



# The Crow's Nest



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## CORNWALLIS EXCEEDS DOUBLE LOAN AIM

### Navy Subscribes Sum Far In Excess Of Quota In Third Loan Campaign

Well Organized Campaign Brings Splendid Results From Every Department

On October 19 a shell fired from a Naval gun in H.M.C.S. "Cornwallis" started on a long trajectory across to Berlin. Within three days it had arrived at its objective and there was a terrific explosion. The shell had travelled 50,000 degrees. On the third day a second shell had started across on the same trajectory and within the next week it, too, had landed in Berlin. A third shell was started and zoomed out over the Atlantic—on to its way to Berlin.

Over \$115,000

The whole thing was really a chart set up in the Regulating Office in "Cornwallis" but it kept the officers and men of the ship informed as to how the Victory Loan campaign was progressing. The shell was a small paper one and the degrees of the trajectory represented dollars subscribed in bonds. All told, the sum subscribed was in excess of \$115,000 and still more kept coming in.

#### Double Objective

The reaching of the first objective of \$50,000 in less than three days was so meteoric that it was decided to double the objective and make the ship's company reach for the \$100,000 mark. This was apparently, too easy, however, for in a few days the artist who had made the big poster had to come and paint another trajectory on it.

In the Halifax area Canada's Naval men subscribed \$363,200 for bonds in the first week of the

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### Almost Entire Company Volunteer Blood Donors

Not waiting until they are drafted to sea to begin giving practical service in the war, almost the entire ship's company of H.M.C.S. "Star," training establishment at Hamilton, Ontario, have volunteered as blood donors at the Blood Donors' Clinic of the Hamilton Academy of Medicine. The 175 lads who have volunteered claim their donation is purely of a patriotic nature. Certain skeptics at the Division are a bit doubtful, however, after having seen some of the boys being driven to and from the clinic by some really beautiful Red Cross drivers.

### TWO FULL HITS ON BERLIN AND MORE COMING!



They Are Standing By A Proud Record

In the above picture are shown ratings from every department of the Service included in H.M.C.S. "Cornwallis." They are standing about the Victory Loan poster painted by C. R. Parrish, draughtsman in the Instructional Production Section of H.M.C. Gunnery School. Able Seaman Parrish is also a staff artist of The Crow's Nest. The poster shows a gun mounted at the Naval Base at Halifax and firing a shell at Berlin. A graduated trajectory of the shell indicates the amount subscribed each day as the Victory Loan drive progressed. "Cornwallis" over-ran its objective so quickly that a new mark, double the amount of the first one, had to be set. This too, was soon surpassed. —R. C. N. Photo

### 'Juke' Boxes In Canteen Meet With Little Favor

Torpedo School Given Grant For Dance—Wind Breakers Are Ordered For Navy Ball Teams

A 'dim' view of 'juke' boxes for the Wet Canteen has removed the possibility of two 'platter-players' being placed in 'froth' house. At a meeting of the committee, held early in October, it was carried that the two machines be placed in the canteen. At a later meeting, however, the motion was stricken from the minutes after a vote had been taken.

The question of having the tables in the wet canteen painted was left to the discretion of the President.

Six dart board sets have been ordered for the wet canteen and should arrive shortly, the secretary informed the meeting.

A grant of \$100 was made to the Torpedo School for the purpose of holding a dance early in November.

#### Teams Get Gifts

The sum of \$500 was granted for a banquet tendered the members of the Senior Baseball team, winners of the Maritime Championship. This amount was also to cover the expense of mementos and group pictures for the members of the team.

### TAKING NEW POST



Commander Humphrey McMaster, R.C.N., Commanding Officer of H.M.C.S. "Cornwallis" since its commissioning, who goes to Ottawa soon as Director of Naval Training. Commander McMaster has had considerable experience in this work in both the Canadian and the Royal Navies.

The committee also passed a motion that windbreakers, as ordered for the members of the senior team, be ordered for the players on the Junior Softball team, the cost of each windbreaker not to exceed \$10.00.

A request from the Halifax Welfare Fund, for an additional donation of \$250 was referred to

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### Joint Services Group To Give Entertainments

'Red' Skelton, Noted Comedian Of Radio and Screen To Appear In First Of Big Concert Shows

Based on an organization similar to that of the U.S.O. of the United States Armed forces, an entertainment group for Canadian Forces is now being visualized by members of the Auxiliary Services department of the Navy in conjunction with entertainment groups of the Army and Air Force.

One of the main projects of the organization will be to provide regular service shows in one of the large auditoriums in the city. At most of these shows luminaries of stage, screen and radio will be feature attractions. The crews of all ships of war coming to ports on the East Coast will be entertained at the shows as well as the personnel stationed at the port. It is hoped an auditorium may be secured which will seat upwards of 2,000 persons.

Toward the end of this month a concert is to be given which will include naval talent and which will feature "Red" Skelton, well known comedian of radio and screen.

Protect our birds. The dove brings peace and the stork tax exemptions.

### Captain of Cornwallis Appointed As Director Of All Naval Training

Has Had Long Experience In Training Work—Helped Form South African Navy

Although it is not known when he will leave for his new post at Naval Service Headquarters, the appointment of Commander H. McMaster, R. C. N. as Director of Naval Training, will become effective this month, it is understood.

Commander McMaster, who has been the Commanding Officer of H. M. C. S. "Cornwallis" since the training establishment was commissioned last May, and previous to that time he was Training Officer and later, Executive Officer, of H.M.C.S. "Stadacona."

Commander McMaster's appointment to his new position comes, it would appear, as recognition of the splendid job he has done as Commanding Officer in "Cornwallis."

#### Long Experience

The commander has had a great deal of experience in Training work, having carried out such duties for a considerable time with the Royal Navy. In 1922 he helped to start the South African Navy and dealt extensively with training matters with that organization. As a result of this experience, he has been able to make H.M.C.S. "Cornwallis" one of the finest training establishments that will be found anywhere in the Empire.

Taking his early naval training at Osborne and Dartmouth Naval College, Commander McMaster found himself in the

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### Ship Receives Present From Grateful Survivor

The crew of the Royal Canadian Navy Corvette "Arvida" has little trouble now keeping up with all the latest dance music, even though they may be at sea a good deal of the time.

So appreciative was the captain of a Norwegian freighter whose crew "Arvida" had picked up after the vessel had been 'fished,' that he presented the corvette with a beautiful combination radio and phonograph, together with a complete set of records. 'Arvida' had picked up almost the entire crew of the freighter and had given extra clothing and hot food to survivors.



"If Blood be the Price of Admiralty  
Lord God we ha' paid in full"  
—Kipling

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## REMEMBRANCE

Twenty-eight years ago this month the First World War was ended the November 11th, in each of the years that has followed, has been looked upon as a day of remembrance. At first the day was known as Armistice Day, but later, the more lasting name, Remembrance Day, was given it.

Unfortunately, there were those who did not remember. There was the little Austrian painter and the boisterous Italian editor and a great many others, even among our own people, who did not remember enough. Perhaps they remembered their comrades of the last war but they did not seem to remember all that war brings. They remembered their comrades in death, but they did not remember that those same comrades had wanted life and that their sons also wanted life. And so, this Remembrance Day finds us again at war.

During the past few years we have been given a great many other things to remember, as well as our thoughts of those whose shining sacrifice gleams through the intervening years, and we have been given a strong and material way to remember. Besides carrying out its duties on the seas, the Navy has taken up this method of remembrance enthusiastically—the buying of Victory Bonds.

Thousands of dollars were subscribed in remembrance of the men and ships of the Canadian Navy who have been lost or maimed. Thousands of dollars were subscribed in remembrance of those hundreds of men of our Merchant Marine who have gone down. More thousands were subscribed in remembrance of the soldiers and airmen who have died; in remembrance of Poland, Czechoslovakia, the Lowlands, France, Norway, Greece, the shattered towns of Britain, the ancient architecture smashed; Malta, Pearl Harbour and all the rest.

Couple this "custom" with remembrance of the frustrated hopes of those soldiers of yesteryear, who fought that war might not come again, and perhaps we can bring this war to a successful conclusion and work out a peace by which we may know that war will not come again.

## DANCES FOR SAILORS

During the past month various branches of the Navy have been holding invitation dances at the North End Services Canteen. The success of the functions is nothing short of remarkable. More and more of these dances will, and should be, held.

Aside from the fact that everyone seemed to have a good time, the dances brought out a point, one that has been lost sight of in recent weeks owing to some unfavourable publicity given the boys in blue. The unfavourable publicity came as a result of the alleged actions of a few of the members of this service. The light thrown on the behaviour of the sailors, at the dances, is an observation of a majority of ratings from various departments. The point of which we speak, is this: Sailors, when given the opportunity, when not kicked about socially do like to partake of good, wholesome entertainment and do know how to conduct themselves as gentlemen.

At the dances held at the North End Services Canteen there was no undue supervision. The men mingled with the young ladies of their choice, a number of the officers arrived with their wives and ladies and real good-fellowship was the order of the evening. The men were not forced to mingle with persons of questionable character. They did not feel that in order to enjoy themselves they had to have a 'crock.' There were no 'scenes' created.

Now, if sailors are content to have such dances and to carry them on without the intrusion of others, let's have more of them. At such affairs they can be judged as they really

are. Indeed it is far, far better for them to be truly known by those with whom they work, than to be misjudged by the scores who will take the actions of a few as representing the character of the entire organization. Provide the means of entertainment for men who have no place to call their own, and they will act like what they really are: gentlemen, the finest in the country. Set them loose in a city without organized diversions, or rather any meant specifically for them, and there are bound to be some who will be weaker than others and who will end in pitfalls; the same pitfalls as endanger the footsteps of the entire human race.

## WORK RECOGNIZED

The announcement that Commander Humphrey McMaster, R.C.N., Commanding Officer of H.M.C.S. "Cornwallis," has been appointed to headquarters staff at Ottawa, to take over the post of Director of Naval Training, comes as a pleasant surprise and yet, as something of a disappointment, too, to the personnel of his ship, generally.

The appointment of Commander McMaster to the important task of directing the training program for the Navy cannot be taken as anything but recognition of his splendid work as Captain of the training ship, "Cornwallis." In looking him, however, the officers and men of the ship are losing a good friend and a good leader.

The Blioke, to use an old Naval term, has done a great many things for his ship. Probably his vast experience in the Royal and South African Navies has had much to do with it, but as master of "Cornwallis" he has combined a humanitarian touch with strict training and discipline, and the result has been good. In order to keep his young sailors from following the mob during their early days aboard ship, the Captain has enforced rules that would make such a course impossible. However, in most cases, the pleasures of which the new ratings have been deprived, have been inaugurated in the recreational side of barracks life, but on a higher plane.

His firm belief that happy ratings make the best sailors is echoed everywhere throughout the barracks—in the clubs that have been set up, the picnics held in the summer, the outings to Camp McMaster, the field days, theatre, dances, entertainments. Everywhere there has been an endeavour to give the sailors something to do besides walk the streets. Perhaps all of these things have not been the original ideas of the Captain but it has been with his sanction that they have been carried on.

In his new office he will be able to watch the training of men in every part of Canada and it is not unlikely that other training centres will feel the benefit of innovations similar to those he has brought to "Cornwallis."

## SERVICE WITH SACRIFICE

By Rev. William Hills, R.C.N.

The Navy is the silent service, but for once I'm going to shout something from the rooftops. Here it is. The objective set for this Ship during this current Victory Loan campaign was \$50,000. At the moment, twice this amount has been subscribed! Think of it, —in good round figures, \$125,000! Where can this be equalled? This is service with sacrifice, for the bulk of the men in this establishment do not average more than \$1.50 per day, and when you consider that out of this is subtracted the allotments made to wives, mothers, and sweethearts, some of the cost of this voluntary self-denial can be estimated. These men give and they serve.

To all civilians, this record constitutes an inescapable challenge. To what extent have they supported this national appeal, these men and women, who for the first time since the boom days of 1929 are enjoying all the advantages of steady employment and increased earning power that a war stimulated economy provides? Add to this the comparative ease, comfort, and security, that marks the even tenure of their lives, the freedom that enables them to pursue their own ways of happiness. Can there be any excuse for apathy to the nations war effort? Can there be any indifference by the leaders of the people to this splendid and shining example set by the men in the Service?

This is a peoples' war, and nothing could more clearly demonstrate the high morale of our fighting forces than this response to the Government's appeal. Away then with all undue criticism of the man (and the woman) in uniform. Give credit where credit is due.

With so many things in this world simply making our hair curl these days, why is it necessary for the Missus to spend so much money in beauty parlors?

## WHEN WINTER'S RUSSIAN IN



Goebells: "Don't look now, but, here's that Old Man again!"

## ACROSS OUR BOWS

Letters to the Editor

Letters to the editor may be accompanied by a fictitious pen-name to be used in publication of the letter but the true name of the author of each letter must be submitted with the letter before the opinion will be published. No guarantee is given that any letter will be published. The name of the author of any letter will not be divulged to anyone other than the editors.

Dear Mr. Editor:

I'd just like to ask your readers (and I hope there are some of the offenders mentioned below among them), a question. "Have

you ever answered a telephone, to be greeted with, "May I speak to the Admiral of the Fleet?"—and you promptly wonder, "My, my, is this the King of England?"

This, my friends, is not satire, but a mere plea for all those poor souls who find it their duty, day after day, to be picking up that offending instrument that persists in ringing and ringing if not attended to. Puleeze, if you must ask for the Admiral, or the Captain or the N.O.I.C. or any officer, don't take it out on the one who is hearing you if that person evasively says, "Sorry, he is not here, at present. You must remember, you did not tell us your name, and who are we to tell you (in fact, who are you?) just where the officer for whom you are asking, may be. It's against Naval Regulations, you know—even if you do sound authoritative!

Oh yes, and please don't be offended if my 'sirs,' seem to come rather half-heartedly and in sparse quantities. We do not have television—and again you didn't identify yourself.

Last, but not least, if I, in humble and contrite tones, ask if I can help you, you really shouldn't snort. I might just know the answer. If I don't, I'll soon tell you and at the same time be prepared to tell whomever you want, what you want and then, maybe, you get your answers quicker.

Again, I'm not really as stupid as I look. But then, how would you know how I look? You haven't television, either!

SAD SEC.

## Mash Note

A Nut at the wheel  
A peach at his right  
A turn in the road  
Fruit salad.

## COMMANDMENT IV Obey Orders At The Double

By Cdr. H. McMaster, R.C.N.

Aboard His Majesty's Ships it is absolutely essential that messages and verbal orders be carried out at the "Double." By "Double" we mean your very best speed.

In spite of the various mechanical devices to make communication systems fool-proof the last, and final one, always resorted to is the one involving the human element.

A ship in action has had the after section of her communication system completely put out of action. Fire breaks out in the after steering compartment. An Able Seaman is given an order to report the "Fire." He proceeds at the "double" and almost in a flash he is back again at the scene with a fire-fighting party. The whole, evolution has been one of speed and efficiency.

Any delay in the passing of orders on such an occasion could readily cause the complete destruction of the ship with all or a great part of its ship's company.

Men trained to obey orders at the "Double" are the men who can be depended upon in every kind of an emergency. Nothing impresses an outsider visiting one of His Majesty's Ships or Shore Establishments so much as watching our sailors carrying out orders at the Double and in smart seamanlike style.

The term "obey orders at the double" must be applied to our various duties in such a manner as to make speed and efficiency always the predominant feature.

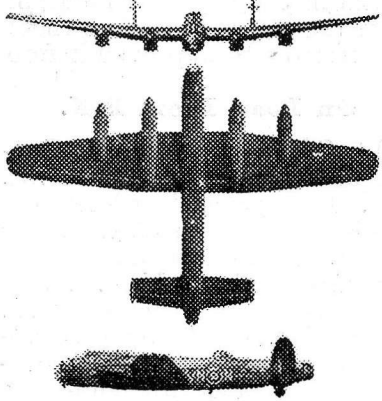


# AVRO LANCASTER AND LIBERATOR PROMINENT IN WAR NEWS TODAY

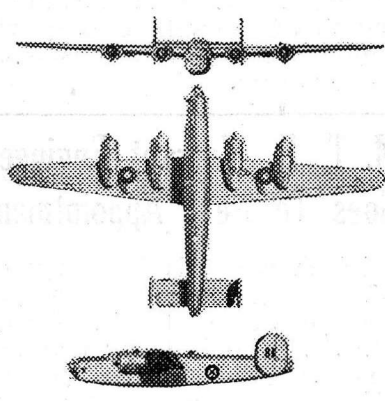
**Liberator, Or B24, Has Taken Terrific Toll Of German Aircraft—Lancaster Has Greatest Hitting Power Of Any Plane In Operation Today—Speed, Range, Armament And Bomb-Loads Big Features**

Very prominent in the news today are the huge consolidated Liberator and its British counterpart, the Avro Lancaster.

These monster bombers, with their long range, speed and unheard of bomb-loads, may well become the decisive factor in the war in Europe.



THE AVRO LANCASTER



THE LIBERATOR

### The Avro Lancaster

The Avro Lancaster is a development of the twin-engined Manchester. It is the latest of Britain's super-bombers which have had the airplane world agog for months with their incredible bomb capacity and fire power.

A mid-wing monoplane with four liquid-cooled Rolls Royce engines, the Lancaster follows standard British bomber design. Gun turrets fore and aft determine the shape of the fuselage which is long and deep.

The broad wings have dihedral and even taper from the in-board engines. A high oval fin and rudder is carried on either end of a long, rectangular tail-plane. Ten .303 machine guns, mounted in four power turrets, eight tons of bombs, a speed of 300 m.p.h. and a range of 3,000

miles, give the Lancaster the greatest hitting power of any aircraft in operation today.

### The Liberator

The B24, or "Liberator," from the same stable as the now-famous "Catalina" or "Canso" flying-boat, is a high-wing monoplane powered by four 1200 h. p. radial engines. It can be identified by its very large wing span, comparatively short, deep fuselage and its broad, twin fins and rudders. Note the fine, evenly-tapered wings and rectangular tail-plane.

The machine can carry a load of four tons to a maximum range of about 3,000 miles. Its top speed is 335 m.p.h. Nine .5-inch machine guns, three fixed and six in turrets, have already taken a terrible toll of the Luftwaffe.

## Will Still Take Pictures Of Ratings In Barracks

Ever since he arrived in Canada, to assist in the training work of the Royal Canadian Navy, a Chief Petty Officer, Gunner's Mate, has been delighting the hearts of fond parents and sweethearts through out Canada, by making it possible for young Jack Tar to have his manly figure reproduced in pictures. Recently, though, the Chief P.O., G.M. has not been seen taking photographs, despite the fact that he has had possibly more privileges in this particular line than any other photographer in the Service, with the exception of those actually attached to the photographic branch. The reason... Mr. R. D. Blofield has been promoted to the rank of Warrant Gunner and has had his spare time pretty well taken up with matters pertaining to his changed rank.

Not a few ratings have been wondering, "Will I still be able to have my picture taken with my chums here in barracks?"

The answer is 'yes'. Mr. Blofield has been informed that the taking of individual and group pictures in barracks need not be discontinued. It has, perhaps, been observed by the authorities that this is at least

colours flying." The name of Admiral Spee was certainly besmirched by the conduct of *Graf Spee*, the pocket battleship that went to such an ignominious end in this war.

On the other hand, not a man escaped from *Good Hope* or *Monmouth*. *Glasgow* was hit by five shells and escaped as did *Otranto*.

### Swift Retribution

Retribution followed shortly, for in the Battle of the Falkland Islands on December 8th, almost the entire German squadron was lost, *Dresden* and a tender alone getting away. In this battle the British suffered very little damage. The conduct of the Germans in this battle was in marked contrast to that of the present German Navy. It is recorded that, "The Germans fought gallantly to the end and, with the exception of *Nurnberg*, which struck her colours just before she sank, went down with

# SWINGIN' SHIP

By THE CONVOY CAT

Here we go on the jive again, and we hope you're right with us.

in those dreamy, sentimental numbers.

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At the present time there seem to be two interesting trends in the modern musical world. First, there is that started by Artie Shaw.....adding strings to the solid beat of the band. By this, we aren't referring to the type of band which has always had one or two strings playing throughout the whole piece. What we mean is the addition of a while string section, used primarily as a background for the leading solo artists of the outfit. Tommy Dorsey, for example, features them in the intro and finale, and as a background for the vocal and his trombone solo. This style as introduced by Shaw, and carried on by James, Dorsey and now Barnett, was slow in catching the favour of the listening public. Perhaps it savoured too much of the classics, but of late, the bugs have been clamouring for more and more, especially

From here it looks like the start of a trend away from the days when everyone simply blew their brains out. Soon bands may have to have a string section to stay at the top. The second trend is a perfectly natural one among the song writers. Have you noticed that every soapy number now up there, has something to do with the two principals being apart due to the war? As we say, it's perfectly natural, but we hope that it will never get to the stage where a piece, to be popular, has to have something to do with the war. Pieces like "Mr. Five by Five" still can be written, so let's have more like that.

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Caught a good program on the air the other night—recordings which have made bands famous. Certain tunes invariably seem to become associated with certain bands, and usually, it is those pieces on which these bands ride to popularity. Take for example Tommy Tucker's "I Don't Want to Set the World on Fire," Harry James' "Music Makers," Artie Shaw's "Begin The Beguine," Dorsey's "I'll Never Smile Again," Guy Lombardo's "Isle of Capri," and so on ad infinitum. That program certainly revived a lot of memories, and we wish things like that would come along a little oftener.

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Those tunes from Glenn Miller's picture "Orchestra Wives," are doing alright, along with those we called last month. And here we go way out on a limb to call two pieces which have just been recorded. One is a piece in Les Brown's new movie "Seven Days Leave" called "Can't Get Out of This Mood." The other is a newie featured by the Dorsey brothers which you'll be hearing a lot of—"I Don't Care What You Think As Long As You Think of Me." We hope they don't let us down.

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Space and time are short this month, so we'll fade out now.

one time when a rating will look really tiddley, even though no inspection is in sight.

### "JUKE" BOXES

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the Central Charities Committee.

A donation of \$150 to the Boy Scout Camp at Miller's Lake was passed. There were about 100 ratings at the camp each week during the summer and the donation was made as a gesture of appreciation.

A bill of \$9.50 for prizes for the winners of the billiard tournament held at the "D & E" Club was accepted by the Canteen Committee.

An amount up to \$250 was loaned to the Canteen of a Canadian sea-going ship, the money to be paid back within six months.

A motion that the amount of stock stolen from the Dry Canteen in the Gymnasium be written off the books by the secretary, was carried.

## NAVAL HISTORY of the MONTH

This is the first of a series of condensations describing an important Naval event in the annals of British history and which happened in the month in which the article appears.

### THE BATTLE OF THE CORONEL

Condensed from "THE SEA—Our Heritage" by J. G. Lockhart

The Battle of Coronel, while it cannot be considered a naval victory for the British, is one of the most striking examples of the fact that British ships of war never surrender to an enemy, that has ever been recorded.

The battle took place on November 1, 1914, and was brought about when the German Admiral von Spee, who was in command of the German China Squadron, decided to try to keep his squadron intact and make a run for home, rather than stay in the dangerous waters of the Far East.

In his squadron were two modern, powerful cruisers, *Scharnhorst* and *Gneisenau*, three light cruisers, *Emden*, *Leipzig* and *Nurnberg*, and a number of smaller vessels of little consequence.

### Distinct Disadvantage

Ranged against this squadron were: An old battleship, *Cannopus*, with little speed and out-moded guns; *Good Hope*, a fine cruiser, with two 9.2 guns and sixteen 6-inch guns; *Monmouth*, a smaller cruiser, with fourteen 6-inch guns; *Glasgow*, a light cruiser with two 6-inch guns and ten 4-inch guns; and *Otranto*, an armed merchant ship. The British squadron was at a distinct disadvantage in firing power.

Because of the mismanagement of the preparation made for the engagement Admiralty paid no heed to Admiral Christopher

Cradock's plea for more strength. The Admiral, in turn, was the type of man who would never allow anyone to suspect him of shirking a fight. Accordingly, he set out to deliberately search for an enemy whom he knew to be much superior in strength to the squadron he was directing.

### Cradock Attacks

At 3.40 p.m. on November 1, the enemy was sighted. At 6.15 Cradock sent out word, "I am going to attack the enemy now." The action began a little after seven o'clock. It lasted for only a few hours. The Germans won their victory at a trifling cost. Although both *Scharnhorst* and *Gneisenau* were hit by shells, little damage was done. *Nurnberg*, *Leipzig* and *Dresden* were untouched. The casualties of the enemy are believed to have been only three wounded men.

## LARGE NUMBER EARN WARRANT RANK



Grouped in the above picture are warrant officers of the R.C.N. and R.C.N.V.R., recently appointed to that rank. All are well known at the Naval barracks in the various departments in which they are employed. Seated with them in the centre are: Commander H. McMaster, R.C.N., Lieutenant-Commander M. A. Medland, R.C.N. and Lieutenant-Commander Campbell, R.C.N.R. Front Row (left to right): Warrant Shipwrights R. G. Billard, E. Philpott; Lt.-Cdr. Medland Cdr. McMaster, Lt.-Cdr. Campbell; Warrant Bos'n Charles Parker and David Gibson. Second Row: Warrant Gunner R. D. Blofield, Warrant Shipwright Grant, Warrant Gunner A. Harwood; Warrant Shipwrights W. Myzner, J. D. Wilkie and C. D. Morton. Back Row: Warrant Gunner R. McCluney, Warrant Gunner G. F. Clark; Warrant Shipwright A. S. Gilhen, Warrant Shipwright W. Marryatt and Warrant Officer (S. B.) J. F. Ewing.



## Experiences In Two Conflicts As Exciting As Fiction Story

Engineer Lieutenant Herbert Stainton Got Initiation Early In Last War—Has Had Breath-Taking Encounters With Japanese In Attacks On Refugee Evacuation Vessels

By W. Kilbourne, Sto. P.O.

The old saying that truth is stranger than fiction could be aptly applied at the M.T.E., where one rubs shoulders with many types of men. Were it possible to get some of these men to talk, the exciting adventures and episodes of their work-a-day lives would be as entertaining and romantic as anything ever written in books. Take, for instance, the subject of this story about one of Cornwallis' Engineer Officers, Lieutenant Herbert Stainton.

### Joined Navy in 1914

Quite a youngster when the last war started, he had been a member of the R.N.V.R., Mersey Division, from May 1914, and when war was finally declared this unit was absorbed into the Royal Naval Division. This enabled him to get a good grounding in his training with the Blue Marines at Walmer & Betteshanger Park.

Getting his baptism of fire at the siege of Antwerp, and that 32 mile retreat afterwards, he returned to Portsmouth for further training with the division. It was slated for Gallipoli, but was switched over to the armed Boarding Vessel Woodnut with Glasgow as home port, although much time was spent patrolling around Queenstown.

### Served Apprenticeship

In 1915 Mr. Stainton was sent to the ship building firm of Cammell, Lairds to complete his apprenticeship, during which period he was in the Engine Room on test trials of many cruisers and Destroyers. Completing apprenticeship in 1918, was released by the Admiralty to join the Orient line of Steamships as Junior Engineer and, incidentally, he celebrated Armistice day in New York. In 1919 he joined the C.P.R. Steamships and was with that company until joining the Canadian Navy.

It was whilst he was in a ship of the C.P.R. line, the "Empress of Asia" that exciting experiences were no uncommon thing. First his ship evacuated refugees from Shanghai to Hong Kong in the first Jap conflict, removed wives of service men from Hong Kong to Manila before the Japs entered the war, and then the ship was the target for Jap bombs when she was nearing Yokohama. In fact, one practice bomb penetrated the boat deck, main deck and then deflected into the galley, wounding four Chinese in the process. In all, seven or eight bombs fell around them.

### Jap Attack

While in convoy off Singapore

Nurse—Now, granny dear, you're not to worry; the doctor says it's not appendicitis.

Deary me! Was that the doctor? I thought he was very familiar for a clergyman.

the ship was attacked by 27 Jap bombers. Bombs crashed through the decks and gases penetrated into the engine room and stokehold. It was a veritable inferno but they remained at their posts until abandon ship, stated Mr. Stainton. Timely rescue by the Australian Sloop Yarra resulted in saving 1600 of the passengers and crew who were landed at Singapore remaining there until that city came under siege. A call came for crews to man small evacuation ships and these were safely navigated through minefields and after a fantastic trip arrived at Palembang, on the island of Sumatra. Even the tranquility of this place was disturbed for no sooner had they arrived than a fleet of enemy transport planes dropped 200 parachute troops. However by commandeering a bus and driving to southern Sumatra they crossed to Java and travelled by rail to Batavia, where they were shipped to Australia and from there to Canada. What will be the next chapter of excitement for Engineer Lieutenant Stainton, is at the moment problematical. With this experience behind him, his lectures in the School should be really helpful to those fortunate enough to be under his tuition.

He has numerous relatives who are in the various services. Two nephews, J. Maloney and D. Maloney, are serving as stoker and seamen, respectively, on H.M.C. Ships. Another nephew D. R. Rutherford, was in the Australian Air Force but is unfortunately reported missing after operations.

I had to change my seat several times at the movies.

Gracious, did a man get fresh?

Well, finally.

### GETS NEW APPOINTMENT



Lieutenant-Commander B. H. Dodds, R.N., formerly Engineer Officer at the Mechanical Training Establishment, H.M.C.S. Cornwallis, who has gone to H.M.C.S. Naden" on the West Coast to take a similar position.

## STOKE-HOLD STATISTICS

By Bilge-Diver

There are many changes taking place in and around the M.T.E. resulting in the saying of many "Au Revoirs" and "Welcomes".

Its a queer thing this Navy, when you come to think of Warrants, (and a number of men have had occasion to think of them lately) you get one when promoted and you also have the distinction of getting one if you are sent to the Hoosgow. Don't misunderstand this, the types of warrants are very different from each other.

The Hollis Street Salvation Army Hostel seems to be a swell meeting place for many of the M.T.E. staff. One, especially, is to be seen with a beaming countenance whenever a visiting concert party is doing its stuff for the troops. Did you hear the faint tingle of wedding bells?

New entries, are continuing to arrive at "Cornwallis" and they soon seem to fit into the routine of things. Naturally they have the odd grouch but that's only being "Pusser" and they are a good bunch. Welcome boys may you benefit by your tuition at Cornwallis.

A worried look seems to adorn the countenances of quite a few these days, for there are persistent stories that Christmas liquor arrangements are to be curtailed. There are those who feel that "Old John Barleycorn" is part and parcel of Christmas festivities.

To the query addressed to your scribe, when is the new M.T.E. Building to be in operation, as soon as completed. There are many interior works to be done before classes can be accommodated. The office sections, however, are now located there.

Commander (E) Spencer made a tour of all class rooms in M.T.E. and S.T.E. last week. He talked "Old Ships" with many whom he met and also discussed lectures and tuition with instructors.

This eating in restaurants ashore, especially on Sundays, is becoming quite an acute problem. One has to line up for a period of a half to three quarters of an hour before being

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## Lieut.-Commander Dodds Appointed To "Naden" Post

Popular Engineer Officer, On Loan From Royal Navy, Introduced Large Number Improvements At M.T.E. And S.T.E. Leaves Stirring Message On Departure From Training Ship.

Changes affecting the Mechanical Training Establishment, H.M.C.S. "Cornwallis," have resulted in Lt.-Cdr. (E) B. H. Dodds, being transferred to H.M.C.S. "Naden," on the West Coast. His departure from the training establishment is deeply regretted, for during his term here he has made a wide circle of friends, both in and out of the service.

Many of the innovations in the M.T.E. curriculum are ones which Lt.-Cdr. Dodds was instrumental in putting into operation and he will be able to carry with him the satisfaction that these improvements have been successfully tested and approved before his departure.

### On Loan From R.N.

Lt.-Cdr. Dodds came to Canada as Engineer Officer in H.M.C.S. Restigouche," on loan from the Royal Navy in 1938. Later he was made assistant to the Engineer Officer, H.M.C.S.

"Stadacona" and when the M.T.E. and Stokers' Training Establishments were formed in "Cornwallis" he was appointed as Executive Officer in charge. Highly encouraging figures, published from time to time in the columns of The Crow's Nest, regarding the progress of these establishments, are proof of the achievements of the department, and it is likely the foundations laid will be further emphasized as time goes on.

### Gives Message

Asked by The Crow's Nest representative at the M.T.E. if he had any message to give the Officers and ratings of the establishment before leaving, the Engineer Officer said: I am deeply appreciative of the whole-hearted cooperation of officers and men of the staff who have made such a success of welding together the components of our schools.

I would like to say also that I appreciate the helpful cooperation and constructive criticism that has been offered at all times.

To all branches of the Service connected with "Cornwallis" I extend thanks for the kindly helpfulness shown me. May the best of luck attend the efforts of my successor at the M.T.E. and may you continue to give him the same support which you gave me."

## Don't Worry Mom

By Robert Sauberli

Don't you worry Mom  
When I leave this port,  
I know you'll lift your voice and shout,

Don't cry, you're not the sort.  
Now many lads will leave with me,

They all have Mothers too,  
So don't you worry Mom  
Even though it's something new.

Don't you worry Mom  
'Cause I'll come home  
To eat my favorite apple pie  
And rest my weary bones.

The boys and I all feel the same  
Although we have our little scrap,

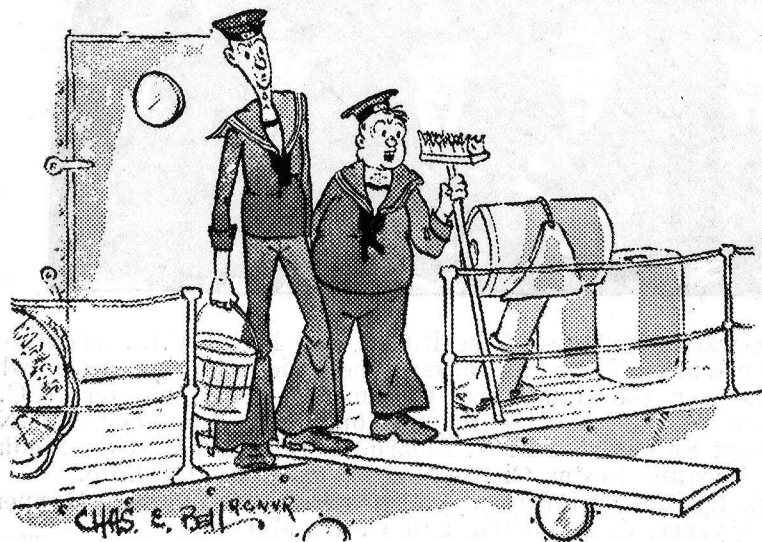
We all joined up to do a job,  
To beat the German and the Jap.

I pray tonight you'll never hear  
The scream of falling shells,  
Instead you'll be alive to hear  
The sounding of the victory bells.

So don't you worry Mom  
About my health or nerve,  
I'll do my bit to win the fight  
And for my country serve.

### ON THE LEEWARD SIDE

By Chas. E. Bell



"They say the Captain has some old fashioned ideas about discipline!"



## Ship Aground

by j. a. b.

*This is another of those light, interesting stories, written in typical j. a. b. style. The story, by the way, was gleaned from one of the officers concerned in the humorous incident recounted here.*

The harassed Naval Officer of a small shore establishment in Eastern Canada had been getting just a few too many reports for his liking. Rumors of all sorts—from "spies ashore" to "submarines at sea." Many of these were merely 'stories'; all had to be investigated.

The latest report was of a ship aground on a very rough section of the Coast and it was giving him a beautiful headache. Would tugs be able to get her off? Would it be too risky a job? Was she worth saving? While struggling to make a decision with the meagre information he had, one of his junior officers came in to tell him he had met an old fisherman who knew the spot well and perhaps could help him. Should he send him in?

### A Real Helper

The Naval Officer heaved a sigh of relief. Much useful information might be gleaned from the old codger—the fishermen knew their fishing waters, knew the Coast and tidal conditions. He looked up as the fisherman came in, recognized in him an old-timer at the game and immediately started questioning him.

"Do you know where this ship is aground?"

"Fished around that part of the Coast all my life."

"You've seen this ship?"

"Sure, seen her just yesterday—high and dry she is."

This didn't sound very encouraging, but the two were soon in deep technical discussion as to tides, wind, depth of water, nature of the beach, actual position of the ship and so on.

### Marked Contrast

As they talked, deeply engrossed in the subject, a spectator would have noted the contrast—the Naval Officer in well-pressed uniform, smartly dressed to the last detail and the unshaven, open-shirted old fisherman and might have wondered what could have been of such interest to two so different characters. Yet both had the stamp of the sea marked on their faces and the subject under discussion was one of common interest.

They talked for some time and at last the fisherman rose to go, leaving the N.O.'s desk littered with sketches (X marks the spot) and notes. As they reached the door the Officer asked casually, "Oh, by the way, how long has she been there?"

"Well now, let me see," answered the fisherman, concentrating deeply, "it must be sixteen, no! nigh on seventeen years."

### War Nerves

Father: Your new little brother has arrived.

Modern Child: Where'd he come from?

Father: From a far away country.

Modern Child: Another damned alien!

## HAS ACHIEVED BRILLIANT RECORD



Lieutenant A. E. Zealley, R.C.N.V.R.

## Director Of Music For R.C.N. Has Enjoyed Earned Success

**Started On Musical Career At Age Of Seven Years  
Connected With Bands In Three Wars—Graduate  
Of Famous Kneller Hall Rose To Direct Sixteen  
Bands Of Entire Division In France In World War I**

It is probable that a comparatively few persons know a great deal about the interesting life of one of the best known figures in the Royal Canadian Navy, namely, that of Lieut. Alfred Zealley (S. B.), Director of Music, supervising all Naval Bands. To this distinguished musical personality has been allotted the task of establishing a Royal Canadian Naval School of Music.

In order to present the musical highlights in the life of Lieutenant Zealley, we must go back fifty years to that Christmas Day when he was made a present of a cornet. It was then, at the early age of seven, that he started out on the musical highway.

At the age of sixteen he was a band boy in the British Imperial Army, serving in South Africa on active service with a regiment known as "The Buffs." Following the South African War he received advanced musical training at the Royal Military School of Music, "Kneller Hall."

In 1910 he came to the United States and secured a position in the orchestra at the B. F. Keith's theatre, Boston, and remained there for five years.

### Harvard Bandmaster

He was bandmaster at Harvard University for three years and also organized a large amateur symphony orchestra for the Y. M. C. A. In the latter part of 1915, however, unable to resist the call to arms, Zealley resigned from the several positions he was holding at the time and journeyed to Toronto where he offered himself for overseas service. He was enlisted as a private in the 75th Battalion, but as soon as the commanding officer learned of Zealley's musical background, he immediately appointed him bandmaster.

The superiority of the 75th Battalion band became apparent in France and such was its

pro prowess that it became the official brigade band of the 11th Brigade, under Brigadier Victor Odlum, now High Commissioner to Australia. Finally Lieutenant Zealley was made Divisional Bandmaster of the 4th Canadian Division with the supervision of 16 bands.

### Famous Concert Band

In 1919 after receiving his discharge from the army he received an appointment, as conductor, to the "Kilties," the famous concert touring band, and with this organization he toured the whole of America, and also played engagements in Mexico City and Havana, Cuba.

Lieutenant Zealley has also had some experience and a fair measure of success as a journalist, writing for such magazines as "The Metronome," "The Canadian Musician" and "Musical Progress."

As a matter of fact, he is author of a booklet published in England (1926) under the title, "Famous Bands of the British Empire." A copy of the booklet was handsomely bound in red morocco leather and presented to the late King George V. The booklet was graciously

## Six Teams Take Part In "Charny" Regatta

Six teams took part in the first aquatic regatta held by H.M.C.S. "Charny" last month. The teams competing were: New Entries, Kings No. 1 crew, Kings No. 2 crew, Charny Stokers, Charny Seamen, Charny Miscellaneous.

The Miscellaneous team was an easy winner in the swimming events. The team, L/S.A. Batey, Cook Sutton, Signalmen Moore and Telegraphist Bennet, won the 50 yard relay, the New Entries team placing second. Subsequently, Telegraphist Bennet scored a win in the 100 yard free-style, his team mate, L/S.A. Batey crossing the line as runner-up. Prob. S/Lt. Southey led the divers to capture a win for Kings No. 1 crew.

In the whaler races Kings No. 1 crew defeated the New Entries while the Miscellaneous oarsmen took Kings No. 2 team into camp in classic style.

### The "Charny Derby"

In the "Charny Derby" result of a spectacular challenge by the Engineer Officer of the ship, a crew of Seamen, with the Captain as coxswain, scored a decisive win over the Stokers, coxswained by the challenger, himself. Lieut. John Tinyard, the popular Engineer Officer, then had the privilege of supplying suitable refreshment—it was a hard race—to the Captain Lt. F. E. Grubb, R.C.N., and his crew. The winning crew members were: Lt./Grubb, coxswain; L/Sea. W. Mayers, A.B. Johnson, L/Sea. Morell, Stroke; O/Sea. Gagnon, and A. B. Win-slade, bow.

In the dory races, Bennet and Moore of the Miscellaneous team defeated the stokers and seamen. S/Lieuts. Garne and Mahoney of Kings scored a victory over their fellow officers whilst Millman and Murphy were winners in the New Entries race.

Prizes, tickets to a local theatre, were awarded the winners, by "Charny's" Canteen, while all entries in the races enjoyed refreshments, these also supplied by the ship's canteen.

Individual winners were: Tel. Bennet, 4 pts.; Sig. Moore, 3 pts.; L/S.A. Batey, 2 pts.; P/S/Lt. Southey, 2 pts.; A. B. Johnson 2 pts.; 1 pt. each for P/S/Lts. Garnett, Mahoney, Fergusson, Schlenn, Hooper, Russell and Donaldson; O/Stwds. Bellefontaine and Johnstone; Cook Sutton; L/Sea. Mayers and Morrell, A. B. Rutley and O/Sea. Millman, Gagnon and Murphy.

### Over The Stern Rail

It may be just so much gash but the story still persists about the new entry who mistook a ventilator cowl for a garbage chute.....yes, it did lead right back to his own mess.

Advice to the Quartermaster: It is not necessary to put your head in the Captain's cabin and pipe, "Stand easy, Sir."

It is believed never to have happened before.....and perhaps never again....."commando troops" rescued by six Surgeon Lieutenants who formed their own boat's crew to take off 'injured' commando raiders. They did get their feet wet..... and an able seaman did have to tie a bow-line in a bight for them in order to get their 'casualties' aboard.

accepted and placed in the Royal Library.

In 1939 Lieutenant Zealley offered his services to organize a band for the Royal Canadian

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## "KAMLOOPS" VISIT TO CHARLOTTETOWN ENJOYABLE EVENT

**Crew Of Canadian Warship Guests Of R. A. F. Station Welcomed By Navy Division**

This is the story of a short visit made to Charlottetown by the crew of H.M.C.S. "Kamloops," as guests of the R.A.F. The visit lasted for two days and for most of the crew the time passed all too quickly.

As the "Kamloops" neared the port she was greeted by a formation of Royal Air Force escort bombers. Seeing these great birds winging their way through the red glow of the sunset, the hearts of most of the members of the crew were fired by the thought that they too, would soon be up there, looking down.

The pipe, "hands to stations for entering harbour," brought everyone on deck. For many, it was to get their first glimpse of Charlottetown, while for others, the boys who took their training there, it was an opportunity to revisit their old haunts, look up old friends and spin a few salty dips to the local lads and lasses.

### Warm Welcome

"Kamloops" was greeted by the officers and men of the "Queen Charlotte," R.C.N.V.R. Division. After the usual questions, "What are the women like?—'is there a dance on?—'how are matelots liked here?" the ship's company proceeded ashore for a splendid week-end.

The first evening was spent looking over the city, lining up dates, visiting dance halls and 'inspecting' the divisional headquarters. With regard to the latter, all were impressed by the shipshape appearance and exceptional training facilities of the ship.

On Saturday afternoon the Sea Cadets, smart and neat in appearance, were guests of the ship's company. The lads lost no time in familiarizing themselves with the routine of the ship and ably assisted the duty watch on board. They were most anxious to climb the rigging, the crow's nest their main objective.

### Fliers Guests

Men of the R.A.F. and R.C.A. F. were also guests aboard ship and, while the duty watch took them around the vessel, the remainder of the crew were having the time of their lives flying high in the skies.

Playing soccer with the crew of another ship in port, the "Kamloops" took the starved end of a 6-2 score, but the game was thoroughly enjoyed. Most of the stars were suffering from sore muscles the following day.

The only mishap of the entire week-end happened to "Stow-away," the ship's dog, and the pet of all on board. "Stow-away" had been accustomed to going ashore by running up the steps and across the gangway, which rested on the bulwarks. This time, however, the gangway was not there and the mascot, in trying to go ashore in the usual manner, fell in the 'drink.' The dog was fished out by the members of the crew, none the worse for the experience.

The visit ended, grateful thanks was expressed to all those who had been responsible for contributing to a most enjoyable visit, soon the ship was on its way with everyone hoping that the day was not far off when another trip could be made to the capital of the Garden Province.



## Cataraqui Catastrophe Averted By Ring Maestro

Trunks Gain "Knockout" Start Sliding Floorward --Kingston Active In Sport

By Arnold Brown, O/Sea.

H.M.C.S. "CATARAQUI" at Kingston started off what appears to be an interesting winter sports programme on Tuesday, October 6 with a highly successful boxing wrestling show. Held in what is to be the new barracks, it was attended by several hundred enthusiastic, fight fans, who by their rousing actions, indicated they want more such sports shows. All the fights went to a decision with the exception of one. The referee stopped the bout between "Big Bill" Bosworth and "Chubby" Russ Burns when it appeared as if Burns, as well as losing his equilibrium, was about to lose his trunks.

More programmes of this type are being arranged and plans have already been laid for future matches between the Navy, Army and Air Force. A Naval basketball team has been formed and a hockey sextet will play in the City League. Although lack of manpower prevents us from having a rugby team of our own, several Navy men are playing for the R.C.O.C. in the Military District No. 3 Rugby League.

### Cup Donated

As well as inter-service activities, inter-divisional rivalry has been built up by the donation of a cup by a local restaurant owner. The first inscription on the trophy will indicate that King George V Division downed the Hood's nine in a sudden death baseball game by a score of 15 to 9. Maybe the supernumeraries will get a chance for revenge, for it appears that the extra-curricular activities of the boys, under the direction of P. O. White, are being well looked after this coming winter.

## CORVETTE

By J. H. Wilson, A.B., R.N.V.R. Johannesburg, South Africa.

She's Father Neptune's god-child, The Navy's own Cadet, A friend and guide to the rusty tramp, The Ocean's child—Corvette.

Born to a world of strife and pain, God's gift to a sailor's prayer, Spawmed on the banks of Clyde and Tyne, Or Canada's coasts so fair.

Plunging, rising—twist and roll, O'er the Atlantic's breast, Youth and joy in her impish soul, As she kisses the snowy crests.

Down the heaving convoy lines, Out where the wolf packs hide, Turn and dart, then back again, Scolding her charge and pride.

Zig-zag on the rolling foam, Searching the depths below, Listening with her magic ear, To find, attack, destroy the foe.

God speed you, all you stout corvettes, You gnomes of fight and fun, You're the faith and hope of the merchantman On the Western Ocean run.

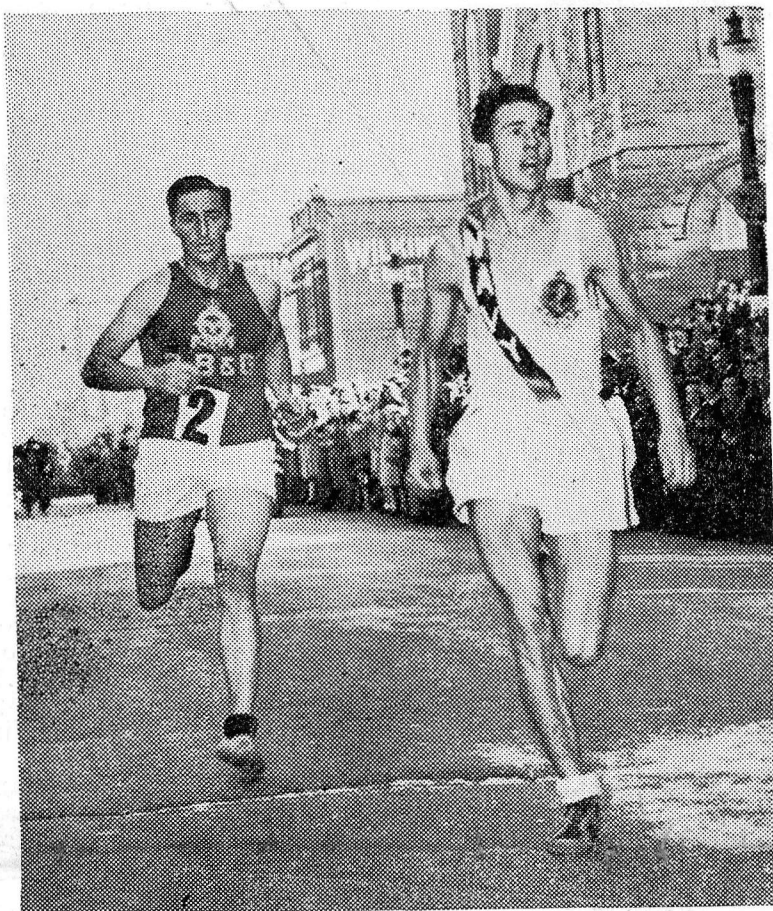
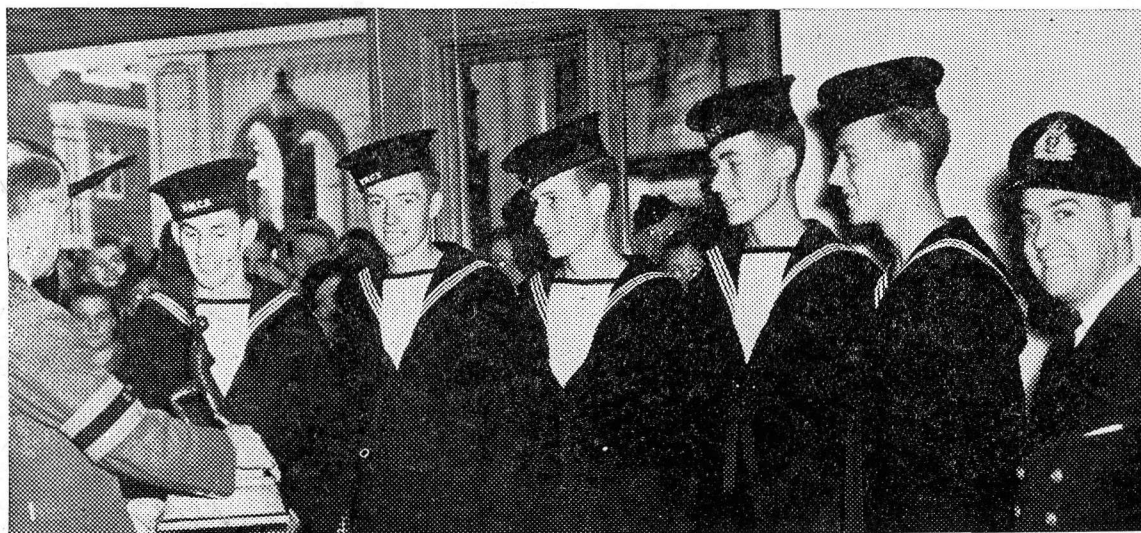
"One inside, one on top," shouted the bus conductor.

"You wouldn't separate a mother and her daughter, would you?" asked a very determined lady, about to get on.

"Not likely, missus," said the conductor. "I did once, but never again," and he hastily rang the bell.

Nurse—I think he's regaining consciousness, doctor; he tried to blow the foam off his medicine."

## NAVY RUNNERS CAPTURE COVETED CALGARY CUP



### Presentations Made

Top Picture: Members of the successful Navy marathon team of H.M.C.S. Tecumseh receive the Inter-Services team awards from Col. D. G. L. Cunningham, M.C., V.D., after winning the 36th annual Calgary Herald road race. From left to right; Sto. Bob Rosser, and Ordinary Seamen Bruce, Gordon and Laurie Tarves and Don Hanson together with Lieut H. C. McGowan.

### Great Finish

Lower Picture: In the greatest finish in the 36-year history of the Calgary Herald road race, Bob Rosser closes with a magnificent sprint to beat Sgt. Baptiste Kerleroux of the R.C.A.F. by a yard in the 6.147 mile grind. Kerleroux was trying for his third successive victory.

(Photos by J.L. Rossettis, Calgary Herald.)

## Calgary Division Marathoner Lifts Laurels From Air Force Star In All-Out Finish Sprint

Most Dramatic Ending Ever Witnessed In History Of 36-Year-Old Annual Race—Winner Praised For Doggedness And Driving Power—"Tecumseh" Team Make Fine Showing—Wins Coveted Trophy For Division

All Calgary sang the praises of a gallant group of marathon runners from H. M. C. S. "Tecumseh," Thanksgiving day. Inspired with a will to win never equalled in the 36 years that the Calgary Herald road race has been run, Stoker Bob Rosser, 19, led a field of 84 runners home while the Navy team of Rosser and O/Seamen Don Hanson, Bruce Tarves, Laurie Tarves and Gordon Tarves, captured the prized Service award from eight Air Force and Army teams.

### Won By Yard

A half mile from the finish line in the six mile race Rosser trailed favored Sgt. Baptiste Kerleroux of the R.C.A.F. by 50 yards. Kerleroux looked back two city blocks from home and believed he had Rosser beaten. It was a fatal mistake. With a brilliant sprint the Naval man closed the distance, caught Kerleroux a few yards from the tape and won by a yard.

Rosser covered the 6.147 miles in 34 minutes 33 2/5 seconds.

While Rosser gained major acclaim for his triumph, other members of the Navy team finished well placed in the field of 84. Hanson garnered fourth place, Bruce Tarves was fifth, Laurie Tarves twenty-first and

Gordon Tarves thirty-third.

While the first four runners in any Navy, Army or Air Force team were eligible for the team prize most of the nine teams had more than the required number of runners. The first four to finish for H.M.C.S. Tecumseh were well ahead of the Army team from the Camrose, Alberta training centre which captured second place.

Prizes to winners in the race were presented by Col. D. G. L. Cunningham, M.C., V.D.

### Splendid Illustration

"I have never seen a better demonstration of the need to go all out until you have crossed the finish line," he said in presenting The Herald trophy to Stoker Rosser. "I do not want to be unkind to the man who was beaten and I certainly don't want to detract from the splendid finish of the winner, but the finish of today's race was a signal example of the necessity of driving straight ahead to cross the finish line. A race is never over until then. We won't win until we've crossed the finish line; God help the Hun when we do."

Sgt. Kerleroux, who finished second, was trying for his third successive win. Of Rosser he said, "He's sure game."

## Knots To You

By LOG-LINE

The sympathy of this column is extended to The Crow's Nest editor as a result of a series of incidents which occurred last month.

After having written a feature story of the "Assiniboine" action, which, of course, had to be submitted for censorship, thereby delaying publication for some time, he was obliged to let the paper go without the story. One day too late—the release of the story arrived!

This delay was doubtless the cause of the biting buzz (begun by some fifth columnist, no doubt) that "The Crow's Nest was overdue and presumed lost."

The (most?) unkindest cut of all was dished out by a radio columnist spreading cheer from an Eastern Canadian Port, who referred to the Navy newspaper as "The Bird's Nest!" Fowl mistake, wot?

That wasn't all the grief the poor fellow had to bear, however. For instance, there was the rating who asked him, "Why don't you have any editorials in the paper?" Sorry, can't tell you the reply—censorship, y'know.

But the pay-off came when the rightful owners of a certain typewriter finally located it and spirited it out of the editorial sanctum! That was no one-gun salute you heard, mates. That was the editor blowing up.

It is understood there is a movement afoot to have Mr. Gibson, the Bos'n, build a Wailing Wall in some obscure corner, to which Ye Ed. can repair in time of trouble, there to bewail his sad fate and, mayhap, return refreshed to take up his burden anew.

### Now Where Could That Be?

There once was a Chief of Police Whose calaboose had few 'jailers', "Why should we jug the thieves?" he said, "They have to earn their daily bread, —And besides, they just rob sailors."

Go right ahead and sing your own praises; but don't expect anyone to ask for an encore.

**Quoth The Quarterdeck** Padre: After all, he's only a boy, and boys will sow their wild oats.

X.O.: Yes, but I wouldn't mind if he didn't mix in so much rye.

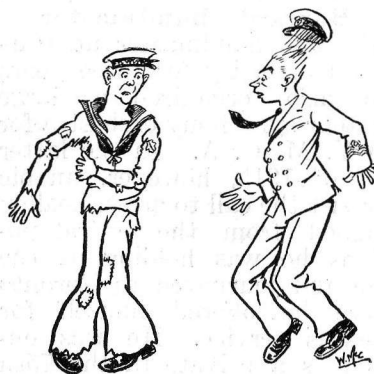
**Sally Ann Who Else?** Matelot (over the phone to the Salvation Army): Do you save bad girls? S. Army: "Yes, certainly." Matelot: Well, save me two for Saturday night.

### Sh'fact

Judge: What brought you here young man? E. A.: Two policemen brought me, sir. Judge: Drunk, I suppose? E. A.: Yes, sir, both of them.

Officer (to couple in parked car)—Don't you see that sign, "Fine for parking?" Driver—Yes, officer, I see it and heartily agree with it.

### FINGER-NAIL SKETCH



There was a young O.D. named Batches Whose clothes were all torn and in patches When picked up by a "Loot." On the state of his suit, He said, "When I itches, I scratches."



## 'Prevost' Ratings Game Group Boosting Navy's Name Inland

The new whaler received at H.M.C.S. "Prevost," R.C.N.V.R. division at London, Ontario, had been receiving plenty of use. When it first arrived it was kept going steadily along the Thames River but the rowing was being done just in the form of regular workouts. The pulling is now a different matter. There is grim determination on the faces of the matelots as they heave on the oars. The whole thing arose from the fact that the whaler crew sent to row against H.M.C.S. "Star" at Hamilton, came second in the race. That isn't a bad position ordinarily, but this time there were only two crews in the race. The Londoners are determined to wipe out the defeat ere the snow flies and thus are dipping into the old Thames every day in preparation for the revenge meeting.

### Give Athletic Display

Not long ago the ship's company of "Prevost" put on a big athletic display at the grounds of the University of Western Ontario and showed the large crowd of spectators that the lads of the Navy are anything but pansies when it comes to physical fitness. A feature of the display was a huge anchor formed by 100 men of the ship.

Last month the "Prevost" joined with the Army in taking part in a large drumhead service. Another event of the month was the divine service held for the public of the city in the London Technical School. A male choir, composed of Naval men, was one of the features of the service, which was broadcast.

### Fine Bugle Band

Speaking of music, it is also noteworthy that this division now has a bugle band of 30 men under Bandmaster Bradley. We feel we can now make the boast that these 30 men can all hit the same note at the same time. The band was a badly needed department.

"Prevost" was invited to hold a "Question and Answer" program over radio station C.F.P.L., London, on a National Bandwagon Hour. S/Lt. McMillan and C. P. O. Montague made their debut and will probably be given auditions by the C.B.S. in the near future—they hope.

Just a little note of warning to youse guys what are coming home to London to spin some salty dips about the war world. A campaign is on to keep hats

on straight and see that other items of uniform are properly worn by all Naval ratings in London, whether members of "Prevost's" ship's Company or just home on leave. Up around the Forest City the folks are proud of their sailors and so, the Shore Patrols of the three services are co-operating on the matter.

## NEW Y.M.C.A. ORGANIZER TO AID RECREATION WORK

A familiar figure around "Cornwallis" these days is Albert Benson, Y.M.C.A. organizer, who is here co-operating with the Navy in giving entertainment and organizing games for the ratings.

"Ben," as he is known by his acquaintances, has had considerable experience in indoor sports organization work, and his friendly co-operation in these departments is being gratefully accepted by the able Sports staff which has such a big job on its hands looking after the physical training of the ratings in the barracks.

Besides interesting himself in the various sports activities of the Ship, he is engaged almost daily in looking after stationery and reading requirements of the two clubs in "Cornwallis" and has become well known to the ratings who frequent these popular retreats.

## SENTRIES AND Q.M.'S FACE MANY HARDSHIPS

The hearts of all should be touched by this story of those poor unfortunates, the gate sentries and the quartermasters. It is a sad case of unrecognized heroism. Each day you hear the poor guys say, "Gosh, nobody ever thinks to say anything nice about us."

The gate sentries say, "Everybody just comes up and tells us what a 'jammy' job we've got. They never stop to think about how we stand out there on the cold nights and get our faces frozen off."

The quartermaster says, "Yeah and we have to stay here all day and all night and blow our brains out on a tin whistle. How would you guys like that?"

They're right, fellows. Just remember, the gate sentry didn't always have his face frozen off, and the quartermaster didn't always have his brains blown out. Why, they used to be just like you and me.

## PUT 'ER THERE, MY SON!



The Crow's Nest's most ambitious salesman aboard H.M.C.S. "Star" at Hamilton, Ontario, is shown here talking to Leading Seaman Lane, one of the new instructors. He is Elburne Baikie, who presented himself at the Barracks one day, expressing the desire to go 'active.' He has been adopted as the ship's mascot and is at present doing a great job selling The Crow's Nest to the boys.

## H.M.C.S. 'Star' Whaler Crew Defeats Visiting Ships' Teams

While all activity aboard the good ship "Star," the Divisional headquarters at Hamilton, Ontario, is entered into with enthusiasm, boat-pulling has topped everything in the sports line in the past few weeks. The Hamilton sailors have set up an enviable record for themselves in this particular sport and are now resting on their oars awaiting more challenges, having successfully disposed of crews from H.M.C.S. "York," at Toronto and H.M.C.S. "Prevost" at London. As a result of their wins they are the proud holders of a new cup, kindly donated by Lieut. Cdr. J. R. Hunter, R.C.N.V.R., Commanding Officer of "Prevost."

The Toronto crew, morosely licking its wounds, after having been beaten by "Star" at the St. Catharines Henley Regatta, was desirous of a return race. The result was a more decisive victory for "Star" over the Queen City lads.

"Prevost" then bravely took up the challenge and met the

Hamilton crew. This match resulted in the placing of the cup in "Star's" trophy cabinet.

The champion crew members are: L/Sea. Lowe, Sager and Bayley, A. B. Campbell and P.O. Mohrhardt, with P. O. Skelton and C.P.O. Carey acting as coxswains.

### Swimming Team Wins

Early in October "Star" demonstrated its versatility in aquatic sports when a team from the ship handed out defeat to teams from the Royal Air Force and the Royal Canadian Air Force. The young sailors of "Star" receive valuable experience aboard the training vessel "Pathfinder" and, although they come from fresh-water country they have a bit of salt on their tallies before they reach the coasts.

The Hamilton division is particularly proud of its brass band which has reached considerable proportions and is doing splendid work at the headquarters as well as providing entertainment in spare hours.

## The Dog-Watches

By "SIRIUS"

### Victory Values

Patriotism is not enough. Your food must be healthy, the vitamins rough. (So pay attention, then do your stuff) Advertised products by the score Are telling us how we should win the war. Picture a captain, a leader of men Who hasn't a brand new fountain pen. The nation will come to some pretty passes If we don't invest in new fit-rite glasses. Another agrees we'll certainly lose If we don't buy their special brand of shoes. "And you, madame, have a sacred duty To keep your health and improve your beauty; Picture the blow to a sailor's morale The wrong lipstick on his favorite gal!"

If you keep teeth bright, despite death and taxes, With pepsodene, you can bite the Axis. And expensive scents, however exotic Are touted as urgent and patriotic. Even in wartime what is more shocking Than girdles that slip or a laddered stocking? Drink Sanka-Wanka to steady the nerves (And remember the waiter—he also serves).

Hartt Schaffner and Marx are patriots now, sirs They've taken the cuffs off the Fall Line trousers! And the favorite drink of the service guy Is Popsi-Coca—in a pig's eye. So the booster boosts and the dealer hollers To win the war without losing dollars To rout old Hitler and make the grade Without sacrificing a stitch of trade (Might as well tie a tail to a comet Or persuade the mountain to visit Mahomet If I were Mahomet—I'd vomit!)

The above lines are probably bad-tempered but they are one customer's reaction to what he considers nauseous attempts of certain people to treat the war as a gigantic sales campaign and give a super-patriotic pat on the back as a little bonus with each purchase. Can't we be honest?

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The story is probably a phoney as most such stories are, but the whisper is that a certain gunner's mate, not renowned for gentleness, has a dear old mother who out of the goodness of her heart recently collected a pile of books around the house and sent them off to the Reading Service for the troops.

Some of the troops had had a rough day with the same g.m. when one of them came across a book and let out a whoop of joy. On the fly-leaf was written "to Willie.....the best boy in class. Bethany Sunday School 1922."

But that was not the pay-off. Folded in a sheet of paper in the middle of the book and tenderly noted, "Willie.....aged seven years," was a lock of long, curly golden hair.

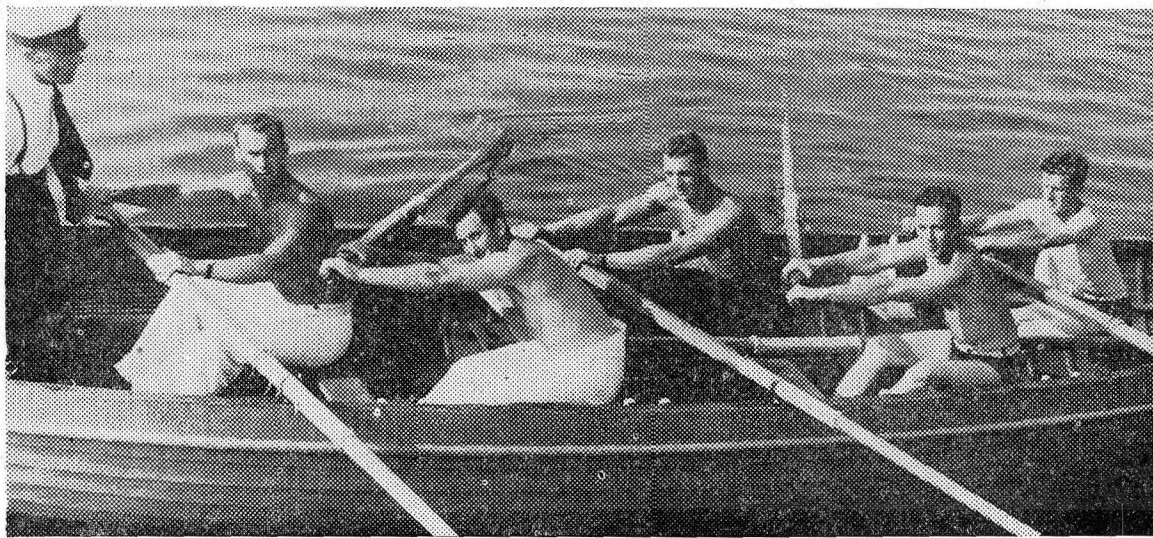
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The old city of Halifax has  
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## Hamilton Division Chief Has Three Sons In Navy

H.M.C.S. "Star," divisional headquarters at Hamilton, Ontario, is proud of its Chief Instructor, Chief Petty Officer Walter Carey. The Chief, in addition to offering his own services to Canada's young Navy, has three sons who are also members of the R. C. N. They are: L/Tel. Harold Carey, A.B. Kenneth Carey, and A. B. Roy Carey. All are serving in ships of the Canadian Navy. Chief Carey was instructing at H.M.C.S. "York," at Toronto, before joining "Star." He is exceptionally popular and has a grand faculty for imparting knowledge of the Service to those to whom he is giving instruction.

## WE'RE READY, WHO'LL BE THE NEXT VICTIM?



Victors over both "York" and "Prevost" whaler crews, this crew of Hamilton sailors is looking for new fields of competition. The husky lads were challenged by both ships and lost no time in proving their superiority. Pictured here are: C.P.O. Carey, P.O. Mohrhardt, L/Seamen Lowe and Sager and P.O. Abbott.



## Surgeon Scorns "Soft" Ratings Who Can't "Take" Training

By Surg.-Lieut. J. L. Johnston, R.C.N.V.R.

The physical stamina of a fighting unit is as important in the striking power of that unit as are the weapons with which the men are supplied.

After three years of war our fighting forces have demonstrated that they can 'take it,' that they are a unit with a large reserve of physical stamina. To those who are new men in the service it is pointed out that those who have gone before you, were for the large part civilians who had to face the identical problems with which you now find yourselves confronted. They too, had to re-educate their bodies to cope with the difficult physical task at hand.

You, the ratings of H. M. C. S. "Cornwallis," were members of Canada's civilian population, but owing to a chain of circumstances, familiar only to each individual, you have arrived here. You came here to be prepared in body and mind for a definite task in the fighting force in which each of you, voluntarily, chose to serve.

### Can You Take It?

Now, take a look at yourself. How do you measure up to the rating who "went before you?" Equally well, in all probability. How are your lungs, digestion, heart and feet? Let us examine those feet for test purposes. Can you walk five miles without getting lame, or can you do a day on the parade ground without falling out? Can you get through a strenuous day's training without reporting ill to Sick Bay or sulking and being found adrift from P.T. the next morning because some muscles are shouting objections at the time the Bos'n's mate pipes "Show a leg?"

The answer to all of these questions is that, for the years ahead, each of you will have to cultivate the physical toughness, as well as the mental and spiritual stature of your forefathers. The task we have to face to bring this war to a successful end for the United Nations is equally difficult and will require of each of us our 'all out' effort—and that includes your muscles!

### Don't Want Coddling

If we could all be 'climate-chasers,' hurrying to the tropics in the Fall and remaining there until Spring; if we could so regulate our lives that we never need endure rapid climatic conditions, that is, keep ourselves in 'swansdown,' it would not be so urgent to toughen up. But, who of you would want to be so coddled that you were helpless and miserable unless every wind was tempered for you. Not one I venture to say.

During your training period in H.M.C.S. "Cornwallis," an attempt is made to condition you, individually, for the tasks you will face ashore and afloat. It is up to you to co-operate, to forget about using Sick Bays as a place to which you can retire when your muscles are tired and sore. Face the job before you. You are reminded again, you volunteered to serve in the Royal Canadian Navy.

### Report Real Sickness

It is not intended that any ratings should gather a wrong impression by the foregoing remarks. Be well advised, and don't hesitate to fall in on Sick Parade if you feel generally that all is not as it should be with your system. If you feel a cold coming on, or if you have injured yourself, report to Sick Bay before you are extremely ill with a serious infection. Thus you will save yourself many days' treatment and will also save an equal number of days in which you and do a job for the Services.

## "JEEPS" SMOTHER CHEEPS GET BIRD FROM CWAC'S

The enthusiasm of the Early Morning P. T. ratings seemed a bit unwarranted for several mornings. The P.T.I.'s knew it just couldn't be for their particular benefit. One morning the curtain of mystery lifted. It seems that their early morning jaunt took them past one of the Canadian Women's Army Corps' Barracks. On this par-

## Over One Hundred Entries In Big Billiard Tournament

By F. Connolly

Well, friends, we're here again with more sporting news, but this month's news is of a different subject. At the beginning of the month we had some notices posted around the different blocks, for a snooker tournament that was to take place at the "D & E" Club. With close to 100 candidates in the contest, the eliminations lasted three weeks and by the final night of the tournament the tension was very high. The last three players left in the contest were: P. Heady Sto. 11—J. J. McDonald Sto. 11 and I. Napp, P/S. B.A.—The first series of games was played by Heady and McDonald. McDonald won a 2 to 1 victory over Heady and then played off with Napp for the championship. However after winning over his first opponent, McDonald did not seem to play as well against the second one and Napp scored a 3 to 1 victory over him.

The prizes for the contest were presented by Lt. Cmdr. Medland and he seemed very pleased to see that the boys were enjoying themselves. Good clean sportsmanship was shown all the way through the competition, and the boys are looking forward to the next tournament which will be held in the very near future.

"Captain, is this a good ship?"

Why, madam, this is her maiden voyage."

ticular morning as the New Entries jogged along one bright lad started a chant which a few moments later sank into extinction. The chant went something like this, "Cwac! Cwac! Cwac!" In a few moments a number of tousled feminine heads, with dreary eye-lids, partly closed, appeared at the open windows. For a few seconds silence reigned. Then a re-echoing chant sounded from the haven of the fair ones. It sounded like this, "Jeep! Jeep! Jeep!"

Quite taken aback by this hasty response to their serenade, the New Entries quickened their pace and doubled off into the dawn. The rosy complexions weren't completely caused by the running.

## Newest Branch A/S School Holds Banquet For Graduates

Lieutenant-Commander M. H. Ellis, R. C. N. Speaks On Development And Advancement Of Important Branch Of Naval Work—Guests Are Entertained By Pianists And Vocalists

By P. O. Lenn Speight, S. D. I.

Perhaps you will remember our mention of the newest leg of the A/S department, the A/S's (anti-S/M Artificers). This branch of the department is filled with able, young electricians from all parts of the Dominion. Their initial knowledge, coupled with the teaching of the staff of the A/S school, renders them a very valuable asset in maintaining the fighting efficiency of the 'Ping' department.

The second class to graduate from the A/S school qualified with flying colors. To celebrate the parting of the ways in a spirit of good fellowship they held a banquet at the Lord Nelson Hotel in Halifax.

### Well Organized

The manner in which the evening was planned and carried out was a credit to the organizing power of the committee in charge. S. C. Murken was chairman of the committee and Alex Cooke, the vice-chairman.

The "Get-together" started at 7 o'clock and after pictures had been taken of the guests of honour and the class members, through the kind cooperation of the Naval Photographic department, the dining room was occupied. Some of the lads had gone without food for so long waiting for the occasion that they had to be assisted to the festive board.

A hearty rendition of "O Canada" and a toast to the King opened the appetizing banquet—a turkey dinner (who cares if beef is scarce.) When the gnashing of teeth and the clattering of cutlery had finally subsided the chairman called on L. Armstrong to announce the results of the recent examinations taken by the class. The speaker's popularity among his problem children was very evident from the enthusiasm displayed. He impressed upon them the importance of their work in the war urged that they turn in nothing but their best effort, no matter how dull or 'routine'

a particular job might be.

### Tells of Development

The guest speaker, Lt.-Cdr. M. H. Ellis, R.C.N., gave a most informative address on the development of the A/S branch, the needs of the department and the measures for meeting these needs. The deep sincerity of the speaker impressed the entire gathering. He stressed the fact that each person's share is vitally important in the titanic struggle now being waged. The sense of accomplishment is of prime importance to the men doing the job. The man who does his absolute best will enjoy that satisfying feeling.

The speaker closed his address with a word of congratulations to the men who had made so fine a showing.

### Well Entertained

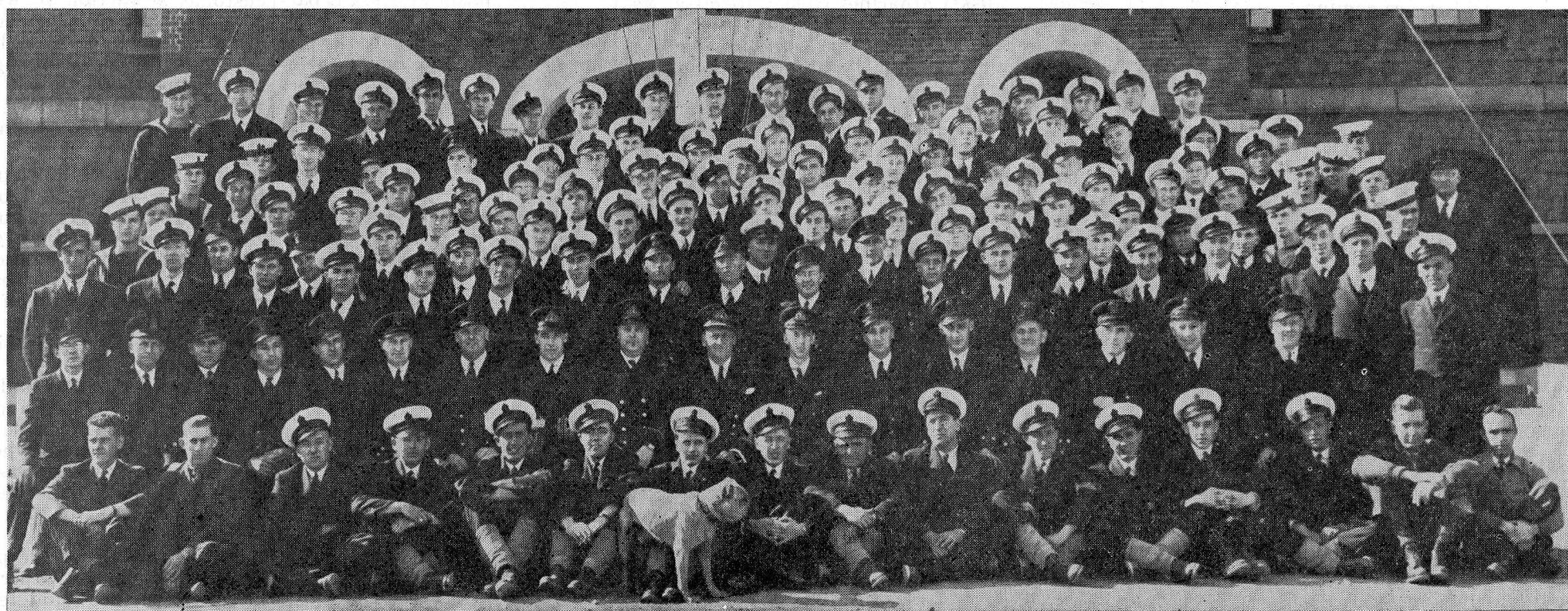
The lads then retired to the lounge where some real vocal talent was demonstrated. With the aid of Chief E. A. Cotrello, an accomplished pianist, some of the dark horses of the musical world were soon discovered. Floyd Lees of Edmonton, did a fine bit of entertaining with his songs and stories.

Ending of the congenial evening came too soon, but it was agreed by all that there is no reason why more such evenings should not be indulged in.

The following were the members of the graduating class: L. E. McMullen, Winnipeg; L. M. McIntosh, Toronto; A. Crawford, Montreal; F. V. Lees, Edmonton; N. R. MacDonald, Sydney, N. S.; R. M. Galbraith, Montreal; A. Cooke, Sydney; T. B. Howden, Edmonton; E. W. Kendall, Montreal; T. W. Walker, Victoria; R. E. Haire, Winnipeg; C. E. Ware, Montreal; R. L. Page, Montreal; A. P. Greatrex, Vancouver; S. C. Murkin, Vancouver.

Among the guests of honor were: Lt. Horne, S/Lt. Burden; W. O. Cheeseman, P.O. Speight, Ch. E. A. Laurie, E. A. Sich, E. A. Umbach.

"GIVE US THE GUNS AND WE'LL KEEP THEM IN WORKING ORDER"—CRY OF 'GUN-BUSTERS'



These are some of the men who keep the guns in working condition for Canada's warships. The Ordnance Artificers branch has grown from one of the smallest departments in the Royal Canadian Navy to one of some considerable size. The department is headed by Mr. W. H. Mayne, Warrant Ordnance Officer who has had long service with the Navy and is rightfully proud of the fine staff in this important branch of the work which he has pioneered. Included in the picture are Lt.-Cdr. M. A. Medland, Executive Officer, H.M.C.S. "Cornwallis" and Senior Gunnery Officer Atlantic Coast to whom the Ordnance Department is responsible, Cdr. H. McMaster, until recently Commanding Officer, H.M.C.S. "Cornwallis," and Lt. R. I. Hendy, Gunnery Officer Barracks, head of H.M.C. Gunnery School, of which the Ordnance branch is a part.



# HEROISM GALORE IN ASSINIBOINE'S BATTLE

## Officers And Ratings Merit Much Praise For Remarkable Conduct During Action

### Modest Crew Members Make Reporter's Job Tough When Trying To Get Story — All Have Highest Praise For Cool-headed Captain Bravery Of Dead Chum Emphasized By Sailors

By J. M. R.

Of the many new things this war has developed, one of the most noticeable to us has been "Editorial Dentistry." A bit screwy, says you, but, me hearty, there's no other tally we can splice onto it so there you have it.

Our first real experience with "editorial dentistry" happened when we "made rounds" on the destroyer 'Assiniboine' recently. We went from one member of the crew to another asking what they had done and where they had been at the time of the big show. The answer was always the same, "Aw, me, I was around there somewheres, but I'll tell you the bloke you oughta see—Mike so-and-so—now he really was in it and no kiddin'." We look up Mike. He says, "Yeah, I was in it but I'll tell you, you oughta see....." and so it went, just like pulling teeth.

O. K., we scratch off that sheet and chart a new course. We start asking each guy to tell the story of what somebody else did. Now we're getting some place.

"Did you hear about "Slim" Daley, the P.O. Cook?" "No?" "Well Slim, he's from New Brunswick and he used to be a pro ball player, he was on supply party for "A" and "B" guns. He got a piece of shrapnel in the face that cut his cheek open and knocked out a flock of teeth. He tried to smoke a cigarette after he'd got it but he couldn't draw 'cause the air just went in the hole in his cheek. Anyway, he gets down to the sick bay and gets fixed up temporarily and first thing we know he's back to the supply party, even though he can hardly stand up."



P. O. Daley

"Then there was Bill Leggett, the Leading Seaman who was on the Rangefinder. Bill is from Alberta. He got hit in both the feet and the wrists. Ken Morris of Windsor, Ontario, who was at "A" gun got nasty wounds in the head, arm and leg. Those two guys did a real job, too."



L/S. Leggett

"You saw where they kept "A" gun going with only three men left to man it? Yeah, Fritzie wounded four of the guys at that gun and there was just Percy Smith, a killick from Regina, Sask., who was captain of the gun, M. Young of Montreal, the sight-setter and Jack Clarke, of Radville, Sask., an L.R. 3. Those boys kept that old gun going throughout the show."

"I guess one of the big jobs that most people don't hear much about was done right down in that old stoke-hold. The guys that work in hell's kitchen during an action have things pretty tough. They don't know half the time even what they're fighting, but they keep right on slamming on the steam. Those blokes have to work extra hard at a time like that and they never know when one's going to come their way. It's just heave and pray with them."

"When the fire broke out on the upper deck, though, some of them got a view of things. They formed a fire party with the seamen and went right in on the flames. What with lead and steel and general corruption flyin' all around them and those flames makin' the stoke-hold feel like an ice-box in comparison, they had their hands full but they got the blaze out."



Ken Morris

"You should have seen Donald Portree, the E.R.A. Boy, he was right in there in the hottest spot and a couple of times he nearly got it, both from lead and from fire. The Gunner, Mr. Wilkinson, there's a swell guy, he was great stuff, especially during that fire. He stood up there in the open and directed the firing of the guns and at the same time helped the fire party to get the blaze out after it had started when a shell tore through the bulkhead of the Sick Bay. He got cut up quite a bit during the fight."

"But say, the big thing about the whole story is the Skipper. Don't forget him! He's Lieutenant Commander Stubbs, a straight-striper, y'know? I think he's from Victoria, B. C. I guess everybody in the crew will put in a good word for him. They oughta make a movie o' that man in action. That's a fact. If ever I've seen a man cool and collected he was it. The sub's fire was concentrated on the bridge for a long time and yet he stood there while glass shattered around him and lead and flak hailed into the room. You'd think there was nothing happening the way he gave his orders, except that he had to duck every few minutes, then pop up and take another look at the sub, then duck out of sight again. Why, not so long before the scrap he went up in the crow's nest to give the lookout Bill Hefferman, of Almonte, Ont., a hand and stayed up there for an hour. Bill got clipped later. The old man was definitely a real inspiration to every man on board and I know I'd sail anywhere with him. I don't

think we'd be here today if it hadn't been for him."

"The lads who manned our point five machine guns saved us a lot of trouble, too, let me tell you, chum. Take Earl Costello, of Montreal. He's the leading hand who was in charge of the Port Point Fives. He saw five of the Nazis jump down from the conning tower toward the four inch gun on the sub. Earl trained on them and five Nazis crumpled up on the deck. If they had ever got that gun going it might have meant a lot of grief for us. Earl is an A.A.3 who took his gunnery course at Devonport. He was in Saguenay when she took a tin fish back in December of 1940. Then there were "Scotty" Cameron of Melville, Sask., and Able Seaman Kehoe. They were on the Starboard Point Fives and every time they or Costello came around to where they could get a bead on the sub they picked off any heads that showed. This kid Costello was sorta the Private York of the R. C.N., the way he knocked that gun's crew off."



L/S Costello

"It was funny when the Fritzie's finally came aboard our ship. Some of them were taken to the upper deck to one of the cabins and were told they would be kept there. It happened that the cabin was next the sick bay and had been almost cleaned by the fire. One of the Germans said it ought to be cleaned up for them. A kid standing near says, "You clean it up, you made the mess." We sorta told them they were being treated a lot better than we would have been treated if we had been the prisoners."

"Why, Stan. Gallant of Prince Edward Island, who was on one of the starboard point fives was winged and when the prisoners came aboard this bloke steps up to Gallant and tells him he was the one who had hit him—he said he saw him at the gun. Gallant could have counted a few hits he made, too, had he wanted to. The kid stuck by his gun after they got his 'drinkin' arm' and kept right on driving them in."

"Oh gosh, there's one good story we forgot to mention. That's the one about the guys who got "Y" gun going and put a hole through the bow of the sub, just at the tail end of the battle. These guys had just let the depth charge go when Mike Scullion, he's an A.B., sees the sub drifting on



S. Gallant



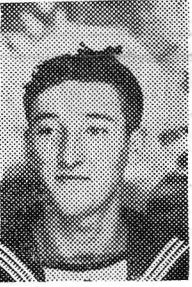
A. B. Scullion

our port quater. He gives a yell to some guys near him and in a minute they had "Y" gun blazing away. There were Scullion, as gunlayer, Roger Whynot, former Maritime boxing champion, and Jack Thompson, both loading the gun, George Prince, A.B., as trainer and Hector McIntosh, A.B. as captain of the gun. The funny part of it was that Whynot is a Leading Supply Assistant and that guy had never so much as loaded a practice round into a gun in his life. It just shows what can be done though, they smacked one clear into her bow."

L/S.A. Whynot

"Gee, we could go on and on like this with good stories. There's all those guys about whom you saw the stories in the daily papers. Take for instance, Howard Oliver, the killick Q.R.I. from Vancouver. Now there's a guy who was hit five times but he stayed right on the job giving orders to his gunners. There's Norm. L. kkie from London, Ontario, an S.B.A. Norm. and Surgeon-Lieutenant A. L. Johnson worked for 48 hours fixing up the guys that got nicked. Norm. rushed back into the Sick Bay after it was on fire and brought out a flock o' gear that the saw-bones needed for his work. Then they moved Sick Bay to the mess decks and worked there and that was a hot spot, too."

"Those two stokers over there Harold Thorndyke, of Calgary and "Rudy" Johnston, of Sudbury, they can tell you about the mess decks. Thorndyke went in and a few shots came whizzing through the bulkhead. He got down behind the potatoes supplies to wait until the gunner was trained on some other spot. The next thing he knows a slug goes right through the whole pile of potatoe bags and zings into the bulkhead back of him. He doesn't know what happened to the next slug—he wasn't there. When they moved the Sick Bay he and a bunch of the lads got hammocks and piled them along the bulkhead to act as splinter mats. In the meantime Rudy's been up on deck fighting the fire"



Jack Thompson

"Another good guy was Max Bernays of Halifax, the coxswain. You'd think we were going on a summer cruise the way that lad acted in the wheelhouse. He just stood there and carried out the orders he received from the Skipper and never let a thing bother him. The big feature in getting the sub was that it was a battle between the two captains to manoeuvre each other and the coxswain's skill in handling the ship made it possible for Assiniboine to get into position."

Like we said before, there's dozens of stories that could be told and everybody could be mentioned for some thing or other but it's pretty hard to get around to them all."

Why are Russian wolfhounds the fastest in the world? I dunno. Because it's so far between trees in Siberia.

"There is one guy, of course, who really ought to get a spread. His death was the only real sour note in the whole thing for us. That was Ken. Watson, Ordinary Seaman from Revelstoke, B.C. He was the youngest member of the crew and boy, he was a right guy. The kid was in "A" gun's crew and he took it just like you'd read about it in a book. Bein' winged once wasn't enough to stop that lad. He kept right on comin' to the gun with the shell he was carrying and even when he fell the last time he still held the shell. If there's many more guys like him in the Navy we don't need to fear anything that floats."



Ken Watson

### STOKE-HOLD STATISTICS

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able to feed the inner man. A silver lining is appearing in the firmament for it is understood there are to be some service cafeterias in operation soon, (thanks to the efforts of the Canteen Committee) and thus the situation will be alleviated considerably.

### HITLER'S DREAM

Now here is the story of a terrible schemer, Of Hitler, the Nazi, the Aryan dreamer. Being tired of his allies, he lay down in bed, And amongst other things, he dreamt he was dead. He was straightened out and lying in state, And his black moustache was frozen in hate. He left the earth and to Heaven went straight, And proudly stopped at the Golden Gate. But St. Pete, looking out from his Heavenly sphere, Said, "On your way, Hitler, you can't come in here." He turned on his heels and away he did go, At the top of his speed to the regions below. But the lookout angel was well worth his hire, He got through to Satan and gave him the wire. "Now lads," said Satan, "I'm giving you warning, We're expecting Hitler, the Nazi, this morning. Now get this straight and get it clear, We're too blasted good for that fellow here." "Oh, Satan, Oh, Satan," Herr Hitler cried, "I heard what you said, whilst standing outside. Please find me a corner, I've nowhere to go," But Satan said, "No, no, a thousand times no." He kicked Hitler back, then vanished in smoke, And just at that moment Herr Hitler awoke. He was lying in bed, all covered with sweat, Shouting, "Doctor, oh, that was the worst dream yet! I won't go to Heaven, I know full well, But it's bloody hard lines when you're kicked out of Hell."

### Pome

There was a young fellow, of Wheeling, Endowed with such delicate feeling, When he read, on the door, Don't spit on the floor, He jumped up and spat on the ceiling.

—Notre Dame Gazette.

She (sarcastically, to stranger at same restaurant table): I hope you won't mind my eating while you smoke.

R.P.O.: Certainly not, lady, so long as I can hear the orchestra.



# BOOK REVIEWS

**Put Out More Flags** by Evelyn Waugh. A tough, cynical book but redolent of the new spirit of England. The author is in command.

**Black Plumes** by Margery Allingham. Margery Allingham at her best. An exciting detective story centered round a most interesting family, from Gabrielle, the Matriarch, to the scheming ex-batsman. A gripping tale all through.

**Columbus** by Rafael Sabatini. Intrigues for world power conducted by Spanish and Italian counts, create countless obstacles for the outstanding adventurer Columbus. With courage and boldness and the unwilling aid of a glamorous gypsy dancer, the famous voyage is finally made and Columbus returns in triumph to conclude his search for the beautiful Beatriz.

**Into China** by Eileen Bigland. A new travel book in which the author vividly describes her journey into China by the new Yunnan-Burma Highway, where appalling conditions and "things unbelievably terrible" fail to quench her indomitable spirit. A fascinating story.

**Pirates Ahoy** by Charles B. Driscoll. A book for those whose imagination is stirred by high adventure. Tales of the famous buccaneers of the 16th and 17th century, from the blood-thirsty Zellico to the amazing salvage of the Thetis off the Brazilian Coast in 1830.

**War and Peace** by Tolstoy. The indomitable spirit of the

Russian people crushing the Napoleonic hordes of a century ago. The greatest Russian writer of all time, paints a vivid picture of the enigma that is Russia.

**Looking for Trouble** by Virginia Cowles. Great courage, intense curiosity and a sense of humour, enable Virginia Cowles to write impressions which will endure. This is one of the best journalistic accounts of the past five years, by one who was always on the spot when the crisis occurred.

### New Books on Hand

- Assignment in Brittany--Helen McInnes
- Convoy--Quentin Reynolds
- Inside Asia--John Gunther
- I Saw France Fall--De Chambrun
- Men Around Churchill--Rene Kraus
- Cross Creek--Marjorie Kinnan Rawlings
- With Love and Irony--Lin Yutang
- Personal Exposures--Rex Beach
- Hitler and I--Otto Strasser
- America and World Mastery--John MacCormack
- That Day Alone--Pierre von Passen.
- Botany Bay--Nordhoff and Hall.
- Big Family--Ralph Bellamy.
- Book of Days--William Beebe.
- Meet the South Americans--Carl Crow.
- Jewelled Trail--Louis Kornitzer.
- Man Stands Alone--Julian Huxley.
- France on Berlin Time--Thomas Kernan.

## New Auxiliary Services Office Will Open Soon

**Movies Or Concert Planned Every Wednesday Evening For The North End Canteen**

The Auxiliary Services Office, operating under the Commanding Officer Atlantic Coast, is opening another office within H.M. C.S. "Stadacona" in the near future, it has been announced by S/Lt. DeVanie, Auxiliary Services officer. The "Stadacona" office will work in conjunction with the main office under C.O.A.C. Bandsman Bill O'Connor, who has been responsible for the Friday night concerts in the Drill Shed in H.M. C.S. "Cornwallis," has been included in the personnel of the Auxiliary Services and will continue to provide entertainment for the ratings.

Beginning on the first Wednesday of this month moving pictures will be shown every second Wednesday at the North End Services Canteen while concert parties will entertain on the alternate Wednesdays.

### Patients Entertained

The First Naval show at the North End Canteen was held Oct. 23 and was a huge success. On Oct. 27, a complete Naval show, including an orchestra and acts, was taken to Kentville where they performed for the patients in the Naval sanatorium.

The shows in the Drill Shed every Friday night are to be continued. The Auxiliary Services is extremely grateful to the Halifax Concert Parties Guild for the splendid co-operation they have given the Navy at all times.

- Case of the Kipperd Corpse--Scherf.
- The Earth is the Lords--Caldwell.
- Faked Passports--Dennis Wheatley.
- Colorado Conquest--David Woodbury.
- Winter of Discontent--Gilbert Frankau.
- Floods of Spring--Henry Belaman.

## Many Laughs Provided In 'Birth Of The Blues'

It's been a long time since this department felt it could unpack its special store of superlatives and start showering them over a movie, but this we do gladly and joyfully for "Birth of the Blues," the song-studded, laugh-packed musical, playing Cornwallis Theatre Nov. 12, 13, 14.

With a cast topped by Bing Crosby, Mary Martin, Brian Donlevy, Carolyn Lee, Jack Teagarden and Rochester, "Birth of the Blues" is all that you would expect it to be. The music, which consists of fifteen favorites, many of them beloved blues numbers, and one brand new novelty song, is just superb.

The picture takes us back to those colorful days in New Orleans just after the beginning of this century when music was just starting to take on the indigo tint of the levee and plantation rhythms. It was the music that evolved into "St. Louis Blues," "Memphis Blues," "St. James Infirmary Blues," "Tiger Rag" and many another hot Dixieland jazz numbers.

In "Birth of the Blues" Bing Crosby is a happy-go-lucky fellow, who forms the first white band to play the blues music. It's a real jubilee of jive!

## CORNWALLIS THEATRE NOV. 17-18

### "Louisiana Purchase" Highlight Musical Hit

When you're in barracks and don't know what to do make a bee line for the Cornwallis Theatre, where Paramount's comedy with music, "Louisiana Purchase," is playing Nov. 17-18. Starring Bob Hope, Vera Zorina and Victor Moore, and featuring a firstline supporting cast including Irene Bordoni, Dona Drake, Raymond Walburn, Maxie Rosenbloom and the twelve "Louisiana Lovelies," "Louisiana Purchase" was a resounding smash hit as a comedy musical on the Broadway stage, and an extremely successful road show, but even its excellence as a stage production is topped by the film version. Somehow the comedy

### Entertainers Need Violinists, Vocalists

The Auxiliary Services department of the Navy is on the lookout for talent, particularly among the violinists and vocalists of the Service. A call is being sent out to all ratings who would like to take part in concert party work to contact the Auxiliary Services office and give any details they can about their own talents.

Stoker Tony Edwards, ex-conductor of the famous Montreal Men's and Ladies' Choirs, and winner of the Chopin trophy at Quebec for his choir of mixed voices, is creating a Naval choir which will include about 30 voices.

Don't forget, send your name, address and details about your act or accomplishments in to The Auxiliary Services Office, H.M.C. Dockyard, Halifax, N. S.

handled by Bob Hope, in particular, is more zestful and adroit, more joyous. It all comes out with more sparkle as a film. Three of the top tunes are "You're Lonely and I'm Lonely," "Tomorrow Is A Lovely Day" and "Louisiana Purchase."

### CINEMA SELECTIONS

for November  
ABOARD H. M. C. S.  
"CORNWALLIS"

- 1-2 Blackout
- 3-4 Corsican Brothers
- 5-6-7 Hay Foot; All American Co-ed
- 8-9 Nothing But The Truth
- 10-11 Bahama Passage
- 12-13-14 Birth of Blues
- 15-16 One Night in Lisbon
- 17-18 Louisiana Purchase
- 19-20-21 Love Thy Neighbour
- 22-23 Road To Zanzibar
- 24-25 Skylark
- 26-27-28 Kiss The Boys Good-Bye

### EXTEND INVITATION

The Boy Scout Association of Halifax is anxious that all Naval men who have been interested in Boy Scout work should visit the Tweedsmuir Room, Hollis Street, while in the city. Each Sunday evening a social hour is held at the Tweedsmuir Room from 7.30 to 8.30 o'clock when movies and other entertainments are provided and refreshments served. The Halifax Scouts are at present forming a Rover Crew and would be pleased to have the assistance of any Naval men who wish to take part in the new venture.

## CORNWALLIS THEATRE NOV. 12-13-14



**"A" Block 'Appenings**

By  
WATERFRONT WILLIE

We're here again, to bring you the latest local gossip, scandal and general run of events at "A" Block where everything happens to those who only stand and wait. Many have asked us who Waterfront Willie is, but we cannot very well tell you, for a number of reasons. All we can say is, we have a naval uniform and do not wear a moustache. Now, can you guess.

First off, we extend our best wishes for good sailing to Lt. Henderson, who has taken a sea appointment. He is well known to all the Ship's Company and his pleasant manner, snappy car and two dogs are greatly missed by all. A successful send-off, in the form of a banquet, was held recently at Cornwallis mess. The highlights of the evening were speeches and refreshments. Lt. Lemieux felt that the whole thing was a huge success, but a deficit of \$30 was reported. He was severely reprimanded by Lt. Stoddard, N.E.T.O., for having spent \$5 for food.

S/Lt. Martin is now a proud father. All three are doing nicely, including S/Lt. Martin. The baby is being named Anson, Nelson, Hood, Martin II. Pop wishes to thank friends for the gift of the boxing gloves. When asked to say a few words, he gasped, "Just what he needed!"

Miss Chesnutt, that ever-popular figure in the Staff Office, may sit for her hook soon. When asked about the hook situation, she said, "What do I want with a hook? I'm not going fishing."

One of the highest honors in the realm of scouting was recently conferred on S/Lt. MacPhee, ex-scoutmaster, by the lads of Wolf Cub Pack No. 359½ of Vancouver, B.C. He was selected to pose for a sculpture of a totem pole. This is a tall story, let me tell you.

Then there is the story about the over-conscientious O/Sea. doing his first 'trick' as Bos'n's Mate aboard one of our training ships. After piping all over the ship he realized he had forgotten the most important thing of all and rushed up to the Captain's Cabin. He threw open the door, let out a terrific blast on the pipe, and smiling sweetly, offered, "Stand Easy, Sir."

C.P.O. Stewart is not driving a car any more. He ways it costs too much to park for five minutes. Says he, "The rates here seem exorbitant. Something ought to be done about it."

The super-salesman who head-

**PLENTY OF VARIETY IN READING MATERIAL HERE**



Ladies shown in the above picture are doing gratuitously, work that women throughout the country have been paid to do. These are some of the ladies of the Naval Vessels Reading Service who give their time to looking after the large library that they have set up for the men of the naval Service. Many of these ladies also take part in the work of other Service organizations. There is a splendid selection of books to choose from, several thousands filling the bookshelves.

ed the list in "A" Block in the Victory Loan drive deserves a big hand for his effort. When asked to say to what he owed his success, he answered, "Clean living and lots of noise." He can sing that noise part again!

Wanted: One 15-room mansion, furnished, heated, running water, hardwood floors, sound-proof garage optional. It is rumored a reward of seven days leave, with possible extension, will be granted to anyone finding above for Mr. Lane, Instructional Bos'n, "A" Block, H.M.C.S. "Cornwallis."

Extra-ordinary seaman Hugh Watson arrived home from an enjoyable leave spent in Sudbury. His friends were not surprised when they found his horse hitched to a telephone post the next morning.

S/Lt. J. W. Spears, an of minor worries, is going to forget rid of one of them, so he says. He is contemplating having A.B. White, also a man of minor worries, start a contribution fund to buy S/Lt. 'Kruppa' Lambert a set of drums. "Maybe he'll join the band then, I hope," says the popular caretaker of "A" Block.

FLASH—If Mr. Lane does not find a home soon he is threatening to sub-divide the new files acquired by the office. This would create a serious bottleneck, so let's have an all-out effort to find that home.

**THE DOG WATCHES**

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roused many emotions in the breasts of its involuntary guests through many generations of the services. Perhaps the first emotion is surprise at a curious self-sufficiency evident in people who have lived here a long time. For the best illustration of this tendency, which has waned a little in the course of time, we must go back more than 30 years. King Edward the Seventh died, to be mourned by a great empire. And the leading local newspaper of the day came out with the headline

"Halifax and the World Shocked!"

It happened in an inland division. A bewildered civilian visitor to the wardroom was both taken and taken aback by the nautical atmosphere which seems to be several times saltier in such haunts than it is anywhere else. He heard talk of people "adrift" and "coming aboard" and "opening a port" and the "ship." Finally he decided to enter into the spirit of the thing.

He couldn't find an ash-tray so having finished his cigarette he flicked it out the window, beg pardon, the port.

An indignant sub-lieutenant came up to him.

"Say that cigarette was lighted, wasn't it?"

"Oh, that's all right" said the visitor, "I just threw it in he sea!"

**CAPT. OF CORNWALLIS**

Continued from Page 1

same class with the present King and, when His Royal Highness (as he was then) came to Canada in 1913, it was aboard "Cumberland," to which ship Commander McMaster had also been appointed.

**Was Navigator**

Following his initial naval training the Commander went to the battle cruiser, "Queen Mary." He was in this vessel during the First World War and after the Armistice went to "Impregnable" to qualify in a Long Navigation course. On passing from this course he was sent to "Wallace" as Navigator.

Retiring from the Navy, he went to South Africa in 1922 and assisted in the formation of that Navy. He retired in 1925.

About a year ago Commander McMaster entered the Canadian Navy, coming in with the rank of Lieutenant-Commander.

**Successful Business**

The Skipper is well known to the business life of this country and in England for he and his twin brother, also in the Navy, are the co-managers of the Suez-enger Sports Equipment Company of London. Commander McMaster is vice-president of the firm.

Little need be said of the feeling that has grown between the ratings and officers of "Cornwallis" and their Captain. Those lads, particularly, who have watched the Navy grow from a peace-time organization

**Small Bonds Are All Right But Big One Is Much Better**

A canvasser for the Third Victory Loan drive—one of the men of the committee appointed in H.M.C.S. "Cornwallis," approached a stoker and in fatherly tones said, "Look, old man, you really ought to be buying one of these \$50 Victory Bonds. It is a good way for you to save some money."

"I think you're right," answered the stoker. Let's see, now, where do I sign for the \$1,000 bond."

"Right here," said the canvasser. "But you mean the \$50 bond, don't you?"

"No, I mean the \$1,000 one. You see, I have a cheque here for \$1,000 and I think I'll take out \$400 of the \$50 bonds, too."

"What foah dat doctah comin' out to your house?"  
Ah "dunno, but I thinks Ah's got an inkling."

**TOBRUK**

The following lines were written immediately following a battle during the siege of Tobruk. The author at that time, was a gunner aboard a British tanker and had witnessed the battle. He is at present stationed at an Eastern Canadian Port. Another of his poems, "Corvette" appears elsewhere in this edition.

By Able Seaman J. H. Wilson,  
R.N.V.R. (South Africa)

Barring the road from Tripoli,  
A wound in Cyrenaica's side,  
Resting-place of the war-god Mars  
As he stalks the desert wide.

Silent and drear in a shimmering haze,  
Man's hate for a moment still,  
To wake again with a chattering burst,  
Or a roar from Bardia Bill.

Tobruk—a place that has no soul,  
The skies forget to smile,  
A wreck strewn harbour tells the tale  
Of the siege that saved the Nile.

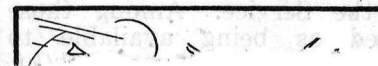
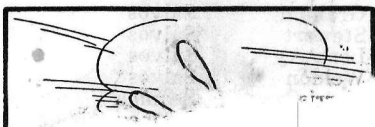
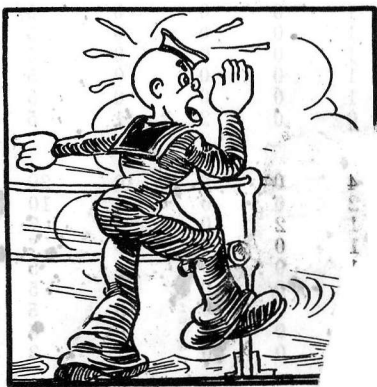
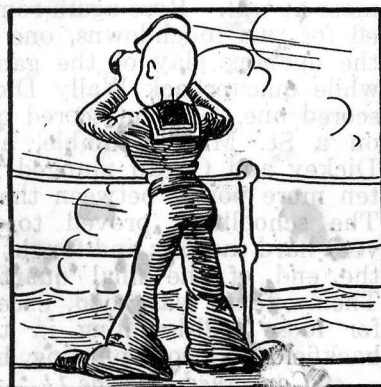
A rubble pile, a shrine to Hell,  
Swept by the hot khamsin,  
Agony etched on a sun-baked ridge,  
Death knell to a Fascist dream.

to what it is today, must know just what has been the tremendous task which has had to be done. The improvements that have taken place under the guiding hand of Commander McMaster have been many and the new entries who come to the East Coast today have much to thank him for in the matter of comforts and entertainment provided, which were unknown to their predecessors.

**"CORN" WALLIS**

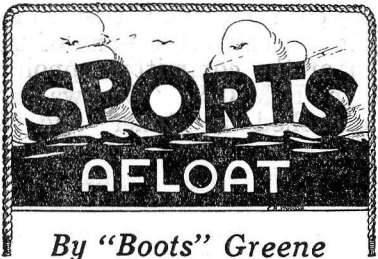
**"ACTION STATIONS"**

by C.R. PARRISH





# STRONG SALVOS TEAM LEADS GRID LOOP



By "Boots" Greene

The old hickory stick has been put behind the door and the round-the-bases game has been packed up for another year—but what an ending it had for the Navy! Cornwallis Juniors copped the Maritime title and the Navy Senior swept all before them to tuck the Senior Maritime Baseball silverware into the trophy cupboard.

Here's one for your sports log, too. It has been revealed that this is the first time the Junior title has ever been brought down by a Halifax team. Congratulations, boys. That goes for the Senior squad, too, who brought the laurels to Halifax for the first time in 12 years.

It seems there was a big 'do' for the baseball squads. Captain Adams and Commander McMaster were on hand for the banquet and great was the jubilation shown by the men of home runs and horse-hide and many were the tall tales told as the players slugged through one game after another. The diamond was a linen table cloth and the equipment was 'drumsticks' for bats and olives for baseballs.

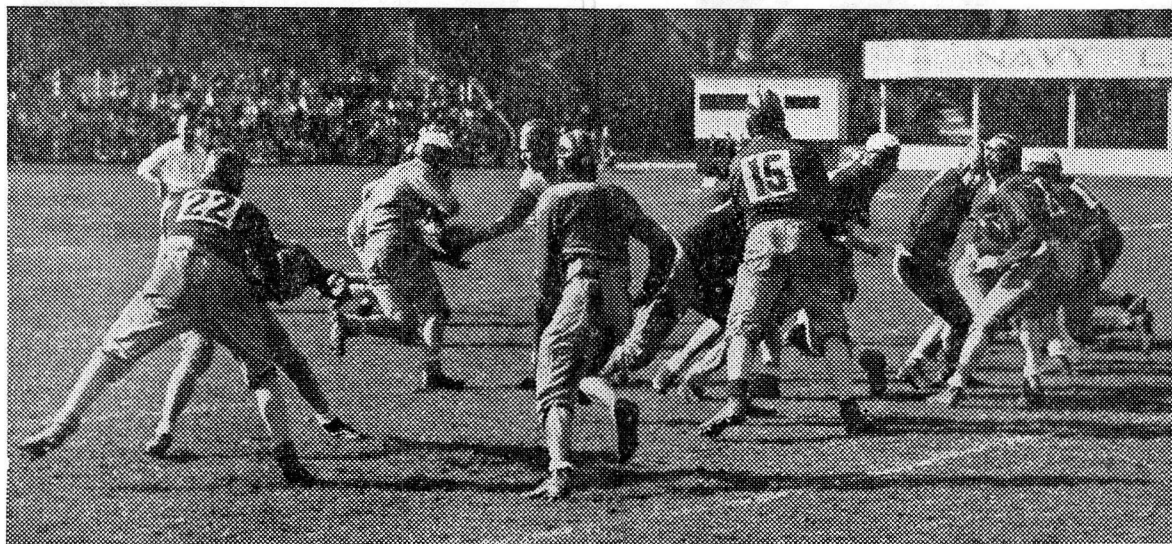
Before ringing down the curtain on baseball, here is a last-minute flash from a far-off Isle. It reads: "Today saw our baseball team win the Canadian Inter-services championship of Newfoundland." Yep, another Navy nine in the East has also crowned its home port with glory.

Newfoundland's Navy Champs were coached to victory by none other than our old friend P.O. 'Pete' Mills, who guided them through a tough season of 20 games with only two losses and one draw. Not bad, not bad!

We're sort of slapping ourselves on the back a little this month about that prediction we made in the last edition that Canadian Rugby would really establish itself in this province. To date the Navy has no less than three intermediate teams and 11 New Entry divisional teams. The fans seem to have taken this sport right in their stride and at a recent game there was an attendance of 2000 people.

Several progressive strides have been made in the past month in English rugger organization and the fans who follow the fast and furious game are getting some lovely contests dished up for them. Under the guiding hand of Warrant Officer "Charlie" McDonald, Navy has this year fielded the finest teams ever for competition.

## GRID FEATURE SPARKLES WITH ACTION



The opening game of the Canadian Football season was a gala event and many fine plays were produced. It was an ideal day at the Navy League Recreation centre where most games are played. Two thousand spectators witnessed and enjoyed the many spectacular runs, one of which is pictured above.

## New Entries Squad Romps To Victory Over All Comers

Two Thousand Fans See League Opener; Ship Entering Team

With the Cornwallis Salvos showing the way in both the Senior Navy League and the Halifax Intermediate City League, Canadian football has gone over big with fans from this city, to date, and it looks from here as if this popular Fall pastime is in the sports book for good.

### 2,000 See Opener

Before a crowd of 2000 fans on Saturday, Oct. 10, and with the President of the Navy League kicking off the first ball of the year, the Salvos sank the Stokers to the tune of 31-0 in the opening game at the Recreation Centre. Under playing coach Jake Edwards, the Salvos showed all kinds of offence as they romped to an easy win, scoring 4 touchdowns on end runs, forward passes, and line bucks. Stan Rose showed the way as he scored twice, with Abbott and Menet converting via the placement kick. Mulvaney also scored on an end run, while Pat Gilead, ace buckler of the powerful New Entries, pushed across a major score, and Coach Edwards racked up a further 7 points on a touchdown and 2 singles. The Stokers proved to be hard scrappers as they went down fighting, with Greene playing a bang-up game at end and Jaenke doing some fine running.

### Senior League Game

On the following day, Oct. 11, Commander McMaster opened the Navy Senior League by kicking off, and the Salvos went on from there to defeat the Seamen by 36-0. Pooch Bucheski was the star of the game as he ran up three touchdowns, while Abbott scored one touchdown, and kicked one field goal, three converts, and one single. Menet showed a powerful and accurate pitching arm as he befuddled the Seamen with passes behind a hard-blocking line, and the whole New Entry team made holes in the Seamen's line for big gains. Coach Ab Chilcott's team tried hard with Red Nower plunging for fair gains and Spike Larabie showing some fine running in the backfield. The Seamen's ground game was fair but they showed a lack of accurate passing and good punting. They improved fast as the game progressed, however.

### Defeat Collegians

St. Mary's College next felt the Salvos' powerful attack when they were sunk by a broadside at Dalhousie Field to the tune of 32-0. Playing with most of their first string on the sidelines, the Salvos were too good for the local Collegians and scored almost at will. Rose again romped for two touchdowns, one on the opening play of the game, while quarterback Wally Dicks scored one, Graham scored one on a St. Mary's fumble, and Dickey and Gilead plunged for ten more points between them. The schoolboys proved to be very hard tacklers and fought to the end of the final quarter. Their offense was good, except for loose ball-handling in the backfield and poor punting, but

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## Sea Cadet Boxing Show Enthusiastic Exhibition

"Those kids certainly put on a swell show and deserve a lot of credit." The words are those of a naval officer who attended the boxing show presented by the Nelson Sea Cadets of Halifax at the big drill shed of H.M.C.S. Cornwallis on Oct. 22 under the supervision of the R.C.N. sports department and members of the P.T.I. staff.

The young fighters appeared in excellent condition and benefited by the training they had received under the supervision of Leading Seaman Bob Greene, their instructor.

Best showing of the night was made by Leading Seaman Cadet Molenson, who won the best bout of the show, and the prize for best loser in the flyweight final.

The results of the bouts were as follows:

In the flyweight class Buster O'Brien scored over "Bud" Ryan and Molenson defeated Dickie Eagles, with O'Brien taking the final by a close victory over Molenson.

Fighting in the bantam class, Louis Coffin defeated "Spider" Spidell, and Seaman Cadet Hollett won from Seaman Cadet Rafters. Coffin captured the final with a win over Hollett by default, the latter having injured his hand in his first bout.

Young "Rosie" Rhodes took the decision in his bout with "Tiger" Wilson in the midget class, Seaman Cadet Belaire scorned over Greely in the welters and Boyle lost the lightweight bout against Schnare.

Prizes consisting of war saving certificates and war saving stamps were presented to the winners by Captain K. F. Adams, R.C.N.

when you look over some of those names, you're sure stargazing. Every day, names well known to the hockey world are being added to the strength of the Service. Among those noted as being available to

## Main Guard Oarsmen Tough Crew To Beat

Inter-Part Boat Pulling races are held each Saturday, weather permitting. Entries in the races consist of the various schools and departments, who select their own representative crews. The course measures approximately a mile.

Individual prizes are presented to each member of the winning crew and the cox'n, thereby making competition very keen.

The Main Guard has selected a crew which, apparently, is unbeatable. They have won the last eight races in succession.

### Train Hard

Torpedo School, New Entry Seamen Divisions, Stokers, and A/S School have been the victims of the powerful Main Guard crew, and although these crews have been defeated week after week, they train diligently, hoping to unthron the leaders.

Following are results of races held during the month.

- Sat. Oct. 3—  
 1. Main Guard  
 2. Stokers I  
 3. Torpedo School  
 4. Stokers II  
 5. A/S School  
 6. New Entry Seamen Division

- Sat. Oct. 10—  
 1. Main Guard

## CALLING FOR PLAYERS HOCKEY, BASKETBALL

Players of Senior calibre, who would like a try-out with the Navy Senior Hockey Team, should report to the Sports Officer, H.M.C.S. "Cornwallis."

All equipment is available, but Players should bring their own skates.

### Basketball

Senior, Intermediate or Junior Players should hand their names in to the Sports Officer, H.M.C.S. "Cornwallis." Players should have their own training equipment. Practice session will be started in the near future

2. Torpedo School
3. "Hood" Division
4. A/S School
5. Stokers I
6. Stokers II

- Sat. Oct. 17—  
 1. Main Guard  
 2. Torpedo School  
 3. New Entry Seamen Div.  
 4. Stokers I  
 5. Stokers II

"And what," asked the C.P.O. Cook, "do two ducks and a cow remind you of?"  
 "Quackers and Milk," piped the Prob. Cook.

## TEAM STANDINGS

Navy Senior Football League								
	W.	L.	For	Against	Pts.			
Salvos	2	0	72	0	4			
Seamen	1	1	11	36	2			
Stokers	0	2	0	47	0			
Intermediate City League								
Salvos	2	0	63	0	4			
St. Mary's	1	1	8	34	2			
Stokers	0	2	2	39	0			
Navy Senior League								
NAME	TEAM	T.	D.	Con.	Sing.	F.	G.	Pts.
Bucheski	Salvos	4	0	0	0	0	0	20
Abbott	Salvos	1	6	1	1	1	1	15
Menet	Salvos	1	3	0	0	0	0	8
Edwards	Salvos	1	0	1	0	0	0	6
Graham	Salvos	1	0	0	0	0	0	5
Stewart	Salvos	1	0	0	0	0	0	5
Lenowry	Salvos	1	0	0	0	0	0	5
Weldon	Salvos	1	0	0	0	0	0	5
	Seamen	1	0	0	0	0	0	5
		0	0	2	1	1	1	5
		4	0	0	0	0	0	20
		2	0	0	0	0	0	10
		1	2	0	0	0	0	7
		1	0	2	0	0	0	7
		1	0	0	0	0	0	5
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		0	0	1	1	1	1	3



# NAVY RUGGER TEAM HOLDS TOP POSITION

## Acadia University Defeated To Give Tars Upper Berth

Every Part Of Canada Represented On Squad; Newcomer Leads Scoring

The Navy Senior Rugby Team coached by Warrant Officer Charles McDonald, took over League leadership in their recent defeat of Acadia University. Defeated the week previously 8-6, the Navy travelled to Acadia with a strengthened team, and in one of the hardest fought contests this season, downed the University 8-3. The Collegians are behind one game, at present.

The Navy team, composed of players from various parts of Canada, has not fielded the same squad twice, approximately 36 players having played thus far. Outstanding has been S/Lieut. Roberts of British Columbia, playing in the back-field. He has scored in all the games in which he has played. S/Lieut. Gilbride, a newcomer, playing his first season at the English game, is at present heading the individual scoring list, playing at fullback, he has a steady and sure boot.

The following players have been playing regularly:

**Backfield**—S/Lieut. Woods, P. O. Arnott, P. O. Mylrea, A.B. Larabie, Half-back, Sto. Vickers, A. B. McInnis, Surg. Lieut. Kerr. **Forwards**—L/Smn. Rutherford, Sto. Scallion, Sto. Nelopka, Sto. Momberquette, Rev. Graven, S/Lt. McPhee. Other players who have played on the Senior team: S/Lt. Robson, Mr. Haig, S/Lieut. Feeney, S/Lieut. Archibald, S/Lieut. Ramsey.

Team	P	W	L	Pts.
Navy	4	3	1	6
Acadia	3	2	1	4
Dalhousie	3	2	1	4
A.T.C.	4	0	4	0

## Stokers Not Winning But Keep On Trying

Reviewing the month's sports activities one wouldn't say the stokers have had much of a winning streak, but it can be said that they've been right in there punching.

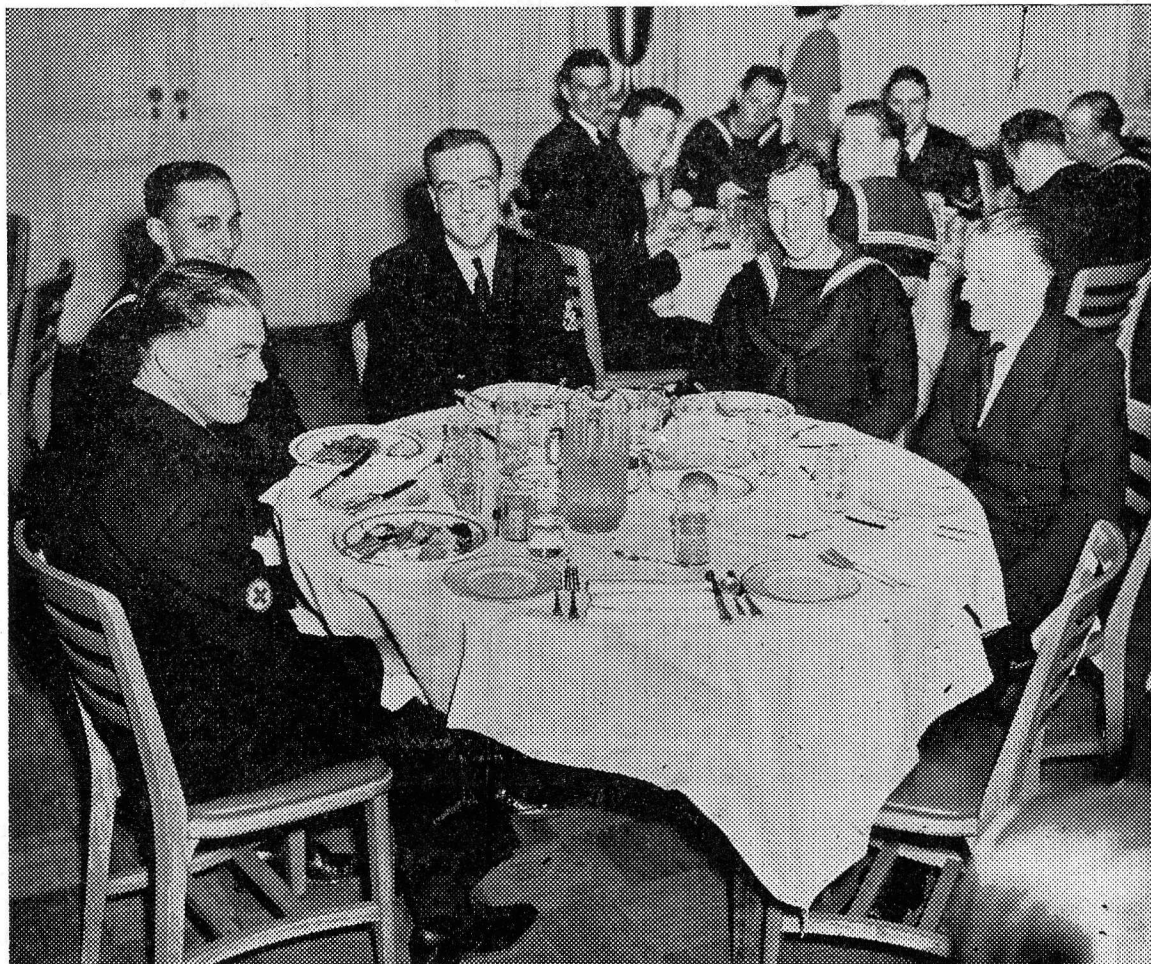
The latest enterprise of the engineroom department is the reorganization of the Stokers' Sports and Social Club. The club got under way with a gala dance, held at the North End Services Canteen and from the general opinions heard the following day, the dance would seem to have been a step in the right direction.

### Keeps Lads Moving

Stoker Fern Roy, who has been coaching the Stokers' Football team every night, certainly makes the lads jump through the hoop. Despite the fact that they lost their first two games it's a fairly safe bet they'll be stepping up front at the end of the season when the jardieners are handed out.

Every Thursday afternoon the Stokers invade the Navy League Recreation Grounds and before many minutes have passed the entire field is a cross-section

## BASEBALL CHAMPIONS FETED AT BANQUET



The Navy Senior Baseball Team in winning the Maritime Championship, was the first team in twelve years to bring this coveted award to the City of Halifax. In the above picture can be seen some of the players responsible for the championship. **Left to Right:** Dev. Vickers, 2nd baseman, formerly of Cape Breton; Dannie Seaman, centre-fielder, Liverpool, N. S., who has played on four Maritime title teams; Dick Pawley, mainstay of the pitching staff, who formerly played for Stratford, Ont.; Aukie Titus, left fielder and relief hurler, formerly with St. John, N. B.; Bill Sterling, from Chatham, N. S. spare catcher.

## Have Versatile Program For Inter-Division Sport 'A' Block Rugby Loop Overcomes Handicaps

Despite the constant movement of ratings to and from H.M.C.S. "Cornwallis," inter-divisional sports are still playing an important part in the training program and interest continues to run high. While the showing of the divisions in Canadian Football and English Rugger highlighted the sports calendar this month, cross-country running, softball, tug-o-war, volley-ball and basketball all developed marked interest.

Another cross-country run was held this month and the new course, omitting the local dump as a handicap, saw the ratings finish in remarkably fresh condition. Effingham division again scored a clean-cut victory, teams from that division finishing in the first three positions.

The weather man has been keeping an eye out for softball and although the season is getting rather late, several games have been played between the divisions.

### Volley-ball Popular

Volley-ball has proven an ideal, outside game for the Fall season. Every division is taking great interest in this game. Owing to the small space required and the number of men able to participate at one time, it has proven the answer to the Sports Department's problem of offering mass recreation.

of Canadian sport. Softball, football, basketball and lacrosse draw a large number of men into play, while others, not so interested in these more energetic sports, turn to the horse-shoe rinks. This afternoon, as may be imagined has become one of the highlights of the week.

Thus far, Anson and Forbisher divisions are showing the way to the others but some good games have taken place and all divisions are now progressing rapidly.

The tug-o-war, held early in October, was one of the best days in New Entries had for excitement. Four divisions took part, with two teams from each. The pulls were extremely good, one lasting for twenty minutes before the winner of the heat was declared. Rodney pulled out a close win over Drake with Effingham and Anson finishing third and fourth, respectively.

### Dance Success

Together with the sing-songs at "A" club and the concerts in the Drill Shed, the New Entry dances, held monthly at the North End Service Canteen, are a great success. Under the leadership of Bandsman Bill O'Connor and with Father William Hills as M.C., the last dance was carried out in perfect order and was much enjoyed by everyone.

The divisions have shown a diversion of sports. Where one stars at one game another stars at another game, and so on. They participate in all sports and produce winners from each division.

Judge: Do you challenge any of the jury?

Stoker: Well, I think I can lick that little guy on the end.

She: Haven't I always been fair to you?

He: Yes, but I want you to be fair and warmer.

The "A" Block rugby league got well under way on October 5 with four teams competing at the Navy League Recreation Centre. Anson defeated Forbisher 6-0, and Drake came out on top against Effingham by the close score of 3-2. These were the opening games of the Inter-Divisional Rugby League which has created much interest among the New Entries. This league was started under a few handicaps, available grounds and equipment, and the lack of enthusiasm of some of the Divisions who were unfamiliar with the Canadian game, being the chief ones. The Navy League came to the rescue by allotting the N.L.R.C. Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays where possible.

### Interest Keen

Local Transportation and the co-operation and keen interest of the New Entries have eliminated all doubt in the minds of the members of the P. & R. T. staff about the success of the league. These three days are now earnestly looked forward to by the divisions.

The schedule is run on a weekly elimination basis. A Shield has been procured and the weekly winners' names are printed on as champions. This shield can be seen in the games room of "A" Block.

The first champion team was "Drake" Division who eliminated Effingham, Forbisher and Anson, respectively. Owing to duties Drake was unable to field a team for the championship on Friday, October 16 and Benbow played Rodney emerging victorious 5-0.

### Many "Discoveries"

Many good rugby players have

## Baseball Champions Honored By Service At Big Sports Banquet

Rear Admiral Comments On Importance Of Sport Entertainment Is Given

by J. A.

A banquet in honour of the Navy Senior Baseball Club winning the Maritime Title was recently held at the Lord Nelson Hotel. The Junior Team also Maritime winners were guests of the Senior Team.

Guests of honour were: Rear Admiral L. W. Murray and Mr. Dunlop of the Navy League. Invited guests were Captain K. F. Adams, Commander H. McMaster, Commander A. C. Wurtele, Lt.-Cdr. M. A. Medland, Pay/Lt.-Cdr. J. Anderson, Lieut. H. Henderson, Lieut. A. Park, Pay/Lieut. Gaynor, Lieut. H. Hair, Lieut. B. Piers, R.C.A., Warrant Master-at-Arms W. Pember, Warrant Mech. Brewer, H. Butler, President Halifax Baseball League; J. Christian, Mr. Beazley, V. Ferguson, E. Nobles, Vice-President N.S.A. B.A., Lou. Zwerling, W. "Ace" Foley, Halifax Chronicle, Ken. Chisholm, Halifax Herald.

### Importance of Sport

Mr. C. McDonald, Act/Bos'n R.C.N., acted as chairman. Rear Admiral Murray gave a short commentary on Navy sport, its progress in the service and importance to Naval Training. Addresses were made by Mr. Dunlop, Mr. Butler, P.O. J. Arnott, Manager Navy Senior Team, Mr. C. Rhodes, Gunner, Manager Navy Junior Team, Sto. Burchell, Captain Navy Senior Team.

Entertainment was provided by the Auxiliary Services, under the direction of Bandsman W. O'Connor.

It was regretted that "Buckey" Killum coach, of the Navy team was unable to attend. Killum, a former player, hails from Liverpool N. S., reputed to be the home of baseball in the Maritimes. Also missing was Orville Anderson, a catcher who gives everything he has during the game.

A middle-aged woman lost her balance and fell out of a window into a garbage can. A passing Chinaman remarked: Canadians velly wasteful. That woman good for 10 years yet.

been discovered in this league and the sportsmanship shown by all players, win or lose, is commendable. Scores to date are:

Oct. 5.	Anson	6	Frobisher	0
	Drake	3	Effingham	2
Oct. 7.	Effingham	12	Rodney	0
	Drake	3	Frobisher	0
Oct. 9.	Drake	3	Anson	0
	Drake Division champions			
Oct. 4-10				
Oct. 12	Drake	17	Collingwood	5
Oct. 14	Benbow	1	Drake	16
	Rodney	5	Keppel	12
Oct. 16.	Benbow	5	Rodney	0
	Benbow Division champions			
Oct. 11-17				
Oct. 19	Keppel	5	Rodney	0
	Frobisher	0	Benbow	0



NAVY SUBSCRIBES

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drive and in the campaign along the whole coast more than \$500,000 was subscribed. Everyone was given an opportunity to buy a bond, so well organized was the campaign. A complete and nearly perfect set-up was established well in advance of the opening date of the drive and when the opening day rolled around the Navy got away with the gun.

Well Advertised

Posters were made for all establishments and for the various departments of each. The total subscriptions for each day were posted in plain view for all to see. Everyone was given complete information as to how a bond could be bought, either for cash or through an allotment system. Films as produced for the campaign were shown in the "Cornwallis" Theatre. The Navy also played a prominent part in the Victory Loan parades held in the city.

While the ship's company of "Cornwallis" watched its shel winging its way across to Berlin the officers and men of H.M.C.S. "Stadacona" and the Dockyard workers of Halifax saw a guillotine knife gradually dropping on the head of Adolph Hitler, until with the objective reached, his head was cut completely off.

Tour Province

During the campaign a Navy band joined with Army and Air Force units in a six-day tour of the Province of Nova Scotia, visiting a large number of cities and towns throughout the area. Rev. William Hills, R.C.N., was the spokesman for the Naval unit at the centres visited.

H.M.C.S. "Stadacona," sister ship of "Cornwallis," with an objective of \$40,000, soon over-shot that mark and \$56,750 was subscribed in the first week. The staff of the Naval Officer-in-Charge, with a heavy quota of \$80,000, had subscribed \$54,700 at the close of the initial week and was expected to top the objective within a few days.

Ships Subscribe

The men of the destroyers and corvettes, under Captain (D) had their objective set at \$30,000. This was for men who are going out to sea and actually meeting up with the enemy

OPENING OF SUCCESSFUL CAMPAIGN



Shown here are representatives of the three services carrying the Commando dagger, symbol of the Victory Loan campaign which began on Oct. 19. The photo was taken at the parade held in Halifax on Sunday, Oct. 18. Behind the guard of honour may be seen the Naval group that took part in the parade.

Photo by King

HE KNOWS HOW TO USE IT



The Commando dagger of Saint John, N. B., is being given an approving polishing-up in this photo by Lieut. Ronald Chapman, R.N.V.R., of Surrey, England, 32-year-old veteran of many lightning raids on enemy garrisons along the coast of Europe, who came to New Brunswick to address Third Victory Loan mass meetings. Armed only with this famed weapon of cold steel, Lieut. Chapman has often engaged in hand-to-hand combat with Nazis entries in raids on such enemy outposts as the Lofoten Islands, LaHavre and the Channel Islands. Prior to coming to Canada he had been touring United States training camps demonstrating British Commando tactics to men in training.

All Three have Tasted Action

As a matter of fact, all three of the Navy men examining the dagger in the photo have been where things are happening in this war. Surgeon Lieut. A. W. Clark, at left, is a Saint John Officer who has just been awarded the Distinguished Service Cross for service with the Royal Navy.

He has had two narrow escapes from death in the last two years, his first destroyer, "Broadwater," being torpedoed while on convoy duty in the North Atlantic, and his second, "Airedale," being sunk by dive bombers while convoying in the Mediterranean.

Lieut. G. A. Brown, R.C.N.V.R., at right, officer commanding H.M.C.S. "Brunswicker," R.C.N.V.R. training establishment in Saint John, was invalided back from England after having been injured in an air raid. He took passage on the battleship "Rodney"—and it was on this trip that "Rodney" participated in the search for and sinking of the German battleship "Bismarck."

daily! Those ships that had a short period in harbor during those early days of the campaign reported a total of \$18,750 worth of bonds bought by their crews. Other ships coming in before the campaign closed were expected to bring the amount up beyond the objective.

The Naval men had good reason to buy those bonds. They are among those who have to fight with the materials purchas-

ed with that money. Without the money flowing in they might have to go to sea without necessary equipment. And so, it can be said, the men of the Royal Canadian Navy are not only doing their share of the fighting in the war, but they are also going a long way out toward keeping themselves equipped for the job they have to do.

Says Allotments Too Slow Cook Has Cash For Bonds

One of the cook's in H.M.C.S. "Cornwallis" was being sold a Victory bond by a canvasser. The cook had decided to take out \$2,000 worth of bonds. The canvasser had begun to explain how an allotment could be made out to spread the payments over a number of weeks. "Never mind that" said the bond buyer, "Here's the money"

DIRECTOR OF MUSIC

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Navy and he was commissioned Lieutenant by Naval Service Headquarters at Ottawa and authorized to recruit a band for the Naval Establishment at this Eastern Canadian Port. The popularity of the band is too well known to dwell on its many fine performances. Suffice it to say, the reputation of the R. C. N. Band has spread across the American continent and even musical circles in England know of its achievements.

Padre: Do you know the parables, my child? Sailor: Yes, sir.

Padre: And which of the parables do you like best? Sailor: I like the one where somebody loafs and fishes.

NEW ENTRIES SQUAD

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they will be a threat as the season progresses.

In the last game before going to press, the Seamen defeated the Stokers in a senior game 11-0, showing a much-improved team with hitting power on the ground and kicking ability in Red Nower and Gilbride, lately converted from rucker. With Harris scoring on a fumble early in the game, the Stokers never could get organized and the Seamen romped to an easy win. Nower booted one field goal and two singles, while Gilbride also contributed one single pointed on a punt over the Stoker goal line. Dewar at quarterback played a steady game for the Seamen, and showed some very fine tackling, while Harris was also good for several long gains around the ends.

Another team

Latest information on the football front is that H.M.C.S. Niagara is entering a team in the senior league, so fans are in for more gridiron thrills as the league expands to four teams. Present standing of the teams is:

Navy Senior Football League

Table with 5 columns: Team, W, L, F, A, Pts. Rows: Salvos, Seamen, Stokers.

Halifax Intermediate City League

Table with 5 columns: Team, W, L, F, A, Pts. Rows: Salvos, Stokers, St Mary's College.

Bum: Any old rags and bones, Mister?

Husband: I wouldn't know, the wife's away.

Bum: Sorry, Guv'nor; any old bottles.

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