

UNDERWOOD
JOHN COMBER
N3072

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AUG 29 1937
62-2144

CONSENT PAPER

(This paper is required in all cases where the Candidate is under the age of 18 years, in addition to the Certificate of Birth or Declaration.)

*Strike out "son" or "ward" as the case may be.

I hereby certify that my ~~son,*~~ ward John Underwood my full consent (being himself willing) to enter the Naval Service of Canada for a period of seven years' continuous and general service, from the age of 18, in addition to whatever period may be necessary until he attains that age, agreeably to the King's Regulations.

He has not been in a Reformatory, nor has he been sentenced to imprisonment.

I declare that he has never had fits.

† No alteration or erasure is to be made in the date of birth given.

The date of the boy's birth is August 4th 1920

His Religious persuasion is Church of England

Witness my hand at Victoria B.C.

16 day of August 1937

††Strike out "Parent's" or "Guardian's" as the case may be.

Parent's ~~Guardian's~~ Signature in full A. E. Underwood

† Must be signed by the Father, if alive, or satisfactory explanation made.

Parent's ~~Guardian's~~ Address 1215 Pembroke St-
Victoria B.C.

In the case of a Guardian see other side.

I, the above named John Underwood do consent to enter the Naval Service of Canada.

§ The Boy and Parent or Guardian must sign in the presence of the witness to their signatures.

§ Boy's signature in full John Conner Underwood

Signed by the said [Here write boy's name] John Underwood

And [Here write Parent's or Guardian's name] A. E. Underwood

In the presence of Walter Tucker Witness to signature of Boy, and Parent or Guardian.
2006 Chamber St. Address.

[OVER]

CERTIFICATE

§ Strike out "Parent" or "Guardian" as the case may be.

**Strike out "he" or "she" according to sex of Parent or Guardian.

† The assertion of the boy himself should not be taken as sufficient warrant for this statement.

I certify that I am personally acquainted with this Boy's § Parent, and am aware** ~~he~~ she has consented to the Boy's entry as above, and I believe the particulars stated herein to be true.

.....Clergyman of the Parish.

or *Walter Friker* Resident Householder }

Barber Occupation }

Chamber St. Address

Victoria B.C. 1937

Particulars to be stated, if possible, in the case of a Boy whose Father is dead

Date of Father's death.....

Place of death.....

Signed.....Mother.

Particulars to be stated, if possible, in the case of a Boy whose Parents are both dead

Date of Father's death.....

Place of death.....

Date of Mother's death.....

Place of Mother's death.....

Signed.....Guardian.

H. M. C. S. " N A D E N " Esquimalt, BC.

OFFICIAL No. if known
Space to be left vacant
if not known

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62-219
CANADA

CONTINUOUS SERVICE ENGAGEMENT, OR RE-ENGAGEMENT

To be forwarded to the Naval Secretary, Department of National Defence, with Form S. 59

CHRISTIAN AND SURNAME IN FULL John Comber UNDERWOOD		NEXT OF KIN Mother. Mrs. Annie UNDERWOOD, 1215 Pembroke St., VICTORIA, BC.	PRESENT RATING Boy.
DATE OF BIRTH* 7th August, 1920	PLACE OF BIRTH† 13941 Town..... Stettler, County..... Province..... ALBERTA.		NAME, RANK AND STATION OF RECRUITING OFFICER Commander J.E.W. Oland, DSC, RCN. RCN, Barracks, ESQUIMALT, BC.

Personal Description at the Date of this Document

Height	Chest	Hair	Eyes	Complexion	WOUNDS, SCARS OR MARKS	Religious Denomination	TRADE OR OCCUPATION
5' 8 $\frac{1}{4}$ "	32 29 $\frac{1}{2}$ 30 $\frac{1}{2}$	Fair	Brown	Fresh.	N I L .	Church of England.	Student.

Commencing date of Engagement or Re-engagement	7th August, 1938	Period of Engagement or Re-engagement	SEVEN YEARS.
Date of actually volunteering to engage or re-engage	13th September, 1937.	Date of entering present ship	13th September, 1937.

Particulars of former Continuous Service Engagements, if any; but, if none, and the person engaging has had previous Service, the date of his First Entry should be given. If the person has not previously served, write the words "First Entry" here.

FIRST ENTRY.

If an Engagement is ante-dated for any period, the man's services for such period should be forwarded in to office, with the Engagement, on Form S.—1243.

Declaration of Entry or Re-Entry from Shore for Continuous Service

The following questions are to be put by the Commanding Officer to the person about to engage for Continuous Service, whose answers are to be recorded hereon:—

- Are the particulars given above of your name and date and place of birth correct?..... **Yes.**
- Are you a British subject?†..... **Yes.**
- Nationality of parents—Father..... **British.** Mother..... **British.**
- Have you ever served in the Navy, Royal Fleet Reserve, Royal Naval Reserve, Army, Army Reserve, Marines, Militia, Volunteers (Naval or Military), Territorial Force, or in His Majesty's Indian or Colonial Military Forces, or in the R. C. Mounted Police?‡..... **No.**
- Do you now belong to the Militia, Volunteers (Naval or Military), Territorial Force or any Regiment or Corps in His Majesty's Army, or to any established Naval or Army Reserve Force, or to the R. C. Mounted Police?‡..... **No.**
- Have you ever been rejected as unfit for His Majesty's service, or discharged from it on that account? If so, state reason of rejection or discharge, and date..... **No.**
- Have you ever been discharged from the Navy, Marines, Army or R. C. Mounted Police on account of misconduct?..... **No.**
- Are you willing to be vaccinated or re-vaccinated and inoculated?..... **Yes.**
- Can you swim?..... **Yes.**

* When evidence of age is obtained on First Entry, it should be attached to this Form.

† Foreigners are not to be entered. On the entry of a person born out of the British Empire, it should be ascertained that he is (and in the case of a boy, that his father is) a British Subject, and evidence of the fact should be attached to the "Entry Papers."

‡ Particulars of service in the Army, Army Reserve, Naval Reserve, Marines, Militia, or H. M. Indian or Colonial Military Forces, or in the Merchant Service should be forwarded in to office with this Engagement. If a member of the Royal Fleet Reserve, the man's Registrar is to be immediately informed of his entry. (Royal Fleet Reserve Instructions). If an R.N.R. man, state number of R.V. 2.

C.N.S. 55
2M-237
N.S. 815-9-55

LEDGERS FAIR
ROUGH

1453

15/10/37

(OVER)

I.—Declaration and Certificate for Men newly entered and Men who have been out of the Service since the expiration of their previous C. S. Engagement

I,, do solemnly declare that to the best of my knowledge and belief the answers to the questions overleaf are true, and I do hereby agree to serve honestly and faithfully in the Naval Service of Canada*.....from †.....193....., provided my service should be so long required. And I do sincerely promise and swear (or solemnly declare) that I will be faithful and bear true allegiance to His Majesty. As witness my hand this.....day of.....193.....

.....Man's Signature in full
 Witness to Signature.....

Attested before me this.....day of.....193.....

.....
 } Signature of a Commissioned
 Officer of the Naval Service

Date.....193.....

This is to certify that we have examined the person named on the other side hereof as to his fitness for the Naval Service of Canada, and we find as follows:—He is of perfectly sound and healthy constitution, free from all physical malformation, active and intelligent; and we consider him in all respects fit for His Majesty's Service.

.....Commanding Officer

.....Medical Officer

II.—Certificate and Declaration for Boys

Date **13th September,**.....193**7**.....

This is to certify that we have examined the boy named on the other side hereof as to his fitness for the Naval Service of Canada, and we find as follows:—He is a well grown, stout, intelligent lad, of perfectly sound and healthy constitution, and free from all physical malformation, and we consider him in all respects fit for His Majesty's Service.

* The consent of his parents or guardian has been obtained in writing, and they are willing and desirous that the

boy should be entered for **SEVEN**.....years' continuous and general service from the age of 18, in addition to whatever period may be necessary till he attains that age

J. C. W. Morgan.....**COMMANDER, RCN.**.....Commanding Officer
G. L. Morgan Smith.....**Lieutenant - Cdr.**
CAPTAIN, RCAMC.....Medical Officer

I declare that to the best of my knowledge or belief the answers to the questions on the other side of this form are true and that I am not indentured as an apprentice.

I am willing to enter and serve in the Naval Service of Canada for **SEVEN**.....years' continuous and general service from the age of 18, provided my service should be so long required, in addition to whatever period may be necessary till I attain that age. And I do sincerely promise and swear (or solemnly declare) that I will be faithful and bear true allegiance to His Majesty.

John Corbett Underwood.....Boy's Signature in full
 Witness to Signature.....**M. A. A.**

Attested before me this **13th** day of **September,**.....193**7**.....

J. C. W. Morgan.....**Lieutenant-Commander, RCN.**.....
 } Signature of a Commissioned
 Officer of the Naval Service

III.—Re-engagement for Continuous Service

To be executed by men who have not been out of the Service since the expiration of their first engagement

The particulars indicated on the other side are also required when this Form is used.

I,, now serving as a.....
 on board H. M. C. S....., who on the.....of.....193.....

engaged to serve in the Naval Service of Canada for a period of §.....years, do hereby

engage to serve for a further period**.....from ††.....193.....
 provided my services should be so long required.

.....Man's Signature in full

.....193.....

Witness,.....Commanding Officer

* Insert "for the term of (number in words) years," or "to complete (number) years for pension," or "until I attain the age of.....years."
 † Insert the date from which the engagement actually commences.
 ‡ The document conveying the consent to be attached to this paper. (N.B.—Not required in the case of youths over 17 years of age.)
 § To be written in words.
 ** Insert as follows:—"Of (number) years," or "to complete time for pension," or "until I attain the age of.....years," as the case may be.
 †† Insert the date of commencement of the re-engagement, which must either be coincident with, or (when the re-engagement is ante-dated) earlier than the date of execution.

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Passing Certificate

This is to Certify

that John Comber UNDERWOOD,

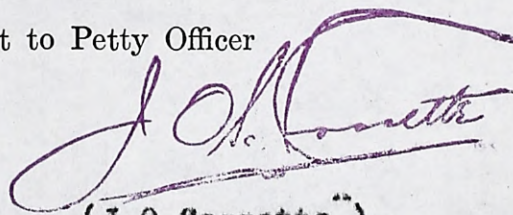
Rating Boy Official Number 3072

has passed

THE EDUCATIONAL TEST, I

held on 22nd March, 1938,

For advancement to Petty Officer



(J.O. Cossette)

Naval Secretary

Department of National Defence.

Ottawa, this 22nd day of April, 1938.

3072

OFFICIAL NUMBER

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3072

NAME UNDERWOOD (Surname) John Comber (Given Names) DATE OF BIRTH 7th August, 1920PLACE OF BIRTH Stettler, Alta. OCCUPATION StudentRELIGION Church of England EDUCATION Grade XRESIDENCE AT TIME OF ENLISTMENT: Street and No. 1215 Pembroke St. Town Victoria Province, etc. B.C.

ENGAGEMENTS				DESCRIPTION				PREVIOUS SERVICE				
Date (in figures)			Period	Height	Hair	Eyes	Complexion	Marks or Scars	Served in	Rank or Rating	Dates	
Day	Month	Year									From	To
13	9	37	as Boy									
7	8	38	Seven years	5' 8 $\frac{1}{4}$ "	Fair	Brown	Fresh					

NEXT OF KIN RELATIONSHIP (in pencil) Mother NAME (in pencil) Mrs Annie UnderwoodADDRESS (in pencil): Street and No. 1215 Pembroke St. Town Victoria Province, etc. B.C.

MEDALS, CLASPS, HURT CERTIFICATES, PRIZE MONEY				EXAMINATIONS, CERTIFICATES, ETC.							
Date (in figures)			Particulars	Date (in figures)			Particulars	Date (in figures)			PARTICULARS
Day	Month	Year		Day	Month	Year		Day	Month	Year	
				16	9	37	P.P.T. (Good)				
				22	3	38	Passed E.T. "One"				
				27	6	38	P.S.T. (Good)				

BADGES, G.C. OR G.S.				BRIEF PARTICULARS OF WARRANT OR C.M. PUNISHMENTS AND C.P. CHARGES							
Date (in figures)			1st, 2nd or 3rd G.C. or G.S.	Granted Deprived Restored	SHIP OR ESTABLISHMENT	Wt. No.	Date (in figures)			BRIEF PARTICULARS OF OFFENCE	PUNISHMENT
Day	Month	Year					Day	Month	Year		

FILM
NO. WAR 4696-1
DATE

Date (in figures)			DAYS FORFEITED					
Day	Month	Year	Prison	Det'n	Cells	C. Power	W. Trial	In diff. Char.

SECOND CLASS FOR CONDUCT

From To



3072

OFFICIAL NUMBER

NAME UNDERWOOD
(Surname)

John Comber
(Given Names)

OFFICIAL NUMBER 3072

Ship or Establishment	Rating	From			Remarks	Character	Efficiency	Date			Non-Sub. Rating	Qualif.			Re-Qualified			
		Day	Month	Year				Day	Month	Year		Day	Month	Year	Day	Month	Year	
Naden	Boy Smn.	13	9	37		V.G.	Sat.	7	8	38	L.R.3	Q.	12	1	39			
Fraser	"	30	5	38		V.G.	Sat.	31	12	38	L.R.3	R.	12	1	40			
"	Ord. Smn.	7	8	38		V.G.	Sat.	31	12	39								
"	Able Smn.	6	11	39		V.G.	Supr.	22	10	40								
Stadacona	"	24	11	39														
Fraser	"	17	1	40														
Margaree	"	6	9	40														
DISCHARGED	"	22	10	40	DEAD--Missing, presumed dead													

GENERAL REMARKS

14-5-41 Memorial Cross issued to
Mother: Mrs. Annie Underwood
1215 Pembroke St.
Victoria, B.C.

Mrs. Annia E. Underwood awarded a
pension at the rate of \$30.00 a
effective from 1st Nov. 1940

DATE OF BIRTH	PLACE	CIVIL OCCUPATION	RELIGION	PERMIT RESIDENCE	PARA. EMB.	RANK OR RATE
BY MO. YR.	BIRTH	NAME	RES. DIV.	BY CITY/TOWN	CLASS. DIV.	A. BR. RANK
07 8 20	17	XXX	0	30490510	0 13 0	0896
ENLIST. DATE	ACT. DATE					RANK OR RATE
BY MO. YR.	BY MO. YR.					A. BR. RANK
13 09 37	13 09 37					0315 10 0894
SENIORITY	STR.					CHECKED
BY MO. YR.	BY MO. YR.					ER
06 11 39	09 08			20 22 10 40		

1215 Pembroke St.
Victoria B.C. 37

To the Chief Treasury Officer
Naval Service
Ottawa

Jan. 4th. 41

DEF. P. 2726
NATIONAL DEFENCE

JAN 10 1941

N.S. 62-2-9
CANADA

Dear Sir,

I am the widowed mother
of John Comber Underwood Able Seaman
No 3042. who was lost on Oct. 23rd
on H.M.C.S. "Margaree", and I have
been expecting to hear from your
department.

My son made me an
allowance of \$10 per month, and
in June of last year intended
to increase my allowance, and
intended seeing his Commanding
Officer about the widowed mother's
allowance from the Navy.

As you are aware the "Frasers"

was then lost, and the boys
more or less unsettled, and needing
all their money while ashore. The
matter was postponed until he
got his new ship, which proved to
be the ill fated "Margaret". I do not
know whether my son saw his
Commanding officer concerning the
matter or not, but he certainly
intended to do so.

Do not misunderstand me. I
am poor or I would not be writing
to you, and hope to hear from you
as I understand there is a
pension for widowed mothers.

I am

Respectfully yours.

Annie E. Underwood.

STATEMENT OF ACCOUNT

True extract from the ledger of H.M.C.S. ".....MARGAREE....." ending 31st October 1940.

List 5-2 No. 38 (Name) UNDERWOOD, John C. Rank Rating A.B. No. 3072

When entered 1st Oct. Date of appearance 6th Sep. Whither discharged "DD"

	\$	c.
CREDIT from former account.....	18	37
Pay as <u>A.B.</u> from <u>1st Oct.</u> to <u>31st Oct.</u> (<u>31</u> days at \$ <u>1.85</u> a day)	57	35
" <u>L.R.-3</u> " " " " " " (<u>"</u> " <u>.10</u> ")	3	10
" " " " " " (" " ")		
" " " " " " (" " ")		
" " " " " " (" " ")		
Kit Upkeep Allowance.....	3	33
OTHER CREDITS: <u>H.L.M.</u>	5	59
<u>G.M.</u>	1	32
<u>L&C</u>	4	35
Total credits.....	93	41

DEBT from former account.....NIL

PAYMENTS:—	INCLUSIVE DATE							
	1st	2nd	3rd	4th	5th			
	\$ c.	\$ c.	\$ c.	\$ c.	\$ c.			
1st month.....	8.94	4.47	4.47	8.94		Total.....	26	82
2nd month.....						Total.....		
3rd month.....						Total.....		

Allotment.....	<u>OCTOBER</u>	51	00
Pension deduction (Officers) charged to.....	<u>NIL</u> of.....		
Hospital stoppages.....	<u>NIL</u>		
Mulcts.....	<u>NIL</u>		
OTHER CHARGES: <u>G.M. O!PD.</u> <u>6th Sep.</u> to <u>6th Sep.</u> <u>1 day</u>			06
<u>12th Sep.</u> to <u>14 Sep.</u> <u>3 days</u>			18

	Total debits	78	06
Balance Cr. or Dr.		15	35
(Balance Dr. to be shown in red)			

Number of days actually victualled during period mentioned above.....43

NOT VICTUALLED	LENT, SICK OR LEAVE	INCLUSIVE DATE		No. OF DAYS	SHIP, HOSPITAL, etc., IN WHICH BORNE
		FROM	TO		
	RAIL	6th Sep.	6th Sep.	1	
	DUTY	12th Sep.	14th Sep.	3	L. & C.

Date.....1st April.....1941

Bm ratfield
FOR ACCOUNTANT OFFICER
Paymaster Sub-Lieutenant, RCNVR

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APR 16 1941
N.S. 62-4-9
CANADA

ACCOUNTS OF MEN DISCHARGED

Account of the Balance of Wages, the Sale of Clothes and Effects
and the other Credits of Men Discharged to the
Shore, D. D. or Run

Name JOHN C. UNDERWOOD Rating A.B.
Official No. 3072 H.M.C.S. "MARGAREE" List 5-2/38
Who* was "DD" on the 22nd October 1940.

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Net sum due on ledger on account of Wages.....	\$	cts.	
Proceeds of sale of Effects charged against Wages, brought from the other side			N I L
CASH—			
Proceeds of sale of Effects, paid for in Cash, brought from the other side.....	\$	cts.	
Found amongst Effects.....			N I L
Debts collected \$.....			N I L
<u>OR # 60-23226</u>			<u>20 00</u>
Cash debited in the Accountant Officer's Cash Acct.....			N I L
If in debt in ledger, amount to be stated (in red ink).....			N I L
Rate of allotment (in words).....			
<u>THIRTY-FIVE, TEN, AND SIX</u>			
<u>DOLLARS.</u> charged to.....			<u>31st October, 1940.</u>
Name of ship from which transferred.....			
<u>H.M.C.S. "MARGAREE"</u>			<u>170 36</u>
<u>OR. 60-21956 -</u>			<u>15 35</u>
Total† BALANCE CREDITO.....			<u>25 85 - 05.71</u>

We hereby certify that we have every reason to believe that the above account contains a true statement of all wages, Effects, and other Credits or Debts on the Ledger of H.M.C.S. "MARGAREE" amounting to a net balance† CREDITOR of -FIFTEEN- dollars THIRTY-FIVE cents.

Dated on board H.M.C.S. "STADACONA" at HALIFAX NOVA SCOTIA this 25th day of MARCH 1941.

Approved [Signature] FOR Accountant Officer
Paymaster Sub-Lieutenant, R.C.N.V.R.
Initials of the Assistant Accountant Officer
[Signature]
[Signature] Commanding Officer.
A/CAPTAIN, R.C.N.

For Use at Headquarters. \$.....cts.....credited on Inspector's certificate
No.....to.....
Signature.....
Date.....19.....

*State whether discharged on shore, D.D. or Run.
†State whether "debtor" or "creditor".
§Subscription for Charitable or other purposes should not be shown hereon, but on a Remittance List, and dealt with as laid down in the King's Regulations.

Fair
Rough

MEMORANDUM FOR

P. 64

Mrs. Annie E. Underwood
1215 Pembroke Street,
VICTORIA, B. C.

Any further communication on this subject should be addressed to:—

THE SECRETARY,
DEPARTMENT OF NATIONAL DEFENCE,
OTTAWA, ONTARIO
ATTENTION: ADMINISTRATOR OF ESTATES

and the following number quoted:—

H.Q.N. S. 62-U-9 FD.41

DEPARTMENT OF NATIONAL DEFENCE
OTTAWA, ONT.

FEBRUARY 20th, 1941

For the purpose of record and in the event of there being any balance of pay, medals or memorials available for distribution (according to law) on account of the late

UNDERWOOD J.C., A.B.

No. 3072, H.M.C.S. "Margaree".

it is necessary that the requisite information regarding the deceased and his relatives should be furnished on the inside of this form in strict accordance with the printed instructions. The particulars required are to be carefully filled in and the Declaration on the back should then be signed in the presence of a Clergyman, Priest or Local Magistrate, who should be asked to complete and sign the Certificate. This form should then be returned to the above address.

(L.M. Firth) Major.
Administrator of Estates.



STATEMENT of the Names, Ages and Addresses, or Dates of Death, of all the relatives that the deceased ever had in each of the degrees specified below.

Degrees of Relationship	RELATIVES required to be accounted for	INFORMANT'S STATEMENT			
		NAME IN FULL of any Relative, if any, in each degree inquired for	Age	ADDRESS IN FULL of each surviving Relative, opposite his or her name, and date of death of each deceased relative	
1	Widow of the Deceased.....	—		—	
2	Children of the Deceased and dates of their Births.....				
3	Father of the Deceased.....	Peter Underwood		Dec. 23 1937. Deceased.	
4	Mother of the Deceased.....	Annie E. Underwood	50	1215 Pembroke St Victoria B.C.	
5	Brothers of the Deceased	Full Blood	Peter James	14	"
		Half Blood			
6	Sisters of the Deceased	Full Blood	Jean Agnes.	21	"
		Half Blood			
7	Names of brothers or sisters (whether of the full or the half blood) of the Deceased, who are dead, and date of death of each.	Names and ages of their children (if any)	Address of their children		

ONLY IF NO RELATIVES IN THE DEGREES ABOVE ARE NOW LIVING, THE FOLLOWING PARTICULARS SHOULD BE GIVEN

		NAMES OF THOSE LIVING	Age	ADDRESS IN FULL
8	Grand-Parents of the Deceased.....			
9	Uncles and Aunts by blood of the Deceased (not Uncles and Aunts by marriage).....		Age	

FULL PARTICULARS AS TO IDENTITY

10	What is the full name of the deceased?	John Comber Underwood
11	Give the month and year of his birth.	Aug 4. 1920
12	Where and when were his parents married?	St Barnabas Church 1918 Medicine Hat Alta Jan 1918
13	Was he ever married? If so, state exact place and date of marriage.	—
14	Did he leave a (later) Will? If so, it should be forwarded.	No
15	Is there any other estate which will necessitate application being made for Probate or Letters of Administration?	No

PARTICULARS OF DOMICILE

16	Where was deceased born?	Stettler Alberta
17	In what Province, Country or State did he reside, and in which last?	Alberta 4 years British Columbia since
18	How long in each?	Alberta 4 years British Columbia since
19	What was the nature of his employment?	R. C. N.
20	Did he own the house or homestead in which he lived? If so, where?	No
21	Did he ever state verbally, or in writing, where he intended to make his permanent home?	With me. his mother
22	State <u>your</u> postal address in full.	1215 Pembroke St - Victoria B.C.

PARTICULARS AS TO CLAIMS

23	Have the funeral expenses been paid? If so, by whom?	—
24	Are there any outstanding claims against the estate? If so, furnish full name and address of each Creditor in this space and enclose his Bill of Account. (See Note Below).	—

NOTE.—Paragraph 24 refers to debts incurred for board and lodging, medical and funeral expenses, money borrowed, goods purchased, etc.; the following information to be embodied in all accounts submitted:—

1. Name and address of Creditor.
2. Detailed statement of particulars of claim with date or dates incurred.
3. At the end of his statement the creditor should certify that the account is just and reasonable, that no payments save as shown, have been made thereon and that he holds no security therefor; the creditor should then sign same, and if you admit that the claim is correct, then you "O.K." the bill and sign same.

DECLARATION

*Insert degree of relationship, for example "Widow," "Father," "Brother," etc.

I hereby declare that the foregoing particulars are correct, and a true and complete statement of all the relatives that the deceased ever had in the degrees inquired for; and that I am the

* Mother of the deceased.

N.B. To be signed in full in the presence of a Clergyman, Priest or Local Magistrate

Annie E. Underwood {Signature of Informant

CERTIFICATE

I hereby certify that, to the best of my knowledge and belief Annie E. Underwood

*See above { Name of Informant } is the * Mother of the Deceased above described, and I believe the above Declaration and the Statement of Relatives made by the Informant and signed in my presence to be complete and correct.

Dated at Victoria this 28th day of Feb. 1941.

Signature of Clergyman, Priest or Magistrate } [Signature] Qualification Anglican Clergyman

Address 1611 Quadra St. Victoria, B.C. (St John's Church)

NOTE—Before granting the above Certificate, care should be taken to see that the Informant gives particulars concerning the death of any Relative stated by him or her to have died, and that the full name and address of each surviving Relative enquired after is stated in its proper place in the Statement opposite.

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62-26-9

Six copies to be rendered to Naval Service Headquarters

REPORT OF THE DEATH OF AN OFFICER, MAN OR BOY

H.M.C.S. STADACONA at HALIFAX, N. S.

Name John Comber UNDERWOOD
(Christian names in full)

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Rank of Rating Able Seaman Official No. 3072
(If unknown, date of first entry)

Place of Birth Stettler, Alberta Date of Birth 7th August, 1920

Occupation in Civil Life Student Religion Church of England

Number of years service in the Navy (Long Service R.C.N., or mobilized service in case of R.C.N. (Temporary) or Reserve ratings) 2 Years 2 Months

Date of Death 22nd October, 1940 Place of Death At Sea

Cause of Death Lost in collision of H.M.C.S. MARGAREE
(If due to accident, violence, or enemy action, particulars to be stated briefly)

Nearest known relative or friend { Name Annie UNDERWOOD Relationship Mother
Address 1215 Pembroke Street, Victoria, B. C.

Date on which the above was informed by Ship Informed by N.S.H.Q.

Date on which death was registered with local Officials NK

In the case of Imperial Service men, whether Active Service, Pensioner or Reserve, date on which the prescribed return was rendered to the Registrar General in London, Edinburgh or Dublin, according to Nationality.....

Place of Burial..... (if known) Date of Burial..... (if known)

Location, Number, etc., of grave..... (if known)

Undertaker employed..... (if any)

If borne for discipline only, date D.S.Q. or invalidated.....

J.P. Edwards
COMMANDER R.C.N.
Commanding Officer,

8th November, 1940

The NAVAL SECRETARY,
Department of National Defence,
Ottawa, Canada.

In all cases this Form is to be sent in addition to the Report by Telegraph required by the Regulations.

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Name UNDERWOOD No. 3072
Surname Christian Names

A.S. : H.M.C.S. MARGARET : 22-12-40
Rank Unit Date of Death

AMOUNT

L. P. C. \$ 35.35
Other Credits 170.36 O.R. No. 60-21956
Total 205.71

Date JUNE 27, 1941

Shares Retained _____

NET TOTAL 205.71

SHARE	RELATIONSHIP	NAME AND ADDRESS	AMOUNT				
Whole	Mother	Mrs. Annie E. Underwood, 1215 Pembrooke Street, Victoria, B.C. (next of kin entitled)	\$205.71 R				
AUTHORITY							
H.O. F.E.No.	DIV.	EST.	VOTE	PRI	DA OR HO SUB	OBJ.	AMOUNT
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SHARES RETAINED				CLASSIFIED BY		EXAMINED BY	
				<i>Ch. Smith</i>		<i>EL</i>	
				FOR TREASURY OFFICER		TOTAL	
						205.71	
None							

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For Chief Treasury Officer

(Signature)
(E.M. Firth) Major,
Administrator of Estates.

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DEPARTMENT OF NATIONAL DEFENCE
NAVY ARMY AIR FORCE
STATEMENT OF WAR SERVICE GRATUITY

4
NAVY

DECEASED MEMBER'S NAME

John Conbar

(CHRISTIAN NAMES)

UNDERWOOD

(SURNAME)

REGISTER NO. 10563
FILE NO. NSN-3072
DATE 6 July '45
SERVICE NO. 3072
FINAL RANK OR RATING A.B.
DATE OF DISCHARGE 22 Oct '40

PAYEE Mrs. Annie E. Underwood,
ADDRESS 1215 Pembroke St.,
Victoria, B.C.

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DATE OF TERMINATION OF OVERSEAS SERVICE 22 Oct '40

A. TOTAL QUALIFYING SERVICE		NO. OF DAYS 409	EQUAL TO 13	COMPLETE PERIODS AT \$7.50	\$ 97.50
B. QUALIFYING OVERSEAS SERVICE		NO. OF DAYS 356	LESS 19	(INELEGIBLE DAYS, EQUAL TO 336) DAYS @ 25c. PER DAY	\$ 84.00
C. SUPPLEMENT FOR OVERSEAS SERVICE		DAILY RATES AT DISCHARGE			
	PAY	\$ 1.85			
	SUBSISTENCE OR LODGING AND PROVISION ALLOWANCE	\$ 1.45			
	ADDITIONAL PAY				
	H.L.M.	\$.13			
	L.R. III	\$.10			
	DEPENDENTS' ALLOWANCE 1/30 OF \$				
	TOTAL	\$ 3.53	X7 = \$ 24.71		
	NO. OF DAYS	355	X\$ 24.71		\$ 47.94
		183			
D. WAR SERVICE GRATUITY					\$ 229.44
E. DEDUCTIONS		OVERPAYMENT OF PAY AND ALLOWANCES \$			
		DEPENDENTS' ALLOWANCE AND ASSIGNED PAY \$		NIL	
	OTHER DEDUCTIONS	\$			
F. TOTAL AMOUNT PAYABLE					\$ 229.44

G. YOUR PORTION OF GRATUITY IS—
DEPENDENTS' ALLOWANCE IN ISSUE TO YOU \$ _____ OF \$ _____
TOTAL DEPENDENTS' ALLOWANCE IN ISSUE \$ _____
- \$ 229.44
Cheque 38195 14/7-45-

CERTIFICATE I CERTIFY THAT THE AMOUNT HAS BEEN CORRECTLY COMPUTED AND IS PAYABLE IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE TERMS OF THE WAR SERVICE GRANTS ACT, 1944 AND THE REGULATIONS ISSUED THEREUNDER.

PREPARED BY LJM
CHECKED BY [Signature]
TREASURY
CHECKED BY [Signature]
DATE July 1945
SERVICE REPRESENTATIVE
for Dir. Naval Pay Accting.

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Passing Certificate

This is to Certify

that John Comber UNDERWOOD,

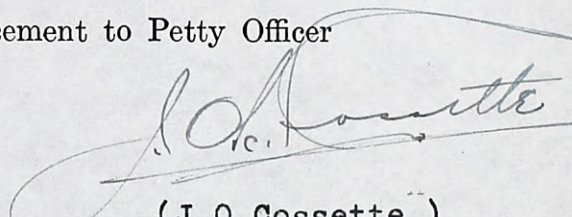
Rating Boy Official Number 3072

has passed

THE EDUCATIONAL TEST, I

held on 22nd March, 1938,

For advancement to Petty Officer



(J.O. Cossette)

Naval Secretary

Department of National Defence.

Ottawa, this 22nd day of April, 1938.

If a copy of this Form is required, Form C.N.S. 1243 is to be used

The corner of this Certificate is to be cut off if the man is discharged with a "Bad" character or with disgrace, or if specially directed by the Department of National Defence (Naval Service). If the corner is cut off, the fact is to be noted in the Ledger.

CERTIFICATE of the Service of

John bomber **UNDERWOOD**

IN THE ROYAL CANADIAN NAVY

Port Division	<i>Esquimalt, B.C.</i>	Official Number <i>3072</i>
Date of birth	<i>7 August, 1920</i>	Nearest known Relative or Friend (To be noted in pencil)
Where born	Province <i>Alberta</i> Town or county <i>Stettler</i>	Name: <i>Annie</i>
Trade brought up to	<i>Student</i>	Relationship: <i>Mother</i>
Religious denomination	<i>Church of England</i>	Address: <i>1215 Pembroke St Victoria, B.C.</i>
Date passed swimming test	<i>PPR (Good) 16 Sep 37 / J.P.W. Oland PSR (Good) 27 June 38 / J.P.W. Oland</i>	
Man's signature on discharge to pension		

All Engagements, including N.C.S., to be noted in these Columns

Date of actually volunteering	Commencement of time	Period volunteered for	Date of actually volunteering	Commencement of time	Period volunteered for
1. <i>13 Sep '37</i>	<i>7 Aug. 1938</i>	<i>Seven years</i>	5.		
2.			6.		
3.			7.		
4.			8.		

Medals, Clasps, Etc.

Date received or forfeited	Nature of decoration	Date received or forfeited	Nature of decoration

Description of Person	Stature		Chest, In.	Colour of			Marks, Wounds and Scars
	Feet	In.		Hair	Eyes	Complexion	
<i>a boy</i>	<i>5</i>	<i>8 1/4</i>	<i>32 29 1/2 30 1/2</i>	<i>Fair</i>	<i>Brown</i>	<i>Fresh</i>	<i>- Nil -</i>
ment to man's rating or under 28 years							
C.S. or for Non-C.S. g 28 years							
ion if necessary							

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CANADA

CERTIFICATE OF MEDICAL EXAMINATION FOR THE ENTRY OF OFFICERS, MEN AND BOYS FOR THE 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 John Combes Underwood
candidate for entry as Bay Sec V
and I believe him to be in all respects fit for His Majesty's Service. He has signed the Certificate given below in my presence.

Dated at Esquimaux, B.C. the 12th of Sept 1937

Evidence of tuberculosis of lungs, G.H. Morgan Smith
present or past, absent. Examining Medical Officer

Radiologist's certificate attached. white (Rank) Capt. R.C.N.C.

This examination has been made in accordance with the Instructions for Recruiting.

(a) Age Years { Months	(b) Weight without Clothes lbs.	(c) Height with Bare Feet ft. ins.	(d) General Development	(e) Chest Girth inches	(f) Vision by— (i) Snellen's Types (ii) Colour Vision	(g) Vaccinated or re- vaccinated for Small Pox (Date)	(h) Lungs, Heart, etc.	(i) Abdomen, Hernia, etc.	(j) Limbs and Joints	(k) Skin	(l) Ears and Hearing	(m) Testes, Varicocele, etc.	(n) Mouth, Teeth (No. def- icient and No. defective, if any), Nose, Tonsils, etc.	(o) Anus, Hæmorrhoids, etc.
17 1/2	127	5 5/4	Slight Build	(a) maximum 32 1/2 (b) minimum 29 1/2 (c) mean 30 1/2	right eye 6/6 left eye 6/6 colour vision C/N	Child	N	N	N	N	T.M. defect	N	2 Defects	N

CERTIFICATE TO BE SIGNED BY THE 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 as may be authorized.

John Underwood
Signature of Candidate

When a Candidate is passed, notwithstanding a slight defect or disability, the following Certificate is to be filled up

This Candidate is the subject of.....

.....
not considered of sufficient importance to cause his rejection, he being desirable in other respects.

.....
Examining Medical Officer

(Rank).....

* The exact meaning of this is to be clearly explained to the Candidate by the Examining Medical Officer.

DEPARTMENT OF NATIONAL DEFENCE
(Naval Service)

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APPLICATION FOR ENTRY IN THE ROYAL CANADIAN NAVY

The Naval Secretary,
Department of National Defence,
OTTAWA.

Victoria B.C. (Place)
August 16, 1937 (Date)
62-2144
JW 219

SIR:-
I hereby make formal application for entry in the Royal Canadian Navy, under a seven years' continuous service engagement as a Bry Seaman (Insert rating chosen)

I certify that the following particulars are in my own handwriting and are true in every respect:

- Name (to be given in full in Block Letters) John Underwood
- Date of Birth (Birth Certificate or sworn declaration by parent or guardian must be attached) August 7, 1920
- Place of Birth. Town Stettin Province Alberta
- Permanent Place of Residence. No. 1215 Street Pembroke St.
Town Victoria Province British Columbia
- Are you a British Subject? Yes
- How long have you resided in Canada? 17 years.
- What is your Mother Tongue? English
- What other language do you speak? _____
- Are you of the White Race? Yes
- Are you Single, Married or a Widower? single
- How far advanced educationally are you? Grade X at the
(Certificates of School Authorities must be attached)
Victoria High School
- What practical experience have you had?
(Details and certificates from employers, trade credentials, etc., must be attached to substantiate employment reported.)

- Do you belong to any Naval, Military, Air or Police Force? no
- If so, give details. _____
- Have you ever served in such forces? -
- If so, give dates and details. _____
- Have you ever been discharged from His Majesty's Forces as medically unfit? -
- Have you ever offered to serve in His Majesty's Forces and been rejected? -
Why? _____
- Have you ever been convicted of a criminal offence?
(Enclose two character references, one of which must confirm your answer to Question 19)
- What is your weight? 120 Height 5'6" Chest Measurement (Not inflated) 33"
- Have you ever had fits? no
- Do you suffer from any deformity? no
- Have you suffered the loss of any fingers, toes, etc? no
- Do you suffer from any disease? no
- Do you wear glasses? no
- Are you subject to any disability which might cause your rejection?
no
- Give details. _____
- Are you willing to be vaccinated and inoculated as considered necessary by the appropriate authorities? yes

Walter Friker Signature of Witness
John Underwood Signature of Applicant

CERTIFICATE TO BE SIGNED BY THE PARENT OR GUARDIAN OF CANDIDATES UNDER 21 YEARS OLD

I agree to refund to the Department of National Defence the expenses incurred by that Department for transportation to a Naval Base of the above applicant, should he, on arrival at such Base, fail to enrol for seven years' continuous Naval service for reasons which in the opinion of the Department are within his own control. Signed and Sealed at Victoria B.C. this 16 day of August, 1937 in the presence of
Walter Friker Signature of Witness
A. E. Underwood Signature of Parent or Guardian

CERTIFICATE TO BE SIGNED BY CANDIDATES OVER 21 YEARS OF AGE

I agree to refund to the Department of National Defence the expenses incurred by that Department for my transportation to a Naval Base, should I, on arrival at such Base, fail to enrol for seven years' continuous Naval service for reasons which in the opinion of the Department are within my own control.
Signed and Sealed at Victoria, this 16 day of August, 1937 in the presence of
Walter Friker Signature of Witness
John Underwood Signature of Candidate

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DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS AFFAIRS

AWARDS

WAR SERVICE RECORDS

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UNDERWOOD	John Comber	N-3072	A.B.	FILE No.
SURNAME (IN BLOCK LETTERS)	CHRISTIAN NAMES	REG. No.	RANK ON DISCHARGE	C.A.S.F. UNIT

WAR SERVICE

BADGE

(CLASS)

No.

DATE DESPATCHED:

ADDRESS:

CAMPAIGN MEDALS	REGISTRATION NUMBER AN DATE DESPATCHED
1939-45 Star	2526 . 1-16-50
Atlantic Star	
C.V.S.M. & Clasp	
War Medal	

(THE REVERSE TO BE USED FOR ESTATE PURPOSES)

RCN July 41 "MARGARET"
MEDALS AND MEMORIALS—DECEASED PERSONNEL

REGISTRATION NO. DATE OF DESPATCH

(1) MEDALS
PERSON

ENTITLED TO Mrs. Annie Underwood - Mother

ADDRESS: 1215 Pembroke Street,
Vancouver, B.C.

(2) MEMORIAL CROSS
WIDOW

ADDRESS:

(3) MEMORIAL CROSS
MOTHER

Mrs. Annie E. Underwood

ADDRESS: 1215 Pembroke St., Victoria, B.C.

MEMORIAL BAR

DATE DESP

REGN. NO.

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