

Women Won High Acclaim During Active Year

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TORONTO (C)—There's no doubt about it—Barbara Ann Scott was the Woman of the Year, not only in her native Canada but to many other countries. Even lands behind the iron curtain went overboard to put the smiling face of the little Ottawa skating champion on their front pages.

The year that brought international acclaim to the Dominion's best-loved sports figure saw Canadian women win fresh triumphs or renew laurels won in the fields of law, social work and the arts.

Prominent among the Canadians who fought for better so-

cial conditions and women's rights were Mme. Pierre Casgrain of Montreal, organizer of the Quebec League of Women Voters to inform women on public affairs, and Agnes Macphail, C.C.F. member of the Ontario legislature. It was a busy year for Canada's other women legislators, Mrs. Gladys Strum, C.C.F. member of parliament for Qu'Appelle, Sask., and Senators Cairnie Wilson and Iva Falls.

Dr. Charlotte Whitton of Ottawa became a national figure when she was charged, along with two men, with conspiring to publish a defamatory libel against the Alberta government. The charges, later dropped, arose from the printing of a report on welfare conditions in Alberta, prepared by Dr. Whitton for the Imperial Order Daughters of the Empire.

It was a happy year for Mrs. George Drew, wife of the new national leader of the Progressive-Conservative party. She shared in the triumph of her husband's election to the leadership and to a House of Commons seat.

Halifax produced a champion this year, too. Betty Jean Ferguson, 20-year-old singer from the maritimes city, was chosen Miss Canada of 1948 at Hamilton, Ont., last summer.

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SYDNEY BRINGS FISH HERE

The Ketchikan fish packer Sydney arrived in port here this morning with three carloads of frozen fish consigned in bond to eastern American ports. The Sydney was under command of Capt. Osmund Hendrickson.

FIRST DUTCH LOCOMOTIVE

The first electric locomotive to be built in the Netherlands will shortly be put into service by the Netherlands Railways.

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PROSPECTS FOR NEW YEAR

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Construction work, generally, is more active than it was last winter, although it, too, has been held up by frigid weather conditions.

Current construction schedules include the Miller Bay Hospital laundry and boiler house, the new Famous Players theatre and demolition of military buildings at Seal Cove for the Columbia Cellulose Co. Some of these have already begun and some will start in the immediate future.

A glance at the year's peak employment period reveals a notable slump in unemployment claims as compared with present ones. In August, when the district was at its busiest, there were 60 males and 22 females claiming unemployment insurance. This, too, was a small increase over the same period of 1947.

Estimated employment figures in August show 2,443 people working, a figure which is believed to be the highest in the district's history.

Of these, 4,000 were employed directly in the fishing industry, in canneries and at sea. While these are definitely estimates, Mr. Whiting believes that they are as accurate as is possible to obtain.

Here is a breakdown:

Fishing	4,900
Trade and finance	550
Boat service, stevedoring	205
Shipbuilding and Repairs	50
Small boat building	80
Professional services	90
Clerical	275
Unclassified	105
Agriculture	926
Forestry, forest products	750

The figures, of course, are for the district which extends 315 miles eastward to Burns Lake.

RESISTANT FLOOR COVERING

A floor covering resistant to wear, stretching and shrinking is being made in the Netherlands. It consists of strips of interlacing veneer.

PERFECT SLEDDING—Few Canadian children have as perfect sledding conditions as these Vancouver youngsters found when 93 inches of snow dropped on the west coast city. While the kids enjoyed the sledding—and the view—motorists and pedestrians found the going treacherous. Many homes were left without water, heat, radios or warm food after the unusually heavy fall.

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I'LL USE IT-- I'LL MAKE SOME PASTE OUT OF FLOUR AND WATER

A PENNY SAVED IS A PENNY EARNED... SO THEY SAY

OKAY, ALEXANDER, NOW TAKE THIS LETTER OVER TO THE MAILBOX

DAGWOOD BUMSTEAD-- DID YOU MIX ALL THIS JUST TO PASTE A STAMP ON A LETTER? SHAME

NOW DONT WORRY, DEAR IT WON'T GO TO WASTE

I'LL ADD A LITTLE MILK AND BUTTER AND SALT TO IT AND BAKE A PIE

WHAT KIND OF FRUIT HAVE YOU TO PUT IN THE PIE I'M MAKING?

I'M SORRY DEAR BUT THERES NOT A BIT OF FRESH FRUIT IN THE HOUSE

OKAY-- THEN I'LL JUST ADD MORE FLOUR AND MAKE BREAD-- EVERYBODY LOVES HOMEMADE BREAD

NOW I ADD YEAST AND PUT THE DOUGH ON THE HOT RADIATOR TO MAKE IT RISE-- SIMPLE ENOUGH

DAGWOOD-- DAGWOOD! COME LOOK AT YOUR DOUGH

HERES ANOTHER PART, POP

THIS WILL DEFLATE IT AND PREVENT AN EXPLOSION

QUICK, QUICK-- NOW IT'S BAKED ONTO THE RADIATOR LIKE CONCRETE

NEXT TIME DONT USE SO MUCH YEAST

THERE'LL BE NO NEXT TIME

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DATES FROM 4TH CENTURY
The oldest state in Europe is believed to be San Marino, tiny independent republic of 38 square miles located in eastern Italy.

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