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Babson's Prognostications . . .

Prognostications of war progress and developments are always of interest. Here is what Roger W. Babson, noted writer and prophet of economic affairs, has to say in his business and financial outlook for 1945:

The greater part of Germany's army will collapse before the German planting season opens in the spring of 1945. Before surrendering, Germany will try poison gas.

Japan will not hold out as long as most people think. Japan will collapse within six or twelve months after Germany collapses.

If Stalin's health continues, he will be the world's most powerful man in 1945 and may dictate the peace terms, especially for the Pacific.

Sometime after April, 1945, Russia will join (or threaten to) the Allies against Japan but only after the promise of territory privileges and a huge loan.

On the subject of politics and post-war peace, Babson foresees as follows:

The uncertain political factor of 1945 will be Mr. Roosevelt. People will soon fear that he may resign before the next Congressional Elections either on account of ill health or to become head of a Peace Commission or new World Organization.

Our foreign headaches will become worse and more frequent during 1945.

What we are going through to reorganize Italy, will be repeated in many other countries.

The Latin American honeymoon has passed its peak. The attitude of Argentina will extend to other countries and our South American troubles will increase during 1945.

1945 will see more religious interest, including more church-going, than did 1944. People gradually are realizing that without a Spiritual Awakening no peace or other plans will be much good. Nations cannot be depended upon to co-operate and stick to their agreements unless they recognize God as their real Ruler and Guide.

The Personal Element . . .

It is very well that, in considering matters of rehabilitation in which we must all feel some modicum of interest and responsibility, that the personal aspect should be duly heeded as suggested by Rev. E. W. Scott in a New Year message before the Prince Rupert Rotary Club at luncheon yesterday. Too often, possibly, are we inclined to consider the impersonal mechanics of things, particularly things political and economic, tending to overlook that the primary thing is the person and his welfare—that that is the prime objective. Settle the things that affect the person, make the person satisfied and contented—all problems and worries will have been removed, there will be goodwill and peace. Without the satisfied person—and if all persons could and would be reasonably satisfied—there can be no real settlements. It is well that we should be reminded of the importance of the personal element.

WOMAN IS GUIDE IN MOVEMENT

Mrs. Eve Gersh is Traffic Manager in Charge of Transport of Tons of Relief Supplies

By ADELAIDE KERR Associated Press Writer

NEW YORK, Dec. 29 (AP)—The solicitor for a trucking company walked into the Russian War Relief traffic manager's office, asked to see the boss—and came face to face with a good looking blond. For a few seconds he stared into the face of Eve Gersh, amazed to find a woman in the chair of a traffic manager who moved a million and a half dollars worth of merchandise a month.

Then he recovered himself and went on with his business.

When the interview ended he hesitated a moment, then hauled two cigars from his pocket and stuffed them into her hand.

"Here," he said, "Take 'em anyway. Give 'em to your husband." Eve Gersh kept her face straight. She learned to do that long ago in a job which requires

her to move 300 tons of freight a month from dozens of small towns throughout the country, into New York and on to Moscow.

She has to see that drugs, vitamins, seeds, shoes, watches, musical instruments, art materials, technical books, medical apparatus, laboratory equipment, blankets and foodstuffs are moved from the places where people have collected them, assembled in warehouses in New York or Portland, Oregon, and from there dispatched to Russia. She also is responsible for the shipment of other materials purchased by Russian War Relief.

Plenty of Trouble

Plenty of trouble flows across her desk. Messages concerning shipping permits that are held up, shipments delayed enroute, ships too crowded with war material to carry relief supplies. But no matter how hot it gets Mrs. Gersh preserves the same unruffled telephone tone. Here's her secret:

"I know I just mustn't lose my temper," she says with a little grin. "So I keep it smooth 'til I've hung up the receiver. Then I sit there, where no one can hear me and tell the walls what I think. When I have it off my



"BATTLESWIMMER" AT WALCHEREN—This Nazi "Kampfschwimmer" (battleswimmer), pulls on his extra set of web feet to help him swim, according to the caption of the picture received through neutral sources. These "human torpedoes," 200 of whom were captured on Walcheren in Holland, swim through enemy waters to blow up bridges.

Frances Thomson In Ottawa Show

OTTAWA, Dec. 29 — "Agnes," the tame flea, jumped, and Wren officers pirouetted at H.M.C.S. "Bytown's" annual Christmas concert at Wallis House, one of the W.R.C.N.S. establishments here. It was an evening of fun and frolic for Wrens by Wrens.

In the festively decorated fo'c'sle, draped with glittering silver stars, evergreens, and red and green streamers, Wren Rachel Woodburn of Melbourne, P. Q., brought Stephen Leacock to life, Navy style, in a show-dog, and Wren officers donned flannel nighties and sportively galloped around the stage with roses between their teeth in their version of "The Dance of Spring." "Agnes," the flea, brought down the house when her affectionate guardian, Petty Officer Lorna Chase-Casgrain of Montreal, lost her among the audience.

Among those taking part in the concert was Leading Wren Frances Thomson, Prince Rupert.

chest, I go back to work again." Mrs. Gersh is good-looking. Clear skin, sea-grey eyes, butterscotch blond bob. In private life she is the wife of Emmanuel Gersh, a civil engineer. They have a 14-year old son.

Mrs. Gersh spends most evenings quietly at home with the family. Two evenings a week she studies Russian.

Her job inherits a lot of extra-curricular problems. For instance, a philanthropic organization bought an ambulance for Russia and then disbanded. Its representatives dumped the problem of shipment in Mrs. Gersh's lap. She made a series of telephone calls. The seventh person who came on the wire said: "I know just the place to help you. Call Russian War Relief and ask for Eve Gersh."

C.N.R. Trains

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PAGEANT IS EFFECTIVE

Outstanding Service in Presbyterian Church Sunday Night

An outstanding Christmas Sunday service in Prince Rupert was that in the evening at First Presbyterian Church when senior and junior choirs joined under leadership of Mrs. E. J. Smith to present most effectively the cantata-pageant "Christmas Song of the Ages." The narrative was taken from the pupil by the pastor, Rev. A. F. MacSween, and was punctuated with beautiful scenes associated with the Nativity accompanied by choral interpolations which were particularly effective. Another feature was the lavish decoration of the chancel with greenery, appropriate settings and lighting.

The cast consisted of Miss Isabel McCrimmon as Mary, C. G. Ham as Joseph, Miss Audrey Hunter as Anna, Wilfrid St. Clair as Simeon, Forbes Lee, Reg Martin and Charles Currie as Wise

Men and John Currie, Robert MacArthur, David Smith, Robert Currie, Donald Saunders and Jack Finlayson as shepherds. The senior choir consisted of Mrs. W. M. Martin, Mrs. J. Taylor Jr., Miss Molly Owens, Mrs. James Simpson, Mrs. J. A. Tennant, Mrs. R. R. Strachan, Mrs. W. C. O'Neill, Mrs. J. L. Lee, Mrs. H. McCubbin, Mrs. John McCullough, J. A. Teng, R. R. Strachan, W. Martin, James Simpson and E. Smith.

The junior choir consisted of Rose Kimball, Viola Prendergast, Kathleen Smith, Barbara Tennant, Dorreen Lindsay, Barbara Flaten, Jean Calderwood, Christine Currie, Elizabeth Martin, Mary Addison, Alan Currie, Victor Lindsay, Robert Smith, Donald Prendergast and Alvin Kimball.

Mrs. Peter Lattie had charge of decorations which included flowers in memory of the late Mrs. J. G. Steen and the father of Private John Hughes of the United States Army.

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1944-1945 As the sands of time run their course they see 1944 depart—and usher in 1945. On the stroke of midnight New Year's Eve our wishes will join yours for a future of happiness and security in a world at peace. MORGAN'S MEN'S & BOYS' WEAR 3rd Ave., next to Ormes

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We don't know . . . but we are willing to bet that whatever problems the New Year brings, Canadians will find the answer . . . Why? Simply because they have always done so. Ever since their ancestors landed among the Indians they've had problems . . . and . . . they've had pessimists who told them the country was doomed . . . just as we have today . . . but . . . somehow they found the answer . . . found it far too often for it to be an accident . . . that's why we are so confident about Canada's future . . . that's why we are planning not just for tomorrow but for many years ahead. We have faith in Canada and Canadians.



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