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GRAVEL AND SAND—AND PLACER

In excusing the recent riot at Cochrane, the communists say that all the town of Cochrane offered the unemployed there was bread and bologna. Well, all the communists have ever offered anybody is a lot of bologna, without the bread.

The United States has appropriated the sum of \$400,000,000 for the enforcement of the Volstead Act. The same country has set aside \$8,000,000 for the relief of unemployment. With \$400,000,000 to keep a man from a sip to drink and \$8,000,000 to give him a bite to eat, it looks like a funny world in the United States of America.

Mrs. Margaret Sangster, the more or less well known birth control advocate, advises all women, rich and poor alike, not to have any children during the present depression. The rich women at present are too nervous and anxious over present conditions to have healthy children, according to Mrs. Sangster, while the poor, she says, would be only adding to the existing evils by bringing further children to stand the chance of starvation and hardship. Apart from any moral and religious considerations in the matter, if such a question may be considered in that way, the advice of the birth control artist seems to be illogical and absurd. If there are no children born until prosperity comes again, the youngsters will have a poor outlook, as they will be just old enough to suffer by the time the next cycle of depression comes along. On the other hand babies that live through the present difficult days will be reared in the prosperous times that are surely coming again. Mrs. Sangster makes the same mistake that so many seem to make, imagining that depression can be cured when depression is here. The time to remedy depression is when the times seem prosperous. The finance control artists will find this out in the days to come.

THE IDEAL EDITORIAL

It is the ambition of every good newspaper to publish the ideal editorial.

So, here it is!

The ideal editorial is not designed to please everybody. Nothing could do that.

For example, an editorial on the liquor question, no matter how brilliant it might be, would be sure to be considered dry by some, or all wet by others.

An editorial on unemployment would tempt some to brand it as laboured, or others would say:—"Oh, that won't work!"

A political editorial would be too liberal for some, or too conservative for others.

So it goes! But there is no need for discouragement! There is an ideal editorial. There must be! For isn't this it?

The ideal editorial simply answers exactly the purpose for which it is written. This is it!

This editorial satisfies the most constant and persistent of all the critics of editorials—the "make-up" man on the newspaper.

He always complains that an editorial is too long!

Or else, it is too short!

It is never just right!

But this one should appease him.

It is just right!

It is whatever length he likes.

Any line may be left out.

Or two lines!

Or three lines!

Or what have you!

Or the whole thing may be left out!

This is the ideal editorial!

It will offend nobody!

It may do a lot of good, because people may appreciate the other kind of editorials after reading this.

Stop Press—Alas, it is too bad! That pesky "make-up" man left out the best of this ideal editorial.

And so it is not ideal after all. Perhaps, there is no such animal.

GLORY IN THE NORTHERN SKY

There have been poets who have written of the wonders and the glories of the Northern Lights. There have been painters who have striven to depict on canvas the beauties of the aurora borealis. Neither poets nor artists have been able to convey any adequate picture of these mysteries of nature. To the people of the North the failure of poet and artist seems the more marked because here in this North may be seen the Northern Lights in their most alluring fascination and power to thrill. Sometimes they may be seen in the dark sky stretching from one horizon to the other in shimmering arches; arches, they seem of some wondrously beautiful metal unknown to earth, a metal not silver nor gold, but with all the beauty of both and with an allurements all its own. Pit flying buttresses they are for a mighty cathedral that is all the world. Amazing tensile strength is symbolized by those quivering bars of light, so firmly in their place, yet never for a moment still. "Arches on fire with life" might be the ineffective phrase of the poet. But the pen or the brush that would picture the strength and power of the Northern Lights must miss the greater miracle of their elusive delicacy. In the South the Northern Lights are wonderful, but in this North they are beyond the power of words or painting.

For years The Advance hoped that a poet would arise in the North to do justice to the Northern Lights and so give a new meaning and a new glory to the North. The magic of words, however, seem inadequate to the task set. The poet seems doomed to failure, like the artist. But now one of the modern inventions of man is to attempt to picture the Northern Lights for all the world to see. At the present moment explorers and scientists are in the Port Churchill district with motion picture cameras and equipment to film the aurora borealis. Will the mechanical devices of man succeed where his artistic soul has failed so miserably? Can the elusive beauty of the Northern Lights be captured by the screen that has so long been featuring Charlie Chaplin, Douglas Fairbanks and the Broadway chorus? Can

the camera, accustomed to the Marx Brothers and Ben Turpin, catch the delicacy of the shafts of glimmering light of the aurora borealis? Can the contrivances, hardened to scenes of human triangles, glimpse the glories of the glimmering arches in the Northern sky? If the motion picture can in any truth reproduce the wonders of the Northern Lights for Southern souls to feed upon, then the motion picture machine must be acclaimed as the greatest wonder of the world to-day, and even greater than the man who made it.

It may be that the failure of poet and painter to transmute the glories of the Northern Lights to paper or to canvas has been due to lack of sight and knowledge of the phenomenon where it appears in its grandest phase in this North. The machine that visions the Northern Lights in the North may grasp the picture better than poets and painters who saw but a faint imitation in the South. And if success crowns the attempt to photograph the Northern Lights at Fort Churchill, then the successful pioneers should bring their miraculous machine to the Porcupine to see if all the world may not enjoy the beauty and the mystery that are the Northern Lights in this blessed section of the North.

ANOTHER RIDING NEEDED

It is customary after each census of the population of the Dominion of Canada to have a readjustment of the electoral ridings of the country so that the people of the various sections may be fairly represented in the parliament of the land. The 1921 census would suggest that this part of the North Land is entitled to more representation than it has at present. Not only is the riding of North Temiskaming so large in extent that its representation by one member is neither fair to the member nor to the district, but the growth in population has been so notable that the justice of more adequate representation in parliament is evident. With population in many sections of Ontario remaining approximately at the same figure as in 1921, and with some other sections even showing a falling-off, the increase in the population of the North is very marked. Only a few of the returns for the North have been announced to date. Few of the smaller towns and none of the townships have figured in the returns of population given out so far by the census department. So far as may be judged at present none of the townships are likely to show any decline in population since 1921. The smaller towns have also held their own so far as may be estimated without the actual figures. In some of the townships, such as Teck township, with Kirkland Lake as a centre, Tisdale township, which includes the thriving towns of Schumacher and South Porcupine, and the township of Calvert, with Ansonville as its chief town, the increase in population will be quite noteworthy. The same may be said of townships along the Transcontinental Railway line. In the towns concerned in the figures already published by the census department, the growth of population since 1921 is amazing. Timmins, for instance, has had an increase of 10,299 in population since 1921. Kapuskasing shows an increase of 1,362. The increase in the case of Cochrane totals 1,284. Smooth Rock Falls has a population of 880 whereas in 1921 it was not listed at all. Hearst is in similar position, the 1931 figures giving Hearst 750 more than the lack of credit in 1921. Iroquois Falls has 294 more population than ten years ago. Matheson has an increase of 75 in population. These few towns show an increase of practically 15,000 between them. Other centres will run the increase in population in this North to a figure that will surely warrant additional representation in the Dominion parliament. The towns and other settlements springing up between Cochrane and Moose Harbour must be included in the estimate of increased population, as must also be the centres west of Cochrane along the line of the Canadian National Railways. Further parliamentary representation seems to be demanded for this riding in any redistribution of seats in the Dominion House. The creation of another riding, breaking North Temiskaming into two ridings, roughly approximating to North and South Cochrane would seem to be required by the great increase in population since the 1921 census.

DEVELOP THE NORTH LAND

It would appear as if the authorities at Toronto have failed to fully grasp either the extent or the urgency of the unemployment problem with which they are faced. The need is for immediate employment, not for work to come in dribs and drabs for a few men now and then. Work is needed not for hundreds of men but for literally thousands in Ontario. At the present rate of progress it will be impossible to handle the situation with the proper measure of success. It would appear that not only must the Government speed up the employment of large forces of men on the Trans-Canada highway, but other new works will need to be undertaken at the earliest possible moment to provide employment for all the men who are suffering hardship for want of work. Not only is it necessary for the Government to take up new works, but the municipalities will also need to be encouraged and assisted to extend their relief programmes if the situation is to be handled adequately. There is one way in which the government can materially assist the municipalities in extending the programme of relief work, and that is by placing less restriction on the type of work to be undertaken. For instance, in the case of Timmins, this town would no doubt be glad to do its part in the building of a new municipal building which is very badly needed here. The Ontario Government in 1926 recognized the great need for a proper municipal building, and also the advantage to the Government by the erection of such a structure. At that time the Government was willing to contribute a part of the cost of the proposed structure. The need is all the greater to-day and the help to the unemployment problem here would also be of great value. If the Ontario Government would raise its restriction in regard to assisting towns in the matter of buildings, the situation would be the better met and the appropriation of relief funds in the case would be amply justified.

The Government is to be commended on the notable programme of roads for settlers planned for this winter. This will be a great help but more is needed to meet the situation. It should be remembered that there are a thousand unemployed in Timmins alone and it needs a lot of work to care for such a surplus. Another public work that The Advance would again urge to the consideration of the Government is the building of the belt line of roads for the North. In other words, connect up by roadway all the towns of the North by completing the road between Timmins and Sudbury. Such a roadway would provide work for a large force of men, and the labour so engaged could be conveniently looked after without undue cost or trouble. The road is a necessity for the development of the North. It would open up rich country. It would give tourists access to a paradise for them. It would give transportation facilities to important mining country, including the Matachewan gold area. This road must be built eventually, and soon. Now is the ideal time to undertake its construction.

Dome School Report for September 1931

The following is the school report for Dome School for September:—
Senior Fourth—Marcella J. Lynch, teacher—Hattie Baker, Viola Dickson, Ruth Doran, Vivian McCaffrey, Neil Pirie, Elsie Armstrong, Helen Spjuth; Tom Webb and Edmund Richardson, equal; Stanley Millions, Beatrice Spiers, Alex McGinn.
Junior Fourth—Betty Jordan, Arthur Moyle, Marjorie Costain, Annie Cartonick, Joyce Hughes, Etta Munro.
Class III—V. Raysey, teacher—Sr. III—Honours—Buddy Spjuth, Mary Curtis, Louis Actis, Basil Libby. Pass—Betty Michell, Margaret Edwards, Albert Keates; Jack Burke, John Lark.
Jr. II—Honours—Reggie Libby, Walter Baker, Patsy Uren, Jimmie Murphy,

Lloyd Doran, Bobby Chevrier. Pass—Johnnie Shumilak, Ollie Dixon, Kenneth Harvey, Dick Christie, Bobby Rickward.

Sr. II—Honours—Ralph Michell, Marjorie Spiers, Tony Procopio, Kenneth Thomas, Billie Richardson, Laura Millions, Jean Stringer, Marion Jordan, Margaret Munro.

Pass—Iris Webb, George Vary. Room II—A. M. Face, teacher—Jr. II—Vieno Lillhoog, Doris Woods, Teddy Spjuth, Jimmy Procopio, Bobbie Millions, Billie Murphy, Violet Hedges, Doris McGinn; Donald Lightbody and Jim Curtis, equal; Tony Sgro, Billie Honer, Louis Raymond, Ronald Moyle, Stewart McGinn, Fernleigh Uren, Murvial Therrien, Helen Munro.

First Class—Louise Kellow, Grace Perrie; Nellie Bartasewick and June Countryman, equal; Robert Richmond, Mildred Rickward, Edna Tripp, Thelma Edwards, Leontina Didone, Bobbie Doran, Margaret Burton, Carson Chevrier; Rene Therrien and Kertie Lillhoog, equal; Dorothy Andrews, Clarice Curtis, Viola Lalone, Joseph Raymond, Doris Spjuth, Raulo Lillhoog and Grace Richmond, equal, Shirley Burke, Frances Harvey, Maureen Thomas, Elaine Knutson, Mary Raymond, Edwin Hughes.

Primary Room—V. Morris, teacher—Sr. Primer—Mike Baker, Joyce Eames, Nick Ruvegan, Albet Bartasewick, Elsa McDonnell, Silvanus Chevier, Gino Campagnola, Clarence Chevier, Gladys Kellow, Jack Hocking, Nanette Christie, Lawrence McGinn, Benny Curtis.

Jr. Primer—Corinne Therrien, Elaine Leiterman, Jean Munro, Walter Lang, Clifford Henry, Warner Burritt, Walter Ruvegan, Edith Uren, Lois Countryman, Everett Edwards, Aldo Campagnola, Stewart Pirie, Elwyn Tripp, Melina Raymond, Peggy Spjuth, Horace Harvey, Mildred Michell, Carmela Didone, Mammie Richmond, Evelyn Jay, Patricia Masterton, George Costain, Aino Heikkela, Tauno Tuhimaa, Thore Webb, Allan Hogg, Lynn Beard.

FATHER AND SON'S NIGHT AT GOLDEN BEAVER LODGE

The regular meeting of Golden Beaver Lodge, A. F. & A. M., Timmins, on Wednesday evening of next week, Oct. 14th, will be featured as "Father and Son's Night." Each brother is invited to bring a guest, a youth, either his own son, or a deputy. There will be refreshments served and an entertainment provided. The Father and Son Night will start at 9 p.m., immediately after the regular work of the lodge.

"How's your wife coming along with her driving?"
"She took a turn for the worse last week."

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