

SIMPKIN
DONALD HARRY
N40525

MEMORANDUM FOR

P. 64

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

Mrs. Mary Simpkin,
123 Duncan Street,
Halifax, N.S.

Attention:

THE SECRETARY,
DEPARTMENT OF NATIONAL DEFENCE,
OTTAWA, ONTARIO
Administrator of Estates.
and the following number quoted:-

H.Q. 62-S-351 FD.6.

DEPARTMENT OF NATIONAL DEFENCE
OTTAWA, ONT.

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November 9th, 1940.

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For the purpose of record and in the event of there being any balance of pay, medals or memorials available for distribution (according to law) on account of the late

Ldg. V.A. Donald H. Simpkin, No. 4025. 40525.

Royal Canadian Navy.

it is necessary that the requisite information regarding the deceased and his relatives should be furnished on the inside of this form in strict accordance with the printed instructions. The particulars required are to be carefully filled in and the Declaration should then be signed in the presence of a Minister or Magistrate, who should be asked to complete and sign the Certificate. This form should then be returned to the above address.

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(L.M. Firth) Major,
Administrator of Estates.



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

Degrees of Relationship	RELATIVES required to be accounted for	APPLICANT'S STATEMENT			
		NAME IN FULL of any Relative, if any, in each degree inquired for	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 Soldier.....	—			
2	Children of the Soldier and dates of their Births.....	—			
3	Father of the Soldier.....	DEAD. MAY 9 TH 1932			
4	Mother of the ^{SAILOR} Soldier.....	MARY E. SIMPKIN	43	HALIFAX. N.S. 123 DUNCAN ST.	
5	Brothers of the ^{SAILOR} Soldier	Full Blood	L. A. SIMPKIN H. J. SIMPKIN	19 11	84 1/2 DUBLIN ST. HALIFAX. N.S. 123 DUNCAN ST. HALIFAX NS
		Half Blood			
6	Sisters of the ^{SAILOR} Soldier	Full Blood	(MARY) M ^{RS} FRANK MIOUSSE GRACIA S. SIMPKIN	23 17	84 SUMMIT ST. HALIFAX. NS 123 DUNCAN ST. HALIFAX NS
		Half Blood			
7	Names of brothers or sisters (whether of the full or the half blood) of the soldier, who are dead, and date of death of each.	Names and ages of their children (if any)	Address of their children		

IF NO RELATIVES IN THE DEGREES ABOVE ARE NOW LIVING, THE FOLLOWING PARTICULARS SHOULD BE GIVEN:—

		NAMES OF THOSE LIVING	Age	ADDRESS IN FULL
8	Grand-Parents of the Soldier.....			
9	Uncles and Aunts by blood of the Soldier (not Uncles and Aunts by marriage).....		Age	

FULL PARTICULARS AS TO IDENTITY

10	What is the full name of the deceased soldier?	DONALD H. SIMPKIN.
11	Give the month and year of his birth.	OCT 23 rd 1919.
12	Where and when were his parents married?	MARCH 6 th 1916 ST MARYS. CATHEDRAL 64
13	Was he ever married? If so, state exact place and date of marriage.	NO.
14	Did he leave a (later) Will? If so, it should be forwarded.	NO.
15	Is there any other estate which will necessitate application being made for Probate or Letters of Administration?	NO.

PARTICULARS OF DOMICILE

16	Where was deceased born?	HALIFAX. N.S.
17	In what province, country or state did he reside, and in which last?	NOVA SCOTIA.
18	How long in each?	21 YEARS.
19	What was the nature of his employment?	L.V.A. R.C.N.
20	Did he occupy his own house or homestead? If so, where?	NO.
21	Did he ever state verbally, or in writing, where he intended to make his permanent home?	NO.
22	State your postal address in full.	123 DUNCAN ST. HALIFAX. N.S.

PARTICULARS AS TO CLAIMS

23	Have the funeral expenses been paid? If so, by whom?	"H.M.S. MARGAREE." LOST AT SEA.
24	Are there any outstanding claims against the estate, if so, furnish full name and address of the Creditor or Creditors.	NO.

N.B.—Paragraph 24 refers to debts incurred for board and lodging, medical and funeral expenses, money loaned, goods purchased, etc., the undernoted information to be embodied in all claims submitted.

1. Name and address of Creditor. **NONE.**
2. Detailed statement of claim with date or dates incurred. **NONE.**
3. A certificate that the account is just and reasonable, that no payments have been made thereon and that the creditor holds no security therefor. _____

DECLARATION

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

I hereby declare that the foregoing particulars are correct, and a true and complete statement of all the relatives that the late soldier ever had in the degrees inquired for; and that I am the

*.....MOTHER.....of the deceased.

N.B. To be signed in full in the presence of a Minister or Magistrate.

Mrs Mary E. Simpkin { Signature of Applicant

CERTIFICATE

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

*See above MARY E. SIMPKIN { Name of Applicant } is the * MOTHER SAILOR of the Soldier above described, and I believe the above Declaration and the Statement of Relatives made by the Applicant and signed in my presence to be complete and correct.



at Halifax this 14th day of November 1940

Signature Geo G Madw Qualification Commissioner of the Supreme Court.
Address 123 Duncan St. Halifax N.S.

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

GS.

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Entered from Halifax, N.S.

H. M. C. S. "STADACONA"

OFFICIAL No. IF KNOWN
Space to be left vacant
if not known

140525

NATIONAL DEFENCE
MAY 20 1938
62-2357

CONTINUOUS SERVICE ENGAGEMENT, OR RE-ENGAGEMENT

To be forwarded to the Naval Secretary, Department of National Defence, with Form S. 59

CHRISTIAN AND SURNAME IN FULL Donald Harry S I M P K I N		NEXT OF KIN Mother: Name..... Mary SIMPKIN Address..... 123 Duncan St., Halifax, N.S.	PRESENT RATING Victualling Assistant
DATE OF BIRTH* 23rd October, 1919.	PLACE OF BIRTH† Town..... Halifax County..... Halifax Province..... Nova Scotia.		NAME, RANK AND STATION OF RECRUITING OFFICER Commander W.B. Creery, RCN., Commanding Officer, HMCS "STADACONA"

Personal Description at the Date of this Document

Height	Chest	Hair	Eyes	Complexion	WOUNDS, SCARS OR MARKS	Religious Denomination	TRADE OR OCCUPATION
5'5"	33½ 30 31½	Brown Brown	Brown	Fresh.	Nil	R.C.	Copy Clerk

Commencing date of Engagement or Re-engagement	4th April, 1938.	Period of Engage- ment or Re- engagement	Seven years.
Date of actually vol- unteering to en- gage or re-engage	July, 1937.	Date of entering present ship	4th April, 1938.

Particulars of former Continuous Service Engagements, if any; but, if none, and the person engaging has had previous Service, the date of his First Entry should be given. If the person has not previously served, write the words "First Entry" here.

FIRST ENTRY.

If an Engagement is ante-dated for any period, the man's services for such period should be forwarded in to office, with the Engagement, on Form S.—1243.

Declaration of Entry or Re-Entry from Shore for Continuous Service

The following questions are to be put by the Commanding Officer to the person about to engage for Continuous Service, whose answers are to be recorded hereon:—

1. Are the particulars given above of your name and date and place of birth correct?..... **Yes.**
2. Are you a British subject?†..... **Yes.**
3. Nationality of parents—Father..... **English.** Mother..... **Canadian.**
4. Have you ever served in the Navy, Royal Fleet Reserve, Royal Naval Reserve, Army, Army Reserve, Marines, Militia, Volunteers (Naval or Military), Territorial Force, or in His Majesty's Indian or Colonial Military Forces, or in the R. C. Mounted Police?‡..... **No.**
5. Do you now belong to the Militia, Volunteers (Naval or Military), Territorial Force or any Regiment or Corps in His Majesty's Army, or to any established Naval or Army Reserve Force, or to the R. C. Mounted Police?‡..... **No.**
6. Have you ever been rejected as unfit for His Majesty's service, or discharged from it on that account? If so, state reason of rejection or discharge, and date..... **No.**
7. Have you ever been discharged from the Navy, Marines, Army or R. C. Mounted Police on account of misconduct?..... **No.**
8. Are you willing to be vaccinated or re-vaccinated and inoculated?..... **Yes.**
9. Can you swim?..... **Yes.**

* When evidence of age is obtained on First Entry, it should be attached to this Form.

† Foreigners are not to be entered. On the entry of a person born out of the British Empire, it should be ascertained that he is (and in the case of a boy, that his father is) a British Subject, and evidence of the fact should be attached to the "Entry Papers."

‡ Particulars of service in the Army, Army Reserve, Naval Reserve, Marines, Militia, or H. M. Indian or Colonial Military Forces, or in the Merchant Service should be forwarded in to office with this Engagement. If a member of the Royal Fleet Reserve, the man's Registrar is to be immediately informed of his entry (Royal Fleet Reserve Instructions). If an R.N.R. man, state number of R.V. 2.

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C.N.S. 55

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N.S. 815-9-55

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I.—Declaration and Certificate for Men newly entered and Men who have been out of the Service since the expiration of their previous C. S. Engagement

I, Donald Harry SIMPKIN, do solemnly declare that to the best of my knowledge and belief the answers to the questions overleaf are true, and I do hereby agree to serve honestly and faithfully in the Naval Service of Canada* for seven years from 4th April, 1938, provided my service should be so long required. And I do sincerely promise and swear (or solemnly declare) that I will be faithful and bear true allegiance to His Majesty. As witness my hand this 4th day of April, 1938.

Donald Harry Simpink Man's Signature in full
Victualling Assistant.

Witness to Signature R. E. Gussow
Leading Seaman.

Attested before me this 4th day of April, 1938.

[Signature] Lieutenant, RCN. { Signature of a Commissioned Officer of the Naval Service
Date 4th April, 1938.

This is to certify that we have examined the person named on the other side hereof as to his fitness for the Naval Service of Canada, and we find as follows:—He is of perfectly sound and healthy constitution, free from all physical malformation, active and intelligent; and we consider him in all respects fit for His Majesty's Service.

[Signature] COMMANDER, RCN. Commanding Officer
E. E. Timman CAPTAIN, RCAMC. Medical Officer

II.—Certificate and Declaration for Boys

Date 1938

This is to certify that we have examined the boy named on the other side hereof as to his fitness for the Naval Service of Canada, and we find as follows:—He is a well grown, stout, intelligent lad, of perfectly sound and healthy constitution, and free from all physical malformation, and we consider him in all respects fit for His Majesty's Service.

The consent of his parents or guardian has been obtained in writing, and they are willing and desirous that the boy should be entered for years' continuous and general service from the age of 18, in addition to whatever period may be necessary till he attains that age.

..... Commanding Officer
..... Lieutenant
..... Medical Officer

I declare that to the best of my knowledge or belief the answers to the questions on the other side of this form are true and that I am not indentured as an apprentice.

I am willing to enter and serve in the Naval Service of Canada for years' continuous and general service from the age of 18, provided my service should be so long required, in addition to whatever period may be necessary till I attain that age. And I do sincerely promise and swear (or solemnly declare) that I will be faithful and bear true allegiance to His Majesty.

..... Boy's Signature in full

Witness to Signature

Attested before me this day of 1938.

..... { Signature of a Commissioned Officer of the Naval Service

III.—Re-engagement for Continuous Service

To be executed by men who have not been out of the Service since the expiration of their first engagement

The particulars indicated on the other side are also required when this Form is used.

I, now serving as a on board H. M. C. S., who on the of 1938 engaged to serve in the Naval Service of Canada for a period of § years, do hereby engage to serve for a further period** from †† 1938 provided my services should be so long required.

..... Man's Signature in full
..... 1938

Witness, Commanding Officer

* Insert "for the term of (number in words) years," or "to complete (number) years for pension," or "until I attain the age of years."
† Insert the date from which the engagement actually commences.
‡ The document conveying the consent to be attached to this paper. (N.B.—Not required in the case of youths over 17 years of age.)
§ To be written in words.
** Insert as follows:—"Of (number) years," or "to complete time for pension," or "until I attain the age of years," as the case may be.
†† Insert the date of commencement of the re-engagement, which must either be coincident with, or (when the re-engagement is ante-dated) earlier than the date of execution.

DEPARTMENT OF NATIONAL DEFENCE
(Naval Service)

C.N.S. 2417
3M-2-36
N.S. 815-9-2417

APPLICATION FOR ENTRY IN THE ROYAL CANADIAN NAVY

8057

The Naval Secretary,
Department of National Defence,
OTTAWA.

Halifax, Nova Scotia
(Place)

April, 5th/37
(Date)

SIR:-

I hereby make formal application for entry in the Royal Canadian Navy, under a seven years' continuous service engagement as a WRITER
(Insert rating chosen)

I certify that the following particulars are in my own handwriting and are true in every respect:

- Name (to be given in full in Block Letters) **DONALD THOMAS SIMPKINS**
- Date of Birth (Birth Certificate or sworn declaration by parent or guardian must be attached) 2.3.18.1918
- Place of Birth. Town Halifax, Province Nova Scotia
- Permanent Place of Residence. No. 123 Street Duncan Street
Town Halifax, Province Nova Scotia
- Are you a British Subject? yes
- How long have you resided in Canada? 17 years, 5 months, 7 days
- What is your Mother Tongue? English
- What other language do you speak? no other language
- Are you of the White Race? yes
- Are you Single, Married or a Widower? Single
- How far advanced educationally are you? have diploma for Grade 9, had 1 1/2 yrs. Grade 10, left during second yr.
(Certificates of School Authorities must be attached)
- What practical experience have you had? 1 1/2 yrs at the Halifax Herald & Mail
(Details and certificates from employers, trade credentials, etc., must be attached to substantiate employment reported.)
- Do you belong to any Naval, Military, Air or Police Force? no
- If so, give details.....
- Have you ever served in such forces? no
- If so, give dates and details.....
- Have you ever been discharged from His Majesty's Forces as medically unfit? no
- Have you ever offered to serve in His Majesty's Forces and been rejected? no

Why?

- Have you ever been convicted of a criminal offence? no
(Enclose two character references, one of which must confirm your answer to Question 19)
- What is your weight? 140 Height 5' 6 1/2" Chest Measurement (Not inflated) 35
- Have you ever had fits? no
- Do you suffer from any deformity? no
- Have you suffered the loss of any fingers, toes, etc? no
- Do you suffer from any disease? no
- Do you wear glasses? no
- Are you subject to any disability which might cause your rejection?
no
- Give details.....
- Are you willing to be vaccinated and inoculated as considered necessary by the appropriate authorities? yes

Geo. G. Mader
Signature of Witness

Donald Thomas Simpkins
Signature of Applicant

CERTIFICATE TO BE SIGNED BY THE PARENT OR GUARDIAN OF CANDIDATES UNDER 21 YEARS OLD

I agree to refund to the Department of National Defence the expenses incurred by that Department for transportation to a Naval Base of the above applicant, should he, on arrival at such Base, fail to enrol for seven years' continuous Naval service for reasons which in the opinion of the Department are within his own control. Signed and

Sealed at Halifax, N.S., this 5th day of April, 1937, in the presence of
Geo. G. Mader Signature of Witness
Mrs. Mary Simpkins (mother) Signature of Parent or Guardian

CERTIFICATE TO BE SIGNED BY CANDIDATES OVER 21 YEARS OF AGE

I agree to refund to the Department of National Defence the expenses incurred by that Department for my transportation to a Naval Base, should I, on arrival at such Base, fail to enrol for seven years' continuous Naval service for reasons which in the opinion of the Department are within my own control.

Signed and Sealed at....., this..... day of....., 19..... in the presence of.....
Signature of Witness Signature of Candidate



Can. B. 207
2M-1-37
N.S. 815-2-207

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NATIONAL DEFENCE
MAY 1938
N.S. 628351

Final

CERTIFICATE OF MEDICAL EXAMINATION FOR THE ENTRY OF OFFICERS, MEN AND BOYS FOR THE 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 SIMPKIN, Donald Harry candidate for entry as Victualling Assistant, R.C.N. *Final Examination*, and I believe him to be in all respects fit for His Majesty's Service. He has signed the Certificate given below in my presence.

Dated at Halifax N.S. the 4th of April 1938.

Xray report...Satisfactory.

Of White Race.

E. E. Timmer
Examining Medical Officer
(Rank) Captain R.C.M.C.

This examination has been made in accordance with the Instructions for Recruiting.

Age	Years Months	Weight without Clothes	Height with Bare Feet	General Development	Chest Girth	Vision by— (i) Snellen's Types (ii) Colour Vision	Vaccinated or re- vaccinated for Small Pox (Date)	Lungs, Heart, etc.	Abdomen, Hernia, etc.	Limbs and Joints	Skin	Ears and Hearing	Testes, Varicocele, etc.	Mouth, Teeth (No. def- icient and No. defective, if any), Nose, Tonsils, etc.	Anus, Hæmorrhoids, etc.
(a)	(b)	(c)	(d)	(e)	(f)	(g)	(h)	(i)	(j)	(k)	(l)	(m)	(n)	(o)	(p)
18	10/5	129 lbs.	5' 5" ft. ins.	<i>fair</i>	inches (a) maximum 33½ (b) minimum 30 (c) mean 31½	right eye 6/9 left eye 6/6 colour vision N. (Shihara)	<i>Vacc</i> 1926.	<i>Lungs clear</i> <i>Heart normal</i>	<i>normal</i>	<i>Normal</i>	<i>Clear</i>	<i>normal</i> <i>w.v. 20 ft.</i>	<i>normal</i>	<i>Teeth deficient</i> <i>one defective tooth</i> <i>tonsils enlarged.</i>	<i>Normal.</i>

CERTIFICATE TO BE SIGNED BY THE 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 as may be authorized.

Donald Harry Simpkin
Signature of Candidate

When a Candidate is passed, notwithstanding a slight defect or disability, the following Certificate is to be filled up

This Candidate is the subject of otitis media slightly enlarged

not considered of sufficient importance to cause his rejection, he being desirable in other respects.

E. E. Timmer
Examining Medical Officer
(Rank) Capt R.C.M.C. NO R.C.N.

* The exact meaning of this is to be clearly explained to the Candidate by the Examining Medical Officer.

DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS AFFAIRS
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AWARDS

(NAVY)

D.D.

WAR SERVICE RECORDS

SIMPKIN	Donald Harry	N-40525	Ldg.V.A.	FILE No.
SURNAME (IN BLOCK LETTERS)	CHRISTIAN NAMES	REG. No.	RANK ON DISCHARGE	C.A.S.F. UNIT

WAR SERVICE

BADGE

(CLASS) No. DATE DESPATCHED:

ADDRESS:

CAMPAIGN MEDALS	REGISTRATION NUMBER AND DATE DESPATCHED
1939-45 Star	3446
C.V.S.M. & Clasp	
War Medal	

(THE REVERSE TO BE USED FOR ESTATE PURPOSES)

RCN July 41 "MARGAREE"

MEDALS AND MEMORIALS—DECEASED PERSONNEL

REGISTRATION No. DATE OF DESPATCH

(1) MEDALS
PERSON
ENTITLED TO

Mrs. Mary E. Simpkin - Mother

ADDRESS:

~~123 Duncan Street,~~ 335 Almon St.
Halifax, N.S.

MEMORIAL BAR

DATE DESP

(1)

REGN. NO

674

(2) MEMORIAL CROSS
WIDOW

ADDRESS:

(2)

(3) MEMORIAL CROSS
MOTHER

Mrs. Mary E. Simpkin

ADDRESS:

123 Duncan St., Halifax, N.S.

(3)

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DISTRIBUTION OF SERVICE ESTATES

Naval - Military - Air Force

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Name SIMPKIN Surname Donald E. Christian Names Christian Names No. 40525

L.V.A. Rank : R.C.N. : Unit : Date of Death 22/10/40

AMOUNT

L. P. C. \$ 27.30

Other Credits _____

Total 27.30

Shares Retained _____

NET TOTAL 27.30

Date JUNE 21, 1941

SHARE	RELATIONSHIP	NAME AND ADDRESS	AMOUNT				
Whole	Mother	Mary E. Simpkin, 123 Duncan Street, Halifax, N.S. (Not to be included in Distribution) <i>Ch. Smith</i>	27.30 R.				
AUTHORITY							
HO C.E. No.	DIV	EST	VOTE	PRI	DA OR HO SUB	OBJ	AMOUNT
9999			832	00	00	001	27 30
SHARES RETAINED							
none		CLASSIFIED BY <i>Ch. Smith</i>	EXAMINED BY FOR TREASURY OFFICER			27 30 TOTAL	

Distribution approved and authorized

AUDITED FOR PAYMENT

(L.M. Firth) Major,
Administrator of Estates.

[Signature]
For Chief Treasury Officer

VERIFICATION FORM

DEFENCE MEDAL, WAR MEDAL, C.V.S.M. and CLASP.
NAVAL GENERAL SERVICE MEDAL (1915).

BRANCH/RATING *Sdg. S.A.* OFF. NO. *N-403-25* ADDRESS

GRADE	QUALIFYING PERIODS IN DAYS						STARS MEDALS	✓ 1 2	ELIGIBLE FOR AWARDS OF
	FROM	TO	1939-45	ATLANTIC	DEFENCE	CLASP C.V.S.M.			
							1939-45	1	<i>star</i>
							ATLANTIC		
							FRANCE G.		
							AFRICA		
							PACIFIC		
							BURMA		
							ITALY		
							DEFENCE		
							C.V.S.M.	2	<i>clasp</i>
							" CLASP		
							WAR 1945	1	<i>medal</i>
							WAR 1915		

22-10-40

VERIFIED BY *[Signature]*

[Signature]

APPROVED BY DIR. OF PERSONNEL RECORDS.

If a copy of this Form is required, Form C.N.S. 1243 is to be used

The corner of this Certificate is to be cut off if the man is discharged with a "Bad" character or with disgrace, or if specially directed by the Department of National Defence (Naval Service). If the corner is cut off, the fact is to be noted in the Ledger.

CERTIFICATE of the Service of

Donald Harry **SIMPKIN.**

IN THE ROYAL CANADIAN NAVY

HALIFAX, N.S.

Official Number *40525*

Date of birth *23rd October, 1919.*

Nearest known Relative or Friend
(To be noted in pencil)

Where born { Province *Nova Scotia*
Town or county *Halifax.*

Name: *Mary Ethel*
Relationship: *Mother*

Trade brought up to *Copy Clerk.*

Address:

Religious denomination *Roman Catholic.*

123 Duncan St.

Date passed swimming test

28/12/38

Man's signature on discharge to pension }

Halifax N.S.

All Engagements, including N.C.S., to be noted in these Columns

Date of actually volunteering	Commencement of time	Period volunteered for	Date of actually volunteering	Commencement of time	Period volunteered for
1. <i>4th April, 1938</i>		<i>Seven years</i>	5.		
2.			6.		
3.			7.		
4.			8.		

Medals, Clasps, Etc.

Date received or forfeited	Nature of decoration	Date received or forfeited	Nature of decoration

Description of Person	Stature		Chest, In.	Colour of			Marks, Wounds and Scars
	Feet	In.		Hair	Eyes	Complexion	
On entry as a boy.....							
On advancement to man's rating or on entry under 28 years.....	<i>5</i>	<i>5</i>	<i>31 1/2</i>	<i>Brown</i>	<i>Brown</i>	<i>Fresh.</i>	
On re-entry for C.S. or for Non-C.S. after attaining 28 years.....							
Further description if necessary.....							

Passing Certificate

This is to Certify

that Donald Henry SIMPKIN,

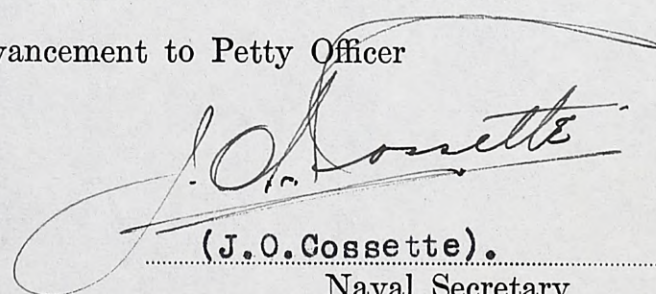
Rating Victualling Assistant. Official Number 40525

has passed

THE EDUCATIONAL TEST, I

held on 12th July, 1938.

For advancement to Petty Officer



(J. O. Cossette).

Naval Secretary

Department of National Defence.

Ottawa, this 14th day of September, 1938.

Spec. (July 1, 1940)

P040509

NAVY OFFICE
JUL 10 1940
N.S. 62-S-351
CANADA

REPORT OF RESULT OF PROFESSIONAL EXAMINATION
FOR RATING OF Victualling Petty Officer

Name of Candidate (in full).... Donald Harry Simpkin..... O.N. - 40525.....
Present rating.. Leading Victualling Assistant..... *24*

WE CONSIDER the Candidate (to be qualified)
(~~XXXXXXXXXXXXXX~~) professionally,

for the rating of... Victualling Petty Officer.....

~~(a) Under Normal Peace Time Standards (written Examination) - Marks overleaf~~

(b) Under N.M.O. 889/40 and A.F.O. 1198/40.

NOTE: Candidate passing for P.O. under Section (b) above is required, in order to qualify for C.P.O., to pass Normal Peace Time Written Paper.

DATED on board H.M.C.S. "STADACONA"

at Halifax, N.S..... 21st. May, 19.40..

[Signature]
Paymaster Commander, R.C.N.

[Signature]
Paymaster Lieutenant, R.C.N.

.....
Candidate's Signature in Full..... Written Examination.....

1 Copy: The Naval Secretary.

3 Copies: The Commanding Officer,

H.M.C.S. " St. Laurent. "

(1 copy for S.C. action and enclosure
1 copy for Copy of S.C.
1 copy for candidate.)

[Signature]
Commander, R.C.N.
COMMANDING OFFICER.

1 Copy: File, R.C.N. Barracks, Halifax, N.S.

NOTED
[Handwritten notes]

NS:62-S.357.

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NATIONAL DEFENCE
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CANADA

COMMANDING OFFICER
H.M.C.S. "STADACONA"
OCT 29 1939
R.C.N. BARRACKS,
HALIFAX, N.S.

DEPARTMENT OF NATIONAL DEFENCE.
(NAVAL SERVICE)

OTTAWA 25th October, 1939

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Memorandum

The undermentioned advancement may be made if the rating is in all respects qualified for advancement and in your opinion fit to perform the duties of the higher rating:

Name and Official Number.	Present Rating.	Rating to which to be advanced	Remarks
Donald H. SIMPKIN, Official Number 40525.	Vict. Asst.	Leading Victualling Assistant. To Date. 18th October, 1939.	

To The Commander,
R.C.N. Barracks,
HALIFAX, N.S.

By Order.

J.O. Cossette
(J.O. Cossette),
Naval Secretary.

Noted in "*Stam...*". It has been verified that this man is qualified under the regulations for advancement, and I consider him to be fit to perform the duties of the higher rating.

He has been advanced to *Leading Victualling Asst.* to date *18 October* 1939.

K. M. Beer
Commanding Officer.

This form is to be returned to the Naval Secretary, Department of National Defence". If the Commanding Officer does not consider the man fit for advancement a report stating the circumstances is to be attached.

NOTED.
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NAVAL MESSAGE

S. 1320D
10 MIL-5-40 (5005)
N.S. 815-9-1320D

To: MRS. MARY E. SIMPKIN
123 DUNCAN STREET
HALIFAX N.S.

From:

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THE MINISTER OF NATIONAL DEFENCE DEEPLY REGRETS
TO INFORM YOU THAT YOUR SON DONALD H. SIMPKIN LEADING
VICTUALLING ASSISTANT R.C.N. O.N. 40525 IS MISSING, BELIEVED
KILLED

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L/T D/L P/L REC'D SDC KL 27.10.40 5529
1700/26

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1st November, 1940.

Dear Madam:


It is with deep regret that I must confirm the telegram sent out by the Minister of National Defence, reporting that your son, Donald H. Simpkin, Leading V. A., O.N. 40525, R.C.N., was missing, believed killed.

Few details are available, but it is known that H.M.C.S. "MARGAREE" was sunk in collision in the North Atlantic whilst steaming without lights, on convoy duty, and in the submarine zone. 142 Officers and ratings are missing and must be presumed lost at sea.

I am requested to express to you the sincere sympathy of the Minister of National Defence for Naval Services and the Chief of the Naval Staff in your bereavement.

Any further information, which is received, will be at once communicated to you.

Yours very truly,


(J. O. Cossette),
Naval Secretary.

Mrs. Mary E. Simpkin,
123 Duncan Street,
HALIFAX, N.S.

CONSENT PAPER

NATIONAL OFFICE
MAY 25 1937
62-2148
CANADA

(This paper is required in all cases where the Candidate is under the age of 18 years, in addition to the Certificate of Birth or Declaration.)

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*Strike out "son" or "ward" as the case may be.

I hereby certify that my ~~ward~~^{son,*} Donald Simpkin has my full consent (being himself willing) to enter the Naval Service of Canada for a period of seven years' continuous and general service, from the age of 18, in addition to whatever period may be necessary until he attains that age, agreeably to the King's Regulations.

He has not been in a Reformatory, nor has he been sentenced to imprisonment.

I declare that he has never had fits.

† No alteration or erasure is to be made in the date of birth given.

The date of the boy's birth is October, 23, 1919

His Religious persuasion is Roman Catholic

Witness my hand at Halifax,

8 day of May 1937

†† Strike out "Parent's" or "Guardian's" as the case may be.

†† Parent's Signature in full Mary Ethel Simpkin
~~Guardian's~~

† Must be signed by the Father, if alive, or satisfactory explanation made.

† Parent's Address 123 Duncan Street
~~Guardian's~~ Halifax, Nova Scotia

In the case of a Guardian see other side.

I, the above named Harry Donald Simpkin do consent to enter the Naval Service of Canada.

§ The Boy and Parent or Guardian must sign in the presence of the witness to their signatures.

§ Boy's signature in full Harry Donald Simpkin

Signed by the said Harry Donald Simpkin
[Here write boy's name]

And Mary Ethel Simpkin
[Here write Parent's or Guardian's name]

In the presence of Geo. G. Mader
Witness to signature of Boy, and Parent or Guardian.

123 Duncan St Address.

[OVER]

CERTIFICATE

§ Strike out "Parent" or "Guardian" as the case may be.

**Strike out "he" or "she" according to sex of Parent or Guardian.

† The assertion of the boy himself should not be taken as sufficient warrant for this statement.

I certify that I am personally acquainted with this Boy's § Parent, and am aware ~~he~~ she has consented to the Boy's entry as above, and I believe the particulars stated herein to be true.

.....Clergyman of the Parish.
OF *Geo. McEwen* Resident Householder }
Government Employee Occupation }
123 Duncan St Address
May 26th 193*7*

Particulars to be stated, if possible, in the case of a Boy whose Father is dead

Date of Father's death.....*May, 9, 1932*.....
Place of death.....*Halifax, Nova Scotia*.....
Signed.....*Mary E. Simpkin*.....Mother.

Particulars to be stated, if possible, in the case of a Boy whose Parents are both dead

Date of Father's death.....
Place of death.....
Date of Mother's death.....
Place of Mother's death.....
Signed.....Guardian.

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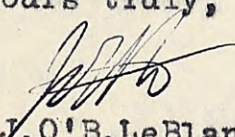
22nd April, 1937. 2

Sir:

With reference to your application for entry into the Royal Canadian Navy, it is noted that you completed your application in the name of "Donald Thomas Simpkins", while your birth Certificate is in the name of "Donald Harry Simpkin". Before further consideration can be given to your application it will be necessary for you to forward a verified statement that the Certificate of Birth attached to your Form of Application belongs to you, and whether your name is "Simpkin" or "Simpkins" as it is absolutely necessary that all certificates, form of application, etc., be uniform in regard to signature.

Certificates forwarded with your application will be retained in this Department pending receipt of the above information together with the attached Consent Paper properly filled in, when further consideration will be given to your request for entry into the Royal Canadian Navy.

Yours truly,


(J.O'B. LeBlanc),
Assistant Naval Secretary.

Mr. Donald T. Simpkins,
123 Duncan Street,
HALIFAX, N.S.

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Halifax, Nova Scotia, M10970
May 26th, 1937.

The Naval Secretary:
Dept. of National Defence.

Dear Sir:

I am very sorry to have caused any inconvenience on your part by my recent mistake on the application form forwarded some time ago. I had been called Donald Thomas Simpkins for a long while and had never bothered to ascertain whether or not this was correct. The last name is "Simpkin" and not Simpkins as on the application and the given names are "Donald Harry". You will find proof of this attached to this letter. I remain,

Yours Truly,

Donald Harry Simpkin,
123 Duncan Street,
Halifax Nova Scotia.

Donald Harry Simpkin

DC

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

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NAVY

BASED ON MEMBER'S NAME **Donald Harry** (CHRISTIAN NAMES) **SIMPKIN** (SURNAME)
 PAYEE **Mrs. Mary E. Simpkin,**
 ADDRESS **123 Duncan St.,**
Halifax, N.S.
 REGISTER NO. **6414**
 FILE NO. **NSN-40525**
 DATE **9 Mch/45**
 SERVICE NO. **40525**
 FINAL RANK OR RATING **L/S.A.**
 DATE OF TERMINATION OF OVERSEAS SERVICE **22 Oct/40** DATE OF DISCHARGE **22 Oct/40**

A. TOTAL QUALIFYING SERVICE
 NO. OF DAYS **409** EQUAL TO **13** COMPLETE PERIODS AT \$7.50 **\$ 97.50**

B. QUALIFYING OVERSEAS SERVICE
 NO. OF DAYS **164** LESS **19** INELIGIBLE DAYS, EQUAL TO **145** DAYS @ 25C. PER DAY **\$ 36.25**

C. SUPPLEMENT FOR OVERSEAS SERVICE

DAILY RATES AT DISCHARGE

PAY	\$	2.25	
SUBSISTENCE OR LODGING AND PROVISION ALLOWANCE	\$	1.45	
ADDITIONAL PAY H.L.M.	\$.13	
	\$		
	\$		
DEPENDENTS' ALLOWANCE 1/30 OF \$	\$		
TOTAL	\$	3.83	X7 = \$ 26.81
NO. OF DAYS 145			X\$ 26.81
		183	
			\$ 21.24

D. WAR SERVICE GRATUITY **154.99**

E. DEDUCTIONS OVERPAYMENT OF PAY AND ALLOWANCES \$
 DEPENDENTS' ALLOWANCE AND ASSIGNED PAY \$ **NIL**
 OTHER DEDUCTIONS \$

F. TOTAL AMOUNT PAYABLE **154.99**

G. YOUR PORTION OF GRATUITY IS—

DEPENDENTS' ALLOWANCE IN ISSUE TO YOU \$ _____ OF \$ **154.99**
 TOTAL DEPENDENTS' ALLOWANCE IN ISSUE \$

cheque # 115268 - 20/3/45.

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 BJD	CHECKED BY <i>[Signature]</i>	TREASURY CHECKED BY <i>[Signature]</i>	DATE 12/3/45
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For Dir. Naval Pay Acctg. SERVICE REPRESENTATIVE

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DRAFTED BY D.N.P.

PER EWPN

NAVAL MESSAGE

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NS: 62-N-167

NS: From: T-64

S. 1320D
10 MIL-5-40 (6008)
N.B. 815-9-1320D

To:

"RESTIGOUCHE"

"ST. LAURENT"

"SKEENA"

(R) CAPTAIN, H.M. SIGNAL SCHOOL, PORTSMOUTH
ADMIRALTY 429

N.S.H.Q.

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LEADING VICTUALLING ASSISTANT D.H. SIMPKIN O.N. 40525
BORNE IN H.M.C.S. "ST. LAURENT" AND PETTY OFFICER TELEGRAPHIST
M.S.G. FENERTY O.N. 2153 BORNE IN "SKEENA" ARE TO BE AVAILABLE FOR
DRAFT TO H.M.S. "DIANA" ON COMMISSIONING FOR SERVICE IN R.C.N.
APPROXIMATELY 21ST AUGUST.

THE CAPTAIN H.M. SIGNAL SCHOOL PORTSMOUTH IS REQUESTED
TO ARRANGE FOR DRAFT OF LEADING TELEGRAPHISTS C.M. MARLIN R.C.N.
2412 AND M.O. TAYLOR R.C.N. 2493 TO H.M.C.S. "RESTIGOUCHE" FOR
DISPOSAL IN R.C.N. DESTROYERS ON COMPLETION OF W/T 2 COURSE

1510/27

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NAVAL MESSAGE

S. 1320D
10 Mil.-5-40 (5005)
N.S. 815-9-1320D

To:

From:

N S H C OTTAWA

62-8-351.36
H M C S ST. LAURENT

(R) H M C S RESTIGOUCHE

YOUR 1610 JULY 28TH. REQUEST PERMISSION TO RETAIN
LEADING VICTUALLING ASSISTANT 749 SIMPKINS UNTIL
LEADING VICTUALLING ASSISTANT WEST HAS BEEN
DISCHARGED FROM HOSPITAL.

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S. 1320D
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NAVAL MESSAGE

DRAFTED BY EWFN

To:

ST. LAURENT
(R) RESTIGOUCHE

From:

N.S.H.Q.

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YOUR 1655/29. LEADING VICTUALLING ASSISTANT SIMPKINS
MUST BE AVAILABLE FOR H.M.S. "DIANA" ON RECOMMISSIONING. IT IS OBSERVED
THAT L.V.A. FOSTER IS BORNE IN H.M.C.S. "ST. LAURENT" IN ADDITION TO L.V.A.
WEST.

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Halifax, December 2nd, 1937.

NAVAL SECRETARY,
Dept. of National Defense,
Ottawa, Ontario.

Dear Sir:-

In reference to the application enclosed, I wish to inform you that I have made a former application for the post of WRITER, and my name was filed as being on the list of candidates in line for the post mentioned. However, since the last application, I have been told that there would be more opportunity for an early entry through the Victualling Department as Victualling Assistant. I would be very much obliged if my name could be taken off the Writer's list and put on the list of Victualling Department.

Yours Respectfully,

DONALD H. SIMPKIN,
123 Duncan Street,
Halifax, N.S.

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- NAVAL SERVICE -

7th December, 1937.


Sir,-

With reference to your application of 1st December, I am directed to advise you that you are below the Educational Standard required for entry in the Victualling Assistant Branch of the Royal Canadian Navy, viz., completion of Two years' High School Education or equivalent.

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It is regretted, therefore, that further consideration cannot be given to your application and your name is not being placed on the Victualling Assistant Roster.

Your name is, however, being retained on the Writer Roster and should you desire to have it removed therefrom, you should advise this Department to that effect.

Yours truly,


(J. O'B. LeBlanc),
For Naval Secretary.

Mr. Donald Harry Simpkin,
123 Duncan Street,
Halifax, N.S.

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Halifax, December 14th, 1937.

Assistant Naval Secretary LeBlanc,
Department of National Defence,
Ottawa, Ontario.

Dear Sir:-

I would like to take this opportunity to thank you for the courteous consideration you have shown at all times in reply to my consistent enquiries and applications, and at the same time, ask you to leave my name, as it stands, on the list of Applicants for the post of Writer.

Although I have not been altogether successful in my applications, I assure you that when you again hear from me, my qualifications will be Grade 10 or better, and I will have business training also. I am just beginning to realize what it means not to have had the opportunity of reaching the higher grades of High School...and the tact with which you are received when it is found that you do not have this training.

I am very sorry to have bothered you with repeated correspondence, and will see that your department and yourself are not bothered again for some time.

May I thank you again for answering my former applications, and ask you to consider the request mentioned above.

I remain,

Yours very truly,

Donald H. Simpkin,
123 Duncan Street,
Halifax, N.S.



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- NAVAL SERVICE -

March 1, 1939.

Sir,-

With reference to your application for entry into the Royal Canadian Navy, you are requested to call, as soon as possible, at your own expense, at R.C.N. Barracks, Halifax, N.S.

If you will make it convenient to call at Nine A.M. on any day (except Saturday or Sunday) you will be interviewed by the Commander with a view to your entry in the Royal Canadian Navy as a Victualling Assistant.

Yours truly,

(J. O'S. LeBlanc),
For Naval Secretary.

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Mr. Donald H. Simpkin,
123 Duncan Street,
HALIFAX, N.S.

The Commander/
R.C.N. Barracks,
HALIFAX, N.S.

- Forwarded for information.

BY ORDER.


For Naval Secretary.

- NAVAL SERVICE -

22nd March, 1938. 20

Sir,-

I am directed to advise you that you are now under consideration for entry in the Royal Canadian Navy on the 4th April, 1938, as a Victualling Assistant, under a Seven Years' Continuous and General Service Engagement.

Before your entry can be approved it will be necessary for you to undergo final medical examination and X-Ray. You should report to the Commander, R.C.N. Barracks, Halifax, N.S. at Nine A.M., on Monday, 4th April, 1938, showing him this letter as your authority, when he will arrange for your medical examination. You should hand him the enclosed Forms B207 in triplicate (Medical Examination Form) and B207A (Physical Qualifications Required).

Provided you are found physically fit and suitable in all other respects, you will be entered in the Royal Canadian Navy as a Victualling Assistant to date 4th April, 1938.

If you are not physically fit the Commander, R.C.N. Barracks, will so advise you, in which case your entry cannot be approved.

You should acknowledge receipt of this letter: enclosed addressed envelope is for this purpose.

Yours truly,

Mr. Donald H. Simpkin,
123 Duncan Street,
HALIFAX, N.S.


(J. O. Cossette),
Naval Secretary.

(D)
The Commander/
R.C.N. Barracks,
Halifax, N.S.

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- Forwarded for information with reference to your Submission No. 3-7, dated 15th March, 1938. Provided Simpkin reports and is suitable in all respects, he is to be entered in the R.C.N. as a Victualling Assistant to date 4th April, 1938.

Date of Birth - 23rd October, 1919, certified by Certificate of Birth.

Copy of Continuous Service Engagement Form is to be forwarded to Headquarters in due course.

BY ORDER.