

- (b) The "SALABANGRA", at Halifax, for stiffening.
- (c) The "GEISHA", on the West Coast, for the installation of arming, bridge protection and degaussing gear.
- (d) The degaussing equipment of 85 ships was inspected during the week. Of these 82 were reported as satisfactory and repairs were made to the remaining three.
- (e) The British Ministry of Shipping, New York, last week reported that the installation of degaussing gear in 5 vessels was completed and that repairs were carried out to two. There are now in American ports 5 vessels in hand for degaussing.
- (f) Minor items of repair were carried out to H.M.S. "ASCANIA", H.M.S. "RANPURA", and H.M.S. "ALAUNIA" at the Halifax Dockyard as per instructions from the Admiralty.
- (g) Plans for the new gunnery school at Halifax have been held up pending a decision on a new site. The estimated cost of this project has been set at \$350,000.
- (h) Plans and specifications are being prepared by the E. in C.'s Department in order that tenders may be called for the construction of six new Fishermen's Reserve vessels for the West Coast.
- (i) S.S. "LOOS" is being put into a seaworthy condition by Marine Industries Limited for requisitioning as a gate vessel for Shelburne.
- (j) Coal Barge #6 is being put into a seaworthy condition, for use as a Boom Maintenance Vessel.
- (k) H.M.C.S. "ANNAPOLIS" has a seriously damaged boiler, which will delay her refit. A fourth ship, H.M.C.S. "ST. CROIX" has been taken in hand, in order that the first three Town Class destroyers may sail for the United Kingdom on approximately November 15th.
- (l) Contracts for the construction of four additional 170-foot minesweepers have been let to the following firms:
 - 1. Dufferin Shipbuilding Company, Toronto (two).
 - 2. Prince Rupert Dry Dock and Shipyards Co., Prince Rupert, B.C. (two)

5. Stores.

The equipment purchased by the Naval Stores amounted this week to \$71,668.00, of which \$59,804 was for material for the six former United States destroyers.