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**Dr. P. E. Doolittle Passes Away on Sunday in City**

Scores of friends and acquaintances in Timmins and district of Dr. P. E. Doolittle, of Toronto will learn with deep regret of his death in Toronto on Sunday. The late Dr. Doolittle was known to many here on account of his active and able connection with the motor leagues of the country. He visited Timmins some years ago and won many admirers here by his interest and effort for better roads and greater safety in motoring. Dr. Doolittle was once a famous cycle racer, later becoming a pioneer in motoring and the founder of organizations for motorists and to hasten the construction and maintenance of good roads. Dr. Doolittle was sometimes called "the father of the Trans-Canada highway," this being a project that for many years he earnestly advocated. It may be said that he favoured a route that would use the Ferguson highway and the provincial roads west of Cochrane as part of the route of the Trans-Canada highway.

The late Dr. Doolittle had been in poor health for some years but was not seriously ill until a short time ago. At the time of death he was 72 years of age. The story of his career is a very interesting one. Since 1920 he has been president of the Canadian Automobile Association, largest motor body in the British Empire, outside of England.

At the age of seven years, Dr. Doolittle became the proud possessor of a

home-made bicycle. Later, he made a wooden bicycle with an 18-inch rear wheel and a 45-inch front one. The backbone of the vehicle was a piece of gas pipe and it has steel tires. He built another from a musket barrel and wire wheels, importing the tires from England.

On this bicycle, he made a successful debut in racing and between 1881 and 1890 won more than 50 trophies, including the championship of Canada. He built what was believed to have been Canada's first motorcycle. He raised the first Canadian good roads campaign fund.

He graduated in medicine from Trinity College here, and specialized in electro-therapeutics. He invented the coaster brake, the demountable rim and the Doolittle bypass valve and travelled to major centres in United States, Great Britain and Europe. On April 1, 1898, John Moodie, of Hamilton, imported the first motor car into Canada. Shortly afterwards, the car was bought by Dr. Doolittle.

In 1900, he helped organize the first automobile club in Canada. In 1903, Ontario for the first time, required the licensing of motor vehicles and in this initiated a procedure in Canada that in a few years was reflected by similar action in all the other provinces. That year, there were less than 150 motorcars in Ontario.

The Toronto Automobile Club became affiliated in the Ontario Motor League and in turn the O.M.L. became federated in the Canadian Association.

Three times, Dr. Doolittle drove from coast to coast urging completion of trans-Canada highway. He played no small part in "selling" British Columbia, New Brunswick, Nova Scotia and Prince Edward Island successively on changing the basic rule of the road from "keep to the left" to "keep to the right."

He was a pioneer in foreseeing the revenue possibilities of United States motor tourist traffic, and travelled widely in the United States addressing gatherings on Canada's tourist attractions. Although 70 years old at the time, he drove 575 miles from Winnipeg to Swift Current on his last trans-Canada drive.

Once when the Ontario Legislature sought to restrict the speed of motors to eight miles an hour, he took the entire Parliament for a ride and convinced them 10 miles an hour was not "scorching." They changed the bill.

**BRIDGE, WHIST AND "500" ON THURSDAY, JANUARY 11**

There will be bridge, whist and five hundred, under the auspices of the Catholic Women's League, in the basement of the Church of the Nativity on Thursday evening, January 11th at 8:00 p.m. There will be good prizes and a lunch will be served during the evening. The event will be a very enjoyable one and all should make a note of the date, Thursday evening of next week, Jan. 11.

W. G. Bullbrook is the mayor of North Bay for 1934.

**KIRKLAND LAKE PLANNING TO SHIP TRANSIENTS HOME**

The rigid investigation into relief cases at Kirkland Lake has already resulted in some relief for the tax-paying public. It is expected that plans now under way will result in quite a large number of relief families being shipped from Kirkland Lake to the other towns really responsible for their maintenance. Three families were taken off the list last week and sent out of town. Arrangements are at present under way to return other families to their former homes. The experiment now in progress at Kirkland Lake will be watched with much interest by other municipalities in the North where the transient has been a serious problem.

**Matachewan Road Should be Built Now**

Would Assist in Providing Employment Would Open up Promising Country. Would Provide Needed Transportation.

For some years past The Advance has been urging a road from the Porcupine camp south to Sudbury. Such a road if built years ago, as it should have been, would have provided transportation facilities for the new Matachewan area. It should be borne in mind that if this road is built to Matachewan there is almost certain to be new mining camps opened along the route, as the country south of the Porcupine is known for its rich mineral possibilities. Recently, the Timmins board of trade has been specially urging this road on the Government, as the construction of the road now would mean so much in assisting the curing of unemployment, while at the same time the road would provide much-needed transportation facilities for the Matachewan area. In view of the fact that the biggest mine in the Matachewan area is probably the one owned and operated by the Hollinger, it is easy to see the advantage to the Matachewan camp by a proper road to Timmins where the Hollinger has its established big mine. There are other reasons for urging the early construction of the road connecting Timmins and Matachewan and these other reasons have been fairly and repeatedly presented to the Government by the board of trade and by A. F. Kenning, M.P.P., who has continually pressed on the Government the desirability of the early construction of this road. Geo. S. Drey, mayor of Timmins, last year also urged the matter on the Government. It may be said here that if the Government does not act in this matter it will not be for lack of urging, nor for need of reasons and advocacy. It will be a loss not only to Matachewan and the Porcupine, but also to the whole North and to the province, to delay the building of this road which would undoubtedly speed up development in the Matachewan camp as well as opening up new territory of very promising kind to development.

**Schumacher School Trustee Re-elected**

Annual Meeting of Ratepayers of S.S. No. 2 Tisdale Held on Wednesday Last. Other Items of News from Schumacher Correspondent.

Schumacher, January 3rd, 1934. Special to The Advance. Calvin Raycroft, of Kirkland Lake, spent Christmas with his mother Mrs. Moore, Fourth avenue.

Bill McKay, who spent the holidays with his parents, left on Saturday for Toronto, to continue his studies at the S.P.S.

Mr. W. Ferguson returned on Tuesday from Cobalt where he spent Christmas.

On Wednesday evening the annual meeting of the ratepayers of Tisdale S.S. No. 2 was held in the public school. The reports for the year were read and adopted. The trustees, Mr. W. R. Sullivan, Mr. C. W. Arnot, and Mr. D. Keeley, addressed the meeting. Nominations then took place for trustee. Mr. Arnot and Mr. J. G. Harris were nominated. In the election that followed Mr. Arnot received the majority of votes, putting him back on the school board again. Mr. J. Beattie acted as chairman for the evening.

Mr. Lawrence Cooper, lecturer at McGill University, spent the holidays with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. P. Cooper, of the McIntyre Mines.

Mrs. N. Robinson, of Golden City, was the guest of Mrs. P. Cameron last week.

Mr. C. Reddington, of Toronto University, spent the holidays with his parents, Capt. and Mrs. Reddington of the Coniaraum Mines.

Mr. Ray Venet is spending a holiday in Kirkland Lake.

Miss D. Jodoun, of Sudbury, is the guest of her sister, Mrs. J. Marshall, Cedar street.

Mr. W. Amy, teacher at Clute school, spent the holidays the guest of Mr. and Mrs. Duxfield.

Mrs. H. Elley, 116 Fourth avenue, has a Christmas cactus of which she is very proud. The plant is seven years old and has forty-three large blooms on it and certainly is a beautiful sight to see.

Mr. B. Armstrong, of Iroquois Falls, visited at the home of Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Todd last week.

The play "Introducin' Susan," put on by the Young People's Society last week, was a very enjoyable one. The talent was excellent, each taking his or her part very capably. The play was a humorous one that gave every one a good laugh. Although the crowds were not so large, owing to the weather, the Young People intend putting the play on again in the near future and no one should miss this opportunity to see it. The play was directed by Mrs. G. McGee and Percy Shippam.

Miss Irene Shields, of the Haileybury Academy, is spending the holidays with her parents.

Mr. Ludgate, of Matachewan, spent the New Year holiday visiting friends in town.

Mr. Foster, of Port Rowan, is visiting at the home of his daughter and son-in-law, Dr. and Mrs. Byers.

**Timmins Cup Play at Curling Rink Here**

Twenty-six Rinks in Contest for One of the Curling Trophies for the Season. Play Started Wednesday of This Week.

Play started at the curling rink here on Wednesday of this week for the Timmins Cup competition. This is a straight knock-out event. The contest holds the keenest interest of all curlers. This year there are 26 rinks (104 curlers) taking part in this contest, which indicates its popular appeal. The following are the rinks entered in this competition:—

- A. P. Thompson, N. Leamen, Dr. A. S. Porter, J. Amm, skip.
- C. Desaulniers, I. Whitney, J. M. Belanger, J. Arscoot, skip.
- E. Reid, P. Dwyer, A. G. Carson, A. E. Prout, skip.
- L. Mascioli, C. Brown, R. Dye, G. H. Gauthier, skip.
- E. C. Suddaby, J. H. Skelly, J. McGrath, C. P. Ramsay, skip.
- Dr. Day, J. A. Tremblay, L. Pare, R. J. Smith, skip.
- D. Clutchev, F. Powell, K. Eyre, W. S. Jamieson, skip.
- F. N. Whaley, F. McGrath, C. Abrams, H. Graham, skip.
- H. Chateauvert, Geo. Jones, G. N. Ross, H. W. Huckabone, skip.
- F. Feldman, W. Stevenson, T. Blackman, G. R. White, skip.
- A. Morgan, W. L. Booth, R. Richardson, Rev. C. E. Theriault, skip.
- H. Jones, E. Nord, A. E. Cain, A. R. Harkness, skip.
- P. Kinkel, B. Sky, H. Waddie, G. P. Black, skip.
- R. E. Delahunt, K. Fitzpatrick, R. Wynne, Geo. Lake, skip.
- A. Allan, R. J. Taylor, J. Davis, S. R. McCoy, skip.
- D. Ostrosser, H. Scarth, E. Stenhouse, A. W. Young, skip.
- G. F. Mitchell, M. Ryan, A. W. Pickering, S. A. Caldbick, skip.
- W. F. Lowery, H. Herman, N. Blahay, W. D. Cuthbertson, skip.
- F. H. V. Ball, J. Regan, Dr. C. E. Taylor, A. W. Lang, skip.
- D. Mackie, W. H. Burnes, L. Halperin, Geo. S. Drew, skip.
- O. Morgan, W. McDermott, Dr. J. A. McInnis, W. R. Rinn, skip.
- H. J. O'Neill, S. L. Honey, J. P. Burke, G. S. Lowe, skip.
- F. N. Dafeo, W. McHugh, I. Dunn, S. Walker, skip.
- B. McDivitt, J. D. Brady, C. Keddie, J. R. Walker, skip.
- S. Kitchen, S. C. Platus, W. Tanner, Rev. J. R. O'Gorman, skip.
- M. Bucovetsky, W. R. Dodge, P. Carson, A. Lawlor, skip.

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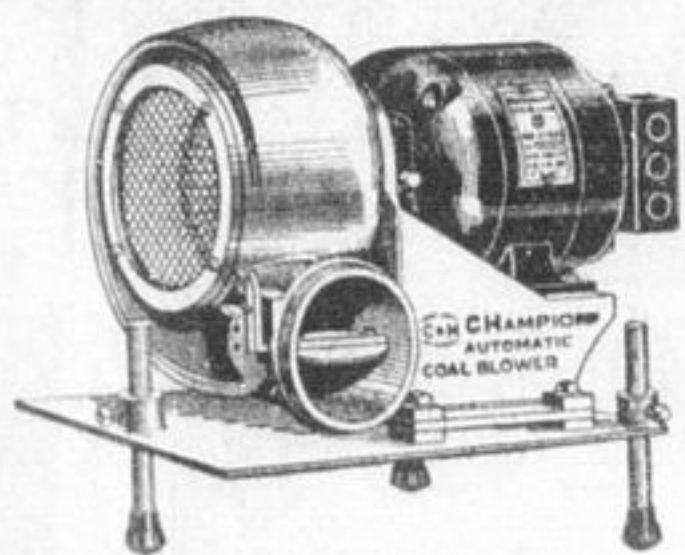
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**Presentation to Mayor and Lady**

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been unable to make it go. The clerk had also explained to Dr. Mindes that only the council could give a rebate or return of the fee. Council passed a resolution granting a rebate of half the license fee in this case.

The honorarium of \$1200.00 was duly passed for the mayor's services. When the mayor expressed his thanks Councillor Massie commented, "Well, you worked enough for it."

Councillor Morrison brought forward a complaint made to him about ashes being dumped on a road in town. The matter was referred to the police committee. Councillor Maltais pointed out that ashes should not be allowed on the streets on account of the use of sleighs.

Mayor Drew took the opportunity to express his thanks to the 1933 council and previous councils, to the municipal employees, to The Advance, to the ratepayers and citizens generally for support and co-operation during his terms of office. There had been some awkward problems to deal with in the past year and they had tried to deal with them in the interests of the taxpayers at large and without prejudice of any kind or to any section. He congratulated Mayor Richardson and Councillor Maltais on their re-election and wished them and their associates every success in the new year. He said that if there was any advice or assistance he could give the 1934 council from his experience he would be glad to assist in any way he could. Mayor Drew extended his best wishes to all town employees and to the citizens generally. He hoped 1934 would be a good year. If the transients were eliminated and relief costs reduced it would be a good help to the town. "I hope that Timmins will be a town filled with happy homes," said Mayor Drew in concluding.

Councillor Dr. Honey expressed his gratitude to those who had supported him and helped. He also expressed appreciation of the fire chief, town clerk and other officials. In congratulating Mayor-Elect Richardson and Councillor Maltais he wished them all success and hoped that they would be spared unjust criticism.

Councillor Massie thanked all for the co-operation shown in the past year. He hoped the 1934 council would enjoy the same co-operation and friendliness around the council board.

Councillor Parsons said that Dr. Honey's words had expressed his sentiments very fully.

Mayor Drew spoke of the good work done by Councillor Parsons during the year and the appreciation felt for his services.

Councillor Morrison spoke of the harmony and co-operation in the 1933 council, the loyalty of the staff who had cheerfully taken on the extra work

that faced them. He extended congratulations to Messrs Richardson and Maltais. They had his good wishes. Councillor Morrison noted that he had entered council at the same time as Mayor Drew. Now both were leaving. "The mayor is retiring, and the public has retired me," said Councillor Morrison, who added that he had given his best and so had no regrets.

Mayor Drew commented that the citizens owed much to Councillor Morrison, especially for his earnest work for years in the relief department.

Councillor Maltais thanked all members of council for the kindness and co-operation they had shown him. "I have no complaint, but praise for all, and especially the mayor," he said. He hoped next year would be as harmonious and friendly as that of 1933.

Councillor Richardson referred to the pleasure he had felt in working in the past five years under Mayor Drew. He thanked the members of the 1933 council for their efforts and co-operation. He thought all did well and much had been accomplished. The disposal plant was a case in point, and in this connection he suggested that it would be a good idea for all members of the council to visit the disposal plant. He gave the credit for the successful work there to the town engineer, J. D. MacLean. He thanked all the municipal employees for their interest and loyalty. The town clerk came in for special compliment. Councillor Richardson hoped that 1934 would be as successful as 1933. He felt it should be as the men elected for the council were good men.

Mayor Drew commented that the 1933 council had no monuments in the line of costly buildings or similar works, but they had spent money for the protection of the public health and safety.

Councillor Richardson said he specially appreciated the offer of Mayor Drew to help with advice and from the advantage of his long experience. He felt that the 1934 council would call on the retiring mayor any and every time the occasion warranted. Councillor Maltais also said that the new council he was sure would be glad to have the help of the retiring mayor.

Councillor Morrison next read an address to the mayor from the members of the 1933 council. The address aptly referred to the good services to the

town of Geo. S. Drew, his unfailing friendliness and interest and the justice and fairness that always characterized his attitude as presiding officer. Due credit was also given Mrs. Drew for her part in the success of her husband as mayor of the town. As a mark of the appreciation of the 1933 council, Mayor and Mrs. Drew were asked to accept the silver tray presented.

In replying, Mayor Drew said it was a surprise to him as he felt he should be making the presentation and speaking the words of appreciation to the council for the support and co-operation they had all so generously given him. He thanked them all for the honour shown him and Mrs. Drew. The handsome silver tray would be among their most treasured possessions and would always remind them of the goodfellowship of the 1933 council.

**Jury Returns Verdict of Death by Accident**

An inquest was held on Friday afternoon to enquire into the death of Eino Schroeder who died on Saturday, Dec. 23rd, after being hit by a car driven by Hubert Brunette. Coroner H. E. Montgomery, presided at the inquest. The jury included—Moise Maltais, John Dalton, Wm. Rinn, Dayton Ostrosser, D. B. Curtis, A. Lapralerie and Wm. McCoy. The evidence showed that Schroeder had been standing by the side of the road and the driver of the car who was going at a slow rate, turned out to avoid hitting him. Schroeder started across the road just as the car was passing him and walked into the back of the car. He struck his head against the back of the car sustaining a fracture of the skull, from which injury he died while being treated in a nearby doctor's office to which he was taken. The evidence freed Hubert Brunette on any blame or responsibility in the death. The jury returned a verdict of accidental death, with no blame attached to Mr. Brunette. In view of the verdict of the jury and the evidence brought out at the inquest, the charge of criminal negligence laid against Brunette after the accident was withdrawn when it was called at police court on Wednesday this week.

**Bridge, Whist, "500"**

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