Chatting

with M.H.B.

AFTER HEARING about Mr. and Mrs. Art Scott's recent holiday in Bermuda we're willing to say anytime "Hold on, Bermuda, here we come!" And Berouds is just waiting for people who ike vacationing, according to Mrs. Scott, for it is a tourists' paradise. ... A couple of weeks ago, one Friday evening, the Scotts left Malton airport and flew to New York city. They had a very smooth tast trip, and it seemed no time at all before they were registering at the Hotel Taft in the Big City. The next day, they lunched in the hotel to the music of the Vincent Lopez orchestra, and after lunch, thoroughly enjoyed the novelty of dancing at midday. As you can imagine, the hour of 3 p.m. when their ship the "Queen of Bermuda" was due to leave New York harbour, slipped up very quickly . .

THE "QUEEN" IS a luxury liner in every detail, and luckily, the sailing was smooth during the trip that they were able to enjoy it without having seasickness as a drawback. It would have been a shame to have missed any of those sumptuous shipboard meals. Mrs. Scott said the liner was as luxurious and perfectly appointed as the Royal York Hotel in Toronto, plus such added features as a swimming pool and gymnasium. On board, the Scotts were guests of the Chief Engineer at his dining table. Through his kindness they had a complete tour of the "workings" of the big ship, and it was amazing to see how many and how complicated were the intricate machineries which make the luxurious shipboard service possible. In addition to the mechanical features involved, there is a ship personnel of 432 to look after the needs of partengers. At the time when Mr. and Mrs. Scott took their trip, they were only 178 passengers, so they were especially well looked after.

JUST AT DAYBREAK Monday morning the boat approached the island of Bermuda, and it was like seeing something out of fairyland. The houses, all elaborate and painted white, pink and blue, set up high on the cliffs overlooking the ocean seemed unreal to eyes accustomed to more conventional northern houses. Most homes in Bermuda appear to be built of sandstone, painted a pastel shade, with slate roofs which are white-washed. There is a down to earth practical reason for the white wash too - the lime in it purifies the drinking water, which is eaught. from the eaves of the houses .

AFTER YOU STEP off the boat, the first thing that confuses you is the traffic, which is travelling opposite to what we are used to. Traffic regulations are English in Bermuda, and only little English cars are allowed because the roads are so narrow. Even these have been allowed only since the end of the war. There are a great many horses and buggies used, and tourists make the taxi business a very profitable one on the island which incidentally, is twenty-six miles long and two miles wide . . .

. . . Just to make you feel envious - but after all, it must be told the weather was simply delightful. While Mr. and Mrs. Scott were there, one peculiar thing they noticed was that in one day the wind could blow from several different directions. Whether this was just a peculiarity of this particular time of year they weren't quite sure. When the sun shone, it was really hot .

WHILE IN BERMUDA, - Mr. and Mrs. Scott believe they covered the island pretty completely, seeing all the points of interest. The flowers, especially the red and pink hibiscus, were gorgeous, growing profusely like wild. vines along the countryside fences . . . There were fields of Morning Glories . . . and of Easter lilies. They saw bananas growing and were just as surprised to see, as we were to learn, that instead of the bunches growing with the fruit pointing down, as they do in the bunches occasionally hanging in Licata's Fruit Market, the bananas grow the opposite way, with the fruit pointing upwards. Bermuda is by no means an industrialized island. but they do have a perfume factory there, and Mr. and Mrs. Scott found it very interesting to go through

IN THEIR WEEK'S holidays there the Scotts saw quite a few of the night clubs, altho not all by any means; for there are a great many luxurious and expensive hotels on the island, and each one is famed for its night club. The hotel orchestras were-wonderful, and the Scotts, who are very fond of dancing, enjoyed dancing to the evening. Each hotel has an outdoor ballroom, as well as one indoors. In Bermuda they noticed that the American tourist seems especially welcome, and at the end of an evening's dancing on the island. the American National Anthem is

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THERE ARE A couple of little disadvantages in Bermuda tho - and one is the fact that there is no practically nowhere one can go to have a coke and a sandwich. There just aren't any "snack bars" or good little restaurants; Mrs. Scott says they apparently don't go in everything you need with you. Clothing is extremely expensive to buy there . . .

ALL TOO SOON

the King. The hotel staffs are all ing at the island Mr. and Mrs. Scott · very carefully chosen, and must be took a plane from , Bermuda that properly trained in large hotels on brought them to Malton Airport, in son, Mr. Albert Dorsay who has just the mainland before being hired. a non-stop six-hour flight. The trip The hotel most outstanding for its doesn't usually take that long, but dance floor and ballroom in the they were bucking strong head-Scott's opinion, was the Belmont winds all the way, and it was a Hotel. While spending the evening pretty "rocky" trip at 20,000 feet above sea level most of the time . . were introduced to the proprietors, Seemed almost unbelievable that snow and home and family were . A feature of which anyone in this only six air-hours away_from the country would take special note at "tropics . . . The opportunity for the trip came at a very opportune time for Mr. and Mrs. Scott . . . Mrs. Scott's sister, Mrs. Allan Law, enroute from Montreal to a new home in Nanaimo, B.C. where her husband has a position as chief engineer of a paper company, stayed and took charge of the Scott household while Mr. and Mrs. Scott had their

RECENT MOVES-aroundtown include the Douglas Caldwells and Doug Jrywho moved into the downstairs apartment of the Cordaro house on Charles Street last week . . . Last for eating between meals in Ber- Tuesday Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth muda, perhaps because food is so Richardson, and small sons Ken and rbythms of a "Callpso" band one expensive. And so are clothes. Bobby, moved into their newly-built Here's a tip for anyone contemplat- home on Durham Street. Mr. and Swackhamer died suddenly on Janing a vacation in Bermuda. Take Mrs. Richardson have been living uary 21st in St. Joseph's Hospital, in the apartment above Richardson's Hardware . . . Friends of the Walter Richardsons will be pleased to know that the twins are home from the muda holiday week was over, hospital and both are thriving. They

and the Monday after arriv- are calling the twins Katharine first war he had been employed with sister, Mrs. R. Unwin of Rochester, Helen and David Nelson Mrs. Dorsay and her

recently arrived from England moved last Saturday into rooms at Mr. John Campbell's residence on Edith Street. They were formerly living K. Evans Wean) of Alderwood. One with Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Doyle, Union Street.

. . . Mrs. William Carney, Durham Street, is planning a trip home to England in March, to visit her! mother, Mrs. Ellen Hall, who lives in Bolton, Lancashire. She will sail on the "Franconia" from Halifax, N.S., and will be returning to Canada in August . . . During her absence, Mrs. Carney will rent her home to Mr. Kenneth Hulme, who is being married this Saturday to Miss Margaret Rusk: For the few weeks before her trip overseas, Mrs. Carney will stay with Mr. and Mrs. Sam Penrice, McNab Street.

War Veteran Was Good Year Employee

A native of Acton, Hiram Ross

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