

### NATO NAVAL EXERCISE

Six ships of the Atlantic Command will take part in a NATO anti-submarine and fleet exercise centred on the western approaches to Britain from October 2 to 18. The ships involved in the operation, which has been named "Sharp Squall Six", are HMCS "Bonaventure" (aircraft carrier) and HMCS "Nootka", "Micmac", "Cayuga", "Crescent", and "Athabaskan" (destroyer escorts). The destroyers are units of the First Canadian Escort Squadron. Forces from Britain, Denmark, The Netherlands and Norway, with a squadron of RCAF Maritime aircraft, will also participate.

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### IRON ORE SHIPMENTS

Shipments of iron ore from Canadian mines during the first six months of this year amounted to 10,167,952 tons, nearly double last year's corresponding tonnage of 5,501,272. Gains were posted in all months except January. June shipments were up sharply to 4,108,083 tons from 2,668,671. Stocks at the month's end were smaller, at 3,229,736 tons compared to 4,010,684.

Ore shipped for export rose in the six-month period to 9,074,083 tons from 4,446,620 in the same 1961 period, while shipments to Canadian consumers increased to 1,093,869 tons from 1,054,652. June shipments comprised 3,786,036 tons for export (2,374,282 a year ago), and 322,047 tons for Canadian consumers (294,389).

All producing provinces shared in the heavier movement in the half-year period. Shipments from Quebec mines increased to 4,541,199 tons from 1,435,562 in the same 1961 period. For the other provinces concerned the figures were: Ontario, 2,641,185 (1,527,512); Newfoundland, 2,423,861 (2,006,475); and Alberta and British Columbia, 561,707 (531,723).

June shipments by provinces: Quebec, 1,804,135 tons (719,724 a year ago); Newfoundland, 1,185,540 (1,239,258); Ontario, 1,039,279 (581,794); and Alberta and British Columbia, 79,111 (127,895).

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### ARMY TACTICS BOARD

The Army Tactics and Organization Board, announced by Defence Minister Douglas S. Harkness earlier this year, came into physical being at Camp Petawawa, Ontario, early in September. It is under the command of Major-General Roger Rowley of Ottawa, formerly Vice Adjutant-General.

The new organization will carry out studies and supervise field tests in the major Army training centres across Canada. Rapid progress in the development of new weapons and equipment calls for reorganization in field units and consequent adjustment in tactics and control. The Board's main

concern will be the correlation of these new developments to ensure a proper balance of equipment and manpower. If required, the Board will be available to form the nucleus of a divisional headquarters and the commander will become General Officer Commanding (designate) of 1st Canadian Infantry Division.

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### EXHIBITIONS AT THE NATIONAL GALLERY

The 1962-63 exhibition schedule of the National Gallery of Canada will include European avant-garde paintings, sculpture, architectural sketches, drawings by "old masters", and full-size reproductions of medieval frescoes. Several of the displays planned have not been seen before in Canada.

The first will be a selection of paintings from the collection of Walter P. Chrysler Jr., entitled "Controversial Century, 1850-1950", which will enable viewers to contrast the traditional styles of the nineteenth century with the foreshadowings of abstract art to be detected in the Impressionist paintings of the latter part of the century.

Facsimiles of some of the wall paintings in the medieval churches of Yugoslavia will come to the Gallery in late October. These copies are identical in size and colouring to their originals, some 6,000 of which have been rediscovered and evaluated during the first half of the twentieth century.

A sample of the work of Dutch artists affected by the experience of the Second World War will be seen as part of a display from the Stedlijk Museum, Amsterdam, entitled "The Dutch Contribution".

A number of individual artists will receive special attention during the season, among them Julio Gonzalez (1876-1942), a leading experimenter in new materials and new techniques for sculpture, Edvard Munch (1863-1944), the first important Expressionist produced by Norway, the great Romantic painter Eugene Delacroix (1798-1863), and the contemporary Canadian Jean-Paul Riopelle, winner of a UNESCO prize for painting at the 1962 Venice "Biennale".

The Chatsworth collection of drawings by old masters, a display of major importance, will visit Ottawa in April. It includes work by Raphael, Rembrandt, Rubens, Van Dyck, Holbein and the architect Inigo Jones. Another display will feature drawings by Belgian artists. Architectural drawings dating from the time of Palladio to the present will be shown at the Gallery in February.

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### COMMERCIAL FAILURES

Business failures recorded under the provisions of the Bankruptcy and Winding Up Acts in this year's second quarter increased 5 per cent to 724 from 684 in the corresponding period last year, while defaulted liabilities were almost a third higher at \$35,714,000, compared to \$27,138,000. In the first six months of this year there were 1,562 failures, 7.8 per cent more than in the same period last year,