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Directions for Staking Summer Home in North

(From The Northern Miner)
"A lady in Michigan has a bright idea, even if she did not evolve it first. She wants to come up to the north to camp and someone has told her that it is possible to stake a claim on a lake, with a little bit of the shore, so that in this way a camping site can be readily and cheaply acquired. She is a little bit in doubt, however, as to the method of staking a water claim and wants some information. Although this inquiry properly belongs to the "Advice to the lover" editor, an attempt will be made to supply an answer here.

"First find your lake, with a bit of beach for your cabin. Put up the cabin, go in for a swim, being careful not to forget to come out again. Then cut four stakes, four inches square at the top and as long as necessary. Two of these posts can be sunk on the main land—that's easy. It is the two water posts that will give some trouble. The idea is to swim out, dive to the bottom, measure the depth, cut your post long enough so that it will show above water, then paddle out and drive it down. If there is a mud bottom you are in luck; if it is rock you are required to put down a diamond drill hole and paint your license number on the opening and save the core for someone who hasn't got any apple.

"Of course you could come up in the winter and stake on the ice but the difficulty is that you would require to repeat this operation each year, as your stakes would disappear in the "break-up." Also the winter is not the best time for summer camping.

"The regulations require that you burn your brush and pick up the chips along the staking line and this is particularly hard to do on a water lot, as the chips get so wet. It is considered good practice also to save the sludge from the diamond drill hole, as evidence.

"Finally, we must say—and we should have said this first—that it is against the regulations of the Department of Mines to stake a water lot for camping purposes. However, come on up anyhow. We have thousands of lakes and millions of acres of good camping ground and you will get a welcome, with mighty little red tape tied around it."

Simcoe Reformer:—With the advent of spring, one can at least find relief from the worry and stress of business life in gardening and home beautification. Simcoe is fortunate in having so many citizens who take deep pride in their lawns and flower gardens, which after all form the basis for an attractive and well-ordered town. The Horticultural Society has done much to promote interest along this line and it is hoped that this organization may continue its good work during the forthcoming season.

Flies to Rescue



CAPTAIN RALPH RAYNER
Aide de camp to Earl Willingdon at Ottawa during 1929 and 1930, who has left Malmö, South Sweden, to fly in search of Augustine Courtauld, British scientist, lost in Northern Greenland. Captain Rayner is engaged to Courtauld's sister.

LATE ALEXANDER BRUNETTE HAD RELATIVES IN TIMMINS

A despatch last week from Maniwaki under date of May 12th, said:—"Many friends and relatives attended the funeral of Alexander Brunette which was held on Sunday afternoon from his late residence at St. Mamille d'Aumond to St. Famille Church where office for the dead was chanted by Rev. Father Gaucher with interment in the Roman Catholic cemetery at St. Famille. A requiem high mass was chanted on Monday morning by Father Gaucher. Mr. Brunette had been a resident of this district all his life, where he was well known as a successful farmer. He died at the Maniwaki hospital last Friday after an illness of about six weeks. Born in Maniwaki, a son of the late Mr. and Mrs. Hyacinthe Brunettes, he was married 37 years ago, and took up residence at St. Famille d'Aumond, where he resided since. His wife, Margaret Fogarty, of Bouchette, Que., predeceased him 15 years ago. Three sons, Emile of Timmins; Hubert and Howard, of St. Famille d'Aumond, survive, as well as seven daughters Mrs. P. Beausejour; Mrs. P. Burke and Miss Edith Brunette, of Hull; Mrs. Romeo Desroches, Eastview; Mrs. William St. Amour, Maniwaki and Mrs. Eloi Robitaille and Mrs. Loranger Robitaille, of Val Emard, Que.; three half sisters, Mrs. J. B. Emard and Mrs. Ambrose Roy, of Timmins, and Mrs. Leo Guy, of Val Emard, Que.; one brother, Thomas, and five half brothers, Leo, Odilon, Henri, Joseph and Remi, of St. Famille d'Aumond, all of whom acted as pallbearers and his step-mother, Mrs. Hyacinthe Brunette. Included in the spiritual and floral offerings received were tributes from Sparks-Harrison, Ltd., Hull; Miss Viola Roy, Timmins, Ont.; Mrs. Dagenais, Timmins, Ont.; Mr. and Mrs. P. Burke, Hull; Emile Brunette, Timmins, and Mrs. H. Burke, Hull."

KIRKLAND LAKE PLANNING SUPPLY OF MONKEY FOOD

The wind is tempered to the shorn lamb, and where the bull is you will find green grass. Squirrels can nearly always find nuts in this world. The latest is that a climate supposed to be unsuited for monkeys starts to grow peanuts when the monkeys take a note to stick around. Recently Kirkland Lake has been the scene of gibberings by a bunch of red monkeys, and now "The Northern News" announces that peanuts are growing in Kirkland Lake. "Ain't nature grand?" The Northern News says last week:—"While Virginia and Kirkland Lake are hardly in the same degree of latitude, it does not mean that this Northern town is outside of the tropical zone entirely. Shooting its green stalks ten inches into the air, a healthy peanut plant is on exhibition in the Kirkland Pharmacy Store. The kernels of three raw peanuts were planted three months ago and the growth has been fairly rapid until now little yellow blossoms appear near the roots. Should peanut raising become general in this part of the country it would mean another decrease in Canada's imports."

Sudbury Star:—One of the amazing things is that the tobacco business was more prosperous than ever last year, when so many other promising enterprises went up in smoke.

London Evening Standard:—Bad writing is often supposed to be a sign of some sort of distinction, whether intellectual or social. There are people who could write very much better with little, if any, more trouble, but who make not the least effort to do so. Few, on the other hand are anything but ashamed of bad spelling which is supposed to be the betraying mark of either cretinism or an inferior education. Yet from the point of view of utility, bad spelling is far preferable to bad writing. A word is rarely so far misspelt that the reader has to puzzle over it for even a moment to discover its meaning.

GIVEN TWO-YEAR TERM FOR ESCAPING FROM BURWASH

John Muskrat, who escaped from the Burwash Industrial Farm on Thursday, May 7, and was recaptured on Friday near the Massey Creek bridge on the C.N.R., was sentenced to two years in Kingston penitentiary by Magistrate McKessock last week. The 17-year-old lad told the magistrate that he did not want to go back to Burwash and if he did he would try to escape again. He said he would like to be sent to Kingston.

Muskrat was serving a term for breaking, entering and theft imposed at Parry Sound for an offense committed at Carrington. He was working in a field where a gang of men were seeding when he apparently escaped by slowly leaving the premises while the guards were not watching.

REALISM DISPLAYED IN MODERN SCHOOL EDUCATION

(From The Sudbury Star)
The modern schools are a cause of perpetual wonder to us oldsters. In a natural history course at Cincinnati a lion was brought into the school room, and the children thus enabled to observe closely its appearance, habits, and modes of action. The vividness and dramatic quality of the lesson was heightened when the lion, entering into the spirit of the occasion, broke loose and in a practical demonstration attacked a child.

In our day we were never attacked by a lion in a school room. We read about lions, and we saw pictures of lions that was all. There was one picture of Livingstone, flat in the jungle with a lion standing over him, one paw on his breast, and making faces at a rifleman who was firing from a few yards' distance. That was the best the schools had to offer in them simple old days! We didn't realize our poverty.

As for being attacked, ourselves, by a lion in the school room, we never even dreamed of it. And so, naturally there is a great deal that we don't know about lions to this day.

BARRY'S BAY MOURNS THE DEATH OF ROBERT PICH

A couple of weeks ago The Advance had the sad duty of chronicling the death of Robert Pich at the Hollinger mine, Timmins, the death resulting from the fall of some rock. The name given to the authorities here was "Pyck", but this apparently is not the correct spelling or the one used in the home district of the dead man. A despatch from Barry's Bay appearing in The Standard-Observer last week said:—"Citizens of Barry's Bay were shocked when they learned that Robert Pich, well known resident of that village, had been instantly killed by falling rock at the Hollinger mine, Timmins, on Wednesday of last week. The victim of the accident was a son of Mr. and Mrs. John Pich and was born at Barry's Bay 26 years ago. He was a young man of good character and was highly regarded by all who knew him. The body arrived here last Friday and was conveyed to the home of his parents, where it remained until Saturday morning, when the funeral was held at St. Hedwig's church, with burial in the adjoining cemetery. Funeral mass was sung by Rev. Kulas, after which an impressive sermon was preached by Rev. P. Elernacki. Surviving are the parents, two brothers, August and Michael, and five sisters, Mrs. J. Blank, Wilno; Mrs. J. Derien, Pembroke; Mrs. F. Rekoski, and Misses Elizabeth and Theresa, Barry's Bay, all of whom have the sympathy of the entire community."

MOON AFFECTS RADIO SAYS PERKINS OBSERVATORY DON

Poor radio reception has been blamed on pretty nearly everything from the Northern Lights to the wear and tear on the ether caused by the crooners. The air, electrical development, the stars (stage and firmament alike) and industry in general have each on occasion been accused of interfering with receptivity. The latest "goat" for the radio reception is the moon.

Dr. H. T. Stetson, of the Perkins Observatory at Ohio Wesleyan University, told of new discoveries in this field at the recent joint meeting of the New York Electrical Society and the American Institute of Electrical Engineers. Close co-operation between various broadcasting stations in Boston and Chicago have established the fact that the radio reception is 100 per cent better when the moon is below the horizon.

With the moon overhead there appears to be a marked depression in the mysterious layer of ionized gas surrounding the earth, which scientists called the Kennelly-Heaviside layer. It has long been known that the periods of sun spots produce an increase in this layer which makes it come nearer the earth with a subsequent detriment to radio reception.

A possible explanation for the observed effect of the moon may be that the moon is at a different electrical potential from that of the earth. If the moon were negative with respect to the earth it would repel to some extent the negatively charged layer about the earth overlying the path between the broadcasting and receiving stations.

Plans to extend the observations are under way by co-operating with stations in the Orient for trans-Pacific transmission. "Perhaps the most notable contributions of radio to science," said Dr. Stetson, "will be the part which it will play in blazing new trails in the fields of cosmic physics."

"You want to say it with flowers, eh? About two dozen?"
"No about a half dozen—I don't want to say too much."

MINING CLAIM HOLDERS

DEPARTMENT OF MINES
NOTICE
To Holders of Mining Claims in Ontario Not Yet Patented or Leased.

Notice is hereby given to holders of mining claims, wheresoever situated, upon which the work specified in the Mining Act has been prohibited or restricted to a stated period by the Minister of Lands and Forests under the authority of the Mining Act, or where permission to do the work has been given under conditions and limitations designed to protect the timber, THAT under the Forest Fires Prevention Act, 1930, they are required to apply to the District Forester in the District in which the land is situated for a permit to perform such work, and that failure to apply for such permit, or upon issue of the same, failure to perform and record the work prescribed by the Mining Act, will subject their claim to cancellation. The time for performing and recording the said work is extended by Order-in-Council to and including the 15th day of November, 1931. If the work is so done and recorded, the time for computing the date before which further work upon the claim is required, will be computed as from the said 15th day of November, 1931.

The name and address of the District Forester to whom application for such permit should be made, may be obtained from the Recorder of the Mining Division in which the claim is situated. A miner's license in the name of the applicant, or due renewal of the same, must accompany the application and the number or numbers of the mining claim or claims must be clearly stated.
T. F. SUTHERLAND,
Acting Deputy Minister of Mines.

Toronto, December 9th, 1930.

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