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NAMES IN THE NEWS

Fourteen new with a mission meet in the Pert of Londen. Led by Squadrem-Ldr. Walford of the R.A.F. and Captain Giasver from Merway, they are off on a 9,000 mile journey to the South Polar regions - to an arotic waste, where no man has ever set foot. In the MORSEL, a 700-tan converted scaling ship, this party of Britens, Swedes and Merwegians will make for Queen Maud Land and from there, start exploring by dog teams. For the next two years, their only contact with the outside world will be by wireless. All available space is filled and stores overflow onto the decks. A non-political voyage of adventure, it's a journey in the interests of science.

Moet Mrs. Hannah Hazell. Many times a grandmother and a great-grandmother, she's a name in the news because it's her birthday. And, believe it or not, Mrs. Hazell is 103. She lives in Leyton, London, and is as virile as many a woman thirty years her junier. To Mrs. Hazell, it's just an ordinary day, but the birthday cake on which the candles wouldn't fit - and the sheaf of telegrams- among them one from the King - tell their own story.

Today, Mrs. Hasell, for the 103rd time, it's Many Happy Returns.

Wilfred Pickles comes to London. At a Park Lane Hotel, the Yorkshireman who has made all Britain "Have a Go," is the guest of honour. Frankie Howerd, the Bishop of London and Joy Nichols are among those who hear Wilfred praise his wife and tell a story:

"....and discussing his wife and praising her, as I am now, and he said to his friend, 'Do you know my wife's an angel.' He said 'By gum, that's lucky - mine's still living.'"