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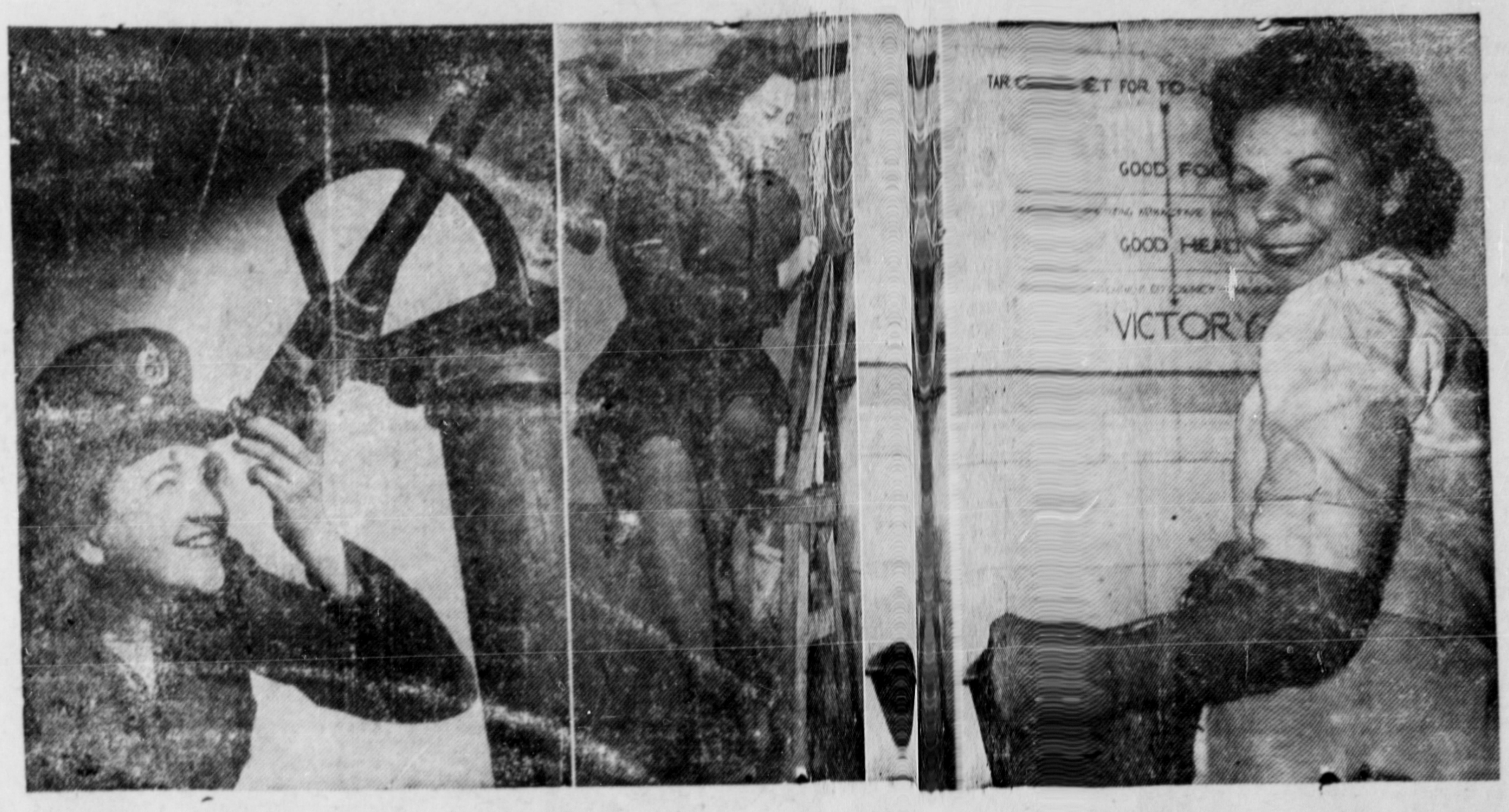

Women at war are using their hands and brains in countless ways to speed the victory against the forces of aggression. In the Royal Canadian Air Force, airwomen perform upwards of 50 tasks which are vital to the job of flying, both in operations overseas and at training stations across Canada. Three of those jobs are illustrated here. At the left, Airwoman Betty Roth of 10816 125th St., Edmonton, uses an alidade to determine cloud level. A clerk meteorologist at the Brantford air station, she "reads" the weather, measuring moisture and wind velocity and gathering information for predicting how flying conditions are going to be. In the centre picture, an old-fashioned saddle bench performs a new function in today's war. Leading Airwoman Constance Lynham of North Bay, Ont., perches on the bench to mend a parachute harness. Airwoman Phyllis Cuff of Midland, Ont., right, emphasizes one path to victory—through good health, which depends on right eating. She's in the R.C.A.F. School of Cookery at Guelph, Ont.

—(R.C.A.F. Photos)

Substitute For Leather In Britain

LONDON, Dec. 22 (AP) — The British government's shoe trade research laboratory, under Harold Salt, director of civilian leather supply, is working to find a perfect substitute for fast-vanishing leather.

Shoe soles have been made from seaweed, reclaimed tires, parliamentary parchments. Postmen, schoolboys and policemen, as guinea pigs, try out these ersatz shoes, and they are checked fortnightly for performance.

The scientists are also combing the continent for ideas—and experiments are being performed on German cardboard shoes, paper shoes from Finland and Italy and marching boots from Rommel's defeated army.

From all these searchings, Mr. Salt hopes to find some leather substitute that will carry British feet along the last miles of the road to war.

Women's Work Is Made Easy

London Electrician Designs Kitchen Unit to be Plugged in Like Radio.

LONDON, Dec. 22 (AP)—British women's pleas for more comfortable postwar living give promise of being answered—in the kitchen at least.

One of London's electricity authorities has designed a complete kitchen that can be plugged into a home as easily as a radio, that can be delivered as a unit and under mass-production will be sold at a price within reach of the average housewife.

A typical unit is 10 feet long and eight feet high and includes the following equipment:

Built in electric cooker with grill and oven; built in refrigerator; convenient working table beside cooker; cupboard for vacuum cleaner, etc.; detachable ironing board; racks for plates, pans and kitchen equipment; built in electric clock and plugs for radio, iron and electrical appliances.

The unit as a whole is streamlined and built to take as little room as possible. Such equipment will be revolutionary in English kitchens, few of which now have conveniences of any kind.

Rabbit fur, after processing may be known as any of these: Coney, lapin, French seal, French Beaver, ermiline, near seal, polar seal, marmotine, erminette or squirreline.

LOANED TO ANZACS

AUCKLAND, N.Z. (AP) — The cruiser Gambia has been loaned to the Royal New Zealand Navy by the Royal Navy.

The Markets

Sugar	
White, lb.	.09
Golden Yellow, lb.	.09
Meats	
Bacon, side, best grade, sliced, package .54, slab	.50
Ham, first grade, lb.	.45
Cottage Roll, lb.	.44
Pork, dry salt, lb.	.30
Veal, loin, lb.	.38
Veal Chops, lb.	.35 and .40
Beef, pot roast, lb.	.25 and .30
Beef Steak, lb.	.40 and .45
Lamb, leg, lb.	.35
Lamb Chops, lb.	.35 to .40
Lamb Shoulder, lb.	.27 to .35
Eggs	
Grade A:	
Large, cartoned, doz.	.57
Grade A, medium, doz.	.55
Grade A, pullets, doz.	.50
Milk	
Evaporated Milk, 6-oz. tin	.10½
Fruit	
Grapefruit, Calif.	.10
and 4 for	.25
Lemons, doz.	.35 and .50
Oranges, Navel, doz.	.35 to .60
Pears, Fancy, lb.	.12
Grapes, lb.	.23
Apples, lb.	.10
Cooking Apples, lb.	.08
Butter	
First Grade	.43
Lard	
Pure, lb.	.19
Vegetables	
Cooking Onions, No. 1 Okanagan, 4 lbs.	.25
Spanish Onions, lb.	.10
Spanich, local, 2 lbs.	.25
Beets, local, 2 lbs.	.25
Parsnips, local, 3 lbs.	.25
B.C. Carrots, per bunch	.06
Tomatoes, Hothouse, lb.	.30
Sweet Potatoes, lb.	.15
Turnips, yellow, lb.	.05
Turnips, white, local, lb.	.05
Potatoes, 5 lbs.	.22
Cauliflower, each	.15 to .35
Cabbage, lb.	.06
Lettuce, each	.15
Celery, lb.	.12

Briefs From Britain

TROWBRIDGE, Eng. (AP)—Mrs. Louisa Randal who has just celebrated her 100th birthday, doesnt worry about the war. She said: "I leave its course in the hands of the Great Leader."

LONDON (AP) — The destroyer Janus has been in so many battles that she will soon need new guns. In fights ranging from Norway to Crete, she has flung more than 6,000 shells at the enemy.

GRAYS, Essex, Eng (AP) — A library of modern books, comprising production from many presses and owned by the Rev. H. Dewhurst, brought the equivalent of $20,000 at an auction.

LONDON (AP)—Percival Jarratt, factory worker, was acquitted on a charge of failing to fire watch. He pleaded the old church in which he was supposed to watch was "invaded by a tremendous army of fleas every night."

LONDON (AP) — A number of men of the army and R.A.F. have volunteered to transfer to the Royal Navy because of accelerated naval expansion. council.

TWENTY-FIVE YEARS AGO--

WENTY FIVE YEARS AGO
December 21, 1918

The Tom and A1, largest halibut boat operating out of Prince Rupert, arrived in port with an 80,000 pound catch.

M. P. McCaffery, chairman of the local sub committee for the Royal Air Force in Canada, received a letter of thanks for the excellent work that the group has done in the line of recruiting. It was signed by Brigadier General C. Hoare, commanding the Royal Air Force in Canada.

Lord Weir, Minister of Air, said in a speech at Manchester on December 21, 1918, that the big shipping and transport organizations should engage in the development of commercial aviation. He suggested that British war planes, some of which could carry a crew of seven and 30 passengers at a speed of 110 miles an hour, should be used.

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