



MARRIED IN ESQUIMALT

Lieut. and Mrs. William Wallace MacKenzie Ross pose beneath the crossed swords of the Traditional naval guard of his honor following their recent marriage in St. Paul's Naval and Garrison Church, Esquimalt, B.C. The bride is Hazel Eileen, daughter of Mr. and Mrs.

Alfred Hynes of this City, while Lieut. Ross is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Wallace Ross of Victoria B.C. (Campbell Studio)

MRS. GORDON MACMILLAN

A COUNTRY GARDEN

Once more 'tis May, and in the woods
And mossy dells, we find
The flower of spring, that never
falls
To blossom in its time.
O Mother Nature waves her
wand
And all the earth responds.
The trees put forth their tender
leaves.
The bedded ferns, their fronds,
March has passed by with blustering
winds.
And April with her showers;
May, dances forth all clad in
green
And gives us sweet Mayflowers.
M.E.B.

and warmth and light. Spring comes at last and smiling in her magic, fast hides the scars where winter's frost has been; refreshed is all the earth—transformed by Nature and these small fragrant flowers are a symbol of the Springtime to us in this Province.
Yesterday the twig was brown and bare, today the glint of green is there. Tomorrow will be leaf-lets spare; I know no thing so wondrous fair, no miracle so strangely rare. Every day in May there are miracles in spite of the cold winds. What fun to know the sun is turning the dripping bracken burnished gold, and lapping grey tree trunks shining and strong; branch out of trunk, twig out of branch and new out of old. How good to know the wood smells of fresh rain. That pushing things are pleased to find the earth less hard and strength released.

PERENNIAL SEEDLINGS
More planting has been done and ploughing on a sunny slope for our early flower and vegetable seeds. All the perennial seedlings were gathered and many good plants obtained from seed sown in the ground in late summer. It is a wonderful way to obtain plants for a large garden by sowing the seed from perennials and biennials as soon as they ripen. Hundreds of plants can be secured from this seed which germinated about a hundred per cent.
Roses have been heeled in until time is found for planting, and it is cheering to find that the hybrid teas have wintered very well and they promise many fragrant flowers in the months to come.
Several varieties of heather were added to the collection here in the garden and they are enjoyed all year because of the greenness of the plant through the long winter months. They also lend themselves to house decoration when used as cut flower material.
It is interesting to try out new plants and shrubs, and this year Laurel and Mahonia have been planted mostly because of their glossy attractive foliage. Crabapple trees have been transplanted and I am reminded of this verse.

WOMEN

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ELEANOR ROSS

Double-Purpose Rooms

Today's living room is an all-purpose room, especially in a modern layout where every inch of space is put to use. With the passing of the best parlor, the sitting room, dining room, music room, library, and den, the modern living room must serve as all these and be a TV room, too.
Where does one find sanctuary, especially when dining, talking, games and TV are all going at once? The only retreat in such a household is the bedroom.
With a bit of ingenuity, any bedroom can masquerade as a study, den or second living room during the non-sleeping hours. By substituting dual purpose sleeping equipment for standards beds, even a small bedroom can serve as an indispensable second room. The selection of dual-purpose furnishings give it a bed-sitting room look. Of course, the results will depend on available space and individual taste.

fully if it is slipcovered in a fabric that ties in with the decor of the room.
A small desk is good, too, and it will offer the chance to check bills or catch up with correspondence in peace and quiet.
NICE TOUCH
Bookshelves add a sitting room look. For a nice touch, give the books dust covers that harmonize with the room. We covered ours with the same wallpaper that was used for the walls. An extra roll of paper covered the books so that they blend into the background.
FINE ACCESSORY
A clock-radio is a fine accessory for the bed-sitting room and so, too, is a good reading lamp. We also keep a folding table in the bedroom closet and out it comes when required for card games or sewing.

The combination of mattress and spring on legs can be slip-covered in easily washable materials and decorated with bolsters and scatter pillows in pretty colors. A studio couch may be preferred or perhaps a jack-knife sofa with the seat to form a sleeping surface. If the room is spacious, a convertible sofa might be best.

CONVENTIONAL ROOM
For the bedroom with conventional sleeping equipment, a few added touches will give it a sitting room quality.
An easy chair instead of or together with the usual houndie chair is one device. It works out beautifully.

Wife Preservers
With a youngster at the crawling stage around the house, an effective and efficient safety gate can be made by simply using the wooden slats of a discarded venetian blind with screw eyes and "L" hooks. That is, of course, if you have a handy man around the house.

them now but alas it was possible to plant only a few; but they are fragrant and lovely. The blue forget-me-not is showing color on the sunny bank and it is a great joy to have sheets and sheets and drifts of this blue, blue dainty flower all over and around every shrub and border until every July. I would not wish to do without this good biennial. It is not much care when it has become established in the garden through the years. It should not be confused with the old-fashioned variety of the pale blue color that is much like a weed.
Sweet Peas are up in the garden and some other seeds sown last fall but not nearly as many as some good gardeners have reported of their sowing.
Now the brown sweet-smelling earth is stirred
By the necromancy of bursting seeds.
The delicate green of the year's first shoots
Is thrown like a mantle over the scars
Left by savage brumal winds. Bell-like flutes
Of shepherd's sound clear while the farmer bars
The ground with fresh-turned furrows as he plods
Behind the share . . . noting with practiced eye
The blade's clean thrust, in the sun-warmed clouds.
He hears the whisper as he passes
By
Of a stream murmuring by the distant trees
Starting life's cycle in the warm spring breeze.
—Vormelker
May is the month of the leaf, and perhaps one of the most glorious, though to our eyes common spectacles in the world, the first of the bursting into full foliage of the leafless trees in this month.
Everywhere the talk this month is of gardening and several evenings if it had been possible I might have been in different groups of country folk talking on this gardening business. Always there is life in May, intense and vivid in every leaf and flower answering the call of the warming sun.
A garden that one makes oneself personal associated with one's personal history and that of one's friends, interwoven with one's tastes, preferences and character, and constitutes a sort of autobiography. So, there are many types of gardens.

It's easy to WIN A VALUABLE PRIZE in the big SALADA SCRAMBLE CONTEST
See this newspaper Thursday, May 18th

Marriage Consultant Says Canadians Romantic Souls

By SYLVIA HACK
Canadian Press Staff Writer
LONDON (CP)—Canadians may blush to hear it, but they have "romantic souls," according to a British marriage consultant.
"Of all the nationalities who seek my advice," says Mr. Abigail Lewis, who runs a London marriage bureau, "Canadians are easily the most romantic."
She leaves soon to appoint a deputy in Canada because of the number of Canadians who pop into her office here. She plans to visit Montreal and Toronto, where she will meet ministers of religion "to discuss things and seek advice."
Auburn-haired Mrs. Lewis, youthful-looking mother of two sons, one 15 and the other 11, has done social work all her life and brought about "many happy marriages." In the last 10 years she has "helped arrange" marriages for 40 Canadians.
Two years ago she set up her own offices and now has two elegantly-furnished rooms near Piccadilly Circus. Main colors are grey and white—"colors that help people relax so they can talk freely."
INVESTIGATES BACKGROUND
There is no form-filling in the office. "I don't arrange marriages cold-bloodedly." But a fee is charged.
Before Mrs. Lewis introduces two people she thinks suitable from her point of view she investigates their background.
"They have to present me with

medical certificates and character references."
Canadian men are particularly keen to have English wives and the first attribute they look for is "a gentle voice."
"They generally feel an English girl marries for love and isn't nearly as demanding as her Canadian counterpart who seems to want many material comforts at the start of married life. English girls are prepared to wait."
On the other hand, Mrs. Lewis says many "really lovely" Canadian girls find their way to her offices in the hope of getting English husbands.
"They feel it's a great achievement to acquire one."
She recalls a 22-year-old girl from British Columbia who wanted

LOVE'S GIFT
Bring me orchids, if you wish,
Bring me roses, not a few,
Bring me pansies in a dish,
Laden with the morning dew,
And the girl is happily married.
How do people know about Mrs. Lewis far and wide? "Mainly through ministers of religion and doctors who send people to me," she says. She also works closely with Britain's marriage guidance council, answering personal problems as well as introducing would-be marriage partners.
"I think that government-sponsored marriage bureaus should be recognized as an important factor in our social life." And Mrs. Lewis has put this point forward to the "women's group on public welfare" which is conducting a two-year investigation into the problems of lonely people.
She confesses it's hard but satisfying work—especially when babies are christened "Gail" and when a broken marriage is mended.
Hyacinths, and daffodils,
With their opening splurge of Spring,
Vie with lilies on the hills—
All their gorgeous glory bring.
Late a bouquet I received,
Could you ever guess it? No
Just a bunch of withered weed—
Scarcely peeping thro' the snow.
Plucked by dainty hands, so well,
Held together with such pride,
We have picked those flowers, you see.
And we got them all outside!"
Quickly then, my thoughts did rove
Does it matter, great, or small?
When the heart is full of love—
Love's the greatest gift of all—
—Mrs. F. Holden H. McLoire,
Iris

Tips For Wise Flower Buying

OTTAWA (CP) — Homemakers needn't wait until their summer flower plots bloom to have flowers for their homes.
Canadians can afford flowers all year round if they watch the quality, size and seasonal supply of what they buy, says the farm news bulletin of the federal agriculture department.
It planted a few tips for wise flower-buying. First thing to watch for is good quality—flowers and plants that are fresh, hard and undamaged.
A fresh flower is one recently cut and not too far open, and not wilted or faded. "Hard" flowers have leaves, stems and petals that are firm and sturdy. These flowers usually keep best in the home and are better money values.
But what is hard quality for one flower variety may be soft for another. A rose, for example, is more tender and succulent than a carnation.

SMALL FLOWERS POPULAR
Shorter stemmed, smaller flowers and less massive plants aren't as expensive as their longer stemmed and larger counterparts. The smaller size is also better suited to the average home.
Bargain-wise, flowers are cheaper in season, when crop supplies are at their peak. All-season bargains include African violets, foliage plants and greens such as cedar and hemlock.
A seasonal list of recommendations is as follows:
Spring: bedding plants for gardens, calceolarias, cinerarias, daffodils, hyacinth, hydrangea, Dutch iris, snapdragon, stock, tulip.
Summer: Aster, calendula, carnation, delphinium, gladioli, rose, glloxinia, snapdragon.
Fall: aster, carnation, chrysanthemum, rose.
Winter: azalea, begonia, cyclamen, kalanchoe, poinsettia.

Bringing Up Baby

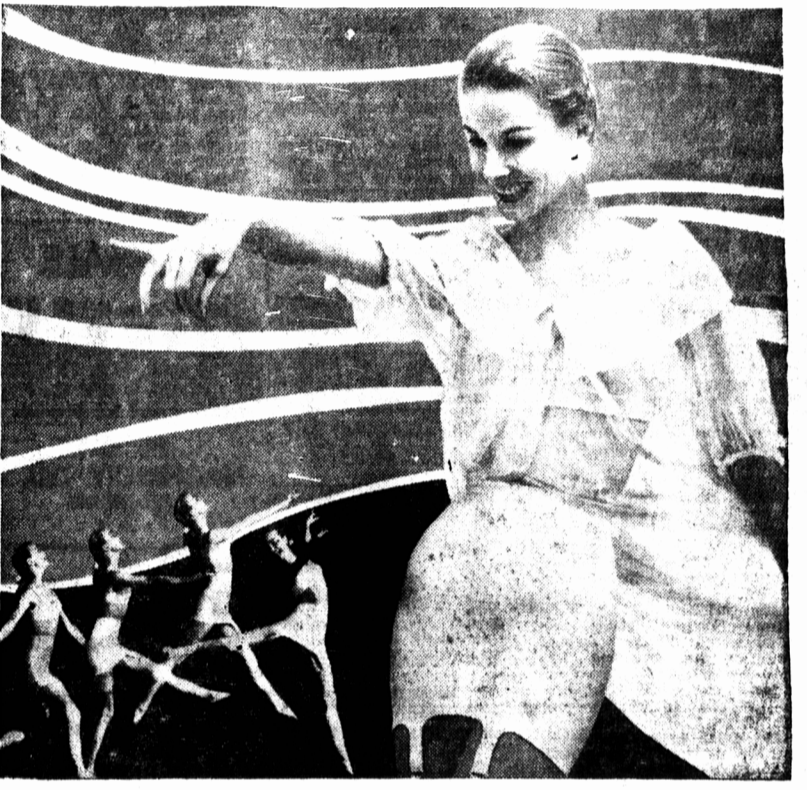
HINTS COLLECTED BY Mrs. Dan Baker (MOTHER OF 8)
Nothing like papas and mamas turn amateur photographers. Good thing, too, for there's nothing quite so rewarding in later years as a picture biography of your little ones. Clues to remember when snapping your sweetheart:
• Simple settings are best. Let your little image be the star attraction.
• Background radio music makes for livelier expressions.
• Give baby something to play with. His absorption will cut down wiggles—add picture interest.

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This is usually the state of affairs when you serve baby Gerber Strained Egg Yolks. For they have a creamy, custard-like texture that's deliciously smooth on baby's delicate tongue—a delightful, fresh-egg flavor that's just right for young taste buds. As for nourishment, they're rich in iron, have a high vitamin-A value, are a good source of body-building proteins too. Wonderful "as is"—an added attraction on baby's green vegetables.

Cup cue from a column-reading mother: "Small paper cups are excellent for baby's first cup tries with milk. The little beveled edge rests lightly on baby's lower lip, reducing drippage. Cups are small enough for tiny hands to hold."

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HOUSEHOLD HINT
It isn't necessary to iron most garments until they are completely dry. Save time and effort by merely pressing out the wrinkles in the garment, then hanging them in an airy room where the moisture will evaporate quickly.
GREAT CHURCH
Westminster Abbey in London in 1955 will celebrate the 900th anniversary of its founding.

THROAT SORE?
For common ordinary sore throat
JUST RUB ON
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