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The Rambling Reporter

BLUE THURSDAY — That was last week. Some readers may have received their copy a day late. Don't blame us. Friday was the 13th, but our hard luck started early Thursday morning. A breakdown of the press started what looked like a good day off with a real "bang". We used up part of our emergency supply of parts, and then had to phone Chicago for the broken piece, in the meantime, Gord Males, the pressman started in on a piece of birch with a plane for a makeshift part — and it worked. We were mobile again by about 2 p.m. The Haileyburian suffered, and it was late in the evening before it was off the press and in the stores. Then just as we overcame one hurdle, a linotype gasped and groaned and quit — another broken part, but this time we could raid a machine that was not in use at the moment until parts could be shipped in from Toronto. After getting through Thursday, Friday the 13th held no terrors in spite of a forecast of snowstorm. Life couldn't be any more hectic.

AGAIN POLICE in the northern areas are faced with an outbreak of break-ins. During the past several months almost every town in the area has experienced a spasmodic epidemic of burglary. Sometimes the illegal haul has been such as to perhaps seem to make it worthwhile for the thieves, while at other times the loot has been exceptionally small. Damage to property and inconvenience to the victims is probably the more costly. The hit and miss raids, and the frequency in which they occur do not seem to set up a pattern that would lead police to guess where the next move will be. At one time a gang or group made their headquarters in the Twin Cities of Rouyn-Noranda, but then that group was broken up a year ago with prison terms—but perhaps there were some who escaped the clutches of the law and have lived to strike again. On the other hand it could be that a new gang, seeking easier living has come into being. In addition to Woods Hardware at New Liskeard, visited last week-end, thieves also struck as far south as Sturgeon Falls, if they are the same, they are ranging over a considerable territory. Residents of the north can help the police in breaking up or capturing the thieves, by reporting all suspicious movements during the night as they are noticed. It is not necessary to be a Dick Tracy nor is it advisable to carry out a private investigation first, rather it is preferable to call the police and let them get on the job quicker. The sooner the thieves are caught it will be better all round.

ANOTHER DAY for the Irish has come and gone, without fuss or flourish. True green sprigs or leaves of shamrock appeared on lapels to indicate that the wearer was kind of remembering the land of his forefathers or perhaps wishing that he was out of the land of frost and snow and back in the country which is supposed to be always green. And while we are waiting for spring to come along, and the Irishmen are tucking away their emblems for another year, fishermen are starting to get ready for the opening of the season. Reports are that at least two groups of ice fishermen spent a longer than usual time on the ice over the week-end. The storm is reported to have marooned one party on Lake Animaniassing when the plane couldn't get back in for them, while another party was reported storm bound on Lake Tre-

thewey, when their plane couldn't take off from the lake. The fishermen should have been able to keep warm as there were camps on each lake where shelter would be available.

Centuries Old

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instrument in the other, St. Apollonia still shines in all her brilliance across the centuries in blue, black and several shades of yellowish-green. She resisted the elements for 800 years at the Abbey.

Around about the middle of the 17th century the window, with others, was coated by the monks with some sort of white substance to save it from the lances of Cromwell's invading army which disturbed the quiet peace of the Welsh valley.

Though the monks themselves suffered, the window, "looking like a very ordinary window," was spared the ravages of war. Time went on and the white coat clung to the window. The monastery was turned into a school and the Church of Abergavenny became a Protestant Church. Grandfather Morgan's mother, in fact, attended this very school.

Shortly after the turn of the 19th century, Dr. Bird, a lover of antiquities, purchased the window from a contractor who was given the job of refitting the old church. It was Dr. Bird, who quite by chance, discovered the priceless stained Saint beneath the camouflage and took it to the Roman Catholic Bishop of the Welsh district for identification. Turning over the pages of the Monastery's books, the Bishop uncovered the legend of the dental Saint.

With much opposition from the Vicar, Dr. Bird brought the window in bits to Canada and had it assembled in Montreal. He handed it down to Dr. Charles Bird, his son, at Bowmanville, who was an uncle of William Morgan.

The present owner is, of course, delighted at his fortune in acquiring the family heirloom, but he is at a loss as to its value, and plans to have it appraised soon by the experts of the Royal Ontario Museum. Not that he intends parting with it. His father, now ailing in the Soo, made it quite clear that the Morgan family is going to hold on to it and pass it down from generation to generation.

It wasn't hard for a fashionable man to trip over his own feet during the Middle Ages. One kind of a shoe had a pointed toe so long that a chain had to be used to hold it up so the wearer could walk.

Cruelty to Bush Horses Curbed by District O.P.P.

Bush operators using horses for woods operations may read a warning into action taken in Haileybury court last week to stamp out cruelty in the North.

Rene Champoux of Rigney, Quebec, owner and driver of a truck transporting six horses appeared in court and was found guilty of negligence in transporting the animals and was fined \$200 and costs.

Deserter In 1908 Cleared At Age 73

A 73-year-old Toronto man has been cleared of a charge of deserting from an English army unit in 1908, three months before his time would have been served.

"It was the wandering spirit that got me," said William Thornloe of Dagmar Ave., who served six years with the Canadian Army in the Second World War.

Mr. Thornloe was issued a protection certificate dated January 23, 1959, by the British War Office, stating he was no longer wanted as a deserter. It was issued after he wrote to his old regiment, the Sherwood Foresters, asking for a discharge.

"A bunch of us were all talking about going to Australia and I just picked up and left," said Mr. Thornloe. He said he only had three months to serve and thought it would not cause any trouble if he left. He joined the regiment in 1902 at 16 after falsifying his age and recalled that he won all the prizes as a crack shot.

Mr. Thornloe's dream of Australia ended in Vancouver where he ran out of money. He worked his way back to Toronto where along with two other men, he set off to prospect in Northern Ontario.

"We made two or three small strikes, but nothing important," he recalled. Since then, most of his time has been spent in the north where he worked as a miner in various towns and raised seven children.

He said he was set to join the army during the First World War in 1916 but his house burned down on Christmas Eve and he stayed home to provide for his family.

With the outbreak of the Second World War, however he enlisted in the Canadian Army. "This time I moved my age down a little bit," he said, he served as a shoemaker with various units until his discharge in 1947.

He said it was not until he was in England with the army and visiting with his family in Birmingham that he began to realize he should have a proper discharge from his old regiment. His mother then told him that shortly after he left the country: "The redcoats came looking for you."

But it was not until he read about the retirement of Field Marshal Viscount Montgomery after 50 year's service last year that he finally decided to do something about it. "I figured I had been in the old regiment 50 years too, and that it was time I got things straightened up," he said.

Both horses were severely injured, one so badly that it was shot. All animals had badly caulked legs and knees.

Constable Royal of Kirkland Lake, in charge of the Cruelty to Animals division was called in to review the case.

Police have issued a stern warning that the law protecting animals from wanton cruelty is being strictly enforced, and all persons found guilty of neglect would be dealt with severely.

400 Club

In a spirited contest, L. E. Boucher of Haileybury became president of the Haileybury Golf Club "400 Club", and with the high honor, also won a trip to Bermuda for two.

Classified Ads

Bring Results

BINGO!

Haileybury Curling Club Lounge

SATURDAY, MARCH 21

8:15 p.m.

DOOR PRIZE \$150.00 BLACKOUT on 52 numbers only, otherwise \$25.00 will be paid.

Admission: 50c for 20 Games Additional Cards 25c

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ADULTS 75c

CHILDREN 25c