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## DESTROYER MICMAC IN COLLISION OFF HALIFAX

### Says Canso Bridge Cost Would Be High

**6th Siege Battery Vets Plan Re-union**

SAINT JOHN, N. B., July 16—(CP)—About 70 former members of the 6th Siege Battery, which went overseas in 1916, will hold a re-union here this week-end—its first since 1938. The veterans will come from the Maritimes, Quebec, Ontario, Boston and New York.

### Coming Events

- Lot 65 Picnic, July 23rd.
- Show, Bridgetown, Saturday.
- Collecting Hogs for Canada Packers each Tuesday. Earl Jay.
- Show and Dance, Bradalbane, Thursday.
- Long Creek Baptist Picnic, Friday, July 19th.
- Dance Thursday, July 17th, at Campbell Bros. building, Sea View.
- Reserve July 23, for picnic at St. Anthony's, Bloomfield.
- Hampshire United Church Picnic Wednesday, August 6th.
- Dance, Ice Cream, in Port Augustus School, July 21.
- Dance in French River Hall Friday, July 18.
- Picnic at St. George's Wednesday, July 30th.
- Dance, Kozey Hall, Georgetown, Friday, July 18th. Luncheon served.
- Dance in Earncliffe Thursday night, in field adjoining church.
- Picking up Hogs at Peakes Station each Thursday for Canada Packers Ltd. Merlin Devine.
- Loading Hogs at Montague Station each Thursday for Canada Packers Ltd. S. C. McLean. Phone
- Collecting Hogs for Canada Packers each Tuesday. Signed David Pratt.
- Collecting Hogs for Canada Packers each Tuesday afternoon. W. Crane.
- Dancing tonight at the Country Club. Travellers Rest. Music by Prince County Pioneers.
- Ice Cream Social, Long River, Thursday, July 17. Proceeds for Women's Institute.
- An ice cream festival with cake will be served at Beaton's Warehouse, Bonshaw, Friday evening, July 18th. Come and spend a social evening.
- In stock, all kinds potato sprays. Bluebonnet, Hydrate, Lime, D.D.T., Bug Poison, Arsenate of Lime and Peronax. Dillon & Spillet.
- Wheat—Unloading No. 4 Northern Wheat, Wednesday and Thursday, 325 cwt. Bring hogs. P. L. Morris, Feed Service, Kinkora.
- Dance in Borden Thursday July 17. Modern dancing. Music by Ferry Bros. Orchestra.
- Loading Hogs at Cardigan Station each Thursday for Canada Packers Ltd. Norman McKenzie, Cardigan.
- Notice asphalt shingles, roll roofing also perenex and all spraying material in stock. G. C. Green, Emerald.
- Come and enjoy Ice Cream and Cake, Tuesday July 22 7 p.m. at Allison Holmes, East Royalty. Sponsored by Women's Institute. If not fine, Wednesday.
- Adjourned Annual Meeting Cavendish Telephone Company will be held in the Hall Thursday, July 17th. All box holders please attend. Very important business.
- Collecting Hogs each Tuesday for Canada Packers from Vernon River, Ugg, Elliotville, Sunnerville, Hermitage, Avondale and Glenora. Call Ralph Les, Vernon River.
- Attend Hospital dance held regular Thursday nights. Matthew & McLean's warehouse, Souris. Old time dancing, Chalmers' Orchestra. Modern dancing Cliff Peters' orchestra featuring Les Alexander.

### Newfoundland Entry Raises Many Problems

OTTAWA, July 16—(CP)—Premier Macdonald of Nova Scotia said tonight that although cost of a long-awaited bridge across the Canso Straits between Cape Breton and Nova Scotia was higher than previously estimated, discussions were still going on.

Mr. Macdonald, who arrived last night by air from Halifax, said that some alternative is being considered to reduce costs of the project. He had no immediate comments to make as to the alternative.

The Nova Scotia Premier said that the Maritime delegation headed by Justice Minister Isley, Reconstruction Minister Howe and Transport Minister Chevier for two hours.

Initiated by the Associated Boards of Trade of Cape Breton, the delegation asked for immediate Government action on construction of the proposed bridge or causeway. The structure would be about half-a-mile long, crossing at the narrowest point in the Canso Straits, and would eliminate present difficulties in using car and train ferries.

Long advocated by Cape Bretoners, it would speed industrial connections with the mainland and encourage tourist trade. Maritimeers hope it also would reduce transportation expenses on Cape Breton produce.

Initial provisions for the structure were made in the estimates for 1946-47, when \$60,000 was voted for survey and investigation work. An additional \$30,000 was voted at the present session.

Some indication that the Government might be planning to get the project under way was given last week when the \$200,000 appeared on Finance Minister Abbott's supplementary estimates for the railway services division of the Department of Transport. It was noted for "transportation improvements and facilities—capital" at Canso.

Members of the Maritime delegation were W. S. Wilson, M. R. Chappell, and John E. McCurdy, representing the Associated Board of Trade.

### Liberals Vote Solidly Against Increases In War Veterans' Pensions

By Douglas How

OTTAWA, July 16—(CP)—A resolute Prime Minister Mackenzie King marshalled his Liberal forces around him today and voted down a C.C.F. move which, he insisted in prolonged debate, he insisted the Government to consider retention of the milk subsidy.

With Mr. King then absent in Europe, Reconstruction Minister Howe had called for a free vote in which party lines would be ignored. The Government in effect, had simply gone into supply.

In this new case, all three parties asked another free vote but Mr. King said any vote of any kind which rejected the Government would now be considered a rebuff and the cue to an election.

The lever the C. C. F. used for the amendment, moved by Percy Wright (O.C.C. Montreal) was the present rates paid under the War Veterans Allowance Act and the Pension Act. The people they sought to benefit were disabled veterans who get as much as \$75 a month for single men and \$100 for married men. The so-called "burned-out pensioners" or aged, needy veterans who can't qualify for other pensions but can get a top of \$30.41 for single men under the W.V.A.A. and the widows of non-pensioned veterans who, if they pass a means test, can also get an allowance up to \$30.41.

The other two Opposition veterans joined in backing C.C.F. claims that such rates were inadequate and would become more so if the cost-of-living increased as the C. C. F. predicted it would this fall and winter.

Later, in study of veterans' welfare, the people of Prince Edward Island were greatly pleased, and presented their opinions on the freight rates in detail.

The Charlottetown date precluded any opportunity to present my views then. I am pleased to have an opportunity to present them now.

Prince Edward Island will be most adversely affected by an increase in freight rates, more so than any other province in the Dominion in my opinion. I believe that if a 30 per cent horizontal flat increase were made, the whole economy of the Province would be very severely shaken.

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### Expect Fight At Security Council

LAKE SUCCESS, July 16—(AP)—Delegates to the United Nations Economic and Social Council began assembling tonight for the Council's fifth session which may expect to develop into a major fight between Russia and the Western Powers over the Marshall plan.

Preliminary discussions will begin at 11 a.m. (EDT) tomorrow when the agenda committee meets 36 items on the provisional calendar. The Council itself holds its first meeting Saturday.

### Five Crew Members Dead, Six Missing

(By R. A. Jellison)

HALIFAX, July 16—(CP)—The Canadian Tribal Class destroyer Micmac put in here tonight under her own power and landed five dead and 16 injured after a collision with a freighter at the harbor mouth while her sister ship Haida continued to search the outer waters in a dense fog for six missing men, including a dockyard civilian worker.

Naval authorities said next-of-kin of casualties in the crash between the destroyer and the Halifax-owned freighter Yarmouth County were being notified and the list of names would be released as soon as confirmation of notification was received.

None of the 41 crew members on the Yarmouth County were hurt but she put back into port after the accident when her plates torn forward above the waterline.

The destroyer had a naval crew of 176 plus eight civilian workers aboard.

Micmac had just completed her steaming trials prior to her second commission and was returning to port at 1 p.m. ADT when she collided with the Yarmouth County bound for New York for cargo.

### Casualties On H.M.C.S. Micmac

HALIFAX, July 16—(CP)—The Canadian Navy tonight issued a list of 27 casualties following the collision between the destroyer Micmac and the freighter Yarmouth County. The list contained the names of five naval personnel killed, 16 injured and six missing, including one civilian.

The list of casualties, with names, ratings, official numbers and next-of-kin follows:

**KILLED**

Appleyard, Richard, AB, 6734, father: John Appleyard, 13 Jarvis Street, Hamilton.

Miller, Lorne, AB, V-32747, wife: Elizabeth, 1655 Western Avenue, Montreal.

Acton, Joseph, LS, 4466, wife: Marjorie, 20 Birmingham Street, Halifax.

Ward, Howard, LS, 3668, mother: Norma Ward, 480 1-2 Hamilton Rd., London, Ont.

Stephens, Samuel, AB, 4075, mother: Helen Stephens, 1328 Bruce Avenue, Windsor, Ont.; wife: Mrs. Samuel Stephens, 79 Queen Street, Dartmouth.

### Final Test Of New Car Ferry At Borden Pier

OTTAWA, July 16—(Special)—On reaching Northumberland Strait on or about the second week of August, the new car-ferry "Aberwell" will make its first stop at the Borden terminals, assistant Deputy Minister of Transport F. M. MacLennan told the Guardian last night.

"First official port at which the 'Aberwell' will call will be Charlottetown as previously announced," Mr. MacLennan said. "However as contractors for the vessel, the Department of Transport cannot turn it over to the Canadian National Railways until all tests have been completed.

"One of the tests and a very important one is that of unloading and loading cars at the terminal and this is obligatory before the car ferry can pass out of our hands. Original arrangements for the car ferry were made as far as is at present known, but the call at Borden is essential."

### Still at Sore

The "Aberwell" is still at Sore and is expected to proceed to Quebec City for overhaul of her hull in the very near future. An official statement about the ferry is expected tomorrow from F. A. Willmer, chairman of the Board of Steamship Inspection, Department of Transport.

En route down the Gulf of St. Lawrence, the new car ferry will be commanded by one of the top ranking St. Lawrence River shipmasters of the Department of Transport, with Captain McGuire as associate Captain. Further announcement of the personnel of the "Aberwell" crew are expected in the near future.

### Second Mishap in Month

It was the second mishap for the Yarmouth County within a month. While under repairs at the Halifax Shipyards her deck plates and paint locker was scorched by fire which took firemen three hours to get under control.

Her skipper is Capt. Norman E. Smith of Wolfville, N. S.

Capt. Smith mentioned especially Lt. Cdr. J. C. Chauvin of Toronto, his damage control officer.

"He handled the situation with unusual competence after one command from me," the destroyer Captain said.

Lt. J. G. Mills, also of Toronto, who co-ordinated rescue efforts, "retained seam and stokers freed" (Continued on Page 5 Col. 2)

### Stowaway May Have Been Murdered

MONTREAL, July 16—(CP)—Possibility that the death of the freighter Maria G stowaway might have been murder entered the investigation today as deputy director Hilarie Beauregard of the provincial police said that "the stowaway might have lost his life at the hands of a group of assassins."

Beauregard added, "we may never be able to prove it was murder, but the case definitely is not shelved, and we are pressing investigation."

### Text Of Brief Presented By Premier Jones Before Transport Commissioners

Following is the text of the brief presented by Premier J. Walter Jones before the Board of Transport Commissioners at Ottawa on July 16.

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### R.C.M.P. Marine Inspector Dies

OTTAWA, July 16—(CP)—A veteran of many years service with the R. C. M. P. as superintendent of the Marine Section at Halifax, Inspector Robert W. Coffin, 61, died at his home here yesterday. He retired a year ago after assisting in the post-war reconversion of the force's Marine section.

Born at Gaspe, Que., he joined the Fisheries Branch of the Government in 1906, later serving on marine patrol duties and joining the R. C. M. P. in 1932, as Marine superintendent at Halifax. At the outbreak of the war he was in command of personnel and vessels were transferred to the Royal Canadian Naval Reserve for war duty at sea.

### Farmers Pay More For Goods, Services

OTTAWA, July 16—(CP)—A 7.5 point increase was noted between January and April in the composite index number of prices of commodities and services used by farmers — on the basis of 1936 = 100 — compared with 1932 in January, and 123.1 in April last year.

The April index for wage rates, 322.2, was more than three times the pre-war level, and was considerably higher than last year's mark of 260.1.

### Storm Damage In New Brunswick Area

GRAND FALLS, N.B., July 16—(CP)—Damage to crops and property west of this town was reported today after one of the heaviest storms in years. Two barns owned by Sylvio St. Amand and Achille Page were flattened, and wind hurled some pieces of lumber 200 feet. Heavy rain combined with the wind to damage crops. The storm was accompanied by lightning.

### Britain Makes Deal For Russian Lumber

LONDON, July 16—(Reuters)—Britain has negotiated contracts with the Soviet Union for supplies of Russian lumber, a spokesman of the British trade delegation to Moscow said on arrival by plane tonight.

The Court's judgment ended another chapter in the bizarre story of the slaying of the Hamilton street car motorman in which three persons were charged and none convicted of the actual crime.

### To Sell U. S. Cargo Ships To Turkey

WASHINGTON, July 16—(AP)—Prospective sale of 10 passenger-cargo ships to Turkey was disclosed today by State Secretary Marshall as part of the military mission government's program to strengthen the Turkish armed forces against Communist pressure.

Marshall said also he assumed that the chief magistrate's submission in Greece was advising the Greek army on an instructional basis.

### Mayors To Seek Low Rental Housing Plan

OTTAWA, July 16—(CP)—The Canadian Federation of Mayors and Municipalities agreed today to prepare a plan for a national low-rental housing program for consideration by the Federal Government.

Declaring that a housing crisis exists in the Dominion, the mayors met with Reconstruction Minister Howe at his office in the Parliament Buildings last week. In a brief prepared at their convention in Winnipeg last week, they asked the Minister to undertake immediate drafting and implementation of a low-rental housing program across Canada.

Spokesmen for the delegation said Mr. Howe gave the petition "favorable" reception and suggested the chief magistrates submit a more detailed program for the consideration of the Government should be on a nation-wide basis.

Blaming the housing shortage from the 1930's as the chief cause of the present housing shortage, the mayors said the building industry "even at full capacity" could not produce sufficient homes for all the people who would

### France Would Put Colonies In Pool

By Joseph E. Dynan

PARIS, July 16—(AP)—France proposed to the European economic conference today that colonial resources of all 16 member countries be included in drawing up the economic balance sheet in a co-ordinating reconstruction program under the Marshall plan.

Addressing the opening session of the new organization's "co-operation" or steering committee, Herve Alphand of France said the 16 should reckon overseas production of essential materials in compiling their needs and assets.

French sources said no opposition was expressed to this move to encompass British colonies, France's territories in Africa, Asia and America, the Belgian Congo, Portuguese colonies in Africa and Asia, Dutch possessions, and even Denmark's Greenland.

### Free School Meals

Since 1000 children from poor homes in G-wat Britain have received free meals at school.



TORONTO, July 16—(CP)—Minimum and maximum temperatures: Vancouver 58, 72; Edmonton 56, 63; Regina 62, 84; Winnipeg 66, 83; Toronto 61, 83; Ottawa 64, 83; Montreal 69, 83; Quebec 66, 85; Saint John 58, 67; Moncton 61, 85; Halifax 60, 81; Charlottetown 65, 82; Sydney 65, 80; Yarmouth 59, 76.

HALIFAX, July 16—(CP)—Weather synopsis and official inland forecasts issued by the Dominion Public Weather Office at Halifax at midnight Wednesday.

Synopsis: Chatham was again the warmest place in the Maritimes today with a high of 92, just three degrees lower than Tuesday. Sydney was a close second with a report of ninety degrees, and all inland points had temperatures above eighty. Fog in the Bay of Fundy and along the Nova Scotia coast spreads inland at night to clear during the forenoon. Otherwise skies are clear, and the forecast is for another fine day Thursday.

Forecasts valid until Thursday midnight: Prince Edward Island: Clear and continued warm. Light winds. High Thursday at Charlottetown 68.

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High tide this morning at 8:51 and tonight at 10:30.

Sun sets this evening at 7:43 and rises tomorrow morning at 4:39. New moon July 17, 11:15. Moonset tomorrow at 11:15. Moonrise tomorrow at 11:15. Moonset tomorrow at 11:15. Moonrise tomorrow at 11:15.