Regina Girl Becomes Cinderella Of TV

By CY FOX

MONTREAL (CP) — Sandi Fruman, a long-limbed 22-year-old from Regina, rubbed her big brown eyes in disbelief that such things can still happen.

Barely a year out of college and with no show business experience, she had ventured into the office of a television producer looking for a research job and wound up being hired as hostess for a network TV program.

"It sounds like a crazy Cinderella story, with everything so organized nowadays," Miss Fruman said. "But it happened to me."

"She's a natural, a real find," enthused Harry J. Boyle, executive producer of the program, a twice-weekly edition of The Observer.

Since mid-June, Miss Fruman in Montreal has joined Toronto-based Lloyd Robertson in presiding over the CBC show, which uses reversible microwave to allow the two to converse as if in one studio.

The six-foot-tall brunette first came to Montreal after graduating from the University of Manitoba last year. She had specialized in English literature and psychology.

WORKED AT Y

Once here, she took a job as a group counsellor at the YWCA, administering a charm course and a nursery school and helping girls with household training.

An official of the Y happened to be the mother of CBC producer Gary Plaxton and it was to his office Miss Fruman went June 1 in pursuit of the research job.

But Mr. Plaxton, in charge of the Montreal side of The Observer, put her name down instead as one of 21 applicants for the on-camera post.

Besides her YWCA record, Miss Fruman's only employment record consisted of work during college vacations with a newspaper, a department store and a flower shop.

"I hadn't been a regular TV-watcher," she said. "I didn't even own a set."

All statuesque exuberance, she recalled how she decided to accept the TV offer "really for a lark.

"But the lark sort of backfired and here I am."

Montreal suits her, she said, for the very reasons big cities repel other people. For her, the tortuous traffic and the crush of pedestrians make a weird, fascinating music.

The Observer features interviews with newsworthy personalities and this is where Miss Fruman can indulge her lifelong love for "talking to people."

WINS SEAT IN QUEBEC

Claude Wagner, 39, Quebec's solicitor-general, who won election to the Provincial Legislative Assembly yesterday with a byelection victory for Premier Lesage's Liberal party in Montreal-Verdun. He defeated Union Nationale candidate Arthur Therrien, a 65-year-old businessman and Henri Paquet, an independent. Mr. Wagner moved from the bench to the provincial cabinet.

Alberta Oil, Gas Revenue May Reach High This Year

By ALLEN SACKMANN

EDMONTON (CP) — Provincial revenue from the sale of oil and natural gas leases and reservations this year may be the highest in five years because of new discoveries in northern Alberta.

Two of the biggest sales of the year will be held this month and the revenue for the first nine months already is within a whisker of last year's total. To date, the provincial treasury has taken in $54,102,136 compared with $54,683,113 in 1963.

In 1959, the Alberta government received $71,827,742 in the sale of Crown reserves. The record of $72,660,075 was set in 1958.

R. A. Seaton, assistant director of minerals for Alberta, predicts the Oct. 27 sale of leases may be larger than the $7,000,000 received from last year's October sale. In addition, a major drilling reservation sale five days earlier is scheduled.

Usually, the government holds four major sales a year with the last in October. Reservations are sold for short-term exploration work while leases are for 10-year terms which allow for development.

RECEIVES $711,829,060

Since the Ledue discovery in 1947, to the end of 1963, the Alberta government has received $711,829,060 in sales of Crown reserves. Total revenue from the oil and natural gas industry for the 16-year period was $1,444,268,561.

Largest single sale this year was June 21 when the Alberta government received $14,499,571. Largest sale last year was about two - thirds as large—$9,262,510 in April.

This year started off well with rumors of a new field in northern Alberta. One January lease sale brought $7,655,690 and another brought $6,884,478.

Successful development of a field in the Lesser Slave Lake area, 120 miles north of Edmonton came in early April and a sale April 7 brought $5,795,016 with highest prices realized for parcels in that area.

Mr. Seaton says discovery of the field southeast of Lesser Slave Lake "resulted in a real influx of money" to provincial coffers this year. He said more than 25 wells are scheduled in the field.

Unusually heavy summer rains in the north hampered exploration and development, he says, but it should pick up after freeze-up when companies can move more freely.

Another promising area, he says, is south of Grande Prairie and it, too, caused a flurry of excitement.

Last year the oil industry provided the government with a revenue of $139,578,716 which was made up of sale of Crown reserves, rentals and royalties—the highest on record. The money contributed about 31 per cent of the total estimated provincial revenue for the year.

Heart Ailments Hit 12 Persons Of 100 In U.S.

WASHINTON (AP) —About 13 of every 100 American adults definitely have heart disease and another 12 are on the suspect list, a new government study has revealed.

Furthermore, the Public Health Service reported here the study shows that heart disease is often a complex malady—with a given patient having various different forms at one time.

The figures are disclosed in a new report of the National Health Survey, an agency of the Public Health Service which periodically makes surveys of the prevalence of various ills in the United States. Random sampling of the population is one of the methods used.

Reporting on direct examination of 6,672 persons aged 18-79 from October, 1959, through December, 1962—and a projection of the results to the national population — the report said:

"Of the 111,100,000 adults in the United States, some 14,600,000 had definite heart disease and nearly the same number had suspect heart disease.

"Of every 100 persons aged 18-79 years, 13.2 had definite heart disease while an additional 11.7 had suspected heart disease."

Among other findings:

1. Definite heart disease was more prevalent in women than in men.

2. Heart disease was more common in Negro than white adults.

3. The prevalence of heart disease rose sharply with age, but more so in women than in men.

Canadian Seeks To Wake Up British Voters

By ALAN WALKER

LONDON (CP)—A Canadian ex-hockey player says Britain's major political parties need "waking up"—so he's standing for election in the Cheshire riding of Macclesfield as a Liberal candidate.

Hewlett Johnson, 58, born in Montreal, has lived in Britain since 1934.

"I took a steadily greater interest in politics as I got more attached to the British way of life," Johnson said in a telephone interview from his constituency 150 miles north of London.

"The Liberal candidacy has been dormant here since 1950. This year I decided to try my hand.

"The result of the election is going to be very close, with the Conservatives and Labor running neck and neck, so we think the Liberals will hold a valuable balance of power in the House of Commons."

Johnson played hockey for McGill University and, before that, for Trinity College School at Port Hope, Ont.

He went to Oxford University in 1934 for postgraduate work and met a Russian girl whom he married.

He and his wife, Tania, have three daughters.

Johnson was captain of the victorious British hockey team in the 1936 Olympic games. Until recently he ran a wire manufacturing firm. He now is retired.

Gama Rays Used To Save Food

MONTREAL (CP)—Plans for the construction of the first plant in the Western world to use gama radiation to preserve food were revealed here.

The first use to which the new company, Newfield Products Limited, will put the cobalt 60 irradiation facility will be to inhibit sprouting in potatoes. This process was cleared by the Canadian food and drug administration in 1960 and in the United States shortly after.

The Newfield plant will be the first to be built in the Mont St. Hilaire Industrial park, 20 miles southeast of Montreal.

The plant, which will cost $810,000, will feature, in addition to the radiation facility, a cooled 32,000-square foot warehouse which will be able to store 15,000,000 pounds of potatoes.

Three Nominate For N.B. Seat

MONCTON (CP) — Party nominations for the Westmorland federal byelection Nov. 9 were completed Saturday with selection of Liberal and Progressive Conservative candidates.

Mrs. Margaret Rideout won the Liberal nomination. The death of her husband, Sherwood H. Rideout, caused the vacancy. Moncton lawyer J. Edward Murphy was the PC choice.

The New Democratic Party candidate, Henry Landry, was chosen previously. Social Credit is not contesting the byelection.

Mrs. Rideout won over six

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N. Korean Woman Sprinter Faces Ban At Olympic Games

TOKYO (CP) — The world's fastest woman over 400 and 800 metres, Sin Kim Dan of North Korea, appeared to have a slim chance of being among the starters when the guns go off for those events in the Olympic games later this month.

By far North Korea's best hope for a gold medal, she was among six athletes from that country facing a ban imposed by the International Amateur Athletic Federation, world governing body of track and field sports.

The games open Oct. 10.

The federation has marked ineligible both on the six-member North Korean team and the five Indonesians entered in the others, clinching the nomination with 326 votes to 243 for Moncton lawyer Charles C. Gillespie on the fifth ballot.

Mr. Murphy had only one rival, Moncton barrister R. F. Robinson, this vote was 223 to 141.

Olympic track and field program, it was learned here.

The reason, said Federation Secretary Donald Pain, is the federation clamped a ban on track and field athletes who took part in last year's unauthorized games of the New Emerging Forces in Jakarta.

The federation was turning deaf ears toward pleas for repeal despite the fact the International Olympic Committee said earlier this summer, as far as it is concerned, Indonesian athletes could compete without restriction in the Tokyo games.

It gave a similar blessing to the North Koreans after the failure of efforts to create a unified team from North and South to represent Korea, along the lines of the all - German team.

The International Swimming Federation has also banned the Olympic swimmers and divers who took part in the Jakarta games.

Sin Kim Dan, virtually unknown in the Western world, is the only woman who has been consistent at around 53 seconds in the 400 and 2:01 in the 800.

The 400 is a new event for women in the Olympics. The 800 was revived in 1960 after having been run only once before, in 1928. If by any chance the athletic federation repeals its ruling and Miss Dan does start, she will be a strong favorite in both events.

Greek King Hurries Home

ATHENS (AP) — King Constantine interrupted his honeymoon Sunday and returned abruptly to Athens to defend Queen Mother Frederika in a squabble that has rocked the royal family.

Speaking through Premier George Papandreou, the 24-year - old monarch denounced what he called the "improper personal behavior" of his second cousin, Prince Peter.

Peter, next in line to the throne after Crown Princess Irene, publicly accused Frederika earlier Sunday of having caused friction in the royal family for the last 17 years. He also challenged the order of succession.

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