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Cover Photo—"Korean Twilight" was the title Petty Officer Donald Stitt, of Montreal, photographer serving on board HMCS Nootka, gave this picture taken on the destroyer's bridge as the watch settled down for the night's patrol. Scanning the enemy-held coastline is Chief Petty Officer Joseph Leary, of Abbotsford, B.C., and Halifax, Second Officer of the Watch. (NK-1279).

Twice during July the 45,000-ton aircraft carrier USS Midway was a visitor to Halifax. She was there from the 3rd to the 7th and returned for another call later in the month. The photo on the opposite page shows the giant carrier being eased into her berth at Halifax. (HS-20599).



In a recent issue, Saturday Night laments, editorially, "the disappearance of the ornamental side of military life." One hundred years ago, it says, "the armed forces provided in Canada a great deal of the spectacular entertainment for which we now resort to the theatre, the cinema and the grandstand shows of such institutions as the Canadian National Exhibition . . . The Changing of the Guard at Buckingham Palace, and the Musical Ride in Canada, seem to be among the few survivors of those happy days. . ."

Saturday Night finds a reason for this: "The techniques of modern warfare have become so enormously complicated that it takes the fighting man all his time to perfect his skill in whatever small specialty happens to be his particular assignment. We do not therefore ask him to entertain us with wholly useless accomplishments."

We agree, but only up to a point. What Saturday Night fails to take into account is the fact that before he begins acquiring professional skills the serviceman has certain fundamental things to learn.

He learns drill, for instance, not because drill itself will stand him in good stead in the future, but because it provides a means of teaching him very essential things—alertness, prompt obedience to commands, co-ordination, smartness of bearing.

And if the performance of drill reaches such a standard of perfection that it merits public display, all to the good. On public display it should go. (Here it occurs to us that it is not merely by accident that the exponents of the Changing of the Guard and the Musical Ride stand at the top in their particular fields professionally).

Apropos of this, we were pleased and proud to hear the ceremony of Parading and Showing the Queen's Colour had been instituted by the Navy as an annual event in Halifax, and that Beating Retreat and Sunset were being performed by naval guards and bands in Montreal, Quebec and other cities.

Most of what the Navy does is enacted far from the sight and hearing of the Canadian public. Spectacles such as these, though they may have no direct relationship to battle practice, provide a means whereby Canadian citizens may get a close-up view of their country's sailors and assess their Navy's spirit and efficiency.

We feel that both participant and spectator benefit from such displays and we sincerely hope, for more than tradition's sake alone, that they do not become victims of "modern warfare."

### R.C.N. News Review

#### 'Maggie' Exercising With Med Fleet

There was no Dominion Day holiday for the Magnificent this year.

The aircraft carrier sailed that day from Portsmouth, England, for more than a month of exercises with the Royal Navy's Mediterranean Fleet. Assigned to the Magnificent as plane

guard was HMS Savage (destroyer). The Magnificent will leave the Mediterranean in the latter part of August and will sail to Belfast, Northern Ireland, where she will spend six days before taking part in anti-submarine exercises off Londonderry.

#### Iroquois Fires First Shots on Korea Patrol

News of Canadian ships in Korean waters was relatively scarce in the past month. After her hectic patrol on the northeast coast of Korea, the Nootka enjoyed a well-earned rest period in Hong Kong before returning to duty about the middle of July.

HMCS Iroquois, replacement for the Cayuga, fired her first angry shots against communist positions and the more recent arrival, HMCS Crusader, was just beginning operations after relieving the Athabaskan.

Both the Iroquois and the Crusader are newcomers to the Korean scene of action.

The Iroquois teamed with HM Ships Ceylon and Amethyst in attacks on the southern tip of Ongjin Peninsula, off the west coast of Korea, late in June.

Air spotters directed fire on the coastal defences in the approaches to Haeju and also called for fire on troops digging in behind the coast.

Enemy guns attempting to return the fire were quickly silenced by the concerted attack of the three warships.

#### Athabaskan Returns From Second Tour

On July 9, HMCS Athabaskan returned to Esquimalt from her second tour in the Korean war theatre to a tumultuous welcome accorded her by 1,000 relatives and friends of the ship's company.

The Athabaskan had been away for

11 months and seven days and had steamed 68,445 miles. She had fired 7,323 rounds from her four-inch guns and 13,211 from her 40 mm batteries.

#### Ouebec Makes Cruise To United Kingdom

A month-long cruise to the United Kingdom was begun early in July by HMCS Quebec, with Portsmouth and

Chatham her ports of call.

On board the cruiser for the eastward crossing were six sea cadets going to Sweden to attend a summer training camp. The cadets were Chief Petty Officers Ivor Jones, of Brantford, Ont.; David Gallant, Charlottetown; Kenneth Ingalls, New Westminster; Blair Ledger, Winnipeg; Robert Parks, Lunenburg, N.S.; and Nicholas Powell, Lakefield, Ont.

Leaving England, the Quebec joined in the English Channel with the three ships of the East Coast Training Group, the Crescent, Swansea and La Hulloise, for the return trip to Halifax.

Five days after her return, the Quebec was off again on a training cruise which included calls at Digby, N.S., Bar Harbor, Maine, and Argentia, American base in Newfoundland.

#### Training Group Participates In Ceremony at Dieppe

Officers, cadets and men from HMC Ships Crescent, Swansea and La Hulloise marched through the streets of Dieppe, France, on Bastille Day, July 15, and held a wreathlaying ceremony at the Victory Memorial in that city.

As the East Coast Training Group steamed into the French port for a five-day visit, cheering crowds lined the breakwater and harbor sides and later formed such a crush about the ships that it was a problem to get ashore.

Dieppe was the scene 10 years ago this month of the "reconnaissance in force" in which hundreds of Canadian soldiers fought a bloody skirmish in the streets of the town to test the enemy's defences. It was mainly an "army show", but the RCN had 15 officers and 55 men in the British landing craft.

The wreath was laid by Commander J. C. Littler, group commander, who



Identification of RCN aircraft, once a problem for all but the initiated, is going to be easy from now on. Like the Sea Fury pictured above, all aircraft of the RCN will have NAVY printed in large letters on the fuselage, leaving no doubt as to whose family they belong. This will be particularly useful on flights to centres where naval planes are rarely seen and when RCN aircraft are engaged in joint and combined exercises. (Fairey Aviation photo).

was accompanied by Lieut.-Cdr. J. R. Coulter and Lieut.-Cdr. A. H. McDonald, commanding officers of the frigates. Cadet Pierre Coulombe played "The Flowers of the Forest" on the pipes and "Reveille" was sounded. After the ceremony officers and men were entertained at a reception in the town hall.

The Dieppe visit was preceded by a four-day stay at Dartmouth, England, where cadets visited with the Royal Naval College and vied with the British cadets in sports, All the visiting Canadians were given an opportunity to tour the English

countryside.

On the West Coast the July cruise of the training group, made up of the destroyer Sioux and frigates Beacon Hill and Antigonish, took UNTD cadets south to visit the southern California port of Long Beach. Before and after the cruise, training was carried out at Bedwell Harbour, B.C.

HMCS Sault Ste. Marie (Algerine minesweeper), tender to HMCS Malahat, the Victoria division, cruised south, too. She visited Santa Barbara, Santa Catalina and San Francisco.

#### Broadened Officer Entry Scheme is Announced

New opportunities for commissions and assisted education for UNTD and Canadian Services College cadets were announced recently. First details of the plan were given in the House of Commons by Minister of Defence Brooke Claxton, Full information is contained in General Message 170/1952, which has been dispatched to all RCN ships and shore establish-

#### Naval Chief Unhurt In Aircraft Mishap

HMCS Wallaceburg spent a fortnight in the month of July taking the Lieutenant Governor of Newfoundland on his annual tour of the southwest coast of the island in July.

Sir Leonard Outerbridge and his official party were embarked in the Wallaceburg at Port aux Basques and during the next 16 days called at

20 Newfoundland ports.

Vice-Admiral E. R. Mainguy, Chief of the Naval Staff, boarded the ship for part of the cruise and left it at Pushthrough to fly to Halifax in a U.S. amphibious aircraft. The plane cracked up on take-off and Admiral Mainguy and the crew of seven climbed aboard a life raft as the amphibian sank, its hull split open. Nobody was hurt and admiral and aircrew were taken aboard the Wallaceburg. Admiral Mainguy was subsequently flown in another amphibian



The performance of HMCS Nootka's "X" gun during the engagement with enemy shore batteries at Chongjin in late May won high praise from the destroyer's commanding officer, Commander R. M. Steele. Pictured here are members of the gun's crew.

Front row: AB Gilbert Melanson, Springhaven, N.S.; Ldg. Sea. Richard Russell, Halifax and Victoria; AB George Armstrong, Simcoe, Ont.; AB Gabriel Fortier, St. Evariste, Frontenac Co., P.Q., and Ord. Sea. Gerard Olivier, Ottawa. Rear row: AB John T. J. Brown, Toronto; Ord. Sea. Henry Birch, Verdun, P.Q.; Ord. Sea. J. E. DePottie, Niagara Falls, Ont.; AB H. A. Smith, Andover, N.B.; AB Reginald Cullen, Charlottetown; AB S. F. Brown, Parrsboro, N.S.; Ord. Sea. Fred Laplante, Peterborough, Ont.; and Ord. Sea. Melvin Sinclair, Alma, N.B. (NK-1334).

to nearby Argentia, later returning to Ottawa by air.

RCN Entry Captures Bermuda—Halifax Race

Wanderer IX, entered by the Halifax Squadron of the RCN Sailing Association, won the first sailing of the 750-mile Bermuda-Halifax yacht race July 7 on handicap time against three United States craft.

The 64-foot staysail schooner, skippered by Commander John C. Reed, was across the finish line at Halifax two hours, 18 minutes and 28 seconds astern of the leading yacht, the 72-foot ketch Ticonderoga out of the Miami Yacht Club.

However, the Wanderer's elapsed time of 147 hours, 48 minutes and 58 seconds was cut down by her handicap to a corrected time of 138 hours, 27 minutes and five

The race was instituted this year by the RCN Sailing Association as a natural sequel to the bi-annual Newport to Bermuda International Racing Classic in which the Wanderer IX placed 44th out of 58 entries and 19th in Class "B".

Halifax Plays Host To American Warships

The proud old seaport city of

Halifax took on a distinctly American flavor in July, when two U.S. aircraft carriers and their attendant destroyers visited the port.

At Halifax from July 3 to 7 were the 45,000-ton USS Midway and four destroyers, carrying a total of 6,000 officers and men. Independence Day. July 4, fell during their visit and the five ships dressed over-all for the occasion. Warships of the Royal Canadian Navy also dressed with flags as a courtesy to the visitors.

An even greater incursion of Americans occurred on July 24 when the Midway returned, accompanied by the carrier Leyte and four other destroyers, with a total complement of about 8,700.

The group, with 900 midshipmen in the carriers for training, was in harbor for four days, their numbers being augmented on July 25 by the arrival of two destroyers and a sub-chaser with an additional 500 officers and

Three smaller U.S. warships had visited Halifax on July 1 and 2, after visiting Yarmouth, Nova Scotia for the previous four days. They carried a total of about 160 officers and enlisted men.



An estimated 15,000 persons visited on board the Quebec when the ship held open house on three afternoons in Montreal. Most of them came on a Sunday, when more than 10,000 crossed the gangway to get their first look at the ship named after their home province. (Photo courtesy the Montreal Daily Star).

#### **River Cruise**

HMCS Quebec Gets Warm Welcome on First Trip Up St. Lawrence

HMCS Quebec made double history when she called at St. Lawrence ports in June.

It was the first visit of the 8,500-ton cruiser to the province after which she was named, and it was also the first time that a flag officer of the RCN had sailed the St. Lawrence in a Canadian warship, Rear-Admiral R. E. S. Bidwell, Flag Officer Atlantic Coast, having embarked in the ship for the cruise.

The three-week cruise got under way on June 11. First port of call was Sorel. The Quebec arrived on June 13 and the next day took part in mammoth celebrations marking the christening of two RCN ships and the delivery to the RCN, USN and US Army of the first 3-inch 50 calibre and 120 mm. guns built in Canada.

An armed guard from the Quebec, commanded by Lieut. Herbert Addison, was inspected by Prime Minister Louis St. Laurent, while the band of HMCS Cornwallis, which was

embarked in the Quebec, also took part in the official ceremonies and played a concert during the luncheon. The ship herself was dressed over-all and formed a colorful backdrop for the ceremonies.

On June 15, the Quebec proceeded to Quebec City for a five-day visit in the picturesque capital. The ship was berthed at Wolfe's Cove, below the famous Plains of Abraham.

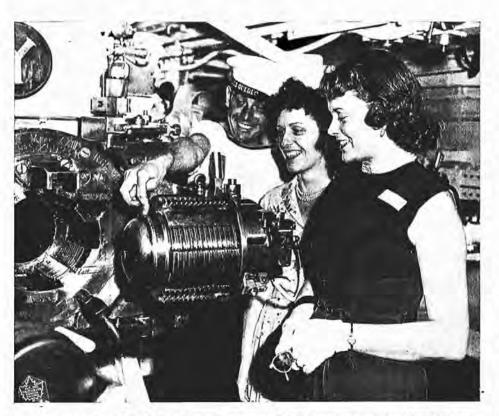
There were sightseeing tours around the city and to the shrine of Ste. Anne de Beaupre. The ship was open to visitors for three afternoons and thousands of Quebeckers accepted the invitation to "come aboard". A 24-man guard and the 23-piece band staged the colorful ceremonies of Beating Retreat and Sunset on the boardwalk below the Chateau Frontenac, as an estimated 2,000 persons ringed the walk and upper road, and still others got birds' eye views from their rooms in the Chateau.

At a civic luncheon, the City of Quebec and HMCS Quebec exchanged plaques. Mayor Lucien Borne presented a plaque bearing the city's coat of arms to Rear-Admiral Bidwell, while Captain P. D. Budge, on behalf of HMCS Quebec, presented a plaque bearing the ship's badge to the city.

On Friday morning, June 20, the Quebec slipped from her berth and began the trip to Montreal, where she arrived at five o'clock in the afternoon. The trip up-river was made in bright sunshine and many of the officers and men off watch found vantage points



On the boardwalk at Quebec City, a guard from HMCS Quebec and the band from HMCS Cornwallis, the latter embarked in the Quebec for her St. Lawrence cruise, performed the Sunset ceremony. Here the guard prepares to fire a volley during the ceremony. (QB-358).



During the Quebec's visit to Montreal, a group of 40 civil servants, employed with the Navy at National Defence Headquarters, travelled from Ottawa to pay a visit aboard the ship. Here PO Richard Ball shows the breech of a six-inch gun to Miss Marion Lawrence, left, and Miss Marjorie Connett. (QB-365).

on the upper deck from which to take in the scenery. Often as the Quebec passed close by settlements along the river banks, the ship's crew returned the waves of welcome from the people ashore.



The Hon. Gaspard Fauteux, Lieutenant Governor of Quebec, receives from Rear-Admiral R. E. S. Bidwell a plaque bearing the badge of HMCS Quebec. Holding the plaque are the two shipwrights who made it, PO Thomas Bottomley and PO Donald Sweete. At the right is Commander R. L. Hennessy, executive officer of the Quebec. (QB-350).

At Montreal, the Quebec joined two other warships which had arrived earlier in the day. They were the USN destroyers Johnnie Hutchins and Cross, which were visiting for three days. The Quebec was open to visitors on Saturday, Sunday and Monday afternoons and more than 15,000 persons came aboard, among them a group of 40 civil servants who made the trip from Ottawa. Biggest attendance day was Sunday as some 10,000 people swarmed over the Quebec, coming in a steady stream during the entire two-and-a-half hours the ship was open.

On Sunday evening, June 22, the guard and band carried out the ceremonies of Beating Retreat and Sunset on the west campus of McGill University.

The five days in Montreal passed swiftly and soon it was time to shape course for the next port of call, Cornerbrook, Nfld., where the Quebec spent three days.

The Quebec arrived at Cornerbrook on June 26 for a three-day stay. At the busy little Newfoundland industrial city, officers and men engaged in sports contests, attended a ship's company dance and took part in a church parade and cenotaph service on the province's Memorial Day. Ordnance Lieut.-Cdr. M. T. Beardmore was commanding officer of the

church parade, while Lieut.-Cdr. J. O. Rose led the United Church party and Ordnance Lieut. G. J. Giroux the Roman Catholic. Lieut. Addison was officer of the guard at the cenotaph service.

The Quebec arrived in Halifax on June 30 to prepare for cruise "George" to the United Kingdom — another in the series of training trips that is keeping the ship busy this summer.

#### ALL VERY CONFUSING!

On board HMCS Quebec it is not, "Tell it to the padre," but "Tell it to a MacL(l)ean."

For Roman Catholics, the man to see is Father James A. MacLean; for Protestants he is Chaplain Charles H. Maclean. It's a confusing state of affairs, alleviated but slightly by the fact that the chaplains' initials and surname spellings are different.

Both padres are from Nova Scotia, Charles H. from Oxford and James A. from Bay St. Lawrence, a small town in Cape Breton. And since Father MacLean, the Johnny-come-lately, entered the Navy last September, fate, in the form of CW lists, has made them shipmates in one place after another.

One of the first chaplains Father MacLean met when he reported at Stadacona last fall was his namesake with the small "I". Shortly afterward MacLean went to HMCS Cornwallis for a divisional course; two months later Maclean followed him. Then MacLean was appointed, in February, to Shearwater. He was hardly settled when Maclean came



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along again to rekindle the confusion.

Maclean made the next move, joining the Quebec when she arrived at Halifax in mid-April, but by the end of the month the situation was back to normal as MacLean reported on board as Roman Catholic chaplain.

#### HISTORIC CEREMONY

HE Queen's Colour was paraded and shown for the first time in the history of the Royal Canadian Navy on June 9, the day of official celebration of the birthday of Queen Elizabeth II, before a crowd of more than 3,000 at the Garrison Grounds, Halifax.

Nearly 200 officers and men from Stadacona, Shearwater and Cornwallis, together with the Stadacona and Cornwallis bands, took part in the history making ceremony, which will become an annual observance. The parading and showing of the Queen's Colour took place at 1100 and was the first of two ceremonials performed by the RCN on June 9. In the evening, the ceremonies of Beating Retreat and Sunset were carried out, also at the Garrison Grounds.

The parading and showing of the Queen's Colour had never before been carried out by the RCN, though the King's Colour was paraded during the Royal Visits to Canada in 1939 and 1951. It was during the 1939 visit of King George VI and Queen Elizabeth that the Colour was presented to the RCN by his late Majesty.

The Hon. John Doull, Justice of the Supreme Court of Nova Scotia, represented the Queen at the ceremony in Halifax. Also attending were Rear-Admiral Roger E. S. Bidwell, Flag Officer Atlantic Coast, and senior officers of the Army, RCAF and RCMP.

The Colour guard was composed of new entries from Cornwallis, while Stadacona provided the Colour party and the Colour escort, and Shearwater and Stadacona each contributed an escort company. Parade Commander was Captain Duncan L. Raymond, commanding officer of Shearwater. A group of 200 UNTD cadets ringed the Garrison Grounds.

Units taking part in the ceremony mustered at Stadacona and the Colour party and escort drew the Queen's Colour from Admiralty House. Colour-bearer was Lieut. Ian MacPherson, of Halifax. The entire parade marched through the streets of the city on a two-and-a-half-mile route to the Garrison Grounds.

The showing of the Queen's Colour took place between 1050 and 1058. At 1100 the 49th Coast Artillery began firing the Royal Salute from

Citadel Hill. After the first seven rounds, the 96-man guard fired the first ripple volley of the Feu de Joie, followed by another seven guns, another ripple volley and the final seven guns and ripple volley. After the playing of the National Anthem, Captain Raymond led the parade in three cheers for Her Majesty.

The evening ceremonies of Beating the Retreat and Sunset began at 1940 with the bands, the Sunset ceremonial platoon and two escort companies taking part. The ceremony of Beating Retreat, one of the oldest in British military tradition, perpetuates the ancient practice of recalling the inhabitants to the safety of their towns and villages at nightfall and the posting of the guard. Beating Retreat was followed by the Sunset ceremony at which Rear-Admiral Bidwell took the salute.

The Queen's birthday ceremonies were arranged by Commander George M. Wadds, officer in charge of the Gunnery School, and his staff, with the kind permission of Commodore Hugh F. Pullen, Commodore of the RCN Barracks.

So impressed was a Halifax citizen with the two ceremonies that he wrote the following letter to Vice-Admiral E. R. Mainguy, Chief of the Naval Staff:

> HALIFAX, N.S., June 14, 1952.

Dear Admiral Mainguy:-

On Monday last the RCN put on a display on the Garrison Grounds here which in my opinion was the finest the citizens of this city have ever had the privilege of witnessing.

I have thought so much about it since seeing it that I feel it is not out of place for me to write you and congratulate the Navy for a swell job and commend the officers and men taking part.

In the morning when they "showed the Queen's Colour" and in the evening at "Beating the Retreat" everything was outstanding, and I know from the remarks of the people around where I was standing on the slopes of Citadel Hill that they were of the same opinion as myself.

Again congratulating the Royal Canadian Navy, I remain

Respectfully yours, Bev Piers.



The RCN's newly acquired twelve-place Sikorsky helicopter drops down for a landing on the USS Midway as the 45,000-ton aircraft carrier enters the Halifax harbor approaches. The Midway was one of five American warships which visited Halifax in a group early in July. Piloting the helicopter is Lieut.-Cdr. John D. Lowe, of Red Deer, Alta., commanding officer of Number One Helicopter Flight at HMCS Shearwater. (DNS-9075).



#### SHOWING THE COLOUR

For the first time in the history of the RCN, the Queen's Colour was paraded June 9 at Halifax on the occasion of the official birthday of Queen Elizabeth II. The Queen's Colour was taken from Admiralty House and turned over to the Colour bearer, Lieut. Ian MacPherson (opposite). Escorts are Petty Officers Bernard Brinen, left, and Michael Chihrin. From Stadacona the parade proceeded to the Garrison Grounds. The Colour guard, composed of men from Cornwallis, is shown, left centre, parading up Gottingen Street.



At the Garrison Grounds Lieut. MacPherson, above, shows the Queen's Colour. More than 3,000 Haligonians witnessed the ceremony from the slopes of Citadel Hill.

Captain Duncan L. Raymond, commanding officer of HMCS Shearwater and parade commander for the ceremony, leads the Colour guard and escorting companies, right, in giving three cheers for Her Majesty, following the firing of the feu de joie.



In the evening, the ceremonies of Beating the Retreat and Sunset were carried out, also at the Garrison Grounds. These, too, were witnessed by a large crowd, a portion of which is shown in the photo at the left. — (Negative numbers: HS-20076, 20080, 20085, 20083, 20090).



# OFFICERS and MEN



#### Captain Musgrave Retires, Captain Plomer New C.O.

Officers and men of HMCS Cornwallis held a series of functions in honor of Captain A. P. Musgrave prior to his leaving the establishment May 31 to commence retirement leave.

As Captain and Mrs. Musgrave took their departure of Cornwallis, chief petty officers of the establishment hauled their car to the main gate with drag ropes. Then, as a final farewell gesture, CPO H. B. Cartier presented Mrs. Musgrave with a bouquet of roses.

Captain Musgrave began his retirement leave in Victoria, the same city in which he was living when accepted for entry in the Royal Naval College of Canada in 1914. On graduating from the college, he saw First World War service with the Royal Navy in HM Ships Roxborough and Minotaur. He retired from the RCN in 1920 but returned to active duty with the outbreak of war in September 1939.

When the wartime signal school, HMCS St. Hyacinthe, was commissioned in October 1941, Captain Musgrave took command of the establishment and held that appointment during the more than four years the school was in operation. In recognition of his services in this capacity he was awarded the OBE in January 1945.

Following the war, he was Director of Sea Cadets at Naval Headquarters, then was appointed in command of Cornwallis on its re-opening in May 1949 as a new entry training establishment.

Captain Musgrave's successor in command of Cornwallis is Captain James Plomer, who came ashore in June after commanding HMCS Cayuga throughout her second tour of operations in Korean waters.

A pre-war member of the RCNVR. Captain Plomer went on active service in September 1939. He proceeded overseas seven months later and for more than three years served continuously on loan to the Royal Navy.

Among his appointments was that of commanding officer of HMS Sunflower (corvette) attached to B-7 Escort Group. In the 14 months he

commanded the Sunflower the ship was credited with sinking three Uboats, Captain Plomer receiving the DSC, followed by the Bar.

Following the war, Captain Plomer served successively as first lieutenant-commander of HMCS Warrior, Commander of the Dockyard at Halifax and Chief of Staff to the Commodore Newfoundland. He took command of the Cayuga in August 1951, after completing the staff course at the Royal Naval Staff College.

#### PO A. J. Edwards 'Man of the Year'

Petty Officer A. J. Edwards was chosen by the Ladies' Auxiliary to HMCS York as Man of the Year in the Toronto naval division and was formally presented with a pair of bronze book-ends.

The experience was not entirely a new one for PO Edwards, he having been honored as York's Man of the Month in the January 1951 issue of The Crowsnest.

#### Communicators Complete Visual Training Course

Communications Visual class 47 completed a qualifying course for ABCV1 at the Communications School May 30. East Coast members went directly to their ships, AB William Dempster joining the Wallaceburg, AB William Keen the Swansea, AB Robert Purdy the Quebec and AB Bernard St. John the Crescent.

The West Coasters, ABs Norman Clarkson, Kenneth Mayberry and Frederick Custaloe, proceeded on leave prior to reporting to Naden for disposal.

#### Cook Classes Graduate From Supply School

A class of leading seaman cooks, qualifying for advancement to the rank of petty officer second class, graduated from the Supply School June 13. The following men comprised the class: Leading Seamen Kenneth Brooks, Joseph Edison, Joseph Lajoie,



Scorning the microphone, Captain A. P. Musgrave addresses the ship's company of Cornwallis after his final inspection of divisions before going on retirement leave, (DB-1548),

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Maurice McGraw, Robert McCann and Clarence Christian. High man in the class was Ldg. Sea. Brooks.

Eleven men completed new entry cooks course 68 on the same date. Ord. Sea. Robert Morrison topped the class with an average mark of 79.5 per cent.

#### Lieut.-Cdr. A. G. Whalley Commands HMCS Cataragui

Lieut.-Cdr. A. G. C. Whalley, a professor of English at Queens University, has taken up the appointment of commanding officer of HMCS Cataraqui, Kingston. He succeeds Commander Gerald M. Coleman, who entered the retired list of the RCN(R) on being transferred to Ottawa in his

civilian employment.

Prior to entering the RCNVR as an acting sub-lieutenant at Halifax in July 1940, Lieut.-Cdr. Whalley was a schoolmaster at Rothesay Collegiate School, Rothesay, N.B. He took his early training in ships and establishments of the Royal Navy and while serving in HMS Tartar was awarded the Bronze Medal of the Royal Humane Society for the rescue of three men from the sea in May 1941.

He subsequently was attached to the Admiralty for special duty and saw service in North Africa, Italy and Northern Europe. He returned to Canada in January 1945, was execu-tive officer of HMCS Chaudiere for a brief period, then became executive officer of HMCS Saskatchewan. In



Two former shipmates talk about old times. They are Rear-Admiral H. G. DeWolf, Vice Chief of the Naval Staff, and CPO C. L. Benjamin, a senior cook on board HMCS Magnificent, who was a cook in HMCS Warrior when Admiral DeWolf was her commanding officer. They met when the latter was a guest aboard the Magnificent during a recent visit to Halifax. (MAG-3765).



Pictured above are members of the 30th leadership course for chief and petty officers to be held at HMCS Cornwallis. Front row: PO Benjamin Grant, PO Eric Brimble, CPO Curtis Johnson, Lieut. (S) Colin White (Course Officer), CPO Edward Rigby (instructor), PO James Russell, CPO Ralph Courtney and PO James Telenko. Centre row: CPO Robert Hughes, CPO Charles Moran, CPO Bevan Woodacre, PO Charles Pacaud, PO Arthur Gardner, CPO Roger Curtis, CPO Donovan Thorndick and PO Edward Alexander. Rear row: PO Ronald Sutherland, PO Anthony Stipkala, PO Gordon Noble, PO William Swain, PO Frank Pickell, PO James Mage and PO Erank Andrews. (DR-1456) Maze and PO Frank Andrews. (DB-1456).

August 1945 he went to HMCS Cornwallis for demobilization.

He entered the active list of the RCN(R) a year ago at Cataraqui and became commanding officer of the division May 5.

#### Communications Class Goes to Sea in Body

CPO Frank Fenn, a member of the instructional staff at the Communications School, had a "brain wave" that paid off in handsome style in late May.

CPO Fenn had a fine class of new signalmen under his charge and it occurred to him that if they carried out the sea-going phase of their training as a body, in a ship handling a heavy volume of communications traffic, both the men and the service would benefit.

He therefore put forward a request that the whole class, himself included, be drafted to the Magnificent for three months of the period in which she would be working with British and other NATO units in European and Mediterranean waters.

The request was approved and the class joined the ship in Halifax prior to her departure for the U.K. They are due to return in the Quebec in August.

Members of the class are Ordinary Seamen Jack Lilly, Edward Cruddas, Gerald Belleau, James Duncan, Reginald Peach, Donald Sullivan, Robert McLean, Harold Stratton and William Mushing.

#### Ldg. Sea. G. Marshall Tops Stewards Class

The first stewards' qualifying course for petty officer 2nd class was completed at the Supply School HMCS Naden, May 30. Ldg. Sea. Gordon Marshall headed the class with an average of 86.4 per cent. Others taking the course were Leading Seamen Robert Holms, Robert Smart, John Elliot and Donald White.

#### It's The Boneyard For 'Old Bones'

The hulk of HMCS Assiniboine, which has been aground off Prince Edward Island since the autumn of

1945, is destined for the scrap heap.
The Guard and Salvage Wrecking
Company of Halifax will break up the one-time destroyer and the steel salvaged from her will be sold to Canadian mills. Scows laden with cranes, pumps, acetylene cutters and other equipment are doing the job on the spot.

The Assiniboine, formerly HMS Kempenfelt, was commissioned in the RCN in November 1939. She served hard and faithfully throughout the Second World War and earned particular distinction when, in August 1942, she rammed and sank a U-boat after a heated surface action. Paid off and turned over to War Assets Corporation for disposal in August 1945, the "Bones," as she was affectionately known, was being towed to Sorel, Que., when the towlines parted and she went aground near South Lake, P.E.I.

#### New Appointments Are Announced

The following officer appointment changes of interest have taken place recently or will take place in the near future:

Commodore H. N. Lay, to Naval Headquarters as Assistant Chief of the Naval Staff. Formerly Naval Member Canadian Joint Staff, Wash-ington, Canadian Naval Attache and commanding officer, HMCS Niagara.

Captain M. A. Medland to HMCS Niagara in command and as Naval Member Canadian Joint Staff and Canadian Naval Attache, Washington, with the acting rank of commodore. Formerly at Headquarters as Director of Weapons and Tactics.

Captain (S) R. A. Wright to Headquarters as Naval Secretary and Secretary to the Naval Board. Formerly at Stadacona as Command Supply Officer.

Captain (S) C. J. Dillon, to Stadacona as Command Supply Officer. Formerly at Naden as Command Supply Officer, Manager Supply Department and Officer in Charge,

Naval Supply Depot.

Acting Captain (S) H. A. McCand-less, to Naden as Command Supply Officer, Manager Supply Department and Officer in Charge, Naval Supply Depot. Formerly at Headquarters as Naval Secretary and Secretary to the Naval Board.

Commander (S) L. R. Anderson, to HMCS Donnacona as Officer in Charge, Naval Supply Depot, Montreal. Formerly at Headquarters on the staff of Director General of Supply and Fleet Accounting.

Captain H. L. Quinn, to National Defence College, Kingston, for course. Formerly in HMCS Magnificent as

executive officer.

C. P. Nixon, Commander HMCS Magnificent as Executive Officer. Formerly at Headquarters as Naval Member of the Joint Planning Staff.

Commander J. C. Smyth, to Headquarters as Naval Member of the Joint Planning Staff. Formerly at HMCS Niobe for joint services staff

course.

Ordnance Commander M. H. Walker, to Naval Headquarters as Deputy Director General of Naval Ordnance. Formerly in Naden as Command Ordnance Officer and officer in charge, Ordnance School.

Ordnance Commander J. F. Cosgrove, to Naden as Command Ordnance Officer and officer in charge, Ordnance School. Formerly Niagara.

Ordnance Commander E. H. H.

Russell to Stadacona as Command Ordnance Officer and Superintendent Naval Armament Depot, Dartmouth. Formerly at Headquarters on the staff of DGNO.

Commander (L) L. A. Bown, to Naval Headquarters as staff officer electrical Personnel. Formerly at Naden as Manager Electrical Engineering and Command Electrical Officer.

Commander (L) S. E. Paddon, to HMCS Ontario as electrical officer. Formerly at Headquarters as staff

officer electrical personnel.

Commander (L) H. D. McCormick, to Naden as Manager Electrical Engineering and Command Electrical Officer. Formerly in Ontario as electrical officer.

Lieut.-Cdr. (O) J. A. Stokes, to HMCS Shearwater as officer in charge Observer School. Formerly at Headquarters as naval assistant to ACNS

(Air). Lieut.-Cdr. A. B. Cosh, to Niagara on attachment to the Supreme Allied Commander Atlantic. Formerly in

HMCS Cayuga as executive officer. Lieut.-Cdr. (E) R. L. Lane to HMCS Niagara on attachment to Supreme Allied Commander Atlantic. Formerly at Headquarters on the staff of A/CNTS (Ships).

Lieut.-Cdr. A. A. Turner to HMCS Bytown in command. Formerly at

Naval Headquarters.

Lieut.-Cdr. J. M. Calver to HMCS Cedarwood in command. Formerly



Chief Petty Officer Horace Swonnell, of Winnipeg, is the newly elected mayor of Shannon Park, the naval housing development across the harbor from Halifax. (HS-20288).

commanding officer HMCS Bytown. Chaplain (P) G. L. Gillard, to Stadacona as Command Chaplain (P). Formerly in Naden as Command Chaplain (P).

Chaplain (P) Harry Ploughman, to Naden as Command Chaplain (P). Formerly in Stadacona as Command

Chaplain (P).

#### Graduating PTIs Hold Mock Court

Poetic justice was the function of a mock court held by survivors of a gruelling three-month course in the Physical and Recreational Training School in Stadacona when they graduated as qualified PT instructors in May.

Defendants were the PTIs who conducted the course. All, of course, were convicted and were sentenced to pie facials and other innocent tortures. One had to remove his teeth and recite poetry, and all were made to "walk the plank" on the three-metre board of the swimming pool.

Court officials were Ldg. Sea. William (Rt. Hon. Unsmiling) Rowan, judge; Ldg. Sea. Lewis (Sir Lou-Lou) Moro, prosecutor; Ldg. Sea. Cecil (Rocky) Duncan, guard, and AB John (Hang Happy) Carruthers, AB Paul (Foster Hewitt) Potvin and AB Roger (Body Beautiful) Carrier,

jurymen.

On trial were CPO Reginald (Lofty) Pitt, Lieut.-Cdr. F. Clem (Tee-off) Pettit, PO Larry (Rubbish) O'Brien, CPO John (No Whys or Buts) Hancock, PO Richard (Curly) Evans, Ldg. Sea. Rowan (Turtleneck) Carroll, CPO Tom (Traitor) Mottershead, Commissioned Bos'n James L. (Razor) Blades and CPO Mel (Chomp-a-long) Lumley.

Miss Clarissa Petrie, the school stenographer, was presented with a gift by the class for her assistance

during the course.

#### Discovery Chiefs, POs, **Hold Annual Dinner**

Two former commanding officers of HMCS Discovery, Captain W. R. Stacey and Commander Kenneth McRae, were guests of honor at the annual dinner of the chief and petty officers of the Vancouver division.

Representatives of the Army and Air Force sat at the head table and the City of Vancouver was represented by Alderman Jack Cornett Captain Stacey presented a gold engraved Past President pin to CPO Charles Hartney and Commander McRae made a similar presentation to CPO A. W. Lindsay.

#### HALF-YEARLY PROMOTIONS

The Royal Canadian Navy's halfyearly promotion list, issued on June 30, announced the promotion of 26 senior officers.

The RCN was represented by 21 officers and the Royal Canadian Navy (Reserve) by five.

Following is the list of promotions:

#### ROYAL CANADIAN NAVY

To be Captain

Commander James Plomer, DSC and Bar, CD, commanding officer, HMCS Cornwallis.

Commander Dudley G. King, CD, commanding officer, HMCS Atha-

Commander Howard L. Quinn, DSC, executive officer, HMCS Magnificent.

Commander Paul D. Taylor, on staff of Naval Member Canadian Joint Staff, Washington, D.C., as Chief of Staff, Assistant Naval Attache and executive officer, HMCS Niagara.

#### To be Commander

Lieutenant-Commander John R. Doull, first lieutenant-commander, RCN Barracks, Esquimalt.

Lieutenant-Commander Philip S. Booth, CD, director of Maritime

Warfare School, Halifax.

Lieutenant-Commander William S. T. McCully, CD, officer-in-charge, Torpedo Anti-Submarine School, Halifax.

Lieutenant-Commander Patrick C. Benson, CD, staff officer seamen personnel, Naval Headquarters, Ottawa.

Lieutenant-Commander Arthur D. McPhee, CD, on staff of Director of Weapons and Tactics, Naval Headquarters.

Lieutenant-Commander Edgar S. MacDermid, on staff of the Naval Member of the Canadian Joint Staff,

Washington,

Lieutenant-Commander Robert W. Timbrell, DSC, CD, vice-commandant, Canadian Services College, Royal Roads.

Lieutenant-Commander Raiffe D. Barrett, staff officer (trade) on staff of Flag Officer Pacific Coast, Esquimalt.

#### To be Acting Captain (E)

Commander (E) Charles M. O'Leary, OBE, assistant to Superintendent, HMC Dockyard, Halifax.

#### To be Commander (E)

Lieutenant-Commander (E) John C. Chauvin, engineer overseer on staff of Principal Naval Overseer, Montreal.

Lieutenant-Commander (E) Arthur C. Bridgman, senior engineer, HMCS Ontario.

To be Acting Captain (L)

Commander (L) Richard R. Teasdale, OBE, Principal Naval Overseer, Sorel, Que.

#### To be Commander (L)

Lieutenant-Commander (L) John B. Hall, electrical officer, HMCS Athabaskan.

Lieutenant-Commander (L) John A. M. Lynch, CD, on staff of Electrical Engineer-in-Chief, Naval Headquarters.

#### To be Acting Ordnance Commander

Ordnance Lieutenant-Commander Arthur G. Freeman, CD, Director of Fire Control on staff of Director-General of Naval Ordnance, Naval Headquarters.

To be Surgeon Commander

Surgeon Lieutenant-Commander

James C. Gray, DSC, principal medical officer, RCN Hospital, Esquimalt.

#### To be Chaplain Class IV

Chaplain Ivan R. Edwards, Protestant Chaplain, Canadian Services College, Royal Roads.

#### ROYAL CANADIAN NAVY (RESERVE)

To be Captain (L)

Commander (L) Archibald G. Hodge, HMCS Donnacona, Montreal.

#### To be Captain (S)

Commander (S) Rowland W. Tyner, HMCS Donnacona.

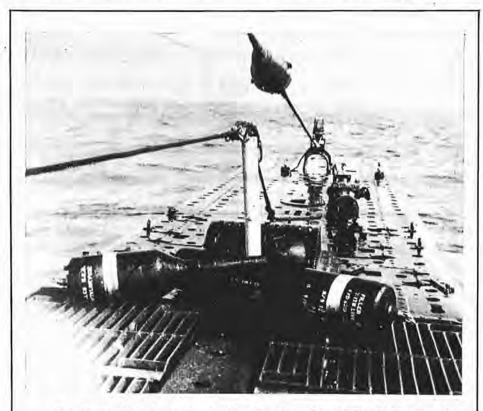
#### To be Acting Commander

Lieutenant-Commander Daniel F. Clark, commanding officer, HMCS Queen, Regina.

#### To be Surgeon Commander

Acting Surgeon Commander E. A. Sellars, HMCS York, Toronto.

Acting Surgeon Commander C. M. Harlow, HMCS Scotian, Halifax.



Two dummy hedgehog projectiles, found on the casing of HMS Alcide when the submarine surfaced after a practice period with HMCS Wallaceburg, offer conclusive evidence of the accuracy of the minesweeper's attacks. Later, while the two were alongside in Bermuda on the eve of the Alcide's departure for England, the submarine's officers bestowed on Lieut.-Cdr. I. A. MacPhee, commanding officer of the Wallaceburg, a charter membership in the "Order of the Crossed Hedgehogs." (HS-20186).

#### LOWER DECK PROMOTIONS

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

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ALDERSON, Clifford H. AMES, Albert E. AMEY, John H. ARNOLD, Donald G. ARNOLD, Robert G. ARSENAULT, Ernest J. AUCOIN, George G.	P2CK2 P2NS2 LSMA2 LSNS1 LSNS1 LSCK1
BABCOCK, Frank W. BAILEY, James O. BALL, William R. BARAN, Peter. BARTON, George. BAXTER, John R. BEDARD, Guy J. BEDARD, Paul C. BELLEY, Claude J. BERNIER, Benoit. BERNIER, Wan J. BIDNOCK, Michael. BIDNOCK, Michael. BIRD, John. BLACKWELL, James S. BOND, Jacques. BONNER, Andrew R. BOOTH, Arthur. BOOTSMAN, Bram A. BOULTON, Arthur P. BOX, Allan B. BRADLY, Michael L. BRAMLEY, George. BRIGGS, Gerald W. BROWN, Robert BROWN, Robert W. BURBINE, Robert J.	LSMA1 P2NS2 LSAW1 LSCK1 LSNS1 LSVS1 C1PW3 LSSWS P2CK2 LSNS1 P1CK2 P2NS2 P2SM2 P2AW2 LSQR1 LSAAS LSEM2 LSCK1 LSNS1 LSNS1 P1AA1 LSVS1 P2SW1 LSNS1
CAMPBELL, George G. CARROLL, Albert W. CARROLL, George W. CARTER, Bernard T. CASTER, Raymond S. CHAMBERLAIN, Arthur R. CHANDLER, Stanley H. CHARLEBOIS, Maurice J. CHARRIER, Joseph E. CHISHOLM, Wayne A. CLAVET, Marcel J. CLEMENTS, Douglas L. CODE, Ronald W. COLEMAN, Joseph P. COOPER, Thomas H. CORNECT, Eugene. CRAWFORD, Morley R. CROSBY, Walter R. CROWLEY, Michael J.	.C2SH4 .P1SM2 .LSSWS .LSVS1 .LSVS1 .LSSM1 .LSAAS .LSNS1 .LSPW2 .LSCK1 .LSRPS .LSAW1 .LSSWS .C2ET4 .LSSWS .C2ET4 .LSSWS
DALGLEISH, Edward T. DARWIN, Reginald G. DAVIES, Cyril G. DAVIES, Donald E. DAVIS, Frederick W. DEGEN, William E. DeRYCK, Armand J. DESGAGNE, Joseph G. DEVINE, Ian C. DEWLING, Francis W. DIBBLE, Jack A. DOHERTY, Douglas G. DOHERTY, James C. DOLIHAN, Roy P. DONNELLY, William F. DOUCETTE, Joseph B. DROLET, Robert A. DUMONT, Paul L.	LSMA1 LSAW1 LSNS1 LSVS1 P2AW2 P2CV2 LSEM2 LSPS LSVS1 C1VS3 LSSWS LSPW1 LSCK1 P2NS2 LSCR1 P2VS2 LSAW1 P2NS2
EBERTS, Leo S	LSNS1 P1CK2

EDWARDS, Gordon C. ELIAS, Gotfred P ELSTON, Edwin A ERB, Wendell B. EULER, Ted M.	LSSWS
FARMER, William L FAULKNER, George F FAUST, Frank G FAVRON, Philippe C FERRELL, John D FINTER, Frederick G FITCH, Curtin D FORTIEN, Raymond J FOX, Clifford A FREEMAN, George F	LSTD1 LSQR1 LSVS1 LSAAS P2SW1 LSVS1 LSCV1 LSSWS LSAW1 LSCR1
GAGNON, Alfred J. GARDINER, Joseph R. GARRIOCH, Robert M. GASPE, Laurent M. GAUTHIER, Leopold J. GAUTHIER, Robert H. GAVIN, Raymond. GEORGE, Herbert E. GERRIOR, Leroy M. GIBBS, William O. GILBERT, William L. GILL, Stanley. GAZIER, Joseph A. GODDEN, Ronald R. GRAY, Edward W.	.LSPW1 .LSSWS .LSEM1 .LSMA1 .LSNS1 .LSNS1 .P1AW2 .LSSWS .P2NS2 .P2PW2 .LSNS1 .P2SW1 .LSAW1
HAMANN, John H. HARRISON, Valere S. HASKELL, Norman L. HASLER, David C. HAWKINS, Gordon G. HAWKINS, James G. HAYWARD, Ivan D. HEALEY, Vincent J. HIGHAM, Nelson H. HINDLE, Frederick J. HORNER, Donald T. HORTH, Arthur V. HUDSON, Gordon H.	LSVS1 LSCK1 .P2SM2 .LSPW1 .LSAW1 .C2CK3 .LSRP1 .LSCK1 .C1SH4 .P2CK2
INKSTER, Raymond	LSPW1
JANES, Howard M JENKINS, Robert C JESSOP, Charles J	.LSAW1 .P1OR3 .LSAW2
KEARNS, Donald J KEAST, Gordon B KEATING, Ronald P KERR, Allen KILBY, John O KINCH, John F	. LOO WO

#### Father's Day In Reverse

On Mother's Day the Petty Officers' Mess at HMCS Naden sent bouquets of flowers and a cake to the Aged Women's Home in Victoria.

On Father's Day the mess came up with another pleasant gesture—a Father's Day in reverse.

This time, bachelor members of the mess and those with families elsewhere played hosts to 17 boys and girls from the Protestant Orphanage in Victoria. The youngsters, ranging in age from two to 12, were guests at dinner in the mess, then were taken on a bus tour of the city. For the older ones, especially, a highlight was a visit on board HMCS Cayuga, which had returned only two days before from Korea.

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KITCHEN, James	LSEM2
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KUFFNER, Engleburt	LSTDS
L'ABBE, Leo R	LSSWS
LAJOIE, Andre JLAMONTAGNE, Marcel J	LSSWS
LARIVIERE, Paul S LARKIN, Ernest B	P2CK2
LARKIN, Ernest B LAW, Ernest W	LSAW1
LECKIE. Ronald	P2VS2
LEE, Trevor E LEEMING, Richard D	P2AW2
LEGG, Donald A	LSCK1
LLOYD, Arthur L LOVE, Max I	LSEM2
LOVE, Max I LOVELL, Arthur F	LSTD1
McCARRON, Francis J	LSMA2
McINTYRE, Arthur W	P2VS2
McINTYRE, Arthur W	LSTD1
McLENNAN, Reginald K	LSCK1
McLAUGHLIN, Russel P	LSSWS
Mackenzie, Robert H	LSA W L
MacLEOD, Angus M MacNICHOL, Paul R	P2VS2 LSPW1
MACKIE, Lyons J	LSVS1
MACKIE, Lyons J MADORE, Marcel J MASON, Howard	LSSWS LSNS1
MASSE, Romeo H MAW, Arnold F. MELANSON, Vernon N.	LSAA1
MELANSON, Vernon N	P2VS2 LSLR1
MILLER, Gordon F	LSVS1
MOENCH, Carl E	P1CK3
MOONEY, Arthur W	P1CK2
MILLER, Gordon F. MILLS, Eldon C. MOENCH, Carl E. MOONEY, Arthur W. MOORE, Rex. MORRISON, William W.	C2PW3
MOULD, Aired E	PZNSZ
NIBLETT, James A NOEL, Gerard P	LSNS1
O'BALL, Andrew PORMAN, Lloyd E	LSVS1 LSSWS
PALMERSTON, Douglas L PARADIS, Emilien J	P1CR2
PARADIS, Emilien J	LSNSI
PARENTEAU, Paul J PARKS, Jack R PASK, Benedict W	LSCV1
PATENAUDE, Joseph F	LSCK2
PATTENDEN, Joseph R PATTERSON, Murray W	LSLRS
PEARSE, Floyd D	LSSWS
PERRY, Paul R PHILLIPS, Leo A	P2AW2
POTTS, Dennis APRICHARD, William J	LSNS1
RAMBO, Charles W	LSVS1
RAMSAY, Donald RRAYNHAM, StanleyRICHARD, Yvon J	P2AW2
ROBERT, Paul E	LSAW1
ROBERT, Paul E RODRIQUE, Anicet J ROGERS, John E	LSPW1
ROGERS, Wallace H	LSPW1
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SACKFIELD, Clifford S SALTER, Morgan L	LSAAS LSNS1
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SCHREURER, Joseph M	LSA W1 P2PH2
SCATTERTY, William A SCHREURER, Joseph M SHAW, Oliver C SHERWOOD, Graham H	LSNS1
SHYMKOWICH, Michael	LSPW1

SKINNER John R I SCK2
SMITH John I I SAA1
SOMMEDVILLE Tomos O LSCK1
CDENCED Down M. CACHA
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STEVENS, Roland NP2PH2
STEWART, John CLSAWI
SKINNER, John R.         LSCK2           SMITH, John L.         LSAA1           SOMMERVILLE, James Q.         LSCK1           SPENCER, Ross M.         C1SH4           STEVENS, Roland N.         P2PH2           STEWART, John C.         LSAW1           STOBBS, Charles V.         LSRC1           STDANGE Beb.         LSNC1
STRANGE, Bob LSNS1
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STRINGER, Lewis ILSNS1
STUBINSKI, Thomas I
STUBBS, Walter A LSNS1
SUTHERLAND Kenton R LSEM2
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TAROR WILL-C
TABOR, Weldon CLSVS2
TAYLOR, James HLSNS2
TAYLOR, James H. LSNS2 TCHIRE, John LSSWS
TERPENNING, Robert ALSMA1
THEORIN, Everett LP1NS2
THIBAULT, Laurent JLSPW3
THIBODEAU, Francis NLSVS1
THOMAS, John CLSAAS
THOMPSON, Robert CLSPW1
THRELFALL, Joseph H
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WALSER, Leonard L., P2CK2
WALSH, Gordon JLSAW1
WASHINGTON, Howard ELSNS2
WATKIS, Charles WLSVS1
WELLS, Leonard RLSCV1
WENTZELL Eric D LCAWI
WENTZELL, Eric DLSAW1
WHALEN, Reginald JP1CK2
WEST, Norman L LSMA1
WHETMORE, Roy H LSMA1
WHILLANS, Charles K.,LSSWS
WHITEHEAD, Gordon ELSCR1 WITTCHEN, EdwinLSTD1
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#### CROW'S NEST CLUB WELCOMES QUEBEC OFFICERS

The visit of HMCS Quebec to St. John's in June was accompanied by a busy round of training, sports and Newfoundland hospitality.

The cruiser was moored in midstream, but well-filled duty boats and liberty boats plied back and forth between the ship and King's Wharf as officers and men were landed for football, rifle shooting, training and shore leave.

The Crow's Nest, the famed wartime naval officers' club and now an inter-service club for officers and exofficers, was the scene of a luncheon for Captain Patrick D. Budge, commanding officer, and other officers of the Ouebec.

Another visitor to St. John's during the month was the French frigate L'Aventure.

#### 'Maginews' Resumes Publication

Back in business is the "Maginews", ship's newspaper of HMCS Magnificent. Under the editorship of Lieut. (S) A. C. Tassie and AB Ernest F. Paquin, the carrier's paper has been revived after a period of suspension and is bigger and better than ever.

Packed with humour, literature, and useful information concerning the ship and her movements, the "Maginews" is well to the forefront among the many papers being produced in ships and establishment of the RCN.



The first course for anti-aircraft gunners to be held in HMCS Chippawa was completed recently at the Winnipeg division. The class was instructed by PO J. Borthwick and examined by CPO G. Sewell. Front row, left to right: AB R. Dunsmore, Commander L. B. McJlhagga, commanding officer of Chippawa, PO Borthwick and AB T. Nevin. Rear row: AB J. Hilash, AB G. Drummond, Ldg. Sea. F. Rogers, AB R. Barbour and AB R. Barber.

#### Weddings

Lieut. (S) Robert R. Buchanan, Naval Headquarters, to Miss Lorna M. Mick, of Ottawa.

Leading Seaman William Doggart, HMCS Naden, to Miss Patricia F. Norton, of Victoria.

Petty Officer Frederick Dubinski, HMCS Queen, to Miss Hazel Mitchell, of Regina.

Lieut. (P) Douglas J. Fisher, HMCS Iroquois, to Miss Marion L. Cameron, of Halifax.

Petty Officer Louis Fortier, HMCS Queen, to Mrs. Marion Johnson of Regina.

Able Seaman James Gill, HMCS Stadacona, to Miss Joyce M. Flemming of Halifax.

Leading Seaman Harold Howard, Aldergrove Radio Station, to Miss Lillian C. Wilson, of Edmonton.

Able Seaman J. C. McClinton, HMCS Stadacona, to Miss Marion M. MacKinley, of Halifax.

Lieut. (SB) H. G. Oliver, HMCS Discovery, to Miss Shirley M. Smith, of Calgary.

Able Seaman H. R. Robinson, HMCS Naden, to Miss Margaret I. Keir, of Victoria.

Sub.-Lieut. F. W. N. Ross, HMCS Donnacona, to Miss Lillian Robertson, of Montreal.

Leading Seaman "Link" Tyson, HMCS Discovery, to Miss Dorothy Hake, of Vancouver.

Lieut. (SB) Howard C. Wallace, HMCS Stadacona, to Sub-Lieut. (MN) Caroline French, of HMCS Stadacona.

#### Births

To Lieut. John Ardenne, HMCS Stadacona, and Mrs. Ardenne, a son.

To Leading Seaman Donald Bruce, Albro Lake Radio Station, and Mrs. Bruce, a son. To Lieut.-Cdr. (E) L. H. Clark, HMCS Stadacona, and Mrs. Clark, a son. 1

To Able Seaman John E. Craig, HMCS Brunswicker, and Mrs. Craig, a son.

To Lieut. (S) N. W. Denney, HMCS Montcalm, and Mrs. Denney, a son.

To Able Seaman Franklin Emmett, Albro Lake Radio Station, and Mrs. Emmett, a son,

To Petty Officer Charles Fish, Albro Lake Radio Station, and Mrs. Fish, a son.

To Chief Petty Officer W. A. L. Hughes, HMCS Cornwallis, and Mrs. Hughes, a son.

To Lieut. S. A. Ladigen, HMCS Griffon, and Mrs. Ladigen, a daughter.

To Able Seaman J. P. Laviolette, HMCS Montcalm, and Mrs. Laviolette, a son.

To Lieut. T. C. Luck, HMCS Griffon, and Mrs. Luck, a son.

To Able Seaman W. A. Paterson, HMCS Griffon, and Mrs. Paterson, a son.

To Able Seaman George Sutherland, Aldergrove Radio Station, and Mrs. Sutherland, a daughter.

#### Naval Community Keeps Stork Busy

The 30-dwelling married quarters community at Albro Lake Naval Radio Station, near Dartmouth, N.S., is seriously thinking of challenging the claim of Deep River, Ontario, to having the record birth rate in Canada.

Between May 27 and June 9, three children, all boys, were born to families residing at Albro Lake. That raised the number of births so far this year to six—and at least four more are expected to take place before 1953.

#### Morale Booster

Sioux Shipmates Elect Leading Seaman 'Joe' Bell

HIS irrepressible spirit and con-stant good humor — qualities highly rated in the messdecks of a warship - earned for Ldg. Sea. Joseph Arthur Bell the choice of his shipmates in HMCS Sioux as Man of the

Month for August.

As they marked their ballots, crew members of the Sioux recalled the long, and often tedious, tour of duty from which their ship had returned not long before. In doing so, they thought of - and voted for - a man who had contributed much toward keeping morale at a high level throughout the Sioux's second session in the Korean theatre.

Joe Bell was born and raised on the prairies but in one respect, at least, he was schooled for the naval career which he ultimately took up: He

learned to travel.

Bell was born June 20, 1922, in Balcarres, Sask. His father, a sergeant in the RCMP, kept the family moving from post to post, so that son Joseph received his early education in Gravelbourg and Swift Current, Sask., and spent his later public and high school days in Regina. In June 1940 he moved with his parents to Victoria, and a year later he joined the Royal Canadian Navy.

After completing his basic training in Naden, Bell found himself helping to interne Japanese-Canadian fishermen at Dawson Landing on Vancouver Island. However, as with most sailors in those days, the call soon came to go to the East Coast.

While in Halifax Bell made new friendships, including a highly important and durable one with a member of the WRCNS, which was to be continued in another chapter

of the war.

After a brief stay in Stadacona, he joined his first ship, HMCS Columbia (town class destroyer), escorting con-voys on the triangle run between Boston, St. John's, Nfld., and Halifax. While aboard the Columbia he was promoted to able seaman. After a year at sea, he went to Cornwallis, then in Halifax, where he qualified as an anti-aircraft rating third class in February 1943.

That spring, Bell crossed the Atlantic to join HMCS Athabaskan and, as he soon found, to meet the war at close quarters. In August 1943, while on patrol in the Bay of Biscay, the Athabaskan was hit by a German glider-bomb released by one of a flight of six Dorniers.

The bomb passed through the hull below the bridge, taking the lives of five crew members and wounding 12, and inflicting heavy damage. Only by dint of fine seamanship did the Athabaskan make her way to Ply-

mouth.

Repairs completed, the Athabaskan again joined the battle. But her luck had run out. While on night patrol off the coast of Normandy, she was torpedoed and sunk by German E-boats. HMCS Haida rescued as many as she could, but Bell was among those picked up by E-boats and made prisoners of war. It was more than a year before the defeat of Germany brought him his freedom.

As he looks back over this trying period in his naval career, Bell feels that he is lucky indeed to be alive. He credits his survival to the firm but friendly toe of an unidentified officer who kicked him over the side at the order to abandon ship.

His stay as a prisoner of war in

LEADING SEAMAN JOSEPH A. BELL

Germany was hardly pleasant, but freedom and the sequel to that Halifax friendship of four years before made the world a sunny place indeed.

He returned to England after VE-Day and a month later was married to Leading Wren Beatrice A. Blenus at Newcastle-on-Tyne. Bell was still an AB and says his "I do" came as the result of a direct order from the senior member of the firm. The newlyweds arrived in Canada on July 2 and Bell went west to Naden in September. Apart from a short stay in HMCS Uganda, the next year saw Bell serving in small craft.

New experience came when he joined HMCS Warrior on February 3, 1947, while the aircraft carrier was based briefly on the West Coast. He returned in the Warrior to Halifax, there to join the Nootka, at that time employed in training new entries and UNTD cadets. The memorable event of this commission was a voyage to Hudson Bay, the first venture of the Canadian Navy into those waters.

On Dominion Day, 1948, while still serving in the Nootka, Bell caught up to his wife substantively and became a leading seaman.

He returned to Naden in August 1950 and after a brief seven months ashore joined the Sioux for her second tour of duty in the Far East.

Ldg. Sea. Bell's career in the service fits the family pattern. His father, now retired, spent 28 years in the RCMP; his brother, Chief Petty Officer J. W. Bell, is master-at-arms in HMCS Ontario and has 14 years' service in the RCN to his credit.

His wife has given up her naval career and is now content to remain as "buffer" of "HMCS Bell", at 424 Langford Street, Victoria, and train a new entry, Gary Foster Bell, aged five.

Ldg. Sea. Bell's hobby is woodworking and he spends much of his spare time at it. Cribbage boards are

his specialty.

As has happened before in this series, Ldg. Sea. Bell is a "Man of the Month" in retrospect. While this article was awaiting publication, he was drafted to Naden to await a second class gunnery course.

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#### NAVAL ENGAGEMENT

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UR readers should be informed, that the loyal Province of Nova Scotia (America), having suffered most severely in the early part of the war, from the cruisers of the enemy, fitted out a number of privateers, in order to retaliate on, and to extort compensation from the foe. Within these four years, twelve or fifteen private ships of war have been fitted out by the Nova Scotians, and of this number one half are owned by the little village of Liverpool, which boasts the hon our of having launched the brig Rover, the hero of our present relation.

We have been favoured with the following extract of a letter, dated Liverpool, October 17 (1800), from Captain Godfrey, of the armed brig Rover, which contains a very modest relation of a gallant action, that reflects the highest honour on Captain Godfrey, and the brave men under his command.

"The brig Rover, mounting 14 four pounders, was the present year built and fitted for war at Liverpool in this province; she sailed under my command the 4th of June last on a cruise against the enemies of Great Britain, being commissioned by his Excellency Sir John Wentworth, Bart. Our crew consisted of 55 men and boys, including myself and officers, and was principally composed of fishermen.

"On the 17th of the same month, in the latitude of 23 N. and longitude 54 W. we fell in with six sail of vessels, whom we soon discovered to be enemies, one being a ship with four brigs and a schooner; the schooner showed 16 guns, one of the brigs 16 guns, and another six guns; these six vessels drew up close together, apparently with an intention of engaging us.

"On consulting with my ship's company, we determined to bear down and attack them, but so soon as the enemy perceived our intentions, they by signal from the schooner dispersed, each taking a different course, before we got within gun-shot of them. After a few hours chase, we took possession of the ship and one of the brigs; the ship proved an American bound from the South Seas,

laden with oil, and the brig an American, laden with wine, from Madeira; from them we learned that they had been captured some short time before by a French privateer, which was the schooner in company; that she mounted sixteen guns, two of which were nine-pounders, and the rest sixes, and carried 155 men; and that the other three were American vessels which she had taken, one of which was from the East Indies. Night coming on we were prevented from taking any more of them.

'On the 10th of September, being cruising near to Cape Blanco on the Spanish Main, we chased a Spanish schooner on shore, and destroyed her. Being close in with the land and becalmed, we discovered a schooner and three gun-boats under Spanish colours making for us; a light breeze springing up we were enabled to get clear of the land, when it fell calm, which enabled the schooner and gun-boats, by the help of a number of oars, to gain fast upon us, keeping up at the same time a constant fire from their bow guns, which we returned with two guns pointed from our stern; one of the gun-boats did not advance to attack us.

"As the enemy drew near we engaged them with musquets and pistols, keeping with oars the stern of the Rover towards them, and having all our guns well loaded with great and small shot, ready against we should come to close quarters.

"When we heard the Commander of the schooner give orders to the two gun-boats to board us, I waited to see how they meant to attack us, and finding the schooner intended to board us on our larboard bow, and the other on our larboard waist, I suffered them to advance in that position until they came within about fifteen yards, still firing on them with small arms and the stern guns; I then manned the oars on the larboard side, and pulled the Rover round so as to bring her starboard broadside to bear athwart the schooner's bow, and poured into her a whole broadside of great and small shot, which raked her deck fore and aft, while it was full of men ready

for boarding. I instantly shifted over on the other side and raked both gun boats in the same manner, which must have killed and wounded a great number of those on board of them, and done great damage to their boats.

"I then commenced a close action with the schooner which lasted three glasses, and having disabled her sails and rigging much, and finding her fire grew slack, I took advantage of a light air of wind to back my head sails, which brought my stern on board of the schooner, by which we were enabled to board her and carry her, at which time the gun-boats sheered off, apparently in a very shattered condition.

We found her to be the Santa Ritta, mounting ten six pounders and two twelve pound carronades; with 125 men. She was fitted out the day before, by the Governor of Porto Cavallo, with the gun-boats, for the express purpose of taking us; every Officer on board of her was killed except the Officers who commanded a party of twenty-five soldiers; there were fourteen men dead on her deck when we boarded her, and seventeen wounded; the prisoners, including the wounded, amounted to seventy-one.

"My ship's company, including Officers and boys, was only 45 in number, and behaved with that courage and spirit which British seamen always shew when fighting the enemies of their country. It is with infinite pleasure I add, that I had not a man hurt; from the best account I could obtain, the enemy lost 54 men. The prisoners being too numerous to be kept on board, on the 14th ult. I landed them all except eight, taking an obligation from them not to serve against his Majesty until regularly exchanged.

"I arrived with my ship's company in safety this day at Liverpool, having taken during my cruise the before mentioned vessels, together with a sloop under American colours bound to Curacoa, a Spanish schooner bound to Porto Cavallo, which have all arrived in this province, besides which I destroyed some Spanish launches on the coast."

#### Far East Sports Meet

by D. C. L.

Canadians, British, Dutch, Vie for Athletic Honors

OAR has never yet completely overruled the natural desire of military men to enjoy relaxation. No matter how serious things may seem, the sailors, soldiers and airmen manage to make the best of their opportunities to forget the grimmer side of life and have some fun.

Two Canadian destroyers, the Athabaskan and Nootka, demonstrated this fact when, early this summer, they vied for athletic and other honors in the greatest single recreational spree since the arrival of Canadian warships in the Far East two years ago.

While the accent was on sports, the sailors enjoyed an A to Z program. The closely-packed timetable included a question and answer period; movies conducted by four well-known Canadian sportscasters; a boat trip to Miya Jima, a sacred Japanese island; a wide variety of track and field events; sailing, hiking and swimming, and a special showing of the Canadian

Army's stage production, "Anything Goes".

Old Sol was blessing Southern Japan with a welcome dose of natural vitamins when the Athabaskan and Nootka arrived at a United Nations naval base together, a circumstance that resulted in the immediate issue of challenges requiring sports field settlement. Representatives of the two Canadian ships set about planning a sports program, to which an international flavor was added with the arrival of the British destroyer Cossack and the Dutch destroyer Piet Hein.

The day after the Athabaskan berthed, about 30 crew members ventured by boat to the sacred island of Miya Jima, about halfway between Iwakuni and the atom-bomb city of Hiroshima.

The shrine of Itsukushima Jinsha, built in 811 AD, and its connected subsidiary shrines, received special attention from the camera-wielding Canadians. Senjokaku — the hall of the thousand mats — was also on the tour. This ancient edifice contains thousands of rice scoops (symbol of plenty), given as offerings, as well as a collection of ancient paintings hanging in the rafters. A five-storey, 15th century pagoda, close by the age-old shrine of Senjokaku, was also inspected during the nine-hour trip.

Meanwhile, a four-cornered UN athletic program moved into gear as the crews of the four ships prepared to take the kinks out of their sea-legs. Team sports such as basketball, football and softball served only as preliminary events to an even broader athletic agenda. Sports officers representing each of the four warships met aboard HMS Cossack to draft plans for a meet that would test the skills of all the sea-going athletes.

The Athabaskan made an early bid for sports recognition as she won six, tied one and lost two of a total of nine basketball, softball and soccer games. Tasting real victory for the first time since they held the UN softball championship during their first tour in the Far East, the Athabaskans aimed high and challenged the Canadian Army's 25th Reinforcement Group to a diamond show.

With only two immediately previous games for experience, the destroyer's team rang up a 5-3 victory over the Army to add an inter-service tang to the naval sports session. While this game was in progress, the Athabaskan's officers tangled with officers of the Army Group, and were drubbed 12-0 for the only softball loss suffered by the ship in the whole meet. Two exhibition games between the Athabaskans and Nootkas resulted in 11-6 and 22-8 victories for the Athabee.

In the Athabaskan's inter-part softball league, Ldg. Sea. Russell Denney, of Victoria, led the Stokers' team to the championship. The Stokers scored a 15–10 victory over the second-place Electrical team to bring the series to an end. Other teams in the league were Wardroom Officers, Gunners, Communicators, Seamen, Supply and Chief and Petty Officers.



In the swimming events, four out of six races were won by members of the Nootka's team. Front row: Ord. Sea. John Hillier, Eurette, Ont.; Ord. Sea. Donald Findlay, Beaurepaire, Que., and Ldg. Sea. Richard Russell, Dartmouth and Victoria. Rear row: AB James Anger, Welland, Ont.; AB Joseph Pattenden, Halifax and Windsor, Ont.; Lieut. David Pearce, Toronto, sports officer and PO Gordon Rushton, Montreal and Halifax. (NK-1228).



The Athabaskan's basketball team scored two victories in three games played during the sports meet at Kure. Pictured here are: Front row, AB Loren Woolven, Edmonton; AB David Marsh, Calgary, and AB Jim Beech, Port Arthur. Rear row, AB Nick Malysh, Vernon, B.C.; AB Ian Anderson, White Rock, B.C.; AB Harry Ruppell, Summerland, B.C., and AB Alfred Egerton, Oliver, B.C. (O-2420).

Three basketball games, played against HMCS Nootka, brought the Athabaskan another defeat. She won the first two 35–16 and 41–30 but lost the other to Nootka, 54–40. Athabaskan's top scorers were Able B.C., Harry Ruppel, of Summerland, Seamen Alfred Egerton, of Oliver, B.C.; and Nick Malysh, of Vernon, B.C.

The high point for the Athabaskan's soccer team came when it held HMS Cossack's highly-favored XI to a 2–2 tie. In the other soccer game, the Athabaskan beat the Nootka 10–1.

The Athabaskan's hopes for the over-all title were dashed, however, by the Piet Hein's track squad. The Dutch sailors walked away with top honors in many individual events, as well as the final track championship. They ended up with 37 points, Cossack was in second place with 30 and the Athabaskan had to be content with 17. The Nootka was unable to compete.

Outstanding Canadian entry was Athabaskan's navigating officer, Lieut. P. L. S. McCulloch, of Victoria, who outdistanced the opposition in the 1500 metre and 5000 metre events and then added weight to the ship's relay team. Ldg. Sea. Jerry Gray, of Vancouver, took high jump honors with a leap of 5 feet 3 inches and the

Athabaskan's heavers won the tugo'-war.

Aching untrained muscles were temporarily forgotten when, at the completion of the sports, the Canadian Army's celebrated revue, "Anything Goes," was staged for the benefit of the Navy. The soldiers played to a



Coasting home an easy victor in the 3,000-metre race is Lieut. P. L. S. McCulloch, of HMCS Athabaskan. (0-2424).

receptive crowd of Canadian, British and Dutch sailors right in the sailors' own backyard. Proving their ability to perform almost anywhere, the soldiers rigged a stage on the destroyers' jetty and went through their zany routines in view of the ships.

Top tunes of the day, a four-piece musical group, mad comedy skits and splashes of color made "Anything Goes" a solid hit. Some of the Albertans, in particular, "went native" in response to cowboy ballads, western music and rangeland costumes which were featured in the hour-and-a-half show.

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Ldg. Sea. Gerald Gray, of Vancouver, added to the Athabaskan's point score when he triumphed in the high jump in the track and field meet. (O-2421).

## Afloat and Ashore

#### ATLANTIC COAST

#### Albro Lake Radio Staion

Albro Lake, always a busy centre in the communication world, was busier than ever in the month of May—so much so that the station rolled up the highest amount of commercial telegraph traffic since its commissioning. In all, 64,946 message groups were handled.

With the advent of summer, sports have come to the fore at Albro Lake.

The "Izaak Waltons" are once more among us, loud and long in their anguish over the "big one that got away". The lakes at Albro do not teem with fish but, for the enthusiast, they are there to be had. One of the lakes, incidentally, was stocked by station personnel, and results have proven the effort was well worthwhile.

Albro has once again entered a team in the Halifax North End Softball League. Inclement weather prevented much practice and the team made a rather inauspicious start, winning two and losing two.

The re-opening of the beach has provided a pleasant place for relaxation. Now a project to provide sand boxes for children of station personnel is under consideration. — *C.M.M.* 

#### HMCS Swansea

Cruise Able commenced with a fiveand-a-half-day crossing from Halifax to Ponta Delgada in the Azores. During this time the Swansea worked hard to overcome the lead taken by the Crescent and La Hulloise in their pre-cruise work-ups together. Sea training exercises were conducted daily and each dog watch saw competitive pulling races by various departmental crews in the three ships of the task group.

After the Azores came a four-day stay at Gibraltar, where tours of the "Rock" were arranged and three softball games were played by ship's company and cadet teams.

On departure from Gibraltar, course was shaped for Toulon via the Spanish coastal route. On the first evening out a night exercise was held, with the Swansea and La Hulloise deploying to intercept the enemy force (Crescent), and firing starshell and rockets in the closing stages of the attack.

The Balearic Islands were passed close by the following day and at sunset, as Minorca faded on the skyline, course was set for Toulon.

The arrival next morning in brilliant sunshine was somewhat dampened by the news that a communist-inspired strike had resulted in all leave being curtailed. The disturbance was short-lived, however, and normal leave was granted the next afternoon.

The same day the French battleship Richelieu, flying the flag of Rear-Admiral Champion, arrived in port and berthed a half cable away from the Swansea's mooring. Tours of the flagship were arranged for all the cadets on board and the Admiral was guest of honour at a reception given the same evening on the quarter deck.

A tour of the nearby coastline was organized for members of the ship's company and many more took full advantage of the numerous beaches to the eastward, some going as far as Nice, Cannes and Monte Carlo.

The cruise regatta was held in the sheltered reaches of Ville Franche harbor, under a blazing sun. HMCS La Hulloise was the victor but the Swansea's stokers had the satisfaction of winning the day's most vital race, a grand finale contest in which each ship entered its fastest crew.

Following the five-day visit to the Riviera, a strenuous program of daily exercises was launched on the return journey. Competition grew increasingly keen as the days passed and the final standing for possession of the "Cock of the Walk" was in doubt until the last morning's exercises had



The 139th anniversary of the epic sea fight between the Shannon and the Chesapeake was observed, June 1, with a service in the old naval cemetery at HMCS Stadacona, Halifax. Here Commodore H. F. Pullen, Commodore of the RCN Barracks, lays a wreath on the Shannon memorial in memory of the officers and men who lost their lives in the short but bloody engagement in which the Shannon took the Chesapeake, off Boston, and towed her to Halifax as a prize. (HS-19937).

been completed. With a whirlwind finish the Swansea overtook the Crescent in the final two evolutions but had to be content with the runnerup position behind the strong La Hulloise crew. — A.M.

#### Communications School

There was a time when there were so few West Coasters on the Comschool staff that they regarded themselves as the school's displaced persons. However, so many have been joining in recent months that the ratio of West to East threatens to swing in their favor.

Latest arrivals from "paradise" are POs Hugh Christie and James Wilks.

The supplementary branch, which can call neither coast its own, has welcomed CPO Edward Pratt, PO Roy Marsaw and Ldg. Sea. Charles Lamb and has said au revoir to CPO Arthur Little, CPO Pratt is making his second tour in the school, having served on the staff in 1946 and '47.

AB Roderick Chandler, hardworking member of the hard-working electrical staff, has been drafted to Stadacona. His replacement is AB John Sanford.

As of June 21, there were 286 officers and men in the school, of whom 209 were under training. Fortyone Wrens were taking communications courses.

#### Joint Maritime Warfare School

RCAF Maritime Operational Training Unit Course No. 10, consisting of 28 officers and men, completed two weeks' instruction at the school in May. Similar lectures and demonstrations were presented to this course as to previous RCAF courses to prepare the aircrew for their eventual duty in Maritime squadrons.

Junior Officers Technical and Lea-dership Course (E) was given an abbreviated junior officers' tactical

course lasting five days.

The Maritime Warfare School's cosmopolitan entry in the Stadacona volleyball championship finally bowed out to the Electrical School. This closely contested match concluded the indoor sports activity for the instructional staff.

#### HMCS Quebec

The trip up the St. Lawrence in June was the second cruise made by the Quebec since her arrival on the East Coast. On her first cruise, she sailed to Bermuda, then spent ten days as plane guard for the Magnificent.



These South Korean sailors display curiosity, if nothing else, when shown a copy of the Royal Canadian Navy's magazine by AB George Forester, of Calgary, on board a ROK patrol craft. Forester, a crew member of the Cayuga, was on board the ROK ship with a liaison team from the Canadian ship. (SO-344).

The period in company with the carrier proved of great value, since every opportunity was taken to carry out such evolutions as transferring stores, towing, etc.

While in Bermuda, the Quebec engaged in various sports activities with HMS Sheffield. A tug of war match was won by the Sheffield, two pulls to one. A pint relay race ended in a tie, the Canadian sailors showing more fleetness of foot but the Britishers excelling at disposing of their pints.

The results of cricket and softball games are still a matter of conjecture.

Lieut. T. J. C. Thomas and CPO Tom Elstone are back in the school after a month in various American training centres.

Lieut.-Cdr. Bruce Carnall took over as executive officer of the school on his return from a series of courses with the USN.

Commissioned Gunner D. B. Babineau has been appointed to the TAS School and is employed as divisional officer. This appointment was gleefully greeted by the softball team, Mr. Babineau being a softball player of note.

#### TAS School

The month of June brought UNTD and Reserve classes to swell the numbers already under instruction in the TAS School.

A class of RCN(R) officers from HMCS Scotian qualified after an extensive course of night instruction which commenced in November 1951.

The TAS School was well represented by TD3 "A" class in the guard required for parading the Queen's

Commissioned Gunner A. A. Butchart, CPO Gordon White and members of TD3 "Z" class returned from A/S exercises in the Bermuda area, all of them sporting splendid tans.

#### PACIFIC COAST

#### **HMCS Sioux**

May and June brought new problems as the ship changed from operational to training duties. With the echoes of refit still ringing and the questions of newly-joined first year cadets filling the air, the ship sailed for Bedwell Harbor on the first training cruise of the summer.

A week in Bedwell saw the ship cleared of that "refit look" and ready for her northern trip in company with the Beacon Hill and Antigonish. On this trip, solid weeks of general drills, exercises and instruction were punctuated with visits to Prince Rupert and Juneau, Alaska.

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This first cruise served notice that an interesting summer lay ahead for the three ships of the training force, with much keen competition before the "Cock of the Walk" finally came to roost.

#### Mechanical Training Establishment

With HMCS Cayuga returning from Korean waters, a good many reliefs were required to enable members of the ship's company to proceed on a well-earned leave. In the case of engine room personnel, most of the replacements were provided by the MTE.

Stokers' technical classes, numbering 12 on the average, have been completing their courses weekly, then

going to sea for experience.

A class of 11 leading seamen (stoker mechanics) recently completed the eighth week of the first P2SM course to be held in Esquimalt for a considerable period of time. A second class was due to commence July 21.

The MTE has been taking an active part in inter-part sports, with PO Dave Sadler spurring his men on

to greater endeavor.

The MTE shops worked overtime preparing the establishment's entries in the Navy Day celebrations which this year took place on July 25. Everything was in a state of highest secrecy as each department tried to outdo the other in design and appeal to the public interest.

Of interest to many serving and former personnel is the fact that four pensioners have been added to the staff of instructors. They are Vic Jones, ex-commissioned mechanician, Chris Wilkins, Bert Gadsby and Chuck Gordon — E.A.P.

#### Ordnance School

The school said farewell recently to its former Crowsnest correspondent, Ordnance Lieut. Richard Donnithorne, who is going to London as assistant staff officer (ordnance) to the commanding officer, HMCS Niobe.

POs William Wood, Donald Jackson and E. J. MacDonald have joined from the Sioux, while CPOs Richard Polly and T. D. Angus have gone to the Sioux and Ontario, respectively. CPO Herbert Thomas is due to arrive from the Quebec, via leave, and CPOs Floyd Johnston and John Pinkney are expected back in the fold shortly. It would appear that for the time being, at least, CPO Norman Tapping and POs Arthur Burns and Albert Simons will continue serving in the Quebec.

The staff is looking forward to the return of the streamlined version of CPO Arnold Parkinson, who is at present convalescing after a recent

operation.

#### ND Training Centre

This year has been one of the busiest the centre has experienced. 142 officers and 66 men having completed courses since Ianuary 1.

During the month of June, four classes of first year cadets, three classes of second year cadets, one class of QM1s and two classes of RP3s completed their instruction in the school. Another RP3 class commenced on June 30 with 12 candidates enrolled.

#### NAVAL DIVISIONS

#### HMCS Brunswicker

(Saint John)

The wardroom of Brunswicker was host on Saturday, June 14, to the New Brunswick Men's Press Club. Guest speaker was Lieut.-Cdr. W. S. T. McCully, officer-in-charge of the Torpedo Anti-Submarine School, Halifax, who gave a brief history of the RCN as an introduction to describing its role as an anti-submarine force. An informal question and answer period followed.

Following the meeting, the members of the club made a tour of the division and Commander J. A. MacKinnon, commanding officer, was host at a reception. Among the guests was the Lieutenant Governor of New Brunswick, D. L. McLaren.

HMS Burghead Bay, of the America and West Indies Squadron, was in Saint John for a short docking inspection. During her stay, the officers were guests at a dance in the wardroom.

HMCS Portage, having completed her annual refit in Saint John, sailed

for Halifax on June 9.

#### HMCS Queen

(Regina)

The training program at Queen wound up June 23 with the last drill of the season. Closing social events included the annual ship's company dance and the wardroom's annual mess dinner, both of which proved to be highly successful affairs.

During the year the ladies' auxiliary to the chief and petty officers' mess was kept busy arranging for various social functions held by the division. For its part, the newly-formed ward-room ladies' auxiliary sponsored a series of square dances which were very well attended.

Facilities and equipment at Queen were inspected by Vice-Admiral E. R. Mainguy, Chief of the Naval Staff, during his tour through Western Canada. During his stay, Admiral Mainguy spoke to the Regina United Services Institute.

#### IN MEMORIAM

On Wednesday, June 11, 1952, on Bonilla Island, 90 miles from Prince Rupert, a naval officer died violently while in the service of his country.

Ordnance Lieut.-Cdr. Edward Borradaille, RCN, "Ted" to his brother officers, was fatally injured when a beached mine which he was endeavouring to destroy exploded. This tragedy deprived us not only of an expert famous for his work in the field of explosives demolition, but of a man admired and esteemed by all who knew him.

The regard in which he was held was well demonstrated by the numbers who attended his funeral. Lieut.-Cdr. Borradaille was escorted to his rest by 400 officers and men of the navy. We will not soon forget that occasion; its sadness and the feeling

of deep loss felt by us all.

This death was not in vain. In the way of his dying, Lieut.-Cdr. Borradaille set us an excellent example. Calmly, precisely and carefully he faced great danger, as he had faced it so many times. None knew better than he the risk he ran, but he did his full duty in spite of it. May his example of calmness and fortitude inspire and strengthen us all.

THE STAFF, HMC ORDNANCE SCHOOL.

Editor's Note:

Ordnance Lieut.-Cdr. Edward L. Borradaille was born October 30, 1908, at

Ganges Harbour, Salt Spring Island, B.C.

He entered the RCNVR in September 1940 as an acting lieutenant and trained in the United Kingdom, remaining there for the next two years on mine disposal duties.

He returned to Naden in 1942 as bomb disposal officer and later that year went

to Chilliwack, B.C., for duty with the Bomb Disposal School.

He served at Naval Headquarters from 1943 to the end of the war and was demobilized in 1945. He kept up his connections with the Navy after the war, training annually at HMCS Naden.

He transferred to the RCN in June, 1951, and was appointed to the Ordnance School at Naden.

He leaves his wife, Mrs. Doris Borradaille, 1013 Tillicum Road, Victoria.

CPO E. L. Hall, formerly in HMCS Ontario, was drafted recently to Queen for training duties. He replaced the late CPO Les Paige.

PO Louis Fortier, who had been in Regina for the past year-and-a-half, was drafted to HMCS Star in Hamilton. He was relieved in Queen by PO W. A. Colter of Victoria.

Despite rainy weather a good turnout from Queen marched in Decoration Day ceremonies. — C.E.B.

#### HMCS Montcalm

(Quebec City)

A gun's crew from Montcalm fired a royal salute in Quebec City June 10 on the occasion of the birthday of His Royal Highness the Duke of Edinburgh. It was the first time a naval gun's crew had fired a royal salute in Quebec, traditionally an army city.

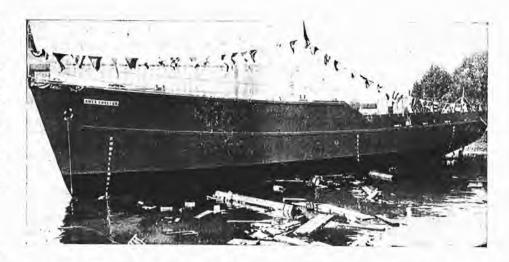
Montcalm's entry in the Maisonneuve Softball League got off to a slow start but is hopeful of improving its record as the season progresses.

The following are members of the bowling team which represented the division in the provincial bowling tournament in Quebec City: PO Paul Foy, AB Maurice Lalonde and Ordinary Seamen F. L. Gaudet, P. L. Neron, N. J. Paquette, Marcel J. Tessier, J. H. Ruest and Armand Bergeron.

#### HMCS Griffon

(Port Arthur)

The minesweeper HMCS Chaleur was launched in Port Arthur June 21 with Mrs. J. G. Knowlton, wife of



The first naval craft to be built at Port Arthur since the war was launched June 21. A minesweeper, the ship was christened (right) HMCS Chaleur by Mrs. J. G. Knowlton, wife of Rear-Admiral J. G. Knowlton, Chief of Naval Technical Services. (Photos by Bill Snelgrove).

Rear-Admiral Knowlton, Chief of Naval Technical Services, acting as sponsor, Chaplain W. C. Mercer of HMCS Griffon blessed the vessel prior to the launching.

Following the christening ceremony, guests numbering close to 150 were entertained by the Port Arthur Shipbuilding Company at a reception and luncheon at the Prince Arthur Hotel. Admiral Knowlton and Richard Lowery, of Montreal, president of Shipbuilding and Engineering Limited, were the principal speakers at the luncheon.

One week earlier the keel of the Quinte, another minesweeper, was laid at the yards of the Port Arthur Shipbuilding Company.



HMCS Chatham

(Prince Rupert)

Opening of the summer training season brought HMC Ships Sioux, Antigonish and Beacon Hill to Prince Rupert for a busy and enjoyable weekend.

First arrival was the Sioux, and her captain, Commander P. E. Haddon, inspected the recently-formed RCSCC Captain Cook. He was high in his praise of the standards of efficiency and training attained by the Sea Cadet corps in the short time it had been in existence.

Once the Antigonish and the Beacon Hill had steamed into port, a full program of activities was laid on. The Beacon Hill was absent from the Sunday events, having been called out of harbor to investigate a reported floating mine. The "mine" proved to be a drifting buoy.

On Saturday evening officers of the three visiting ships were hosts at a reception aboard the Sioux at which Mayor H. Whalen, other civic officials and prominent citizens were guests. Church parades to the United Anglican and Presbyterian churches were held on Sunday morning.



Naval gun crews from HMCS Montcalm prepare to fire a royal salute in honor of the Duke of Edinburgh on the occasion of his birthday. It was the first time a royal salute had been fired in Quebec City, traditionally an army centre, by the navy.



While HMCS Ontario was at Pearl Harbor in the course of a training cruise this spring, the ship's band made a guest appearance on the well-known radio program, "Hawaii Calls," playing from the verandah of the Moana Hotel, overlooking Waikiki Beach. Among those offering congratulations was movie actress Ann Blythe, an old friend of the RCN (see Crowsnest, October, 1951), who is shown here chatting with the bandmaster, CPO Edmond Jones. (OT-1090).

Annual inspection of Chatham by Captain A. G. Boulton, Director of Naval Reserves, was held on June 18. He commented on the smart appearance of the ship's company and the general neatness of the establishment. One of his acts was to sign a founding charter for the Wrens' division, containing the signatures of all the Wrens who formed the division in December 1951.

#### HMCS Malahat (Victoria)

First annual inspection of Malahat since the division moved to Moresby House, wartime Wren barracks, was made in June by Captain A. G. Boulton, Director of Naval Reserves.

Also present for the inspection were members of the ship's company of Malahat's tender, HMCS Sault Ste. Marie. An inspection of the minesweeper followed.

The Naden band was in attendance on the parade square and Chaplain J. W. Carter conducted prayers at divisions.

The previous day the Sault Ste. Marie, commanded by Lieut.-Cdr. B. T. R. Russell, returned from a week-end training cruise with members of the division and of RCSCC Rainbow aboard. Three Wren officers and five Wrens were embarked for the first two hours of the cruise, then were landed at Sidney. The minesweeper continued on to Anacortes, Washington.

On the same week-end, Sea Cadets of RCSCC Rainbow held their annual fair in Victoria. CPO Walter Burch and Ldg. Sea. James Nicholson, from Malahat, helped out, operating a booth and showing films.

Malahat was represented at the July 1 celebrations at Duncan, B.C., by a large display booth manned by Wren Joyce K. Villeneuve and Ldg. Sea. Ellis W. Hillyer.

Early preparations were made by the division for Navy Day in Victoria, with Malahat devising a three-vehicle float. The central motif was to be a replica of Moresby House, with civilian life portrayed on one vehicle and Navy life and training on another.

Lieut.-Cdr. Harry C. Ferne, first lieutenant, has begun a three-year stint as staff officer.

Lieut. A. J. Collins, information officer of Malahat and radio announcer for CJVI, represented the RCN(R) at and was master-of-ceremonies for a Naden band concert in connection with "I Am a Canadian" Day ceremonies in Beacon Hill Park, Victoria. — A.J.C.

#### HMCS Unicorn

(Saskatoon)

A safety boom has been strung across the South Saskatchewan river to enable boats to operate safely above the dam that is located on the river within the city limits. Two diesel cutters and other craft from the division are being kept busy on

Monday and Thursday evenings pro-

viding practice for Unicorn personnel. On Thursday, June 19, a party of sea cadets and new entry Wrens was taken on a river cruise by Lieutenants D. M. Keith and C. W. O'Connor, Sub-Lieut. A. M. Swain and PO Ernest Friesen.

A familiar face turned up in Unicorn when CPO Wilfred Surline called at the division while home on leave from HMCS Naden. CPO Surline is on continuous naval duty and is attached to the diving tender at

PO Kenneth Hurl, who has been in charge of naval stores in Unicorn for the past 20 months, has been drafted to Naden.

Installation of additional office space is near completion and the division will have a greatly inproved organizational set-up when the fall training season begins. - C. L. McL.

#### HMCS Donnacona

(Montreal)

Although the regular training season at HMCS Donnacona has completed, officers attached to the Montreal division are attending weekly training classes throughout the summer months.

The port of Montreal played host



D. W. Clark, right, past president of the Calgary branch of the Naval Officers Associa-tions, presents a custom built radio phonograph and silver plaque to Lieut. Cdr. Keith Whynot, executive officer of HMCS Tecumseh and president of the wardroom officers' mess. The presentation took place at the NOA annual dinner at which Vice-Admiral E. R. Mainguy, Chief of the Naval Staff, was guest speaker.



Ldg. Sea. George Caunce, of HMCS York, seems to take a dim view of the Army taking over the engines of PTC 716, but it was all part of a week-end training trip from Toronto to Kingston for which Army personnel were embarked and assigned to department similar to their own. The soldier is Cpl. J. McAugley, RCASC.

to a number of visiting warships during the month of June. On June 11 the destroyer USS Samuel B. Roberts arrived in port prior to going to Sorel for the gun presentation ceremonies on the 14th. HMCS Quebec arrived June 20 for her first visit to this city. The same day saw the destroyers USS Cross and USS Johnnie Hutchins tie up in Montreal. — R.F.D.S.

#### HMCS Chippawa

(Winnipeg)

The month of June saw the completion of the winter and spring training program in Chippawa, with more than 100 new entries writing mass examinations in an endeavor to qualify for more advanced instruction next year.

Practically all members of the Wren division proceeded on naval training in June and increasingly large numbers of officers and men took off for the coasts for their annual sessions in RCN ships and schools.

The division was visited by Rear-Admiral H. G. DeWolf, Vice Chief of the Naval Staff, and many of his fellow members of the Permanent Joint Defence Board during a one-day stop-over in Winnipeg. Another visitor was Captain G. E. Fardell, Naval Advisor to the United Kingdom High Commissioner.

General policies for the fall training season were laid down at two meetings held after the conclusion of regular drills. Continuation of the system of having separate training nights for new entries and re-entries was approved. The division plans to carry out a large-scale recruiting drive in-September to ensure the success of the two parade night system.

#### HMCS Discovery

(Vancouver)

The first visit in two years was paid to Vancouver by HMCS Ontario

toward the end of June.

Captain E. P. Tisdall was accompanied by Lieut.-Cdr. William Davidson, executive officer of Discovery, on his formal calls to Mayor Fred Hume and senior officers of the armed services.

Members of the ship's company were taken on tours of industrial establishments. Discovery's wardroom officers were hosts to officers of the Ontario at a reception and the visiting sailors were made welcome in other Discovery messes during the five-day

Captain G. E. Fardell, Naval Advisor to the U.K. High Commissioner in Ottawa, paid an informal visit to the division and was taken on a cruise of Vancouver harbor in

PTC 124.

PO Alex Stanners has won praise for the assistance he gave RCMP in an attempt to save a young girl who was swept down river in Lynn Canyon Park. The swift stream carried the girl out of reach of the rescuers and PO Stanners later recovered the body with a line rigged from shore.

Mr. and Mrs. J. ("Dad" and "Ma") McEwan were laden with gifts on

their retirement as wardroom stew-

PO Bill Langley, from the University of British Columbia, is on special duty and is learning how to run a ship's office. Ldg. Sea. Ken Murray has been appointed to serve for a year under PO Charles McQueen in the TD division.

PO James D. (Doc) Alexander, veteran medical assistant, is back on civvy street after a tour of special duty, but is still with the reserves. AB Paul Severny has joined from

HMCS Ontario.

Captain A. G. Boulton, Director of Naval Reserves, accompanied by Commander (S) C. G. King, made his annual inspection of the base. There was a good turnout for the special inspection parade, despite the fact it fell on B.C.'s election night.

CPO Charles Hartney, on special duty, paid a surprise visit to the division while his new ship, the Ontario, was in Vancouver.

Regular training was suspended for the summer, July 8, but a leadership course for chiefs and petty officers began July 15 and was to be followed by a special course to qualify seaman petty officers for CPO.

Hundreds of children and adults took part in the all-day annual

picnic held at Discovery.

#### **HMCS Hunter** (Windsor, Ont.)

A parade through downtown Windsor wound up activities at Hunter for the summer months. Following the parade and a march past at which the salute was taken by the commanding officer, Commander W. G. Curry, social evenings were held in the messes, with wives of members of the ship's company attending.



Though ten of their number were away on training, Wrens of HMCS Chippawa still managed to make a smart showing in the annual Decoration Day parade in Winnipeg. (Photo by Maurice Oliver, Harold White Studio).



A performance by HMCS York's gun run team featured Navy Days at Kitchener, Ont. This photo shows the Toronto division's team in action. (*Photo courtesy the Kitchener-Waterloo Record*).

Arrangements have been made for berthing the boats for the summer months and sailing on Lake St. Clair was to get under way at the end of June.

Hunter was host this year to the annual dinner and dance of the Windsor Garrison NCOs. B. C. Butler, Canadian consul in Detroit, was the guest speaker. Representatives of army and navy messes in the city attended. The Hunter dance orchestra, drawn from members of the Hunter band, played for the dancing.

— R.M.P.

#### HMCS York (Toronto)

Featuring York's 30-piece trumpet band and 18-man field gun team, 75 reservists from the Toronto divi-

#### Toronto Division Has Fair Visitors

Eyes popped and duties were dropped when ten Canadian beauties — finalists in a Sweater Queen contest sponsored by a knitting company — invaded HMCS York on a recent afternoon.

Amid a certain amount of chaos and confusion (as York sailors stumbled over each other to give a hand), the girls boarded the Toronto division's Fairmile and movie cameras cranked out 15 or 20 minutes of sailor-meets-sweater-girl film. Prominent in the pictures was Petty Officer R. O. Dunham, sporting a full growth of beard.

sion staged a display and demonstration at Kitchener, Ont., June 7.

The demonstration was the high point of Navy Days being observed in Kitchener and Waterloo in conjunction with the visit of a naval mobile recruiting team.

A parade in which sea cadets of RCSCC Warspite also took part was followed by a demonstration of the Bickford Gun Run, under the charge of CPO Leonard Rutherford and CPO Mortimer L. Mowry. Using a ceremonial 12-pounder field gun, the team went through the various phases of the drill in rapid order.

Commanding the detachment was

Sub-Lieut, J. S. Kerr.

More than 200 couples attended a recent ship's company dance, first social event to be held on board York since the end of the mourning period. The drill deck was decorated for the occasion by members of the permanent staff.

York was visited recently by Rear-Admiral H. G. DeWolf, Vice Chief of the Naval Staff, while he was in Toronto to attend a Canadian Legion function. Admiral DeWolf walked around the division and inspected a

number of departments.

York's Wrens spent an interesting afternoon aboard the division's Fairmile, PTC 716. During a cruise on Lake Ontario, they were given instruction in compass and helm, bends and hitches, communications, gunnery and boatwork.

The next day the Wrens turned out in full force for the Garrison

#### Trumpet Band Formed At York

HMCS York, the Toronto naval division, is proud of its newest addition—a fully trained trumpet band.

With new uniforms, shiny trumpets, drums and bell lyras, the band adds a finishing touch to parades in which the navy participates in and around Toronto. Numbering 30 members, of which 13 are ex-sea cadets, the band is the first York has had since the war.

Since its first public appearance, marching to the Toronto Trumpet Band Festival at East York Memorial Stadium on May 3, the group has had a full schedule. It led the Garrison church parade in Toronto recently and took part shortly afterward in a recruiting demonstration at Kitchener, Ontario. Then came a Dominion Day appearance, following which the band proceeded to Rochester, N.Y., on the invitation of the U.S. Naval Reserve in that city.

church parade. When volunteers were asked to stand special duty at the Cenotaph at the conclusion of the parade, every Wren stepped forward.

— A.C.T.

#### SHEARWATER H&S ELECTS OFFICERS

The following officers for 1952–53 were elected at a recent meeting of the Shearwater Home and School Association: President, Mrs. Yvonne McGregor; vice-president, Chaplain A. J. Mowatt; secretary, Miss Mona Williams; treasurer, Mrs. Frances Jackson; membership, Mrs. R. H. Swansburg; program, Mr. R. C. Garver; ways and means, Mr. E. Webber; publicity, Mrs. A. J. Mowatt; social conveners, Mrs. R. Heath and Mrs. J. Magill.

#### New Scheme Helps Train Radiomen

A new and interesting scheme has been added to the syllabus of junior radiomen under training in the Communications School at Cornwallis.

Every Wednesday afternoon a radio field day is held. Two groups of men from the school's junior classes go into the country and set up emergency radio stations, while other members of the same classes man a control station in the Communications School.

On the first trial run, carried out by CR class 49, both field stations travelled a distance of four miles and were in communication with the school and with each other in 45 minutes.

It is hoped that combined visual and radio exercises can be undertaken in the near future, thus giving both signalmen and radiomen experience in this important side of the communications field.



Off on another photograph mission, Ldg. Sea. Robert Blakeley hoists his 120-pound frame and 60-pound camera into a Harvard aircraft at the RCN air station. (DNS-6862).

#### SKY-HIGH PHOTOGRAPHY

Naval Cameraman Has Unusual Job

PICTURE yourself hanging out of a Dakota, 3,000 feet above the ocean, with nothing holding you back but a set of straps.

It's an unpleasant thought, all right, but for Ldg. Sea. Bob Blakeley, of HMCS Shearwater, it is all part of the day's work. What is more, 120-pound Blakeley does his sky-high dangling while juggling a 60-pound aerial camera.

Blakeley holds the unique and probably unenviable distinction of being the only aerial photographer at the naval air station. As such, he spends an average of eight and a half hours a month in Navy and RCAF planes with his cameras.

Aerial photography plays a highly important part in modern warfare. It provides detailed information on important defence locations and installations, and geographical data of

military interest.

Ldg. Sea. Blakeley's job the day he was hanging from the Dakota was to photograph a section of Newfoundland coastline. However, in most of the planes from which he takes pictures there is provision for a photographer. A bomb bay or a seat in an Avenger do just fine.

His favorites are the Navy's helicopters. With the egg-beater hovering in mid-air, he can get his subject in the view-finder and shoot as he pleases. In conventional aircraft he must trigger the shutter in a hurry if he wants to get the subject on his negative before the plane leaves it trailing far astern.

Blakeley uses a variety of cameras

— a 60-pound aerial camera using super 7x7 negatives, a K-20 aerial job, a 4x5 Speed Graphic and a 16-millimetre machine for movies. Sometimes he has to lug several around at once.

One of his most hectic days involved four hours aloft in three different aircraft, with hardly a breather between flights. He didn't even have time for lunch. His first chore that April morning was to shoot some waterfront scenes from an Anson trainer. Next he was away in an Avenger snapping formations of Sea Furies on special exercise. Then he was up again in a helicopter to take progress pictures of naval housing developments in the Halifax area.

Though he has been in the Navy for more than nine years, Ldg. Sea. Blakeley took up photography professionally only three years ago. Entering the RCNVR in October 1942, he served in minesweepers, frigates and various shore establishments until his demobilization in September 1945. One of his ships was HMCS St. Pierre, which took part in the round-up of 15 Nazi U-boats in the North Sea after the surrender of Germany.

After a year on "civvy street" he entered the RCN. Specializing as a torpedo detector, he served in a number of ships, among them the Nootka, Warrior, New Liskeard, Magnificent and Swansea. After transferring to the photographic branch in April 1949, he was drafted to Shearwater and has served there ever since.

#### Playgrounds Opened For Shearwater Children

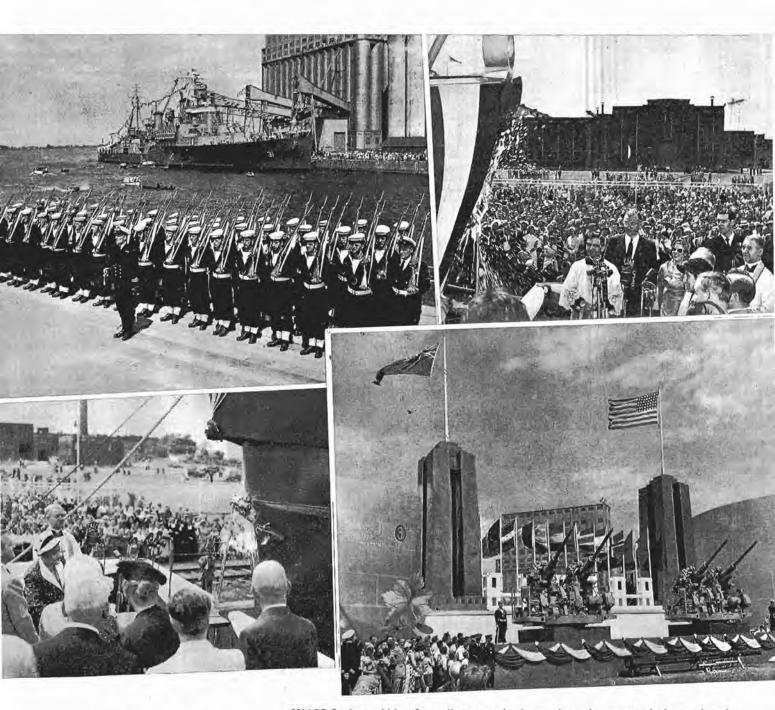
Two playgrounds for the use of children of personnel serving in HMCS Shearwater were opened in July. The playgrounds were set up under the direction of the physical and recreational training staff at the naval air station and are supervised by Ldg. Sea. John Pike and Ldg. Sea. Joe Savoy.

John Pike and Ldg. Sea. Joe Savoy.

The playgrounds are located at Clarence Park and at the station married quarters developments. They are open daily, Monday through Friday, from 9 to 11.30 a.m. and 1.30 to 4.30 p.m. for Shearwater children up to the age of 12. Teen-agers have the use of the station sports field.

There are sand boxes, swings, teeter-totters and tables at which the children can indulge in small handicrafts such as finger painting or cut-

In addition, Lieut. Jack Dean, the P&RT officer at Shearwater, has planned Sunday swimming excursions for the children and their parents to beaches along the Eastern Shore.



NEW SHIPS,
NEW GUNS
for
CANADA'S
NAVY

HMCS Quebec paid her first call to a port in the province whose name she bears when she tied up at Sorel for five-fold ceremonies held there on June 14. The occasion was the naming of two RCN ships and the presentation of the first 3-inch-50 guns produced by Sorel Industries Ltd. to the Canadian and U.S. Navies and of a 120 mm gun to the U.S. Army.

Upper left is the guard landed from the Quebec with the cruiser in the background across the Richelieu River. Officer of the guard is Lieut. Herbert Addison.

Upper right, Mrs. Brooke Claxton, wife of the Minister of National Defence, christens the coastal minesweeper HMCS Chignecto. She is at the lower right, wearing a dark hat and directly in front of Msgr. A. Douville, Bishop of St. Hyacinthe, who blessed the ships. Mr. Claxton is shown centre with Mrs. Mainguy, and Vice-Admiral E. R. Mainguy, Chief of the Naval Staff, is at the far right with his flag lieutenant, Lieut. J. J. Brooks.

Lower left, Mrs. Louis St. Laurent, wife of the Prime Minister, christens the Arctic patrol vessel HMCS Labrador. The ships are under construction in the yards of Marine Industries Ltd. at Sorel.

Lower right, flanked by sailors from the Quebec and the U.S. destroyer Samuel B. Roberts, are the 3-inch-50 guns, while in front of the stand is the 120 mm U.S. Army gun.



# The Navy Plays



#### Donnacona Officer On Olympic Team

An officer of the RCN (Reserve), Lieut. (E) Andrew Hugessen, of Montreal, is a member of the Canadian team competing in the Olympic Games at Helsinki, Finland.

Lieut. Hugessen is crew for Doug Woodward in the Star-class sailing events. Representing the Royal St. Lawrence Yacht Club, they qualified for the Olympics in Star-class trials held at Toronto.

Lieut. Hugessen is well known in naval sailing circles. In 1949, while taking training at Halifax, he competed with success in several sailing races. Last year, with Lieut. Hugessen as skipper and Lieut. R. F. D. Savage as crew, a dinghy representing Donnacona won both the officers' and the open events at the Great Lakes Naval Regatta.

Lieut. Hugessen entered the RCNVR in 1944 as an ordinary seaman and took training at Discovery, Cornwallis and St. Hyacinthe. Demobilized in 1945, he entered the McGill UNTD the following year. On graduating in 1949 he was commissioned as a sublicutenant (E).

#### Reserve Petty Officer on Bisley Team

Petty Officer Ken S. Fox, RCN(R), of Montreal and Verdun, is a member of this year's Canadian Bisley rifle team. Petty Officer Fox, a member of HMCS Donnacona's ship's company, is on continuous naval duty until the completion of the Bisley meet and subsequent requalifying trials.

Petty Officer Fox has had a long service career. He joined the Victoria Rifles reserve regiment in 1929, transferred to the Black Watch of Canada in 1932 and joined the Canadian Army Active Force in 1940. After serving with the Army for 15 months, he transferred to the RCNVR as an engine room artificer. In more than three years at sea, he saw service on the North Atlantic, in the English Channel and in the Mediterranean.

Following the war, Petty Officer Fox rejoined his old reserve regiment, the Black Watch. In May 1950 he entered the RCN (Reserve) with the rank of petty officer first class.

He has long been a small arms enthusiast and has participated in many Dominion and provincial matches. He was a member of the Canadian Bisley team in 1949 and last year entered the Dominion of Canada Rifle Association shoot at Ottawa.

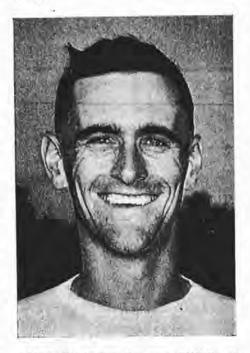
#### Navy Man's Son Olympic Oarsman

The Navy has in its midst the proud father of an Olympic contestant.

The father is CPO Angus Russell, whose son, Jack, is a member of the Argonaut eight rowing crew which won the honor of representing Canada at the Olympics in Helsinki.

The qualifying race was held in June at St. Catharines, Ont., and father and mother were there to see the crowning achievement of their son's rowing career.

Jack Russell, 22, is employed in Toronto and has rowed for the Argos for three years. He was a member of the Canadian championship team of 1951.



Lieut, (E) Andrew Hugessen, RCN(R), of HMCS Donnacona, who is a member of Canada's Olympic sailing team.

CPO Russell, an electrical technician, is attached to the naval overseeing staff at Burrard Drydock Co., North Vancouver.

#### Airmen Start Well In Soccer, Softball

Teams from HMCS Shearwater have been posting good records in soccer and softball leagues.

The naval airmen won two and tied one of their first three soccer games, defeating Stadacona 7–0 and Cornwallis 3–1 and tying with Fairey Aviation 1–1.

In softball, the Shearwater entry in the Dartmouth Suburban League scored four wins in its first five games, the lone loss coming at the hands of Notting Park by a 7–4 score. The team competing in the Nova Scotia Armed Forces Softball League Shearwater won its first two games, 14–12 over Stadacona and 7–2 over Cornwallis.

The naval airmen continued their winning ways in three exhibition games, beating the visiting USN Blimp team 15–7, Candy Bowl of the Halifax City league 10–7, and Dartmouth Rangers 11–10.

#### Cadet Team Captures Supply School Meet

A team of ten second-year cadets (S) won a tabloid sports meet held by the Supply School on the lower playing field at HMCS Naden on June 5. The cadets amassed a total of 89 points out of a possible 100. Administrative Writer Class 24 was runner-up.

The Powell Challenge trophy was awarded to the winning team and cakes were presented to the three squads with the highest scores, compliments of the Cookery School.

#### La Hulloise Hoists Cock of the Walk

HMCS La Hulloise scored an overwhelming victory in a regatta held by the East Coast Training Group at Ville Franche, during the first cadet training cruise to Europe.

"The Lady" made almost a clean sweep of the regatta events, winning all 14 whaler races and three out of four dinghy races. The much coveted "Cock of the Walk" was competed for on the return voyage and, after a closely fought battle, the La Hulloise managed to win out over the Swansea and Crescent.

It was a very jaunty ship that entered Halifax on June 21 with the "Cock of the Walk" proudly mounted on her foremast and a new broom on

her vard.

This year, for the first time, cups were awarded to winners of each individual regatta event and these were exhibited on the ship's quarter-deck as added evidence of her prowess.

To the stokers went the La Hulloise trophy for the best whaler's crew. Supply was a close second. — *P.E.R.* 

#### TAS and Electrical Team Wins Marathon

TAS and Electrical won the first medley marathon relay race to be held this season at HMCS Naden.

This year two marathons and two tabloid track and field meets are included in the inter-part Cock of the

Barracks competition.

The course for the first marathon was the "brain child" of PO J. Jack and gave ample proof that a PTI has imagination. The race started on the lower recreation field with a half-mile run and went on to include a stilt race, throwing a heaving line 60 feet, dribbling a tennis ball with a hockey stick; crossing the boat jetty cove on a jack stay; shooting a bullseye at the .22 range, climbing a rope to the top of the gym; swimming two lengths of the pool on the back in a white duck suit, running from the pool to the parade ground, and a piggy back race across the parade ground to the finish line.

Other teams placed in the following order: MTE, Supply School "A", Supply Naden, Band, Medical Comm. and ND, and Supply School "B".

#### Naden Supplymen Lead Barracks Ball League

Supply Naden was setting the pace in the inter-part softball league at the west coast barracks, having won

all of its first five games.

Scores were: 11-5 over Medical, Communications and ND, 11-5 over Band, 11-2 over Supply School "B", 18-2 over Band and 5-4 over Supply School "A".

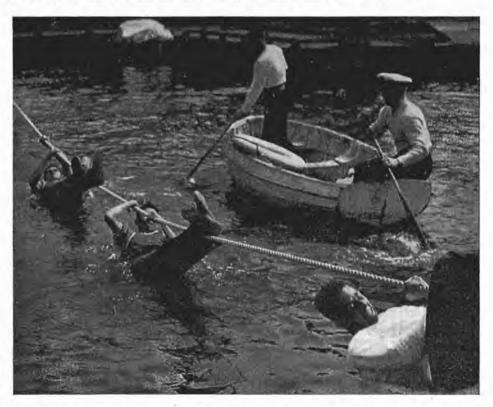
Ldg. Sea. Norman Richardson was on the mound and PO Andy George behind the plate in all five games. Petty Officer Walter Yager manages the team, which is made up mainly from Naden ship's office personnel. Medical, Comm. and ND held down second place, having been defeated only by the Supply team. Since that one loss, the Combines have acquired the able pitching services of PO "Cy" Henderson and indications are that they will make a real bid for first place.

TAS and Electrical were in third

place, with Ordnance fourth.



Pictured above are members of the TAS and Electrical team which won the inter-part medley marathon relay at HMCS Naden. Front row: Ord. Sea. Raymond Thompson, PO Dennis Mann and Ord. Sea. Edward Henderson. Rear row: Ord. Sea. Robert Wilson, Ord. Sea. Archibald Purgavie, Ldg. Sea. William Lord and Ord. Sea. William Develin (E-19209).



One of the more testing events of the marathon required competitors to cross the boat cove jetty on a jackstay. (E-19205).

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#### Donnacona Fielding Two Softball Teams

The softball season is well under way at HMCS Donnacona with two representative teams, the "Blues" and "Whites", entered in city leagues.

Coached by Sub-Lieut. Bill Copping, the Blues went to the top of the Westmount Inter-Service Softball League standing by winning all of their first four games. The Whites, piloted by Sub.-Lieut. Juan Sheridan, did not fare so well in the Montreal Commercial League, gathering only two points in six contests.

HMCS Quebec defeated Donnacona 22-4 and the USS Cross 14-3, while the USS Johnnie Hutchins defeated Donnacona 6-5 in softball games played during the ships' visits to

Montreal.

On the soccer field, Donnacona defeated the Quebec's team 2–1. The cruiser's eleven also bowed to a team from Canadair, 3-2, but scored a 2-1 victory over the Longue Pointe Ordnance Depot.

#### Tri-Service Soccer Team Formed in St. John's

The opening game of the soccer season in St. John's, Newfoundland, saw the inter-service softball team, on which the Navy is represented, go down to a 9-1 defeat at the hands of the Holy Cross Athletic Association eleven.

During the visit of HMCS Quebec early in June, a team from the cruiser trounced the inter-service softball

team 15-2.

Preparations began in June for Regatta Day, one of Newfoundland's most important holidays. One of the highlights of the program is the Joint Services Race in which Royal Canadian Navy, Canadian Army and United States Air Force personnel participate.

#### CPO M. L. Mowry Wins Crib Prize

More than 500 army and navy personnel and their guests attended a dance held aboard HMCS York following the wind-up of a cribbage tournament in which York, the 48th Highlanders, Toronto Scottish and the Royal Canadian Artillery all competed.

During the evening, CPO M.L. Mowry was presented with an engraved cribbage board for having been top navy man in the tournament.

The Queen's Own dance band provided music for dancing and a pipe band led the grand march.

#### GLACE BAY CORPS WINS SEA CADET SHOOT

For the third consecutive year, RCSCC Dreadnought, of Glace Bay, N.S., won the national small bore rifle competition for Sea Cadet Corps. To the Cape Breton Corps went the Hunt Memorial Trophy and the medals awarded in connection with this annual competition.

In winning, Dreadnought surpassed its last year's score of 94.29. The Dominion of Canada Rifle Association, which conducted the competition, reported Dreadnought an easy victor with the ouststanding score of

94.583.

Sea Cadet N. Rudnick, of RCSCC John Travers Cornwell VC, of Winnipeg, proved to be the champion Sea Cadet marksman with a score of 292. Sea Cadet W. Latinsky and Sea Cadet B. Donovan, both of RCSCC Daerwood, Selkirk, Manitoba, tied for second place with scores of 285.

Daerwood, one of the newer Sea Cadet Corps, turned in an outstanding performance. Its rifle team placed second in the national competition with a score of 91.707 and Cadets Latinsky and Dovonan won second honors as individual marksmen.

#### TAS School Undertakes Active Sports Program

Torpedo Anti-Submarine School at HMCS Stadacona has plunged into a heavy program of summer sports.

In a tabloid sports meet, the TAS school placed eighth in a field of 12, getting 89½ points out of a possible

144.

The soccer team got off to a promising start by shutting out the

Gunnery School 2-0.

Two boat crews went into strenuous training for a regatta scheduled for the latter part of June, while softball teams began catching up on their schedules after being hampered by bad weather early in the season.

#### Toronto Division Backs Two Baseball Entries

Baseball holds the spotlight in HMCS York, with the Toronto division supporting entries in two leagues.

The permanent staff is competing in an inter-division league which includes Star, Prevost and Hunter, while RCN(R) personnel have a strong team entered in the Dominion Civil Service League. York was victorious in three of its first five games and held down second place.

#### Wrens Help Chatham Out-shoot Sioux

The hometown boys made good when HMCS Chatham was host to HMC Ships Sioux, Beacon Hill and Antigonish on their visit to Prince Rupert.

Rupert All-Stars defeated a soccer eleven from the Sioux 5-2, with the

Hanson Trophy at stake.

In a .22 rifle shoot, Chatham roundly trounced the Sioux team by posting 493 out of a possible 500 to the Sioux's 475. Wrens Eileen Trapp and Nancy Hopkins, with 100 and 98, respectively, had a major hand in the victory. Lieut. Noel Langham, Lieut. Edward McLeod and AB Lewis Hagen came through with scores of 99, 97 and 98.
Visiting officers were introduced to

fishing up-country and came back empty-handed, despite the good intentions of their guide, Sub-Lieut. Charles Wright.

Chatham's summer program has included boating, picnics, crabbing, fishing and sailing.

#### York Boxers Training for Regatta Bouts

HMCS York has begun organizing a boxing team to compete in the Great Lakes Naval Regatta at Hamilton in late August. Regular training periods are held on Tuesday evenings, with Mike Rankin, civil service fireman, acting as instructor.

Among those turning out to don the gloves are Leading Seamen Carl Benn, Vincent Healey and Charles Gailer and AB Dennis Popa. Gailer won the 1950 Maritime lightweight championship while serving at HMCS

Shearwater. — D.P.

#### Queen Softball Team Shines in City League

Second place in the Regina Independent Softball League has been taken over by HMCS Queen, the naval entry having won five of seven games played. The league has five strong teams and faces a tough schedule. The navy team is managed by PO E. Dunnison.

#### Shearwater Leagues Draw Record Entry

Inter-part softball and soccer began play at HMCS Shearwater in June with a record number of teams entered in both leagues. Eighteen teams, 16 composed of naval personnel and the other two of civilians employed at the air station, are competing for softball honors. Eight teams are entered in the soccer league.

#### THE BIRTHPLACE OF A SHIP

by B. J. G.

In This One Office Are Prepared
All The Plans for Canada's
New Escort Vessels

Out of earshot of the clang and clamour of the shipyard at Canadian Vickers Limited, Montreal, is an obscure office where some 60 highly-skilled experts work side by side in hushed silence.

There, in the Naval Central Drawing Office, much of the detailed thinking is done for the shipyards concerned with the Royal Canadian Navy's multi-million dollar shipbuild-

ing program.

Supervising this vital operation on behalf of the navy is an officer who has spent half a lifetime in the shipbuilding industry. He is Constructor Captain Frank Freeborn, of Halifax and Amherst, N.S., Principal

Naval Overseer, Montreal.

Manning the drafting boards and drawing tables are hull, machinery and electrical draftsmen, most of whom are new Canadian citizens or in the process of becoming so. They, too, have spent most of their lives building ships—some on the Clyde, others at Tyneside, others at Belfast. Two years ago they came to Canada, attracted by the opportunity to apply their skills to a brand new shipbuilding technique.

The RCN's new anti-submarine escort vessel is the drawing office's number one project. The basic design of this ship was worked out by the technical branches at Naval Head-quarters and approved by the Naval Board. Then the information was passed on to the Naval Central Drawing Office, where draftsmen con-

vert the ideas into drawings.

The initial drawing is made in pencil. This is checked by a checker or an experienced draftsman before being submitted to Headquarters for approval. If modifications are indicated by the technical officers concerned, the draftsman makes the necessary changes when the drawing is returned. It is then traced on linen tracing cloth, from which blueprints are made in sufficient quantity to supply all shipyards involved in the escort building program simultaneously.

This system whereby one source provides all yards with the identical pattern ensures that vessels of the same class will be sister ships in all respects, irrespective of the ship-

builder.

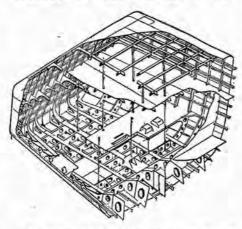
The drawing themselves leave no room for guesswork on the part of the shipbuilder. Each unit of the new escort vessel is the subject of many detailed drawings, each of which contains complete details of materials to be used and instructions on how to fit it into the monstrous jig-saw puzzle. The wealth of detail accompanying the individual drawings facilitates mass production, making possible the widespread manufacture of the various units and, in turn, their assembly at any shipyard.

Captain Freeborn estimates that close to 3,000 drawings will go into the development of the new escort. Every one of these drawings represents many hours of calculated thought.

Each draftsman is assigned one particular drawing and he stays with his assignment until it is finished. The drawings themselves vary in length from six to 15 feet and a unit drawing may take as long as eight weeks to complete. The escort vessel consists of 83 units.

The Naval Central Drawing Office has other jobs besides the development of the destroyer escort. All requisitions for purchase orders are prepared here. These requisitions carry in detail the requirements and specifications for the article required.

The current frigate conversion and minesweeper refit program is also



An estimated 3,000 drawings, one sample of which is shown above, will go into the development of the new escort vessel. Each of these drawings represents many hours of detailed work on the part of the Naval Central Drawing Office staff. The drawings vary in size from six to 15 feet. (O-2156-1).

channelled through the Central Drawing Office. As is the case in the DE program, the prototype of the converted frigates is being handled at Vickers, enabling the drawing office to make a first-hand, step-by-step check of the work being done.

Another efficiency feature of the Central Drawing Office is that hull, machinery and electrical draftsmen work side by side, rather than each department operating a separate drawing office, as is the practice elsewhere. Duplication of effort is avoided and ideas are more easily dovetailed.

Original drawings are filed in a large vault in one corner of the drawing office. It is anticipated that it will contain enough material, information and records, after the prototype escort vessel commissions, for the RCN to compile its own instructions, rules and regulations with respect to new construction.

For security reasons all employees of the Central Drawing Office are thoroughly screened. Security is so controlled that it would be impossible to gather enough information from any one source to enable the ship to be

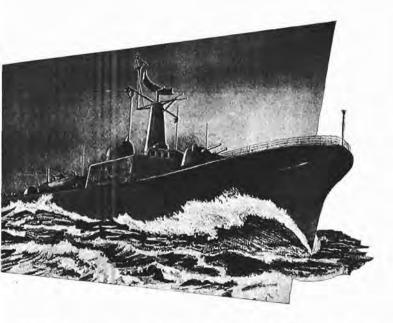
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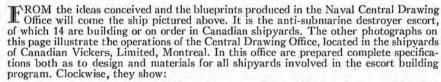
Naval personnel on Captain Freeborn's staff include Lieut.-Cdr. (E) John C. Chauvin, Engineer Overseer; Lieut.-Cdr. (L) S. H. Galloway, Lieut. (E) G. K. Inglis, Shipwright-Lieut. Horace Williams, Commissioned Electrical Officer W. M. M. Alexander, CPO John Butters and CPO John Moore.

Civilian draftsmen in charge of the drafting departments of the drawing office are: Charles Brassington, Chief Hull Draftsman, assisted by James Clark; Edward Jones, Chief Engineering Draftsman, assisted by Adam Stevenson, and Reginald Hesketh, Chief Electrical Draftsman, assisted

by Edmund Cairns.

When the first escort vessel commissions, the ceremony will be a milestone in the annals of Canadian shipbuilding, for it will be the first major warship, from design to commissioning to be produced in Canada. It will also be an occasion to break silence in the Naval Central Drawing Office and give three cheers for a "dream ship" come true.





- 1. Captain Frank Freeborn, Naval Overseer, Montreal Area, discusses a finished drawing with draftsman Zygmunt Ksiezopolski, one of 60 draftsmen attached to the drawing office. Like most of his colleagues, this former Polish naval officer came to Canada to apply his skills to a brand new shipbuilding technique. (0-2156-14)
- 2. Frank Smyth, left, and John McCracken examine a wooden model of escort's hull to decide which plates are to be rolled and which are to be furnaced. In placing orders for steel, drawings are made listing exact specifications. (O-2156-4).
- 3. An interior view of the one large room of the Naval Central Drawing Office where hull, machinery and electrical draftsmen work side by side. The system of having one office provide all shipyards with identical patterns ensures that vessels of the same class will be sister ships in all respects. (O-2156-19).
- 4. Dorothy Balser of Longueuil, P.Q., is in charge of the drawing office records and the vault. It is estimated that close to 3,000 drawings will go into the development of the escort. (O-2156-18).
- 5. Barbara Clark, Montreal, is employed in the drawing office as a tracer. Here she is shown making a line tracing from a draftsman's drawing. (O-2156-3).
- 6. CPO John Butters and draftman Robert Roll compile a list of gear required in the frigate re-conditioning program. All requisitions for purchase orders are also prepared by the central drawing office. (O-2156-17).













#### SHIP OF THE AIR

by H. S. McC.

Travel by ship is "old hat" to practically any RCN sailor, but substitute "air-ship" for "ship" and it can be quite a different story, as many of the officers and men of HMCS Shearwater could attest after the visit to the air station in May by ZP3 Squadron of the United States Navy.

It is hard to find a more apt term than "airship" for these lighter-thanaircraft. They are held at their moorings by lines, towed into position for launching and berthing by tractors (shore-going tugs), can drift without power, can be manœuvered astern. and in fair weather move with the gentle roll and pitch of a ship.

The comparison stops, however, when the blimp, with both engines roaring, tucks down her stern and climbs upward at a 45-degree angle.

In an exercise laid on to test logistics and mobility, the USN squadron set up its masts at Shearwater and proceeded to work with RCN elements in the Halifax area. Climaxing the exercises were three deck landings on HMCS Magnificent

With a passenger capacity of five, exclusive of crew, the blimps provided a large number of Shearwater per-sonnel with novel and enjoyable trips of up to two hours' duration, cruising over the immediate Halifax area and ranging up to Truro. Although very pleasant for the passengers, this no doubt placed some

#### SPORTS MEET

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The arrival of the two Canadian destroyers in port happily coincided with the arrival of four top-flight Canadian sportcasters - Doug Smith of Montreal, Henry Viney of Calgary, Bill Good of Vancouver and Tom Foley of Ottawa. The four radio commentators gave a complete roundup of Canadian sports for the past several months and showed movies of some of Canada's major sporting events. After showing films of the Stanley Cup playoffs, the Allan Cup finals and some of the World Series, the sports experts answered questions from the audience.

Relaxation was packed into those few days in large quantities, and for the Canadian sailors it was a welcome break from the tedium of Korean

operations. Page thirty-two strain on the crews of the craft, who

flew as much as 12 hours a day.

Two portable "stick" masts, which serve to move the craft on the ground as well as provide moorings, were shipped to the air station by rail for assembly by an advance party. In actual service, or in emergency, the masts could be flown to a selected site, as could the tractors and other heavy supporting equipment. The squadron is supported by a Beechcraft Expediter and a Dakota.

The blimps are identical to those employed during the Second World War on convoy work along the eastern seaboard of the United States, where they were credited with the sinking of 11 submarines and with having materially reduced ship losses in that area. Only one of the craft was lost due to enemy action.

The squadron's visit gave Haligonians their first glimpse of lighterthan-air craft since 1938, when the German Zepplin Hindenburg flew over the district on its way to Lakehurst, N.J., home of ZP3 Squadron.

#### DRAMA GROUP CLOSES SEASON WITH FARCE

The Shearwater Players ended the drama season with a three-night stand of the farce, "See How They Run". It was the first time the group had attempted this type of play and it proved to be a distinct hit.

Critics particularly noted the efforts of AB Harold Reeves, in the role of a naive clergyman bewildered by strange goings-on in an English vicarage.

Other roles were filled by CPO Irvine Benoy, as the Bishop of Lux; CPO Douglas Cooke, as the Rev. Lionel Troop; Mrs. Sybil Cooke, as Ida the maid; Mrs. Dianne Harrington, as Miss Skillon; AB Peter Atkins, as Cpl. Clive Winton, USAF; Ldg. Sea. Johnnie Pike, as Sergeant Towers of the British Army, and Anne Cribby, as the Rev. Troop's wife.

The farce was directed by CPO Cooke and Donald Radford. Off-stage were CPO Robert Dalley, stage manager and electrician, Chaplain Andrew Mowatt, house manager, and Donna Radford, Paul Christensen, Lieut. John Harrington, Norman Murray, Elizabeth Roberts and Ruth Britton, production assistants.



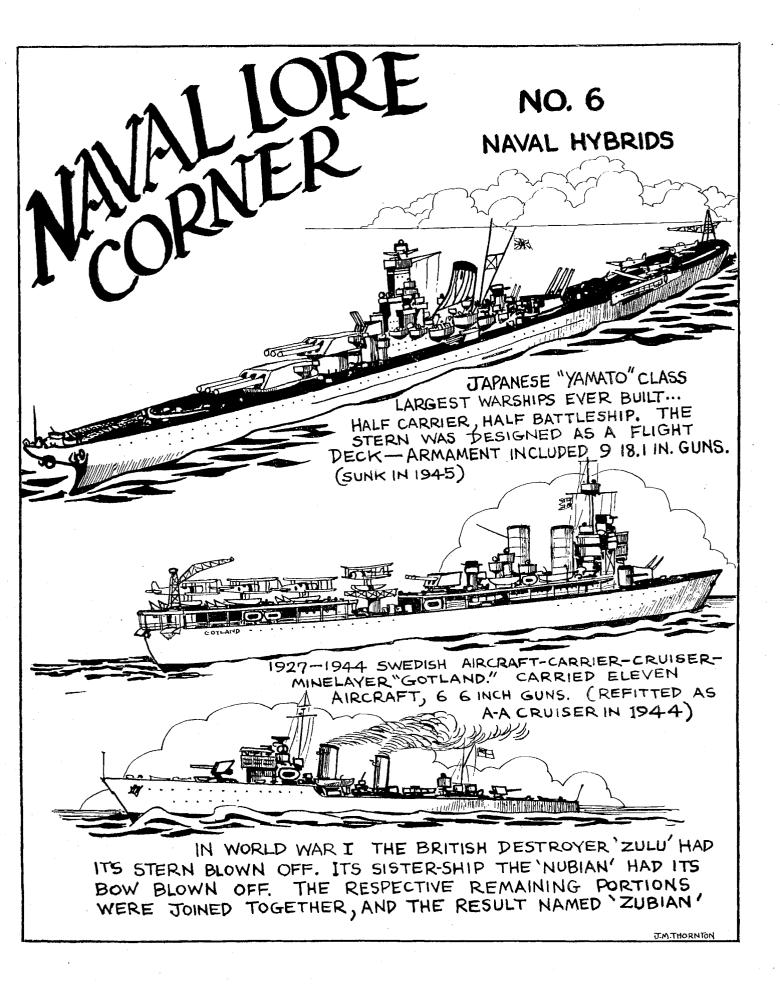
Three officers and 30 cadets of the Royal Canadian Sea Cadets, bound for summer training in England and Sweden, form up before the trans-Atlantic aircraft which carried 24 of them from Montreal to London. The smaller group travelled via HMCS Quebec to England, thence by sea and rail to Sweden.

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Left to right, foreground are: Lieut. Edmund Colchester, RCSC, Vancouver, executive officer of the party, Lieut. J. M. Roxburgh, RCSC, Saskatoon, officer in charge, and Lieut. (S) R. W. Wilcox, RCSC, Toronto, supply officer. Front row: PO Robert Calder, Montreal; PO Richard Switzer, Kingston, Ont.; PO Leonard R. Rodenhiser, Bridgewater, N.S., PO Robert Parks, Lunenburg, N.S.; PO James Crossen, Edmonton; PO Donald McNutt, Digby, N.S.; PO L. M. Haddad, Sudbury, Ont.; PO Norman Goldberg, Trenton, Ont.; PO Neil Murray, Brandon, Man.; PO Henry Krech, Windsor, Ont.

Middle row: CPO Ernest Boychuck, Saskatoon; PO Colin Carter, Wainwright, Alta.; CPO James McCaffrey, Halifax; PO J. T. Savela, Timmins, Ont.; PO John Hopkinson, Toronto; PO Ivor Jones, Brantford, Ont.; PO David Gallant, Charlottetown; CPO Richard Chaloner, Burlington, Ont.; PO Robert Milligan, Fort William.

Back row: PO Linden Nash, Jr., Hamilton, Ont.; PO Louis Rutledge, Sydney, N.S.; PO Gordon K. Petri, Port Alberni, B.C.; CPO Alen Hazell, London, Ont.; CPO Nicholas Powell, Lakefield, Ont.; PO Blair Ledger, Winnipeg; PO Robert Mitchell, Regina; PO Arthur Baxter, Ottawa and North Gower, Ont.; PO James Dunphy, St. John's, Nfld.; PO Kenneth Ingalls, New Westminster, B.C.; PO L. G. Temple, Victoria. (0–2681).





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