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## NEW WRENWRIG!



It looks like a sailor hat, acts like a sailor hat, and it's really a sailor wearing it, but this natty new number is properly entitled a Wren beret. Wrens call it "Wren-wrig" because it will soon be piped as "Rig of the day" for all Canadian Wrens on duty. Of stiffened navy blue flannel, so dark it almost looks black, the beret adds that extra something to the uniform of navy blue jacket and skirt, which is also going through some streamlining at present and will soon be issued in smarter style. The usual black silk hat ribbon, or talley-band, will be worn on the sailor hat, with the gold letters "H.M.C.S." Ready within the next month or two, it will be worn on duty by all Wren ratings. Commissioned Wren officers and Petty Officers will wear tricornes. In summer months, the cap will adopt a white cover, just like the naval ratings' caps. — (R.C.N. photo.)

### CLAIMS IDEAL CONTROL

**BRENTWOOD, Essex, England**  
Dec. 1 — This town claims to have the ideal food control committee: a butcher, a baker, a grocer, a corn merchant, a bank manager, a paison, an accountant, a railway clerk, an ex-policeman and four housewives.

### NOT WORTH MORE

Early motion picture theatres were known as "nickelodeons" because the price of admission was five cents.

### WANT BRITISH SONGS

**LONDON, December 1** — Eighty per cent of the songs broadcast by the B.B.C. are by American composers, the Association for the Advancement of British Songs estimates. The Association is asking parliament to compel the B.B.C. to put in their programs 50 per cent of British songs.

### PEEL A PRODIGY

Sir Robert Peel, the British statesman, entered Parliament at 21.

## CANADA LEADS IN EDUCATING

Lt.-Gen. A. G. L. McNaughton Plans for the Future of Men And Women in Uniform.

OTTAWA, Dec. 1 — Be they men or women, members of the Canadian armed services are coming back to the Dominion after the war as better Canadians, says Arthur Chatwin, overseas director of the Canadian Legion education services.

Interview here on one of his trips back home, Mr. Chatwin conceded that war is a "terrible and humiliating way for human beings to employ themselves every 20 years," but said a "lot of good" has come out of this war and there is a "lot more good" yet to come.

"I'd like to be able to tell every father and mother with a boy or a girl overseas that their sons and daughters are not coming back the same men and women they went over," he said.

"They are coming back better Canadians with a surer appreciation of the British commonwealth of nations, and the certain knowledge that they have become world citizens in a world made small by the radio and the airplane."

Dr. Chatwin is an enthusiast for the theory of Lt.-Gen. A. G. L. McNaughton, Canadian commander, of making a leader of every Canadian in uniform, of making every soldier, sailor and airman first a leader of himself.

"Wherever Gen. McNaughton goes over there, he asks what is going on in education. How are the men building their Canadian community away from home? How are they fitting themselves to take their part in building Canada when they return?"

Dr. Chatwin expressed belief that Canada's army could have gone to pieces during its long battle-lacking months in Britain if Gen. McNaughton had not been resolved that the boys abroad must have opportunity to develop a sense of individual responsibility and a community spirit in the United Kingdom.

He said the legion's educational program does three things—it helps train the man for his fighting job now; it helps him train himself for a civilian occupation when he returns home; and it helps him maintain his morale by keeping his attitude positive.

Study courses follow the men to the fronts and today Canadian soldiers, sailors, airmen and members of the auxiliary services are working on their studies in India, Ceylon, North Africa, Sicily. Exercise papers are corrected in London, Bombay, Cairo, Jerusalem or Algiers—so widespread is the service.

Canada, among the political democracies of the United Nations, led the way in armed forces education, with the British war office and the United States war department following the Dominion's scheme.

### DISTINCTIONS MADE

An ensign is a flag flown on ships, a standard a flag carried by mounted or motorized units and a color a flag carried by unmounted units.

### BRITISH MORTAR CREW AT WORK



This British mortar crew of the Allied Fifth Army shown in action amid ruins of Grazzanise, Italy, seems to be the only thing left intact amid a mass of war-blasted rubble as the Allies drive the Nazis towards Rome.

## ALLIED BOMBERS HIT RABAU, STRATEGIC JAP PORT



This photo is a remarkable closeup of the damaged waterfront section of the great Japanese base at Rabaul, New Britain. Installations along the shore are in flames after direct hits. Two nights later Australian Beaufort bombers hit again at Rabaul starting more fires, hitting a heavy cruiser, a cargo vessel and eight other ships.

## Varden Singers' Grieg Concert

Norwegian Composer's Centennial Commemorated With Recital.

Commemorating the centennial anniversary of the birth of Edvard Hagerup Grieg, Norwegian composer, the Varden Singers, and other instrumental and vocal artists, before an audience of 200, presented an all-Grieg concert last night in the Odd-fellows' Hall.

An acute sensitivity to the structural and imaginative aims of the composer were displayed by the choir under the direction of Peter Lien, choirmaster and organist. Never intended to be sung by a mixed choir, some of the songs, indeed, being written as solos, and others for a male choir, last night's presentations by the Varden Singers represented originality in arrangement as well as competence in execution.

Beginning the program with two songs, "Sangerhilsen" (Singer's Greeting) and "Du Gamle Mor" (My Old Mother), the choir sang at intervals throughout the evening.

Their second group was composed of "Ved Rundarne" — a mountain meditation, "Du Herre, Som er Sterk", and with baritone soloist, Henry Kane, a triumphant song "Behold The Host."

The final number by the choir was the chorale "Landsighting". Of exceptional merit were a group of two Greig instrumental compositions by a trio consisting of David Zeff, violinist, Margaret Johnson, cellist, and Harvey Berneking, pianist. They were "Ingrid's Lament", and the lively "Anitra's Dance". Such was the reception of these numbers that the trio was pressed into returning with the "Intermezzo" from "Cavallieri Rusticana".

Excellently sung and very well received were "Solveig's Song" and "I Love Thee" by Mrs. J. H. McLeod, soprano. Peter Lien was accompanist.

Frances Moore, A.T.C.M., played two enjoyable piano solos—"Morning Mood", and "To Spring". Midway in the program, a

## New Official For Railway

J. T. Whiteford is Named Manager of Passenger Service Bureau.

MONTREAL, Dec. 1 — J. T. Whiteford has been appointed manager of the passenger service bureau, Canadian National Railways, with headquarters at Montreal, according to an announcement made yesterday by C. W. Johnston, general passenger traffic manager of the system. The activities of this particular office include the preparation of timetables essential

short biographical sketch on the composer was given by August Valin and this was followed by the Norwegian National Anthem sung by the choir.

Proceeds of the concert, which were described as "very satisfactory," will be donated to the help of Norwegian servicemen, and to further other war work.

for the information of the travelling public.

John Taylor Whiteford, who succeeds the late R. L. Fairbairn, is a native of Paisley, Scotland. He joined the passenger department of the Canadian Northern Railway in 1915.

Subsequent on the promotion of Mr. Whiteford it is also announced today that J. S. McDonald, former general agent at Montreal, has been promoted assistant to manager, passenger service bureau. Mr. McDonald commences his railroad career in September, 1919.

### CROWD HOOTS DECISION

BLACKBURN, England, December 2 — Eric Boon, British lightweight titlist, beat Billy Jones of Cwmpare, Wales, on points in an eight-round welterweight bout here—and the decision was hooted by a section of the crowd. It was a tame affair with Boon battling with an injured arm. He damaged the arm in a gymnasium accident but refused to postpone the bout. Boon isn't any too popular because he hasn't defended his title in years.

# Another Wartime Xmas



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