

England's First Woman Judge Has Had Many Other Firsts

By RONALD THOMSON
LONDON (AP)—Pettite and good looking, the judge came into the musty courtroom like a breath of fresh air.

Under the solemn white wig, England's first woman judge leaped through the business of the day and then settled back to hear the first case.

Miss Rose Heilbron, 42, is considered one of the finest legal minds in the country.

Courtrooms all over the land know her ringing voice and razor mind. As a barrister she saved fire men from the hangman's noose.

She fought her way to the top despite the male prejudices of other barristers, of judges, and even of the prisoners she was appointed to defend.

"I want no Judy defending me," shouted an angry prisoner in 1949 on being told a woman would defend him on a charge of murder. He was acquitted with her help.

She became the first woman to plead a case in the House of

Lords. She was one of the first two women named Queen's Counsel.

A WOMAN FIRST

"She defends a person rather a set of facts," said one admiring lawyer. "I think it shows she is a woman above all else. Juries like it."

Miss Heilbron is skeptical about this, saying:

"Charm will never appeal to a jury. The only way to succeed is to appeal to their sense of justice. That is what I try to do."

The daughter of a Liverpool hotelier, she always wanted a career in law. She went to Liverpool University, graduating at 21.

Three years later, in 1938, she was admitted to the bar. The war helped her. With many barristers away, she came into line for important briefs.

Her appointment recently as recorder of Burnley, Lancashire, made her Britain's first woman judge.

A recorder, principal legal officer of an English city, sits as sole judge in a quarter sessions court. This means Miss Heilbron is responsible for trying a variety of civil and criminal offences—but not murder.

She puts only one thing above the law—home life with her husband, surgeon Nathaniel Burstein, and an eight-year-old daughter.

missionary books read, visit to hospital and homes were made by members, sympathy and get-well cards sent as well as flowers and fruit to sick and shut-ins.

The worship period for next meeting is in charge of Mrs. Geo. Godfrey and the study by Mrs. Bruce Deacon. The meeting closed with Benediction.

PRINCETOWN ROAD W.M.S.

Mrs. Russell Proude entertained the members of Princetown Road W.M.S., at her home on Wednesday evening, Dec. 5, for their annual meeting.

Mrs. Beaumont Newport was devotional leader. The worship service entitled "His Constant Lamp" was taken from the Missionary Monthly. This service was the Christmas candle-lighting ceremony related to the current study on the Churches of Southeast Asia.

Mrs. Dale Proude was member from off-stage. Miss Sjanie Boelhower was soloist. Mrs. Howard Waite, Mrs. Preston Sentner, Mrs. Emmerson Kent, Mrs. Ivan Sentner, Mrs. Russell Proude and Mrs. Everett Clow, represented the various countries, each wearing a banner displaying names of country service were: "Silent Night," "Joy to the World" and "Infant Holy." Mrs. Ernest Dollar was in charge of lighting candles.

Mrs. Frank Crabbe assisted by several members gave some interesting readings from Study Book.

Hymn "Oh! Little Town of Bethlehem" closed the devotional period.

The business period opened. Secretary read minutes of November meeting. Roll call was answered with an attendance of 12 members and 4 visitors. The treasurer reported a total of \$43.22 realized from Mite Boxes and travelling apron. Mrs. E. Clow reported sending thank-you notes to South Winslow W.M.S. The President welcomed two brides to meeting.

Mrs. Beaumont Newport and

Mrs. Preston Sentner volunteered to purchase chocolates for shut-ins.

There were 2 home calls and 1 hospital call made during the month. It was decided to send \$100.00 to Presbyterian Treasurer to meet Allocation. The secretary was asked to send for Study packets. Two thank-you cards were received and acknowledged. A letter was read from Mrs. Stanley Thompson re: Presbyterian and Nominations. Presbyterial will be held in Summerside on Jan. 22 and 23. The President thanked members for their co-operation during year.

Mrs. Beaumont Newport was appointed to act as chairwoman for election of new officers.

The following is the slate of officers: President, Mrs. Beaumont Newport (re-elected); Vice President, Mrs. Charles Newport (re-elected); Secretary, Mrs. Preston Sentner; Christian Citizenship Secretary, Mrs. Ivan Sentner (re-elected); Community Friendship Secretary, Mrs. Ernest Dollar (re-elected); Missionary Monthly and Literature Secretary, Mrs. Lester Johnston, Press Secretary, Mrs. Eva Sentner, Christian Stewardship Secretary, Mrs. Emmerson Kent (re-elected); Treasurer, Mrs. Russell Proude, Associate Members Secretary, Mrs. Everett Clow; Supply Secretary, Mrs. Dale Proude (re-elected); Auditor, Mrs. Omar Neill; Organist, Mrs. Dale Proude.

The Community Friendship Secretary reported a total of 133 home calls and 121 hospital calls made during the year, and 21 cards sent. Several other reports were received.

Navy Suits, Navy Coats And Navy Dresses For Spring

NEW YORK (AP)—Navy suits, coats and dresses will form the dominant theme of the Easter parade next spring.

Paul Parnes and Herbert Sondheim, two designers whose collections highlighted Tuesday's season's fashion press, both present a parade of fresh-looking navy suits and dresses crisply accented in white, as the smartest look for spring.

Since the perennial navy has been somewhat eclipsed in the last several seasons by the vogue for black and charcoal grey, this makes news.

GREY NEXT CHOICE

Parnes and his designer, Benji Claire, use navy in all fabrics, from slubbed silk and wool tweeds to sheer crepes and chiffons.

In this collection the basic navy crepe dress emerges as the backbone of the spring wardrobe, to be worn with spanking white accessories for that always popular handbox look.

Sondheim, also espousing navy, likes a soft, draped front for his spring dresses many of which have wide cummerbunds or pleated belts to give a high-waisted effect.

Next to navy, the spring color choice is a light pearl grey, and many collections also show a few outfits in tones of mauve and lavender.

GEORGETOWN

Mr. Clem Wight left for early in the week on return to Boston, Mass., after having spent the season's holidays as the guest of his mother, Mrs. William Wight.

Bernard Walsh, Gerald Murphy, Gerald D. Murphy, Paul Batchelder, Roger Solomon and Terry Solomon left recently to resume their studies at St. Dunstan's College, after spending the holidays at their homes in Georgetown.

Mr. Leo Foy of Newport was a business visitor to Georgetown on Wednesday, Jan. 2nd.

Miss Beverly Roberts of Charlottetown was a recent guest at the home of Mr. and Mrs. J.B. Scully.

The Georgetown Rink has commenced seasons operations. The recent cold weather was taken advantage of to the full by Mr. Harold Publicover, the manager, who

spared neither time or effort to see that an ice surface was provided. The next few days will see the various school and minor teams practicing regularly in preparation for the season's hockey wars. Senior hockey is still a big question mark and a far cry from a few years ago, when the Georgetown Eagles flew past all opposition to cop the Provincial Intermediate "B" crown. Last year's crack Juvenile team has been hit hard, by age regulations, as well as many of its members entering college and the services, so that what was the foundation of a good senior team has to a large extent disappeared. With the situation as it is regarding Senior and Juvenile hockey the only thing remaining is to ice an intermediate "C" team and the prospects for such a team is about the only bright spot in an otherwise dark hockey horizon. No doubt increased interest will be shown in the various school and minor teams, as is evidenced by the fact that the Georgetown Branch of the Canadian Legion has made known that they will sponsor one of the school teams.

The Georgetown High School reopened on Thursday, January 3rd, after having been closed for the Christmas and New Year's holidays.

HOUSEHOLD HINT

To disinfect the vacuum cleaner, sprinkle moth flakes over the rug, then vacuum them up.



COTTON CO-ORDINATES

Here are some ingenious co-ordinates in cotton that will be a joy to the vacationer and nice for stay-at-homes to wear around the house.

The slim tapered pants which ruff above the ankle are made of a new satin stitch pique. With them is worn a pullover shirt of matching check cut straight and narrow to the hips. Both came in wonderful muted tones of sandalwood, greenwood and rosewood.



By VERA WINSTON

Navy Is First For Spring

Dresses appearing now bring with them a welcome hint of Spring and of the coming fashions of the vernal season. Navy is the color and silk emerges as the big Spring and Summer fabric. In this navy silk faille dress, the collar is white with a lace edge. It's a charming note and reminds us of the perennial charm of navy and white. The waistline is draped high with a navy satin sash and a red rose for trim.

2,000 Year Old Style Seen At Fashion Show

By MURIEL PENN
LONDON (Reuters)—A modern Malayan version of a 2,000-year-old Chinese dress highlighted the British Commonwealth fashion show which opened here Tuesday.

This close-fitting grey and pink evening dress was one of many garments illustrating the latest fashions and developments of cotton.

The dress, with a tunic-like, side-slit skirt, was tastefully embroidered with tiny beads and sequins in pink stripes.

Adaptability and comfort of cotton was demonstrated in scores of smartly designed beachwear, dresses and lingerie.

All the garments, sent by leading manufacturers throughout the Commonwealth, were made in a crease-resisting printed fabric with a new stain-resistant, water-repellent finish. In practical terms, this means that food and cocktails accidentally spilled can easily be wiped off without leaving a stain.

Another striking model, from the West Indies, was a flame-colored informal evening dress in burgundy and white print with flared bodice and well-flounced skirt.

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