

Province's First Steel Ship Launched At Georgetown

By J.W. LAVERS
GEORGETOWN — History was made at Georgetown on Saturday at 12.00 noon, when a beautiful ship slid gracefully down the launchway into the storied waters of Georgetown Harbor with the launching of the steel stern trawler, Gulf Grenadier, built in the shipyard of Bathurst Marine Limited and the first steel ship to be built and launched in this province.

As Bill Will, yard superintendent gave the order "out dogs", eight men, positioned four on each side of the ship, pulled out the dogs, leaving the ship held only by launching triggers. With the sounding of Mr. Will's whistle, the trigger ropes were cut by axes and two jacks positioned at the bow of the ship, were used to start the launching of the ship, slowed somewhat by the cold weather hardening the greased sliding ways.

Riding with the ship as she slid into the choppy waters of the harbor, on the cold December day, with the temperatures in the teens and snow flurries swirling in gusts, was the culmination of the hopes, plans and many months of hard work that went into her building.

ANOTHER MILESTONE
 The launching also marked another milestone in what Jena Moe, chairman of the board of directors of Bathurst Marine Ltd., and Gulf Garden Foods Ltd., has so graphically termed the "great challenge", this being the industrialization of Georgetown and area in a planned development in shipbuilding and food processing, which has already up-graded the economy of hundreds of Island residents and holds great promise of expansion and development that could surpass the hopes of industrialists and governments, who have pooled finances, technical knowledge and faith in the future, to build in Georgetown two industries, still in their infancy of maximum productive capacity but which are already employing several hundreds of persons and augmenting the general economy of the province by many thousands of dollars.

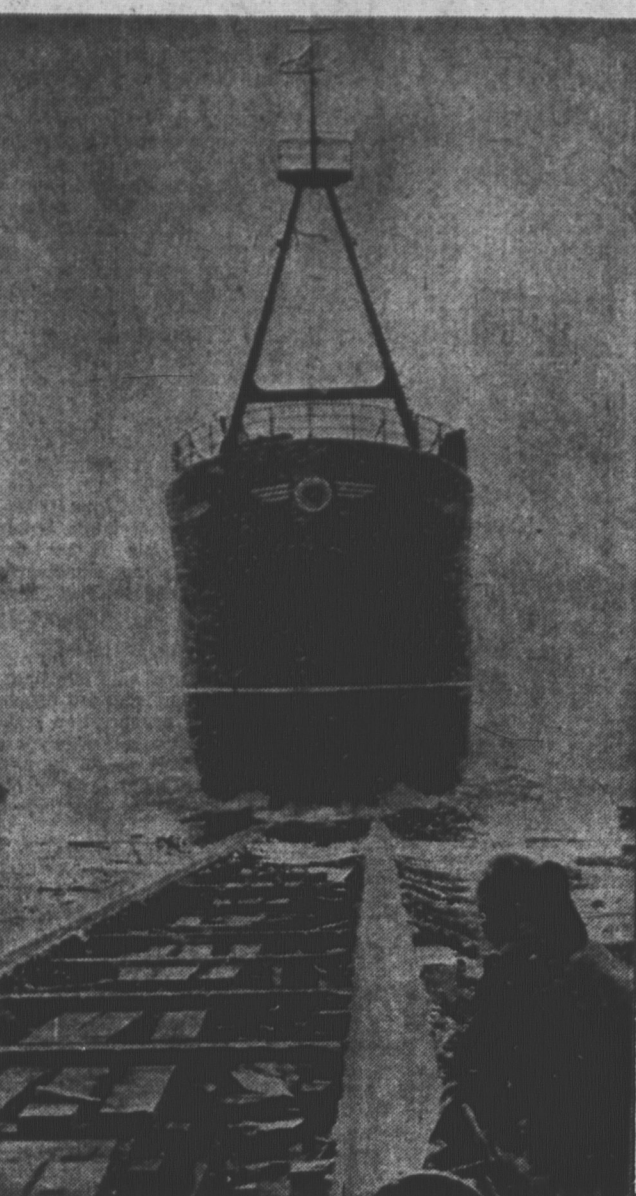
As if a good omen, as the Gulf Grenadier took to the harbor waters like a swim; a sister ship of Gulf Garden Foods trawler fleet, the Gulf Gallant, was entering Georgetown harbor, with a bone in her teeth and her hold filled to capacity with fish from the Gulf fishing grounds for processing at Gulf Gardens plant.

Considering with the weekend launching was the arrival in Georgetown, from Friday to Monday of four trawlers; the Howe Bay, the Gulf Gallant, the Gulf Gulf and the Gulf Guard, with a combined total landing of 800,000 pounds of fish for processing here. Of this total over 90 per cent was gutted cod fish and the remainder being, flounders. When processed the landing represents 200,000 pounds of processed product and the processing places, many thousands of dollars in the pockets of some 100 employees of Gulf Garden Foods Ltd.

So successful have been the fish landings, since the commencement of the plant's operations, that the company is in urgent need of an additional 30 women workers for their production lines.

CHRISTENED IN MAY
 The Gulf Grenadier was christened on May 22 of this year by Mrs. Weller R. Shaw, wife of the province's premier, and shortly after christening was moved outside the large fabricating building and since that time, welders, platers, carpenters, electricians, painters, riggers and other tradesmen that form a part of the approximately 160-man work force, have worked to bring the ship to what is now 85 per cent completion. The completion of the work necessary to equip the ship for sea will be carried out at her berth at the Railway Wharf.

Normally, launching would have taken place in conjunction with the christening or naming ceremony, but dredging had to be done before launching could take place. This dredging was carried out by J. P. Porter Ltd., under a Dominion government contract and was not completed until Nov. 24. Since that date, workmen of Bathurst Marine Ltd., have worked night and day at every available low tide on the job of completing the launchways so that the high tide of Saturday could be utilized for the launching.



THE GULF GRENADEER

owned by Howard Llewellyn, with harbor pilot James Llewellyn also on board.

BIGGER SHIP
 The Gulf Grenadier is 128 feet in length, as compared to her sister ships in the Gulf Garden trawler fleet and she will carry approximately two and one half times the quantity of fish in her hold than her smaller sister ships.

The total length of the launchways from inside the building, where ships are constructed at Bathurst Marine is 420 feet. Three parallel rows of concrete piles were driven, in the launchways construction. Those rows are nine feet apart and piles are set at eight-foot intervals. They are capped with heavy timber, from pile to pile, laid cross-ways.

One each side, running the length of the launchway, Douglas Fir timbers, were laid, measuring 12 inches by 14 inches. They are known as standing logs. Fixed to the ship are what are known as sliding logs. They are heavy timbers 10 inches by 14 inches in size and with a 4-inch hardwood lip on the sides and they run on the run on the standing logs. The ship is on a cradle of standing logs and sliding logs allow for what is known as wood to wood launching, with logs first being waxed and greased.

Starting at 4 a.m. on Saturday, at low tide, the standing logs were greased to low water mark and at 9 a.m., the ramming up of wedges to transfer the weight of the ship from center keel blocks to sliding ways or logs took place, by hammerings or ramming in wedges. This is known as ramming-up.

STEEL DOGS
 When the ship's weight is transferred the keel blocks and shores are removed, so that the ship is just standing on sliding logs, which are prevented from moving by seven steel dogs, on each side of the ship, which are driven into the sliding ways and standing ways and also by launching triggers, one on each side of the ship.

When the tide was at its maximum height and boats were in position in harbor to catch lines from the ship after launching, the yard superintendent Mr. Will, gave the order "out dogs" and eight men, positioned, four on each side of the ship, pulled the steel dogs out by means of crow bars; leaving the ship held only by the launching triggers.

When the men were clear of the ship, the yard superintendent, blew a whistle and a shipwright, one on each side of the ship, with an axe, cut the ropes holding the launching triggers; the ship was then ready to slide down the launchways.

In cold weather, as on Saturday, when grease hardens and prevents starting of the ship on her own, two jacks positioned at the bow of the ship are brought into use to assist in getting her moving. On board the ship at launching were a rigger; an engineer; a tank tester; a carpenter and two laborers.

OTHER SPEAKERS
 Other speakers at the dinner were the new leader, Alex Campbell, Dr. M. Lorne Bonnell, the contender in Saturday's convention and Dr. Mark McGuigan, Liberal candidate for Queen's in the last federal election.

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Press And Poor Are Absent As Poverty Is Discussed

By DAVE McINTOSH
OTTAWA (CP)—Under glittering chandeliers, federal and provincial officials met last week to discuss poverty. No poor people were present—or even invited. The press was barred.

Privately, many delegates complained bitterly that the federal government had come to the conference without even an outline of a plan of what it intended to do to combat poverty even though it had announced eight months previously through the speech from the throne a "war on poverty."

It was also eight months ago that the government announced formation of a Company of young Canadians to serve in backward areas at home and abroad.

One delegate said that at least five questions concerning progress of the company went unanswered.

For instance, the federal government couldn't say when members of the company might be expected to start taking the field or whether any doctors have volunteered.

Many delegates disagreed with the decision to bar the press.

Statistics reports in its current monthly bulletin of employment and earnings.

The P.E.I. average rose to \$64.01 compared to \$61.85 in August and \$61.49 in September of 1964.

The figure compares with \$82.20 for Newfoundland, \$72.79 for Nova Scotia, \$75.38 for Brunswick and \$75.60, the average of the Atlantic region.

Highest average weekly wages in British Columbia at \$103.52. The overall Canadian average was \$92.28.

Employment in P.E.I. was off slightly in the month, the index reading 158.4 compared to 165.5 for August and 156.3 for September last year. The 1965 employment equals 100.

COOL GEMINI
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 their pockets. Mission control said both could take off their space suits if they wished.

SHOUTS APPROVAL
 "Hallelujah," shouted Lovell. "Thank you very much. You're all doing good work."

Seconds later, mission control asked whether Lovell had taken off the bulky, restricting space suit.

"I've got one leg to go," Lovell replied.

Borman already was stripped down to the comfort of his underwear.

President Johnson watched on television while the attempt to launch Gemini 6 failed. Then he said: "Our disappointment is exceeded by our pride in astronauts Walter Schirra and Thomas Stafford and flight director Chris Kraft."

CITY AREA FUNERALS
NEAL FUNERAL — The funeral for Dennis George Neal was held Sunday from the MacLean Funeral Home to Windsor United Church, where service was conducted by Rev. T. R. Goudge and Rev. Gerald Wyrwas. Congregational hymn was "The Lord Is My Shepherd." Organist was Mrs. Stillman Frizell. Pallbearers were Jack Rodd, Reg Butler, Chalmers Newson, William MacLean, Wayne Switzer, Stanley Hurry. Interment took place in the People's cemetery.

MacKINNON FUNERAL — The funeral for Lloyd W. MacKinnon of New Haven was held Saturday, Dec. 11, with a private service at the home, followed by a service in Kingston United Church. Services were conducted by Mr. Roydon Reynolds, assisted by Rev. Raymond Gillis and Rev. A.E. Piercey. Hymns were "The Lord Is My Shepherd," and "Jesus, Lover Of My Soul." The solo, "Going Down The Valley," was sung by Stephen MacLeod. Pallbearers were Alton Newman, Michael Murphy, Willard Proud, William Nowlan, Richard MacPhee and Lyman Newson. Flower bearers were Charlie Frizzell, Wilfred Newman, Angus MacPhee, Alex MacPhee, Gerald Tierney, Keith MacKinnon, Keith Coles, Robert Craswell, Neil Campbell and Roy Younker. Interment was in Kingston cemetery.

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receivers of NASA. They acted with remarkable courage in the face of danger and potential disaster."

CHANGE PLAN
 Flight officials quickly revamped the Gemini 7 flight plan—cutting drastically into the use of manoeuvring fuel to be ready for Gemini 6 if it can be launched.

However deep the disappointment in space or on the ground, the business-like astronauts kept much of their feelings to themselves.

The space chase and the formation flight are vital to U.S. efforts to land a man on the moon. The moon flight is designed to orbit a mothership around the moon and land two men on the lunar surface in a small space cab.

To get home again, the moon explorers will have to rendezvous with the mothership and re-enter the main cabin.

It was the second frustration for the Gemini 6 photo. Oct. 25 they were in the same cockpit when their unmanned Agena space target blew up on its way to orbit, 43 minutes before Gemini 6 was to shoot into pursuit.

The veteran Schirra—oldest active U.S. astronaut—said: "Those things happen. It could happen to anyone. No one was hurt."

The engines flared at 9:54 a.m.—just after the pink-tinted grey exhaust burst from the launch pad.

NEXT CHANCE THURSDAY
 Flight Director Chris Kraft said there is only one period, Thursday when Gemini 6 can be launched into the proper orbit to chase down Gemini 7. The 47-minute period comes at 8:43 a.m. EST.

There are two 47-minute periods Friday—at 7:14 and 8:49 a.m.—the last day Gemini 6 has a chance to chase down Gemini 7.

Even the chance of Friday is contingent on the fuel supplies and other consumable items aboard the marathon Gemini 7 spacecraft—then in its next to last day of its 14-day duty. It could mean extending Gemini 7's flight to 15 days. Gemini 7 now is scheduled to land Saturday.

Schirra and Stafford had to remain in the Gemini 6 cockpit 99 minutes after the engine shutdown while launch experts secured the rocket and made it safe again.

The only other time engine shutdown after ignition has occurred was in an unmanned flight, Gemini 2. That time it took seven weeks to correct the hydraulic system.

MACLEAN DOWN UNDER
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