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MERVYL

HARRIS

DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS AFFAIRS

WAR SERVICE RECORDS

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WOODS

Mervyl Harrison

V-50658

A.B.

FILE No.

SURNAME (IN BLOCK LETTERS)

CHRISTIAN NAMES

REG. No.

RANK ON
DISCHARGE

C.A.S.F. UNIT

WAR SERVICEBADGE

(CLASS)

No.

DATE DESPATCHED:

ADDRESS:

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C.V.S.M. & Clasp

War Medal

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REGISTRATION NUMBER AND DATE DESPATCHED

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DESP. FEB 7 1950

REGN No. 835

(THE REVERSE TO BE USED FOR ESTATE PURPOSES)

MEDALS AND MEMORIALS—DECEASED PERSONNEL

RCNVR Oct. 45 "VALLEYFIELD"

(1) MEDALS
PERSON

ENTITLED TO Mr. Roland Woods - Father

ADDRESS: 43 Wicksteed, Town of Mt. Royal,
Quebec.

(2) MEMORIAL CROSS

WIDOW

ADDRESS:

(3) MEMORIAL CROSS

MOTHER Mrs. R. Woods

ADDRESS: 43 Wicksteed Ave., Town of Mount Royal
MONTREAL 16, Que.

REGISTRATION No. DATE OF DESPATCH

MEMORIAL BAR

DATE DESP

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REGN. NO.

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13-10-44

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Included with my educational period at McGill I have had two years training with the McGill Reserve Training Battalion accompanied by two weeks at the Three Rivers Machine Gun Training Center, this spring.

With regard to any references that may be required. These I could secure and forward to you at any time you may wish.

My parents were both born in England but have been living in Canada now for approximately thirty years. My father went through the last year war and at present works as a chief clerk for the Sun Life Assurance Company of Canada in Montreal.

Lieutenant A. Sogette, at present stationed with the R.C.N.V.R. in Ottawa, suggested that I write to you.

At the present time I am working at the Tadoussac Hotel, Tadoussac, as Bellboy Captain.

When at home I live in the Town of Mount Royal, Montreal.

The reason why I am writing to you now from Tadoussac and not waiting till I return home is of importance.

62-21-5W1

Hotel Tadoussac
Tadoussac, Quebec
July 20, 1942.

Commander Paul Carl
Naval Service Headquarters
Ottawa, Canada.

R 13483

Dear Sir:

I wish to make application for entrance into the Royal Canadian Navy. I would like very much to study for a commission in the Executive Branch. However, if my qualities are not of sufficient stability to merit a chance to earn this commission I would just as eagerly accept a rating. (Wireless operator.)

I have been studying the entire situation thoroughly for a long while and of the three services have chosen the Navy as the one I prefer most and which, I believe, will merit sound training for future life.

My qualities and other requirements I will state in the following paragraphs.

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I am a Canadian, nineteen years of age, having been born in Montreal in the year 1923. I stand five feet ten inches in height and weigh one-hundred and sixty pounds. I have a fair complexion, blonde hair, blue-green eyes and am somewhat lanky in build.

I attended both the Mount Royal public and High Schools without repeating a year and graduated in 1940 with an average of 62.5%; thereby securing my Senior Matriculation as well as High School Leaving papers.

During the past two years, that is up to last May, I attended McGill University. There I was taking a science course with the intention of entering the Medical Faculty within the next year or two. But due to the complexity of present circumstances my ambition has been thwarted - leaving me with the only objective possible - that is to join one of His Majesties' Services. My choice as you see has been the Navy. In addition may I add that my college mathematics were passed successfully.

62-21-5W¹
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Generally upon applying to join one of the three services the applicant, if accepted, has to wait a month or so before being called up for duty. Therefore, I figured if I applied now and was accepted, this period of waiting could be allowed for by my working here. If this were the case I could then join the Navy as soon as I return to Montreal and consequently no time would be unnecessarily lost or wasted.

If you see fit to accept me would you kindly send me, here at Tadoussac, all information I may require to continue my application.

Apologizing for the trouble I have caused you and thanking you very much for any consideration you may give on my behalf and for all information that may be forwarded.

*Letter acknowledging
this same permission
an offer of passage and
ask him to forward it
to Mr. C.D. Macdonald
PB -
24.7.42*

Yours respectfully
Mervyl H. Woods.

[MERYVY | H. Woods.]

1/R.



Wm.C.M.

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ATTESTATION FORM (HOSTILITIES FORM)

FOR MEN OF THE ROYAL CANADIAN NAVAL VOLUNTEER RESERVE ^{P278298}

SURNAME WOODS OFFICIAL NO. V-50658
CHRISTIAN NAMES Mervyl Harrison MARRIED, SINGLE OR WIDOWER Single

PERMANENT ADDRESS	RELIGION
<u>43 Wicksteed Town of Mount Royal, Quebec.</u>	<u>Church of England</u>

DATE OF BIRTH	PLACE OF BIRTH	NAME AND ADDRESS OF NEXT OF KIN
<u>29th May 1923</u>	Town <u>Montreal,</u> County Province <u>Quebec</u>	<u>Mr. Roland Woods.</u> <u>Father.</u> <u>Same Address.</u>

*Original Nationality of:
Father English Can
Mother English Can

*If not the son of natural born British parents, particulars to be given at foot of next page

(A) PERSONAL DESCRIPTION ON ENROLMENT

HEIGHT	CHEST MEASUREMENT	HAIR	EYES	COMPLEXION	WOUNDS, SCARS, MARKS
Feet <u>5</u> Inches <u>8</u> <u>160 #</u>	Inflated <u>38</u> Deflated <u>35</u> Mean <u>36 1/2</u>	<u>BLOND</u>	<u>Grey</u>	<u>Fresh</u>	<u>Appendectomy Scar</u> <u>on right side.</u> <u>Middle finger on right</u> <u>hand, slightly</u> <u>deformed.</u>

EDUCATIONAL STANDING	TRADE OR CALLING AND IN WHOSE EMPLOY
<u>Graduated from High School.</u> <u>Two Years attending Mc Gill.</u>	<u>Grinder, Crystal Lab.</u> <u>Canadian Marconi Company.</u> <u>Trenton Ave., Town of Mt. Royal.</u>

DATE OF ENROLMENT	RATING FOR WHICH ENROLLED	R.C.N.V.R. DIVISION, OR OTHER ESTABLISHMENT, AT WHICH ENROLLED
<u>DIVISIONAL STRENGTH</u> <u>18th November 1942.</u>	<u>ORD/SEAMAN</u>	<u>H.M.C.S "MONTREAL"</u>

(B) DECLARATION TO BE MADE BY APPLICANT

I hereby declare as follows:—

- (1) That I am a British Subject domiciled in Canada.
- (2) That I am desirous of being enrolled as a member of the Royal Canadian Naval Volunteer Reserve Force, and that I accept and agree to abide by the rules of the said Force.
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* (b) I served in Mc Gill Reserve for the period shown, and attach my record of service, in corroboration of this statement.

*Cross out Clause not applicable.

SERVED IN	RANK	FROM	TO
<u>Mc Gill Reserve</u> <u>Training Battalion.</u>	<u>Private</u>	<u>Sep't. 1940</u>	<u>May 1942.</u>

(c) I have never been rejected for or discharged from any of His Majesty's Forces on account of unfitness.

(4) That the particulars contained above are correct and true according to the best of my knowledge and belief.

Personnel Records Division.
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(5) On being enrolled as a member of the H.M.C.S. "MONTREAL" Division of the Royal Canadian Naval Volunteer Reserve, I undertake to bind myself:—

(a) To serve from the date thereof for the duration of hostilities, being subject to the provisions of the Naval Service Act, and of the Regulations made in pursuance thereof for the government of the Royal Canadian Naval Volunteer Reserve, and to the customs and usages of His Majesty's Canadian Naval Service.

(b) To report for active service if called upon in time of war or emergency, and, if called into active service, to serve ashore or afloat as may be directed, according to where my services are required.

(c) To keep in good repair and condition the articles of uniform and any articles of outfit which may be issued to me and to return them to the nearest Divisional Commanding Officer or to Training Headquarters prior to my discharge or when required so to do by any authorized person, or to pay compensation for any loss or damage thereto other than fair wear and tear; and also not to wear such uniform or outfit (which is and remains the property of the Crown) except when on naval duty.

(d) To undergo vaccination or re-vaccination, or inoculation, as considered necessary by the appropriate authorities.

Dated this 18th day of November 1942

Signature of applicant Mervyl H. Woods

(C) **CERTIFICATE OF ATTESTING OFFICER**

I hereby certify that all the foregoing statements were made by the volunteer above named, in my presence, and that he has made and signed the above declaration in my presence on this 18th day of November 1942.

PEHobbe
Signature of and rank of Attesting Officer.
Sub/Lieutenant R.C.N.V.R.

(D) **OATH OF ALLEGIANCE**

I, Mervyl Harrison Woods, do sincerely promise and swear (or solemnly declare) that I will be faithful and bear true allegiance to His Britannic Majesty, His heirs and successors according to law.

Signature of Applicant Mervyl H. Woods

Witness PEHobbe

Date 18th November 1942 Rank Sub/Lieutenant R.C.N.V.R.

The Oath of Allegiance may be administered by a Commissioned Officer of the Naval Service.

(E) **CERTIFICATE OF ATTESTING OFFICER**

Mervyl Harrison Woods, having been duly enrolled to serve in the Royal Canadian Naval Volunteer Reserve Force, I have caused his name and every prescribed particular to be recorded in the Record Book of the H.M.C.S. "MONTREAL" Division of the R.C.N.V.R. or in the appropriate official documents.

PEHobbe
Attesting Officer.
Sub/Lieutenant R.C.N.V.R.

18th November 1942 R.C.N.V.R. Division H.M.C.S. "MONTREAL"
(or other establishment)

NOTE.—This form when completed and when the particulars on it have been noted in the Divisional Commanding Officer's Record Book, is to be forwarded to Headquarters, Ottawa, for custody.

The Certificate of medical examination, B-207, and certificates of previous service are to be sent to Headquarters, Ottawa, with this form.

Certificates of previous service will be returned after they have been examined at Headquarters, Ottawa.

This is to acknowledge that I have not been induced to enter the Seaman Branch of the Naval Service by the prospect of being transferred at some future date to another Branch.

Mervyl H. Woods
Signature

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OFFICIAL NUMBER

NAME WOODS
(Surname)

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P. 1. 3.

Ship or Establishment	Rating	From			Remarks	Character	Efficiency	Date			Non-Sub. Rating	Qualifc			Qualified				
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HMCS "MONTREAL"	Ord. Smn.	18	11	42	Div. Str. Montreal.	V.G.	Sat.	31	12	42	S.T.	8	11	43	209	A	4	56	46
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Cornwallis	"	5	5	43	D.L. 6-5-43 Beaver 10--11/7/43														
Stadacona	"	11	9	43	D.R.D. #H-2581 Vision 30/7--20/8/43														
Hochelaga II	"	27	11	43	DRD H-3343														
Valleyfield	"	6	12	43	Ledger														
Discharged	"	7	5	44	"Missing" (Casualty List) Dead	V.G.	Sat.	7	5	44									
	A.B.	13	1	44	Rated Service Cert.														

GENERAL REMARKS

Canadian Memorial Cross. awarded to.
Mrs. R. Woods. (Mother)
43 Wicksteed Ave,
Town of Mount Royal,
MONTREAL, 16, Que. 13-10-44

DATE OF BIRTH			PLACE	CIVIL	OCCU.	RELI.	ED	PERM. RESIDENCE	PREV. ENL.	RANK OR RATE		
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OFFICIAL NUMBER V50658

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WOODS

.....
(Surname)

Mervyl Harrison

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(Given Names)

.....DATE OF BIRTH

29th May, 1923.

PLACE OF BIRTH.

.....
Montreal, Quebec.

RELIGION.

C. of E.

EDUCATION

OCCUPATION

Two years McGill.

Grinder

RESIDENCE AT TIME OF ENLISTMENT: Street and No.

43 Wicksteed,

Town of Mount Royal

.....Province, etc

P.Q.

[illegible]

NEXT OF KIN RELATIONSHIP (in pencil)

NAME (in pencil) _____

ADDRESS (in pencil): Street and No.

Town Leicester

Province, etc.

MEDALS, CLASPS, HURT CERTIFICATES, PRIZE MONEY

EXAMINATIONS, CERTIFICATES, ETC.

Date (in figures)			Particulars	Date (in figures)			Particulars	Date (in figures)			PARTICULARS
Day	Month	Year		Day	Month	Year		Day	Month	Year	
			Eligible for Award of CVSM and Clasp (249A/A13912.	7	6	43	Qual. a/G 1 day				
21	11	44	Posthumous mention in Despatches. Recommended for inclusion in Sec. headed"Recommendation for Posthom- ous mention in Despatches"	16	7	43	Marked "Tr". 249A-42345. <i>N/T 112207A/M/yk</i>				
			<i>N/T 042139240144</i>								

BADGES. G.C. OR G.S.

BRIEF PARTICULARS OF WARRANT OR C.M. PUNISHMENTS AND C.P. CHARGES

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O.H.F. Received

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W.S.G.
APPLICATION
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RECEIVED

CERTIFICATE of the SERVICE of

Merryl Harrison Woods

in the Royal Canadian Naval Volunteer Reserve

IC.N.S. 25614

Training Headquarters	R.C.N.V.R. Division	Official Number
	H.M.C.S. "MONTREAL"	<i>V-50658</i>

Date of Birth	<i>29th May 1923</i>	Name and Address of Nearest Relative or Friend (in pencil)
Place of Birth	<i>Montreal, P.Q.</i>	<i>Father:</i>
Place of Residence	<i>43 Hickstead, Mount Royal, P.Q.</i>	<i>Mrs. Roland Woods</i>
Trade brought up to	<i>Grinder</i>	<i>(same address)</i>
Religion	<i>Church of England</i>	
Can Swim:—P.P.T.	Date	Signature
	19	Rank
P.S.T.	Date	Signature
	19	Rank

O.H.F.

PARTICULARS OF SERVICE				MEDALS, DECORATIONS, etc.		
Date of Actual Volunteering	Date of Enrolment or re-enrolment	Period Volunteered for	Rating on Enrolment or Re-enrolment	Date of		Nature of Decoration
				Award	Presentation	
	<i>18 Nov '42</i>	<i>Duration of Hostilities</i>	<i>Ord/Lmn</i>			

PERSONAL DESCRIPTION							
	Height		Chest (mean)	Weight	Hair	Eyes	Complexion
	Feet	Inches					
On Entry	<i>5</i>	<i>8</i>	<i>36½</i>	<i>160</i>	<i>Blond</i>	<i>Grey</i>	<i>Fresh</i>
On re-enrolment—6 years' Service							
On re-enrolment—12 years' Service							
Further Description if necessary							

TRANSFER BETWEEN DIVISIONS			TRANSFER—LISTS A AND B		
From	To	Date	List	Date	Authority

Appendectomy scars Middle finger right hand deformed

NAVAL TRAINING and ACTIVE SERVICE

Year	SHIP OR ESTABLISHMENT	LEDGER		RATING	FROM	TO	CAUSE OF DISCHARGE
		List	No.				
	Montreal			Ord. from	18 Nov '42	12 Jan '43	
				On Active Service		13 Jan '43	
	Montreal			O/Sunn	13 Jan '43	20 Apr '43	
	Cornwallis			—	21 Apr '43	20 Apr '43	
	Montreal			—	20 Apr '43	4 May '43	
	Cornwallis			—	5 May '43	9 July '43	
	— (Beaver) ✓			—	10 July '43	14 July '43	V/O
	Cornwallis			—	15 July '43	29 July '43	
	Cornwallis (Vision) ✓			—	30 July '43	20 Aug '43	
	Cornwallis			—	21 Aug '43	27 Aug '43	
	Stadacona			—	28 Aug '43	25 Nov '43	
	Archelago II			—	26 Nov '43	7 Dec '43	
	Stadacona (Valleyfield)			—	8 Dec '43	12 Jan '44	A 13868
	Avalon (—) ✓			A.B.	13 Jan '44	29 Feb '44	
				—	1 Mar '44	7 May '44	D.D.

Wounds Received in Action, Hurt Certificates, Meritorious Service, Special Recommendations, Prizes or other Grants

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NAVAL TRAINING and ACTIVE SERVICE

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...Conduct

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OCCUPATIONAL HISTORY FORM

P278300

THIS FORM IS TO BE COMPLETED FOR EACH MEMBER OF THE ARMED FORCES. THE INFORMATION SOUGHT IS FOR THE USE OF GENERAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE ON DEMOBILIZATION AND REHABILITATION, A COMMITTEE SET UP BY THE GOVERNMENT OF CANADA TO STUDY PLANS FOR ESTABLISHING IN INDUSTRIAL LIFE THE MEMBERS OF THE ARMED FORCES, AFTER DISCHARGE. ACCURACY AND COMPLETENESS IN ANSWERING WILL BE OF MUCH HELP TO THE COMMITTEE.

PLEASE READ CAREFULLY THE INSTRUCTIONS GIVEN ON THE INSIDE OF COVER BEFORE COMPLETING FORM

Section A—GENERAL INFORMATION

1. (a) Print name in full WOODS, Mervyl Harrison (b) Reg'l. No. V 506 58
2. (a) Arm of service Navy (b) Unit R.C.N.V.R. (c) Rank Ord. Seaman
3. (a) Date of birth 29 May 1923 (b) Have you any dependents? No (c) Place of residence 43 Wicksteed Ave.
Town of Mount Royal
4. (a) Place of enlistment Montreal, Que. (b) Date of enlistment 18th Nov. 1942

PLEASE
LEAVE
BLANK

Section B—EDUCATION AND TRAINING

5. (a) State age on finally leaving school 17 years (b) Were you attending school or college up to the time of enlistment? No
6. State definitely highest standing reached at public, technical or high school (for instance—"4 years, Public School", "two years, High School", "Junior Matriculation", or "4 years technical course in printing", etc.) 11th Grade
7. If you attended a university, give name of university and standing or degree secured McGill University - 2 years Science (Pre-med)
8. (a) Did you ever enter upon a trade apprenticeship? No (b) If so, for what occupation? - (c) Did you finish it? - (d) If you did not finish it, how long did you serve at it? -
9. (a) What languages do you speak fluently? English (b) What languages do you read well? English

Section C—EMPLOYMENT CONDITION AT TIME OF ENLISTMENT

10. (a) State whether you were WORKING or NOT WORKING at time of enlistment. (Enter here only "Working" or "Not Working", as case may be; particulars are asked for below) WORKING (b) At time of enlistment of what trade union or professional society were you a member? None

Section D—PARTICULARS CONCERNING THOSE WHO WERE UNEMPLOYED AT TIME OF ENLISTMENT

QUESTIONS 11 TO 17 REFER ONLY TO THOSE WHO ANSWER "NOT WORKING" IN QUESTION 10 (a)

11. Had you ever been employed fairly regularly since leaving school?.....
12. (a) If answer to 11 be "Yes", state exact trade or occupation at which you actually worked..... (b) State how long you had worked at this trade or occupation.....
13. If answer to 11 be "No", state exact trade or occupation for which you feel qualified.....
14. If you had been employed after leaving school, state when you last worked fairly regularly before enlistment.....
15. Give details of last employer, if any: Name..... Address.....
16. Nature of employer's business (for instance, "farmer", or "building contractor", or "boot factory", or "iron foundry", or "retail store", etc.).....
17. (a) If your last employment was in a business of your own, state nature and address of business..... (b) Date of discontinuing it.....

Section E—PARTICULARS CONCERNING THOSE WHO WERE EMPLOYED AT TIME OF ENLISTMENT

QUESTIONS 18 TO 23 REFER ONLY TO THOSE WHO ANSWER "WORKING" IN QUESTION 10 (a). PLEASE READ THESE QUESTIONS AND REPLY TO THOSE APPLYING TO YOU AT TIME OF ENLISTMENT

IF YOU WERE AN EMPLOYEE WORKING FOR AN EMPLOYER UP TO THE TIME OF ENLISTMENT, PLEASE ANSWER QUESTIONS 18 TO 21

18. Name of employer Canadian Marconi Company Address Town of Mt. Royal
19. Nature of employer's business (for instance, "farmer", or "building contractor", or "boot factory", or "iron foundry", or "retail store", etc.) Radio
20. (a) Your specific occupation Grinder, (Crystal Lab.) (b) Number of years' experience at this occupation with any employer 2 months
21. (a) Did your employer promise definitely to give you employment on discharge? No (b) Did your employer refuse to promise you employment on discharge? No (c) Do you wish to return to your former employment? No

IF YOU WERE WORKING ON YOUR OWN UP TO THE TIME OF ENLISTMENT, THAT IS TO SAY, OPERATING A FARM, A STORE, AN AGENCY, OR IN PROFESSIONAL PRACTICE, OR AS A PARTNER IN ANY SUCH LINE, PLEASE ANSWER QUESTIONS 22 AND 23

22. (a) State nature of business, or professional practice..... (b) Where was it located?.....
23. (a) Number of years engaged in this business..... (b) Have you made, or will you make plans to return to the same or a similar business on discharge?.....

Section F—PARTICULARS OF FARMING EXPERIENCE

24. (a) Do you wish to engage in farming after the war? No (b) Do you feel competent to operate a farm? No (c) If so, in what kind of farming? -
25. (a) Were you born on a farm? No (b) How many years' actual farming experience have you had? No (c) In what provinces did you have experience? -

Section G—MISCELLANEOUS

26. Have you made any arrangements other than indicated above, for re-establishment in civil life after discharge? No
27. If so, state nature of your plans (for example, do you plan to return to school, or have you been assured of a job, etc.) Would like to complete college course.
28. State any employment preference or ambition you may have, other than indicated elsewhere in this form Medical Laboratory work (Medicine)

DATE 13th November 1942 SIGNATURE Mervyl H. Woods



DEC 08 1942
Copy To
VWD
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NAME IN FULL WOODS Melvyl Harrison RANK/RATING A.B. OFF. NO. V-50658 ADDRESS

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N.S. 815-2-207

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Certificate of Medical Examination of Officers, Men and Boys
NAVAL SERVICE OF CANADA
(R.C.N. OR RESERVE FORCES)

NOTE—This Certificate is to be completed by the Examining Medical Officer and forwarded to the Naval Secretary, Department of National Defence, Ottawa.

I, the undersigned, have examined WOODS MERVYN L. HARRISON
candidate for entry as O/P
and I believe him to be *in all respects fit for His Majesty's Service } He has signed the Certificate
unfit for His Majesty's Service for the reason stated below } given below in my presence.

†Strike out if inapplicable

*Delete one

This examination has been made in accordance with the current Instructions as to Medical Standards.

(a) Age	Yrs. 19	Mos. 5	(j) Date of last Vaccination for Smallpox	6.11.42	
(b) Height with bare feet	Feet 5	In. 8	(k) General Development	good	
(c) Weight without clothes	160		(l) Nose, Throat and Tonsils	SEPTUM TO LEFT TONSILS ABSENT	
(d) Ears and Hearing	Normal		(m) Heart and Lungs	BPM 85 Normal	
(e) Chest Girth	Max. 38	Min. 36	Mean 36 1/2	(n) Abdomen Hernia, etc.	McBURNIEY INCISION
(f) Teeth	Deficient 1	Defective 0	Dentures 0	(o) Limbs and Joints	1° BILATERAL HALLUX VALGUS
(g) Vision by Snellens Types	without glasses 6-12	Rt. Lt. 6-6 6-6		(p) Skin	Normal
(h) Colour Vision	Ishihara R.C.N. Lantern	Normal		(q) Anus Haemorrhoids	Normal
(i) Chest x-ray	not taken approved positive doubtful	15.4 795 approved		(r) Testes Varicocele	Normal
		D. P. - H. Montreal		(s) Urine SG. 1015 ALB - NEG SUGAR - TRACE	ACID

SCARLET FEVER 1933.

CERTIFICATE TO BE SIGNED BY CANDIDATE

I hereby certify that to the best of my belief I have never suffered from Fits, †Incontinence of Urine, Discharge from the Ears, or any other disease likely to render me unfit for His Majesty's Service. †I am willing to undergo, after entry, such dental treatment, vaccination, or inoculations as may be authorized.

†The exact meaning of this is to be clearly explained to the Candidate by the Examining Medical Officer.
†Strike out if inapplicable.

Signature of Candidate

When a Candidate is subject to a defect or disability, the following information is to be inserted:

This Candidate is the subject of.....

*{which renders him medically unfit for service,
not considered of sufficient importance to cause his rejection, he being desirable in other respects.

*Delete one.

IF REJECTED
insert here
UNFIT
in block letters

Dated at Montreal the 16th of November 19 42

Examining Medical Officer

(Rank) Surgeon R.C.N.V.R.

T.S. Copy / Taken.
TRUE COPY

(See K.R. & A.I., Article 609)

Surname Woods Christian Names M. H. Port Division Official Number 150658

Marks obtained in each subject are to be shown as a fraction of the possible total, thus $\frac{115}{150}$.

Surname

Christian Names.

M. H.

Record of Torpedo Service


To be filled up by Ships when a man is discharged or the Torpedo Officer superseded: by Schools, on discharge after service as part complement. The insertion of entries in ships is left to the discretion of the Torpedo Officer when his own or the man's period of service in the ship has been less than 3 months.

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TRADE CERTIFICATE

For directions for completing this Form, see Article 610, K.R. & A.I.

SEAMAN BRANCH—LEADING TORPEDOMEN AND SEAMEN TORPEDOMEN

 Torpedo Ratings in the Navy are those whose duties include Electrical Work

* _____
has received _____ months' training in electrical and torpedo work in a Naval Torpedo School during the course of his service in the Royal Navy. He has been employed on electrical and torpedo work as shown below:—

	(a)	(b)
Care and maintenance of and small repairs to	lighting circuits and fittings, including wiring of circuits..	
	electric motors.....	
	telephones, bells, electrical order instruments, etc.....	
	secondary batteries.....	
	Whitehead torpedoes.....	
	(a) Efficiency*	(b) Experience expressed in years

(A LEADING TORPEDOMAN IS REQUIRED TO PASS MORE ADVANCED EXAMINATIONS IN ELECTRICAL AND TORPEDO WORK THAN A SEAMAN TORPEDOMAN.)

His character during service was† _____
His general efficiency in carrying out his duties was† _____
His efficiency on discharge was assessed as† _____

SPECIAL REMARKS§—

Captain.

A pamphlet entitled "His Majesty's Naval Service: A Brief Description of the Qualifications and Abilities of Men of the Naval Service," is distributed to the Employment Exchanges under the Ministry of Labour, in order to assist the Employment Exchanges in dealing with the cases of discharged Seamen.

* Name, substantive and non-substantive ratings in full.
† Insert "superior," "satisfactory," "moderate" or "inferior."
‡ See Art. 610, K.R. & A.I., clauses 3 to 7.
§ Include power of command, intelligence, initiative, energy, and any qualifications not otherwise recorded.

[P.T.O.]

VOCATIONAL TRAINING CERTIFICATE

(To be filled up on completion of a Vocational Training Course, other than a Correspondence Course.)

VOCATIONAL TRAINING IS OPTIONAL

Vocation.....

We certify that (name).....

(residence).....

has satisfied us that he possesses a *.....knowledge of the

vocation mentioned, and we consider that **.....

.....
.....

Examiners.....

Business and Business Address.....

.....
.....

Date of Examination.....

(Signed).....President.

.....Vocational Training
Committee.

* Here insert qualification.

** Special notation as applicable.

TFH/MC

REGISTERED

AIR MAIL

N.S. V-50658 Pers. (N)

11th May, 1944.

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Dear Mr. Woods:

Further to my letter of the 8th of May, 1944, particulars respecting the loss of H.M.C.S. "Valleyfield", from which your son has been reported "missing", are being released to the press, and I am accordingly passing them on for your information.

H.M.C.S. "Valleyfield" was torpedoed and sunk by enemy action while on Convoy Escort duty in the North Atlantic. Details of the action are not being released beyond the fact that the ship sank almost immediately after being hit.

Thirty-eight members of her complement are listed as survivors; five were killed in action; the remaining one hundred and twenty-one, including the Commanding Officer, Lieutenant Commander D. T. English, of Halifax, Nova Scotia, are missing.

May I again express the sincere sympathy of the Department in your sad loss.

Yours sincerely,

LETTER dispatched
PERSONNEL NAVAL
13 1944
SECRETARY, NAVAL BOARD

Mr. Roland Woods,
43 Wicksteed Ave.,
MOUNT ROYAL, Que.

1017
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Ottawa, Canada.

No.

With reference to your

of the it is approved

to transfer

to

Handwritten:

SECRETARY, NAVAL BOARD.

MB/CP

HONOURS AND AWARDS

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Name:

WOOD, Mervyn Harrison

Rank and Service:

Able Seaman RCNVR 50658

Home Address:

Montreal, Que.

Award:

Mention in Despatches (Posthumous)

Date recommended:

Date gazetted:

21.11.44

Previous award, with date:

Citation:-

For good service when his ship was lost.

P.A.'S CHECKED IN
C.R. BY 8

CRK

N.S. V-50658 Pers. (N)

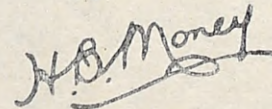
20th December, 1944.

Sir:

With reference to your letter of the 8th December, 1944, I am directed to inform you that your son, Mervyl H. Woods, enlisted in the Royal Canadian Naval Volunteer Reserve on the 18th of November, 1942, and was mobilized for Active Service the 13th January, 1943. He was posthumously awarded Certificate of Mention in Despatches with the following citation: "For good service when his ship H.M.C.S. "VALLEYFIELD" was lost". The Certificate and emblems will be forwarded to Naval Service Headquarters in due course from the Admiralty for onward transmission to the next-of-kin.

Your son was considered as officer material, but he did not actually become an officer candidate.

Yours truly,



for
SECRETARY, NAVAL BOARD. 7

Mr. Roland Woods,
43 Wicksteed Avenue,
Town of Mount Royal,
MONTREAL, P. Q.



Department of National Defence

1138360

Naval Service

OTTAWA, 30 August, 1944

IN REPLY PLEASE QUOTE

N.S. V-50658 Pers.(N)

Sir:

In accordance with Naval Order No. 839, it is notified for your information that the following casualty in the Naval Forces of Canada has been reported:

NAME, RANK/RATING,
Official No., UNIT

PARTICULARS RE
DEATH

NEXT OF KIN

WOODS, Mervyl Harrison,
Able Seaman,
V-50658 R.C.N.V.R

Missing, presumed dead to date 7 May, 1944. He was serving in H.M.C.S. "VALLEYFIELD", which was torpedoed and sunk by enemy action while on Convoy escort duty in the Atlantic.

Father: Mr. R. Woods,
43 Wicksteed,
Town of Mt. Royal,
Quebec.

In favor of

ALLOTMENTS IN FORCE

Amount

Initials

NIL

NIL

NIL

AMP.

Will: No record.

Yours truly,

H.B. Money

for SECRETARY, NAVAL BOARD.

Administrator of Estates,
Estates Branch,
Department of National Defence,
Ottawa, Ont.

TO: [illegible]
FROM: [illegible]
SUBJECT: [illegible]

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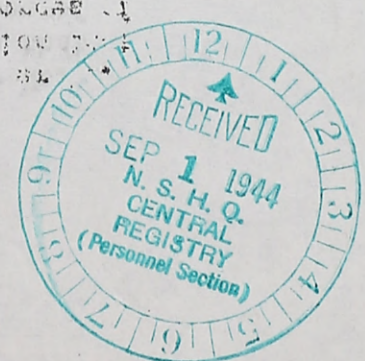
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C.R. 15-2.
P.A.
NAVAL TREASURY
DATE 31/8/44
INITIAL
SIR:

FORM "B"

FILE: N.S. V-50658 PERS. (N)

DEPARTMENT OF NATIONAL DEFENCE
- Naval Service -
Ottawa, Canada.

12015

(Date)

The following casualty has been reported -

NAME	RANK or RATING	NAVAL NO.
WOODS, Mervyl Harrison	Able Seaman	V-50658 R.C.N.V.R.

DATE OF ENLISTMENT - 18 November, 1942 Active Service: 13 January, 1943.

DATE OF DISCHARGE - 7 May, 1944.

HOSPITAL -

(If discharged in hospital under jurisdiction of D.P. & .N.H.)

SERVICE -

CANADA & HIGH SEAS

(Indicate whether in Canada only; or in Canada and the high seas or elsewhere.)

Reason for discharge and - Missing, presumed dead, when H.M.C.S. "VALLEYFIELD" was when and where any disability was incurred, or where death occurred, torpedoed and sunk by enemy action in the Atlantic.

(Show clearly whether death or disability due to enemy action, accident or disease, and whether it occurred in Canada, or on the high seas or elsewhere outside Canada.)

NEXT OF KIN & RELATIONSHIP -

RELATIONSHIP - Father NAME - Mr. Roland Woods,

ADDRESS - 43 Wicksteed Avenue, Mount Royal, Quebec.

NOTE: If records indicate that rating was separated from his wife, legally or otherwise, details to be furnished and copy of any Court Order, the Separation Agreement, etc., to be furnished.

FORM "A" RESPECTING THE ABOVE NAMED HAS BEEN PREVIOUSLY FORWARDED. PLEASE SEE REVERSE SIDE FOR DETAILS OF MARRIAGE ALLOWANCE, DEPENDENTS ALLOWANCE, etc.

P.A.'S CHECKED IN

C.R. BY

REMARKS:.....

THIS PORTION OF FORM COMPLETED BY CHIEF TREASURY OFFICER, DEPARTMENT OF NATIONAL DEFENCE, NAVAL SERVICE.

<u>Names of Dependents</u>	<u>Relationship</u>	<u>Maiden name of wife</u>	<u>Date of marriage and/or date of birth of children</u>
NIL	NIL	NIL	NIL

	<u>D. A.</u>	<u>A. P.</u>	<u>TOTAL</u>
Monthly rate:	NIL	NIL	NIL
To Whom Paid:	NIL		NIL

Address

Date of Enlistment: See other side.

Date of Discharge: See other side.

Inclusive date to which D.A. and/or A.P. was Paid:

The final deduction of Assigned Pay for NIL has been made for the period from 1st to NIL of NIL 194 4

Remarks:

Computed by.....L.D.....

Checked by.....*and*.....

for *Alec L. Boswell*
Chief Treasury Officer,
DEPARTMENT OF NATIONAL DEFENCE,
(Naval Service).

The Secretary, The Canadian Pension Commission,
Room 228, Daly Building, OTTAWA, Ontario.

THE CANADIAN PENSION COMMISSION

MEMORANDUM

To.....Pension Medical Examiner,.....MONTREAL.....

Ottawa, Sept. 9th, 1944.

From.....Head Office.....

V-50658 A.B. WOODS, M.H.

P. & N. H. 1973-M

The Department of National Defence, Naval Service,
officially reports that the marginally named was reported -
Missing, presumed dead, 7th May, 1944 when H.M.C.S.
"VALLEYFIELD" was torpedoed and sunk by enemy action
in the Atlantic,
~~on active~~ on service CANADA & HIGH SEAS.

His next of kin is reported as -

Father -
Mr. Roland Woods,
43 Wicksteed Ave., Mount Royal, QUE.

The Addressograph Stencil shows payment of Assigned Pay of

\$ Nil a month to -

As no D.A. was payable the Commission will not take
any action unless a claim is filed.

/AS

E. Clewes,
for
Canadian Pension Commission.

DOMINION BUREAU OF STATISTICS—QUEBEC DEATH TRANSCRIPT

Do not
write in
this space

1. PLACE OF DEATH	Municipal county	AT SEA		Official name of civil municipality or township	Place an X over the word which applies to this municipality or this territory City Town Village Parish Township											
	Street				No.	Hospital or Institution										
2. LENGTH OF STAY	(a) In hospital or institution	Years	Months	Days	(b) In municipality where death occurred	Years	Months	Days	(c) In Province	Years	Months	Days	(d) In Canada (if immigrant)	Years	Months	Days

3. NAME OF DECEASED	Surname	HOODS		
	Given names	MERVYL HARRISON		

Do not
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this space

CONFIDENTIAL MEDICAL CERTIFICATE OF DEATH

22. Date of death.....19.....
(Month) (Day) (Year)

23. I HEREBY CERTIFY that I attended deceased from
.....19..... to.....19.....
and last saw h.....alive on.....19.....

24. CAUSE OF DEATH

I
Immediate cause

Give disease, injury or complication which caused death, not the mode of dying, such as heart failure, asphyxia, asthenia, etc.

"MISSING" presumed dead,
when H.M.C.S. "VALLEYFIELD"
was torpedoed and sunk by
enemy action in the Atlantic.

Morbid conditions, if any, giving rise to immediate cause (stated in order proceeding backwards from immediate cause).

II
Other morbid conditions (if important) contributing to death but not causally related to immediate cause.

III If a communicable disease is mentioned on this certificate, give
(a) Date of appearance.....19.....
(b) Duration of disease.....days

25. If a woman, was there a puerperal condition?.....

26. Was there a surgical operation?.....Date of.....19.....

State findings.....Was there an autopsy?.....

27. If death was due to external causes (violence) fill in also the following:—

Accident, suicide or homicide.....Date.....19.....
(State which)

Manner of injury.....
(How sustained)

Nature of injury.....

Specify whether injury occurred in
industry, in home, or in public place.....

Signed.....M.D.

Address.....Date.....19.....

28. Signature of person who fills in the form (curate, coroner, hospital authority, etc.)
Payar, Cdr. R.C.N.R., Officier i/c Naval Personnel Records,
Naval Service Headquarters, Ottawa, Ontario.

29. Name of clergyman in charge of Register of Civil Status in which registration of this burial was made.

This signature authorizes the collector to accept this form as authentic.

(Voir l'autre côté pour le français)

4. RESIDENCE	Street	Wicksteed		
	Official name of civil municipality or township	Town of Mount Royal		
	Municipal county	Province Quebec		
	No.	43		

5. SEX	6. NATIONALITY (Citizenship)	7. RACIAL ORIGIN	8. Single, Married, Widowed or Divorced (Write the word)
Male	Canadian	British	Single

9. If married give name of wife or husband of deceased

10. BIRTHPLACE (Province or Country) Montreal, Quebec.

11. DATE OF BIRTH.....May.....1923
(Month) (Day) (Year)

12. AGE OF DECEASED
Years Months Days If less than one day old
21 hrs. or min.

OCCUPATION	13. Trade, profession or kind of work, as spinner, teamster, office clerk, etc.	Grinder, Crystal Lab.
	14. Kind of industry or business, as cotton-mill, lumbering, bank, etc.	Canadian Marconi Company
	15. Date deceased last worked at this occupation	16. Total years spent in this occupation

17. NAME

FATHER	
MOTHER (Maiden Name)	

19. Place of burial, cremation or removal Body not recovered

20. Date of burial.....19.....

21. PLACE OF REGISTRATION OF THIS BURIAL	(a) Name of parish or church	
	(b) Civil municipality of	
	(c) Municipal county	
	(d) Date.....19..... (Month) (Day) (Year)	

Mr. R. Woods,

43 Wicksteed,

Town of Mt. Royal,

Quebec.

Any further communication on this subject should be addressed to:—

THE DIRECTOR OF ESTATES,
DEPARTMENT OF NATIONAL DEFENCE,
OTTAWA, ONTARIO.

and the following number quoted:—

H.Q. V-50658. Fd. 591

DEPARTMENT OF NATIONAL DEFENCE
ESTATES BRANCH
OTTAWA, ONT.

September 11 1944

For the purpose of record and in the event of there being any Service estate available for distribution (according to law) on account of the late

WOODS, Mervyl Harrison, Able Seaman,

V-50658 R.C.N.V.R.



it is necessary that certain information regarding the deceased and his relatives should be furnished the Estates Branch. You are asked therefore to read the enclosed memorandum before completing pages 2 and 3 of this form. The particulars required are to be carefully filled in and the Declaration on page 4 should then be signed in the presence of a Clergyman, Priest, Local Magistrate, Commissioner for Oaths, Notary Public or a Commissioned Officer of any of His Majesty's Forces who should be asked to complete and sign the Certificate. This form should then be returned to the above address.

If there is insufficient space for complete particulars to be given opposite any question on pages 2 and 3 of this form, the space under "additional remarks" on page 4 should be used.

GC/

J. H. Wade
Commodore R.C.N.V.R.
Director of Estates.

ANSWER IN FULL ALL APPLICABLE QUESTIONS

STATEMENT of the Names, Ages and Addresses or Dates of Death, of all the relatives that the deceased ever had in each of the degrees specified below:

Degrees of Relationship	RELATIVES required to be accounted for	INFORMANT'S STATEMENT		
		NAME IN FULL of any Relative, if any, in each degree specified	Age	ADDRESS IN FULL of each surviving Relative, opposite his or her name, and date of death of each deceased relative
1	Widow of the Deceased.....	Unmarried.		
2	Children of the Deceased and dates of their Births.....	Nil.		
3	Father of the Deceased.....	Roland Woods	47	43 Wicksteed Ave. Town of Mt. Royal Montreal 16 p.Q.
4	Mother of the Deceased.....	Mildred A. Woods	47	as above
5	Brothers of the Deceased	Full Blood		
		Nil		
		Half Blood		
		Nil		
6	Sisters of the Deceased	Full Blood		
		Doreen Woods	12	as above
		Half Blood		
		Nil		
7	Names of brothers or sisters (whether of the full or the half blood) of the Deceased, who are dead, and date of death of each.	Names and ages of their children (if any)	Address of their children	
	Nil	Nil		

ANSWER FULLY EACH QUESTION ON THIS PAGE
PARTICULARS AS TO IDENTITY

8	Full names of the deceased.	Mervyl Harrison Woods.
9	Date of his birth.	May 29 1923
10	Place and date of his marriage.	Unmarried
11	Place and date of his parents' marriage.	Montreal , July 6th 1921

PARTICULARS OF DOMICILE

12	Place where deceased was born.	Montreal P.Q.
13	State, in order, the Province, State and/or County in which he resided before enlistment and the period of time in each.	(a) Quebec all his life (b) (c) (d)
14	Nature of employment before enlistment.	University Student
15	State whether he owned the premises in which he lived, and, if so, where situated.	No
16	Name place where deceased stated he intended to make his permanent home.	Montreal P.Q.

PARTICULARS OF ESTATE

17	Did he leave a Will? If in your custody, please forward.	Not to my knowledge
18	If married, and domiciled in the Province of Quebec or in a State in the U.S.A. or in a Country under the laws of which there is community of property between spouses,—was there a marriage contract dealing with property?	Not applicable
19	Did he have a Bank, Post Office or other deposit account? If so, give name and address of bank, etc., and the amount on deposit. Do you wish it administered with the pay account?	Cannot trace one.
20	Amount of War Savings Certificates held by deceased. Indicate where located.	\$15. Held at home
21	Amount of Victory Loan Bonds held by deceased. Indicate whether registered or bearer and where located.	\$100 Bearer Bonds. Held at home
22	If deceased had life insurance, name companies and amount payable under each policy and the person named as beneficiary therein.	See overleaf
23	Describe other assets, if any, and estimated value thereof. Use space on page 4 if necessary.	Clothes, Books etc. \$100

OTHER PARTICULARS

24	Did the deceased after enlistment incur any debts for:— (a) His own separate board and lodging while on service. (b) Service clothing and equipment. An itemized account for each such debt should be attached hereto, and if same is correct you should mark the bill "approved" and sign same. If believed incorrect, give particulars.	Nil
25	Have you or any other relative paid the funeral expenses or any part thereof? If so, attach itemized accounts showing amount paid, and by whom.	No

(NOTE:—The government pays funeral expenses within the amounts authorized in the Regulations, where death occurs and burial is made Overseas as well as where death occurs and burial is made in Canada or elsewhere in the North American zone, and if a relative has already paid those expenses the Government will reimburse such relative to the extent of the amount authorized in the Regulations. Any amount of such expenses in excess of those authorized in the Regulations is not payable by the Government nor is it chargeable against the service estate of the deceased.)

(PLEASE TURN OVER)

DECLARATION

*Insert degree
of relationship
for example,
"Widow",
"Father",
"Brother", etc.

I hereby declare that all the particulars shown on this form are correct, and a true and complete statement of all the relatives that the deceased ever had in the degrees specified; and that I am the father of the deceased.

N.B.—To be signed in full in the presence of a Clergyman, Priest, Local Magistrate, Commissioner or Notary Public or Commissioned Officer of any of His Majesty's Forces.

Richard Woods

{ Signature
of
Informant

43 Wicksteed Ave. Lower of Mt. Royal Address

CERTIFICATE

I hereby certify that to the best of my knowledge and belief.....

*See above.

Richard Woods { Name of informant } is the* father of the Deceased above described. The above Declaration was made by the Informant and signed in my presence.

Dated at Town of Mount Royal, Montreal, Que. this 13th day of September 19 44.

Signature of Clergyman,
Priest, Magistrate,
Commissioner or
Notary Public or Com-
missioned Officer of any
of His Majesty's Forces.

Perry H. Fitch

Qualification Commissioner of the Superior Court.

Address Apt. 21-1122 David Blvd., Town of Mount Royal, Que.

NOTE.—Before granting the above Certificate, care should be taken to see that the informant gives particulars concerning the death of any Relative stated by him or her to have died, and that the full name and address and age of each surviving Relative specified is stated in its proper place in the Statement opposite.

(If the deceased has no living relatives of the degrees shown on page 2, the names and addresses and relationship of other relatives should be set out below.)

USE SPACE BELOW FOR ANY ADDITIONAL REMARKS YOU MAY WISH TO MAKE

\$1000 Life Insurance Policy with Sun Life Assce Co. of Canada on his life but not part of his estate. Owned and applied for by father on third party application form.

DEPARTMENT OF NATIONAL DEFENCE
NAVY ARMY AIR FORCE
STATEMENT OF WAR SERVICE GRATUITY

DEC
MEN

Mervyl Harrison
(CHRISTIAN NAMES)

WOODS
(SURNAME)

REGISTER NO.

287

FILE NO.

NSV-50658

DATE

14 May/45

PAYEE **Director of Estates**

for Service Estate of

ADDRESS **308 Sparks St.,
Ottawa, Ont.**

**Mervyl H. Woods,
N.S.V-50658**

SERVICE NO.

V-50658

FINAL RANK OR RATING

A.E.

DATE OF TERMINATION OF OVERSEAS SERVICE

7 May/44

DATE OF DISCHARGE

7 May/44

A. TOTAL QUALIFYING SERVICE

NO. OF DAYS 481 EQUAL TO 16 COMPLETE PERIODS AT \$7.50

\$ 120.00

B. QUALIFYING OVERSEAS SERVICE

NO. OF DAYS 179 LESS 1 INELIGIBLE DAYS, EQUAL TO 178 DAYS @ 25C. PER DAY
SEE PAR. 2 OVERLEAF FOR EXPLANATION

44.50

C. SUPPLEMENT FOR OVERSEAS SERVICE

DAILY RATES AT DISCHARGE

PAY \$1.85
 SUBSISTENCE OR LODGING
 AND PROVISION ALLOWANCE \$1.25
 ADDITIONAL PAY H.L.M. \$.13

DEPENDENTS' ALLOWANCE 1/30 OF \$

TOTAL \$3.23 X7=\$ 22.61
 NO. OF DAYS 178 X\$ 22.61

22.00

SEE REVERSE SIDE
 FOR EXPLANATION
 OF ITEMS A, B & C

D. WAR SERVICE GRATUITY

186.50

E. DEDUCTIONS

OVERPAYMENT OF

PAY AND ALLOWANCES \$
 DEPENDENTS' ALLOWANCE
 AND ASSIGNED PAY \$

OTHER DEDUCTIONS

\$ NIL

F. TOTAL AMOUNT PAYABLE

NPH10

186.50

G. YOUR PORTION OF GRATUITY IS—

DEPENDENTS' ALLOWANCE IN ISSUE TO YOU \$ _____ OF \$
 TOTAL DEPENDENTS' ALLOWANCE IN ISSUE \$

= \$ 186.50

CERTIFICATE I CERTIFY THAT THE AMOUNT HAS BEEN CORRECTLY COMPUTED AND IS PAYABLE IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE TERMS OF THE WAR SERVICE GRANTS ACT, 1944 AND THE REGULATIONS ISSUED THEREUNDER.

PREPARED BY

SJD

CHECKED BY

CHECKED BY

DATE

17/5/45

for Dir. Pay. Accting.

SERVICE REPRESENTATIVE

STATEMENT OF ACCOUNT

True extract from the ledger of H.M.C.S. "AVALON" "VALLEYFIELD" ending 30 June 19 44

List. 122 No. 60 (Name) WOODS. Mervyl H. Rank Rating A.B. No. V.50658

When entered F.B. Date of appearance F.B. Whither discharged DEAD

CREDIT from former account

Pay as	A.B.	from	1 Apr	to	31 May	(61 days at \$	1.85 day)	112	85
	(Rank Rating)								

Adjust.....A.B..... " 13 Jan..... " 31 Mch (79 "35 ")..... 27 65

" S.T. " 1 Apr " 31 May (61 " .10' m. 6 10

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Adjustment March, 1944		-	33
Kit Upkeep Allowance.....	1 Apr - 7 May	4	47

OTHER CREDITS:

G.M. 1 Apr-7May, 37 Days @ .06¢	2	22
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Total credits.....	209	24
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DEBT from former account

PAYMENTS:—

1st

2nd

3rd

4th

5th

1st month.....	55.00	8.94				Total.....	63	94
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						Total		
2nd month.....								

						Total		
3rd month.....								

Alotment 8.40 chged Apl.	8	40
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Pension deduction (Officers) charged to.....of.....			
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Hospital stoppages.....		
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Mullets.....	
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OTHER CHARGES	O.R.25182, payable Adm.Naval Estates(Present War)	136	90
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Total debits	209	24
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Balance Cr. or Dr.	N	L
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(Balance Dr. to be shown in red)

Number of days actually victualled during period mentioned above.....37.....

NOT
VICTUALLED

LENT, SICK OR
LEAVE

INCLUSIVE DATE

FROM

TO

No. OF
DAYS

SHIP, HOSPITAL, etc.,
IN WHICH BORNE

Date..... 5 June 19 44

PAY LIEUT. CDR., R.C.N.V.R.
ACCOUNTANT OFFICER

ESTATES BRANCH

HQ.NS. V-50658 FD.591

February 7, 1945

Mrs. Mildred A. Woods,
43 Wickstead Avenue,
Town of Mount Royal,
Montreal 16, Quebec.

WOODS, Mervyl H., -A/B (Deceased)
No. V.50658, R.C.N.V.R.

Dear Mrs. Woods:

Distribution can now be made of the amount of money here
at credit of your late son.

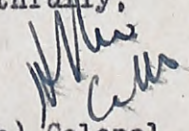
The total amount available for distribution is made up as
follows:

Balance of pay and allowances.....	\$136.90
Royal Bank of Canada, Mount Royal, P.Q.....	1.34
Redemption value of War Savings Certificates..	12.73
Total..	\$150.97

Your son died without having made a Will and his Service
estate is, therefore, distributable one-quarter to yourself, one-
quarter to his father and one-half to his sister, in accordance with
the Intestacy Laws of his province of domicile.

Treasury has been requested to send you direct a cheque
payable to your order in the amount of \$37.74, representing your share
of the estate, and on receipt of same will you kindly sign the enclosed
form of acknowledgment and return it to the Director of Estates,
Department of National Defence, 308 Sparks Street, Ottawa.

Yours faithfully,


(L.M. Firth) Colonel,
Director of Estates.

HRW/JN
Encl. ✓

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Estates Form "P. 4"

NAVY

Name WOODS Mervyl H. No. V50658
Surname Christian Names

A B HMCS Valleyfield 7-5-44
Rank Unit Date of Death

AMOUNT
W.S.G. 186.50
L.P.C. \$ 136.90
Other Credits 14.07
Total 337.47
Prev. dist. 150.97
This dist. 186.50
Date 24-10-45

SHARE	RELATIONSHIP	NAME AND ADDRESS	AMOUNT
3/4	father	Roland Woods, 43 Wickstead Ave., Town of Mount Royal, Montreal 16, Que. (1/4 as next of kin entitled)	139.88
1/4	mother	(1/2 for benefit of 1 minor) Mrs. Mildred A. Woods, (As above) (As next of kin entitled)	46.62
		OCT 30 1945 P4 TO TREAS.	WSG

AUTHORITY					
H.Q. F.E. No.	VOTE	PRI	H.Q. SUB.	OBJ.	AMOUNT
9999	831	00	50	000	\$186.50
CLASSIFIED BY			EXAMINED BY		
			For Chief Treasury Officer		

DISTRIBUTION APPROVED AND AUTHORIZED

(L. M. FIRTH) Colonel
Director of Estates
AUDITED FOR PAYMENT