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Ronald Wylie, who arrived in the city on the Prince George Thursday night from Ketchikan, left on last evening's train for a trip to Detroit.

Lieut. James Greer, who has been in the Royal Canadian Army Service Corps here, left on last evening's train for Red Deer, Alberta.

Lieut. Harry Ward of the Second Searchlight Battery left on last evening's train for a trip to Lethbridge.

Eire-Canada Canada-Eire

Trade Between Dominion and Free State Mounts

DUBLIN, May 10: (CP)—Imports to Eire from Canada rose substantially in value during 1940 and the flow was fairly well maintained through the year although there was some interruption in direct shipping service. James Cormack, Canadian trade commissioner, reported. Exports to Canada also increased sharply in value, but their total value was roughly only five per cent of imports from the Dominion.

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This Modern Warfare—STOKERS BAYONET FIGHTERS

Training Base on East Coast Finds Many Ratings Getting Fine Points

By DOUG HOW Canadian Press Staff Writer

HALIFAX, May 10: (CP)—Lieut. John B. R. Neilson looked across the parade grounds at the lunging men in blue and said to a reporter: "There you see the only bayonet-fighting stokers in the Canadian Navy."

It's a source of pride for this Glasgow Scot that he first started training the men who labor in the engine rooms with this knowledge because "in modern war you never know when you'll get into a tight spot where every man should be a fighting man."

At Stadacona Two, training base for signallers and stokers, there is a trench with the "enemy"—nine dummies in two rows—in the middle.

Here Neilson's stokers come charging out of one trench, eliminate the enemy with a few deft jabs and roll on to the climax, a plunge into the second trench. They get their instructions from another Scot, Colin MacKenzie, who has fought with the Gordon Highlanders in India.

Few naval officers could outdo Neilson in the pride he has for his men and his school. He and his staff have prepared for duty at sea the artificers and stokers now manning the engine rooms of two Canadian armed cruisers, six over-age American destroyers and all Canada's corvettes.

Navy Specialists Men from every walk of life are constantly coming to the school—an exhibition building in peacetime—for a six weeks' course to learn naval marine engineering, field training, naval discipline and customs, swimming and arithmetic enough to meet naval requirements.

Neilson likes to make it clear that "we don't need any outside help to run our business," and called Petty Officer Ralph Adair from the classroom where he was teaching arithmetic to illustrate his point. Adair, last teaching at Drayton, Ont., enlisted as a stoker petty officer but was quickly back at his old job.

Similarly, G. B. Nicholson, a Picton County miner from Thorburn, found himself instructing in methods of combatting natural gases and explosions liable to come along at any time in an engine room.

The men are considered "naked" when they come into the school and are issued clothes and bedding accordingly. They learn to wash their own clothes and bedding, scrub floors, to live as part of a machine.

Sausage Lifeboat They are taught to tie up their leather bunks into a lanky "sausage" that will keep them afloat 24 hours if they ever have to abandon ship at sea. They learn on the parade grounds to march in fours. The army has discarded the "form

SPORTS

CLEVELAND LOST AGAIN

Defeated By Lowly St. Louis Browns In Only American League Game Yesterday

CLEVELAND, May 10: (CP)—The American League leading Cleveland Indians lost another game yesterday, this time at the hands of the lowly St. Louis Browns by a score of nine to six. The Browns are now tied with Philadelphia Athletics for seventh place or the cellar. Other American League games were postponed as were all National League games.

The league standings to date:

National League			
	W	L	Pts.
Brooklyn	18	6	750
St. Louis	15	6	714
New York	10	9	526
Cincinnati	9	11	450
Boston	9	11	450
Chicago	7	11	389
Pittsburg	6	12	333
Philadelphia	7	15	318

American League			
	W	L	Pts.
Cleveland	13	8	667
New York	14	10	583
Boston	10	8	556
Chicago	10	9	526
Detroit	11	10	524
Washington	9	13	409
St. Louis	7	13	350
Philadelphia	7	13	350

SOFTBALL COMING UP

Active Season In This Line Of Sport Is Also Expected In Prince Rupert

Softball is also in the air in Prince Rupert and promises to vie with baseball and football this year in the interest of a general revival in outdoor sport which a larger working population has been instrumental in developing locally. With six or seven teams participating, a lively senior softball league is expected to be in operation shortly with play on the Gyro Ball Park at the corner of McBride Street and Sixth Avenue where, with the co-operation of the military authorities, considerable improvements have just been effected. The league will consist of both military and civilian teams and will include some new and promising talent.

Organization of softball for the season will get under way at the annual meeting next Thursday night of the Prince Rupert Softball League.

SPORT CHAT

War Admiral won the Kentucky Derby's 63rd renewal four years ago. Man O'War's son, piloted by Charley Kurtzinger, covered the mile and a quarter in the second fastest time in the history of the event. Owner Samuel D. Riddle received \$52,050.

The National Hockey League took in New York Americans' franchise at the annual meeting at Detroit five years ago yesterday. William B. Dwyer, forced to relinquish control for financial reasons, had failed to exercise his option to retain the club April 15. The club has been under the league's jurisdiction ever since.

Babe Ruth hit his seventh home run of the American Baseball League season at Chicago 17 years ago today, to give him a lead over his rivals—Gabby Hartnett of Chicago Cubs, Jake Fournier of Brooklyn and Harry Heilmann of Detroit. The Babe hit 46 homers that season, to bring his all-time total to 284. When he retired in 1935 he had 729 to his credit.

SOFTBALL AT HIGH SCHOOL

Gets Under Way This Week With Games On Tuesday And Thursday Afternoons

The Senior Softball League at Booth Memorial High School swung into action this week with games on Tuesday and Thursday afternoons. The opening game on Tuesday was won by Alpha over Beta by a score of 7 to 4. Thursday's game was won by Beta over Gamma 13 to 7.

The battery for Alpha consisted of Tom McDonald, pitcher, and Gwyn Holtby, catcher. George Christopher hurled for Alpha and David Bailey received.

For Beta in the Thursday game Oliver Santerbane was pitcher and Pete Postuk catcher. Ted Arney, pitcher, and Joe Hayakawa, catcher, comprised Gamma's battery.

Playing days are each Tuesday and Thursday.

"fours" for threes but Lieut. Neilson says "the fours are better for us aboard ship."

He has some good men as aides. His right hand man is Commissioned Engineer William Morrison, Gatineau Mills, Que. Lieut. McComb of Vancouver instructs in diesel engineering.

One of the field training instructors Stoker Charles Thornby of Hamilton, was a militia captain before the war but left the army because he was color blind.

The regulating chief stoker is Maurice Walton of London, England, with the R. C. N. 21 years and the R. N. two. Chief Petty Officer Jack Barber served with the Northumberland Fusiliers four years in France in the First Great War.

Leading Stoker William Cleland of Montreal was with the Royal Navy in the Dardanelles in the last war and now is in charge of the cloak room.

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OUTLOOK FOR FURS

Trappers Read Optimism in All Signs with Steady Market and Firm Demand

OTTAWA, May 10: (CP)—Good supplies of fur, a steady market and continued demand combine to lend optimism to white and Indian trappers scattered throughout Canada, Ottawa officials report.

An important guide to numbers of wild fur-bearing animals is contained in reports from scattered government agencies and generally they report the 1941 season started with a better outlook than for some years past.

"A matter of interest to all concerned with the fur industry is the changing trend in export and import business," said one official. "In the past it was economical for Canada to export her finest furs to Great Britain and the United States and import cheaper products from across the boundary and elsewhere.

"Exchange control, encouragement of muskrat production and the elimination of some sources of cheap fur supply have meant our top-quality fur continues to find a ready market in importing countries while larger supplies of cheaper pelts are being made available for home consumption."

A stimulant to the fur market has been the increased employment and industrial activity in Canada and the United States. This season's sales have been reported at nearly 30 per cent higher than those for last year and prices have been from 10 to 15 per cent better.

United Kingdom purchases have dropped sharply in recent months but more fur is being taken by the United States, over \$10,000,000 worth going across the border in the past year.

Development of muskrat farming has made long strides with the encouragement of the Dominion mines and resources department and provincial authorities. Guidance and assistance to Indians is part of the program of rehabilitation which will expand the Dominion's fur resources and help the tribesmen's income.

Sergeant Jack Unwin of the 102nd Battery left on last night's train for Edmonton.

J. H. Scott of San Francisco, managing director of the Riverside mine, left on last evening's train for Chicago. He had arrived Thursday night from Hyder after an inspection of the property.

Soccer Cup Finals

LONDON, May 10: (CP)—The final of the Soccer Cup was played at Wembley today. The match was replayed May 24. Rangers were forced from behind to tie the score one to one in the first half. Hampden Park was a crowd of 70,000 today. Teams will meet again Saturday.

Clarify Rank Of Commodore

Special Admiralty Order Position Of Canadian

LONDON, May 10: (CP)—The rank of Commodore L. W. Macdonald of the Canadian British waters has been clarified by a special admiralty order. Holders of this rank temporarily for special duty in future be above all and below Rear-Admirals. Formerly it was found that a captain, given rank of commodore for special work was when consulting with captain side his command to take according to relative seniority the captain's list.

In wartime, due to transfer of ships from one station to another, the officer chosen to command a certain sphere of operations and given commodore sometimes found himself seated in command by another ship with a senior whose participation had been foreseen at the time of the commodore's appointment.

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