

Woman Refused Dealer's Licence

An application by Mrs. Hettie Lavina Uppeneek, of Magill road, Stepney, for a secondhand dealer's licence was refused by Acting Judge Haslam, in the Local Court today.

An objection to the application had been lodged by the Commissioner of Police, who alleged that the business was that of applicant's husband, Nicholas Charles Uppeneek, and that he was convicted last September of unlawful possession; that if the licence were granted he might carry on the business as if he himself were the licensee, and that he and his wife were acting in collusion in respect of the application.

Uppeneek, in evidence, said that he ceased to hold a licence on December 31, 1942. His wife was too nervous to come to court. She had held a licence about five or six years ago. He admitted the conviction.

Stock in the shop was worth about £2,000, which belonged to his wife, except for about £100 worth.

His wife had bought stock with money she had won at the "trots." If he were half as lucky as his wife he would not work at all.

His wife was anxious to get the licence so that she could sell out the business.

Mr. D. C. Williams, of the Crown Law Office, for the Commissioner.