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C.N.R. WORKING TO AID SETTLERS FROM OLD LAND

In connection with the bringing out of settlers from the Old Country for farm lands in Canada the Canadian National Railways has inaugurated an innovation—a correspondence course in farm practice. This course is described as follows:—The course is to consist of ten lectures on ten salient points, essential to Canadian agriculture. Students are enrolled, coached, examined and qualified and then are placed in employment on farms in Canada. The course is prepared and administered by agricultural experts attached to the London office of the Canadian National. The work, it is claimed, will open up an entirely new line of effort for the benefit of intending settlers in Canada and also of those who are already on the land. The original scope of the scheme was limited to teaching Canadian agricultural practice by mail to would-be settlers, and in four years 4,000 students have taken the course. But the demand for these lessons has become insistent among settlers already on the land, so that it has been found advisable to print the course of ten lectures and issue them in a single bound volume, in which forms it serves as a correct elementary text-book on Canadian farming. The Canadian National is equipping itself to play an important part in promoting successful immigration into the Dominion.

REAL SPIRIT OF NORTH SHOWN IN LARDER LAKE

On several occasions reference has been made in The Advance to incidents showing the fine "spirit of the North Land" that prevails at Larder Lake and other smaller towns in this country. Another of these pleasing evidences of the "true North Land spirit" is given by The Northern News last week. The Northern News says: "Perhaps in the whole North Country there is not a community whose public spiritedness is more apparent than Larder Lake. On different occasions the citizens there have through an organized effort helped one of their own to whom misfortune has fallen. On Sunday, February 3rd, Mrs. Urho Altonen was removed to Rouyn hospital, where after two weeks of suffering, death came as relief. Mr. Altonen, formerly employed by one of the mines, had been out of work all winter due to their closing and the illness and funeral expenses of his wife found him in straitened circumstances. The citizens of Larder Lake and Crown City immediately came to his relief with the result that \$127 was raised to help Mr. Altonen take care of his financial burden. The action of the citizens is to be commended. It is little brotherly actions like this that makes this old world a pleasanter place to live in and makes a man feel that brotherly love is a reality."

St. Mary's Journal-Argus:—If you have a constructive suggestion to offer on any problem affecting the town or surrounding district, write a letter to the editor. Open discussion of this kind makes for the best solution in the long run. In writing, remember that we should all belong to the construction gang, rather than the wrecking crew.

POWER, PERFORMANCE AND LUXURY IN PONTIAC SIX

New Body Lines That Attract the Eye. With Chassis and Engine Almost Entirely New.

Power, performance and luxury previously obtainable only in the big car field distinguish the new Pontiac "Big Six," latest product of General Motors of Canada, which has just been put on display in the showrooms of Marshall-Ecclestone, Limited.

An inspection of this new car reveals that to the many features of sound basic design which in three years have brought the Pontiac swiftly to leadership among the sixes, the designers have added an impressive array of big car specifications which seem to graduate this car above the small car field in everything but price.

In view of the interest aroused by the "Big Six," at the national motor shows in Toronto and Montreal, its appearance here has been eagerly anticipated, and the local dealers are featuring the first showing as an event of more than ordinary interest. Explaining the reason for this enthusiasm, the head of the firm asserted that the new Pontiac line provides not only new body lines that instantly catch the eye, but a chassis and engine almost entirely new.

The engine, according to this authority, is more powerful than a year ago, with 200 inches of cylinder displacement and developing fifty-seven horsepower. Refinements include a harmonic balancer and counter-balanced crankshaft; larger valves, manifold and carburetor; sturdier rear axle; redesigned transmission assembly and new Hotchkiss drive with two universal joints.

Paralleling the new performance of power plant are beautiful new longer and wider Fisher bodies. Overall length has been increased to 167 inches. On the hood a smart new louvre grouping sets the car instantly apart in traffic. In manner unlike the conventional, the louvers all are grouped in one panel, and extend horizontally across the bonnet.

The Fisher bodies all have adjustable driver's seats, smart new visors of all-metal construction, tilting beam headlights operated by foot control, ebony finish instrument panel with individual mounting and illumination by two shielded bulbs, smart elliptical windows in rear, slender ebony finish steering wheel and deep luxurious upholstery in solid colors harmonizing with the new and beautiful exterior Duco combinations.

Smart low wheels of the heavy artillery ten-spoke type, with large hub caps and flanges, take 29 x 5 non-skid cord tires. The smaller wheels, however, do not affect road clearance, which is ample at 8 1/2 inches. Special equipment, consisting of six wire or demountable wood wheels and tires, with spares carried in front fender wells, is available at extra cost.

Safety is assured by the new dirt-and-water-proof four-wheel brakes, of the internal expanding type, with a useful parking brake on the main drive-shaft. Riding ease comes from luxurious upholstery, improved springs and Lovejoy hydraulic shock absorbers on all four wheels.

Seven models comprising the line are a four-door sedan, two-door sedan, sport roadster with folding rumble seat, sport phaeton, coupe, and two new types—a custom-like landaulet sedan with a folding top over the rear quarter section for all weather driving, and a convertible cabriolet with rumble seat.

Features characteristic of the entire line include larger headlamps of modified bullet type design with chrome-plated door and narrow rims, running boards bound with polished aluminum moulding, hood catches cadmium plated, new tire carrier supported on sturdy brackets, VV windshield on closed body types, rear view mirror, automatic windshield cleaner, new approved combination stop and tail light, larger motor-driven horn and theft-proof locks.

TWO KIRKLAND LAKE BOYS GIVEN STRAP BY POLICE

The Northern News last week says:—"With the consent of his father in one case, and of his mother in the other, two local boys, aged 10 and 12 years were on Friday sentenced in Juvenile Court to six stripes with a strap, after they had pleaded guilty to having participated with two other boys in a number of petty thefts, which included the taking of money from the charity boxes at the local Roman Catholic church; the stealing of some skis from the United church; entering a house and stealing some money from a cash box, as well as the taking of chocolate, cigarettes etc., from several stores. During the hearing of evidence it was intimated that at least one of the boys expressed a hope that he would be sent to the industrial school to which place two of his chums were committed a short time back. It was shown that though ordered on that occasion to report weekly to Inspector O'Hara the boys had failed to do so. In passing sentence Magistrate Atkinson commented that apparently nothing less than a strapping would have any effect. He had decided not to send the boys to the Industrial school. The two lads who were apparently the leaders would each receive six stripes with a strap to be administered by a police officer. The parents could be present if they desired. The other two boys were ordered to report each week to Mr. O'Hara.

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APPEAL ON BEHALF OF THE EDITOR OF FINNISH PAPER

Appeal Claims That Sentence Too Severe and That Judge Erred in Some Particulars

Word from Sudbury is to the effect that an appeal has been entered against the finding of the judge and jury in the recent case against Arvo Vaara, editor of the Finnish newspaper, Vaapas, who is at present serving a term of six months at Burwash prison farm after being convicted of seditious libel and sentenced to the prison term and also to pay a fine of \$1,000, or another two years. Nine points are mentioned as the grounds for the appeal, these nine points being as follows:—

- (1) During the trial of the said case against me, counsel for the prosecution referred to and commented upon the failure of the person charged to testify.
- (2) The learned judge failed to state to the jury material facts in the evidence favourable to the accused and stated inaccurately and prejudicially to the jury portions of the evidence unfavourable to the accused and in particular, the learned judge misstated and unfairly stated the evidence of the witnesses, Alquist and Hill, with regard to the alleged control of the accused over the publication complained of and responsibility for such publication and he failed to define to the jury the kind of control and responsibility required to found criminal responsibility.
- (3) The learned judge erred in not withdrawing the case from the jury on the failure of the Crown to prove that it was the accused who committed the offence charged and the learned judge neglected to properly charge the jury that the burden of proof with regard to the offence rested on the Crown throughout and especially in regard to the charge that it was the accused who committed the offence.
- (4) The learned judge incorrectly stated the law with regard to the publication of a seditious libel and he should have ruled that the words complained of are not capable of supporting a charge of seditious libel.
- (5) The indictment should have been quashed as prejudicial to the accused on the following grounds: (a) It joined in one count a number of offences involving a multiplicity of charges. (b) It contained accusations against the accused which are not offences at law. (c) It did not describe with sufficient clearness the offences charged, so as to allocate the particular words alleged to be criminal, and to allocate the particular words or passages which are claimed to be expressive of seditious intentions to the respective intentions alleged to have been expressed.
- (6) The learned judge erred in admitting evidence which should not have been admitted and in excluding evidence which should not have been excluded.
- (7) Particulars were wrongfully refused to the accused.
- (8) The conviction was against the evidence and the weight of the evidence.
- (9) The penalty was unduly severe.

Counsel for the accused adds: "If a new trial is directed I desire that such new trial be before a jury."

It is understood that application was made for bail, pending the hearing of the case by the Appellate Division of the Supreme Court.

It pays to be honest, and prompt in showing that honesty. A lady lost a purse this week containing some valuable papers, but no money of any account. She arranged for an advert. In The Advance for the recovery of the purse, offering \$5.00 reward. A boy picked up the purse and noting the address on an envelope inside at once took the property to its rightful owner. The advert. apparently had brought results before it was printed. The lady was so pleased at the boy's promptness that she not only paid the reward but gave him the price of the advert. as an additional bonus for the promptness of his honesty. Quite a few honest people wait for an advert. to appear to see if there is any reward.

Pipe which is thought to have originated from dust and dirt in the casing around the furnace, did about \$2500 damage to the house and contents of the home of A. J. Elliott, postmaster at Kirkland Lake last week.

HYDRO TO BE EXTENDED IN NORTHERN ONTARIO

Premier Ferguson Tells Legislature Several Private Power Plants Have Been Bought

Announcements of particulars interesting and importance to this North Land were made in the Ontario Legislature this week by Hon. G. Howard Ferguson, premier of Ontario, according to despatches from Toronto.

In the first place Hon. Mr. Ferguson reiterated his attitude regarding the development of the St. Lawrence Waterways. He was quite plainly against anything that might jeopardize Canada's control over her own waterways. The premier also announced the Government policy regard to Hydro power, particularly in reference to its extension in this North Land.

The premier's announcements were made in answer to questions asked by T. K. Slack (Progressive-Dufferin) who before the orders of the day referred to newspaper comment on recent speeches in the House.

Premier Ferguson announced that hydro was to be extended in Northern Ontario to give settlers in the less settled areas the advantages accruing to those in the more populous districts. He also warned that if "insidious propaganda" of the United States power trusts against Hydro in Ontario did not cease, the government would not hesitate to use its power of expropriation and buy up small private power plants. This announcement followed Mr. Slack's reference to the situation in Bruce County, where private interests now hold power leases.

Mr. Slack urged that the Premier announced his policy regarding the St. Lawrence, which, he said, was of paramount interest. He said the province expected the Prime Minister to provide leadership in the matter.

Mr. Ferguson replied that while his attitude was well known, he would say that the St. Lawrence waterway was primarily a Dominion matter. Ottawa had the entire control, while Ontario had no official status. He believed that everybody favoured development, but the difference was as to ways and means.

He said Canada had developed its own great system of canals and had undertaken the enlargement of the Welland Canal. He did not see why at this stage a big partner should be taken in. "We must dig canals on our own side of the International Boundary. We cannot be ordinary shareholders in this great enterprise," he declared.

As for Hydro, the Prime Minister said expansion was planned in Northern Ontario and in the last few months half a dozen private power plants had been purchased, one of them located in Sudbury. The water powers of the North were to be linked up with Hydro.

He said insidious attacks believed to be inspired by United States power trusts had been made on Hydro. Hy-

DEATH OF JOHN MACDONALD AT SOUTH RIVER ON FEB. 22

A despatch last week from Cache Bay, Ont. says:—"The death occurred very suddenly while at his work, on Friday, Feb. 22nd in South River of John MacDonal. Deceased was born in Sheen and was in his 48th year. He enlisted with the 159th Battalion and later joined the Canadian Mounted Rifles in England. The funeral was held from the home of his mother-in-law, Mrs. Frank Cummings, on Sunday afternoon at 2:30 o'clock, war veterans of Sturgeon Falls attending. Service was conducted in the Roman Catholic church by Rev. Fr. Theriault and interment was made in the Roman Catholic cemetery. He is survived by his wife; four children, Milton, Norman, Rhoda and Frances; his father, Daniel MacDonal of Matheson; five brothers, William, of Red Lake; Tom, of Matheson; Edward, of Elk Lake; Mack of North Bay, and Angus of Timmins; and two sisters, Mrs. Roberts, of Matheson, and Mrs. Cochran of Toronto."

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