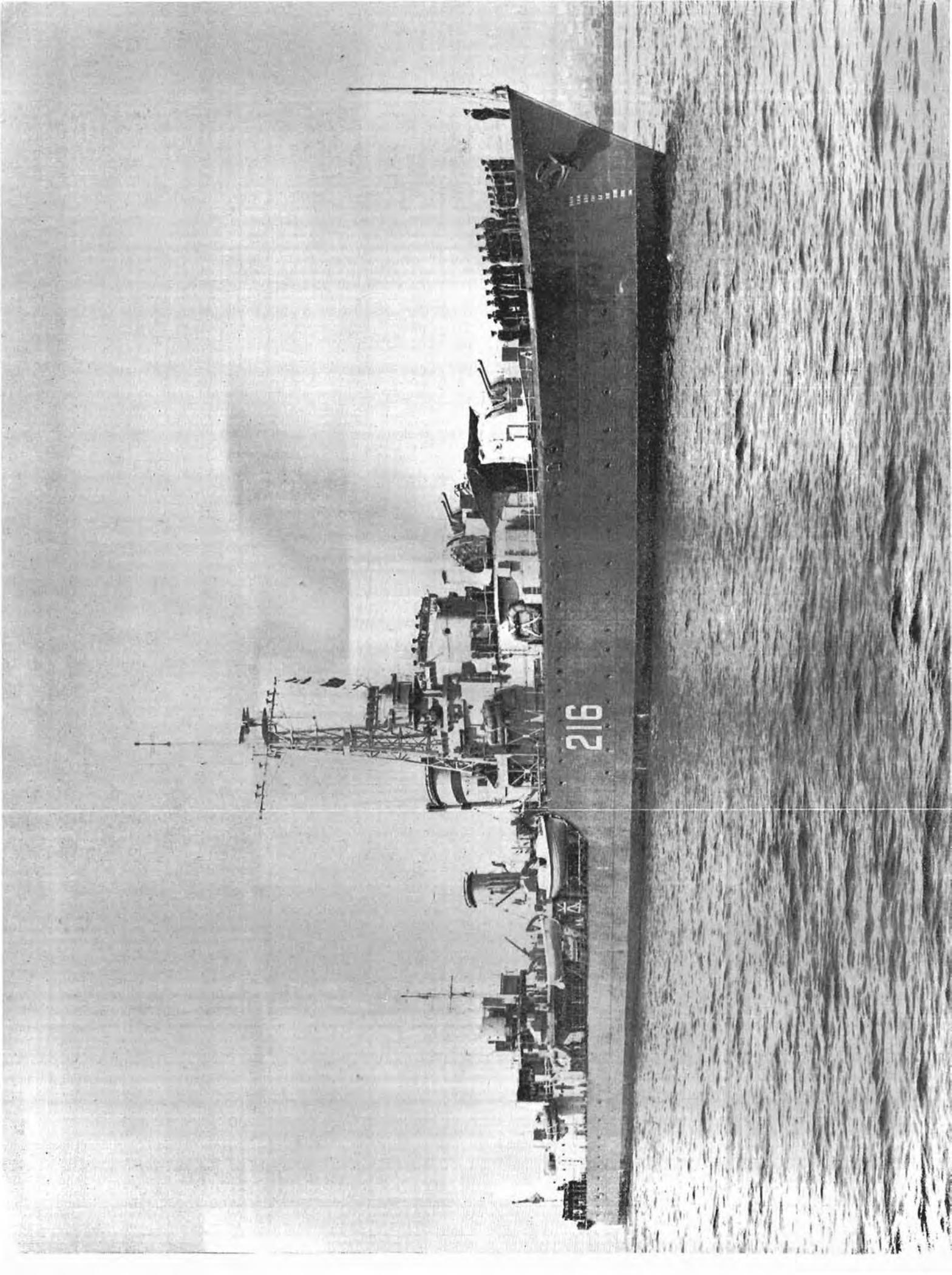


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LADY OF THE MONTH

HMCS "HURON", possessor of a fine war-time record, has returned to operational duty with the East Coast fleet, bringing to five the number of units completed under the RCN's destroyer modernization and conversion program. (HS-10584.)

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In this issue will be found a complete chart of the badges recently adopted for wear by men of the Canadian naval forces. Many of the badges are of new design and, as stocks become available, will be issued to men of the RCN and RCN(R) to replace those at present in use.

The changes have been made principally because of the desirability of having a standard system of identification of rank and profession throughout the Service. Also, the reorganization of some of the older branches and the introduction of new ratings, branches, professions and trades made it necessary to re-design some of the old badges and to produce a number of new ones.

The badges are in three classifications:

Rank Badges denote a man's advancement in Service rank and command. (Leading Seaman, Petty Officer 2nd Class, etc.)

Branch Badges denote the profession or trade of any particular branch. (Gunnery, Communications, Electrical, Medical, etc.)

Miscellaneous Badges denote special qualifications irrespective of branch and any other distinguishing marks. (Diver, Bugler, Good Conduct Badges, etc.).

The chart has been inserted in loose form so that it can be easily removed and posted on notice-boards or kept handy for ready reference.

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Cover Photo — The talents of the photographer and the artist were combined to produce this month's cover. The photo of HMCS "Cayuga" was taken from the "Ontario", while the scuttle which frames the Tribal class destroyer was added by the Naval Art Section at Headquarters.

R.C.N. News Review

Navy Helps Battle Winnipeg Flood Disaster

Though it is situated at the heart of inland Canada, more than 1,200 miles from the nearest naval base, the city of Winnipeg has always been a naval stronghold.

When the RCNVR was established in 1923, one of its first divisions was founded in Winnipeg. In the ensuing years, no division was more active, or enjoyed better relationships with the community in which it was situated and of which it was a part.

In the period 1939-45, the Winnipeg division became the third greatest source of naval manpower, 297 officers, 7,567 men and 703 Wrens — a total of 8,567 — volunteering through the recruiting office in the Manitoba capital.

The traditions established before and during the war have been perpetuated by the present naval division, HMCS "Chippawa", fortified by the hundreds of former Navy men and women living in the Winnipeg area.

This has been amply demonstrated during the Winnipeg flood crisis. Men from the division fought the

Medical Aid Organized

When, on the night of May 5, a call went out for all members of HMCS "Chippawa" to report to the division, Surgeon Lieut.-Cdr. R. W. McNeil and Surg. Lieut. K. G. S. Davidson quietly checked in and, assisted by Sub-Lieut. (NS) S. J. Rankin, set up the sick bay for action.

Naval personnel were inoculated with TABT and inoculation stations were set up for all civilian evacuees housed in the division.

Every endeavor was made to keep a check on fatigued flood workers, naval and civilian, men and women, so that they could be withdrawn from operations until they had obtained sufficient rest.

An infants' and children's canteen was organized and babies' formulas, strained foods, diapers, etc., were dispensed to mothers. Sub-Lieut. Rankin and Mrs. C. E. Freeman, Reg. N., took charge of this project.

flood almost from its very beginning. When the situation reached the emergency stage, "Chippawa" threw the full weight of her resources into the battle.

These resources exceeded by far the

division's normal quota of men and materials. They consisted, as well, of practically all those who had ever had a naval connection — men, women and teen-aged Sea Cadets — and whatever these willing volunteers could do and provide in the way of assistance.

The Navy's contribution was augmented still further by men, equipment and material from Halifax, Esquimalt and points in between.

Stopping in Winnipeg May 7 on his way back to Ottawa from an inspection of West Coast establishments, Vice-Admiral H. T. W. Grant, Chief of the Naval Staff, paid a visit to "Chippawa". He found the division had become a major relief centre, was providing food and shelter for more than 400 men, women and children, and was carrying out a wide variety of other services.

In a signal sent to "Chippawa" on his departure, Admiral Grant said:

"It is abundantly evident from my very brief visit to 'Chippawa' that the highest traditions of the Navy are being upheld by all hands in the current flood crisis. Please convey to all officers and men of the division, as well as ex-officers, Wrens, ratings and all others concerned, my proudest appreciation of their untiring efforts to assist their fellow Canadians.

"I appreciate particularly the effort made by the Navy in the early stages of the crisis, dictated by your own appreciation of the situation."

In the early stages of the flood, Navy men undertook whatever jobs they could find — filling sandbags, reinforcing dikes, manning pumps, doing anything and everything that came to hand. Later they were given more specialized tasks, ones for which, by virtue of their training and experience, they were best fitted. Later, also, the refugees who had been receiving shelter at "Chippawa" were evacuated from Winnipeg and the division became water-rescue headquarters for the city.

The Navy's contribution was, of course, only a modest portion of an effort involving a multitude of organizations and agencies and thousands of individuals.



A boat's crew from "Chippawa", under the charge of Lieut.-Cdr. C. D. Chivers, evacuates residents of a flooded section of Kingston Crescent. This photo was taken during the early stages of the flood by Lieut. (S) R. A. B. Fee. Other flood photos on these pages taken by AB Charles Gordon. (O-1405-1.)



Ex-Wrens, members of ladies' auxiliaries attached to "Chippawa" and Red Cross workers took over the ship's galley and kept it going 24 hours of the day. Here a group of these tireless volunteer workers is shown preparing sandwiches. (O-1408-7.)

However, the fact that the Navy should have been there at all — let alone play such a prominent part — must have been a source of some amazement to those who still picture it as being a Service confined to the two extremities of Canada.

The Navy was there indeed, and was proud to be able to be of help to a city which had given it such stout support for so long.

Shoulder to Shoulder

During the period in which HMCS "Chippawa" served as a shelter for flood evacuees, 150 women volunteers, working in three shifts, undertook to feed the 400 persons given refuge in the division, plus the naval personnel and other flood workers who were using "Chippawa" as their headquarters.

With food supplies provided by the Red Cross, these women took over "Chippawa's" galley and produced sandwiches at the rate of approximately 15,000 per day. They reached their peak on May 6 and 7, when they made more than 40,000. In addition, 40 gallons of soup were prepared and distributed every four hours.

The women workers came from the WRCNS Association, the Officers' Wives' Association and other ladies' auxiliaries attached to the division.

Said The "Crow'snest" correspondent in "Chippawa": "The Wrens have formed a nucleus that has worked long, exhausting hours, shoulder to shoulder with the men of the division. The importance of their contribution cannot be over-emphasized. Theirs has been a truly magnificent effort."

Five Ships to Visit Europe This Fall

A five-ship task force of the Royal Canadian Navy will sail from Halifax in late August on a combined training and "showing the flag" cruise to European waters.

The cruise will last about three months, and while the complete program has yet to be finalised, it is expected that the RCN ships will visit a number of continental countries, as well as Great Britain.

The task force will consist of the light fleet carrier "Magnificent" and the destroyers "Cayuga," "Sioux," "Huron" and "Micmac." On board the "Magnificent" will be three RCN air squadrons, 803 and 883 of the 19th Carrier Air Group and 825 of the 18th CAG.

For the Esquimalt-based "Cayuga" and "Sioux" it will actually be a five-month cruise, the 12,000 additional miles they have to travel keeping them "on the road" for two more months. They are scheduled to leave Esquimalt about the middle of July and return in mid-December.

West Coast Ships Carry out Rescues

Two West Coast ships performed rescues on the weekend of April 29.

The destroyer "Sioux" dashed 400 miles out to sea to pick up a seriously ill seaman from a Greek freighter, reaching the vessel at 2145 on the 29th. The seaman was transferred to the destroyer by boat and the



During his visit to "Chippawa" on the night of May 7, Vice-Admiral H. T. W. Grant, Chief of the Naval Staff, spent some time chatting with evacuees, young and old, who were being housed in the division. Here he talks with William Churchill, 81-year-old pensioner from Morris, Man. (O-1408-12.)

"Sioux" headed back to Esquimalt at more than 30 knots.

An ambulance met the ship on her arrival and took the sailor to the RCN hospital, where a successful operation was performed. The man was suffering from a perforated duodenal ulcer.

Surg. Cdr. G. W. Chapman and Surg. Lieut.-Cdr. J. W. Green, of the "Naden" hospital staff, went in the "Sioux" and gave the patient medical attention during the inward voyage.

A few hours after the "Sioux" steamed into Esquimalt, the frigate "Antigonish" removed five persons from a pleasure craft which had run on the rocks off Greig Island, 20 miles north of Victoria. The "Antigonish", heading north on a training cruise, was conveniently close to the stranded craft and quickly sent away a boat to remove the passengers, who included a six year-old boy. Shortly afterward the frigate transferred them to a passing boat, which took them to Sidney, B.C.

Sea Training Program Gets in High Gear

The summer sea training program got into full swing in May.

On the East Coast, 825 Squadron, flying from Dartmouth, carried out anti-submarine exercises with HMS "Astute" until May 5, then transferred to HMCS "Magnificent" for deck landing training at sea. Later in the month the "Magnificent" embarked 803 and 883 Sea Fury Squadrons for additional DLT's. The "Huron" served as the carrier's plane guard during this period. On May 29 the "Magnificent" began ASP's with the "Astute" in the Halifax area.

HMCS "Micmac" carried out exercises in the Halifax area, then went to the Bay of Fundy with the "Astute" for a period of anti-submarine practice.

The frigate "Swansea" completed docking on May 16 and engaged in a program of cadet training, along with the minesweeper "Llewellyn," in the Halifax area. The "Swansea" was scheduled to leave Halifax June 1 for a two week training cruise in the St. Lawrence.

HMCS "Portage" engaged in minesweeping and other training activities during May, then went alongside for last-minute preparations for her journey to the Great Lakes. She is due to sail June 5.

On the West Coast, the cruiser "Ontario" was back from her Pearl

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'Maggie' Misses Her 'Mo'

An exchange of signals between the "Magnificent" and "Micmac" provided a comic interlude for officers and men of the two ships during the hectic activity of combined fleet manoeuvres in the Caribbean.

On the second night of the exercises with Task Force 21, the "Magnificent" lost track temporarily of the battleship USS "Missouri." The carrier signalled her escorting destroyer:

"We don't know where the 'Mo' is no mo'!"

"Micmac" picked up the cue with Puckish delight and replied:

"Maybe there ain't no 'Mo' no mo'!"

Harbor cruise and getting ready for a series of shorter training trips in waters closer to home.

The "Ontario" was warmly welcomed in Hawaii and her ship's company brought back many pleasant memories. On the training side, the ship carried out a program of individual evolutions and exercises, then joined an 18-ship US Navy task force in a mock attack on the island of Oahu. After that she turned and headed homeward, arriving in Esquimalt May 17.

The three West Coast destroyers, "Cayuga", "Athabaskan" and "Sioux", were together for most of the month. They visited Nanoose Harbor from May 1 to 5, exercised with an American submarine from the 12th to the 15th, then went out to meet the "Ontario" and accompany her into Esquimalt.

On the 19th the destroyers set out



UNTD cadets and men from "Chippawa" carry sandbags to build up dikes at East Kildonan. (O-1408-18.)

on separate visits to Washington ports — "Cayuga" to Seattle, "Athabaskan" to Tacoma and "Sioux" to Bremerton, where they were scheduled to participate in United States Armed Forces Day celebrations May 20.

The cadet training ships, "Antigonish" and "Beacon Hill", spent most of May in the Bedwell Harbor area but were due to leave on the 29th for the first of several visits to Portland, Ore.

The minesweeper "Sault Ste. Marie", tender to the Victoria naval division, paid successive weekend visits to Ganges Harbor, Vancouver, Anacortes, Wash., and New Westminster.

Graduation Ceremonies Held at Royal Roads

Twenty-eight naval cadets were among the 63 senior term cadets who graduated from the Canadian Services College, Royal Roads, on April 29. The ceremony was the first tri-service graduation ever held at Royal Roads and was attended by senior officers of the Navy, Army and Air Force and relatives and friends of the cadets.

Vice-Admiral H. T. W. Grant, Chief of the Naval Staff, inspected the cadets and delivered the graduating address. Later he took the salute at the march past.

Naval cadets won two of the five special prizes. Cadet Stirling Ross, of Ottawa, was awarded the Governor General's Silver Medal for being the most efficient cadet academically during his senior term, and Cadet Frederick Crickard, of Vancouver, was presented with the Seller's Officer-of-the-Watch Telescope, awarded to the cadet confirmed Cadet Wing Commander in his senior year. Naval cadets also won three of the six first class certificates awarded to the graduates. In addition to Cadet Ross, Cadets Ian Wishart, Toronto, and Joseph Germain, Montreal, received certificates.

Cadets Make Annual Pilgrimage to Coasts

The training program for cadets of the Services Colleges and the University Naval Training Divisions got under way early in May with the arrival of 136 cadets at Esquimalt and 26 at Halifax. They were the vanguard of nearly 1,000 students from universities across Canada who are expected to take training in HMC ships and establishments this summer.

They Keep The Navy at Sea

Civilian Ancillaries Handle Bulk of RCN'S Shore-Side Functions

THEY don't wear uniforms, don't observe naval routine and don't (with a few exceptions) go to sea, but they are as indispensable to the efficient operation of the fleet as her turbines are to a destroyer.

They are the civilian ancillaries of the Navy—the executives, scientists, engineers, architects, tradesmen, accountants, stenographers, clerks and others who, outside of training, perform the bulk of the Service's shore-side functions.

By so doing, they enable the sailor to practice his profession in his proper element and ensure that the RCN continues to be a sea-going service.

One of the larger sections of the Navy's silent civilian component is that which concerns itself with electrical engineering. The naval dockyard at Halifax, alone, has a civilian electrical staff of nearly 250 engineers, tradesmen and technicians.

They are responsible for electrical construction, for the installation and major repair of electrical equipment,

and for a certain amount of routine maintenance in HMC ships and establishments.

Because of their intimate, practical, and in many cases lengthy association with naval electrical equipment, members of the Dockyard staff are well qualified to diagnose faults and take corrective measures.

For the same reason, they have been able to produce many designs and modifications which have made that equipment more efficient.

Headed by Commander (L) W. E. Smith, Manager, Electrical Engineering, the administrative staff of the Dockyard Electrical Department consists of 16 naval officers and civilian engineers who plan and supervise the work of the department.

There are six main sections—Electronics, Shore Maintenance, Ship Fitting and Wiring, Fire Control, and Electrical Winding—each with its own assistant foreman and under the over-all charge of the senior electrical foreman. Within these main groupings

are sub-sections—gyro compass, anti-submarine maintenance, instrument repair, etc.—each having its specialist chargehand.

It is a large and complex organization, which is only to be expected when you consider the amount and complexity of the electrical equipment in the modern naval ship.

It wasn't always thus. Gordon Heffler, senior electrical foreman in the Halifax dockyard, recalls when the one and only electrical shop was housed in an unused coal shed and had a total staff of six.

That was in the early '30's. In those days, most of the electrical work on board ship was done by the Navy's Torpedo Branch, and the dockyard electricians were concerned mainly with shore facilities. The term "electronics" was little known, and the gyro compass and asdic set were regarded as the latest wonders of science. Radar had not yet put in an appearance.

In 1939 the civilian staff had grown to 24. Then came the war, and with it a heavy demand for qualified men to install, maintain and repair the flood of new electrical devices going into the ships of a rapidly expanding fleet.

Shortly after the outbreak of war, the office of MEE was instituted, under the Superintendent of the Dockyard, to control and supervise the work being done by the civilian electricians, the electrical artificers' workshop and the gyro base workshop. Later on, the responsibility for fire control electrics was taken over from the Naval Armament Depot.

When the Electrical Department was formed as a separate entity after the war, it took on additional commitments. Up until then, the Communication Branch had looked after the maintenance of radio, radar and telecommunication equipment, and the Anti-Submarine branch had taken care of the asdic.

That system worked splendidly during the war, but it became obvious that greater efficiency could be achieved with fewer men if the maintenance of all electrical equipment were carried out by professional electricians able to devote full time to the job.

In the reorganization, the responsibility for all electrical training, con-



Electrical Journeyman Dean Wood gets set to connect the mass of wiring in a newly-installed junction box in HMCS "Nootka". Mr. Wood is one of a crew of 30 civilian electricians engaged in the conversion of the "Nootka". (HS-10711.)



Mr. David Millen, Commissioned Electrical Officer, RCN, and Electrical Chargehand Charles Wilson check the layout for installation of electrical circuits in HMCS "Nootka," presently undergoing armament conversion in Halifax. Mr. Millen, a member of the staff of the Manager Electrical Engineering, is electrical overseer of the "Nootka" job and Mr. Wilson is in charge of electrical conversion. (HS-10713.)

struction, installation, repair and maintenance that had previously been held by various branches was wrapped in a single package and given to the Electrical Department.

Though the department's members are both uniformed and civilian, they work as a single team, with the functions of one nicely supplementing those of the others. The naval person-



Gordon Heffler, Senior Electrical Foreman in HMC Dockyard, Halifax, has seen a spectacular advance in the electrical department since he was Dockyard electrician and had his shop in an unused coal shed. (HS-9687.)

nel serve in administrative posts at Headquarters and the bases, staff and attend the Electrical School at Halifax (see "Crownsnest", April 1949) and go to sea in ships of the RCN.

The civilians are employed mainly in the dockyards. They attend to the initial fitting, testing and major maintenance of new equipment — a highly important task — as well as routine maintenance, refits, conversions, repairs, etc.

"They are an integral part of the

Navy, even if they don't wear uniforms, and are a key factor in maintaining our ships at the peak of efficiency," says Commander Smith, Manager of Electrical Engineering at Halifax. "Except from those who are directly associated with them, they too often do not receive the recognition they deserve."

HALIFAX JILL TARS ELECT OFFICERS

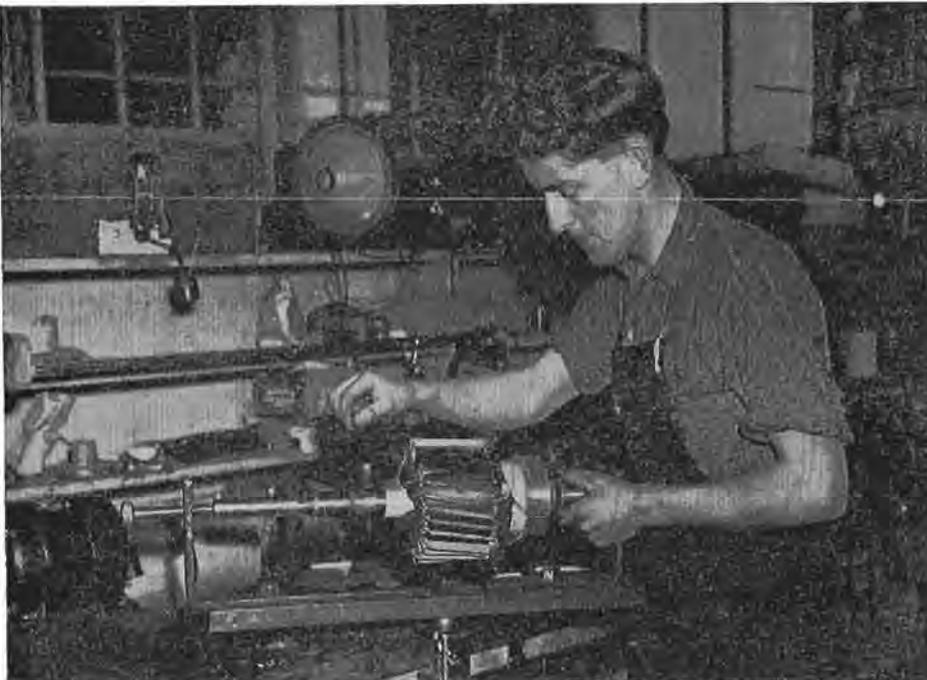
Mrs. Millie Short, wife of Chief Petty Officer Samuel Short, of HMCS "Stadacona", was elected president of the Halifax Jill Tar Club at the organization's first annual banquet in the Seagull Club, Halifax.

Other wives of Navy men serving in Atlantic Command elected to office were: Mrs. Jean Brodie, vice-president; Mrs. Barbara Anderson, secretary; Mrs. Kay Hanley, treasurer; Mrs. Irene Nash, program convener; Mrs. Peggy Norman, social convener; Mrs. Margaret Hutchings, press liaison; Mrs. Margaret Rushton, telephone convener; Mrs. Allyson Wilson, hospital convener.

The Jill Tar Club, an organization of long standing on the West Coast, did not make its appearance in Halifax until November 1948. Then Mrs. Arnold Boden, at the suggestion of Mrs. E. R. Mainguy and with the support of Mrs. Jack Lang, of Dartmouth, invited the wives of naval men to attend a meeting at HMCS "Scotian". As was outlined to those present, the club was principally of a social nature — a source of new acquaintances for wives from out of town and a form of entertainment especially desirable while husbands were at sea. A temporary executive was elected and the club got down to business in the New Year of 1949.

The club meets every Wednesday night. On the second and fourth Wednesdays of each month, the members hold a short business meeting, followed by entertainment. The first and third Wednesdays are set aside for bowling in the "Stadacona" gymnasium.

On completion of its fiscal year, the club held its first annual banquet at the Seagull Club, with Mrs. Mainguy as guest of honor. Plans for the coming year were discussed and it was decided to launch an all-out drive for new members. A warm welcome was extended to the wives of all naval men serving in the Halifax area.



Harold Pelham, armature winder, re-winds an electric motor at one of the workbenches in the electrical workshop in HMC Dockyard, Halifax. Civilian electricians service all naval electrical equipment, from office fans to the "Magnificent's" huge generators. (HS-10714.)

'CAYUGAS' ELECT EX-SOLDIER

("The "Man of the Month" is elected by the ship's company of the vessel or establishment in which he serves. Invitations to ships and establishments to elect a "Man of the Month" are not given in order of seniority, or indeed, in any particular order. None, however, will be missed. — Editor.)

IF you should go aboard HMCS "Cayuga" and take a turn around the quarterdeck, chances are you'll see the destroyer's "Man of the Month" working his part-of-ship. Or, during non-working hours, have a peek in No. 7 or No. 9 mess, where you'll likely find him battling with a cup of "Cayuga special" coffee. At any rate, Leading Seaman Glenn H. Clemmets isn't hard to find; he is seldom very far from his ship.

On August 31, 1924, the Clemmets family, then living in the small town of Omeme, Ontario, was blessed with a new son. He was immediately named Glenn, but Mrs. Clemmets could well have saved herself much time and name-searching had she named him "Clem" then and there, for that is what he has been known as from his earliest school days.

Until he was 15, "Clem" was just an average Canadian school kid. He didn't win any scholarships, though he did well enough in his classes. His athletic accomplishments did not make the headlines. The only way in which he differed from other 15-year olds was in his height and build. He tipped the scales at 180 pounds, and he had the altitude to carry it.

Clem's fifteenth birthday was only three days old when the Second World War started, and he could hardly wait to get into the fight. On June 21 of the following year he showed up in an Army recruiting office.

A lieutenant, said, "Son, I'm afraid you're too young".

However, the captain in charge of recruiting spoke up. "No, we'll take him . . . How old are you?"

Crossing his fingers, Clem answered that he was 18.

"Well, young fella", said the captain, "Maybe you'd better put down 19 . . . then you can go overseas with us right away". Thus young Clemmets wound up in the Army.

He went overseas with the 34th Field Battery of the 14th Field Regiment as a regimental signalman and remained with his outfit in England until D-Day, when they landed on the beach of Normandy.

Three days after landing in France he was hit by fragmentation from an exploding mortar bomb. This put him out of action until September, when he joined up with the First Army Radar Battery at Dunkirk. He was, and still is, carrying a piece of steel from the mortar shell in the wall of his right lung. He remained on the Continent until the end of the war.

Following his return to Canada, aboard the Ile de France in June 1945, Clemmets was demobilized in Vancouver, where his family had taken up



LDG. SEA. GLENN H. CLEMMETS

residence. He tried civilian life, found he preferred the service. He thought of rejoining the Army, but then decided in favor of the Navy, mainly because the idea of travelling appealed to him.

On November 1946 he signed on at HMCS "Discovery", Vancouver, as an ordinary seaman. Basic training at HMCS "Naden" was somewhat different than his earlier training in the artillery, but Clem took it all in his stride. The cruiser "Uganda" was his training ground for the rate of able seaman.

The "Rockcliffe" was his next ship and from there he went to the "Ontario" for three days before being drafted to the Gunnery Training Centre at "Naden" for a 3rd class Radar Controlman's course. After qualifying RC3 he returned to the "Ontario" for 18 months, then went to HMCS "Stadacona" for an RC2 course.

Clem believes the radar training he received in the Army helped him to get good marks in both his non-substantive courses. With crossed guns on his arm, he returned to the west coast and joined HMCS "Cayuga", his present billet. Last November he was advanced to leading seaman.

Clemmets missed the trip when the "Cayuga" ferried a party of army officers from Vancouver to Esquimalt during one of the worst blizzards in the history of the west coast, but he was up to his neck in snow during "Operation Brix", when the ship's company played a leading role in the search for missing crew members of an American bomber on Princess Royal Island.

Ldg. Sea. Clemmets was one of the rescue team which brought out Staff Sgt. Vito Tripoddi. They had to carry the stretcher through water up to their chests to get to the motor cutter, and Clem remarked at the time:

"It doesn't seem to matter what outfit I join, I can't seem to keep my feet dry!" — J.A.B.

Sailors and Skaters Exchange Hospitalities

The entire ship's company of HMCS "Magnificent", more than 1,000 officers and men, were guests at the final show of the "Skating Sensations of 1950" in Halifax on April 15.

In return, the carrier played host the following day to Skating Star Barbara Ann Scott and the show's cast. Miss Scott and her mother, Mrs. Clyde Scott, attended Divine Service on board the "Magnificent" and walked around the ship, and later Miss Scott had lunch with Commodore and Mrs. K. F. Adams.

The other members of the ice show's company dined on board the carrier, then were shown around the ship.

Tommy Gorman, manager of the show, expressed the skaters' appreciation for the reception given them by the officers and men of the "Magnificent" in the following telegram to Defence Minister Brooke Claxton:

"Would you please accept grateful thanks of Barbara Ann, myself and entire company for wonderful reception and treatment aboard 'Magnificent'. Skaters from all parts of Canada were really thrilled with unforgettable experience."

The Bulletin Board

Volunteers Required For New Aircrew Rate

Approval has been given for the formation of an Observer's Mates branch in the Royal Canadian Navy and volunteers are required from the Aircraft Controlman branch. Anyone up to ABAC, with one year's seniority in the rate and the necessary qualifications, is eligible.

Observer's Mates, when trained, will serve as aircrew in Avenger anti-submarine aircraft. They will specialize in anti-submarine duties, which will consist principally of the operation of sonobuoys, radio communication sets and radar.

Those selected will take a qualifying course, on the successful completion of which they will receive the Observer's Mate wings. The course will be 14 weeks in length, with ten weeks spent at "Stadacona" in the Communication, Electrical and Tor-

pedo-Anti-Submarine schools, and four weeks at "Shearwater" carrying out practical training in Anson and Avenger aircraft.

The first of approximately eight courses will begin about July 1, 1950.

Risk Allowance will be paid in accordance with current regulations.

On completion of about two years aircrew duty in an operational squadron, approximately 50 per cent of these Observer's Mates will be given an opportunity to volunteer for further aircrew service, and will be qualified in more advanced aircrew duties. The remainder will return to normal Aircraft Controlman duties.

Observer's Mate qualifications will be in three stages. The Class 3 rate will correspond to the Able and Leading Rate, the Class 2 to that of Petty Officer 2nd Class and the Class 1 to Chief Petty Officer 2nd Class.

Regulations Regarding Allotments Explained

Allotments are a system of assignment from the pay of an officer or man for the maintenance of his family and/or for the transaction of private business that requires a monthly payment by the individual concerned but which he may not be able to look after personally owing to his absence on service duty from the locality in which payment is made.

An officer may declare allotments not exceeding the monthly pay of his rank less any deductions such as pension deductions and income tax.

A man may declare allotments not exceeding the monthly pay for his rating and trade group pay and the amount of eight dollars. In other words, a man must draw at least eight dollars of his pay and trade group over the table as well as his Kit Upkeep Allowance. An officer or man in receipt of Marriage Allowance must allot to his wife, or if his wife is not living, to the guardian of the children, a sum of money equal to Marriage Allowance and Separated Family Allowance.

Allotments may not be declared to money lenders or other officers and men. Life insurance companies and chartered banks are not classed as money lenders in so far as allotments are concerned.

Normally no person may have more than four allotments in force at the same time.

An officer or man is not allowed to change the amount of an allotment more frequently than once in six months except when appointed or drafted to another ship or establishment, when proceeding to sea on lengthy cruises, or when any change in status occurs which affects pay and allowances, such as promotion, marriage, increase in pay, etc. In exceptional circumstances the Captain may grant permission to change allotments at other than the normal times.

An officer or man of the Royal Canadian Navy, or the Royal Canadian Navy (Reserve) when performing Special Navy Duty, may declare allotments to, or on behalf of a depen-



This is the Grumman Avenger, a standard carrier-borne anti-submarine aircraft of the US Navy soon to be adopted by the RCN for the same purpose. No. 826 Squadron of the 18th Carrier Air Group will be the first to be armed with Avengers. The aircraft will carry a crew of three — pilot, observer and observer's mate (see above). (*Mag-50.*)

dent or relative, to a Canadian chartered bank, trust company or other financial institution, to an insurance company for payment of policy premiums, to a medical or dental insurance society or organization and to the Receiver General of Canada for war or savings bonds or pension contributions under the Militia Pension Act.

With the approval of the Captain, allotments may be declared to tradesmen or business firms in a locality from which the allottor is absent for extended periods.

Naval Headquarters approval will be required to declare an allotment to any person or organization that is not specified above.

Duration of Service Outside Home Port Division Area

The minimum of time a man may be drafted for service outside his home port division has been increased from a period of six months to a period of one year.

Previously the period of service outside the home port division area was normally a minimum of six months and a maximum of two years. The minimum of six months prevented the moving of a man's family when it could not be ascertained in advance whether the draft would exceed one year. Under these circumstances a man would be separated from his family for a prolonged period. With the increase of the minimum of service away from the home port division, a man will be entitled to move his family immediately and not have the enforced separation.

Responsibility Allowance

The payment of Responsibility Allowance to certain men in the

Navymen Prominent In Legion Activities

Serving and former members of the RCN (Reserve) at Port Arthur have played a prominent part in building and equipping the new Canadian Legion Memorial Hall in the Lakehead city.

Secretary-manager of the Legion branch is Lieut. Norman K. Knutson, of HMCS "Griffon". John Roikko, a former member of the RCNVR, was in charge of construction, many of the builders were ex-Navy men, and the murals in the main hall were painted by ex-CPO Norman Kendall of Port Arthur.

To top off its contribution to the new hall, the Navy was well-represented in the opening day parade.



During his visit to Ottawa April 11 and 12, the First Sea Lord, Admiral-of-the-Fleet Lord Fraser of North Cape, called at Defence Headquarters for discussions with the Chiefs of Staff of the three services and to meet with members of the Naval Board. In the photograph above, Lord Fraser is shown seated, left, with Vice-Admiral H. T. W. Grant, Chief of the Naval Staff, and, left to right, standing, Rear-Admiral F. L. Houghton, Vice-Chief of the Naval Staff; Commodore C. N. Lentaigne, Assistant Chief of the Naval Staff (Air); Rear-Admiral (E) J. G. Knowlton, Chief of Naval Technical Services; Capt. (S) C. J. Dillon, Naval Secretary; Rear-Admiral W. B. Creery, Chief of Naval Personnel, and Commodore R. E. S. Bidwell, Assistant Chief of the Naval Staff (Plans). (0-1366-2.)

Engine Room Branch has been approved.

A Petty Officer 1st Class and above of the Engine Room Artificer or Motor Mechanic Branch, in possession of a Certificate of Capability of taking charge of a watch in an engine room, will be paid an allowance at the rate of \$8.00 a month.

A Chief Petty Officer 1st Class or a Chief Petty Officer 2nd Class of the Engine Room Artificer or Motor Mechanic Branch, on obtaining a Certificate of Capability of taking charge of the engines of a small ship, will be paid an additional allowance at the rate of \$8.00 a month.

Responsibility Allowance will only be paid in respect of ships in full commission allocated for service not normally performed solely in harbor.

Type Designations—HMC Ships

A type designation is a group of two or more letters which indicates a certain type or class of ship.

The following type designations are used in the Royal Canadian Navy:

Light Fleet Carriers.....	CVL
Light Cruisers.....	CL
Destroyers.....	DDE
A/S Escort Vessels.....	DE
Frigates.....	PF
Fleet Minesweepers.....	AM
Tankers.....	AO

Supply Vessels.....	AKS
Ocean Tugs.....	ATA
Miscellaneous Auxiliary Vessels.....	AG
Arctic Patrol Ships (Ice-breakers)....	AGB
Motor Launch.....	PTC
Motor Minesweepers.....	AMC
Gate Vessels.....	YNG

Advancement of Air Artificers And Plane Technicians

The advancement of men who have successfully completed the conversion course to Air Artificer or Plane Technician is governed by special regulations:

A Petty Officer 1st Class passed professionally for Chief Petty Officer 2nd Class and fully qualified for advancement in the Air Mechanic Branch before taking the conversion course for transfer to Air Artificer or Plane Technician will be designated Chief Petty Officer 2nd Class (NQ) on advancement.

A man who held the rating of Chief Petty Officer 2nd Class prior to taking the conversion course for transfer to Air Artificer or Plane Technician will be designated Chief Petty Officer 2nd Class (NQ) on successful completion of the conversion course.

The (NQ) notation will be removed when these men have qualified professionally for Chief Petty Officer 2nd Class in their new rating of Air Artificer or Plane Technician.



OFFICERS *and* MEN



Commodore W. B. Creery Promoted to Rear-Admiral

The promotion of Commodore Wallace B. Creery, CBE, RCN, Chief of Naval Personnel, to the rank of Rear-Admiral was announced on April 29 by Defence Minister Brooke Claxton.

Rear-Admiral Creery served at sea in both wars, and during the Second World War held a number of important staff posts ashore. He entered the Royal Naval College of Canada at Halifax in 1914 and, on graduating, saw First World War service in cruisers on the North Atlantic and in the North Sea.

Later he served in destroyers and qualified at HMS "Vernon" as a specialist torpedo officer. He was appointed torpedo officer of the RCN Barracks at Esquimalt in 1926 and remained in this post until September 1929, when he was promoted to the rank of lieutenant-commander and took command of the minesweeper "Armentieres". In 1930, serving with the Royal Navy, he was torpedo

officer and senior staff officer of the Third Destroyer Flotilla in the Mediterranean.

After a staff course at the RN Staff College, he took command of the destroyer "Champlain" in 1934. He became Director of Naval Reserves in 1936 and the following year was appointed in command of the RCN Barracks at Halifax.

He was commanding officer of the destroyer "Fraser" from August 1938 until June 1940, when she was lost off Bordeaux during the evacuation of France. He then became Commander and later Captain-in-Charge, Halifax.

Rear-Admiral Creery held the post of Chief of Staff to the Commanding Officer Atlantic Coast until April 1943, when he became Director of Operations at Headquarters. In June, 1943, he was appointed Assistant Chief of the Naval Staff, and two years later assumed command of HMCS "Prince Robert." From January 1946 until his appointment as Chief of Naval Personnel in August 1948, he was commandant of the Canadian Services College, Royal Roads.

In recognition of his services during the war, Rear-Admiral Creery was appointed Commander of the Order of the British Empire on January 1, 1946.

Appointment Changes Are Announced

The following changes in appointments of RCN officers have been announced recently:

Cdr. G. M. Wadds to "Stadacona" as Officer-in-Charge of the Gunnery School and on the staff of the Flag Officer Atlantic Coast as Staff Officer (Gunnery). Formerly Deputy Director of Weapons and Tactics at Headquarters.

Lieut.-Cdr. F. B. Caldwell to Headquarters as Deputy Director of Weapons and Tactics. Formerly on staff of DWT.

Lieut.-Cdr. L. P. McCormack to Headquarters for duty with the

Director of Weapons and Tactics. Formerly Officer-in-Charge of the Gunnery School, "Stadacona," and on staff of the Flag Officer Atlantic Coast as Staff Officer (Gunnery).

Commander (E) J. S. Horam, on staff of the Chief of Naval Technical Services, Headquarters, as Principal Overseer, East Coast. Formerly Officer-in-Charge of the Mechanical Training Establishment and Engineer Officer, "Stadacona."

Lieut.-Cdr. (E) A. F. A. Abbott to "Stadacona" as Officer-in-Charge of the Mechanical Training Establishment and as Engineer Officer "Stadacona." Formerly on staff of the MTE.

Surg. Cdr. T. B. McLean to US Naval Hospital, San Diego, California, for courses. Formerly Principal Medical Officer at "Naden" and Command Medical Officer, Pacific Command.

Surg. Cdr. G. W. Chapman to "Naden" as Principal Medical Officer and on staff of the Flag Officer Pacific Coast as Command Medical Officer. Formerly on staff of the RCN Hospital, Esquimalt.

Surg. Lieut.-Cdr. R. A. G. Lane, to Washington, D.C., as Medical Liaison Officer, office of the Defence Research Member, Canadian Joint Staff. Formerly Assistant Medical Director General at Headquarters. (Retaining acting rank of Surgeon Commander).

Surg. Lieut.-Cdr. W. J. Elliot to Headquarters as Assistant Medical Director General. Formerly Principal Medical Officer of the RCN Hospital, Esquimalt. (Retaining acting rank of Surgeon Commander).

Surg. Lieut.-Cdr. J. C. Gray to "Naden" as Principal Medical Officer of the RCN Hospital, Esquimalt. Formerly on staff of the Naval Hospital, Esquimalt.

Large Staff Implements Reserve Training Program

A large staff has been assembled at Esquimalt to implement this year's intensive Reserve summer training program on the West Coast.



REAR ADMIRAL W. B. CREERY.

Commander J. M. Leeming, Reserve Training Commander, has as his assistants Lieut.-Cdr. J. W. Goldby and Lieutenants Fred Little, A. E. Parsons, Ian Butters, A. W. Parker, J. W. Greene, R. B. Coupar and D. M. Keith.

The sea training staff, which will work in the training frigates "Antigonish" and "Beacon Hill," includes Lieut.-Cdr. C. P. Nixon, Sea Training Officer, Lieutenants G. M. DeRosenroll, G. C. Morris and B. L. Judd and CPOs George Bowditch and G. R. Freeman.

The following will be among the instructors ashore: CPOs Percy Boyd, E. A. (Pony) Moore, Bob McLellan, Neil Bigelow, Al Stockley, Ron Ebbelling and Vic Dovey, and POs Frank Hamilton and Nicholas Draginda.

Supply officer is Lieut. (S) G. R. Monckton, while the quartermasters, under PO Terry Whitley, are Able Seamen Stan Oram, Hugh Mutter and Austin Wright.

Five RCN Officers Receive Pilot Wings

Five officers of the RCN and 12 RCAF flight cadets received pilot wings at a graduation ceremony at the RCAF Flying Training School, Centralia, Ont., on April 21.

The wings were presented by Rear-Admiral W. B. Creery, Chief of Naval Personnel, at the invitation of Air Vice Marshal C. R. Semon, Air Officer Commanding Training Command. Rear-Admiral Creery was commanding officer of Royal Roads when the 12 RCAF flight cadets attended the services college.

New naval pilots are Lieutenants Brian Bell-Irving, West Vancouver; Geoffrey Hilliard, Kelowna, B.C.; Michael W. Phillips, Toronto, and Donald C. Radford, Brockville, Ont., and Sub-Lieut. H. L. Frost, Hamilton. They took the Centralia course under the arrangement whereby naval pilots are trained to wings standard by the RCAF.

"Naden" Hospital Staff Members Take Courses

CPO H. Ward, radiographer, has returned to the RCN Hospital at Esquimalt following completion of a course in radiography at the Royal Victoria Hospital in Montreal. Sub-Lieut. (NS) Dorothy A. Sim is taking a six-month post-graduate course in operating room technique at the same hospital.

Surg. Lieut. Desmond G. Woods, with Surg. Lieut.-Cdr. V. P. L. Connolly, of "Shearwater," is taking a three-month course at the US Navy Deep Sea Diving School and the Naval Gun Factory, Washington, D.C. Mr. R. E. Groves, Commissioned Wardmaster, formerly divisional officer for personnel at RCNH, has left for the East Coast and courses at "Stadacona" and "Cornwallis".

PO M. Lavoie has joined the "Cayuga" while Ldg. Sea. G. Bouchard is spending the summer in the training frigate, HMCS "Beacon Hill." — R.H.W.

During his career he has served in 16 ships and numerous shore establishments. He spent a large part of the war in destroyers and corvettes on the North Atlantic, afterwards served for ten months in the cruiser "Uganda." Prior to being drafted to "Chatham," he was serving in "Naden."

Number of Changes in "Antigonish's" Crew

Appointments and drafts to and from the frigate "Antigonish" have brought about a number of changes in the ship's company.

Lieut. (E) L. M. Evans has been



Down in the chain locker, where they will bother the least number of people, three ordinary seamen under training in HMCS "Ontario" get together to practice bugle calls. Left to right are Ordinary Seamen Robert Watkins, Fort William, James Stremick, Winnipeg, and Raymond Healey, Moose Jaw. (OC-245-1.)

CPO James Wood Receives Long Service Medal

CPO James W. Wood, of Swift Current, Sask., now on the staff of HMCS "Chatham," has been awarded the RCN Long Service and Good Conduct Medal.

Presentation was made at the Prince Rupert division by Lieut. W. J. Smith, on behalf of the commanding officer.

Born in Devonshire, England, CPO Wood came to Canada with his family at an early age and settled in Western Canada. He joined the RCN at HMCS "Naden" in 1929.

appointed to HMCS "Bytown" and will take up new duties in Montreal. Lieut. G. B. Wither, formerly in the "Sioux", is the new gunnery officer, replacing Lieut. R. Carle, now on course. Mr. B. McIntosh, Commissioned Engineer, from the "Rockcliffe," has joined as engineer officer.

CPOs Stanley Ratcliffe and Arnold Gustafson, PO Robert Roberts, Ldg. Sea. Albert Laing, AB Melvin McDonald and Ord. Sea. Frank Whitney all have been drafted to the "Rockcliffe." PO Robert Land, Ldg. Sea. Donald McKay and Ord. Sea. Jerry Devigne have gone to "Naden," while PO John Hopps has been transferred to Gloucester Naval Radio

Station and AB Jack Duff to the "Ontario."

Among the new arrivals are PO Charles McQueen, from "Unicorn," and PO Thomas Raferty, AB Donald Crosby and AB Stanley Bourquin, all from "Naden."

Named Executive Officer of HMCS "Discovery"

Lieut. William H. Davidson, formerly divisional officer at HMCS "Discovery," has been appointed Executive Officer of the Vancouver naval division. He succeeds Cdr. Glen McDonald, who became commanding officer of the division on the retirement of Capt. W. R. Stacey.

During the month "Discovery" lost one of its most active officers. Mr. Edward MacFayden, Commissioned Gunner, RCN, has been appointed to HMCS "Naden" for duty in the Gunnery Training Centre. Mr. MacFayden will be missed by the ship's company as it was he who usually handled arrangements for the division's social functions.

Lieut. Jack Davie, who was in HMCS "Cedarwood" last summer on her Arctic cruise and who rejoined "Discovery" in the Fall, has been promoted to the rank of lieutenant-commander.

Petty Officer Calvin J. Holmes has left the establishment for HMCS "Stadacona," Halifax, where he is taking an AA1 course.

CPO W. F. Krogel Promoted To Commissioned Rank

CPO William F. Krogel, now serving in HMCS "Shearwater," has been promoted to the rank of commissioned radio officer.

Born in Grayson, Sask., in January, 1922, he joined the RCN as a boy seaman at Esquimalt in April, 1939. He transferred to the telegraphist branch at the outbreak of war and subsequently served in HMCS "Naden," at a wireless station near Ottawa, at HMCS "St. Hyacinthe," in "Stadacona" and in Vancouver.

Mr. Krogel joined the cruiser "Ontario" in December 1947 and after a year at sea returned to Halifax, where he served in "Stadacona" for more than two years before being transferred to the RCN Air Station.

"Hunter" Chiefs and POs Honor Two Messmates

CPO Jack Crawford and PO Henry Blair were guests of honor at a mess dinner held recently in the chief and petty officers' mess at HMCS "Hunter."

The former will retire shortly from the Navy, while the latter has transferred to the permanent force and gone to "Naden" for training. Each man was presented by his messmates with a travelling case.

PO Keri Lewis presided at the dinner and Cdr. W. A. Wilkinson, commanding officer of "Hunter,"

was the speaker. Representatives from the four Reserve Army messes in Windsor were guests.

Three Staff Members Leave Training Centre

Three staff members recently left the Torpedo Anti-Submarine Training Centre at HMCS "Naden."

CPO Richard Malin went to "Cornwallis" for the Leadership course, CPO George Bowditch was drafted to the "Cedarwood" for a short time, then to the instructing staff at the Reserve Training Establishment, and PO M. Middleton joined the "Antigonish" for instructional duties in connection with the Reserve training program.

Medical Assistants Finish 46-Week Course

Eleven medical assistants recently were advanced to the rating of able seaman on successful completion of a 46-week course at HMCS "Naden," Esquimalt.

Graduates were Able Seamen G. Arnold, J. O. Bailey, T. E. Dalgleish, P. Dootson, M. Gaspé, F. Gibson, J. F. Harris, F. McCarron, R. Straughn, N. West and R. H. Whetmore.

Weddings

Lieut. John D. Jellett, HMCS "Stadacona," to Miss Jean Marguerite Conrad of Halifax.

PO Robert H. Bowack, HMCS "Antigonish," to Miss Helen Boychuk, of Lethbridge, Alta.

Ldg. Sea. John A. Frenette, HMCS "Shearwater," to Miss Eloise May Smith, of Rockingham, Ontario.

Ldg. Sea. Donald P. Raven, HMCS "Antigonish," to Miss Norma Jean Culver, of Dunnville, Ont.

Able Seaman Richard Duiven, HMCS "Bytown," to Miss Janet Anderson, of Montreal.

Ord. Sea. E. Wilfred West, HMCS "Naden," to Miss Kathleen Ferr, of Edmonton.

Births

To Cdr. Glen McDonald, HMCS "Discovery," and Mrs. McDonald, a daughter.

To Lieut.-Cdr. G. A. C. Scarth, HMCS "Cornwallis," and Mrs. Scarth, a son.

To Lieut. J. Clapton, HMCS "Antigonish," and Mrs. Clapton, a daughter.

To Lieut. (S) G. E. Culham, HMCS "Naden," and Mrs. Culham, a son.

To Lieut. I. B. B. Morrow, Naval Headquarters, and Mrs. Morrow, a daughter.

To CPO Neil Bigelow, HMCS "Naden," and Mrs. Bigelow, a daughter.

To PO George Casswell, HMCS "Antigonish," and Mrs. Casswell, a daughter.

To PO A. Aylward, HMCS "Cornwallis," and Mrs. Aylward, a daughter.

To Ldg. Sea. James Russell, HMCS "Antigonish" and Mrs. Russell, a daughter.

To AB Richard Nagel, HMCS "Antigonish," and Mrs. Nagel, a son.

To AB Melvin McDonald, HMCS "Antigonish," and Mrs. McDonald, a son.



Chief petty officers and petty officers of HMCS "Stadacona" held their first annual ball March 31 in the Nova Scotian hotel, Halifax. A great success, the affair was attended by more than 500 persons. Shown at one of the tables are: Rear row, left to right, Lieut.-Cdr. P. F. X. Russell, Mrs. Edward Rigby, PO A. L. Bonner and CPO Rigby, chairman of the ball committee; front row, Mrs. W. H. Roberts, Mrs. Russell and CPO Roberts. (HS-10379.)



The commanding officer and instructors of the US Navy Supply Corps School, Bayonne, N. J., are photographed with five RCN supply officers who recently completed a nine-month course at the school. From left to right are Sub-Lieut. (S) W. E. Davis, Sub-Lieut. (S) V. F. Lambie, Lieut.-Cdr. J. S. Spore, SC, USN, Rear-Admiral C. L. Austin, SC, USN, Supply Officer in Command, Lieut.-Cdr. D. P. Reid, SC, USN, Lieut. (S) E. V. Margetts, Lieut. (S) J. F. Fricker and Lieut. (S) R. A. Darlington.

Senior Supply Officers In New Appointments

Eight senior supply officers of the RCN will take up appointments in a move which involves top supply and secretariat posts on both coasts and at Naval Headquarters.

Following are the officers involved, with their new appointments:

Captain (S) R. A. Wright to "Stadacona" as Command Supply Officer and as Manager, Supply Department, HMC Dockyard, Halifax. At present Pacific Command Supply Officer and Manager, Supply Department, HMC Dockyard, Esquimalt.

Cdr. (S) C. J. Dillon to "Naden" as Command Supply Officer of the Pacific Command and as Manager, Supply Department, HMC Dockyard, Esquimalt. (Retaining acting rank of Captain (S)). At present Naval Secretary at Headquarters.

Cdr. (S) H. A. McCandless to Headquarters as Naval Secretary. (With the acting rank of Captain (S).) At present Director of Naval Pay and Accounting, at Headquarters.

Cdr. (S) T. F. T. Morland to Headquarters as Director of Naval Pay and Accounting. At present on staff of Director General of Supply and Fleet Accounting at Headquarters.

Cdr. (S) C. V. Laws to Headquarters as Director of Fleet Stores. At present Atlantic Command Supply Officer and Manager, Supply Department, HMC Dockyard, Halifax.

Cdr. (S) F. D. Elcock to Headquarters as Secretary to the Chief of the Naval Staff. At present on courses with the US Navy.

Cdr. (S) J. R. Anderson to "Naden". At present Supply Officer, HMCS "Ontario".

Lieut.-Cdr. (S) V. W. Howland to HMCS "Ontario" as Supply Officer. (Retaining acting rank of Commander (S).) At present Secretary to the Chief of the Naval Staff.

RCN Supply Officers Finish USN Course

Five supply officers of the RCN completed a nine-month course at the US Navy Supply Corps School, at Bayonne, N.J., on March 31.

Graduates were Lieutenants (S) R. A. Darlington, J. F. Fricker and E. V. Margetts and Sub-Lieutenants (S) W. E. Davis and V. M. Lambie. These officers have been appointed to various ships of the RCN for sea experience.

Among those present at the graduation exercises were Rear-Admiral C. W. Fox, SC, USN, Paymaster

General of the Navy and Chief of the Bureau of Supplies and Accounts; Rear-Admiral Ernesto Araugo, Naval Attache to the Brazilian Embassy, Washington; Commodore H. N. Lay, OBE, RCN, Naval Member of the Canadian Joint Staff, Washington; Captain (S) M. A. Davidson, RCN, Director General Supply and Fleet Accounting, and Captain (S) C. J. Dillon, RCN, Naval Secretary, both from Naval Headquarters, Ottawa.

The course covered pay and cash, supply afloat and ashore, victualling, regulations, supply planning, logistics, personnel administration, public speaking, radiological defence and machine accounting.

CPO Fred S. Kitchen Wins "Unicorn" Award

CPO Frederick S. Kitchen, RCN (R), of HMCS "Unicorn," was presented with the new "Unicorn" Proficiency Award during a recent ceremony at the Saskatoon naval division. The presentation was made at a regular evening parade before 200 members of the ship's company. The band was in attendance.

The large trophy was presented to the division by Robert Arn, coach of



CPO Frederick S. Kitchen (right) receives the "Unicorn" Proficiency Award from Cdr. O. K. McClocklin, commanding officer of the Saskatoon Naval division, at a ceremony on board. CPO Kitchen was adjudged the most proficient member of the seaman branch of the ship's company during the 1949-50 training year. Watching the ceremony, bottom, left to right, are Dr. W. Kinnear and Art Peberdy, of the Saskatoon Hilltop Football Club, donors of the award. (Saskatoon Star-Phoenix photo.)

LOWER DECK ADVANCEMENTS

the Hilltops Football Club, on behalf of the club executive. He expressed his gratitude and that of the club for the use of dressing room and shower facilities at "Unicorn" during the 1949 playing season.

The award will be made annually to the seaman chosen by a selection board as the most proficient member of the Saskatoon division. The board consists of Cdr. O. K. McClocklin, commanding officer, Lieut.-Cdr. J. R. Strachan, executive officer, Lieut. R. B. Hayward, staff officer, and Lieut. W. J. McCorkell, training officer. The trophy will remain throughout the year in the mess of the man who wins it.

CPO Kitchen, a constable on the Saskatoon police force, received a private award from Lieut. W. J. McCorkell for permanent possession.

Leading Seaman Receives Commission

Ldg. Sea. Lloyd A. Diatchenko, of Windsor, Ont., formerly an aircraft handler serving at HMCS "Shearwater", has been promoted to the rank of acting sub-lieutenant and accepted for training as an observer.

He will be confirmed in rank on completion of observer training courses in the United Kingdom. His commission is for a seven-year period.

Sub-Lieut. Diatchenko joined the RCN as an ordinary seaman in February 1945, after spending a year in the Royal Canadian Air Force.

He has served in the destroyer "Sioux" and the aircraft carriers "Warrior" and "Magnificent", as well as in various shore establishments in Canada and the United Kingdom.

Laval Cadets Inspected By University Rector

UNTD cadets at HMCS "Montcalm," Quebec, presented Msgr. Ferdinand Vandry, rector of Laval University, with a framed photograph of a convoy at sea when he visited the division on March 27.

Msgr. Vandry inspected a cadet Guard of Honor and made a tour of the establishment, accompanied by Captain E. F. Noel, Cdr. R. M. S. St. Laurent and Lieut.-Cdr. J. A. L. Massé. At Evening Quarters, Msgr. Vandry congratulated the cadets on their appearance and in a brief address stressed the importance and value of their naval training.

Following Quarters, the guests were officially welcomed to a reception in the gunroom by Cadet (L) D. Lachance, gunroom president.

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

ALLEN, Charles L. LSCS1
ANDERS, George L. C2AW3(NQ)

BAKER, Albert E. LSSM1(NQ)
BENN, Carl E. LNSN1(NQ)
BESSETTE, Joseph L. LSSM1
BEVAN, William V. LSSW1(NQ)
BIRCH, William A. C1ET4(NQ)
BLANCHARD, Joseph E. LSPW2
BLATHWAYT, William C. C2AW3(NQ)
BOARD, Gordon E. C2T13
BOICEY, Orville. P2ET3
BONE, Benevuto. P2ET3
BOWMAN, James C. LSSWS(NQ)
BROWN, Alexander. C2SM3(NQ)
BURGESS, Charles T. C1ET4
BUTTON, William J. P2SW1

CARRIER, Ephrem J. LSPW2
CARROLL, George A. C2PI3
CATO, Robert A. LSSM1
CLARKE, Burrell A. P1CS2
CLEE, Orville L. P2AW2
COOPER, Hector H. C1NS3(NQ)
COOPER, Tracey. P2VS2(NQ)
CURLEW, Walter W. P2ET3
CURRIE, William R. LSSW1(NQ)

DARVEAU, Joseph H. C2GI3
DAVIES, John D. C1SM3
DRAGINDA, Nicholas. P1SW2(NQ)
DRIEGA, Alexander W. P2AW2

ELLIS, William E. C1RT4(NQ)
EMBERTON, Trevor. LSSM1(NQ)

EVANS, Douglas H. C1ER4
FAIRFOULL, David. LSSM1(NQ)
FLUSKEY, William H. LSSM1(NQ)
FORTIER, Louis. LSAW2
FOY, Paul R. LNSN1(NQ)
FRY, George F. P2ET3

GAGNON, Joseph R. LSAW1(NQ)
GOULD, Donald. LSVS2
GOWIN, John M. LSSM1(NQ)
GREEN, John D. LSAW1
GUTHRIE, Thorald R. LSVS1(NQ)

HAGGERTY, Fred A. LSSM1(NQ)
HAWKEY, Robert C. P2AW2
HAYLEY, Alonzo L. C2AW3
HENDERSON, Fred R. C2EA4
HIBBERT, William. C1SM3
HIEBERT, Edwin P. LSEM1
HOLLAND, Owen M. LSVS1
HORTH, Paul A. LNSN1(NQ)
HUBER, John W. P1AW3

JARRETT, Leonard J. LSSW1(NQ)
JOHNSON, Charles E. C1ER4

KALDESTAD, Helmer. C2ET4
KANIS, Peter. LSSM1
KEMPTON, James M. P1CS2
KENNY, Thomas W. C2ER4
KESELUK, Milton. C2ER4
KIMBER, Edward A. LSSM1
KING, Alan D. LSSM1(NQ)
KOCHEMS, David A. C1ER4
KVAMME, Glen E. P1GA3

LAJOIE, Joseph E. A. LSCO1(NQ)
LAMBERT, Lester E. C1NS3
LAMBERT, Victor F. P2NS2(NQ)
LANE, John D. P2SW1(NQ)
LAPOINTE, Jules. C2ET4
LAW, Herbert. C2RT4
LAWRENCE, William J. P2SW1(NQ)
L'ITALIEN, Germain. LSAW1
LOCKHART, Douglas M. P2SM2
LORD, Ralph F. LSSM1
LUNDGREN, Clarence G. C1ER4

MacDORMAND, Robert G. LSSM1(NQ)
MacLEAN, Alan M. LSCS1(NQ)
McINNIS, Bernard L. C2ET4
McINTYRE, Harold N. C1ER4
McLEOD, Malcolm A. C2SM3
McMASTER, John W. C2ER4
MALTBY, Clifford A. P2AW2
MARCEAU, Guy. P2NS2
MARCHMENT, George R. P2SW1(NQ)
MARSHALL, John W. LSSM1(NQ)
MARTIN, Arthur G. C2SM3
MASON, Cecil. C1SM3
MILAN, David T. C2ER4
MISURKA, Walter. LSSW1
MONDOUX, Jacques P. P2VS2
MORFORD, Frederick. C2ER4
MORSE, Robert L. LSSM1(NQ)
MOSSOP, James B. LNSN1
MYERS, John H. LSSM1(NQ)

NOEL, Marc A. LSVS1(NQ)
NURSE, J. Eric. C2ER4

O'FLYNN, Harry. C2SM3

PATTERSON, John C. LSVS1(NQ)
PATTISON, Lorne. LSVS2(NQ)
PETTIGREW, William E. P1VS2
PINKOS, William B. P1GA3

REID, Louis J. LSSM1(NQ)
ROHLAND, Joseph G. Y. LSPW2
ROURKE, Donald J. LNSN2

SAUNDERS, David E. P2AW2(NQ)
SEARS, Robert J. LSVS1(NQ)
SHEPHERD, Holland H. C1RT4(NQ)
SLATER, James P. P2ET3
SLITER, Calvin A. C2ER4
STEPHENSON, Francis J. LSSM1(NQ)
STEWART, William W. LSSM1
SULLIVAN, Neil C. LNSN1
SUTHERLAND, Donald S. LSSM1
SUTHERLAND, Robert D. P2NS2(NQ)

TYRE, Douglas S. C1ER4

VAIL, Douglas D. LSVS2
VAILLANCOURT, John. C1SW2(NQ)
VALVIS, Jean P. LSSM1(NQ)

WANDLER, John. LSVS2
WARSHAWSKI, Floryan A. LSSM1
WATSON, Andrew P. LSPW1
WELCH, John. P2NS2
WHITE, Russell. P1CA3
WICKSTROM, Dewain C. LSEM1(NQ)
WILLIAMS, William R. P2ET3



Obituary

CHAPLAIN

CHARLES DeW. WHITE, OBE, RCN

Chaplain Charles DeWolfe White, OBE, RCN, 47, Command Chaplain (P) of the Atlantic Command, died in the RCN Hospital, Halifax, on April 22, following a brief illness.

Funeral services, with full naval honors, were conducted April 25 from All Saints Cathedral, and burial was in Camp Hill cemetery. Archbishop G. F. Kingston, Anglican Archbishop of Nova Scotia and Primate of all Canada, officiated.

A firing party of 24 men and a naval guard of honor led the procession from the cathedral to the cemetery. They were followed by the gun carriage bearing the flag-draped coffin and drawn by 32 men from "Stadacona". The honorary pall-bearers marched beside the gun carriage and were followed by the insignia bearer and pall-bearers.

The mourners, consisting of clergy from the three armed forces and naval officers from ships and establishments of the Atlantic Command, were next in the procession, followed by an escort of 200 men from "Stadacona", "Magnificent" and "Shearwater". Private cars brought up the rear.

Following the committal service at the graveside, the funeral firing party fired three volleys over the grave. The bugler then sounded the Last Post and the Reveille.

Honorary pallbearers were Cdr. A. G. Boulton, Cdr. R. L. Hennessy, Cdr. (P) B. S. McEwen, Cdr. (S) H. A. Black, Cdr. (E) J. S. Horam, Ord. Cdr. G. B. MacLeod, Instr. Cdr. I. F. Ritchie and Cdr. (L) J. Deane.

Pallbearers were Ordinary Seamen John C. Thomas, Bernard W. Dubois, George T. Parker, Richard V. Mallory, Joseph A. Appleyard and Francis MacArthur, all from "Stadacona".

Padre White was widely known and beloved throughout the Service. Entering the Navy in 1940, he served first in HMCS "Venture", in the Halifax dockyard. In November 1942 he went to Ottawa and became the first Protestant chaplain to serve at Headquarters. A year later he went overseas to set up a chaplain service for the RCN in the United Kingdom.

In August 1944 he was appointed to HMCS "Uganda" and remained in the cruiser throughout her period of service in the Pacific theatre. He left the "Uganda" in December 1945 to become Command Chaplain (P) at Halifax, an appointment he held until the time of his death.

Padre White was appointed an officer of the Order of the British



Final tribute was paid the late Chaplain Charles deWolfe White, OBE, RCN, Senior Protestant Chaplain of the Atlantic Command, at services held in Halifax April 25. The above photo shows part of the funeral procession which marched from All Saints' Cathedral to Camp Hill cemetery. (HS-10693.)

Empire in The King's New Year's Honors List of January 1945. The citation spoke of the marked success with which he had carried out his duties, both in Canada and overseas, and of Padre White's "great understanding of men" and his "excellent influence and great help to all those with whom he came in contact".

His services received further recognition when the degree of Bachelor of Divinity was conferred on him by The University of King's College in 1946.

A native of Kentville, N.S., Chaplain White received his early schooling there, at Summerside, P.E.I., and at King's College School, Windsor, N.S. He graduated from the University of King's College, Halifax, with a Bachelor of Arts degree in 1925, and in 1927 was ordained to the priesthood of the Church of England in Canada in Christ Church, Windsor, N.S.

Between 1927 and 1940, he served in the parishes at Arichat and Petite Riviere, N.S., was chaplain of King's College School and was rector of St. Luke's Church, Annapolis Royal, and St. George's Anglican Church, Halifax.

He is survived by his wife, the former Gladys Blackall of St. John's, Nfld., and one son, Andrew, residing at

16 Ogilvie St., Halifax; by his mother, Mrs. Ethel White, of Windsor, N.S., wife of the late Ven. Archdeacon Charles deW. White, and by five brothers and four sisters.

LDG. SEA. FREDERICK ROLLINSON, RCN

Funeral services for Ldg. Sea. Frederick M. Rollinson, 36, of HMCS "Stadacona", who died in Halifax on April 23, were held on April 27 in Toronto. Burial took place in Mount Pleasant Cemetery.

Born in Rollinson, Alberta, Ldg. Sea. Rollinson was living in Toronto when he joined the RCN in February 1931. In the years before the war he served in the destroyers "Saguenay" and "Ottawa" and ashore at Halifax and in the United Kingdom.

In May 1942 he was drafted to the "Ottawa" for the second time and was among those rescued when the ship was torpedoed in the North Atlantic in September of that year.

Later he served in the destroyers "Iroquois" and "Qu'Appelle". In April 1946 he joined HMCS "Micmac" and the following year was injured when the ship was in collision with a freighter off Halifax.

Ldg. Sea. Rollinson was awarded the RCN Long Service and Good Conduct Medal in October 1946.

Benevolent Fund's Annual Meeting

Grants and Loans in 1949
Totalled more than \$110,000

GRANTS and loans totalling more than \$110,000 were paid out during 1949 by the Canadian Naval Service Benevolent Trust Fund, Engineer Rear-Admiral G. L. Stephens, president and board chairman, reported to the fifth annual meeting in Ottawa in April.

Of this amount, \$66,837.64 was approved in the form of grants.

During the year, 861 applications for assistance were received, the president stated, and in 648 cases financial help was given. It was pointed out that many applicants who did not receive grants or loans from the Fund were given advice and assistance which enabled them to solve their financial problems through their own resources.

Rear-Admiral Stephens noted that there had been a decrease in grants and an increase in loans during the past year. He said this was mainly due to the Fund's current policy of providing financial help where necessary but at the same time endeavoring to enable applicants to retain their self-respect and initiative by solving their problems without recourse to outside assistance.

While medical expenses were still the most common cause of financial difficulties, the president said that two other factors were becoming increasingly prominent as reasons for distress. These, he said, were indiscriminate and ill-considered purchases on the instalment plan and obtaining loans from lending institutions. He emphasized that no criticism of these facilities was intended, as both had their place in the present day business and economic structure, but he said it was obvious that there were some who did not understand all that was involved in such transactions or were led astray by the apparent ease with which instalment purchases could be made or loans obtained.

Rear-Admiral Stephens urged upon all naval and ex-naval personnel the advisability of seeking sound financial advice before taking advantage of these facilities.

The speaker stressed the continuing need for donations from the RCN. He expressed appreciation for the "Naden" Ship's Fund's recent decision to contribute one per cent of gross

sales in canteens to the Benevolent Fund, and said he hoped all ships and establishments would follow this example and the suggestions in the Mainguy report.

The president reported that a scheme for medical insurance for dependents of serving personnel had been submitted to Defence Minister Brooke Claxton and the Naval Board. Later, Rear-Admiral W. B. Creery, Chief of Naval Personnel, reported that the question of medical and dental care for serving personnel and their dependents was being studied by the three services and shortly would be the subject of a report to the

Minister.

Fund members decided to reconvene the medical sub-committee for further study of the matter.

The meeting also decided to recommend to the Naval Board that a "Naval Benevolent Fund Week" be authorized, during which special events could be arranged as a means of raising money for the Fund.

During the meeting, appreciation of the Fund's work on behalf of naval and ex-naval personnel was expressed by Defence Minister Claxton and Vice-Admiral H. T. W. Grant, Chief of the Naval Staff, both of whom addressed the members.

REAR-ADMIRAL STEPHENS RE-ELECTED PRESIDENT

Engineer Rear-Admiral G. L. Stephens, CB, CBE, RCN, Ret'd, of Ottawa, was re-elected president and chairman of the board of directors of the Canadian Naval Service Benevolent Trust Fund at the fifth annual meeting on April 17.

Directors elected or re-elected were Cdr. A. C. Bethune, OBE, RCN(R), Ret'd, Ottawa; Alan B. Coulter, OBE, Ottawa; Rear-Admiral W. B. Creery, CBE, RCN, Ottawa; Commodore P. W. Earl, CBE, RCN(R), Ret'd, Montreal; Capt. P. B. German, RCN, Ret'd, Ottawa; Cdr. (SB) P. R. Hurcomb, RCN, Ottawa; Capt. (S) Joseph Jeffery, OBE, RCN(R), Ret'd, London Ont.; Griffith Jones, BEM, ex-CPO Writer, RCN(R), Victoria; Cdr. (S) C. V. Laws, RCN, Halifax; Willard MacKenzie, Halifax; Cdr. K. S. MacLachlan, OBE, RCN(R) Ret'd, Toronto; Miss A. I. McPhee, ex-Lieut.-Cdr. (S), WRCNS, Ottawa; Lieut.-Cdr. Barry O'Brien, RCN(R), Ret'd, Ottawa; Lieut.-at-Arms W. Pember, MBE, RCN, Victoria, and R. C. Stevenson, OBE, Montreal. Mr. MacKenzie and Cdr. Hurcomb

were not present at the meeting.

Other members present, in addition to the directors, were Cdr. N. L. Pickersgill, VRD, RCN(R), Ret'd, Ottawa; Inst. Lieut.-Cdr. F. C. Hardwick, RCN(R), Ret'd, Vancouver; Rear-Admiral (S) J. O. Cossette, RCN, Ret'd, Ottawa; Cdr. F. M. Jeffery, OBE, RCN(R), Ret'd, Toronto; Captain A. W. Baker, RCN(R), Ret'd, Ottawa; Inst. Chaplain J. Whelly, RCN, Halifax; A. B. Campbell, Halifax; Miss E. Budd, ex-WRCNS, St. Stephen, N.B.; R. E. Chambers, ex-RCNVR, Victoria; R. E. Franklin, ex-RCNVR, Ottawa; Lieut. (S) Harry McClymont, RCN, Ottawa; CPO R. N. Langton, HMCS "Ontario"; CPO D. H. Nelson, "Naden"; CPO J. G. Beaulieu, "Stadacona"; CPO M. J. Keohane, "Haida"; CPO A. Graham, "Shearwater"; PO J. A. Brahan, "Cayuga"; CPO B. R. Faulks, Reserve Fleet, West Coast; PO S. J. Fairbairn, "Magnificent"; and CPO H. C. Adams, "Huron".

Also in attendance were the following observers: Chaplain B. A. Silcox, RCN(R), "Hunter", Windsor; Mrs. G. Huffman, "York", Toronto; CPO C. R. Jeary, RCN(R), "Donnacona", Montreal; Mr. Paul E. Fecteau, Warrant Writer Officer, RCN, Ret'd, secretary, Western Claims Committee; CPO H. Leitch, RCN(R), "Star", Hamilton; Cdr. A. F. Pickard, OBE, RCN, Naval Headquarters; CPO A. Dicks, "Cornwallis", and Mr. G. A. Ball, assistant secretary-treasurer of the Fund.

In his report to the meeting, Rear-Admiral Stephens paid tribute to the work of Lieut. McClymont, whose appointment as secretary-treasurer will terminate shortly. He announced that the board of directors had elected Lieut. McClymont to membership in the Fund.

Mark of Distinction

An officer joining HMCS "Huron" for passage to Bermuda arrived on board in plain clothes. The ship's company was expecting the new Captain to join that day and the following conversation was overheard:

FIRST MAN:—"That's the new Captain."

SECOND MAN:—"Oh, no, that isn't the new Captain. I know what he looks like."

FIRST MAN:—"He must be the new Captain. He's got golf clubs."

CANADIAN NAVAL SERVICE BENEVOLENT TRUST FUND

Statement of Revenue and Expenditure For the Year Ended 31st December 1949

REVENUE			
Interest on bonds.....	25,147.80		
Less:—Portion of premium on purchases amortized during the year.....	1,430.72		
		23,717.08	
Interest accrued on War Savings Certificates.....		2.55	
Bank interest.....		2.20	
			23,721.83
EXPENDITURE			
Grants.....		66,837.64	
Administration expense —			
Salaries.....	6,722.50		
Travelling.....	1,047.56		
Office.....	508.19		
Insurance.....	33.00		
Professional fees.....	500.00		
Miscellaneous.....	204.74	9,015.99	
Provision for doubtful loans.....		10,132.93	85,986.56
			<u>85,986.56</u>
EXCESS OF EXPENDITURE OVER REVENUE FOR THE YEAR.....			\$ 62,264.73

Statement of Revenue Deficit For the Year Ended 31st December 1949

BALANCE — 31st December 1948.....	159,561.94
Excess of expenditure over revenue for the year ended 31st December 1949.....	62,264.73
	<u>221,826.67</u>
BALANCE — 31st December 1949	\$ 221,826.67

Statement of Capital Surplus For the Year Ended 31st December 1949

BALANCE — 31st December 1948.....		1,058,354.92
Donations received.....	46,850.58	
Profit on sale of investments.....	950.63	
		<u>47,801.21</u>
		<u>\$ 1,106,156.13</u>

Balance Sheet as at 31st December 1949

A S S E T S			
CURRENT ASSETS:—			
Cash.....		28,620.40	
Loans Receivable.....	41,530.05		
Less: — Reserve for Doubtful loans.....	16,612.01	24,918.04	
Unexpired Insurance.....		25.75	
			53,564.19
INVESTMENTS:—			
Dominion of Canada bonds — at par value and accrued interest.....	824,940.00		
Unamortized portion of premium on bonds purchased.....	9,696.84		
(Quoted market value \$847,236)		834,636.84	
War Savings Certificates — at present redeemable value.....		70.50	
			834,707.34
			<u>\$ 888,271.53</u>

L I A B I L I T I E S			
CURRENT LIABILITIES:—			
Grants payable.....		3,446.55	
Accounts payable and accrued expense.....		495.52	
			3,942.07
CAPITAL SURPLUS AND REVENUE DEFICIT			
Capital surplus — as per attached statement.....		1,106,156.13	
Less:— Revenue deficit as per attached statement.....		221,826.67	
			884,329.46
CONTINGENT LIABILITY			
In respect of loans made by Royal Canadian Air Force Benevolent Fund for which Canadian Naval Service Benevolent Trust Fund has assumed liability for \$1,137 in the event of non-payment by the borrowers.			<u>\$ 888,271.53</u>

AUDITORS' REPORT TO THE MEMBERS

We have examined the books and accounts of Canadian Naval Service Benevolent Trust Fund for the year ended 31st December 1949, and we have obtained all the information and explanations which we have required.

We have received confirmation that the investments shown on the above balance sheet were held by the Bank of Montreal, Ottawa, for safe keeping for the Fund as at 31st December 1949.

We report that, in our opinion, the above balance sheet and the accompanying statements of capital surplus, revenue deficit and revenue and expenditure are properly drawn up so as to exhibit a true and correct view of the state of the affairs of the Fund as at 31st December 1949 and the results of the operations for the year ended on that date, according to the best of our information and the explanations given to us and as shown by the books of the Fund.

McDONALD, CURRIE & Co.
Chartered Accountants

OTTAWA, 25th March 1950.

Operation 'Fiesta'

*'Cayuga' Chief and Petty
Officers Play Hosts
To Villagers*

FOR the petty officers of HMCS "Cayuga," the highlight of the spring cruise to Mexican waters was "Operation Fiesta," a carefully planned invasion of the little village of Magdalena, on the shores of Magdalena Bay.

At Zero Hour, 1800, on the 16th of March, the destroyer's petty officers effected their landing unopposed. In double-quick time they achieved their objective—and in doing so established a beach-head in the hearts of the villagers that would remain Canadian territory for a long time to come.

The invasion idea was first broached by Petty Officer Carl Peterson and Chief Petty Officer R. V. Mielen, after they had returned on board from a visit to the village.

Their messmates gave wholehearted support to the scheme and it was decided to stage a full-scale party, open to all the villagers, but especially for the children.

The shipwright, Petty Officer William Raines, found enough spare lumber to make a couple of swings and a teeter-totter.

The chief cook, Petty Officer Stan James, took charge of the catering. Ice cream, cookies, candy, fruit and lime juice were on the refreshment menu.

A "show," featuring musical movie shorts and a number of Latin American recordings, was to be the feature of the evening. It was arranged that the ship's motion picture projector be landed for the purpose and get its power from a generator in the settlement's wireless station.

The "invaders" set up headquarters in an abandoned whale factory and issued a blanket invitation to the village through the Port Customs Officer, who acted as interpreter.

The whole population turned out for the occasion, and though they did not speak the same language as the "Cayugas," the villagers left no doubt as to how much they enjoyed themselves.

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Two days later, when the three RCN ships, "Ontario," "Cayuga" and "Sioux," sailed from Magdalena Bay, they left behind them many new-

found friends, and a small playground with a name plate bearing the words: "HMCS CAYUGA 1950."

— J.A.B.



Two petty officers from HMCS "Cayuga", Alex Matte (left) and James Pitt, pose with a group of young guests during "Operation Fiesta". In the photo may be seen the swing and teeter-totter made on board the "Cayuga" and presented to the youngsters.



It has become the custom for Roman Catholic chaplains from RCN ships visiting Magdalena Bay, Mexico, to conduct services ashore for the residents of the little settlement there. Here Padre Ronald MacLean says mass in a room in the Captain of the Port's home. One man walked 15 miles to attend the service. During the stay in Magdalena Bay, Father MacLean also christened, on board the "Ontario", the infant daughter of a Mexican naval officer stationed at Puerto Cortez, about 20 miles from the Canadian ships' anchorage. Several small gifts were presented to the child, among them a 1939 Canadian silver dollar, as mementoes of the occasion. (OC-220-1).

Afloat and Ashore

ATLANTIC COAST

HMCS "Micmac"

A christening held in the wardroom on Sunday, April 23, marked the first ceremony of this kind aboard the ship since re-commissioning. No future prospects for the RCN were discovered, however, since both of the babies were girls.

With Chaplain (P) H. R. Pike officiating, Margaret Jean Brodie, infant daughter of CPO Charles A. Brodie and Mrs. Brodie, and Janet Elizabeth Lea, daughter of CPO Richard Lea and Mrs. Lea, were christened in true naval style, with the destroyer's bell serving as the font. Their names are the first to be inscribed on the "Micmac's" bell, as one previous christening held aboard the ship during her first commission was not recorded in this manner.

Being very sports-minded, the ship is once again in the thick of the athletic world. In the Atlantic Command boxing tournament, the destroyer was represented by a team handled by PO Victor Dougherty. The "Micmac's" boxers included Ord. Sea. Joe Shorey, Ord. Sea. Jim Calnan, Ord. Sea. Arthur Skinner, AB Clarence Skidmore, AB Phil Parker and Ord. Sea. Joe Gould.

The ship's company is looking forward with lots of enthusiasm to the prospect of long leave which is due to start early in July.—A.B.

HMCS "Cornwallis"

The transfer of the officers' divisional course to "Cornwallis" on May 1 has broadened the establishment's already wide field of training. In addition to the divisional course and the usual new entry training, there are now two chief and petty officers' leadership courses in full swing.

All the remaining houses on "Cornwallis Heights" have been completed and most of the staff members with families are settled in their new homes.

The "Cornwallis" choir, under the direction of Cdr. P. D. Budge, Executive Officer, assisted by Instr.-Lieut. W. A. Edge, occupies a prom-

inent place in the daily life of the big training base. In addition to its activities in "Cornwallis", the choir is much in demand for appearances at various functions in adjacent communities.

Lieut. (NS) Mary Russell, formerly matron of the RCN Hospital at "Cornwallis", was honored at a party given by the medical staff prior to her departure for new duties in "Stadacona".

Communication School

CR 32 class, instructed by CPO George McCue, won the Comschool's newly-instituted "Cock-o'-the-Walk" trophy for ABCM qualifying classes. The trophy was presented by Lieut. H. A. Porter, officer-in-charge, at a ceremony witnessed by the entire personnel of the school.

Classes are awarded points weekly for classroom cleanliness, deportment, appearance and dress of men at daily and weekly divisions, etc.

Now that the weather is warmer, more interest is being taken in flag hoisting. In May, the Matheson Flag Hoisting Trophy went up for competition, carrying on a tradition started during the war years in St. Hyacinthe

when the Communication School was located there.

A farewell party for CPO and Mrs. Duncan MacFarlane was held by the staff officers and instructors of the Communication school on April 21 in the chief and petty officers' mess at HMCS "Stadacona."

The guests of honor were presented with a table lighter set.

CPO and Mrs. MacFarlane left Halifax recently for the West Coast, where they will settle after CPO MacFarlane retires from the Navy in the near future.—G.C.G.

PACIFIC COAST

HMCS "Athabaskan"

Following a month's trials and work-ups, what had previously been a dirty, cantankerous heap of metal became ready to take her place in the all-out summer training program.

During full power trials, members of the local press were aboard and saw the ship reach a speed she had never before attained.

The ship's company recently enjoyed the privilege of transporting members of the National Defence



Nine television sets were installed by RCA-Victor in HMC Ships "Magnificent", "Micmac" and "Swansea" for the duration of their visit to New York City in April. Here a group of men in one of the "Magnificent's" messes watch a showing of the ships' arrival. (Mag-1575.)

College from Vancouver to Victoria. During the passage these gentlemen took a keen interest in the "Athabaskan" and inspected the ship from stem to stern. Control centres proved highly interesting to the travellers and crew members were kept busy answering numerous questions.

RCN Hospital, HMCS "Naden"

The annual inspection by Surg. Capt. Archie McCallum, Medical Director General, took place recently and went off without a hitch. Captain McCallum inspected the medical facilities and staff of the RCNH and also a number of ships of the Pacific Command.

Under the captaincy of PO R. Pumfrey, the Medical branch bowling team took top honors in the West Coast Bowling League. Team members were POs F. Kelly and W. Pritchard, Able Seamen L. Rushton and J. Harris and Ord. Sea. T. Terpenning.

Mechanical Training Establishment

The large number of classes now under instruction in the MTE has necessitated an increase in the instructing staff. Recent arrivals include CPOs Claude Mancor, Harry O'Flynn and Arthur Martin.

Although the winter sports program ended with the MTE in fourth place, the staff was fairly well pleased with the results, considering the small number of men then under instruction and the drafts which kept the establishment's personnel constantly changing.

Enthusiasm has now swung to baseball, softball and swimming and it is hoped that personnel now available will be able to place the MTE nearer the top during the summer schedule. — E.E.J.

TAS Training Centre

Thirty-one members of the National Defence College, Kingston, inspected the TASTC during a tour of west coast military installations in April. While at the TAS school, the visitors watched A/S exercises on the attack teacher and saw a tactical "game" carried out.

With the coming of summer and the arrival of UNTD and Reserve personnel for annual training, the tempo of instruction at the TASTC has increased. Three classes, consisting of about 20 men, wound up their training for TD3 non-substantive ratings early in May, leaving the staff free to concentrate on UNTD and Reserve personnel.



"How's that for a set of teeth?" asks Captain Jay Turner, RCDC, of Toronto, dental officer in HMCS "Ontario", as he shows the jawbone of a shark to a patient, AB Lorne Baker, of Winnipeg. The souvenir was presented to Capt. Turner by a native in Amortajado Bay, Mexico. (OC-233-1.)

HMCS "Antigonish"

With refit, trials and work-ups over and a short trip to Nodales Channel completed, the "Antigonish" is now well into the Reserve summer training program.

The hard-working frigate and her sister-ship, the "Beacon Hill", will provide the major portion of the training at sea for Cadets and Reserve personnel. The two ships are scheduled to make a number of cruises throughout the summer, visiting ports in the United States, on Vancouver Island and the B.C. Mainland.

CPOs' Mess, HMCS "Naden"

Recent alterations and additions have added considerably to the utility of the chief petty officers' mess at HMCS "Naden" and also have increased the general comfort and well-being of members "living in."

Perhaps the most interesting addition is the television set, purchased and installed by mess members. One of the difficulties which has marred reception to date has been the aerial. So far it has blown down three times. However, CPOs E. J. Perkins and W. M. Montgomery have finally reached agreement on heights and angles and no further trouble is anticipated.



A landmark at HMCS "Naden," familiar to thousands of sailors and ex-sailors, has disappeared. Howe Block, once situated virtually in the centre of the Esquimalt barracks, has given way to the wrecker's bar and the bulldozer's blade.

Built in 1940, Howe Block was used throughout the war, and in the ensuing years, as barracks accommodation quarters, and it would be hard to find more than a few east or west coasters who have not spent some time in the block. A year ago it was declared unsuitable for accommodation and had since been used by the RCN Yacht Club and the "Naden" Hobby Shop.

Two of the wings had been dismantled when this photo was taken from a rock near the Communications Training Centre, at the rear of Howe Block. (E-11108).



Five-year-old Donald Curry, son of Chief Petty Officer Donald Curry, of HMCS "Magnificent," was on hand with a snappy salute to welcome his father's ship when the carrier arrived in Halifax. (HS-10463.)

Another noteworthy addition is the "Blue Room," complete with automatic record player. It occupies the space formerly used as a billiard room.

With CPO E. Jourdin as caller and CPO Dunc Kennedy as master of ceremonies, the recently-inaugurated bingo nights have been a great success and are well-patronized by mess members and friends.

The monthly summer dances are once again under way and will be a regular feature until the cold weather comes again.

Gunnery Training Centre

After a short lull, business at the GTC is picking up. The fifth AA3 course, now underway, is only the beginning of a steady increase in non-sub courses between now and the end of the year. In addition, considerable instruction of UNTD and Reserve personnel will be undertaken by the centre during the summer.

In a recent RC3 class, two men made the excellent marks of 89.4 per cent. The two "super-scholars" were Able Seamen John D. Buchanan and Joseph O'Brien.

Two staff instructors, CPO David E. Graves and PO Adam Cochrane, are scheduled to begin Gunnery Instructor courses in October. CPO

Bruce Colegrave, formerly of the GTC, has relieved his brother, CPO Dennis Colegrave, as GI in the destroyer "Sioux". The latter left the ship last month to qualify for the rank of commissioned gunner.

A Pacific Command Rifle Association team recently won a five dollar prize at a DCRA .22 shoot at Heal's Range, near Victoria. The score was 475 out of a possible 500.

Reserve Training Establishment

Once again the Reserve Training Establishment at Esquimalt is echoing to the sound of marching feet and the shouted orders of instructors as hundreds of University Naval Training Division and Reserve personnel start out on their summer training programs.

A well-planned, intensive schedule of instruction has been laid down that will keep both instructors and "students" fully occupied, at sea and ashore, for the remainder of the summer.

NAVAL DIVISIONS

HMCS "Donnacona"

(Montreal)

On April 12 the division was honored by a short informal visit from the First Sea Lord, Admiral of the Fleet Lord Fraser of North Cape. Lord Fraser and his staff had been entertained at dinner by the Montreal Branch of the Navy League of Canada prior to visiting "Donnacona".

The Ex-Wrens' Association took over the wardroom on April 13 for its final meeting of the season. Doreen Day, Canadian fashion expert, gave an informal and entertaining talk on current fashion trends.

April 15 saw another successful dance in the seamen's mess. The next day the mess was turned over to the children of the ship's company for a showing of movies and cartoons.

Captain H. L. Quinn, Director of Naval Reserves, and Cdr. W. A. Childs, Deputy DNR, made their annual inspection of the division on



A processional cross, made from the wood of two famous ships, the immortal HMS "Victory" and HMS "Implacable", was presented to All Saints Cathedral, Halifax, on April 9. The cross was made at the Royal Navy Dockyard, Portsmouth, and presented by Portsmouth Cathedral to the Cathedral Church of Halifax as a symbol of friendship between the churches of the two great naval ports.

The presentation was made by Rear-Admiral E. R. Mainguy, Flag Officer Atlantic Coast, representing Admiral of the Fleet Sir Algernon Willis, Commander-in-Chief at Portsmouth, whose flag is borne in HMS "Victory". Most Rev. G. F. Kingston, Archbishop of Nova Scotia and Primate of all Canada, accepted the cross on behalf of the cathedral.

The cross was borne into the cathedral by the late Chaplain Charles deW. White, Senior Protestant of the Atlantic Command (centre, with hands folded). (HS-10327.)



The quarterdeck of HMCS "Star", in Hamilton, was the scene of a christening ceremony on Easter Sunday when seven babies were christened by the Padre, Rev. Callum Thompson. Shown here in the arms of their mothers are, left to right, Gregory William, son of Lieut. (E) and Mrs. C. B. Thomason; Timothy Charles, son of Lieut. and Mrs. John Burman; Ronald Philip Edward, son of Lieut. (L) and Mrs. H. C. Tilbury; James Robert Dale, son of Sub-Lieut. and Mrs. James H. Parker; Nancy Ellen, daughter of Lieut. (P) and Mrs. Donald J. Sheppard; Judith Ann, daughter of Cdr. and Mrs. S. F. Ross; and Janice Elizabeth Ruth, daughter of Lieut. (L) and Mrs. Robt. G. Wilson.

April 10. Following his inspection of the guard of honor and the march past Captain Quinn presented the Long Service and Good Conduct Medal to CPO George Vallee. Trophies won by the division in basketball and hockey also were presented at this time.

Commander P. A. Langlois, commanding officer, represented "Donnacona" at the annual Ypres Day parade on April 23. — *R.F.D.S.*

HMCS "Discovery" (Vancouver)

USS "Guavina," of the American submarine fleet based at Pearl Harbor, visited Vancouver from April 11 to 14. Her skipper, Commander W. E. Norrington, his officers and men, were entertained at "Discovery," while in return, the division's ship's company was shown over the sub, which had recently been converted into an under-water freighter.

Two other visitors during the month were the "Sault Ste. Marie," depot and headquarters ship for HMCS "Malahat," the Victoria naval division, and the destroyer "Sioux," which made the trip from Esquimalt to embark Vice-Admiral H. T. W. Grant, Chief of the Naval Staff.

Admiral Grant stopped over in Vancouver on his return and visited "Discovery" on May 5. — *W. J. H.*

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HMCS "Star" (Hamilton)

The establishment's first radar set has been put into operation by the radar staff. Since its installation, few ships have entered or left the harbor without coming under the close scrutiny of "Star's" radar ratings.



Captain W. R. Stacey, DSC, RCN(R), Ret'd., makes a final walk around HMCS "Discovery" with Cdr. Glen McDonald, RCN(R), his successor as commanding officer of the Vancouver naval division.

The annual wardroom ball was held April 21 on the drill deck. The large number of guests included former naval officers from all parts of the Niagara district.

Preliminary arrangements already are well under way for the Great Lakes Naval Regatta, to be held at "Star" over the Labor Day weekend.

HMCS "Chippawa" (Winnipeg)

The first Church Parade of the year was held by the division on April 23. The parade also marked the public debut of the new drum and bugle band and of Admiral, the Great Dane. On the same day Captain Sir Robert Stirling-Hamilton, RN, Naval Advisor to the British High Commissioner to Canada, paid a visit to the division.

Late in March, "Chippawa" entertained 13 officers and men from the US Naval Reserve Air Station, Wold Field, Minneapolis. The visitors flew up in their own aircraft and after a round of sightseeing and other entertainment took part in a sports program in the evening.

The first of a number of Spring social activities took place on April 1 when the officers' wives held a well-attended tea. At the same time the wives of the chief and petty officers met and decided to form an auxiliary

to the chief and POs' mess. The final social function of the month was a tea, held by the Ex-Wrens' Association in aid of their social services.

April saw the final parade of the term for the University Naval Training Division. Following their examinations, the cadets re-assembled at the division for appointment to the two coasts for summer training.

Then came the flood, and all other activities ceased as "Chippawa" went on what was virtually a wartime operational basis. — *L.B.McI.*

HMCS "Carleton" (Ottawa)

A "major engineering project" has been completed at HMCS "Carleton" with the kind assistance of a bulldozer and personnel from the Royal Canadian Engineers. While Dow's Lake was drained for the winter a deep channel was cut in the lake bed in front of the boat shed and a substantial jetty completed. The deeper water and the new jetty will provide accommodation for anything up to a 46-foot harbor craft.

The success of this venture has been due to two weeks' hard work by the RCN staff and a few members of the Division's University Naval Training Division. The major portion of the work consisted of breaking rocks by hand with sledge hammers and the staff now considers it can "take on all comers."

HMCS "Griffon" (Port Arthur)

Paint brushes, mops and brooms were manned with a will early in May in preparation for the visit of Vice-Admiral H. T. W. Grant, Chief of the Naval Staff, on May 8.

At the request of the Port Arthur YMCA, Lieut. (L) E. R. Hamilton, of "Griffon", presented the prize to the outstanding student in the YMCA radio school. The award was a radio-man's tool kit. In an address to the class, Lieut. Hamilton outlined the importance of radio in naval communications.

In what they claim to be the record time of seven hours, the permanent staff members of HMCS "Griffon" painted a basketball court, volleyball court and three badminton courts on the newly-laid drill deck at the Port Arthur division.

The staff has now turned its attention to the tennis courts, which are badly in need of new lines and repairs to the nets.

Not overlooking the more active side of sports, the permanent staff has formed a softball team under the direction of AB Bill Kellerman.

HMCS "Queen" (Regina)

Social functions highlighted the past month in "Queen".

PO Robert Pennington, who has been drafted to the East Coast, and Mrs. Pennington, were guests of honor at a farewell party held in the chief and petty officers' mess. His shipmates presented PO Pennington with an electric kettle. Welcomed at the party was PO Harry Clarke, who

On the more serious side, installation of a twin four-inch HA/LA gun mounting was completed in mid-April. To install the mounting it was necessary to dismantle one wall of the frame building which serves as a gun battery. — *C.E.B.*

HMCS "York" (Toronto)

The "Annie Oakleys" of the division are sharpening up their shooting eyes for forthcoming rifle competitions. A scheme for determining the best shots in the establishment has been worked out and it is expected that the



"Standeasy", former mascot of HMCS "Magnificent", is introduced to Barbara Ann Scott by Chaplain R. M. Ward during Miss Scott's visit to the carrier. "Standeasy" now makes his headquarters ashore but never fails to visit Father Ward when the "Magnificent" is in port.

has taken over PO Pennington's former duties in the division.

A well-attended home cooking auction by the ladies' auxiliary to the chief and petty officers' mess, and a social for about 30 children of the chiefs and petty officers, were other successful events. The latter featured films, cartoons and refreshments.

The division's hockey team was entertained in the seamen's mess after winding up its season. The team finished on top in league play but was edged out in the playoffs by a strong RCMP squad.

.22 range will be a busy place for the next few weeks.

Work on the division's boats, in preparation for the summer training program, has been under way for some time. First to receive attention were the dinghies, which have been completely re-rigged.

Highlight of recent training in the engineroom department was a visit by the steam class to the boiler room and power plant of the Robert Simpson Company.

Employees of the A. V. Roe aircraft company were entertained recently by

the chief and petty officers of the division in the latter's mess. Earlier in the month, a mess dinner was held by the wardroom officers and drew a record turnout. — *F.A.H.*

HMCS "Prevost"

(London)

Annual refit of the division's Fairmile, harbor craft and small boats is nearing completion and plans are being made for an intensive summer training program on the lake.

Combined exercises with Army and Air Force units, to be held in the Port Stanley area, also are being planned, with "Prevost's" ship's company and training craft scheduled to play a prominent part in these tri-service manoeuvres. — *J.A.P.*

HMCS "Hunter"

(Windsor)

The Fairmile motor launch, "PTC 762", allocated to the division last Fall, was put into the water in April by McQueen Marine Limited at Amherstburg, where the vessel had been stored for the winter. Shortly afterwards, with a mixed RCN and RCN(R) crew, she paid a courtesy visit to the United States Coast Guard Station on Belle Isle.

The ship's company, determined to hold the Cock-of-the-Walk trophy won at the Great Lakes Naval Regatta last year, already has started work on training this year's team.

The seamen's mess was outfitted during the month with new furniture, and it is hoped that the facilities will be further augmented in the near future by a television set. This will mean that each mess at "Hunter" will be equipped with a TV set, supplied by the mess members themselves.

An interesting event during the month was the showing of the Carling Conservation Club wild life film in the new cinema. — *R.M.P.*

HMCS "Tecumseh"

(Calgary)

Installation of a buzzer and voice training room has helped to bring interest in communication training to a new high at the division, while a recently-acquired supply of power tools has augmented training facilities in the engine room branch. A small machine shop is now in the process of construction.

A welfare organization has been

A Proud Possession

A scale model of the first HMCS "Athabaskan" has been presented to her successor by HMCS "Discovery", the Vancouver Naval Division. The model was presented to the destroyer on a recent Vancouver visit.

Built by a member of the crew of the original "Athabaskan", who was subsequently lost with his ship, the model will be given a complete "refit" by her new owners before being placed in a conspicuous position in the destroyer.

formed and several meetings have been held at which service conditions and welfare of the ship's company, both Reserve and permanent force, have been discussed.

Square dancing recently has become extremely popular in Calgary, and "Tecumseh's" wardroom, not to be outdone, held a practice session with Captain Reginald Jackson, command-

Retirements

Lieut.* Frederick Freeman

Age: 47
 Address: 2425 Heron Street, Victoria.
 Joined: September 1920, as a Boy Seaman.
 Served In: HMS "Excellent", "Hood" and "Victory"; HMCS "Guelph", "Aurora", "Patriot", "Naden", "Stadacona", "Patrician", "Vancouver", "Skeena", "St. Laurent", "Prince Robert", "Cornwallis", "Peregrine" and "Naden".
 Awards: Long Service and Good Conduct Medal, December 1935.
 Retired: May 9, 1950.

Chief Petty Officer John W. F. Hill

Rating: C2 (NQ)
 Age: 38
 Address: 250 Linden Avenue, Victoria.
 Joined: May 1930, as an Ordinary Seaman.
 Served In: HMS "Osprey", "Victory" and "Ferret"; HMCS "Naden", "Skeena", "Vancouver", "Fraser", "Ottawa", "Prince Robert", "Prince David", "Givenchy", "Stadacona", "Cornwallis", "Niobe", "Warrior", RCN Air Station, Dartmouth, and "Chip-pawa".
 Retired: May 18, 1950.

Petty Officer Henry A. Dovey

Rating: P1SM3
 Age: 40
 Address: 1536 Edgeware Road, Victoria, B.C.
 Joined: May 1930, as a Stoker, second class.
 Served In: HMS "Nabob"; HMCS "Naden", "Vancouver", "Skeena", "Fraser", "Restigouche", "Stadacona", "Pictou", "Hochelaga II", "Nipigon", "Ville de Quebec", "Niobe", "Peregrine", "Micmac", "New Waterford", "Givenchy", "Uganda" and "Antigonish".
 Awards: Long Service and Good Conduct Medal, November 1945.
 Retired: May 17, 1950.

ing officer, and Mrs. Jackson, acting as instructors. The lessons provided an enjoyable, if somewhat exhausting, evening.

The chief and petty officers have inaugurated a monthly dance as a means of raising funds to furnish their new canteen.

Cdr. (SB) E. F. B. Watt, of the Directorate of Naval Intelligence, at Headquarters, and Lieut.-Col. D. M. Cameron, commanding officer of the Princess Patricia's Canadian Light Infantry, were guests speakers at two recent meetings of the Calgary Branch of the Naval Officers' Association, held in HMCS "Tecumseh". Lieut.-Col. Cameron spoke on "Exercise Sweetbriar", in which the Princess Pats had played a prominent part.

HMCS "Malahat"

(Victoria)

Main topic of conversation among members of the ship's company of HMCS "Malahat" these days is the forthcoming cruise to California in the division's headquarters and training ship, the "Sault Ste. Marie."

The Algerine escort vessel will sail from her Esquimalt base on June 30 and will visit San Diego, San Pedro and San Francisco before returning to Esquimalt July 16. During the cruise, the ship will be under the command of Lieut. A. R. Heater, with Cdr. Ronald Jackson, commanding officer of "Malahat", as Senior Reserve Officer Present Afloat.

Practical training in seamanship; gunnery, minesweeping and other phases of naval activity will be carried out.

Other cruises will be made by the "Sault Ste. Marie" during the summer to ports on the Island, the B.C. Mainland and in Washington. — *R.A.V.J.*

Victoria College UNTD

The final drill of the 1949-50 training term was held by members of the Victoria College UNTD on board the minesweeper "Sault Ste. Marie", tender to the Victoria naval division, HMCS "Malahat".

Earlier in the month, the Commanding Officer UNTD, Lieut.-Cdr. W. L. Ostler, was a guest at the Victoria College annual awards banquet, at which he gave a short address to the faculty and students and presented first year cadets with their certificates of commission.



Chief Petty Officers Peter Cox (left) and Bill Peakman set in place the garboard strake of one of the Snipe class yachts being built by the RCN Yacht Club at Esquimalt. Neither had previous experience at boat building before joining the club. (E-11086.)

Their Own Boats

*RCN Yacht Club Members See
Fruits of Winter's Work*

Great things have been accomplished by the Royal Canadian Navy Yacht Club, at Esquimalt, in the seven months it has been in existence.

When the club was organized last fall, it was decided to launch a co-operative boat building program that would enable interested members to construct their own boats at a minimum of cost. Snipe Class boats were chosen, and last October the first three jigs were set up in Howe Block. The club was fortunate in being able to buy necessary fittings and a large supply of seasoned lumber from a local builder who was closing his business.

An assembly line system was set up and soon Howe Block was resounding to hammers and saws in the dog-watches and evenings as expert and amateur pooled their knowledge and muscle. Lieut. F. H. Moist and Mr. A. E. Downs, Commissioned Shipwright, both experienced boat-builders, were especially helpful, and it wasn't long before the novices

found that this was not such a "black art" after all.



Snipe class boats in various stages of construction in the RCN Yacht Club's new shop on the jetty at "Naden". When the boats are near completion, lots are drawn to determine ownership and the owners finish off their boats before putting them in the water. (E-11088.)

Unfortunately, nature intervened in December, an unprecedented cold snap halting the building program for about six weeks. The builders found it impossible to wield their tools while wearing about 16 sweaters in the unheated block.

Early in March the club had to vacate Howe Block, as it was being demolished, but managed to get space in one of the Department of Transport's building on the Government Jetty at "Naden". Here the jigs were again set up and the work progressed apace. To date, eleven hulls, masts and rudders have been completed.

Early in April the second annual general meeting was held and the following officers were elected:

Honorary Commodore —
Rear Admiral H. G. DeWolf
Vice-Commodore —
Chief Petty Officer P. S. Cox
Fleet Captain — Lieut.-Cdr. J. C. Annesley
Treasurer — Lieut.-Cdr. (S) P. H. Sinclair
Secretary — Lieut. W. S. Blandy

The draw for the first eight boats was also made at this meeting, to enable the owners to put the finishing touches to them in time for the opening of the Victoria Yacht Club racing season. Racing and mooring facilities were kindly volunteered by the Royal Victoria Yacht Club.

The first eight to own their own boats were Lieut.-Cdr. Annesley, Lieut.-Cdr. Sinclair, Lieut. Moist, Chaplain G. L. Gillard, CPO Alec Ross, PO J. A. Stoddard, PO H. Balcome, and PO M. A. Desaulniers

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LOOKING ASTERN



A LESSON IN TEAMWORK

BY midsummer of 1942 there was increasing evidence that the "little ships" of the Royal Canadian Navy had become a potent anti-submarine force. Within a five-week period, July 24 to August 29, RCN units sank four U-boats and were credited additionally with one probable and one probably damaged.

HMCS "St. Croix" (destroyer) bagged the first; HMC Ships "Skeena" (destroyer) and "Wetaskiwin" (corvette) combined in sinking the next, then the "Assiniboine" (destroyer) and "Oakville" (corvette) each sent a U-boat to the bottom. HMCS "Sackville" (corvette) carried out two attacks, both on the same day, which received ratings as "probably sunk" and "probably damaged."

The months of hard experience, of concentrated training, of constant striving for efficiency, were showing their results.

The sinking executed by the "Skeena" (Lieut.-Cdr. K. L. Dyer, RCN) and "Wetaskiwin" (Lieut.-Cdr. G. S. Windeyer, RCN) was a classic of its kind, with teamwork and understanding the dominant features.

The two ships were members of Task Unit 24.1.13, which also included HMC Ships "Saguenay", "Louisburg", "Galt" and "Sackville". The group was escorting westbound ON 115, having joined the convoy on July 25.

The first three days were without event. But D/F transmissions on the 28th and 29th warned the escort that

the convoy was being shadowed. At 1400 on the 30th the "Skeena", zig-zagging at visibility distance on the starboard beam of the convoy, sighted a U-boat on the surface. She gave chase but the U-boat dived while the destroyer was still some distance away. The "Skeena" carried out two depth charge attacks, then lost contact.

Soon afterward, when the "Skeena" had returned to her station, homing signals were picked up. These continued throughout the night and indicated that a U-boat was running parallel to the convoy's course.

At 0636 on July 31, the "Skeena", 10 miles out from the convoy, sighted a surfaced submarine. She closed the position. The U-boat made off on the surface at 22 knots and five minutes later submerged. When she arrived in the diving area, the "Skeena" began a "box search", dropping depth charges at each corner. By this manoeuvre she hoped to force the enemy to reveal himself more clearly by a decided movement.

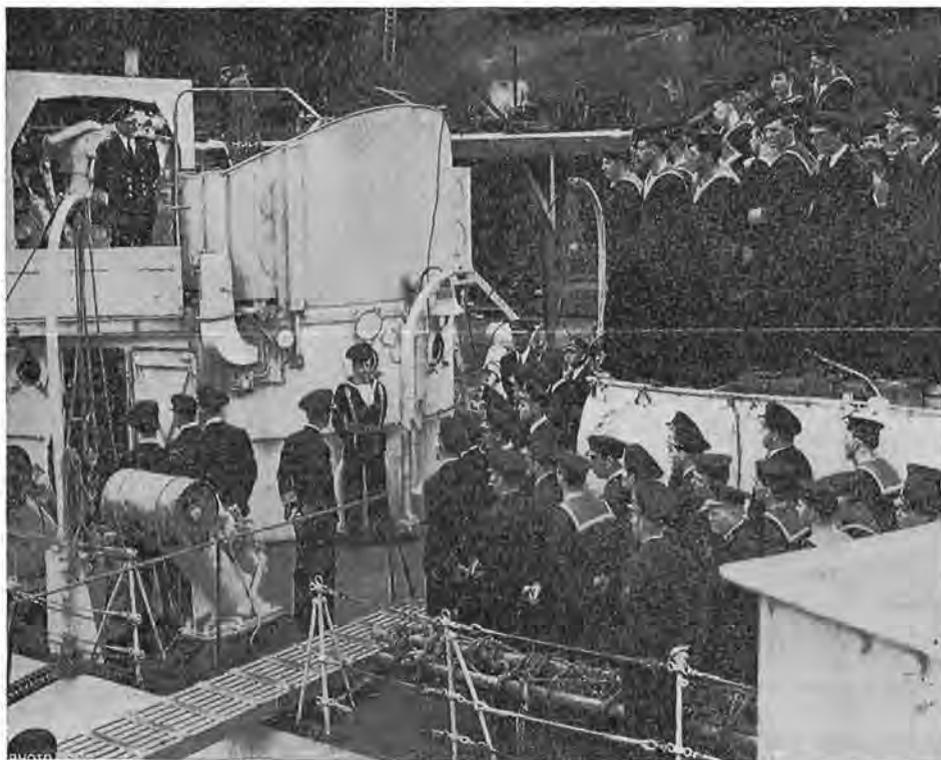
"Skeena" sent a request for assistance to "Wetaskiwin". The signal read, "Revelations, Verse 1". On the bridge of the "Wetaskiwin" the ever-present Bible translated the message into the following:

"And I stood upon the sand of the sea and saw a beast rise up out of the sea, having seven heads and ten horns, and upon his horns ten crowns, and upon his head the name of blasphemy".

From the corvette came the reply, "Acts 16, Verse 9" which revealed itself as:

"And a vision appeared to Paul in the night; there stood a man of Macedonia and prayed him saying, come over into Macedonia and help us."

At 0705 the "Skeena" gained a solid contact and carried out three attacks with 10-charge patterns. When the "Wetaskiwin" arrived on the scene at 0800, the "Skeena" had momentarily lost contact. The "Wetas-



Commodore L. W. Murray, upper left, Flag Officer Newfoundland Force, (now a retired Rear-Admiral), congratulates the officers and men of the "Skeena" and "Wetaskiwin" following their successful U-boat action. Present also are members of the staff of FONF and Captain (now Rear-Admiral) E. R. Mainguy, centre background, who held the post of Captain D, Newfoundland. (NF-697.)

kiwin" regained contact and fired a pattern at 0856 and twice again during the ensuing hour. The submarine had by this time been bombarded with 60 depth charges, but there was no visible evidence of damage.

Contact was lost a little after 1000, but was regained an hour later by the "Wetaskiwin". She carried out two attacks and was rewarded with the appearance of oil on the surface. At 1118 the two ships combined to deliver what proved to be the final attack of the action.

With the "Wetaskiwin" acting as director, the "Skeena" dropped a five-charge pattern with various depth settings. Three minutes later two underwater explosions were heard, one heavy and one light. Contact was regained almost immediately and the "Wetaskiwin" prepared to attack with the "Skeena" directing. This attack was broken off, however, as the two ships were coming too close together.

They circled around to come in again but obtained only woolly echoes. As they passed over the area of the original attack, the ships noticed oil, floating wreckage and pieces of human flesh covering the surface of the water. Both ships lowered boats to collect exhibits, then proceeded directly to St. John's as the convoy was now some distance away. The position of the "Skeena" and "Wetaskiwin" success was 700 miles east-north-east of St. John's.

A record of the messages passed between the two ships has been preserved. It tells, more graphically than any other form of account, the story of how two Canadian ships coolly, skilfully, and with determination, hunted down and destroyed their U-boat.

WETASKIWIN—You direct hunt. Give me my station and course.
 SKEENA —Take station on my port beam; one mile, course 228°.
 SKEENA —Turn 180° to port together.
 SKEENA —Course 070°.
 SKEENA —I am over my last contact. Now start square search from here.
 WETASKIWIN—Contact bearing 260°, 1900 yards.
 WETASKIWIN—Contact is firm.
 WETASKIWIN—Contact bearing 280°, 600 yards.
 SKEENA —Contact bearing 040°, 800 yards.
 SKEENA —Contact bearing 070°, 1400 yards.
 SKEENA —Non sub.
 (Skeena had been led astray by a false echo)
 WETASKIWIN—Contact bearing 200°, 1300 yards.
 WETASKIWIN—Attacking.
 (Wetaskiwin dropped a pattern of depth charges)
 WETASKIWIN—Lost contact at 600 yards.

WETASKIWIN—By my plot you are over sub.
 WETASKIWIN—Contact bearing 210°, 1900 yards.
 SKEENA —Contact bearing 345°, 1600 yards.
 SKEENA —Attacking. Please keep to port.
 (Skeena dropped a pattern of depth charges)
 WETASKIWIN—Confirmed right spot.
 WETASKIWIN—Contact bearing 300°, 1000 yards.
 WETASKIWIN—Attacking.
 (Wetaskiwin dropped a pattern of depth charges)
 WETASKIWIN—Lost contact.
 SKEENA —Echo bearing 120°, 700 yards.
 WETASKIWIN—O.K. Let me do an attack now.
 SKEENA —Unable to gain contact.
 WETASKIWIN—I will try to help you by directing.
 SKEENA —Attacking.
 (Skeena dropped a pattern of depth charges)
 WETASKIWIN—Excellent.
 SKEENA —Did you hear that underwater explosion?
 WETASKIWIN—Yes. Definitely.
 SKEENA —Your turn.
 WETASKIWIN—Plenty of wreckage over this way.
 SKEENA —(General Signal) U-boat considered sunk by HMCS "Wetaskiwin" and HMCS "Skeena". Floating wreckage and human remains recovered.

'DERRY DUNKING

The other day a friend asked me if I remembered 'Derry. Who wouldn't remember the long approach up the picturesque Foyle with its neighborly banks and the thousand shades of green? Or who could forget the friendly greetings of the folks who lived in the big white house on the hill, the one with the flag post . . . the one on the Eire side of the river? One wondered just what Eire meant to do. Because the people used to be so friendly, waving the flags in welcome to us. And predominant among the flags was the Union Jack.

But I had a special reason to remember 'Derry. My first trip there in the "Sally" occurred in the Fall of 1942. We went up the river to the new American base, and it was dark before we got tied up alongside the "Bones." We had had a slow and a rough crossing. Everyone wanted to get ashore. Those who were duty sought out subs. To avoid that possibility, I hurried to get bathed, cleaned into shore-going clothes and then stepped off.

"How do I get out of the yard? How do I get off the jetty?" I asked the sentry on the jetty.

"Just go along to the T and turn right, that will take you into the

centre of the base. Then turn left into the town." It seemed easy.

So, in pitch darkness, I started out. After going some 30 feet I was aware of something big and black looming in front of me. I shied to one side and kept moving. But curiosity got the better of me. Still walking, I turned to investigate the big black object.

Then something hit me on the shins. I found myself sailing through the air. Then there was a splash. I was plunging into wet, cold water. In a panic I arched up and clawed for the surface. It seemed to take minutes to get there, too.

How easy it was to see now. The jetty was some 10-15 feet back of me. I swam to it somehow. Five minutes later I had controlled my fright and regained my breath. Meanwhile I hung onto a dirty, greasy piling.

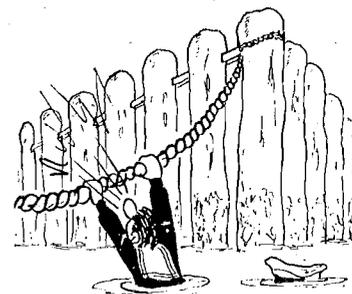
"Assiniboine!" . . . "Sentry!" . . . "Assiniboine messdeck!" . . . "Stokers' mess!" . . . "Assiniboine!"

My cries rang out in the night. But no one came to my assistance. Finally I managed to crawl, slowly and painfully, up the wet, dirty, greasy piling. Then I reached the head-rope and hung on. Later, when some wind had found its way into my lungs, I swung along the wire rope and on to the jetty.

Can you picture the sorry spectacle that trickled its way back to the "St. Laurent"? Can you imagine my everything, including wallet and watch, going into the bathtub? Can you imagine my relief at having missed being swept down-river with the eight-knot tide-waters?

The very next morning another one of our lads, returning blithely from a night of conquest, walked off the adjoining jetty. Some American sailors pulled him out. And a few days later another chap found himself in the river. He was so big that he had to be hauled out with the torpedo winch.

Yes, I remember Londonderry!—
 F.S.





The Navy Plays



"Cornwallis" Decides Indoor Sports Winners

Final competitions in bowling, boxing and hockey brought the indoor sports program at "Cornwallis" to a close.

"Haida" Division ended the season in top place in the New Entry Bowling League, while the Hospital Staff paced the inter-part circuit.

In the final inter-divisional boxing tournament, "Skeena" Division took top honors by defeating "Sioux." There was activity in other boxing competitions, too. AB Douglas Roe, Ord. Sea. Raymond Shanks and Ord. Sea. Gaston Bruneau represented "Cornwallis" at a boxing show staged at the RCAF Station, Greenwood, and all three were victorious.

"Saguenay" Division won the inter-part hockey championship by taking the measure of the Chief and Petty Officers' team in the best-of-three final. The new entry pucksters won

the first game 4-3 and dropped the second by a 5-4 count. The pace began to tell on the Chiefs and POs in the deciding game and their younger opponents rang up two quick tallies in the final five minutes of the contest to win by a 7 to 5 score.

The inter-part hockey loop drew 10 entries from ship's company departments and new entry divisions. "Saguenay" Division wound up in top place in the first division of the league and "Algonquin" took the honors in the second division. "Algonquin" division was drafted before the play-offs began, however, and the second place Chiefs and POs moved into the playdowns with "Saguenay".

The ship's hockey team showed the results of regular practice as they chalked up three wins in exhibition play. The "Cornwallis" tars trounced Greenwood Flyers 6-2 and followed up by defeating HMCS "Shearwater" 6-5 and the "Stadacona" TAS School 5 to 3.

"Naden" Teams Battling For Barracks Trophy

With less than a month of competition to go, several teams were still in the running for the Cock of the Barracks trophy at HMCS "Naden."

Cross-country runs, .22 rifle shooting, soccer and bayonet fencing were the principal activities during April, with the newly-introduced bayonet fencing proving an interesting diversion from the usual run of sports. Eight-man teams participated in a knockout series, in which Supply and Band and Manual fought their way to the finals. In the deciding matches, Supply emerged victorious.

The Supply School "B" and "A" teams finished first and second in a two-mile cross-country race, with 178 and 148 points, respectively. Band and Manual runners placed first and second individually but a small entry held the team's score to 105, good enough only for fifth position.

Supply School "B" scored again, this time in a knockout squash tournament, with Band and Manual the runner-up.

Kingston Defeats Ottawa In Inter-Divisional Sports

HMCS "Catarqui," Kingston, swept every event but one in the second of two inter-divisional sports meets with HMCS "Carleton," Ottawa, to become the first winner of the newly-donated Carleton trophy.

The Kingston sailors overcame a seven-point Ottawa lead, compiled in the first meet, to win the home and home series by a decisive margin. "Catarqui" athletes posted victories in both singles and doubles in badminton, swept the volleyball series in two straight games, defeated Ottawa 37-34 in basketball and won all but one bout on the boxing card. "Carleton" eked out a triumph in deck hockey after an exciting overtime period.

Lieut. T. E. Connors and Lieut. D. J. Loney were in charge of the "Carleton" delegation and Lieut. Róy Windover and Mr. S. Burton, Commissioned Bos'n, headed the Kingston teams.



HMCS "Stadacona" defeated HMCS "Shearwater" in the annual challenge boxing tournament held at the air station gymnasium. A large and enthusiastic gathering saw the "Stadacona" boxers wrest the C. E. Hand Trophy from the naval airmen. Members of the victorious team were: Front row, left to right, AB Joe LeBlanc, Ldg. Sea. William Merriman, and AB Fred Eggleton; rear row, left to right, AB Kenneth McElroy (trainer), AB Charles Milks, Ord. Sea. Finlay Butler and Ord. Sea. Stephen MacNeil. (HS-10181.)

Armed Forces Eliminated In Hockey Semi-Finals

The hockey season ended for the Halifax Armed Services team when they dropped three straight games to Bagotville Allies in a best-of-five Eastern Canada intermediate semi-final series. The Quebec champions proved too much for the Halifax aggregation as they scored decisive 5-3, 11-1 and 10-6 victories at Chicoutimi and Jonquiere, Quebec.

Despite the setback, the Armed Services team enjoyed an outstanding season. Unable to obtain a franchise in the Halifax city league, they campaigned with success in a number of exhibition games with Nova Scotia and Newfoundland teams. In playoff encounters the servicemen bowled over all opposition as they scored 10 consecutive victories to cop the Maritime championship. They were undefeated in the play-downs until their meeting with Bagotville.

Newfoundland Sailor Stars in Victoria Race

Newfoundland came to the fore in Victoria marathon circles when Ord. Sea. Merrill Reid, of Buchans, Newfoundland, pushed Cliff Salmond, former Olympic runner and British Empire Games champion, to the limit in the annual Canadian Legion 10-mile classic.



Reid, a "dark horse" entry, finished a creditable third after a real battle with Salmond and Dr. F. W. Lowffler, the 1949 winner.

The sailor stayed right up with the two favorites for the first eight miles, but then their superior experience began to tell and they gradually pulled ahead. To win the race, Salmond had to set a new record of 54 minutes and 10 seconds.

Ord. Sea. Reid, a recent graduate from "Cornwallis," is now taking sea training in HMCS "Ontario."

London Sailors Lose In Garrison Hockey Final

HMCS "Prevost" won its way into the finals of the London Garrison Hockey League but lost out to the Army Falcons in a two-game total-point series. The soldiers defeated the

"Prevost" squad 16-13 to win the championship plaque.

The naval division's rifle team closed out the season in last place in the Garrison Rifle League. The sailors were 300 points behind the sharpshooting Army team which copped the championship. Following the final match, a get-together was held at "Prevost" and the members of the winning team were presented with individual silver ash trays.



The Atlantic Command Badminton Club wound up an active and successful season with a two-day tournament in the "Stadacona" gymnasium. Shown here is a group of the players who took part. Front row, left to right, Lieut. D. A. Robertson, PO A. L. Sexsmith, Mrs. Margaret Korning, Sub-Lieut. (NS) Blaikie Smith, Mrs. Joan Wilks, Lieut. Ross Stuart and Ldg Sea. I. C. Lattimer. Rear row; CPO R. W. Bright, CPO Clifford Freeman, Mrs. Hedly Ivany, Mrs. Robert Greene, Miss Betty Bowers, Mrs. Barbara Jackson and Lieut. Del Gibson. (HS-10367.)

East Coast Badminton Club Concludes Season

A two-day tournament in April concluded one of the most successful seasons the Atlantic Command Badminton Club has enjoyed since its inception.

Lieut. Del Gibson became a triple titlist when he won the men's singles, partnered with Lieut. Ross Stuart to win the men's doubles, and teamed with Mrs. Margaret Korning in taking the mixed doubles. Mrs. Korning was the ladies' singles winner.

Headquarters Badminton Club Ends Fine Season

The Naval Headquarters Badminton Club enjoyed another successful season in 1949-50. Courts were made available at HMCS "Carleton" on Wednesdays and Sundays and a large number of naval and ex-naval personnel turned out. In addition to its own tournaments, the club played matches with other badminton clubs in Ottawa.

The club committee for 1949-50 consisted of Captain (S) C. J. Dillon, Captain H. L. Quinn, Cdr. (S) S. A. Clemens, Lieut.-Cdr. G. M. Rooke and Lieut. (S) T. C. Treherne.

"Cayugas" Win HQ Bowling League Title

A team named after the senior ship of the West Coast destroyer division, HMCS "Cayuga", won the Naval Headquarters Bowling League championship for 1949-50.

William Warwick, team captain, was presented with the McCallum trophy, donated by Surgeon Captain Archie McCallum, at a banquet on May 17. In return, Lieut.-Cdr. (SB)

W. J. Simpkin, president of the league, presented Captain McCallum with a scroll making him honorary president of the league.

Other members of the winning team were Joseph Vincent, Miss Betty Skiffington, Miss M. E. Chalifour and Miss Dorothy Cook.

TAS School Captures "Stadacona" Hockey Title

Torpedo Anti-Submarine School won the HMCS "Stadacona" inter-part hockey championship by defeating Admiralty House in a closely-fought best-of-three final series. It was the second major inter-part triumph within a year for the TAS School athletes, who last summer copped the inter-part softball title.

The TAS team scored a 1-0 victory in the opener of the hockey finals but dropped the second contest by a 4-3 score. In the third and deciding game they proved too much for the stewards as they racked up a decisive 5 to 1 win.

It was the end of a successful season for the TAS men, who scored 18 wins in 20 league and exhibition games. Coach of the squad was AB James Hardy.

Commodore Davy Heads Sailing Club

Commodore (E) A. C. M. Davy was elected chairman of the Naval Headquarters Sailing Club at the first meeting of the 1950 season.

Other officers elected were: Lieut. (S) E. S. Lloyd, secretary treasurer, and Captain H. L. Quinn, Cdr. (S) T. F. T. Morland, Cdr. A. F. Pickard,

Lieut.-Cdr. (P) I. P. Godfrey, Cdr. W. A. Childs, Lieut. Ian Morrow, Lieut. D. C. Rutherford and Lt. (L) R. P. Gaylard, committee members.

Capt. (L) W. H. G. Roger, the retiring chairman, announced that Mrs. W. J. Kingsmill had donated the ship's bell of the corvette HMCS "Bittersweet," which her husband, the late Lieut.-Cdr. W. J. Kingsmill, commanded, to be used as an annual

trophy for races held by the club. In addition, the Naval Headquarters Sports Association has donated \$45.00 for the purchase of additional trophies for the coming season.

During the spring months, members of the retiring executive engaged in erecting a new club jetty at HMCS "Carleton," on Dow's Lake. The jetty, which will give accommodation to eight boats, is now in the final stages of completion.

"Star" Officers Bow To "York" In Softball

Officers of HMCS "Star" played host to a team from HMCS "York," Toronto, in an inter-divisional indoor softball game. The visitors showed too much class for the Hamilton squad and scored a convincing 20-14 victory. Lieut.-Cdr. T. A. Welch captained the winning "York" team, while Sub-Lieut. J. A. Parker was the captain of the "Star" nine.

Hoop Tourney Held On "Griffon" Courts

HMCS "Griffon" was the scene of a YMCA international basketball tournament in April. The Port Arthur naval division had basketball courts laid out on its new drill deck and saw teams from Duluth, Minnesota, Brandon, Manitoba, Port Arthur and Fort William compete for the championship, with Duluth the ultimate winner. A large crowd, which included government and civic officials, witnessed the matches.

Navy, RCAF Marksmen Hold Rifle Competition

A rifle team from the RCAF's No. 5 Supply Depot, Moncton, scored a one-point victory over a team from the RCN Rifle Club, Halifax, in the first match of a home-and-home total-point competition.

Members of the Navy team were CPO Ellis Parker, CPO John Abraham, PO Alvin Underhill, PO Brian Seager and PO George Lauder.

"Chippawa" Finishes Third In Badminton League

HMCS "Chippawa" finished in third place in the Winnipeg Inter-Service Badminton League. After holding down first spot for most of the season, the Navy team was overtaken toward the close of the schedule and saw the RCMP wind up in the No. 1 position.

A friendly bowling match was played with members of the Minneapolis USNR unit who visited Winnipeg recently. The Americans won the ten-pin event, while "Chippawa" scored in five-pin competition.



Torpedo Anti-Submarine School (above) won the "Stadacona" inter-part hockey championship by defeating Admiralty House Stewards 5-1 in the deciding game of a best of three series. Front row, left to right are, AB Donald LaVerne, Braeside, Ont.; AB Rowan Carroll, Ottawa; PO Donald Newman, Halifax; CPO John Rowland, Dartmouth; AB Donald McElroy, Montreal. Rear row, PO Hollis Coffill, Halifax; Ldg. Sea. Roy Schaefer, Halifax; PO Joseph Coles, Winsloe, P.E.I.; Ord. Sea. Kendall Glendenning, Delhi, Ont.; CPO Jack Jackson, Dartmouth; AB William Schwab, Grimsby, Ont., and AB E. F. Robertson, Hunter River, P.E.I. Missing from the photo are PO Ralph Kierstead, Tuft's Cove; AB Thomas Douglas, Peterborough; CPO Sidney Crossley, Victoria; AB Cyril Meade (equipment) Halifax, and CPO John Lipton (manager), Halifax. (HS-10365.)



This is the Navy hockey team that pulled the surprise of the season by winning the Victoria City championship playoffs after finishing in third place in the six-team Commercial League. Shown above with the Cross Cup, emblem of the city title, are: Front row, left to right, Ldg. Sea. Ivan Wood, Ord. Sea. Hal Lewis, ex-Ldg. Sea. Steve Harris (captain), PO Norman Jones, Ldg. Sea. Douglas Johnson and Ord. Sea. John Neve. Rear row, Lieut. H. E. Taylor, physical and recreational training officer of HMCS "Naden"; Ldg. Sea. Cliff Coulter, Ord. Sea. Delmar Brown, AB Harvey Mitchell, Ord. Sea. Ted Audette, Ord. Sea. Neil Standley, Lieut. George McMorris, Ldg. Sea. Roy Bird, PO Archie McLean, Instr. Lieut.-Cdr. G. L. Connor, coach Lieut. (S) R. D. Fulton, manager, and PO Vic Smith, trainer. (E-11145.)

CANADA'S ARMED FORCES: 1950

Defence Minister Outlines Country's Role in North Atlantic Agreement

The state of the country's armed forces and the role that Canada is to play under the North Atlantic Treaty were outlined by Defence Minister Brooke Claxton in a report to the nation, carried over a coast-to-coast radio network on April 25. The following is the text of Mr. Claxton's address:

All of us want prosperity, peace and security, and the prosperity, peace and security we seek is threatened only by one force, and that is the Soviet Union and its satellites. Their attitude makes it necessary for us to spend twenty times as much as before the war on our national defence.

We know that a nation of thirteen millions, occupying three and a half million square miles of territory, cannot defend itself alone; there is no nation which can provide for its own security entirely by its own efforts. We therefore took an active part in promoting the North Atlantic Treaty under which the United States, the United Kingdom and ten other countries have agreed to combine to deter aggression and, if necessary, to defeat an aggressor.

Our aim is to work with other nations to deter aggression, and, if necessary, to defend our country and to defeat any enemy that may attack us — Deter, defend or defeat, that was the way it was put by Defence Secretary Johnson of the United States at The Hague meeting of the North Atlantic Treaty nations.

The North Atlantic nations have made good progress with planning and programs and now are moving to the next and more difficult stage of translating plans and programs into action. Fortunately for us, that should not require any major changes in our plans because the role for us in joint plans corresponds closely with the one we had already plotted for ourselves.

Let me state again the broad objectives of our defence policy.

At sea we have to defend our coasts and provide the anti-submarine and minesweeping forces to enable our ships to travel across the North Atlantic or wherever else they may be required.

At home we should have the force — a highly mobile, largely airborne brigade group and the aircraft — to deal with an attack on the scale and of the kind that might be made.

We must have the organization, trained officers and all-round capacity to produce much bigger forces to be used where necessary to assist in defeating the enemy just as far away from Canada as possible.

This year we are asking Parliament to vote \$425 million on defence — on the Navy, Army and Air Force, on men, construction, equipment, on research, development. That means \$31.50 for each man, woman and child in Canada, nearly 18 per cent of the national budget and nearly 3 per cent of the national income. At current rates of exchange, Canada is spending on defence more per capita than the other nations in the British Commonwealth except the United Kingdom, and more than the other nations in the North Atlantic Treaty organization, except the United Kingdom and the United States.

Because this is a big operation, I have felt that the Canadian people should have all possible information about what we are doing, and accordingly, both in and out of Parliament, more information has been given on defence than ever before, and I believe more than is being given in most other countries. But no one can give all the information to you without giving it as well to a possible enemy, and it doesn't make sense to be spending \$425 million for security and then to be giving part of it away to the only possible aggressor.

I propose to give as full a report as time permits on what we are doing.

In the Navy, Army and Air Force we have today over 48,000 full-time active officers and men, another 48,000 in the reserve forces and about 23,000 civilians mostly working in dockyards, etc., or a total of about 120,000 engaged full time and part time on our defence.

Recruiting for the active force has been entirely satisfactory. We have been getting men of the quality and at the rate we want. All three services will soon be enlisting only to fill vacancies caused by ordinary retirements and discharges. So long as we



Prizes and First Class Certificates were presented to the graduating class at Royal Roads April 29 by Vice-Admiral H. T. W. Grant, Chief of the Naval Staff. Here Admiral Grant presents the Captain's Cup to Cadet Herbert C. Pitts (Army), of Castlegar, B.C. The cup is awarded to the senior term cadet showing the most outstanding athletic ability and sportsmanship. In the background are Major R. W. Ross, of the college staff, and Group Captain J. B. Millward, commandant of Royal Roads. (E-11234.)

have sufficient trained officers and tradesmen, there would be more delay caused by the time taken to provide equipment than by the time taken to train men.

But we do want more men for the reserve forces, particularly the Army. Young men who can do so should spare some time for Canada. What better thing can anyone do than serve his country?

As for officer training, we have nearly 6,000 training today to standards equivalent to a year's practical work and a university degree. In proportion to population we have more men training to such standards than, I believe, has any other country.

In the field of equipment, we have developed an all-weather two-engine jet fighter, the CF-100, and its tests show that it is probably the leading aircraft of its type in the world, several years ahead of any other country. We have placed an order for the production of this aircraft.

Good progress is being made on the manufacture of the F86, under license from the United States. This is the fastest single-seater fighter in production.

For the Navy we have ordered eight new vessels, three of them anti-submarine escort vessels of a totally new type. This ship is, we believe, well in advance of any comparable vessel.

We also have on order large quantities of radar and wireless equipment.

Just consider some of the costs of defence equipment. One of our F86's will cost more than \$400,000, without armament; the new anti-submarine escort vessels about \$8,000,000 each; the latest 5.25 inch anti-aircraft gun, equipped and installed, \$600,000; a permanent radar station about \$2,000,000; a modern airfield with buildings and equipment about \$15,000,000; a tank \$300,000 or \$400,000, and so on. We can only spend each dollar once, either on equipment or buildings or personnel. Each man taken on for the Navy, Army or Air Force costs at least \$2,600 a year.

National security, like social security, has to be paid for by all of us. With a budget of \$2,300,000,000, about \$1,200,000,000 must be used to meet debt charges, social security payments and other amounts fixed by statute and not within the control of any government. \$1,100,000,000 is left to meet all expenses of the federal government. Of this about 40 per cent goes to defence, leaving 60 per cent to cover all the other items.

We are prepared to spend that because the Canadian people realize the necessity of taking steps to look after their own defence in co-operation with the other eleven nations under the North Atlantic Treaty.

It is being brought home to us day by day that to preserve our freedom we peoples of the democratic free nations must be prepared to devote to defence some of the resources we would rather use to promote human welfare and provide greater social security.

In international as in national affairs we do not get something for nothing. We must work and pay for what we get; we must work and pay the price for our security. The Russians' attitude leaves us without a choice. In the present state of the world, defence expenditures are the necessary premiums for national security.

Sometimes it is refreshing to have a glimpse of our country through the eyes of others. In recent months I have had to make two visits to Europe for the North Atlantic meetings. They gave me opportunities to see how Canada is regarded by the other nations. I can tell you that in the eyes of others no country stands higher than does Canada.

Why is this so? Canada stands high because of the service of our armed forces, because of the assistance we gave other nations during and since the war, because of the able way we have been represented, because of the objective and helpful attitude we have taken, because of the reputation and character of our people, our representatives and our young sailors, soldiers and airmen.

I have just returned from a highly interesting two days spent with the President of the United States, members of his Cabinet, the American Chiefs of Staff and other high ranking officers at Fort Benning, Georgia, and Eglin Field, Florida.

These visits confirmed what I have just said about the respect in which our country is held by other nations.

They also showed that progress is being made in our collective defence. The United States exercises gave an impressive demonstration of the immense power of our great neighbor.

If these collective efforts do result in our obtaining more security, then there will be a temptation for all countries to relax their efforts. Two wars have shown that eternal vigilance and sustained endurance are the price of freedom and security.

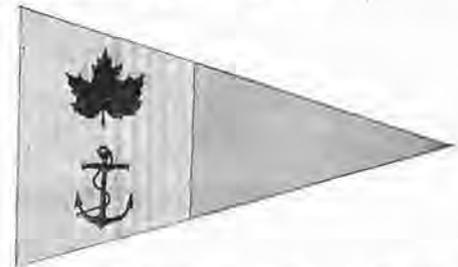
THEIR OWN BOATS

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and PO H. Grace, who will be joint owners.

The next group of boats, seven in all, will be drawn for shortly.

The Royal Canadian Navy Yacht Club has now received its Snipe Fleet charter and special thanks are due to Mr. Crosby, founder of the Snipe Class boat, for his helpful assistance to the RCNYC. — W.S.B.



The official Burgee of the Royal Canadian Navy Yacht Club. The colors are: Fly — Royal Blue; Hoist — White; Anchor — Gold; Maple Leaf — Rust Red.

NAVAL OFFICERS ACTIVE IN SPORTING CAR CLUB

The Nova Scotia Sporting Car Club, which took root last year in the Halifax area, at the instigation of a few enthusiastic naval officers, started off its 1950 season with a scavenger hunt on April 22.

Starting point of the search for a lengthy list of items was the Halifax Commons and the carloads — close to 100 naval officers and civilians — finished up at the Seabright Hotel for sandwiches and refreshments.

The executive committee of the club is headed by Lieut. P. C. Berry, chairman, and includes Surg. Lieut. R. F. Plumer, secretary-treasurer, Lieut. O. J. A. Cavanagh, Lieut. H. F. Carter, Dr. W. M. D. Robertson, Mr. John Kilpatrick and Lieut. Col. R. B. Murray. Honorary vice-president is Cdr. F. W. T. Lucas, RCN.

The humble prayers of two great sailors were made the subject of a presentation by Defence Minister Brooke Claxton to second year graduates of the Canadian Services Colleges, some of whom would be leaving to embark upon their careers in the Navy, at graduating ceremonies April 28. At Royal Roads, the presentation was made by Vice-Admiral H. T. W. Grant, Chief of the Naval Staff, on behalf of Mr. Claxton, and at Royal Military College by Air Marshal W. A. Curtis, Chief of the Air Staff.



CANADIAN SERVICES COLLEGES

TWO PRAYERS AT SEA

Prayer of Admiral Sir Francis Drake on entering Cadiz Harbour, April 19, 1587

"O Lord God, when thou givest thy servants to endeavour any great matter, grant us also to know that it is not the beginning, but the continuing of the same until it be thoroughly finished, which yieldeth the true glory; through him that for the finishing of thy work laid down his life, our Redeemer, Jesus Christ, Amen."

Prayer of Admiral Nelson on the morning of the Battle of Trafalgar, October 21, 1805

"May the Great God whom I worship, grant to my country, and for the benefit of Europe in general, a great and glorious victory; and may no misconduct in anyone tarnish it; and may humanity after victory be the predominant feature in the British Fleet. For myself, individually, I commit my life to Him who made me, and may His blessing light upon my endeavours for serving my country faithfully To Him I resign myself and the just cause which is entrusted to me to defend. Amen. Amen. Amen."

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Presented to the Graduates of Second Year Classes
At Royal Military College and Royal Roads
By Honourable Brooke Claxton,
Minister of National Defence
President, Canadian Services Colleges.

