

## News Flashes

## Racehorse Insured For £50,000

Mrs John D. Hertz's three-year-old colt Count Fleet, whose Kentucky Derby victory secured all but three owners from competing in the valuable Preakness Stakes, is now insured for 200,000 dollars (about £50,000). The original Lloyds policy for 100,000 dollars has been doubled following a decision to race the colt in all the big races this year.

**Iron Coins for Finland.**—The Finnish Government is reported to be proposing to put iron coins of the three denominations into circulation.

**He'd Forbid Us.**—As a moral reprisal for the "terrible bombardment" of Italian cities, Senator Eduardo Picala Caselli yesterday demanded that all members of enemy nations be forbidden for 100 years after the end of the war to enter Italy, says German overseas radio.

**Whole Railway Sent Overseas.**—An entire American railway system—engines, goods, and passenger cars, rails, signalling and other apparatus, and the operating personnel—has been shipped from the United States to Iran (Persia) to help to send Lease-Lend goods to Russia.

**Daughter for Screen Star.**—Joan Bennett, film star wife of producer Walter Packer, gave birth to a daughter on Saturday night. She has two daughters by previous marriages.

**He Criticised Her Golf.**—Because her husband criticised her "activities as a golfer," Mrs Elizabeth Hicks Newell, U.S. national golf champion, was granted a divorce.

**Author Dead.**—Mr Arthur Waugh, the author and publisher, has died at his home, Hampstead Lane, Highgate, London, aged 76, it is announced to-day. The father of two author sons Alec and Evelyn Waugh, he himself wrote several books.

**Laval spent his 60th birthday yesterday** with his family in Chateldon, says German News Agency.

**Earthquake Deathroll.**—The German news agency says that the deathroll in the recent earthquake in north-western Anatolia (Turkey) is officially given as 346.

**Pope Receives British Minister.**—The Pope to-day received the British Minister, Sir D'Arcy Godolphin Osborne, in private audience, says the German news agency. Their talk lasted more than an hour.

Sixty-two buildings were destroyed and £2,000,000 worth of damage done in a fire at Shanghai.

## HOME GUARD HUT RIFLED

Mailing her third appearance at Cupar Sheriff Court within eight days, Maria Brattasani, domestic servant, of no fixed residence, was sentenced to thirty days' imprisonment to-day, when she admitted having (1) on June 27 stolen a bicycle from a shed at the rear of Kinloss Crescent, Cupar, and (2) stolen a quantity of tinned foodstuffs, a fork, plate, and spoon, and other articles including a sandbag from a Home Guard hut.

Brattasani was fined £4 at Cupar on June 21 when she admitted charges of theft, and on June 26 was admonished on a charge of having taken a barrow from Strathgrym Home Farm, St Andrews, without the owner's permission.

To-day, Mr R. N. Robertson, Cupar, for accused, said that he had great difficulty in understanding why she had committed the offences and his impression was that she was simple.

When passing sentence, Hon. Sheriff A. E. Grosset said that when accused last appeared in court he had given her a grave warning, but apparently it had had no effect.

## BROTHERS DROWNED WHILE BATHING

Two brothers, Alastair and Ian Hunter, aged 11 and 9 respectively, were drowned in a bathing tragedy at Roxburgh yesterday. Their mother, who went fully clothed to their assistance was rescued by Frederick Walker, 14-year-old son of the Roxburgh stationmaster.

The boys both pupils of Kelso High School, were bathing in the river Teviot when Ian got into difficulties. Alastair, although unable to swim, went to his aid and was soon in difficulties himself.

**MONTROSE MID-SUMMER HOLIDAY.**—Montrose shopkeepers' mid-summer holiday is being observed to-day. Several places of business are remaining closed for a few days.

Officials of the State Department have "no knowledge of a report that General Giraud is leaving North Africa for New York this week."

## "SERIOUS CHARGES AGAINST STUDENT"

—Say Police

When John Trehan Wheeler (18), a medical student, now at Queen's College, Cambridge, was accused at Cambridge to-day of forging an identity card, it was stated that other serious charges will be preferred against him. He was remanded in custody until Friday.

Superintendent Lilley said that at 3.45 a.m. to-day a constable stopped Wheeler, who was riding a bicycle.

At the police station Wheeler produced an identity card bearing the name of "Daniel B. Thomas, 55 Bridge Street, Lampeter."

It was pointed out to him that the card had been altered, and Wheeler, it was alleged, said:—"Yes. I removed my name and address with acid and wrote in what is on there now."

The superintendent said that in view of the charges of a serious nature, he was instructed strenuously to oppose bail.

## H.G. LT.-COL. DRUNK IN CHARGE OF VAN

Geoffrey Rittson Thomas, a lieutenant-colonel in a battalion of the Home Guard, appeared at Dunfermline Sheriff Court to-day on a charge of having, on June 25 in St Catherine's Wynd, Dunfermline, been in charge of a motor van while he was under the influence of drink to such an extent as to be incapable of having proper control of the vehicle.

He was fined £10 or 30 days.

## OVERCHARGED FOR UTILITY CLOTHING

Israel Bernstein & Sons, drapery and furniture dealers, 24 Chalmers Street, Dunfermline, appeared at Dunfermline Sheriff Court, to-day, for having offered to sell to an inspector of the Scottish Price Regulations Committee, a utility pillow 5d in excess of the maximum price, and exposed for sale utility stockings at 2s 6d per pair, 3d in excess of the maximum price, men's utility shirts at 11d in excess of the maximum price, and a lady's dress at 8d in excess of the maximum price.

Sheriff Maclean said that what he did not like about the case was the repeated offences, although the amount in each case was only a matter of pence. He imposed a fine of £15.



## BRECHIN AIRMEN REPORTED MISSING

Two Brechin Air Force lads are reported missing. They are Sergeant John Hutchison son of Mr and Mrs William Hutchison, 30b Union Street, and Pilot Officer A Norrie, Scott Street. Previous to joining up Norrie was employed in a local bank.

## FAILED TO MAKE RETURN.

For failing to make a return to the Department of Agriculture concerning the land of Park Neuk, Charles Calligan, Park Neuk, parish of Liff and Benwie, was fined £3 at Dundee Sheriff Court to-day.

Mr D. J. Henry, procurator fiscal, said it was quite a simple form accused had failed to fill up. He had paid no attention to several warnings.

Accused said he had every intention of returning the form, but owing to shortage of labour and one thing and another he had omitted to do so.

## COUPAR ANGUS SCHOLARS AID RED CROSS.

Mr W. B. Robertson, headmaster, opened a fun fair in a back garden in George Street, Coupar Angus, organised by pupils of the qualifying class of Coupar Angus School in aid of the Red Cross and Prisoners of War Funds.

Stallholders were:—Doreen Brown, Margaret Lundie, Sheila Robb, Margaret Robertson, Sadie Ross, Alice Thom, Evelyn Whyte, Jean Whyte, and Elizabeth Whytock, Robert Benzie, Billy Bannerman, Charles Clark, Derek Doig, Bert Jolly, Robert Low, Ronnie Heggie, James Murray, Alastair Lyburn, and Billy Ross, under their teacher, Miss Neil, with the assistance of parents and friends.

Total drawings were £23 8s 7d.

## FIRE AT ALYTH FARM.

A fire broke out in the barn of Easter Liffie Farm, owned by Mr Wm. Durie, yesterday afternoon. By the time the Alyth, Dundee, and Perth fire brigades arrived, Mr Durie had the fire under control.

## Missed Warden's Duties To Help Charity

A well-known Dundee amateur entertainer, John Alfred Scorgie, 58 Watson Street, pleaded guilty through Mr R. S. May, solicitor, at Dundee Sheriff Court to-day to being absent without reasonable excuse from a warden's post.

Mr May said he had difficulty in getting accused to plead guilty. His stage name was Al de Vere and his services were in constant demand for the entertainment of troops, prisoners of war functions, and hospitals, &c. In that connection he had done splendid work. Last year he gave 200 performances and so far this year, 85. He did it all gratuitously.

In October last year he applied for release from warden's duty and was told that his application would be sent to the proper quarter. He had received no reply.

On the dates in question he was not able to give any notice to the head warden that he had been called upon at short notice to give a show.

For the prosecution, it was said accused was giving shows to the troops and that that probably was the reason for his absence.

He had become very irregular in his attendances and had been sent a formal warning that he must attend.

It was arranged that his duties would be fixed well in advance so that he could check up for his entertainments. Unfortunately, this did not make any change and he continued to give entertainments instead of attending as a compulsory warden. His Civil Defence duties were for 48 hours a month.

Scorgie was fined £2.

## Left Work in South.

Fines of £5 with the alternative of thirty days were imposed on several men who had been sent south to serve as labourers and had left their work without permission.

They were—Joseph Sanderson, 12 Dundee Avenue; Thomas Barrett, 9 Annfield Road; and Andrew Bruce, 19 Kerr's Lane, Loches.

It was stated by solicitors on their behalf that the agreement had been that they would be paid 1s 10d an hour for 56 hours, with a certain amount of guaranteed overtime. After being there for some time, the manager held a meeting with the workers and told them they would have to cut out Saturday forenoon's work and also the double shift every two weeks, which meant a considerable loss of pay for these men. They asked for their release, but were refused leave to see about it.

For the first accused, it was stated he was 19 years of age and had made three applications to get into the Army. He had been accepted subject to the conditions governing his employment.

Patrick Fitzsimmons, 71 Constable Street, was fined £5 for failing to take up the work of labourer to which he was directed by the Employment Exchange. Christina Bain, 23 Pittarlie Road, was fined £3 for being persistently late from essential work on 16 days.

## 'SPIRITUAL HEALER'S' COURT PLEA

When Miss Constance Vera Peters, of Palmeira Avenue, Hove, who, it was stated, had been recommended by the Women's Advisory Panel for work in a hospital or on the land, was summoned at Hove to-day for failing to attend for interview at the Children's Hospital, Brighton, on April 29, she pleaded that she was authorised by the Bishop of Chichester (Dr G. K. A. Bell) in the works of prayer and spiritual healing in the diocese. She had been doing this work for nine years.

"The Bishop of Chichester," she said, "considered anyone contributing to the spiritual welfare of the community should be given the opportunity of doing so and of bringing that welfare into the Church of England."

Holding that a technical offence had been committed, the magistrates dismissed the case on payment of 4s costs.

## CARELESS DRIVERS.

Christopher Clark, 35 Cotton Road, and John Ogilvie Lees, 7 Stirling Street, appeared at Dundee Sheriff Court to-day on charges of careless driving.

Clark pleaded guilty to having driven a motor lorry without due care and attention at the junction of Union Street and Nethergate and caused it to collide with a tramcar driven by William Shaw, 14 Wilkie's Lane. He was fined £2.

Lees pleaded guilty to having driven a motor truck without due care and attention in Mid Street, driven from the kerb towards the centre of the road when the road was not clear and collided with and damaged a motor car driven by Cecil McIntosh Blyth, 42 Provost Road. He was also fined £2.

## DUNNING W.R.I. WHIST DRIVE.

Dunning W.R.I. closed the session with a whist drive and dance held in the Town Hall. The president, Mrs James Dougall, Harehead, and was also card-mistress.

Mrs J. MacNaughton, the secretary handed over the prizes to:—Ladies—1 Miss R. Miller, 2 Mrs H. Lawson, 3 Miss J. Robertson; consolation, Mrs J. Dunn. Gentlemen—1 Mrs J. Dougall, 2 A. M'Feat, 3 T. M'Inroy; consolation, C. Arnold. Winner of free gift scheme, Mrs J. Morris.

A dance followed to music supplied by Messrs Dougall's Band. J. Whytock was M.C.

## EDZELL "WINGS" WEEK GOLF MATCH.

In connection with Edzell "Wings" Week a mixed foursomes competition held over Edzell Course was won by Miss J. Johnstone, Stracathro Hospital, and Sgt. Evans R.A.F. A putting competition resulted:—Ladies—Miss M. Hanson, Glenesk Hotel; Gentlemen—A. J. H. Russell, Bridge of Allan.

## Bevin's Tribute To Women War Workers

### "Marvellous Response"

Mr Ernest Bevin, Minister of Labour, expressed at the congress of the Women's Co-Operative Guild, in London, to-day, the "gratitude of the whole world" to the women of Britain for their contribution to the war effort.

There had never been in history a nation so well organised, working in such glorious rhythm, making such great totalitarian contribution, and at the same time preserving its liberty, as Britain.

Not only had the calculations of the enemy regarding our manpower and our output "but his own early calculations as Minister of Labour had been upset by the marvellous response of the women."

He had calculated that it would take three women dilutees to two men in building up our labour power. But the number of women who had entered industry was more than 30 per cent. higher than he originally calculated.

The output of women, instead of being three women to two men, was slightly the other way compared with production in 1939.

### Double 1940 Output.

With the increase in the number of women workers who had come forward and the increase in production over 1939 standards, the total production to-day was nearly double what he had estimated in 1940. "We were now producing more aeroplanes in Britain, without the Allies, than the whole of Germany could produce for the Luftwaffe."

"Of the Battle of Britain, Mr Bevin said, 'We bore it all, and we toiled on, and in toiling on we got from you and your daughters and sons a marvellous response. You are struggling, as working women, at the end of the struggle to enjoy the best that the nation can give.'"

## HAD ARMY STORES

George Beveridge, cattleman, North Uquhart Farm, Dunfermline, pleaded guilty at Dunfermline Sheriff Court to having, between May 21 and June 21 had illegally in his possession regimental stores consisting of blankets, boots, and foodstuffs, 160 articles in all, the value of which was stated to be about £60. An agent explained that most of the stores had been recovered.

Beveridge was sent to prison for four months.

For resetting Army stores, consisting of four blankets, three shirts, an undershirt, and a pair of underpants, which had been stolen, Mrs Jane Scott, 15 Rumbullingline, Dunfermline, was fined £5 or twenty days. James Mentiplay, motor lorry driver, Front Row, Parkneuk, was fined £3 or twenty days for having been in possession of stores consisting of two blankets, underpants, and a pair of socks.

## 16-YEAR-OLD WIFE IN JUVENILE COURT

The 16-year-old wife of an Army corporal was at East London Juvenile Court to-day remanded for a fortnight for the production of a medical report.

When she first came before the court as being "in need of care or protection" and "exposed to moral danger," it was stated that she had been found by a police officer in a public garden early one morning.

She had been married to the corporal for a month, and when his name was mentioned it was alleged that she said, "I hate him," and refused to go back to him.

The court was told that she also refused to return to her parents' home, that she had left her husband twice during her month of married life, and that he now declined to be responsible for her future.

## LEUCHARS BRITISH LEGION WHIST AND DONAL.

A whist drive and domino tournament, followed by a social evening, was held by Leuchars British Legion branch in the Legion Hall in aid of club funds.

Mr M'Kenzie was cardmaster. Mrs Fisher presented the prizes to:—Ladies—1 Miss T. Stark, 2 Mrs T. Anderson, 3 Mrs Walton; consolation, Miss Clarke. Gentlemen—1 R. Dall, 2 Mr Fisher, 3 J. Brown; consolation, D. Dall. Dominoes—1 J. Christie, 2 Miss Taylor.

Music for the evening was provided by Mr Shepherd. Mr M'Kenzie was M.C.

## MARKINCH PASSES BOOK DRIVE TARGET

Markinch with a Book Drive Target of 4000 has collected that total in the first week. Monday's collection raised 2000 and in the interval the school children brought in 6000. Councillor Maxwell, convener, is confident a five figure total will be reached before the finish.

A fancy dress parade supported by the Tullis Russell Silver Band has been arranged for a final effort.

Ladybank Kerr Memorial Church Sunday School picnic was held in the Recreation Park, Wellpark Terrace. Tea was supplied by Mrs Thomson. Arrangements were in the hands of Mr Pearson, superintendent, and teachers.

At St Andrews Burgh Police Court, to-day, John Frederick Barling and Jessiah Hey, Royal Marines, pleaded guilty to fighting and committing a breach of the peace on Saturday night. Barling was fined £1 with alternative of ten days and Hey was admonished.

## "Rest-therapy"—an essential element in the treatment of INDIGESTION

YOUR disinclination to eat when you feel tired or worried is, in truth, Nature striving to cure your gastric troubles by the oldest, simplest and most effective method—Rest. This disinclination is a natural and instinctive curative impulse. Obey it. Instead of a full meal, drink a cup of Benger's Food. Benger's soothes the stomach and gives your digestion a chance to build up its natural strength. Yet it provides the warmth and nourishment your system needs but in a form you can fully absorb without discomfort or digestive strain.

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