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ANNUAL INSPECTION ADVANCING

A big night for all of us, the annual inspection, our opportunity to bring home the bacon and a chance to show our families and friends what we can do.

I firmly believe there is no finer Corps in the Empire, provided the Cadets are all pulling together.

Some very fine events are planned for the inspection. The Gunnery branch are putting on a special display, Communications are planning an extra special event and it is expected there will be one from the Seamanship branch and one on boats.

There are many other things we could do, such as a swimming display, gymnastics, or a special something for the Annual Inspection. I know you can if you only try.

The Proficiency Trophy is a hard one to win, "LET'S GO GET IT."

HOPE RISES FOR CADET BOATHOUSE

Undoubtably, every Sea Cadet at one time or another has the desire to be on water, either on a ship, sailing craft or pulling boat. As of the present moment Winnipeg Sea Cadets only have access to such activities during the few weeks they spend at camp.

However, during the last two years, work has been done in an effort to enable the cadets of John Travers Cornwell V.C. and Crusader Corps to exercise their seamanship on the water.

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SEA CADET VISITS PEARL HARBOUR

Leading Seaman James Letham, one of the prized killicks in the Corps is now enjoying a cruise in the mid and north Pacific, aboard H.M.C.S. Margaree.

He disembarked from H.M.C. Dockyard Esquimalt, BC., on January 11, 1959, bound for Alaska to undertake exercises with the United States Navy in anti-submarine warfare.



LT.-CMDR. A. HODGSON

CAPTAIN'S MESSAGE

I would just like to tell you how very proud I am of this Corps and every man in it.

RCSCC "John Travers Cornwell V.C." has a name to be proud of and every man should strive to do his utmost to uphold the honor of the Corps.

Look within yourselves, are you doing your best — could you do better, could your attendance be better — your uniform neater — your shoes shining; but most important, could you make yourself a better friend to your mates, a companion and a man?

All this should be a must in your book. A man is not made overnight, it takes a long time, so start now. Promise yourself, "Today I will start to be a Man."

From Kodiak, Alaska, in the Aleutians, he will then carry on to Pearl Harbour, the Midway Islands, the west coast of the United States and then back to Esquimalt.

In writing to some of the Petty Officers, he stated that he was one of the ten most fortunate Sea Cadets on the cruise and having a wonderful time.

In company with the Margaree are H.M.C. Ships, Crescent and Skeena. After arriving at San Diego, Calif., the Crescent will transfer to the East coast.

Although Leading Seaman Letham did not take any school books with him, he will return to school upon his arrival home. He expects to be home approximately March 20, 1959.

A SPECIAL THANKS

I would like to take this opportunity to thank Lt. C. McQuat and Mid. D. Blaskovits for their help and assistance in making this printed issue of the Cadet Log possible.

I would especially like to thank Petty Officer John Morton, for his co-operation, words of criticism and assistance.

THE EDITOR

DEADLINE

The deadline for next month's issue is March 19. All material should be given to the assistant editor no later than that date.

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SHORE PATROL ACTIVE ON THURSDAY

There have been various reports that Cadets, after going ashore on Thursday evenings, have been causing disturbances in the vicinity of H.M.C.S. Chippawa.

To prevent any further recurrences, and to insure that Cadets behave in a seamanlike fashion a Shore Patrol has been organized.

In charge of this Patrol is Petty Officer Colleaux, who details one Petty Officer and six Leading Sea men to carry out the duties of the patrol.

These duties entail the patrolling of the area within a two-block radius of H.M.C.S. Chippawa.

Any Cadet who is found making unnecessary noise, damaging private property or disobeying traffic lights, will be reported to Petty Officer Colleaux, and will be severely dealt with.

To maintain the respect that John Travers Cornwell V.C. holds, each Cadet must aid by returning home quickly and quietly after liberty boats.

BLAZER BADGES

Two types of S.C.C. Blazer Badges are available, one in woven gold wire, and the cheaper version in machine embroidered silk.

Both Badges show the Sea Cadet Crest.

Applications for these badges accompanied with the appropriate remittance, should be forwarded direct to either Messrs. A. Fleming & Co. (Outfitters) Ltd., Hay Street and Portland Street, Portsmouth; or Messrs. G. A. Munday 7 Irving Street, London, W.C.2 and not to Sea Cadet Headquarters.

Prices of the badges are available from these manufacturers upon application.

GUARD TRAINS FOR ANNUAL INSPECTION

The Guard this year, is under the command of Lt. Cormack and Sub/Lt. Baron.

At 10:30 Sunday morning the Guard begins its job of rifle drill and precision squad drill which lasts until 16:00, with a half hour for lunch.

Lt. Cormack said in the interview, "I have forty three men and definitely want a twenty five man crack Guard for the Annual Inspection."

A large percentage of the Guard will be used in the one hundred man honour Guard for the Queen's visit in July.

Each year the Guard performs something different in precision drill. This year our Burial ceremony is in mind at present.

Early this year our Corps received twenty five brand new Mark IV 303 Lee Infields to add to the fifty already owned by the Corps.

These drill purpose rifles have new bayonets and a little different procedure in the attaching of the bayonet to the rifle.

Besides work, there is much enjoyment. Lt. Cormack is in the process of teaching man to man combat and land fighting.

He has promised an overnight trip into the bush to practice these manoeuvres. Let's hope it comes off.

THE QUEEN'S VISIT

Not too much is known of the Queen's visit at time of writing, but it is expected that Sea Cadets will be taking a part in the visit.

You will be kept informed as soon as Sea Cadet Commitments are known.

Watch this paper for further announcements.

Boat House Cont'd

Two sites have been chosen as possible locations for the boat-house. On the first of these sites a structure has partially been built.

This structure consists of three concrete walls as well as a concrete roof. A boathouse on the second site would have to be started from scratch.

A project of this undertaking would require money and labor. The money would possibly have to come from outside sources; the work from the Sea Cadets, and perhaps their fathers.

Don't forget, fellas, if we want a boathouse and boats, we'll have to work for it.

Any suggestions will be greatly appreciated and put to good use.

SPORTS

There are Sports for everyone; whatever your interest: swimming, basketball, hockey or other less vigorous sports. They are available.

Lt. Ledger, and Sub/Lt. Weidenbacker of the Navy League Cadets, have a joint swimming class commencing at 1915 and ending at 2030; after which half an hour free swimming is available for all interested.

After the class is over in March there will be free swimming for all.

Basketball is open to everyone and is held at St. Andrew's United Church in River Heights, every second Friday at 1830. Lt. Place and Sub/Lt. McKinnon are the instructors.

For anyone who prefers indoor sports, there are ping-pong, darts, and hockey games open for everyone on Friday evenings at 1930, with the Duty Officer in charge.

PETTY OFFICER OF THE MONTH

Due to lack of space, the regular article on the Petty Officer of the month will be omitted this issue.

However, next month, it will return as usual. — (Ed.).

CUSTOMS OF THE SEA

Cont'd from last month

So far we have been told why it is the Naval Tradition to Salute the Quarterdeck.

Now here is Part II on Customs of the Sea, as told by A. Tanter.

Discipline is the basis of most ceremonial in the Fleet, but there are time-honored customs that have never been officially recognized in Queen's Regulations or Admiralty Instructions. An example of this is the paying-off pendant, flown at the main truck by H.M. Ships when they leave their fleet to return to their home port to pay off. The Pendant, with a balloon at its end to keep it out of the water, is the length of the ship if she returns home at the end of a normal period of foreign service, plus a proportionate increase for any extra service. It is similar to, and flown in place of the mast-head pendant, and is displayed when the ship is entering or leaving harbor on her passage home. It is also the custom on all stations for a ship to fly the paying-off pendant on the Sunday preceding the day on which she pays off. This custom originated before the Napoleonic wars.

Another custom observed in the Royal Navy is that of 'Piping the Side' when the quartermaster pipes the captain on board. Royally, foreign naval officers and commanding officers of the British Navy are honored in the same manner.

The Boatswain's Call, used in these cases, is of very ancient origin, being introduced to the English Navy in the fifteenth century, when it was the badge of office of the Lord High Admiral.

The custom of breaking a bottle of wine over the stem of a ship when launching her originates from the old practice of toasting prosperity to the ship in a silver goblet of wine, which was then cast into the sea in order to prevent a toast of ill intent being drunk from the same cup.

EDITORIAL

"Seek And You Shall Find It, Ask And It Shall Be Given You"

Leaders are not born, as some people seem to think, but made. So is the case with newspaper men, they are not born but created.

At the present time there are many vacancies on the staff of The Cadet Log, that must be filled if the paper is to continue publication.

Such vacancies exist in the printing department, where Cadets are needed to run off the paper from the press. Other vacancies exist in the circulation, typing, reporting and proof reading departments.

Any Cadet, regardless of the rank he holds, is welcome to apply and is most heartily urged to do so, for any of the above positions mentioned.

Regardless of what your ability as a newspaper man is, there is a job for you. If The Cadet Log is to continue the work it has started, you and only you, its readers, can make that one thing possible.

In applying, please make sure that you have your name, rank, age, and division, neatly printed on the form to be found at the bottom of this page.

This form should be handed in to your Divisional Officer as soon as possible, and he in turn will forward it to the Editor. You will be contacted in due time.

Remember, The Cadet Log exists only for you; get out and support it. Don't rely on the other fellow to do all the work, and you reap the rewards.

A good seaman always remembers: that it is more blessed to give than to receive.

JOINT INSPECTION

May 10, 1959, will be a day to remember this year. We are having a joint inspection and march past with RCSCC "Crusader," RCSCC "Daerwood," RCSCC "Ft. Frances," RCSCC "Swifture" and the Navy League Cadets from Winnipeg and Brandon participating with us. There should be close to twelve hundred Cadets on parade that day.

It is Mother's Day, by the way; hope that doesn't make too much difference to attendance.

It is expected that His Honor the Lieutenant Governor of Manitoba will take the Salute, and the inspection will be done jointly by the American Admiral who is building Sea Cadet Corps in the United States and our own President of the Navy League of Canada, National Council.

It is anticipated that the Premier of Manitoba, the Mayors from all of Greater Winnipeg, St. Boniface, Brandon, Selkirk and Fort Frances, as well as the Top Brass from the Navy, Army, Air Force and R.C.M.P. and the City Police, will attend.

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PADRES MESSAGE:

LISTEN SEA CADETS

by Fr. A. W. Pianfetti, S.J.

Do you know that you are on a very important voyage? Life is a sea. Heaven is the port of destination. You must guide your ship through the vast sea of life and reach the eternal harbour — heaven.

Through your good life, God will help you in this work. Pray that you may grow in the grace of God, and that you may avoid all occasions of sin; amusements harmful to a holy life; bad companions; indecent books, periodicals and pictures, fatal to a life of virtue, dances and company that will ruin you, unhappiness and bitter remorse, and finally endanger your salvation.

Pray that you may never be a weakling who gives way to human respect. Pray that you may have the courage to be different from the worldlings you meet, who have fallen in love with the present world. Fear God. Keep God's law. Then God will bless you and bring you safely to the harbour of eternity — heaven.

SHIP OF THE MONTH:

H.M.C.S. BONAVENTURE

We often hear about the latest 'American' (meaning United States) aircraft carrier for much publicity attends each successive commissioning of a new war ship, but we are not quite so well informed about the latest warship to join that other great North American country, Canada, which is rapidly becoming a considerable naval power.

The ship is equipped with nine radio rooms and is capable of transmitting and receiving on a large number of frequencies. She has the latest radio, teletype and facsimile equipment.

The ship's galleys are largely electrically operated, with a few steam-operated pressure cookers. Other equipment includes automatic potato peelers, meat tenderisers, automatic dish-washing machines and garbage disposal units. The Bonaventure has a canteen com-

plete with soda fountain and ice-cream making machinery. Equipment and projectors were supplied to the ship for showing films in the hangar or in the cafeteria.

The Bonaventure can generate power to service the needs of a Canadian city of 20,000 people. The main electrical power generated is D.C. (direct current) to a maximum of 3,200 kilowatts, developed by four turbine driven generators and four diesel-driven generators. There is also about 300 kilowatts of A.C. (alternating current) power, catering mainly to the ship's electronics system.

Her complement is about 1,200 officers and ratings. She was commissioned and renamed earlier this year and has since been carrying out trials and working up.

The new aircraft carrier Bonaventure replaces the Magnificent, originally a sister ship, which had

BAND BUSINESS

A well known member of our Band, Jim Ruth has left our ranks and joined the permanent force.

The Royal Canadian Sea Cadet Band will play at the Musical Festival this year. The two selections will be "Fight Calvary Overture" and a rousing march, "Washington Greys". The band will be up against professional competition as it is entering Class "A". Lt. E. S. Rigg, Band Master, will conduct.

The Navy League has bought some fine new instruments for the band, including a new Baritone, a valve Trombone, two E flat up-right horns and a Trumpet.

Nine members of the Sea Cadet Band bolstered the Naval Reserve Band of H.M.C.S. Chippawa for a performance of the Sunset Ceremony, at Minto Armories Feb. 6 at the Annual Officers Ball.

Some members of the Band have been working at a skit on Friday evenings which they hope to put on before the rest of the Band. This Skit is under the direction of Petty Officer Gee.

Inspection Cont'd

The Navy League are planning on publicising the event ahead of time to get as many people in the galleries as possible.

This Parade can be a success if you make it one. Polish up your drills and uniforms.

Let's show the people, the Army and Air Force, just what Sea Cadets can do.

been on loan to the Royal Canadian Navy ever since she was completed in 1948 (in fact transfer was made while she was still under construction in 1946). After nine years' service with the Royal Canadian Navy she was officially returned to the Royal Navy at Davenport on June 14.

The ship is named after Bonaventure Island (Ile Bonaventure), which lies in the Gulf of St. Lawrence at the eastern extremity of the Gaspé Peninsula.