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News in a flash - The Launch. 16th Sept. 55

At Southampton, Countess Mountbatten congratulated shipyard workers when she arrived, with her daughter, Lady Brabourne, for the launching of a new coastal mine-sweeper.

Then - Lady Brabourne - (daughter of the First Sea Lord) - performed her first christening ceremony. SOUND

So - the new vessel - (which incorporates the most modern minesweeping equipment) glides down to the sea - soon to begin a life of service under the White Ensign.

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An auspicious send-off for H.M.S. Aldington - by two charming members of a distinguished Naval family.

Tuna fishing

Canada: Leaving for the fishing grounds, off Wedgeport, Nova Scotia, seven countries compete in the International Tuna Cup match...

Though they used tasty herring bait - the wily bluefin was not to be enticed - and only two fish were caught in the three-day contest...

Pride of place went to the American team - with a top catch of 585 pounds.

Ontario swim

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Further west, twenty-nine long-distance swimmers made the big splash of the Canadian National Exhibition - competing in the thirty-two mile marathon - across Lake Ontario.

The icy temperature of the Lake was ~~fifty-seven degrees, and soon, the cold,~~ a big handicap, and soon forced many to retire.

Finally, only two finished. The winner was Cliff Lumsden of Toronto - who was pulled from the water, half-frozen and exhausted, and quickly rushed to hospital.