedule with only one loss in a dozen games and swept through the semi-finals and final without a defeat.

### **'Maggie' Beats Quebec in Sports Tabloid**

HMCS Magnificent and HMCS Quebec squared off in a sports tabloid on board the carrier, May 11, with the "Maggie" retaining the "Shmink-lined Carrier vs Plane Guard Cup" by totalling 16 points to the Quebec's 12.

Teams from various departments in the two ships met in volleyball, deck hockey and target shooting competitions.

### **'Y' Volleyballers Win Brunswick Trophy**

A trophy donated by HMCS Brunswick, to be emblematic of the Saint John and district volleyball championship, was put up for competition for the first time on May 10 when seven teams competed in an elimination tournament at the Saint John armory.

Winner of the trophy was the YMCA 21 Club team. Three entries from Brunswick, the Squids, Barracudas and Mantas, participated in the event. The trophy was presented to the captain of the winning team by Lieut.-Cdr. (S) W. A. Brown, on behalf of Commander J. A. MacKinnon, commanding officer of Brunswick.

### **PT Instructors Cop Volleyball Title**

The staff of the Physical and Recreational Training School won the Stadacona inter-part volleyball championship May 20, edging out Electrical "A" three games to two in a see-saw best of five series.

The Electricians won the first game 15-10, only to have the PTI's come back in the second with a 15-0 shut-out. Electrical "A" again went one up winning the third game 15-11, but the club-swingers again knotted the series with a 17-15 overtime victory. Then the PTI's



There is no shortage of musical talent on board HMCS Nootka, as witness this sing-song session in the after upper messdeck. Lined up on the lockers are, left to right: Ldg. Sea. Lloyd Kay, PO Arthur (Steamer) Smith, AB H. A. Smith, PO Howard Bailey, AB Earl McWhinney, AB Alfred Buckle and AB Ronald Lowry. (NK-1140).

won the hard-fought fifth game 15-12 to take the championship.

Members of the winning team were PO "Ginger" O'Brien, Ldg. Sea. Rowan Carroll, CPO John Hancock, AB Jack Carruthers, CPO Neil Lumley and CPO Alex Burns.

### **Children Take Spotlight in Cornwallis Carnival**

The skating season was closed at HMCS Cornwallis with the holding of a costume carnival in the rink on the evening of April 18. The affair was organized by Chaplain (P) Harry Pike and Mrs. Ian Pannabaker, who had been assisting and schooling the children of the Cornwallis community in figure skating during the winter. The Cornwallis band provided the music.

PO Victor Dougherty looked after the races, while Lieut.-Cdr. Wilf Inman was master of ceremonies and Commander R. W. Murdoch served as chairman of the judges committee. Captain A. P. Musgrave presented prizes for the best costumes and to the winners of the various races. He also presented each skater with a small special prize.

Solo skating numbers were given by Mrs. Pannabaker and by two guest skaters from Halifax, Joyce Bagnall and Donald Verge. The

ten-step, waltz, swing dance and Dutch waltz were demonstrated by the Halifax guests and Mrs. Pannabaker, Padre Pike, Sue Ross and Dorothy Dunnington. Highlight of the evening for the large crowd of spectators was the skating display by the younger children dressed in their beautiful costumes.

### **AUSTIN FORD HEADS CALGARY NOAC**

Austin H. Ford was elected president of the Calgary Branch of the Naval Officers' Association of Canada at the annual meeting in May.

Other officers are: Vice-president, Reginald Jackson; secretary, William McRoberts; treasurer, C. N. Mawer; directors, William Moreland, Donald McDiarmid, D. MacGregor, Gerald Law and Donald Clarke.

### **OFFICERS ELECTED BY KINGSTON NOAC**

B. W. Trumpour was elected president of the Kingston branch of the Naval Officers' Associations of Canada at the annual meeting on board HMCS Catarauqui.

Other officers elected were: Vice-president, William J. Bosworth; secretary-treasurer, R. M. Bruce, and executive member, John M. Ferguson

## CORPORAL WHALE, A.B.

*Have I told ye my yarn of the great Pacific?  
(Which is evilly named, for it's quite terrific,  
With waves that is frequently most titanic  
And half of the ocean's bed's volcanic.)*

*We was steamin' South, toward Singapore,  
When the ocean riz, with a frightful roar,  
And it's clear writ down in our frigate's log  
That the steam was as thick as a Fundy fog.  
While a rock ('bout the size of Vancouver Isle)  
Reared itself skyward for half a mile,  
And before our skipper could signal "Stop!"  
Our frigate was perched — on the very top.*

*Now lava is hot, as the whole world knows,  
And it singed to khaki our nice blue clothes.  
Officers, men, the whole dam' crew,  
Looked just the same as the soldiers do.  
Now a thing like THAT makes a shellback sore,  
So the Old Man muttered; the ratin's swore.*

*There was stranded to for'r'd a nice, big whale,  
Fannin' our bows with his ten-foot tail,  
Sez he, "Lash my fluke to your starboard hook,  
"And I'll tow ye to shoreline, afore I cook."*



*So the Captain yells, "Pick a route that's smooth,  
Or our surgeon'll pull out each wisdom tooth,  
And 'ware all rocks that is rough or jaggy,  
We ain't got plates like they giv' the 'Maggie'!"  
And he placed a man at the frigate's rudder,  
Who steered a course through the meltin' blubber.*

*We both hit the sea with a deal o' splashin'  
And the crew made speed to unhook the lashin',  
Sez the whale, "It's that hot I am like to bake."  
(Then he scratched his back on our garboard-strake)*

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*Now it's all set down in the frigate's log,  
How they served hot blubber, in lieu of grog,  
And presented each man with a pound o' baccy,  
And new blue outfits, replacin' khaki.*

*We knew that Ottawa would be wrath  
If we wasted an inch of their khaki cloth,  
So we bent the old suits to a mildewed sail,  
And made a fine greatcoat — for Mister Whale.*

*We piped him back to the frigate's side,  
And half of our ratin's then slipped astride,  
And lashed the coat to his blistered skin,  
And tucked an Ensign beneath his chin.  
He was hawser-galled where his big tail tapers  
(So we giv' him his Natirilization Papers).  
Sez the whale, "Thanks, boys, I can hardly wait  
To try out the cold of the Bering Strait."*

*Our whale is an ally in any man's fight,  
He's our forces' latest hermaphrodite.  
He's a Navy man in a soldier's suit  
And Ottawa rates him a full salute.*

HERMAN LORDLY

### No Whale!

New Westminster, B.C. June 1 (CP) — A man who claims he saw the birth of an island thinks someone should place a flag on it "before the Russians claim it."

Neil S. Jamieson, 21, third officer aboard the 7,500-ton British freighter Queen Anne, now berthed here, told the story on Saturday.

He, and all other officers and crew of the freighter, said they saw the volcanic island emerge from the ocean floor the afternoon of May 8 about 200 miles northwest of Cape Engano, at the northern tip of Luzon in the Philippines.

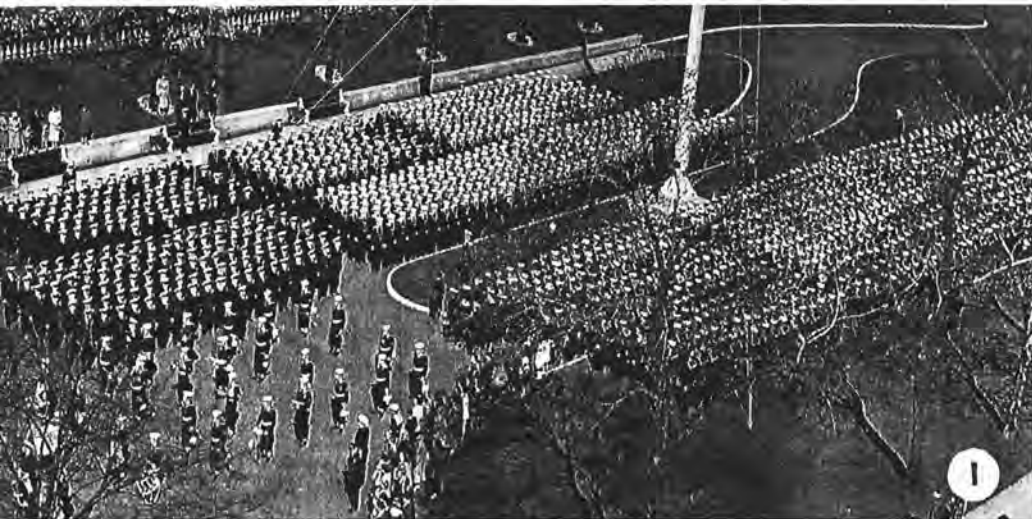
"It was an awe-inspiring sight, to see the eruption with its pall of black smoke and steam and millions of gallons of water being thrown up," Jamieson said.

"My first reaction was disbelief and we were all rather skeptical of what was taking place. At first I thought it was a storm in the distance because of the black cloud."

From a distance of five miles the ship's company said they saw the 1,000-foot high rock emerge from the sea. Jamieson estimated it to be three-quarters of a mile wide.

Officers found the volcano lies in the path of a fault which runs all the way from Siberia through the Japanese islands and the Philippines. Islands have been known to appear and sometimes disappear again in this area of the north Pacific. — (Canadian Press dispatch).





## BATTLE OF THE ATLANTIC SUNDAY

1. At Halifax, more than 3,000 naval personnel marched, May 18, to services commemorating the Battle of the Atlantic. The photo shows a general view of the service in the Grand Parade with personnel of the RCN and RCN(R), Sea Cadets and naval veterans in attendance. Other services were held at the Convent of the Sacred Heart and, for more than 750 Shearwater personnel, at churches in Dartmouth.

2. Similar observances were carried out on the West Coast. Here sailors from ships and shore establishments file into St. Andrews Church, Victoria.

3. Senior officers of the Atlantic Command are shown in front of the war memorial in the Grand Parade at Halifax.

4. At Saint John, Captain C. H. Bonnycastle, RCN(R), Ret'd, extreme right, took the salute at a march past of officers and men from HMCS Brunswick. Members of the Naval Officers Association, the Main Brace Naval Veterans' Association

and sea cadets from RCSCC Rodney participated in the parade, which was headed by Brunswick's pipe band.

5. Wrens were in evidence in many of the parades. Here a group of Wrens from Coverdale Radio Station gives an eyes right during the march past the saluting base at the Moncton city hall. They are led by Lieut. (W) Audrey B. Worden.

6. In Ottawa, naval personnel from HMCS Carleton, Naval Headquarters and Gloucester Radio Station and sea cadets of RCSCC Falkland combined forces to form the largest naval parade in the Canadian capital since the war. A portion of the Ottawa parade is shown on Metcalfe street proceeding to Dominion United Church.

7. In Montreal, ships' companies of HMCS Donnacona and HMS Sheffield, led by the Royal Marine band from the latter, paraded to city churches for Battle of the Atlantic services.





Petty Officer Kenneth Wilson, manager of the Naden Petty Officers' Mess, chats with 94-year-old Mrs. Sarah Walton during the Mother's Day visit paid by representatives of the mess to the Aged Women's Home in Victoria. Bouquets of flowers and a two-tiered cake were presented to the residents of the home by PO Stan Birch, president; PO Douglas Anderson, secretary, and PO Wilson, on behalf of the members of the mess. (E-18908).

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stands was donated by the Baptist Church and the town of Hantsport has undertaken its perpetual care.

On November 9, 1947, Rear-Admiral C. R. H. Taylor, then Commanding Officer Atlantic Coast, unveiled the memorial in a simple but moving ceremony.

Hall's name and heroism were further perpetuated by the naming after him of the colored branch of the Canadian Legion in Halifax.—F.M.P.

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Miramichi, was laid at Saint John, N.B.

On June 21 a ship of the same class, HMCS Chaleur, was launched at Port Arthur.

#### Ontario Performs Mercy Mission During Cruise

Another mercy mission was added early in June to the list of those performed by HMCS Ontario.

The Ontario was proceeding on a

training cruise to San Diego, California, when the weather ship, CGS (formerly HMCS) Stonetown, 800 miles away, sent out a call for medical assistance for a 17-year-old crew member who had fallen against a fire extinguisher and was suffering agonizing abdominal pains. He had undergone an appendix operation only three weeks before.

The two ships made rendezvous and the injured man was transferred to the Ontario. Once under medical care in the cruiser's sick bay, the patient was found to be in no immediate danger and the ship resumed her course for San Diego.

On her return to Canadian waters, the Ontario paid her first visit in two years to Vancouver. The latter part of June and most of July were set aside as a leave period, but training cruises to West Coast ports were to be resumed in August.

#### Cadet Training Groups Complete First Cruises

The first of the summer training cruises for UNTD cadets were completed in June.

Ports of call for ships taking part in the first of three West Coast cruises were Bedwell Harbor, in the Gulf of Georgia; Prince Rupert, B.C., and Juneau, Alaska. Three-day calls were made at each of the two latter ports.

By the end of the month the training group, made of HMC Ships Sioux, Beacon Hill and Antigonish, had begun its second cruise, which will include a visit to Long Beach, California. San Diego will be visited during the third and final cruise.

Tanned by the Riviera sun, UNTD cadets who took part in the first of three trans-Atlantic summer cruises returned to Halifax June 20.

The East Coast training group, composed of HMC Ships Crescent, La Hullose and Swansea, called at the Azores and visited Gibraltar and the French Mediterranean naval base of Toulon. Each stay was marked by outstanding hospitality.

From Toulon, the group proceeded to Villefranche, only a few miles from Cannes and Nice on the Riviera, for a regatta, then began the journey back to Canada.

Subsequent training cruises this summer will take the group to ports in the United Kingdom and France.

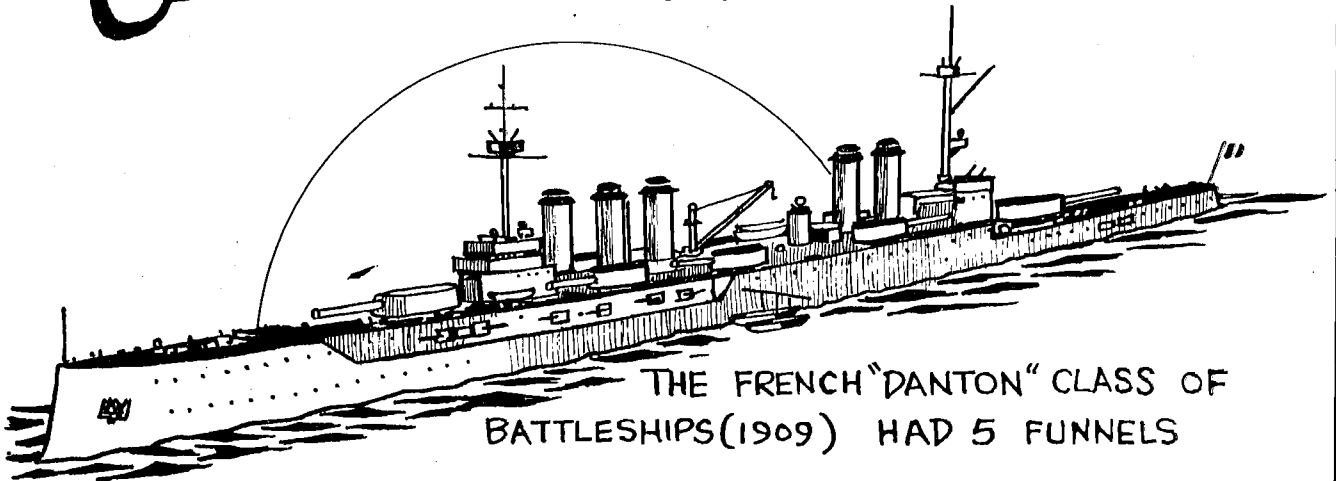


A/Sub-Lieut. (L) Colin D. di Cenzo, of Hamilton, receives the Brydon-Jack Memorial Prize for highest standing in final year electrical engineering at the University of New Brunswick, during graduation exercises May 15. Making the presentation is J. G. Blaine Pugh, Fredericton, president of the university's associated alumni. Standing at the right is Dr. A. W. Trueman, president of UNB. Sub-Lieut. di Cenzo, one of four RCN cadets who graduated from UNB, all with high academic standing, also won an Athlone Fellowship.

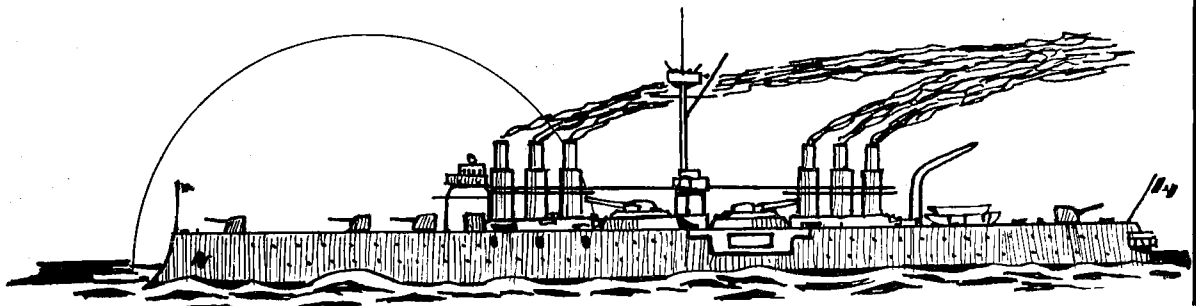
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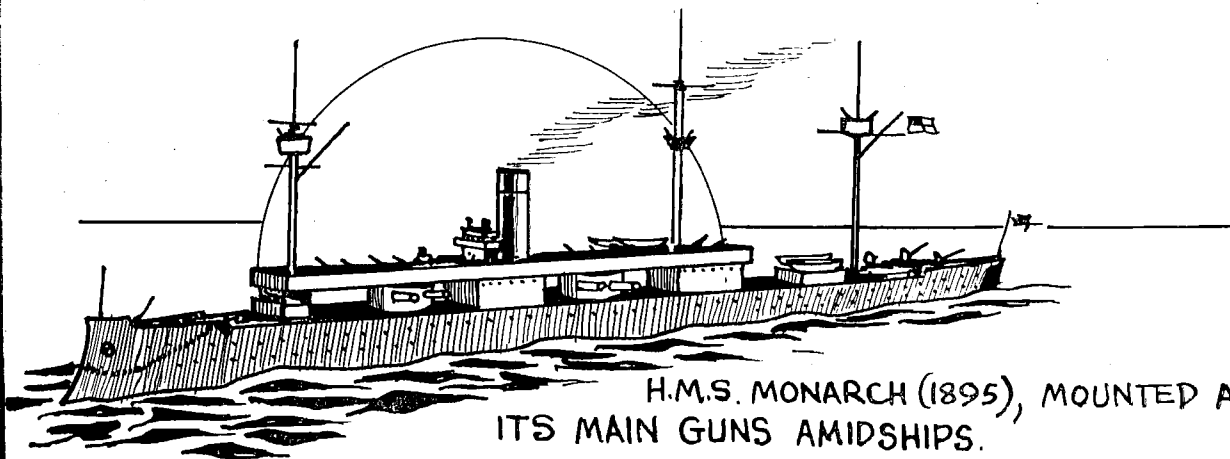
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BATTLE-LINE!



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BATTLESHIPS (1909) HAD 5 FUNNELS



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