

Korean war casualties caused by severe cold.

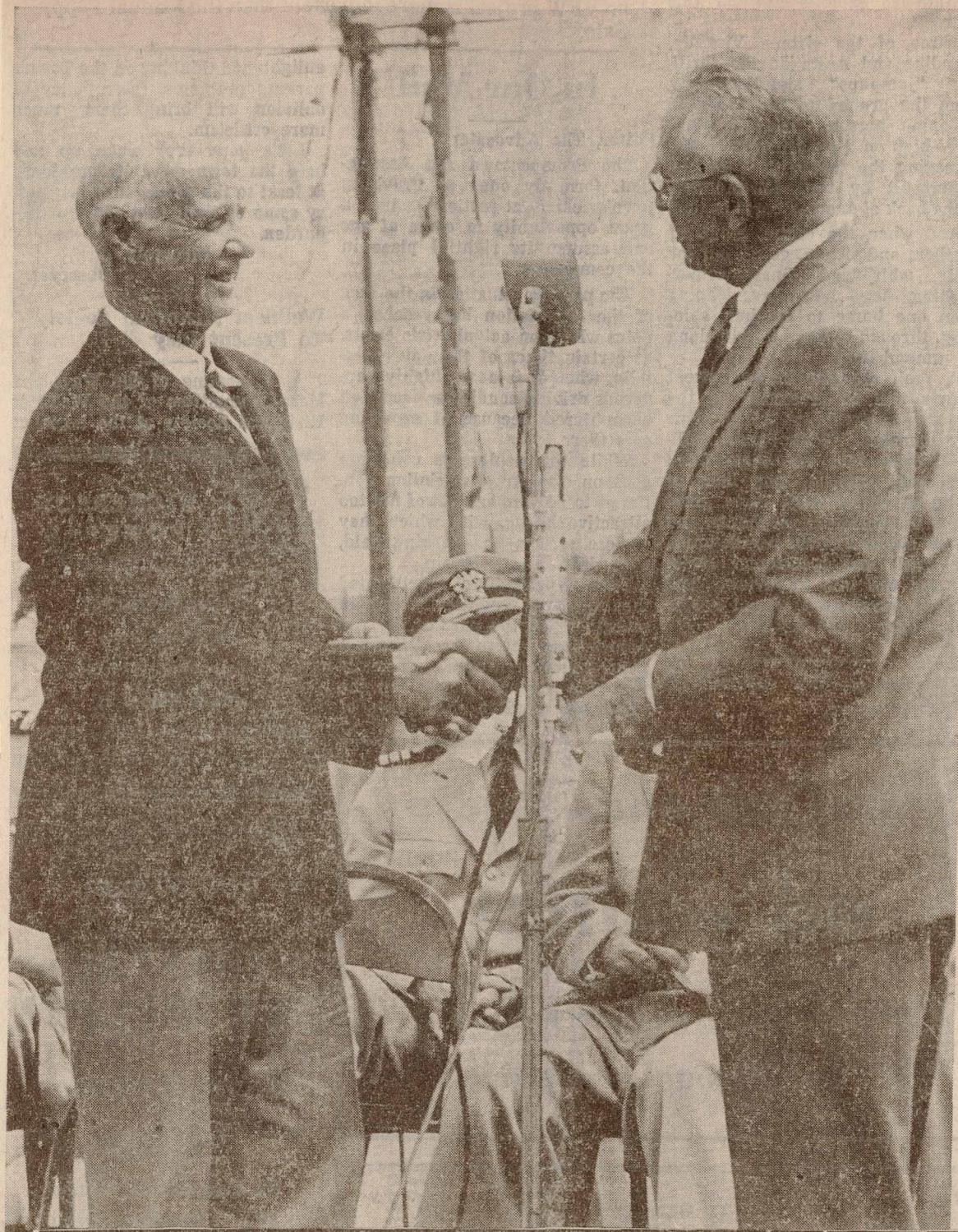
While the 80-year-old Commander MacMillan expects to take the Bowdoin farther north than any ship ever has been, temperatures during the four months the expedition will be in the Arctic are not generally below freezing. To provide an effective test under sub-zero conditions, the boots will be given to Eskimos to wear during the long Winter season.

Commander MacMillan, on a recent visit to the B. F. Goodrich footwear division plant in Watertown, Mass., observed the manufacture of the unique boot, and conferred with its inventor, L. H. L'Hollier who demonstrated how a removable latex sock in the "Sub-zero Pac" helps keep the feet dry and warm. If snow or water get in over the top of the boot, the wearer simply empties the boot, wrings out the sock and puts sock and boot back on. In a short time, the inside of the boot and the sock are raised to normal body temperature.

Accompanying Commander MacMillan on the voyage will be his wife, Miriam, making her ninth expedition to the Far North, and a crew of 13. The "Bowdoin", a 90-foot two-master with auxiliary diesel power, has steel-reinforced planking 18 inches thick to withstand the crush of polar ice.

The "Bowdoin" carries food supplies to last four months. In the event the expedition ship is trapped in Arctic ice, additional supplies will be flown in, Commander MacMillan said.

Famous Cape End Arctic Explorer Is Now Rear Admiral



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Saturday was "MacMillan Day" in Boothbay Harbor which has been the home port of the explorer's rugged Bowdoin for years and there was a great parade and daylong program highlighted by a speech by Maine's Gov. Burton M. Cross. From Washington came another significant honor. There President Eisenhower, with Prime Minister Sir Winston Churchill smiling over his shoulder, signed the bill for the promotion of Donald B. MacMillan to the rank of rear admiral, retired. Shown above is Provincetown's famous son receiving the commission from the hand of Assistant Secretary of Navy Ray Fogler at Boothbay Harbor as high Navy officials applaud. Secretary Fogler is a favorite son of Maine and a great benefactor of its university. Somewhat later the trim and probably unimpressed Bowdoin made her way out of Boothbay Harbor, heading a long procession of craft with Rear Admiral MacMillan at the wheel on his 30th trip into the Far North.

Cape End Awaits Famous Couple



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Now arriving at Boothbay Harbor, Maine, are Rear Admiral and Mrs. Donald B. MacMillan and party aboard the Bowdoin, after a trip into the Far North. They will come on to Provincetown for a homecoming welcome to be arranged by the Chamber of Commerce.

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MacMillan Leaves On Arctic Trip

Provincetown's famous Arctic explorer, Rear Admiral Donald B. MacMillan, will leave New York on Saturday with Lowell Thomas, radio news commentator, for the Far North.

Admiral MacMillan, who left Provincetown today, will accom-

pany Lowell Thomas on the project "High Adventure in the Far North with Lowell Thomas." Other former Arctic explorers will also be on the trip.

Admiral MacMillan, whose last trip to the Arctic on his famous schooner "Bowdoin" was in 1954, expects to return to Provincetown about September 20, in time to start on his first lecture tour of the winter. He is the last surviving member of Admiral Peary's party which discovered the North Pole in April, 1909.