

ENGAGEMENT ANNOUNCED



NOREEN JOANNE LUND **HAROLD J. McDONALD**
Det. Sgt. A. J. Lund and Mrs. Lund wish to announce the engagement of their daughter, Noreen Joanne, to Harold Joseph McDonald of St. Peter's Bay, P.E.I. The marriage will take place September 14, in St. Anthony's Church, Montreal.

Prominent English Woman Visits Husband's Family

Mrs. Joyce Sherren is a most distinguished visitor to the province. Mrs. Sherren is a past president of the Felixstowe Business and Professional Women's Club and divisional chairman for a section of England for the B and P.

Mrs. Sherren was the former Miss Joyce Tilden-Smith. She was married to the late Wing Commander P.C. Sherren, whose original home was in Crapaud, Wing Commander Sherren lost his life at the King's Cup Air Race, Scarborough, England, on September 10, 1937.

Mrs. Sherren, a most public spirited woman, has many interests. She is a director of the family Tilden-Smith business on Bond Street, London. She was a lady mayor of Felixstowe, Mrs. Sherren has four children, two of whom are in Canada. She will visit a son in Sudbury and one in Hamilton, Ontario. Her two other children, a son and a daughter Jean, are in London.

It is 20 years since Mrs. Sherren last visited Canada, but the Sherrens from this province have seen her frequently in the intervening years. Captain and Mrs. G. E. Sherren visited Mrs. P.

ELLEN'S DIARY

In A Labor Of Love, Ellen And James Baby Sit

"And you'd better take a look in — oh, sometimes through the night, Ellen, just to see that all's quiet. . . You know her — the youngish one in the third story? The guard-rail's in place and we've given her some bedding. Might be nothing there before morning — and then again there might." James commented a little vaguely and a bit carelessly it seemed for one who everlastingly keeps the affairs of this place in mind.

Excepting the odd time during this week of The Fair when he is persuaded to swing a little to our more lachrymose way of living, and as we say with every reverence in the family, be content to "give Providence a chance." And this evening its lights called to all but a woman and a babe of this farm.

"I think," he said, "leaving" his good-byes "if I can reckon right, we'll be home before. . . Yes," he smiled boyishly. "Well so long, Ellen. And mind you look in a few times."

It may be said that for this once James' predictions have proven to be astray on some counts. We have duly looked in, scuffing the dewy grass between house and piggery, through this delightful moonlit night at the promptings of duty, the last time to find that the expected event had already transpired. In evidence of potential girls and "hags" for the family, they are there, more and less about their dam in the pen.

We looked in with some dismay, who we depend on James' reckonings so well. . . A flashback from the school-teaching years prompted.

"There are thirteen altogether, Ellen!" and the hands of the clock drag. There is no glimmer of light above the hilltop, or sound in the lane of the machine returning the farmers to the cares of their round. How fast the minutes can wing by sometimes. But how leaden they are when one waits in some suspense.

Today gave us interesting visitors. Among them a petite young mother of six who with a pair of nice lads, and from a western Province is visiting with friends and kin. Renewing scenes she knew — getting a fonder clearer perspective it may be of island farmlands, so attractive now in summer green; of white-capped great waters meeting bay and harbor and cove; of tidal rivers blue and mirroring, of clean, neat villages nestling at crossroads. . . of busy towns, and an historical city.

This evening's doctor who with his ten or so all rocked in a hooded wooden cradle of the now rather long-gone island years. Born and reared on a farm "across the river" he is one who knows the surrounding countryside pretty well. Linking this family with the past, he could recall his father taking grists of wheat to the mill in this valley when it was the main interest on the holdings of this name.

Did those years present their economic struggles? Sometimes. Indeed as we have heard and can recall it more often. Yet giants intellectually clever, gifted, humble, God-fearing great window shutters will also add to the illusion.

If the room is done in contemporary style, photo-murals of summertime activities are interesting conversation pieces.

An inexpensive way to refurbish a recreation room is to buy unpainted pieces and do them over. An unpainted bookcase, sectioned for books, records and trophies, is most useful. Paint it to match the walls.

If you want to invest a little more cash and have a really useful room, a comfortable davenport is a fine investment and will serve as an emergency guest bed.

If the furniture from the screened porch must spend the winter in the recreation room, these pieces should be selected for their suitability to both places.

When making your plans, it is wise to consider the screened porch and the rec room together from the standpoint of color and furnishings.

the faces of the children on their pillows, given back to parents only minutes before: Granddaughter happy and sometimes concerned in her growing-up; Mack by day with a little song on his lips, and the babe of three months like a sleeping wren doll in the old swinging cot of his line.

In a labor of love we kept them. James in from the barn after dusk made a trip up stairs to satisfy himself that all was well with them. And then came down to rest on a couch, hands clasped across his chest in a familiar gesture of rest. The pages we turned were then the only sound in the stillness, that and presently his regular breathing as he edged into the land of sleep. But not for long. He sleeps lightly. So many times he has slept so, to waken quickly at a sound from stable or field.

"Did I hear one of them stir, Ellen? I guess perhaps I was only dreaming but you'd better run upstairs to be sure that everything was well. . . and is with us tonight at Alderlea."

Until tomorrow — — Diary — Goodnight. . . .

Mrs. Cameron Impressed By Dress In Canada

MONTREAL (CP) — The first lady of the Cameron clan says women in Canada and Britain have the same interests and talk about them the same way.

Mrs. Donald Cameron, wife of the 26th hereditary chief of the Clan Cameron, is touring this country with her husband to strengthen the ties of Canadian Camerons with the old clan.

"Home and children are the chief topics here, just as they are at home," she said. "And it's amazing to me how the same problems and the same discussions occur here as there."

Home to Mrs. Cameron is Achnacarry Castle in Invernesshire, Scotland, a 19th-century mansion of 14 bedrooms which she runs with the help of three servants.

GOOD HOUSEKEEPER
"I think any woman today should be able to do any job in her home," says Mrs. Cameron. She likes cooking. While English-born, "I can even cook haggis," she says.

"I've poked by nose into a lot of Canadian kitchens on this trip. They're wonderful. I'm especially impressed with your stoves."

Canadian children look healthy and happy, she says, but "they don't seem to play as many games as ours at home. You seldom see a child there without a ball in his hand."

Mrs. Cameron has four children, girls aged 14 and 13, and boys aged 10 and three. Cowboy suits will remind the boys of their parents' trip, and the girls will get dresses, skirts and blouses.

Mrs. Cameron was impressed by the Rockies and the St. Lawrence Seaway project, but almost equally by the way Canadian women dress. They're chic — "even when they're wearing slacks."

That was one difference between Canadian women and her countrywomen.

"British women can be smartly dressed if they try," she smiles, "but we don't always try. We like gardening. We like our comfort. Perhaps we're a bit lazy about our general appearance."

PICNIC AND BABY BAND
The combined groups of Sunday School and Baby Band of West Covehead had an enjoyable outing at Stanhope Lane on the afternoon of August 9. The members were small but the children enjoyed the water and the sand and their elders enjoyed watching.

There were no games or races, due to the lack of partic-

pants but generous amounts of food were available and enjoyed at the supper hour. Rev. Norman and Mrs. Green, David and Ralson were present.

As it was the first official meeting of the Baby Band, Mrs. Bearliss, Baby Band superintendent, read some literature on the subject and later the mothers joined in discussion. Twenty babies including one life member are at present enrolled. All went home with a pleasant memory of the afternoon.

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ELEANOR ROSS Recreation Room Serves As A Second Living Room

Everything seems to be changing nowadays and that goes for the recreation room, too.

Some of the "ree" rooms we have seen have sometimes suggested more wreck than recreation. Others have looked like badly kept bars, while still others seemed to be just repositories for furniture discards.

SMARTER AND PRETTIER
But today, the recreation room is really coming into its own. It is smarter and prettier and is becoming something of a second family living room.

However, there's no reason why it shouldn't fulfill its original purpose as a place for informal fun and still serve as a frequently used room for sewing, for quiet study or letter-writing. Whether the walls are of plaster or wood - panelling, they should be easy to do over. Even a cinder block will form an attractive background when finished with a masonry paint.

As for color, green or blue may be too cold for a basement room, although turquoise can be used most successfully if the wood-work is in a light color. A salmon pink or light coral is a good choice, nice and vibrant. It will combine well with light or dark woodwork.

LOW CEILING
The rec room ceiling, which is usually low, should be finished in a light shade. If the ceiling has not been plastered over, a do-it-yourself job can be accomplished with fabricated sound-proof squares.

Asphalt tile in black or white or in black squares alternating with wall colors is a good choice for floor covering from the standpoint of upkeep and appearance. For cement floors, there is a special paint that will keep the dust down and withstand heavy traffic. Waxed, it is as attractive without covering as it is when used as a background for small shag rugs in light colors.

The present trend in recreation rooms is away from the humorous or barroom type decor. Many families have discovered that the space can be put to better use if it is keyed to more decorous family interests. Therefore, the dimly lit rumpus room with clever legends and sketches is giving way to a family center, one that will serve as well for mother's P.T.A. meeting as for the teen-agers' Friday night dance.

SIMULATED WINDOW
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ERICA SPROULE W.M.S.
The August meeting of the Erica Sproule W.M.S. of Pleasant Grove United Church was held at Stanhope Beach kitchen shelter, on Thursday evening, August 8th, with Mrs. Gibbs as hostess.

Mrs. MacNabb opened the devotional period with the Call to Worship. This was followed by the hymn "God of Mercy, God of Grace," and the circle of prayer and Lord's Prayer in unison, scripture reading and closing prayer.

Mrs. Charles Watts conducted the business meeting. Minutes of last meeting were read and approved. Roll call was answered with the word "Mercy", by twelve members.

Next month's word is to be "Reverence" with the meeting being held at the home of Mrs. W. W. Clow, on Sept. 4th. Eleven home calls and one hospital call were reported and three books read during the last month. Collection amounted to \$2.45. \$21.22 was realized from a recent cake sale.

The Mizpah benediction closed this part of the meeting. After which eleven guests joined with the members in a social hour, with a delicious lunch being served by the lunch committee.

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SOPHISTICATED SWEATER

The cardigan, and sweater, have taken on all sorts of new airs and graces. For instance, here's a cashmere cardigan that has undergone a real transformation, making it youthful and sweet. Hadley has done it in such shades as flamboyant red and wedgewood blue as well as the basics. We like the supplies line, the buttoning at the waist with three buttons for accent and adjustability. The cashmere provides a smart overblouse or jacket for many occasions so it would be a good bet for campus or travel. Pretty and sensible is the stay-out ribbing and the cashmere band that underscores the front closing.