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CANADA

ATTESTATION FORM

(HOSTILITIES FORM)

FOR MEN OF THE ROYAL CANADIAN NAVAL VOLUNTEER RESERVE

SURNAME MCKENNA, OFFICIAL NO. V 1540

CHRISTIAN NAMES Joseph Alphonsus, MARRIED, SINGLE OR WIDOWER Single.

PERMANENT ADDRESS	RELIGION
Pownal, Prince Edward Island.	R.C.

DATE OF BIRTH	*PLACE OF BIRTH	NAME AND ADDRESS OF NEXT OF KIN
November 24th, 1922.	Town Pownal,	(Father) Peter J. McKenna, Pownal, P.E.I.
*Original Nationality of: Father Irish. Mother Irish.	County	
	Province P.E.Island.	

*If not the son of natural born British parents, particulars to be given at foot of next page

(A) PERSONAL DESCRIPTION ON ENROLMENT

HEIGHT	CHEST MEASUREMENT	HAIR	EYES	COMPLEXION	WOUNDS, SCARS, MARKS
Feet 5	Inflated 37½	Brunette.	Grey.	Dark.	None.
Inches 6	Deflated 33½				
134	Mean 35½				

EDUCATIONAL STANDING	TRADE OR CALLING AND IN WHOSE EMPLOY
Grade Nine, Public School.	Farmer.

DATE OF ENROLMENT	RATING FOR WHICH ENROLLED	R.C.N.V.R. DIVISION, OR OTHER ESTABLISHMENT, AT WHICH ENROLLED
15th May, 1941.	Ord.Seaman (V/S).	Charlottetown, P.E.I.(R.C.N.V.R.)

(B) DECLARATION TO BE MADE BY APPLICANT

I hereby declare as follows:—

(1) That I am a British Subject domiciled in Canada.

(2) That I am desirous of being enrolled as a member of the Royal Canadian Naval Volunteer Reserve Force, and that I accept and agree to abide by the rules of the said Force.

(3) That * (a) I have never served, and am not serving in any Naval, Military, Reserve, or Territorial Force.

~~(b) I served in nil for the period shown, and attach my~~ record of service, in corroboration of this statement.

*Cross out Clause not applicable.

SERVED IN	RANK	FROM	TO
nil			

(c) I have never been rejected for or discharged from any of His Majesty's Forces on account of unfitness.

(4) That the particulars contained above are correct and true according to the best of my knowledge and belief.

(5) On being enrolled as a member of the Charlottetown Division of the Royal Canadian Naval Volunteer Reserve, I undertake to bind myself:—

(a) To serve from the date thereof for the duration of hostilities, being subject to the provisions of the Naval Service Act, and of the Regulations made in pursuance thereof for the government of the Royal Canadian Naval Volunteer Reserve, and to the customs and usages of His Majesty's Canadian Naval Service.

(b) To report for active service if called upon in time of war or emergency, and, if called into active service, to serve ashore or afloat as may be directed, according to where my services are required.

(c) To keep in good repair and condition the articles of uniform and any articles of outfit which may be issued to me and to return them to the nearest Divisional Commanding Officer or to Training Headquarters prior to my discharge or when required so to do by any authorized person, or to pay compensation for any loss or damage thereto other than fair wear and tear; and also not to wear such uniform or outfit (which is and remains the property of the Crown) except when on naval duty.

(d) To undergo vaccination or re-vaccination, or inoculation, as considered necessary by the appropriate authorities.

Dated this 15th day of May, 1941.

Signature of applicant Joseph A McKenna

(C) CERTIFICATE OF ATTESTING OFFICER

I hereby certify that all the foregoing statements were made by the volunteer above named, in my presence, and that he has made and signed the above declaration in my presence on this 15th day of May, 1941.

E A Saunders

Signature of and rank of Attesting Officer.

Lieutenant, R.C.N.V.R.

(D) OATH OF ALLEGIANCE

I, Joseph A. McKenna, do sincerely promise and swear (or solemnly declare) that I will be faithful and bear true allegiance to His Britannic Majesty, His heirs and successors according to law.

Signature of Applicant Joseph A McKenna.

Witness

Date 15th May, 1941. Rank Lieutenant, R.C.N.V.R.

The Oath of Allegiance may be administered by a Commissioned Officer of the Naval Service.

(E) CERTIFICATE OF ATTESTING OFFICER

Joseph Alphonsus McKenna, having been duly enrolled to serve in the Royal Canadian Naval Volunteer Reserve Force, I have caused his name and every prescribed particular to be recorded in the Record Book of the Charlottetown Division of the R.C.N.V.R. or in the appropriate official documents.

E A Saunders

Lieutenant, RCNVR. Attesting Officer.

15th May, 1941 194 R.C.N.V.R. Division (or other establishment) Charlottetown, P.E.I.

NOTE.—This form when completed and when the particulars on it have been noted in the Divisional Commanding Officer's Record Book, is to be forwarded to Headquarters, Ottawa, for custody.

The Certificate of medical examination, B-207, and certificates of previous service are to be sent to Headquarters, Ottawa, with this form.

Certificates of previous service will be returned after they have been examined at Headquarters, Ottawa.

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Certificate of Medical Examination of Officers, Men and Boys

NAVAL SERVICE OF CANADA

(R.C.N. OR RESERVE FORCES)

NOTE—This Certificate is to be completed by the Examining Medical Officer and **forwarded to the Naval Secretary, Department of National Defence, Ottawa.**

I, the undersigned, have examined Joseph McKenna

‡candidate for entry as Ord. Seaman (VIS)

and I believe him to be *{in all respects fit for His Majesty's Service. / ~~unfit for His Majesty's Service for the reason stated below.~~} He has signed the Certificate given below in my presence.

‡ Strike out if inapplicable. * Delete one.

This examination has been made in accordance with the current Instructions as to Medical Standards.

Age {Years / Months (a)	Weight without Clothes (b)	Height with Bare Feet (c)	General Development (d)	Chest Girth (e)	Vision by— (i) Snellen's Types (ii) Colour Vision (f)	Vaccinated or revaccinated for Small Pox (Date) (g)	Lungs, Heart, etc. (h)	Abdomen, Hernia, etc. (i)	Limbs and Joints (k)	Skin (l)	Ears and Hearing (m)	Testes, Varicocele, etc. (n)	Mouth, Teeth (No. deficient and No. defective, if any), Nose, Tonsils, etc. (o)	Anus, Hæmorrhoids, etc. (p)
	lbs.	ft. ins.		inches (a) maximum 37½ (b) minimum 33½ (c) mean 35½	right eye 6/5 left eye 6/5 *colour vision N	Yes	N	N	N	N	N	N	Complete upper & lower plate Th+oal N	N

*If colour vision is not normal by Ishihara test, degree of colour blindness to be indicated.

X-ray {Not taken. / Approved. / Positive. / Doubtful.} Approved

Write in the appropriate notation, and any remarks necessary.

CERTIFICATE TO BE SIGNED BY CANDIDATE

I hereby certify that to the best of my belief I have never suffered from Fits, †*Incontinence of Urine*, Discharge from the Ears, or any other disease likely to render me unfit for His Majesty's Service. ‡I am willing to undergo, after entry, such dental treatment, vaccination, or inoculations as may be authorized.

Joseph McKenna.
Signature of Candidate

† The exact meaning of this is to be clearly explained to the Candidate by the Examining Medical Officer.
‡ Strike out if inapplicable.

When a Candidate is subject to a defect or disability, the following information is to be inserted:

This Candidate is the subject of —

*{which renders him medically unfit for service, / not considered of sufficient importance to cause his rejection, he being desirable in other respects.

* Delete one.

IF REJECTED insert here UNFIT in block letters

Dated at Charlottetown the 13th of May 1941

John F. Duncan
Examining Medical Officer

(Rank) Capt. C.A.M.C. (Retd)

Questionaire - New Entry Ratings.

Name in Full. McKenna

Joseph Alphonsus. From. Charlottetown Div.

ON. V. 1540

Date Birth. Nov. 24th 1922 Religion. R.C.

Proficient in English?

Yes. Yes.

No.

When did you join? May 16th 1941

When did you go on active service? May 16th 1941.

What education have you had? Grade 8.

What was your civilian Employment? Fishing & Farming

Have you preference for any particular branch of the Navy?

Gunnery.

Do you wish to join the R.C.N.? —

The above two Questions should be prefaced by telling the rating that his wishes are subordinated to the exigencies of the service.

Are you interested in any particular sport? Hockey.

If so would you like to try out for your Divisional:-

Base Ball Team. —

Basket Ball Team. —

Volley Ball Team. —

Have you any questions you like to ask with reference to your future advancement in the Navy? allotment

Are there any private matters you'd like to discuss?

The rating should then be informed that he can, through his instructor, bring any reasonable request in front of his Division Officer. Frivolous requests are not allowed.

Swimming — Fair

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N.S. 815-9-536D.

CERTIFICATE OF PROGRESS OF BOYS AND ORDINARY SEAMEN

(To be used in conjunction with Form S. 399 Divisional Training Progress Book.)

NAME	OFFICIAL No.	Date of Birth
McKENNA, Joseph Alphonsus	V 1540	24th Nov., 1922

ON LEAVING HARBOUR TRAINING SERVICE

Subject	Ability	REMARKS (percentages obtained, etc.)	Initials of Instructing Officer
*School			
Seamanship— Boat work: (a) Pulling			
(b) Sailing			
Gunnery and Disciplinary Training			
Shooting			
Swimming—P. P. T.	Failed 5-11-41	Date qualified	DCW
Physical and Recreational Training			
Culinary Course			
Special qualifications			
Call Boy			
Bugler (Sea Service)			
Drummer			
Special Remarks			

On joining:— Weight..... Height..... Date .....

On leaving:— Weight..... Height..... Date .....

* State in remarks column whether G.C.I., II or III, or Advanced Class, or V/S or W/T.

H.M.S. "Stadacona 1". Date..... .....Captain.

PROGRESS UNDER TRAINING FOR ABLE SEAMAN

Educational Examinations		Date	Ship	Signature and Rank of Divisional Officer*
Passed Educationally	Accelerated Advancement			
	For Able Seaman (if G.C. III)			
	Educational Test I			
Rated Ordinary Seaman				

SEAMANSHIP Subject	Boat Work	Anchors and Cables	Compass and Wheel Rule of the Road	Rigging Sheers and Derricks	Sounding Machine, Lead and Line	Bends and Hitches, Blocks and Tackles	Part of Ship Evolutions	Signals	TOTAL	* Date of Passing	Signature and Rank of Divisional Officer, and Ship
Hours											
%				15				26			Dallaston
%											

GUNNERY Subject	Field Training	Gun Drill	Stripping	Fire Control	Ammunition	Director and Sighting	Machine Gun		TOTAL	* Date of Passing	Signature and Rank of Divisional Officer, and Ship
Hours											
%	75	75	–	90	75	–	–		305 76.2%	21-11-41	Dallaston
%											

TORPEDO Subject	Whitehead	Low Power	High Power	Instruments	Explosives	Paravanes			TOTAL	* Date of Passing	Signature and Rank of Divisional Officer, and Ship
Hours											
%											
%											

* In the event of failure to pass any examination, the percentage is to be noted in RED. and the word "FAILED" noted.

† The letters Q.R. III, L.R. III, C.R. III, A.A. 3, S.T., S.D., etc., are to be entered by the Divisional Officer in the case of men so recommended. If not recommended, the word "NO" is to be entered.

Ship	Total Period of Practical Experience as Ord. Seaman in part of Ship	Recommended for Advancement to Able Seaman on (Date)

Divisional Officer's Remarks

Recommendation for non-sub. rate†

Ordinary Seaman (Special Service).

Qualified for advancement to Able Seaman (S.S.)

on.....Date.

.....Commodore

.....Depot .....Date.

Rated Able Seaman and Recommendations inserted on History Sheet.

H.M.S.....

.....Date

.....Captain.

O.N. Draft

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N.S. 815-9-98B

KIT LIST—MEN DRESSED AS SEAMEN

(REDUCED KIT FOR DURATION OF HOSTILITIES)

Name McKenna J. Rating O/Sea Official No. V 1540

* State where issue made.

Scale Allowed R.C.N.	Scale Allowed R.C.N.V.R.	Article	Forms S.1048 on which issues were made							
		No.								
		Date	8/1/42							
		* Place	Halifax							
		Bags, Kit	1							
		Bags, soap	1							
		Belts, Life								
		Belts, Waist	1							
		Boots, half	2							
		Boxes, Cap	1							
		Brushes Hard	1							
		" Polishing	1							
		" Clothes	1							
		" Hair	1							
		" Tooth								
		Caps, blue cloth	2-1							
		Caps, white duck	1-1							
		Cases, attache	1							
		Combs, horn	1							
		Collars, blue jean	3							
		Coats, oilskin	1							
		Drawers	2							
		Jerseys, naval	2							
		Jerseys, sport	2							
		(b) Knives, with spike	1							
		Lanyards, knife	2							
		Overcoats	1							
		Ribbons, Cap	2							
		Scarves, black silk	2							
		Shoes, black leather								
		Shoes, gymnastic	1							
		Shorts, recreational, drill	2							
		Shorts, tropical								
		Singlets, tropical	[illegible]							
		Socks, pairs	2							
		Stockings, pairs	2							
		(a) Suits, blue overall	1							
		Towels	2							
		Type								
		Vests, flannel	3							
		Jumpers, serge	2							
		Jumpers, duck working	2							
		Trousers, serge	2							
		Trousers, duck	2							
		Beds	1							
		Blankets	2							
		Bed Covers	2							
		Hammocks	2							
		Clews and Lanyards, sets	1							
		Lashing	1							
		(b) Manual of Seamanship	1							

Name McKenna J. O/Sea V 1540

Winter Issue

Description	Year Issued 19	19	19	19
Caps, Winter	1			
Comforters	2			
Drawers, Woollen	2			
Helmets, Balaclava				
Jerseys, Naval				
Mitts, leather	1			
Rubbers	1			
Socks				
Stockings				

Gift Clothing received from Organization

Description	Year Issued 19	19	19	19
Comforters				
Helmets, Balaclava				
Gloves or Mitts				
Socks				
Stockings				
Sweaters				
Wristlets				
Windbreakers				

(a) Note: Stokers issued with 2 Blue Jean Suits. (b) For Seamen's Branch only.

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CONDUCT SHEET.

NAME Joseph Alphonsus McKENNA. RATING Ord. Sea. PORT DIVISION and OFFICIAL NUMBER Halifax V-15-40

NAME OF SHIP.	Date of Entry.	No. of G.C. Badges held.	Date of Commencement of "very good" conduct. (Art. 527, cl. 4 and 5). If conduct is not "very good" insert "Nil."	Class for Conduct. If in 2nd class, insert (1) Date of reduction. (2) Date of proposed restoration.	Class for Leave. If in 2nd class, insert date from which entitled to restoration to 1st class. (Art. 573, cl. 2)	Character since last assessment on Service Certificate or Conduct Sheet (Art. 605, cl. 5 and 8). From.	To.	Character Assessment.	Efficiency. (Art. 607).	For Art. 413 ratings only. (See Notes 5, 6 and 7.) Whether recommended for advancement (Must be fit for immediate advancement, and fully qualified).	Whether recommended with a view to accelerated advancement. (Must also be fit for immediate advancement but not necessarily fully qualified).	Ship Discharged to (giving date, if it differs from date of assessment of character, and, in the case of an N.C.S. Steward or Cook discharged to Shore, the cause of discharge).	Whether recommended for (a) Boys' Training Service. (b) Other Instructional Duties. (See Note 9).	R.M.G. or R.R. (where applicable).	Commanding Officer's Signature.
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)	(9)	(10)	(11)	(12)	(13)	(14)	(15)	(16)
C.S. Signal School	July '41	Nil	15 May '41	1st	1st	1 July 41	30 Sept '41					S.S. Hyacinthe			
S.S. Hyacinthe	1 Oct '41	Nil	"	1st	1st	1 Oct '41	31 Dec '41	V.G.	Sat.	HY (NQ)	NO	Stadacona			
Stadacona	6 Oct '41	Nil	"	1st	1st	1 Jan '42	24 Jan '42	V.G.	Sat.	HY (NQ)	NO	H.M.S. Quebec			
Quebec	25.1.42	"	"	"	"	25.1.42	19.8.42	V.G.	Sat.			D.D.	—		

NOTES.

1. **Destruction of Conduct Sheet.**—Attention is directed to Art. 603, cl. 3, K.R., which provides for the destruction, after the next assessment of character, of a Conduct Sheet shewing the record of offences in a previous ship. But the Conduct Sheet of a man joining a shore or harbour establishment may (and for Leading Seamen, Leading Signalmen, Able Seamen and Signalmen *must*) be kept in use and accompany him to his next sea-going ship.
2. **Date of Commencement of "very good" Conduct.**—When the date of commencement of "very good" conduct differs from that which would normally appear from the Service Certificate, the date is to be inserted in red.
3. **Class for Conduct.**—The date of proposed restoration may be any date not less than 3 months and not more than 6 calendar months from date of reduction. See Art. 567, K.R.
4. **Good Conduct Medal and Gratuity.**—Recommendations are to be made according to the instructions in Arts. 534, cl. 3, and 606, cl. 4, K.R. If the recommendation is intentionally withheld, a statement to that effect should be inserted. (See Art. 534, cl. 15).
5. **Whether Recommended for Advancement.**—To be completed in respect of all Art. 413 ratings by inserting "Yes," "Not Yet" or "No" (but see notes (1), (2) and (3) below):
   (1) "Yes"—Recommended for advancement. To be followed by (N.Q.) if not fully qualified; this, if awarded in a seagoing ship, will count as a seagoing recommendation for men who require this qualification, although such men are not qualified for recommendation on Form S. 507.
   (2) "Not Yet"—To be used for ratings not yet recommended for advancement owing to their inexperience. To be followed by (N.Q.) if not fully qualified.
   (3) "No"—Not recommended, whether qualified or not.
   For Leading Seamen, Leading Signalmen, Able Seamen and Signalmen insert also "S.G.R." or "H.R." according as the ship is or is not a "sea-going" ship (Appendix XVII., Part I, para. 10) in relation to the individual rating concerned.
6. **Advancement to Acting rating.**—The rating and date on which a man is **actually** advanced to the Acting Leading or Acting Petty Officer rate in the Seaman, Signal, Telegraphist or Stoker branch, or to Acting Sailmaker are to be noted across columns 11 & 12. If, in accordance with Note 1 or otherwise, the conduct sheet is destroyed prior to the man's confirmation, the notation is to be transferred to the new conduct sheet.
7. **Whether Recommended for Confirmation.**—Notations, in red ink, are to be made across both the "Recommendation for Advancement" columns, after completion of a minimum period of three months' acting time, as to whether or not a rating is recommended for confirmation in the ordinary course. The abbreviations to be used are "R.C.O.C." or "N.R.C.O.C."
8. **Accelerated Advancement.**—Recommendations are not to be made in this column unless the rating was likely to have been recommended for accelerated advancement on the next return S.507 had he remained in the ship. This column is intended merely to assist the Captain of the ship to which the rating is discharged in rendering S.507 at the end of the half-year, by bringing to his notice ratings of more than ordinary merit, who should be specially considered when making the special recommendations on S.507 for the accelerated advancement of a limited proportion of the ship's company. When recommending Leading Seamen, Leading Signalmen, Able Seamen and Signalmen add "S.G.R." or "H.R." as directed for previous column.
9. **Offences and Punishments.**—To be recorded on page 2.
10. **Training Service.**—This column is always to be completed for E.R.A.s, E.A.s, O.A.s, C.P.O.s, P.O.s and Leading Ratings of the Seaman, Signal, W/T and Stoker branches, irrespective of whether or not the rating is a volunteer for the Training Service. If recommended, the word "Yes" should be inserted; if not recommended, the word "No."

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MEMORANDUM OF INTERVIEW WITH
SUB-LIEUT J.E. BOAK, R.C.N.V.R., (VICTORIA, B.C.),
AT CANADIAN MILITARY HEADQUARTERS, 24 AUG 42.

SUBJECT: The raid on DIEPPE, 19 Aug 42.

1. Sub-Lieut BOAK is normally a Boat Officer in First Canadian L.C.A. Flotilla, but this flotilla was temporarily broken up for the purposes of the Dieppe operation. In this operation Mr. Boak served as Boat Officer in the boat of the Flotilla Officer of the 2nd Flotilla of L.C.P.(L)s (Landing Craft, Personnel (Light), formerly called R-Boats). This Flotilla, along with Nos. 6 and 7 Flotillas, constituted "B" Group. This Group was destined for GREEN BEACH, at POURVILLE, west of DIEPPE, and carried the Queen's Own Cameron Highlanders of Canada, commanded by Lt-Col. GOSTLING.

2. The flotilla cleared the harbour of NEW HAVEN at about 2130 - 2200 hrs on 18 Aug 42, with its troops aboard. Troops transported in L.C.P.(L)s made the whole passage in these craft, whereas those landing in L.C.As. (Landing Craft, Assault, formerly called A.L.Cs.) were carried in carrying ships and transferred to the A.L.Cs. off the objective.

3. "B" Group made toward DIEPPE, following a motor launch which acted as guide. When not far from the French coast an engagement was seen in progress to port, with a great deal of "flak" visible; and the flotillas went somewhat out of their course to avoid it. As a result of this, the landing, which was timed for 0520 hrs, did not actually take place until about 0540 hrs. An L.C.A. flotilla was understood to have landed troops on GREEN BEACH about half an hour before "B" Group arrived with the Camerons.

4. About half a mile from the beach the ~~3~~ three flotillas (amounting to about 27 craft in all), which had been moving in formation of ~~3~~ five lines ahead, deployed into ~~4~~ two lines abreast, and the M.L. left them. Off the beach there was considerable

smoke, and as the flotillas passed through it they came under fire from the shore, this fire including that of heavy guns. Nevertheless the beach was successfully reached and the troops were landed. Mr. Boak believed that there had been no casualties actually in the boats, but accepted Sub-Lieut J.E. O'ROURKE's correction that a Sergeant of the Camerons had been hit on board his craft.

5. After landing their troops the flotillas pulled off shore into the smoke, and joined a concentration of ships lying off DIEPPE. The Senior Flotilla Officer, Lt-Commander GARRARD, R.N.V.R., was wounded, and the Flotilla Officer in Mr. Boak's boat (Lieut. BYERLEY) took command. The flotillas had been ordered to enter DIEPPE harbour and there report to the ~~Gun Boat~~ gunboat "Locust", which would assign them certain tasks. The three flotillas, after some delay, started into the harbour in the belief that "Locust" had already gone in. About half a mile off shore, however, it was found that enemy fire was too heavy to permit them to enter the harbour, and on retiring it was found that "Locust" had not, in fact, gone in.

6. For an hour or an hour and a half the flotillas waited for orders off DIEPPE; then they received orders from an M.L. to "evacuate YELLOW BEACH", this being at the Eastern or BERNEVAL end of the theatre of operations.

7. The flotillas now proceeded towards YELLOW BEACH. Smoke was heavy and made it difficult to determine locations. They moved in shore, found they were in the wrong spot and moved out again. Returning towards the shore through the smoke at what they believed to be Yellow Beach, they found a group of Canadian soldiers, believed to be of the South Saskatchewan Regiment, ~~on~~ clinging to a raft. These men were waving various white garments, etc., apparently in an attempt to keep down fire from the shore. The soldiers waved the

Landing on

vessels away, warning them of danger. They nevertheless closed in and came under terrific fire, including that of heavy guns, machine-guns and mortars. Two craft came alongside the raft, passing it ~~at full speed~~ and shouting to the soldiers to jump. Mr. Boak's boat, L.C.P.(L) 19, passed close enough for four soldiers to catch hold of the ropes hanging from the boat. Two of these men were got aboard at once, a third was dragged for half a mile before being brought in, and the fourth dropped off.

8. A second boat, believed to be L.C.P.(L) 80, commanded by Sub-Lieut BEN FRANKLIN, R.N.V.R., picked up the rest of the men from the raft, but lost two of its crew, while Mr. Franklin was himself wounded. One of the ratings killed was a Canadian A.B. named McKENNA, who was firing at the cliffs with a Tommy gun when he was shot through the chest. McKenna said "I am afraid I am hit, Sir", spun round and fell dead.

9. The flotillas then pulled off seaward as rapidly as possible, still under very heavy fire. One of the officers interviewed with Mr. Boak said, "We went like hell, but it was the slowest hell I remember".

10. The soldier casualties were transferred to a tank landing craft, and thereafter the flotillas circled about and waited. During this period there were heavy bombing attacks by J.U. 88s and Dornier 217s, and bombs landed very close to Mr. Boak's vessel and other craft nearby.

11. Questioned about R.A.F. co-operation, Mr. Boak and other officers said that it was "absolutely marvellous". British aircraft were very numerous in the area, and the R.A.F. deserved all the credit they got for this operation.

12. After a considerable period of waiting, the flotillas were ordered by an M.L. to evacuate RED and WHITE BEACHES (immediately in front of DIEPPE). On the way in, however, they were stopped by another M.L. which told them that fire

was much too heavy to enable them to close in. This was confirmed by a Fighting French "Chasseur" (Steel Motor Launch). The flotillas then retired and withdrew to NEW HAVEN, where Mr. Boak's craft arrived at about 1730 hrs on 19 Aug 42.

Navy Office of Canada.

Note:

Para 5. It is probable that the 7 Stokers who were discharged from the 4th Canadian LC flotilla during July, for special services, were in the craft which was to enter Dieppe Harbour and report to the Gunboat "Locust". They were selected for the special tasks which were to be assigned by the "Locust".

2. The episode mentioned in "O'Rourke", para. 6, "Boak", para. 7 and 8, and "Sinclair", para. 4, has been checked by Major Stacey with Army records. Major Stacey has located the report of the soldiers who were rescued by Sub-Lieutenant Boak, and the statements made in our reports are confirmed by the soldiers' report. The "raft" was apparently a Landing Craft which put off from Blue Beach. (Probably an LCA.) It was overcroweded with about 50 soldiers. The door could not be closed, and the craft finally overturned, about 150 yards offshore, in the neighbourhood of Yellow 2. It appears there were only eight soldiers on the upturned craft when Boak, Franklin and Sinclair arrived. It is not clear what happened to the remainder of the soldiers, or the Naval crew, but apparently they were not all massacred on the bottom of the overturned craft, and some may have found their way to the beach. Comments were made to me by our own Naval men that there was a report that a Sub-Lieutenant Beachmaster was also on the "raft".

Royal Regiment Toronto. KSM.

KSM.

NAVAL

To:

MR. PETER J. MCKENNA,
POWNAL, P.E.I.

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THE MINISTER OF NATIONAL DEFENCE FOR NAVAL SERVICES DEEPLY REGRETS TO INFORM YOU THAT YOUR SON JOSEPH ALPHONSUS MCKENNA, ORDINARY SEAMAN, ROYAL CANADIAN NAVAL VOLUNTEER RESERVE, OFFICIAL NO. V-1540, HAS BEEN KILLED ON WAR SERVICE.

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21st August, 1942.

Dear Sir:

It is with deepest regret that I must confirm the telegram of the 20th August from the Minister of National Defence for Naval Services informing you that your son, Joseph A. McKenna, Ordinary Seaman, R.C.N.V.R., O.N. V. 1540, has been killed on war service.

It is regretted that the only information available at this time is that the date of death was 19th August, 1942. Immediately on receipt of further information you will be notified.

I wish to express the sincere sympathy of the Chief of the Naval Staff, Officers and men of the Royal Canadian Navy in your bereavement.

Yours sincerely,

Secretary, Naval Board.

Mr. Peter J. McKenna,
POWNAL, P.E.I.

DEPARTMENT OF NATIONAL DEFENCE
ESTATES BRANCH

Ottawa Canada

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Received this date from the Administrator of Estates cheque of the Receiver General of Canada for the sum of THREE

46/100 Dollars ($ 3.46) being in connection with my son's estate.

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Peter J. McKenna
Signature

McKENNA, Joseph, A.B. (Deceased)
No. V.1540, R.C.N.V.R.

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From ... Base Accountant Officer, H.M.Naval Base, NEWHAVEN. Sussex

Date ... 14th April, 1943.

To ... Naval Store Officer, Naval Service H.Q.,
OTTAWA, Canada.

(Copies to :- Official Secretary to the High Commissioner for Canada.
Inspector Seamens' Wills, Admiralty.)

Subject: late Joseph A. McKenna, R.C.N.V.R., V1540.

Reserved effects, as undernoted, ofthe above named rating, who was discharged "dead" on 15th August 1942, are forwarded herewith on the instructions of the High Commissioner for Canada.

2. It is requested that receipt may be acknowledged.

— 1 Chain
1 Rosary on Chain
— 1 Web Belt
— 1 Leather Belt
— 2 Small Charms
— 1 Bunch Keys
— 1 Wallet (with 4 photos and 2 foreign coins)
— 1 Identity Disc on Chain.

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PAYMASTER LIEUTENANT
(for PAYMASTER COMMANDER)

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Dear Sirs

I received the parcel containing my Son's personals, affects or sappased to be on June 4 wele all the persnal affects was one key belong to a grip & a snapshot of his mother two school chums & one of himself & one of the chums also his endifiction Braclet a chone with two meddles. which should have been left on him when he was burried what happened to his watch & Prayer book & beeds- he had a new suit uneforme under clore & hip boots which was his owen percenal Prophertyi

I dont mine the clare his watch I would have been returne also his Book.

Peter J. McKenna
Pownal
P. E. Island

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ESTATES BRANCH August 12th, 1943

Mr. Peter J. McKenna,
Pownal, P. E. I.

McKENNA, Joseph Alphonsus, Ord.Smn. (Deceased)
No. V.1540, R.C.N.V.R.

Dear Mr. McKenna:

Enclosed herewith please find Dominion of Canada cheque No. 31650, dated August 4th, 1943, payable to your order in the amount of $12.89.

This was the total of your deceased son's Service estate available for distribution, and was made up entirely of balance of wages.

Your son died without having made a Will, and his Service estate is therefore distributable in accordance with the Intestacy Laws of the Province in which he was domiciled. Accordingly, the whole estate devolves upon you as next-of-kin entitled.

Receipt of the personal effects, herein, was acknowledged by you on June 4th, 1943.

Will you please sign the enclosed form of receipt, and return same to the Administrator of Estates, Department of National Defence, 308 Sparks Street, Ottawa, Ontario.

Yours faithfully,

(L. M. Firth) Lt.-Col.,
Administrator of Estates.

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