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Sweeping for Mines Near Canada's Ports Risky, Monotonous

Most monotonous job in the Royal Canadian Navy is performed by the stubby-hulled little vessels that buck the gales of the Atlantic to keep Canada's harbour approaches free from mines.

Hour after hour, summer and winter, they wallow and strain through the seas dragging their mine-sweeping equipment behind them. Their crews know that, at present, their chances of snaring a mine are small, but they also know that a crop of death might be sown beneath the surface of the sea at any time. On the Atlantic coast these minesweepers keep clean some of the busiest shipping channels in the world, channels that carry men and material of countless value to the Motherland in her life-and-death struggle.

The day of a minesweeper starts shortly after the first rays of the sun spread across the chilly waters of the North Atlantic. Even during these summer days the ocean winds are cool enough to make necessary the wearing of heavy coats and mufflers. The skipper has already received a chart telling him which channels must be swept during the day. The sweepers usually work in teams of three and four. The senior ship takes the lead and the others spread out behind her in echelon, so that each sweeps part of a wide channel.

The mine-sweeping equipment is so arranged that anchored mines are snipped from their moorings whenever the long drag-line comes into contact with their cables, and guides them to the special cutting apparatus. When they bob to the surface after their line has been severed, they may be destroyed with rifle fire or perhaps taken with extreme care into port for examination.

Each minesweeper carries on its forward deck a gun capable of delivering a severe blow if the necessity arises. At the stern are carried a number of depth charges. They are thus prepared for encounters with submarines whether the latter be on the surface or under water.

Stout little ships, they operate in all kinds of weather conditions with the exception of dense fog, when a mine might be cut adrift without the knowledge of the crew. Possibility of collision is another of the factors keeping the minesweeper in port when the fog banks roll in from the Atlantic.

When weather conditions are favourable, the sweepers labour up and down the channels from dawn until far past the setting of the sun. Not until actual darkness has arrived do they point their blunt steel noses homeward. There they wait until sunrise for another trip in search of the black globes of destruction which may be lurking beneath the surface of the sea.

TOO MANY AUTHORITIES

Grey County has 197 schools, 591 teachers, and a trustee for nearly every five pupils. This was brought out by R. D. Keefe, director of school attendance, Department of Education, Toronto, who revealed in an address in Owen Sound how Ontario schools are over-officered. He said that this province has 7,000 school boards. Northern Ireland, on the contrary, has only eight school boards, England has only 317, and Alberta has seven. In South Africa a board controls 40 schools. We wonder if the Department of Education in Toronto is as over-staffed as are the schools throughout the province. —(From the St. Thomas Times-Journal.)

BRITAIN IS EIRE'S BULWARK

The interesting point about this charge of heart is that De Valera thus tacitly admits that the "independence" he and his associates have been contending for during the past years is impractical. Irish independence would be shattered in event of a German-Italian victory. Great Britain is still the only guarantor of the freedom of the Irish people — freedom only possible within the framework of the Empire. Eire simply dare not renounce membership in the British Empire under the Crown. And yet there will be I.R.A. crackpots who will oppose Britain for preserving their country and will continue to assert their "independence". —(From the Stratford Beacon-Herald.)

MEANINGLESS WORDS NOW

"Liberty, fraternity and equality" are dead and meaningless words in France. The new corporative order will substitute the "rights of labor, the family and the state" for individual rights. There will be room for only one French party, and open disagreement with its policies will amount to treason. Frenchmen will be free to agree with the dictatorship, fraternity will mean suspicion and distrust of one's neighbor, and equality will become uniformity in submission to the state's demands. —(From the New York Post.)

OBITUARY

ISABELLA CAIRNS

On Wednesday, July 24 the death occurred of Isabella Cairns in her 77th year. Miss Cairns died at the home of her brother-in-law, John MacGillivray, lot 31, concession 7, Vaughan township. Funeral services on Saturday afternoon were followed by interment in King cemetery.

W. N. DOVE

Wellington North Dove, 77 year old resident of King township, died at Kettleby on Sunday, July 28. A funeral service was held Tuesday afternoon at the home of his nephew Arnold Dove on the 7th concession of King. Interment was in Kettleby cemetery.

MRS. ROBERT WATSON

Mrs. Robert Watson, 81-year-old daughter of pioneer Scotch settlers, died at her home in Woodbridge on Wednesday, July 31st. Mrs. Watson, the former Mary Naismith, was the daughter of the late John Naismith and Mary Stevenson. She was born in Vaughan township, near what is now the village of Nashville. Surviving are 2 sons, Robert Watson, Vaughan township, and John Watson, member of the Woodbridge council; 1 daughter, Mrs. Earl (Margaret) Bowman, Smithfield; one sister, Miss Nellie Naismith, Woodbridge, and one brother, John Naismith, Blair, Ont. Mrs. Watson was predeceased by her husband about 16 years ago. She has lived in Woodbridge since that time.

Funeral services were held at the home on Thursday afternoon, the Rev. C. W. Barrett of Woodbridge United Church officiating. Interment was in Hillcrest cemetery.

Do You Know?

How Did People Tell the Time Without Clocks?

They told the time by the sun, which was quite accurate enough for people who did not have to catch trains, as we do. Then they used sun dials, candles marked off into hour-sections, hour-glasses and there was a device which consisted of two tanks, one above the other, with a connecting pipe. The lower tank was graduated, and according to the quantity of water that ran is so the time could be told.

Why Do We Use Wedding Rings?

The ring has been considered a symbol of marriage since earliest times. The third finger of the left hand was selected because a small artery was supposed to run from this finger direct to the heart. Modern surgery has, however, disposed of this contention, but the custom has become fixed in the popular mind and will probably go on forever.

Why Do Sailors Wear Wide Trousers?

Sailors have to turn up their trousers a good deal, and narrow ones would soon crease and become unsightly. Not only do they have to scrub the docks, but they often have to wade through shallow water when landing.

AIR FORCE PERSONNEL RISES

The Royal Canadian Air Force has grown from a personnel, all-strength of 10,410 on March 31, to a force of 19,453 men on July 24. There are 1,765 officers and 17,688 airmen.

Weed of the Week, Water Hemlock

Water Hemlock or spotted cowbane is one of Ontario's most prevalent poisonous plants, states John D. MacLeod, Ont. Dept. of Agriculture, Toronto. Its small white clusters of flowers may be observed at the present time above other vegetation in wet marshy places throughout "old Ontario".

It is a perennial weed which grows from 2 to 5 feet high. The leaves are compound in two or three divisions. The stems are stout, erect hollow and jointed, widely branching, quite smooth, pale green dotted, and streaked with purple. The root is a bundle of a few fleshy spindle-shaped tubers, like small parsnips.

Cattle are frequently poisoned by eating the roots of this plant, especially early in the spring when pasture is scarce. A piece of a root the size of a walnut will kill a cow. Roots are toxic at all seasons, leaves and seeds may be eaten without danger. Symptoms are frothing, uneasiness, pain, violent intermittent convulsions in which the animal kicks, sometimes extending the legs rigidly throwing back the head belching and groaning. Death results from respiratory failure. Raw linseed oil, raw eggs, and lard may be given early while waiting for the veterinarian.

Watch marshes and low places for this weed and hand pull any plants that are found. This may be easily done if the roots are first loosened with a spud or other implement. Plants should be destroyed after pulling.

TOWNSHIP OF VAUGHAN

TAX SALE NOTICE

Copies of the list of lands for sale for arrears of taxes may be had in the office of the Treasurer, J. M. McDonald, Maple, Ontario. The list of lands for sale for arrears of taxes in the Township of Vaughan was published in the Ontario Gazette on the third day of August 1940.

Notice is hereby given that unless the arrears of taxes and costs are sooner paid, the Treasurer will proceed to sell the land on the day and place named in such list published in the Ontario Gazette. The date of the sale named in the said list is the fourteenth day of November, 1940, at 10 a.m. The sale will take place at the Township Hall, Vellore.

Dated at Maple this second day of August 1940.

J. M. McDONALD, Treasurer.

STOCK REGISTER

GLASLYN GENERAL FRANC 6776

Dart, chestnut Belgian stallion, the property of J. W. Palmer, in service at Lot 22, Con. 2 Markham, or trucked to your farm. Terms: \$12 payable March 1st, 1941. Trucking charge within ten miles \$1 payable at time of service. Mares not returned or disposed of will be charged for whether in foal or not. Owner of mare must assume all risks of accident. Phone Richmond Hill 4632. J. W. Palmer, owner.

USED TRUCKS

Make	Model	Year	Type	Sale Price
Oldsmobile	T-14	1935	Panel Truck	\$300.00
Oldsmobile	T-14	1935	Panel Truck	\$325.00
Ford	V-8	1935	Panel Truck	\$275.00
Maple Leaf	16-48	1936	Chassis and Cab 2-ton	\$300.00
Chevrolet	16-46	1937	Chassis and Cab 2-ton	\$375.00
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