

# *Carried On As Dump Blew Up Toronto Woman Wins 'Mention'*

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Mrs. R. L. Segsworth, Burnaby Blvd., has been mentioned in dispatches by the British war office for her work as an ambulance driver when a petrol dump exploded and a dozen motor torpedo boats blew up at Ostend, Belgium, Feb. 14, 1945.

On the day of the explosion, Mrs. Segsworth, a member of the Canadian Red Cross corps, was on dock duty with another ambulance driver at Ostend. From the middle of the afternoon until nearly midnight the two women, with the help of soldiers and civilians, gave first aid to the wounded, carried stretchers and took those who needed attention to a hospital train nearby. "It

was terrifying," Mrs. Segsworth said Monday, "because the fires spread and the first explosion was followed by others which shook the area.

One of the few women in Canada to be so honored and first in the Canadian Red Cross corps, Mrs. Segsworth is the daughter of Mrs. T. F. Sutherland, Burnaby Blvd., and is the wife of Capt. Segsworth.

She went overseas a year ago and after a short time in England was sent to Ostend to drive for the British Red Cross. While in Europe, Mrs. Segsworth had several leaves with her husband, who was stationed in Holland and later in Germany. He is now back in Canada.