Royal Navy discloses new program

LONDON (Reuters) — The Royal Navy published Thursday its projected shipbuilding and weapons development program and broadly outlined operational deployment of the fleet for the fiscal year 1961-62.

Lord Carrington, first lord of the admiralty, said in an addendum to the givernment's navy estimates that many ships, planes and weapons now being "produced and developed will be entirely new to the Royal Navy."

Two more guided missile destroyers next year will join four now building. Each will be equipped with the improved Mark II Seaslug medium-range surface-to-air guided missile.

A new class of assault ship is on the drawing boards. The vessel will act as command ship for assault operations and be able to flood its after-compartments to allow landing craft to "swim" out of its stern. Assault ships usually lower landing craft over the side.

The new "sink and swim" vessel was said to have the speed to keep in company with an aircraft carrier, one of the fastest warships.

The addendum said three cruisers, a fast minelayer, five destroyers and 13 frigates will be scrapped next year as obsolete.

A total of 53 destroyers and frigates would be deployed around the world.

The 4th and 6th submarine divisions would operate under the control of the Australian and Canadian navies, respectively.

At Ottawa, Royal Canadian Navy officials said the RN's 6th submarine division has been based at Halifax under Canadian control for several years. This situation was merely being extended.

Former rebels join C'wealth

NICOSIA, (Reuters)—The Cypriot legislature Thursday night voted 41 to nine in favor of Cyprus joining the British Commonwealth.

The vote took place in the heavily-guarded legislature just six months after the Mediterranean island was granted independence from Britain.

The issue was treated as a matter of urgency because it was planned to present a membership application to the conference of Commonwealth prime ministers in London next month.

Drug price forced up says MP

LONDON (Reuters) — An opposition Labor party member of Parliament Thursday accused American drug companies of forcing up prices in the British market.

Labor MP Kenneth Robinson made the charge during the latest round in a bitter Parliamentary battle over a Conservative government proposal to raise fees for Britain's socialized health service.

Robinson said the health service is being "held in ransom" by the "shrewd enterprise" of drug firms.

American companies are forcing the pace all along the line and British firms have to follow suit, he said.

One reason for high drug prices is the advertising costs, Robinson said.

Doctors are being bombarded with advertising literature and free samples, he said, while others are being entertained lavishly on the European continent under the guise of official conference.

VICTORIA (CP) — A Victoria high school principal says the Department of Education has ordered its district superintendents not to discuss the Chant royal commission report in public. B. C. Gillie said here Wednesday night during a panel discussion on the report at a meeting of the B.C. Council of Women: "If politics is the reason . . . then I believe there must be something radically wrong with our political institutions."

VANCOUVER (CP) — Lawrence Williams says everyone should have a brush with pirates. "It's good for the blood," he said Wednesday night. Mr. Williams, an artist and retired Victoria ship captain, was the only Canadian aboard the Portuguese liner Santa Maria when it was seized recently by rebels during a Caribbean voyage.

LEAPING DOLPHINS snatch fish from a visitor's hands at Schnapper Rocks Aquarium on the Australian Gold Coast. Queensland's "Gold Coast", 20 miles of sparkling beachland, is today the scene of luxury hotels and holiday apartments, the world's cheapest first class motels, tourist-packed beaches and a bewildering array of nightclubs and restaurants. If current developments continue, this resort area may emerge as a serious competitor for sunshine seekers with Florida, Hawaii, and the French Riviera. Canadian Pacific Airline's operates Canada's only direct air link with Australia, and from Sydney, local airlines speed the visitor north to Queensland.
— Harry E. Mercer Photo

Robber knifes woman, caught

LAKE CHARLES, La. (AP) — A teen-ager shot and knifed to death a woman teller and wounded two other bank employees after taking all three as hostages following a $14,000 robbery Thursday night.

State police seized Wilbert Rideau, 19, as he was driving the small foreign car belonging to the slain woman, Mrs. Julia Ferguson, 50-year-old widow.

Sheriff Henry Reid said Rideau admitted holding up the suburban bank and would be charged with murder, kidnapping and armed robbery.

NAMES IN THE NEWS

Jury finally finds doctor guilty of second degree murder charge

LOS ANGELES — A juror from the second Finch trial told the present jury Thursday that the second panel voted **Dr. Bernard Finch** guilty of second - degree murder. **Mrs. Doris Hollister** was called by defence lawyers to support their claim that the third trial placed the doctor and his co - defendant, **Carole Tregoff**, in double jeopardy.

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NEW YORK — Twenty-eight years later and minus about $345,000 he could have earned in royalties, **Sholom Secunda** will begin reaping a real profit from his Yiddish melody, "Bei Mir Bist du Shoen." Secunda wrote the tune in 1932, coyprighted it a year later, then in 1937 sold the rights for $30 to a music publisher.

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HAIFA, Israel (Reuters) — **Robert Servatius, Adolf Eichmann's** West German defence lawyer, Thursday appealed to Israeli justice minister **Pinhas Rosen** to take steps against the publication of a chapter of Eichmann's "memoirs" in the newspaper Yediot Achronot. **Dieter Wechtenbruch**, Eichmann's junior defence counsel, told reporters Servatius regards the intended publication of the "memoirs" as contempt of court and liable to prejudice the case against his client, awaiting trial on charges of the mass - murder of Jews during the Second World War.

PANAGARH, India (Reuters) — **The Queen** arrived here by air Thursday as **Prince Philip** flew to a different part of India after the royal couple ended their 16-day visit to Pakistan. The Queen was greeted on arrival from Dacca, Pakistan, by **Chief Secretary R. Gupta** of the state of West Bengal. She then left to inspect the unfinished steelworks at Durgapur, partly financed by British aid.

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