Item No. 24

327 Redfern Avenue Westmount, Montreal, P.Q.

DECEMBER 9th, 1954.

The Chief Electoral Officer. Federal Government, Ottawa, Ontario.

Dear Sir:

In the recent By-Election for Westmount I was unable to vote at the advance poll. I feel the act covering voting should be amended.

Because I am listed as President of our Company I could not vote, whereas, if I had been a travelling salesman, or a floor sweeper on a train, I could have voted. Mr. W. J. Smaill, the returning officer in charge at Westmount Athletic Grounds was very co-operative and considerate, but naturally could not operate contrary to the instructions given him. On this particular occasion a meeting of the Canadian Good Roads Association was being held in Toronto and I could not possibly have stayed over in Montreal until Monday to vote.

I hope some day the requirements will be changed to permit citizens to vote at an advanced poll, regardless of their status of employment.

Yours very truly,

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(sgd) Robert Hewitt

c.c. Hon. Mr. George Marler, Minister of Transport, Federal Government, Ottawa, Ontario.

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Item No. 25

98 Prospect St., Newmarket, JUNE 30/53.

N. Castonguay, Esq., Chief Electoral Officer, Ottawa, Ont.

Dear Sir:

When the Enumerators came around this year, they still listed "Spinster" after names of unmarried women.

Surely in this enlightened age when a person is keeping up their own home, they deserve at least Homekeeper after their name.

When they have Spinster after their name people get the idea they have no home but work for someone else.

Yours truly,

(sgd) Leonora Starr