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An Eastern Canadian Port – A young navy stoker – Bruce Holt, R.C.N.V.R., of Hamilton and Toronto – has come to the fore with a brand new war song which music critics predict will be a navy "hit" tune of World War II.

The song – "Here Comes a Canadian Sailor Lad" – was originally written as a military tune, but when Holt joined the navy last April he revised it to fit the men of Canada's fighting navy. Its catchy air is already popular among east coast wrens and sailors, where Holt has introduced it himself on service programs.

Not yet published, the song has been copyrighted in Canada and the United States and is being reviewed by several Canadian and U.S. music publishers. It is also being studied by officials of the Navy Show now touring the country.

Holt began composing music as a hobby while singing with bands throughout Northern Ontario a few years ago and to date has written four songs.

His new song, he feels, is an important contribution to the war effort. He has dedicated it to the "mothers of Canadian sailors on active service in the hope that it will help to maintain morale on the home and fighting fronts and cheer the navy on to ultimate victory."