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GRAVEL AND SAND—AND PLACER

A reader of The Advance suggests that the new Government might place a special tax on all money sent from Canada to foreign countries. It is a well-known fact that in the Porcupine camp, in all mining camps, and, indeed, all through Canada, there are aliens who through a course of years send money to their wives or other relatives in some foreign land. The foreigner thus sending money regularly from Canada is not only taking a position that could be held by some Canadian or other Britisher, but he is also sending out of Canada money earned here that will go to the support and benefit of an alien land. In this camp there are scores of men who have sent out money each pay day for years to support families in foreign countries. This does not appear to be good business for Canada, and if there is any way it can be remedied or reduced it would be well. A special tax on all remittances from Canada to foreign countries would save this country at least a little of its own money. The plan may not be practical, but in any case it is worth considering. Too many foreigners use this country merely as a convenience to make extra money for the benefit of alien countries. Many send money over to their native land every week or so, and many live here only long enough to get a little money together to take overseas with them. If there is any method by which this sort of thing may be stopped, Canada would be benefitted, and if a tax could be imposed on all this sort of draining money from Canada the advantage would be to this country.

The Toronto Star must have been desperately upset by the Dominion election returns, or else it would have noted that in Toronto West Centre the Liberal candidate was the Highest Common Factor.

Hon. Peter Heenan, Minister of Labour in the late King Government, is quoted as saying that the political machine operating in Northern Ontario is the most corrupt in the world. Hon. Peter may have imagined he said a mouthful, but it does appear that he has opened his mouth too widely and someone has crammed their foot in. It is a well-known fact that Hon. Mr. Heenan has had no opportunity to get closely acquainted with any political machine except the Liberal one. At a large social affair in London, England, the late Mark Twain, not being accustomed at the time to the pocket in the tail of a frock coat, was walking along in one of the rooms of the house in which he was a guest, with his handkerchief almost dropping from his pocket. "Pardon me, sir" said another guest, "but you will lose your handkerchief if you are not careful." Mark hastily stuffed the handkerchief out of sight. "Thanks, friend," he said. "You know this crowd better than I do."

The New Liskeard Speaker urges the appointment of W. A. Gordon, K.C., newly-elected member for South Temiskaming in the Dominion parliament, as the new Minister of Justice in the Bennett administration. Whether Mr. Gordon is taken into the Cabinet as Minister of Justice or not, there seems to be very general agreement among all who know him that he is certainly excellent Cabinet material. The Bennett administration would be strengthened by the inclusion of such men as W. A. Gordon. He is a lawyer of outstanding ability, a successful business man, a speaker of marked talent, and a man who has kept abreast of public affairs. Not only the North Land, but all parts of the country where he is known would be pleased at the appointment of Mr. Gordon to a Cabinet position, knowing that he has the ability and the public spirit to fill such a position with credit to himself and advantage to the country.

Some people are taking much satisfaction from the fact that none of the communist candidates in the Dominion election last week polled any vote worth considering. Returns to hand so far suggest that all the communist candidates lost their deposits. In Nipissing riding out of a total vote of nearly 20,000 the communist candidate received less than 400 votes. In Sudbury, where the communist vote was supposed to be unusually strong, the communist candidate only secured 154 votes out of a total of 5376 votes cast. With these returns in mind there are many people who are tempted to say: "That's just what we've been saying! There are practically no communists in this country. The few that hold such views make a lot of noise, but they do not amount to anything." That appears to be an altogether wrong way to look at the communist menace. The small vote for the communists proves nothing except that there are few Canadians or other British people following these views. On more than one occasion the parades held at Timmins, Sudbury and other centres have shown five hundred or more in line under the red flag. The election returns prove clearly that the vile agitation to smash the British form of government and to abolish all religion is being fostered in this country not by Canadians, but by foreigners. Those who have studied the question and investigated the communist activity in Canada know that the whole evil design originated in a foreign country and is being financed and fathomed by this foreign land. The police throughout the Do-

minion are not in any doubt as to the actual menace to Canada from the communists. At the convention of the chief constables of the Dominion held at Hamilton last week the leading police officers of Canada expressed their opinions strongly on the matter. They were emphatic in pointing out the danger and urgent need in calling for amendments to the law so that the evil activities of the foreign-paid agitators for the destructive doctrine of communism may be adequately dealt with. The people in general should give the chief constables the fullest support in curbing communism. The police know the extent of the evil being done and the public should remember that practically all of the communists are foreigners. This has been conclusively proven by the polling in the ridings where there were communist candidates. Is Canada going to allow a group of evil aliens to continue to create disorder and dissatisfaction in this country? If these foreigners do not like Canada, Canadians would be delighted to have them move to some other place more congenial to them. Certainly at present Canada has too many foreigners, and would be much better off with thousands less of these ill-balanced aliens. It is too much to expect Canadians to forego positions to give work to these foreigners and then allow these aliens to proceed unmolested to undermine the government and religion of this country.

There were 423,557 radio licenses issued in Canada up to July 1st, 1930, according to statistics given out last week at Ottawa. Except at the time when the license fee is payable there seems to be half that many radios in Timmins alone.

Those coming from the South by motor report the Ferguson highway as in excellent condition now. The road generally makes pleasant travelling. The one regret is that more of the tourists do not come farther now. A trip to Iroquois Falls and Timmins would prove well worth while. At Iroquois Falls the tourists would see one of the prettiest towns in Ontario and one of the largest pulp and paper industries in the world. At Timmins they would see a town that would surprise them by its permanent and modern type. Here, they would see one of the greatest gold camps in the world. At the present time too many tourists turn back at New Liskeard. This will likely continue until the belt line of roads is completed so that motorists may come North by one road and return by another route. In the meantime, however, it may be well to emphasize the fact that the Ferguson highway is in excellent condition and that the scenery and the many sights of interest fully warrant tourists in extending their trip at least as far North as Timmins and Iroquois Falls.

The election of Billy Moore in the riding of Ontario at the recent Dominion election shows how badly Canada is in need of protection.

Any newspaper that desires a column of humour these days may achieve the same by simply re-printing the references made by different newspapers the week previous to the election.

When Col. Sam Hughes was Minister of Militia he inaugurated the plan whereby armouries were available for other purposes than simply those of the militia. Col. Sam Hughes believed that as the people in general had to pay for such buildings as armouries, the communities in which they were situated should be permitted to use the buildings for community purposes that did not conflict with their special purpose. Following this plan the town of Renfrew for example has a fine militia building that is used for agricultural fair and other purposes on occasion. No one loses anything and the community gains. The same is true about the armouries at Haileybury. All of this is but a preface to the suggestion that an armoury might be built in Timmins. The Algonquin Regiment has a good company in this camp, and with an armoury might fairly be expected to maintain still greater strength and efficiency. An armoury building could also be used with advantage for many community purposes here. Its construction would be effective in assisting relieve unemployment. There may be other matters more pressing but the question is worth at least a passing thought. No doubt there will be large number of public works started in the very near future by the Dominion Government with a view to relieving the large measure of unemployment that has been injuring the country for some time past. Accordingly it is not out of place to suggest specific public works along this line. It is true that this riding did not endorse the policy of Hon. R. B. Bennett in the recent election, but at the same time it should not be forgotten that this district has been contributing for some years past at the rate of a million and a quarter dollars, and more, per year to the Dominion treasury, and all that has been received in return has been the dock at Mattagami Landing and the post office building in Timmins.

The people who were busy a couple of weeks ago prophesying as to the result of the elections, are just as busy now foretelling the personnel of Hon. Mr. Bennett's Cabinet. Some of them may be right in this, just like all were not wrong in the election forecasts.

Newspapers are a nuisance to public men sometimes. Public men often make statements and espouse causes that ten years afterwards they would like to disown. The newspapers hold them to statements or attitudes that otherwise they would easily disavow. For instance, Hon. Peter Heenan to-day (or at least a couple of weeks ago) would not care to be quoted as advocating the adding of Northwestern Ontario to the province of Manitoba. Yet ten years ago the Honourable Peter was quoted as advocating such a proposal. The memory of people in general is not particularly long or especially accurate, and if Hon. Mr. Peter Heenan had been accused during the recent election of urging that a material part of Ontario should be added to Manitoba he would likely have passed the matter off with a denial that would have been as casually accepted, were it not for the files of newspapers that can show interviews of ten years ago.

FOREIGN CHILDREN SHOULD NOT BE TAUGHT DISLOYALTY

The following letter received this week by The Advance tells its own story:—

To the Editor of The Advance, Timmins.

Dear Sir:—A few weeks ago your paper asked why these foreign schools exist in Timmins. The answer to your query came out from the mouths of the "Red" children who paraded Timmins on the evening of August 1st. It was noticeable that the procession was composed mostly of women and children. Probably the men refrained from parading on account of fear of getting their time at the mine next day. Had it been men shouting such things as the children were shouting on the streets, things would have assumed a different aspect on the evening of August 1st. Such things from the mouths of men would have excited the loyal townsmen to things they would rather

refrain from doing. These children are taught to bite the hand of Canada that is feeding them. This is the gratitude that Canada gets for giving employment to those of Red inclinations. How long is Canada going to allow this razor to be sharpened for her own throat?
Yours truly,
HARRY NICHOLS.

Welland, Tribune—The civic swimming pool is a worthy institution in any community. It will result in saving many lives and the monetary outlay is small in comparison with the conservation programme that it makes possible. The proposal to establish a swimming pool in Welland, for which subscriptions have been requested, seems to have reached only lukewarm support as far as the general public is concerned. It is possible that a more aggressive attitude on the part of the committee would yet bring the plan to a successful consummation.

NORTH BAY PITCHER BREAKS ARM WHILE WARMING UP

One of the oddest accidents in baseball history befell Colenzo Redington, pitcher for the C.P.R. team at North Bay on Saturday last. He was warming up before the fourth innings with the T. & N.O. team and was in the act of throwing the ball to the catcher when he fell unconscious in the box. It was found that he had fractured his pitching arm above the elbow. He was taken to the hospital where the arm was duly set. An X-ray of the injured arm is said to show that the action of the muscles of the arm in the pitching of the ball had actually severed the bone and broke off a piece of the bone several inches in length. The stories about the pitchers "throwing their arms out" fade into insignificance alongside this case where a pitcher actually broke his own arm in throwing a ball.

A Tale Oft Told

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of the truth



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