

Plane of Good Hope sets out

AT 6 TONIGHT

By NORMAN SMART

Express Emigrating Reporter

WITHIN 40 hours of surrendering their ration cards at Northolt airport this evening, 38 Britons will be settled in Toronto—with the addresses of firms keen to employ them. These 38 are the vanguard of 7,000 Britons who are emigrating to Canada under a scheme sponsored by the Ontario Government.

I am flying with them. I shall tell the story of what happens to the man or woman who emigrates from this country to another part of the British Commonwealth.

I shall tell it from the moment our four-engined Skymaster touches down in Toronto.

It may be a story of successes; but if these emigrants find that life in Canada is not all they thought it might be—why, I shall tell that story, too.

Flying on

Air liners will make 175 trips across the Atlantic to carry the 7,000. At first they will leave three times a week—later twice a day.

The price of a one-way passage is £67 for the emigrant and his maximum 65lb. of baggage. At Northolt, special Customs and emigration officials will handle these passengers.

This evening's six o'clock plane—like the others—will have a cocktail bar and an air hostess. A stewardess will serve hot meals.

One of the four women passengers is Mrs. Ernest Blow. She is the only one of the four who is going with her husband. They are leaving Southbourne, Bournemouth.

The Ontario authorities in London will not accept the wives of emigrants unless they, too, are going to take up a job. They prefer husbands to prepare homes for their womenfolk in advance.

Staying put

Youngest member of the party is Dennis Reffell, of Reigate-road, Downham, Kent. He is 18 and wants to be a lumberman.

There are two latecomers—Mr. John Lloyd, of Friar's-walk, Southgate, N., and Mr. Gerald Workman, of St. George's-square, S.W.

They replace two men. One did not get through the formalities in time. The other decided that his roots in this country were too deep.

But about those who are going on this adventure there will be much more to record. It will be recorded in the Daily Express

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Typist off to Canada - As a servant



Doris Holloway, 25-year-old Foreign Office typist, left London for Canada last night with the first of the 7,000 flying emigrants. She is going as a domestic servant because "four guineas a week is the limit to my present job." She thinks Canada will offer greater opportunities.

First of the 7,000 fly to Canada

Sunday Chronicle Reporter
THE first mass emigration by air began last evening when 38 excited Britons, pioneers of 7,000 due to fly to Ontario, Canada, left Northolt in a giant Sky-master.

By this evening they will be on Canadian soil.

One of the emigrants, John Leatham, a 38-year-old Yorkshireman, told me:

"By cutting out smokes and drinks and working hard I saved £300 for this chance. I will send for my wife and two children in a year."

'I'll Get By'

Mr. W. D. Browne, aged 29, of Erith, Kent, said: "This is my break. I want to make my own way in life and I shall do it in Canada. I'm an engineer, and I'll try to get in on a Niagara Falls project I've heard of. I want to send for my wife and children in three months."

Then there was Denis Reffell, aged 17, of Bromley, Kent, who has saved for a year and a half.

"I am a forestry worker," he said, "and that's what I shall do when I reach Ontario. I have no home to go to, but I'll get by."

Mr Slagg

Thought this might
be useful.