

H. M. C. S. "NADEN", Esquimalt, B.C.

21584.
OFFICIAL No. IF KNOWN
Space to be left vacant
if not known

DEFENCE
MAY 11 1939
62/12472
CANADA
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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 George Paul BISSON.		Mother. NEXT OF KIN Name... Mary Address... Mirror Landing Alberta. P.O.	PRESENT RATING Stoker 2/c.
DATE OF BIRTH* 11th July, 1917.	PLACE OF BIRTH† Town... Smith County... Province... Alberta.	NAME, RANK AND STATION OF RECRUITING OFFICER Commander, R.A. Agnew, OBE RCN. R.C.N. Barracks, Esquimalt, B.C.	

Personal Description at the Date of this Document

Height	Chest	Hair	Eyes	Complexion	WOUNDS, SCARS OR MARKS	Religious Denomination	TRADE OR OCCUPATION
5'10½	36	Brown	Blue	Med.	Scar dorsal surface left hand.	Roman Catholic.	Locomotive Watchman.
Commencing date of Engagement or Re-engagement		26th April, 1939.		Period of Engagement or Re-engagement		Seven Years.	
Date of actually volunteering to engage or re-engage		26th April, 1939.		Date of entering present ship		26th April, 1939.	

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..... **French.** Mother..... **English.**
- 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.....
- 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?..... No.

* 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.

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Noted in Service
Records by **MM**
30.5.39.

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, George Paul BISSON., 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* for a period of Seven Years. from † 26 th April, 193 9., 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 26th day of April, 193 9.

Witness to Signature W. G. G. G. M.A.A. Man's Signature in full George Paul Bisson

Attested before me this 26th day of April, 193 9.

Alfred C. Wente { Signature of a Commissioned Officer of the Naval Service
Commander, R.C.N.
Date 26th April, 193 9.

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.

(R.I. Agnew)
COMMANDER. Commanding Officer
Captain, RCAMC. Medical Officer

II.—Certificate and Declaration for Boys

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

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

.....Commanding Officer
.....Lieutenant
.....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.....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.

.....Boy's Signature in full

Witness to Signature.....

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

..... { 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.....

.....Commanding Officer

ert "for the term of (number in words) years," or "to complete (number) years for pension," or "until I attain the age of years."
ert the date from which the engagement actually commences.
document conveying the consent to be attached to this paper. (N.B.—Not required in the case of youths over 17 years of age.)
e written in words.
as follows:—"Of (number) years," or "to complete time for pension," or "until I attain the age of years," as the case may be.
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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REFERENCE
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DEPARTMENT OF NATIONAL DEFENCE
(Naval Service)

C.N.S. 2417
3M-1-38
N.S. 815-9-2417

APPLICATION FOR ENTRY IN THE ROYAL CANADIAN NAVY

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The Naval Secretary,
Department of National Defence,
OTTAWA.

Mirror Landing P.O.
(Place)
Dec 9 1938
(Date)

SIR:-

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

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

11 July, 1917

- Name (to be given in full in Block Letters) GEORGE BISSON
- Date of Birth (Birth Certificate or sworn declaration by parent or guardian must be attached) 11 July 1917
- Place of Birth. Town Edmonton, Province Alberta
- Permanent Place of Residence. No. _____ Street _____
Town Mirror Landing P.O., Province Alberta
- Are you a British Subject? yes
- How long have you resided in Canada? born in Canada
- What is your Mother Tongue? English
- What other language do you speak? none
- Are you of the White Race? yes
- Are you Single, Married or a Widower? single
- How far advanced educationally are you? grade 8

(Certificates of School Authorities must be attached)

12. What practical experience have you had?
(Details and certificates from employers, trade credentials, etc., must be attached to substantiate employment reported.)

Locomotive Watchman with firing experience

- 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? no
- Have you ever offered to serve in His Majesty's Forces and been rejected? no

Why? _____

19. Have you ever been convicted of a criminal offence?
(Enclose two character references, one of which must confirm your answer to Question 19)

no

20. What is your weight? 160 lbs Height 5ft 11" Chest Measurement (Not inflated) 37

21. Have you ever had fits? no

22. Do you suffer from any deformity? no

23. Have you suffered the loss of any fingers, toes, etc.? no

24. Do you suffer from any disease? no

25. Do you wear glasses? no Railway test passed ok

26. Are you subject to any disability which might cause your rejection? no Vision and colors

27. Give details. nil

28. Are you willing to be vaccinated and inoculated as considered necessary by the appropriate authorities? yes

W.S. McKenzie
Signature of Witness

George Bisson
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 _____ this _____ day of _____, 19____, in the presence

X
Signature of Witness

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 Mirror Landing P.O. this 9 day of December, 1938

X
presence of W.S. McKenzie
Signature of Witness

George Bisson
Signature of Candidate

copy
28/12/38
order

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
George Paul Bisson
IN THE ROYAL CANADIAN NAVY

Esquimalt. B. C.

Official Number... *21584*

Date of birth <i>11th July 1917.</i>	Nearest known Relative or Friend (To be noted in pencil)
Where born { Province <i>Alberta.</i>	Name: <i>Mother</i>
{ Town or county <i>Smith.</i>	Relationship: <i>Mary</i>
Trade brought up to <i>Locomotive Watchman</i>	Address: <i>Summer Landing</i>
Religious denomination <i>Roman Catholic.</i>	<i>Alta</i>
Date passed swimming test	
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>26th Apr. 1939.</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	
On entry as a boy.....							
On advancement to man's rating or on entry under 28 years.....	<i>5</i>	<i>10½</i>	<i>36</i>	<i>Brn.</i>	<i>Blue</i>	<i>Medium</i>	<i>Scar dorsal surface left hand.</i>
On re-entry for C.S. or for Non-C.S. after attaining 28 years.....							
Further description if necessary.....							

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OFFICIAL NUMBER

FILE NUMBER

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NAME **BISSON** (Surname) **George Paul** (Given Names) DATE OF BIRTH **11th July 1917.**

PLACE OF BIRTH **Smith, Alberta.** OCCUPATION **Watchman.**

RELIGION **Roman Catholic** EDUCATION **Grade VIII**

RESIDENCE AT TIME OF ENLISTMENT: Street and No. Town **Mirror Landing P.O.** Province, etc **Alta.**

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
26	4	39	Seven years.	5'10 1/2"	Brown	Blue	Medium	Scar-dorsal surface left hand.				

NEXT OF KIN RELATIONSHIP (in pencil) **Mother** NAME (in pencil) **Mrs Mary Bissou**
ADDRESS (in pencil): Street and No. **Mirror Landing P.O.** Town **Mirror Landing P.O.** Province, etc **Alberta**

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	

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		

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

FILM
NO. **WSP 4867-1**
DATE

W.S.G.
APPLICATION
13288
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OFFICIAL NUMBER

NAME **BISSON**
(Surname)

George Paul
(Given Names)

OFFICIAL NUMBER

21584

Ship or Establishment	Rating	From			Remarks	Character	Efficiency	Date			Non-Sub. Rating	Qualified			Re-qualified		
		Day	Month	Year				Day	Month	Year		Day	Month	Year	Day	Month	Year
Naden	Stoker 2/c.	26	4	39		V.G.	Sat.	31	12	39							
Fraser	"	29	7	39													
	Stoker 1/c.	1	4	40													
Discharged		25	6	40	Dead-Missing believed killed in action.												

GENERAL REMARKS

16.4.41. Memorial Cross issued to
Mother: Mrs. Mary Bisson,
Mirror Landing, Alberta.

DATE OF BIRTH	PLACE OF BIRTH	CIVIL OCCUPATION	RESIDENCY	PREV. ENL.	RANK OR RATE
11 7 17	17 7 91	0 10 18	14 00	0 13 0	15 95
ENLIST. DATE	ACT. SERV. DATE	STR.	EST.	SHIP OR ESTAB.	RANK OR RATE
26 04 39	26 04 39				02 53 0 15 94
SENIORITY	STR.	NON-SUB	ST.	CODED	CHECKED
01 04 40	09	-	-	20 25 06 40	OK

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19th July, 1940.

STATEMENT OF SERVICE OF
GEORGE P. BISSON, STOKER I, R.C.N.,
O.N., 21584.

Ship or
Establishment.

Rating.

From.

To.

H.M.C.S. "NADEN" (Depot)	Sto. 2.	26th April, 1939 - 28th July, 1940.
H.M.C.S. "FRASER" (Seagoing).	Sto. I.	29th July, 1939 - 25th June, 1940.

DISCHARGED "DEAD" 25th June, 1940.

Character Assessment "Very Good".

(J. O. Cossette),
Naval Secretary.

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REPORT OF THE DEATH OF AN OFFICER, MAN OR BOY

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

DEFENCE
JUL 22 1940
N.S. 628472
CANADA

Name BISSON, George Paul (Christian names in full)

Rank of Rating Stoker 1st Class Official No. 21584 (If unknown, date of first entry)

Place of Birth Smith, Alberta Date of Birth 11 July, 1917

Occupation in Civil Life Locomotive Watchman Religion R.C.

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) One year and two months

Date of Death 25th June, 1940 Place of Death At Sea

Cause of Death Loss of H.M.C.S. "Fraser" by collision (If due to accident, violence, or enemy action, particulars to be stated briefly)

Nearest known relative or friend { Name Mary Bisson Relationship Mother Address Mirror Landing, Alberta

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

Date on which death was registered with local Officials

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 Not Known (if known) Date of Burial Not Known (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. Edwards, Commanding Officer, COMMANDER R.C.N., 30th June 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.

Distribution: File, Imp. W. G. Com., Dom. Stat., Register.

VERIFICATION FORM
 DEFENCE MEDAL, WAR MEDAL, C.V.S.M. and CLASP.
 GENERAL SERVICE MEDAL (1915).

RATING OFF.NO. *N-21584* ADDRESS

QUALIFYING PERIODS IN DAYS							STARS MEDALS	✓ 1 2	ELIGIBLE FOR AWARDS OF
FROM	TO	1939-45	ATLANTIC	DEFENCE	CLASP C.V.S.M.	1915 MEDAL			
							1939-45	1	<i>5th</i>
							ATLANTIC	1	<i>5th</i>
							FRANCE G.		
							AFRICA		
							PACIFIC		
							BURMA		
							ITALY		
							DEFENCE		
							C.V.S.M.		<i>25th Group</i>
							" CLASP		
							WAR 1945	1	<i>Medal</i>
							WAR 1915		

VERIFIED BY *Jm*

BY DIR. OF PERSONNEL RECORDS.