

KOREAN WAR THEATRE INSPECTION: Vice-Admiral E.R. Mainguy, Chief of the Naval Staff, will make a tour of inspection of the Korean war theatre, leaving Ottawa by air on Sunday, February 8, Naval Headquarters announced on January 20.

During his visit to the Far East, Admiral Mainguy will go on board the three Canadian destroyers at present serving in Korean waters--HMC Ships Athabaskan, Crusader and Haida-- and will visit Canadian troops serving with the 1st Commonwealth Division.

Admiral Mainguy is scheduled to leave Vancouver on February 9, arriving in Tokyo on February 11. Official calls will be paid in Tokyo on February 12 and the following day Admiral Mainguy will embark in HMCS Athabaskan to witness operations off the Korean east coast.

He will fly to Seoul on February 20 to visit the 1st Commonwealth Division and the following day will board HMCS Haida at Inchon for a four-day view of operations on the west coast of Korea.

On February 24, he will go on board HMCS Crusader, returning to Japan for a visit to the UN naval base at Sasebo from February 25 to 27. He will visit the Commonwealth base at Kure from February 28 to March 1 and will then proceed to Tokyo.

Inspection of a UN Guard of Honour at Pershing Heights, Tokyo, on March 2 will be followed by official calls. The following day he will be a dinner guest of His Excellency R.W. Mayhew, Canadian Ambassador to Japan.

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SHIP SAFETY MEASURES: Amendments to the Canada Shipping Act, 1934, including, among others, provisions to implement the International Convention on Safety of Life at Sea, 1948, came into force on December 31, 1952. An International Conference was held in London from April to June, 1948, and the Convention made at that Conference was ratified by Parliament of Canada in 1950. It replaces the previous Convention which was made in 1929.

The Minister of Transport, Mr. Lionel Chevrier, stated that the 1948 Convention is now in force with respect to ships registered in Canada. The requirements of the New Convention will have the effect of introducing additional safety measures into the construction of new passenger ships making international voyages and also in existing passenger ships employed in the same type of voyage. The Convention also introduces certain requirements for cargo ships.

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GOLD PRODUCTION: Canadian production of gold in October totalled 403,497 fine ounces--a ten-year monthly high--as compared with 383,163 in the preceding month and 380,827 in the corresponding month of 1951.

97 P.C. CANADIAN: The first census since the Citizenship Act of 1947 revealed that Canadian citizens made up 97 per cent of the nation's population in 1951, the Bureau of Statistics has reported in a census bulletin that breaks down the population of 14,009,429 into 13,567,939 Canadian citizens, 104,071 citizens of other British Commonwealth countries and 337,419 who owned allegiance to other countries.

The latter figure includes 69,000 United States citizens 236,490 citizens of European countries, 15,122 citizens of Asiatic countries, and 16,807 who reported themselves either as citizens of other countries or stateless.

Of the 236,490 citizens of European countries, 55,771 were Polish, 46,267 Russians, 32,179 Netherlands citizens, 22,616 Italians and 12,926 Germans, other nationalities accounting for fewer than 10,000 each. Of the 15,122 citizens of Asiatic nations, 12,808 were Chinese and 1,312 Japanese.

As the two most populous provinces Ontario and Quebec had the largest numbers of Canadian citizens and also had the largest number of United States citizens and citizens of European countries while Ontario and British Columbia had the largest numbers of citizens of other Commonwealth countries. Over half of the citizens of Asiatic countries resided in British Columbia and nearly 20 per cent in Ontario.

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ANTI-POLIO SUBSTANCE: Arrangements have just been completed for a test in Canada of gamma globulin, a substance being experimented with in the United States as a protection against paralytic poliomyelitis. This was announced on January 23 by the Minister of National Health and Welfare, Mr. Paul Martin, who said that preliminary reports of studies in the United States on the use of gamma globulin are "encouraging."

Production of gamma globulin in Canada will be handled by the Cannaught Medical Research Laboratories, Toronto.

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ARCTIC RESEARCH: Continuing its investigations into Canada's arctic and sub-arctic waters, the Fisheries Research Board will attempt to add to Canada's meagre knowledge of the marine resources and hydrographic conditions in Hudson Bay in the summer of 1953. The Board will send an expedition from Churchill, Man., aboard its Arctic research vessel "Calanus".

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The 10th International Tuna Cup Match will be held at Wedgeport, Nova Scotia, September 9, 10, and 11, 1953, the Board of Directors decided at their annual meeting at the Nova Scotia Bureau of Information, New York City.