



Helen Laamanen, a pretty blonde, has been working seriously in ceramics for four years. She did oil painting previously and dates her first picture so far back that she doesn't like to remember. Last Spring Helen made a statuette of Barbara Ann Scott and showed it to Mrs. Scott. Mrs. Scott was so taken with the statuette that she commissioned her to make some trophies for Barbara Ann, to Mrs. Scott's specifications. When Helen finished the trophies they were accepted and sent to the Empire Silversmiths in Toronto for moulding. The silversmiths were so pleased with Miss Laamanen's moulds that they immediately asked her if she would make some for them. She is now working on assignments from them. Miss Laamanen is especially proud of her work on the Chinese mandarin. Her hobby is figure skating when she has the time. During the day Helen works at the Pierce Hardware office.

Policeman Baritone

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trip as well as a concert trip and they were on their way to the coast and Vancouver.

Mrs. Ruusunen was born in Finland but came to Canada ten years ago. She met Kalle last winter when he was singing a concert in Montreal. From Timmins the couple will go to Port Arthur and then on to Winnipeg and the coast.

Kalle Ruusunen has been singing seriously for 10 years and took all his studies in Helsinki. He is now 36, "an old man," he said, with a smile, probably not realizing that Caruso was 36 at the time he made his big splash in the music world. Kalle has not been hiding himself bashfully in Montreal. He auditioned last fall for the New York Civic Centre Opera Company and was turned down, probably because they had a baritone.

Recently he received an urgent note from them saying they would be pleased to reconsider if he would audition for them again this fall. Kalle is eager to try it and the concerts will keep his voice in shape for the big moment. He sings in German and Italian, Swedish and English. The last accomplishment he obtained after only one year in this country.

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quite an accomplishment everyone admitted after hearing his fine diction and expression Friday night.

Mrs. Ruusunen sang in Montreal last winter and on the radio. He isn't worried about making a great showing in New York as he likes Montreal and if the New York deal falls through he will be able to join the Montreal Opera Company which is under the direction of Wilfred Peltier, music director of the Metropolitan Opera Company, New York.

Mrs. Ruusunen is handling the business end of the concerts for her husband and enjoys the work. She listens carefully to every criticism and watches her husband's diet and rest like any other impresario. Mr. Ruusunen has the pleasing personality, the fine voice and the knowledge of music which will no doubt carry him very far in the concert world.

Oh yes, the program. Hope the reader is careful.

Kay Kukkomäki by Merikanto; Ol Muistikovila by Merikanto; Ave Maria and the Mercello by Merikanto; Evening Star by Wagner; O Herra by Milar; Holy City by Arthur Sullivan; Minalaunitai by Tahtilia; Valentin Rukous by Gounod; Without a Song by Billy Rose and Vincent Youmans; Morning by Olev Speaks. Encores were — Risti Lukki by Sibelius and Milionpaltaja by Pahngia.

From his pianissimo to his fortissimo Mr. Ruusunen left little to be desired except a little more baritone "ring" which could be injected by any top-notch voice coach. He has been likened to Nelson Eddy in the forceful character of his voice, but such a comparison is not sufficient when it comes to expression. Mr. Ruusunen's baritone quality is hard to pin down to any bounds . . . it has a quality which might be likened to Sibelius' music — rugged, and boundless like the rugged country whence he came. It is a little cold — perhaps for the same reasons.

PLOW IN MORE PROFITS — Although the 1947 net income of 411 Canadian corporations was at a new dollar peak for the 12 years since 1936, shareholders received in cash dividends a smaller percentage of total net income than in any of the other years.

Sportsmen Should Always Be Sportmen . . .

The cry baby in sports never makes an enchanting picture. Not at any time. And even less when he is Falkenburg's emotions was that the playing with his silly little toys in somebody else's country.

Frank Stranahan's claim to the spell-bound championship is in jeopardy today. A tennis player on Bob Falkenburg, whose sister, you are repeatedly reminded, is the glamorous Jim, has stepped forward as a worthy challenger. He's insulted the British, too. Stranahan's clear way that the British caddy conspired to beat him in golf tournament over there. Gave him the wrong line to the green, purposely, and it led to his defeat. Falkenburg felt he had a yammer coming, even though he won the singles at famed Wimbleton. Another case of conspiracy. The officials gave him and his fellow Americans all the worst of the decisions.

Leaving London and arriving in Paris, Falkenburg let go with his blast: "The most partial linesmen I've ever seen in my life . . ."

Maybe they were. But what did the California have to gain by throwing verbal dornicks at them? As conspirators, they couldn't have been very talented or they would have seen to it that the singles would not have gone to Falkenburg.

Sportmanship First Rule of Sportsmen

The most charitable thing you can say about our athletes who pop off in foreign competition is that they aren't dry behind the ears. One thing is certain: they haven't learned that the first rule in the book is to know how to lose. Or win, either, for that matter. It takes grace to do either.

That English officials might be influenced, unconsciously or even otherwise, in favor of their own athletes is not beyond human understanding. With positions reversed, the same might also be true of American officials. The aforementioned caddy might have deliberately misled Stranahan. It would not be exactly abnormal for a British caddy to be hopeful of a British victory in a British tournament, although it would be deucedly un-sporting of the caddy to resort to dice deceit. But no matter what happens, the athlete must be prepared to take it. The fact that he is competing in a sport carries with it the promise that he is a sportsman.

King Edward, a confirmed sports addict, saw the race and historians of the day report that his highness almost blew a royal gasket. The Americans offered no apology for the way they raced. They called it a jockeying for position. And apparently this was common procedure in track and field at that time.

No, we can do without cry babies

Sidewalks and

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grievance concerning the laying of sidewalks.

A resolution was read concerning the lifting of the ban on the sale of margarine in Canada. Said His Worship: "Margarine is a wholesome butter substitute which has many and often more vitamins and minerals as butter and is palatable. I see no reason for the present ban on margarine. There is a likelihood of a butter shortage this winter and if a man can get margarine at a lower price I see no reason for not having it."

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farmer's should be allowed to make butter and sell it.

"They are allowed to make butter and sell it but dairy butter doesn't keep as well as creamery butter," replied the mayor, who is a farmer himself.

Councillor Aubrey said that a lot of dairies were throwing away the milk they didn't sell every day.

"Margarine hasn't put any dairies out of business in the United States and other countries where it is used and it isn't likely to in Canada," said Mayor Exre.

On a vote all were in favor of the resolution except Aubrey who thought that he had better stick to his guns even though he wasn't just so sure what he was standing pat about—whether it was the butter pat or the farmer he wasn't sure. But he was again it anyway.

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Starvation Threatens

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oil, gas, minerals, etc. Instead, he emphasized the fact that the loss of the "top soil" of arable land was the most serious loss faced by the world. This top soil could not be replaced by chemicals, and it took nature one thousand years to build an inch of top soil.

Cutting down of the forests was the first step towards losing the top soil. Untold damage was done through erosion. As an example of this, the speaker mentioned the fact that to-day the Mississippi river is higher than the country it travels through because its bed has been crowded with silt and eroded soil.

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London Olympics

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health, physical fitness and sports efficiency.

Helping Percival will be staff assistants and a group of interpreters who will help in interviewing athletes, coaches, trainers and doctors of non-English-speaking teams. An effort will be made to develop contacts for future exchange of information, bringing to Canadian youth the knowledge of coaching, training and medical experts from all over the world. Photography will be used extensively in

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Kathleen McCormick of Montreal is only four years old but already she can skate in a way which would make many an adult marvel. Kathleen may be seen every afternoon at the McIntrye Arena where she is taking lessons from the professionals. The pretty stance above is made at the start of the figure eight and the pose right was caught as Kathleen was completing the figure eight. Kathleen takes her training quite seriously and has only been to one show with her parents since she came up here.

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