

Personal

Mrs Rita Gillis visited in Toronto over the weekend.

Lt. Martin Howard was home from Kingston for a visit.

Sgt. G. Shattoe was home for the week-end from Port Albert.

Mr. C. H. Sturrock of Toronto visited Action friends last week.

Mrs. G. H. McCrory of Bayview is visiting her husband and Mrs. W. J. Hall.

Seaman Ken Glassard of the H.M.C.S. York at Toronto was home for the weekend.

Mrs. Will Lape of Orton visited on Tuesday of last week with her mother, Mrs. M. F. Moore.

Mrs. Jean Rumley, who is a student this year at Branksome Hall, Toronto, was home for the weekend.

Mrs. Richard Glassard of Whitestone, Long Island, New York, is visiting her father, Mr. Tom Rumley, who has been ill.

President and Mrs. R. L. Davidson, and Secretary and Mrs. C. B. Swackhamer attended the Annual Fairies Convention in Toronto last week.

Maintain Women Only Chattles In Their Homes

British Housewives Continue to Work for Improvement of Financial and Post-War Conditions

By MARGARET STOCKER
Canadian Press Writer

London (CP)—For some British women, the second front is on their doorsteps, and they are putting a lot of ammunition into the battle of the sexes, and the right to rule their own roosts.

The London press has been full of the case of Mrs. Dorothy Blackwell who was a good little wife and saved the housekeeping money which was promptly taken by her husband. The law-cases and the home of Commons upheld his right to do so and Mrs. Blackwell was refused the right to appeal to the House of Lords.

In Kent, another wife wanted to be queen of her own castle, and had her wrists slapped by the magistrate. The court dismissed her application for separation from her husband when her grounds were that her husband, who only came home week-ends, objected to finding his wife's relatives staying in the house.

Now the Married Women's Association is up in arms. A spokesman for the organization said:

"These cases simply prove that a housewife is one of the chattels of the home like the pots and the furniture. A wife should be considered an owner of the home the same as her husband."

British women today are working as truck drivers, bus conductors, railroad workers, machinists, are also organizing to demand what their place in the post-war world will be.

Middle-aged

Last fall 6,000 members of the National Council of Women asked the Ministry of Labor some pointed questions about the status of the working woman. The ministry has just issued answers to these questions.

The women wanted to know if they would retain their present jobs after the war. The government said no guarantee could be made because many jobs would disappear and ex-servicemen and women must be reinstated.

All women employed in government service receive equal pay with men?

The government said it could not see its way clear to "alter its present position," which is that men and women are paid equally for positions such as clerical work.

To the question "Will women sit on post-war planning committees?" the government answered that that rested with the woman voters.

To questions asking if there would be training schemes to allow women war workers to learn post-war jobs, and if there would be post-war increases in pensions and widow's allowances, the government replied that both situations were under observation.

ADVERTISING TONIC

Business is not a kind of perpetual motion machine that runs along indefinitely without anyone pushing it ahead. It needs some motive power behind, or some kind of tonic, force that shall bring in new resources of strength. Advertising is that kind of motive power and tonic force. Business concerns are always losing customers because people dig in more away or get interested in some competing concern's offerings.

Advertising is the power that affects all such losses, and does a good deal more than that, by constantly drawing in new trade. A good advertising policy back of the goods of a store brings in a constant stream of new customers, and keeps many old ones from drifting away.

Trials conducted at the Dominion Experimental Station, Harrow, Ont., showed that the feeding of steamed wheat to laying hens resulted in considerably increased egg production in both summer and winter, as compared with hens that were given no green feed.



Want some of these good Bray chicks in your nests next Friday? Let me know how many. No letters, money orders, checks—just prompt action. Some start-up pullets available if you need them.

CHEO BROWN, Newark
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Montgomery, Ont.

Notice to Creditors

In the Matter of the Estate of MARGARET E. NEAR, late of the Township of Halton, Ontario, in the County of Halton, deceased.

All parties having claims against the Estate of Margaret E. Near, late of the Township of Halton, Ontario, in the County of Halton, deceased, are required to send particulars and proofs thereof to the undersigned before the Nineteenth day of February, 1948, when the assets will be distributed among the heirs in proportion thereto, having regard only to the claims as aforesaid, pursuant to Section 51, Chapter 165, R. S. O. 1937.

Attn: Mrs. E. G. Ontario, this thirtieth day of January, 1948.

C. F. LEATHERLAND, Action Ontario, Solicitor for Mary E. Near Administratrix.

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In the matter of the Estate of James Russell Somerville, late of the Township of Nassagaweya, County of Halton, Ontario, who died on December Twenty-fifth day of January, 1944, are required to send particulars and proofs thereof to the undersigned before the Twenty-sixth day of February, 1948, when the assets will be distributed among the heirs in proportion thereto, having regard only to the claims as aforesaid, pursuant to Section 51, Chapter 165, R. S. O. 1937.

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GREGORY THEATRE

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 13

"GIRL CRAZY"
Co-starring Judy Garland and Mickey Rooney. Sport: G. I. Fun. Cartoon: "War Dogs." Chapter 15 "Overland Mail."

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 17
Madame et 2
"TORONTO"
Thrilling with Chester Morris, Nancy Kelly.

"HOOSIER HOLIDAY"
Dale Evans, George Byron, "For News."

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 19
"THE ADVENTURES OF TARTU"

Robert Donat, Valerie Hobson. Speaking of Animals. "Talks of the Border." "Unusual Occupations."

BOOK PART IN: SAVING OF INDEPENDENT ATLANTIC CONVOY

The story of the saving of an Atlantic convoy recently released has quite some local interest since one of the crew, Flight-Sergeant D. H. Orton of Etobicoke, Ontario is well known in Action. Following is the story:

An important eastbound Atlantic convoy was saved from what might have been a punishing attack by several long-range enemy bombers through "a gallant and courageous" flight of an R. A. F. coastal command Liberator bomber which had six Canadas in its crew, it was disclosed.

The flight of the single Liberator against the Heinkel-708 using fighter bombs took place 700 miles from land. The convoy had reached a British port and the bombers returned to its base without damage or crew injury after hitting two Heinkels on the surface and scoring hits on the third.

The Liberator was captained by Flt. Lt. Hugh Sutherland, an Englishman, who was awarded an immediate D. F. C. His crew was made up of Pilot Officer A. P. Clark of Vancouver, navigator; Flt. Sgt. M. N. Wetherell of Etobicoke, front gunner; Flying Officer J. M. Ketcheson of Weston, second pilot; Flt. Sgt. W. P. Foster of Guelph, rear gunner and Flt. Sgt. E. E. Davidson and D. H. Orton, life-long friends from Beachburg, Ontario, who operated the plane's beam guns.

Gibb, a flight sergeant at the time of the operation and since promoted to Warrant Officer and Wiesbaden, was awarded the D. F. M.

The Heinkels made a sudden swoop on the convoy through the clouds and Sutherland, braving the intense anti-aircraft barrage the convoy was sending up against the Nazi planes, decided to take on the whole formation one by one, though heavily outnumbered. The Liberator fought three separate combats in 35 minutes.

Sutherland attacked one Heinkel just as it began its bomb run over the ships. It did not get a chance to unload its bombs because the bomber's gun set fire to the enemy's starboard engines and it broke off the combat in 35 minutes.

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NIGHT PARTY

Office-Boy (nervously): "Please, sir, I think you are wanted on the phone."

Employer: "You think? What's the good of thinking?"

"Well sir, the voice at the other end said, 'Hello is that you, you old idiot?'"

Weekly War Commentary

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and supplies in the Ukraine front for the past two years and in the bulk of a network of rail lines feeding Poland, Rumania and Hungary.

The Red Army has halted its heavy German tank attack designed to move large Nazi forces rapidly across the south Russian front. Red Star reported that of 100,000 to 120,000 Nazis originally trapped by the Russians now more than 30,000 remain. fierce fighting continues in this area where the Germans are making their most obstinate stand in Russia. The capture of Kozelsk by the Russians has further reduced the territory held by the surrounded German divisions.

On the northern and of the Russian front Soviet armies are moving closer to the German-held stronghold and rail junction of Polotsk on the borders of Estonia. To the south of Lake Peipus the Russians have already pushed into Estonia.

Fight the Germans

Interest in the Italian campaign centres on the Allied 8th army at Cassino. The Germans have converted the famous 6th century Benedictine monastery into a fortress, forcing the Allies to employ heavy bombardments.

On the invasion bridgehead to the northwest, British and American troops both repulsed German attacks and artillery prevented an enemy attempt to bridge a stream 30 miles above Anzio. In northern Italy heavy bombers pounded enemy rail and highway communications particularly those emerging from the Brenner Pass.

Mobile Method

Prime Minister King on Monday halted House discussion on the recent retirement of General McNaughton. However, he invited opposition party leaders to consult with him and review correspondence in connection with the leave granted the former Canadian army commander overseas. In reply to a suggestion that General McNaughton be present at the meeting the Prime Minister said it would be preferable to have only the party leaders to attend the first meeting.

Defence Minister Radisson announced in the House of Commons that the Canadian army proposes to draw 60,000 men from the manpower pool during the fiscal year 1948-49 for service anywhere. Mr. Radisson said that about 50,000 of the 60,000 men in the home defence army can be made available for service overseas if future events make such a move necessary. Even with battle losses the army reinforcement pool overseas is up to the strength originally planned for it the minister stated.

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SERVICE WITH A SMILE AND SOME INGENUITY

Always prepared to offer complete smiling service, the stewardess on Trans-Canada plane was not disturbed during a recent trans-continental flight when a military passenger asked her to properly secure a loose button which threatened to part company with his blouse. Actually needles and thread are not included in a stewardess' kit but Miss Linch of Lethbridge, was prompt in rendering first aid to uniforms and with the help of a safety pin performed a neat operation. The military man was happy but Miss Linch suggested that he obtain proper button anchorage before meeting the Sergeant Major.