

Questions

PENSION APPEAL BOARD

Mr. Pearkes:

1. How many cases, in each district, were heard during the years 1948 and 1949, before the appeal board of the Canadian pension commission?

2. In how many of these cases were the decisions of the commission reversed or modified?

Mr. Mutch:

1 and 2. Statement of appeal board cases heard during calendar years 1948 and 1949, and showing number granted and not granted:

	Year 1948		
	Heard	Not granted	Granted
Nova Scotia	34	16	18
Prince Edward Island	12	9	3
New Brunswick	133	76	57
Quebec	252	149	103
Ontario	597	315	282
Manitoba	152	80	72
Saskatchewan	64	33	31
Alberta	98	40	58
British Columbia	215	125	90
Total	1557	843	714

Year 1949

	Year 1949		
	Heard	Not granted	Granted
Newfoundland	—	—	—
Nova Scotia	72	32	40
Prince Edward Island	16	6	10
New Brunswick	69	46	23
Quebec	366	221	145
Ontario	748	403	345
Manitoba	169	86	83
Saskatchewan	102	56	46
Alberta	102	41	61
British Columbia	247	135	112
Total	1891	1026	865

CANADIAN MERCHANT MARINE—CASUALTIES IN WORLD WAR II

Mr. Knowles:

1. What was the total number of casualties, including killed, wounded and missing, in the Canadian merchant navy during world war II?

2. What was the total number and tonnage of Canadian merchant ships sunk, during world war II?

Mr. Chevrier:

1. 1,161.

2. Sixty-eight vessels of 330,254 gross tons registry.

[Mr. McIlraith.]

ROYAL CANADIAN NAVY—TIME SPENT BY SHIPS AT SEA

Mr. Pearkes:

1. How many days during 1948, 1949, did H.M.C.S. *Magnificent* spend at sea?

2. How many days during 1948, 1949, did H.M.C.S. *Ontario* spend at sea?

3. How many days did each destroyer of the Royal Canadian Navy spend at sea, during 1948, 1949?

4. How many days did each frigate of the Royal Canadian Navy spend at sea, during 1948, 1949?

Mr. Blanchette:

	1948	1949
1. H.M.C.S. <i>Magnificent</i>	59	94
2. H.M.C.S. <i>Ontario</i>	118	114
3. H.M.C.S. <i>Athabaskan</i>	81	121
H.M.C.S. <i>Cayuga</i>	100	24
H.M.C.S. <i>Crescent</i>	131	136
H.M.C.S. <i>Haida</i>	127	156
H.M.C.S. <i>Iroquois</i>	-	34
H.M.C.S. <i>Micmac</i>	-	7
H.M.C.S. <i>Nootka</i>	144	102
4. H.M.C.S. <i>St. Stephen</i>	187	152
H.M.C.S. <i>Swansea</i>	119	144
H.M.C.S. <i>Antigonish</i>	120	158
H.M.C.S. <i>Beacon Hill</i>	-	45

WAR GRAVES IN OVERSEAS CEMETERIES

Mr. Pearkes:

1. How are the graves of Canadian soldiers, who fell in world war II, marked in overseas cemeteries?

2. Do the inscriptions on the crosses or headstones contain the name of the soldier who fell, his corps or his regiment, if he was in the corps of infantry?

3. Are records kept in each cemetery so that a visitor can readily find the grave of an individual soldier, or those of members of any particular regiment?

Mr. Blanchette:

1. Originally by temporary crosses. Replacement of these temporary crosses by the erection of permanent headstones is now and has been in progress for some time.

2. The temporary crosses bore the name, regiment, and date of death, of the soldier.

The permanent headstones show:—

(a) The Canadian maple leaf within an incised circle.

(b) Regimental particulars, i.e., number, rank and name.

(c) Decorations, if any.

(d) The official Canadian designation of the corps of the deceased.

(e) The date of death and, where possible, the age at time of death.

Infantry regiments are grouped together under Canadian Infantry Corps which is shown on the headstones.

3. Yes.