

### MARINE COMMISSARIAT COURSE

Seven chief stewards and two chief cooks of the Department of Transport Canadian Marine Service recently received certificates denoting successful completion of a special training course at Montreal.

The course, held for the second successive year at HMCS "Hochelaga", Royal Canadian Navy supply depot, was for English-speaking personnel. It was the first of two to be attended this year by stewards and cooks from departmental vessels. The second, for French-speaking personnel, has already begun, and will continue until April 17.

The programme was begun by the Department to step up economy and efficiency in the purchasing, preparation and storing of ships' food-stuffs and to ensure the provision of high-quality meals and related services on board Canadian Marine Service ships. The men, under the tuition of naval experts in the field of cookery and dining-room operation, studied general cooking, wardroom organisation, dining-room operation, inspection and accounting of stores, purchasing and related matters.

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### JUNIOR AID TO GREEK SCHOOL

More than 2,700 elementary schools in the poorer areas of Greece are being "adopted" by Canadian school children through the classroom branches of the Junior Red Cross.

School-supply chests will be built and packed to a uniform plan in classrooms throughout Canada. Each chest will contain sufficient supplies for the 100 to 150 pupils in Grades I-VI of an adopted school. Pencils, scribblers, erasers, metric rulers, crayons, penholders and nibs, powdered ink, volley balls, inflatable globes, and first-aid kits are among the items to be included.

Most of the chests, which will serve both as shipping containers and lockers when unpacked, will be built in manual or vocational training classes as part of the Junior Red Cross project. In school districts where these facilities do not exist, it is expected that many "handyman" teachers or parents will assist. The value of each chest with its contents will be about \$100.

Arrangements have been made for an exchange of friendship gifts, albums, crafts, and

correspondence between each Canadian school supplying a chest and its Greek counterpart.

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### RCAF MEMORIAL TROPHY

The Mynarski Memorial Trophy, symbolic of well-conceived and effective recreation programmes for children of RCAF personnel, has been won by RCAF Station Cold Lake, Alberta, for the 1959-60 period. The Alberta base was runner-up in the 1958-59 competition to the previous winner, RCAF Station Parent, Quebec.

The trophy is presented annually to the RCAF station making the best use of its resources in developing a recreation programme for the young people of the Air Force community.

The Mynarski Trophy was donated to the RCAF in 1958 by the Polish Wings of the RCAF Association in memory of Pilot Officer A.C. Mynarski, who died in the crash of a Lancaster bomber in France on the night of June 12, 1944. He was awarded the Victoria Cross for his bravery in the action that took his life.

Twenty-two stations were entered in the 1959-60 competition. RCAF Station Falconbridge, Ontario, was second in the contest; RCAF Station Uplands, Ontario, was third, and RCAF Station Portage la Prairie, Manitoba, was fourth.

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### MOTOR ACCIDENTS

Motor vehicle traffic accidents on Canada's streets and highways in 1960 took 3,273 lives, a rise of 1.3 per cent from the 1959 total of 3,231, according to a special statement by the Dominion Bureau of Statistics. Fatalities in December were 18.5 per cent more numerous than in the same 1959 month at 333 compared to 281.

All provinces except Newfoundland, Nova Scotia, New Brunswick and Alberta reported fewer deaths in 1960, compared to 1959. The toll in the Yukon and Northwest Territories was unchanged from the preceding year's 8.

The number of fatalities by province in 1960 were: Newfoundland, 45 (36 in 1959); Prince Edward Island, 13 (30); Nova Scotia, 168 (121); New Brunswick, 165 (106); Quebec, 853 (871); Ontario, 1,166 (1,187); Manitoba, 121 (147); Saskatchewan, 155 (168); Alberta, 288 (248); and British Columbia, 294 (309).

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