

Wally Tells Dismay At Romance Furor

Memoirs Say She Rarely Looked Before Leap

NEW YORK — The Duchess of Windsor says she was "unprepared and unarmed" for the storm stirred up by her romance with former King Edward VIII more than 19 years ago.

In the first installment of her autobiography published in the current McCall's magazine, the former Wallis Warfield Simpson writes: "Rather late in life I found myself not only in love but loved as few modern women could ever expect to be loved, with a great throne at stake, a vast empire seething, and with the most obscure details of my previously unnoticed existence reverberating in the four corners of the earth—when these extraordinary happenings overtook me, slowly at first,

then with the rush of an avalanche, I was unprepared and unarmed."

Edward abdicated the British throne Dec. 11, 1936, for "the woman I love." His romance with the Baltimore divorcee had produced a crisis throughout the British Empire.

"Nothing that I had known before or learned seemed to apply to my new circumstances, the duchess writes. I stood quite alone and defenseless in the eye of the storm. Mistakes were made by me and by others whom I might have influenced but for the lack of communication and understanding.

"Had I had my way, when at the eleventh hour full understanding finally came to me, this story would have had a different ending, if indeed there had been occasion to write it at all.

A sidelight in the first chapter is the duchess' admission that she rarely looked before she leaped.

"With me, however, it has been a case of just landing, and more often than not in defiance of the maxim of never leaping before taking a prudent look. Quite apart from other differences, women seem to be divided into two groups—those who reason and those who are forever casting about for reasons for their own lack of reason. While I might wish it to the contrary, the record of my life now that I have for the first time attempted to see it whole, places me with the second group. And I see something more; this has been, if not my personal tragedy, my continuing folly."

Coal Industry Fights Hike in Freight Rates

WASHINGTON — The National Coal Assn. contended Tuesday the railroad industry has "failed to show the existence of an emergency" warranting a quick 7 per cent freight rate boost.

The increase is scheduled to be made effective next Saturday, unless the Interstate Commerce Commission (ICC) intervenes.

In a brief supporting final argument before the ICC, the association challenged railroad estimates that freight volume this year will be about the same as in 1955, with operating costs substantially higher.

Rail freight volume and revenues, the coal association contended, began rising last May "and still continue to rise." The brief asserted a projection of this trend indicates that rail revenues for 1956 will be over one billion dollars ahead of last year, "or over three times the amount of increased railroad costs."

Slate Meeting At East Salem

EAST SALEM — The regular February meeting of the Swegle Parent-Teachers association will be held Tuesday evening at 7:30 p.m. at the school.

Merry Mingles club will meet Thursday, Feb. 23, at 1 p.m. at the home of Mrs. A. Covil Case, 2050 McCoy Ave.

Guest speaker for the Thursday meeting of the Washington school Mothers club was Miss Jane Irving, 4-H club agent for the Salem schools. She discussed club work in general. Also on the program was the cancer detection film shown by Mrs. James Turnbull. Special music was by the second grade pupils of Miss Donna Reed and the fourth grade children of Mrs. Anna Martin. These rooms won the attendance awards for mothers attending the meeting.

Serving tables for the refreshment hour were bright with Valentine decorations.

Mrs. Ralph Werner, assisted by Mrs. Lloyd De Lapp, was hostess for a luncheon and afternoon social hour for the following members of the Garden Rd. Neighborhood club at the Werner home on Garden Rd. Friday. Attending were Mrs. Paul Lynch, Mrs. Charles E. Siegmund, Mrs. Harry Jennings, Mrs. Mary Swingle, Mrs. Ben Braught, Mrs. A. C. Schaffer, Mrs. William Hartley, Mrs. Jess Hatch and the hostesses.

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Long-Ailing Poetess Dies

PORTLAND (UP) — Funeral services will be held at Sellwood Methodist church here Thursday for Mary Leona McKay, 72-year-old poetess, author and church leader who had been hospitalized for 24 years before her death Sunday.

For 18 years her only address has been Room 38, Portland General hospital. There she battled a multitude of ailments that included almost complete arthritic paralysis, cardiac asthma, tuberculosis, meningitis, loss of use of one lung, high blood pressure and cataracts

Her activities, in addition to her writing, included sewing, typing, pressing flowers and an extensive correspondence. For more than 20 years a group of young people from Sellwood Methodist church held meetings every Sunday in her hospital room.

Her best known works were "Adventures Within Four Walls" and "Just Thoughts." She was a native of Hood River and had lived at Seaside and Milwaukie.

MRS. QUINN IMPROVES
DONALD — Mrs. Ben Quinn, who suffered a stroke Jan. 30 and was taken to Hutchinson hospital in Oregon City, has been moved to Manning's Manor rest home in Woodburn. She is continuing to improve and enjoys seeing her friends.

Officials Balk at Disclosing Details of Trade Curb Ease

WASHINGTON — The Senate investigations subcommittee considers today whether to try to force federal officials to disclose some details of the easing of East-West trade curbs.

Sen. McCarthy (R-Wis.) told the group yesterday a contempt of Congress citation "should be voted" if Secretary of Commerce Weeks does not produce some requested documents, "and the case should go to the grand jury."

Chairman McClellan (D-Ark.) in a stormy exchange with Philip A. Ray, Commerce Department general counsel, hinted he also might have in mind a test of executive agencies' right to withhold subpoenaed material.

The subcommittee is exploring this country's part in a 1954 agreement to end some embargoes and ease other restrictions on free world sales of goods to Russia.

At the time, the then foreign aid director, Harold E. Stassen, said the net result would be of advantage to the free world. McClellan, however, contends Russia's "war machine" has been strengthened by free world shipments behind the Iron Curtain.

In a letter delivered to the subcommittee, Herbert Hoover Jr., undersecretary of state, refused to turn over certain documents McClellan says should show who in Washington recommended that this country agree to the relaxation. Hoover said he spoke for the Departments of State, Commerce and Defense, and the International Cooperation Administration, which administers foreign aid.

Hoover agreed to provide at public hearings a list of items stricken

from the list of goods embargoed for sale to Russia.

But he said public disclosure of items on which restrictions less than a total embargo were either eased or tightened, or of items added to the list, would amount to "a breach of trust" with other Western nations. He said they are privileged executive branch papers.

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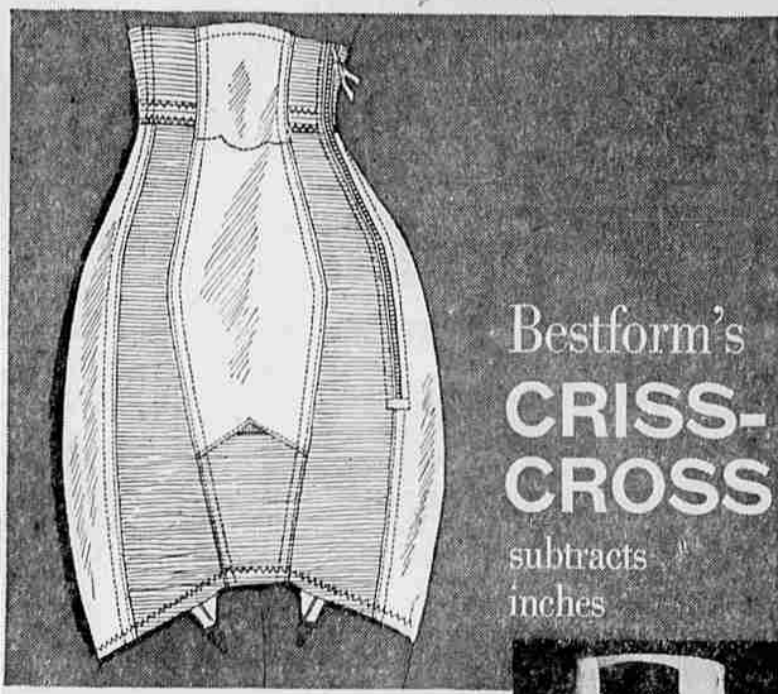
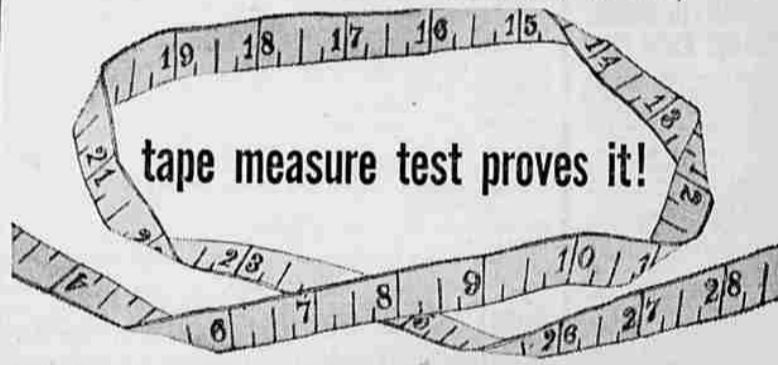
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