

LIAISON GROUP JOINS MCARTHUR HQ: A small party of four officers and five other ranks of the Canadian Army is already in the Far East, the Minister of National Defence, Mr. Claxton, announced on September 26.

The group, which will be attached to General McArthur's Headquarters, left Ottawa by air Wednesday, September 20, en route to Japan. It is headed by Col. F.J. (Frank) Fleury, MBE, 36, in the acting rank of brigadier. Brig. Fleury has been officer in charge of administration at Prairie Command HQ, Winnipeg.

With Brig. Fleury went Lt.-Col. Paul L.F. Sare, 38, and Lt.-Col. Leith R. Crue, 44, both of Army HQ, Ottawa, and both promoted last week from the rank of major. The former will be assistant adjutant general and the latter has been named assistant quartermaster general. The fourth officer was Capt. W.J. Gardner of Calgary.

Brig. Fleury, a graduate of Loyola College, Montreal, served during the war in Italy and at Canadian Military Headquarters in London, England. Following his return to Canada he was stationed in Ottawa until his appointment to Winnipeg in July, 1949. Lt.-Col. Sare and Lt.-Col. Crue are both veterans of the Second World War.

ARMY SENIOR APPOINTMENTS: New appointments affecting three senior officers of the Canadian Army were announced on September 26 by the Minister of National Defence, Mr. Claxton.

Brig. J.V. Allard, DSO and Bar, 37, presently commanding Eastern Quebec Area with headquarters at Quebec City, has been selected to attend the next course at the Imperial Defence College in the United Kingdom. Col. M.L. DeRome, OBE, ED, 39, will command in a temporary capacity during the absence of Brig. Allard. Col. W. Clement Dick, OBE, 37, who recently completed a tour as Director of the Canadian Army Staff College at Kingston, Ont., moves to Montreal to replace Col. DeRome.

R.C.N. AIDS KOREAN ISLAND COMMUNITIES: A voluntary reduction of the ship's company's rations recently enabled the Canadian destroyer, H.M.C.S. Cayuga, to supply desperately-needed food to a number of South Korean island communities cut off from supply centres on the mainland by Communist troops.

While on patrol in the Inchon area, the Cayuga discovered several villages whose food stocks were dangerously low. Although the Canadian ship immediately landed all spare food, her men considered they could do more. A special meeting of the Cayuga's welfare committee voted unanimously to cut their own rations to augment the supplies put ashore.

In addition, Capt. J.V. Brock, D.S.C., R.C.N., commanding officer of the Cayuga, and commander of a United Nations task group which included the three Canadian ships in the Korean

theatre, established areas off the coast in which he guaranteed the safety of South Korean fishermen, who had not ventured from port for fear of attack, since North Korean forces had occupied the mainland several weeks earlier.

NATIONAL NOTES

The federal-provincial constitutional conference opened in Quebec this week. The Prime Minister, Mr. St. Laurent, attended, as well as the 10 provincial Premiers.

Closer co-operation between Canada and the United States on atomic defence matters must be worked out in the near future, Canada's Civil Defence Co-ordinator, Maj. Gen. F.F. Worthington, was reported as saying in an address to some 500 city, state, territorial and national defence officials in Chicago, Ill.

The red-dominated United Electrical Workers' Union was expelled from the Canadian Congress of Labour on September 25 at the C.C.L.'s Annual Convention at Winnipeg.

Talks between Egypt and Canada are under way with a view to increasing Egyptian exports to Canada, a spokesman at the Egyptian Commerce Ministry in Cairo was quoted as saying.

Spokesmen for Saskatchewan and Alberta farm groups on September 25 asked the federal Government to help farmers through the current inflationary-price period by granting general farm price-support or instituting price controls on goods, services, rents, wages and profits.

Lt. Col. John Bayne Maclean, 87, founder of the Maclean-Hunter Publishing Company, Ltd., died in Toronto on September 25.

Premier Duplessis of Quebec announced on September 22 that his Government has approved plans by the Aluminum Company of Canada for expenditure of \$30,000,000 on initial development of 60,000 horsepower of hydro-electricity on the Peribonka River in Lake St. John district.

The A.V. Roe Company of Canada, in Malton, Ontario, will hire an additional 6,000 persons as part of an expansion programme aimed at keeping the plant up to date with defence requirements, Sir Roy Dobson, President, was quoted as saying on September 22.