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IS NORTH TO BE NEGLECTED?

Is the North to be the sufferer of another period of neglect and misunderstanding? It does not look any too well for the North. Already in its brief existence the North has paid the penalty for the indifference and the lack of interest of others. It is hard luck, not only for the North, but for all Ontario.

Last week Hon. Peter Heenan, the new Minister of Lands and Forests and Northern Development, was quoted as saying at Sudbury that he had never heard of the proposed road to connect Sudbury and Timmins. Where has the honourable been? Does he not read any of the Northern newspapers. There is not a single newspaper published in the North that has not, directly or indirectly, had some reference to the road to connect the Sudbury and Porcupine camps. The Sudbury Star recently has referred in nearly every issue to this proposed roadway. The Advance has a reference nearly every week for about a dozen years, and will continue to have references to this road until it is actually completed. Only a week or two ago The Northern Tribune, of Kapuskasing made appropriate reference to this road. In The Northern News, of Kirkland Lake, in The Speaker, of New Liskeard, in The Hailyburian, there have been recent references to the proposed connection of the two noted mining camps of the North by roadway. If Hon. Mr. Heenan has missed all these references to the Sudbury-Porcupine road, the fault is Hon. Mr. Heenan's. If he wishes to be of service to the North, he must have some idea of what the North needs and desires. The only convenient way in which he can secure this information is through reading the newspapers of the North. To neglect to read the newspapers is to miss scores of opportunities for enlightenment and information. The man who pretends that he does not read the newspapers throws reflection upon his own interest in public affairs and not upon the power of the newspapers. The North is sure to suffer neglect and indifference if the head of one of the departments of government—a department touching very closely on the progress of the North—is one of those men who think they have no time to learn what is going on.

It is to be hoped that Hon. Mr. Heenan was misquoted, or that he did not mean what he seemed to say. It may be that what Hon. Mr. Heenan meant was that officially he had no cognizance of any plans for a highway to connect Timmins and Sudbury. There are some other things credited to Hon. Mr. Heenan to suggest that perhaps this is what he meant. Hon. Mr. Heenan is further quoted as saying that the Government's charts, maps, plans, et cetera, made no reference to a road north from Sudbury. There is something odd about such a statement. If it is true, then all The Advance has to say is that there has been some shenanigan somewhere. Mr. Heenan being an Irishman should know what shenanigan means.

It must be confessed that there has been an apparent tendency to monkey tricks in regard to this Sudbury-Timmins road. On one occasion some years ago Hon. Wm. Finlayson, then Minister of Northern Development, wrote the Timmins board of trade to the effect that the road from Sudbury to Timmins would be completed as soon as there was money available for the purpose. A year or two later he turned completely round, to suggest that the proposed road could not be entertained because it paralleled the Ferguson highway, because it would cost too much money, because it would go through a country that had little chance for settlement. Still later, Hon. Mr. Finlayson seemed to change his mind again and appeared to be ready to consider the building of the Sudbury-Timmins road. All through the changes of mind, however, he did not deny that he had plans and maps and charts in regard to the proposed road. At any rate enough of these maps and plans and charts were forwarded to him.

It may be that someone in the Dept. of Northern Development is responsible for the shenanigan. It is difficult to believe that there was not some shenanigan somewhere. For instance, at Sudbury several months ago, Hon. Chas. McCrea said that he had not known of a route proposed by the Northern Ontario Associated Boards of Trade. Resolutions in regard to this route and maps and charts of it had been forwarded to the Dept. of Northern Development on several occasions. Hon. Mr. McCrea, however, proceeded to outline the route favoured by the Ontario Cabinet after very careful consideration of the question. The route he reviewed was identical with that advocated for years by the Northern Ontario Associated Boards of Trade, the Timmins board of trade, The Advance and others. W. O. Langdon, president of the Northern Ontario Associated Boards of Trade presented Hon. Mr. McCrea with a map of the route. Copies of this map had been sent more than once to the Government, to individual members and to the several departments in any way concerned. There simply must have been some shenanigan in this, somewhere, for Hon. Mr. McCrea was undoubtedly sincere in the matter.

Just before the late lamented election there was a virtual promise that the proposed roadway from the Porcupine camp to Sudbury would be undertaken at an early date. Now, according to Hon. Mr. Heenan, there is nothing in the files of the Dept. of Northern Development relating to the proposed roadway. Surely, there is shenanigan in this!

For the North's sake, for Ontario's sake, for Mr. Heenan's sake, for Mr. Hepburn's sake, for everybody's sake, there is a general hope in the North that Hon. Mr. Heenan will prove a capable Minister of Northern Development. He will be a disappointment however, if he does not read the newspapers of the North. There is no other way in which he can learn the needs and the hopes of the North. It will amply repay him to snatch a spare hour or two when travelling in his private car to read some or all of the newspapers of the North. He would, perhaps gain new views and new ideas on the good work that may be accomplished by his department. It would be well worth his while to read such letters as those written by that old-timer of the North, Harry Preston, who for many years has been writing to the newspapers of the North and the South alike in regard to the necessity and the desirability of a road to connect Sudbury and Timmins.

For the benefit of Hon. Mr. Heenan and all others who say they have not heard of the Sudbury-Timmins road, it may be repeated for the hundredth time that such a highway would benefit the whole North directly and all Ontario indirectly. It would afford valuable transportation and communication facilities for such mining camps as Sudbury, Shiningtree, Gowganda, Elk Lake, Matachewan, McArthur, Timmins. It would open up a country rich in mineral wealth, in fish and game, in scenery, and in possibilities for agricultural settlement. It would increase many

times the attraction of the North for tourists, providing the means whereby motorists could come to the North by one route and return by another.

Hon. Mr. Heenan can benefit himself in his new position by reading about the proposed road to connect Sudbury and Porcupine. He can supply further reason for the newspapers to write about this road by an early announcement that work will be started in earnest on this long-needed highway.

THE HOTEL DE VILLE

It was that wise old philosopher, Dr. Samuel Johnson, who said:—"There is nothing yet contrived by man by which so much happiness is produced as by a good tavern or inn." The Hotel de Ville is no tavern. But it is an inn! Some inn! These days the hotel that isn't a tavern as well as an inn seems to be fated to be out. Not so the Hotel de Ville! The more business the other hotels do, the greater is the business of the Hotel de Ville. Every night now it is crowded. There are not nearly rooms enough to accommodate the guests. The beds are scarcely half enough to meet the needs. Blankets are at a premium. Indeed, one customer said last week that there were hardly bugs enough to go round any more.

Kirkland Lake, Cobalt, Hailybury, New Liskeard, Iroquois Falls, Cochrane, Kapuskasing, South Porcupine, all that any of them can muster is a town hall! But Timmins has a Hotel de Ville. Anybody who doubts it can see it on the sign. No wonder there is jealousy among the other towns of the North when Timmins has the Hotel de Ville. Suggestions have been made that telephones should be installed in all the rooms for the convenience of the guests. There has also been more or less of a demand for a wine and beer license to keep the Hotel de Ville in the forefront. Such suggestions seem to be no more than the sly sarcasms of jealous minds. The Hotel de Ville keeps ever forward and progressive.

For instance, on Saturday night, an obstreperous drunk smashed the toilet in the guest room, and there was running water in all the rooms.

Once known as the Hotel de Greer, the Hotel de Ville has been completely re-decorated (with the new sign) and is under new management. No old-time hotel was complete without a "bouncer." The Hotel de Ville goes several better than the most. Instead of one "bouncer" to throw out unruly guests, it has the unique distinction of having half a dozen "bouncers" to throw out the staff. Good old Hotel de Ville! Mardi-gras! Also, oh yeah!

FIRST BREW NOT SO GOOD

It may be too early to judge the new beer and wine regulations, but to date they do not seem any too good. Beer by the glass seems to be beer by the carload. A gentleman with a penchant for statistics figures that for weeks past beer has been sold in Timmins to the extent of \$700.00 worth per day. The figures are plausible in view of certain facts that may be ascertained. The sale of that amount of beer each day will not make for the prosperity of the town. Indeed, it is easy to see that if any such rate of sale of beer is continued, other businesses must suffer, while homes will also feel the pinch of too great indulgence in this form of thirst-quencher. It may also be noted that the number of intoxicated persons in public places has greatly increased. The police are doing their part to curb the annoyance and danger to the public safety and comfort from the epidemic of inebriated folks, but even so conditions are not any too good. At one mine it is said that 150 men failed to show up for work the day after pay-day, beer being blamed for this. The gentleman gathering statistics says that eight men were discharged from employment in one recent week because of too much beer. All that sort of thing is bad for everybody. Illegal sale of liquor does not appear in any material proportion. Indeed, more than one man has been heard to say that he prefers the blind-pig because there he can enjoy a quiet drink without the noise and disturbance and publicity accompanying proceedings at some of the beverage rooms.

It must be admitted that the new beer and wine law has not been given a fair trial. Some of the beverage rooms are conducting their places in the spirit of the law. Probably the majority of the beer drinkers are using common sense and regard for the rights of others and for public decency. But there are such flagrant breaches of law and order and good judgment that the public will soon condemn the whole new law unless there is a very radical change. Many people felt that the Liquor Control Act gave freedom enough to the individual while protecting the public. Those who thought otherwise are missing the chance of their lives if they do not insist on more seemly observance of the spirit of the law. There have been a number of permits to sell beer and wine granted in this town that should never have been granted. Men recently convicted of breaches of the law are not fit persons to be entrusted with the sale of beer. Places prescribed under the Liquor Control Act have been granted licenses. When premises of an evil reputation are brought under the new law the result is not happy for the success of the new regulations. Some of the blame for the poor working of the new law must go to the new administration. Had the local authorities been consulted most of the present licenses would not have been granted. It is a serious fault in administration when action is allowed to precede investigation. For the sake of the public, for the sake of those who have invested their money to provide proper accommodation for the public and to carry on the sale of beer and wine in decent and orderly way as several have done, there should be a thorough checking-up on the licenses issued and a cancellation of all that do not observe the rules of law and decency. Unless there is very material improvement the whole law will soon be in such public disfavour as to make its continuance impractical. Those selling beer and those drinking beer will have to show due regard for the rights of the public in general and the whole beer and wine plan will be a complete failure. At first the public was inclined to overlook a few faults and troubles on the plea that affairs would steady down in a few days. That steady-down will need to come soon to prevent public outcry against the abuses that have arisen.

GRAVEL AND SAND—AND PLACER

A Canadian telegraph messenger had won the ten-mile bicycle race at the Empire Games at London, England, last week. That is a joke on the jokers.

So long as the town council meets at night the mayor's job is more or less that of a night mayor.

Premier Hepburn is reported as planning to turn the hotel at Moosonee into a school for Indians. It is to be hoped that Mr. Hepburn does not hear about the Hotel de Ville at Timmins.

Members of the present town council previous to the last election tried to leave the impression on the ratepayers that previous councils were inclined to disregard common public opinion. It must be said now that no previous council has ever shown the autocratic disregard of general public opinion that has been displayed by the 1934 council in the matter of its attitude towards the fire chief. The public in general that has to pay the fire insurance rates and take

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Baked Dinner Makes Change for Family

Recipes for Economy Salad Dressing, Iced Chocolate, Spanish Corn Pudding, Orange Meringue Custard.

(By Helen E. Kimball)

How long is it since you have had a real baked dinner at home? For change and wonderful flavour they can't be beaten. And when you do everything in the oven, you save a lot of electricity if you own an electric stove. Besides, the cook who places a baked dinner in front of her famished family once every two weeks or so is sure to be admired.

Well, here's one kind of a baked dinner that should meet with everyone's approval.

A "Baked Dinner" Menu

- Tomato Juice
- Spanish Corn Pudding
- Sliced Cucumbers marinated in French Dressing
- Baked Potato
- Minute Steaks (broiled)
- Orange Meringue Custard
- Iced Tea, Coffee or Chocolate

And here are some recipes you may find useful in preparing this tasty meal:

- Economy Salad Dressing**
1 1-3 cups sweetened condensed milk
1 teaspoon salt
1-2 cup vinegar
1 teaspoon dry mustard
Blend thoroughly sweetened condensed milk, salt, vinegar, and mustard. Stir until mixture thickens. Allow to stand a few minutes to stiffen. This makes an excellent cold slaw dressing. Makes 1 3-4 cups.
- Iced Chocolate**
2 squares unsweetened chocolate
1 1-3 cups sweetened condensed milk
6 cups boiling water
Few grains salt
Melt chocolate in double boiler. Add sweetened condensed milk and boiling water gradually. Add a few grains of salt. Cool and pour over cracked ice. Serves nine.
- Spanish Corn Pudding**
1-2 cup sweetened condensed milk
1 can (2 1-2 cups) corn
1-4 cup chopped green pepper
2 tablespoons chopped pimento
1 tablespoon chopped onion
1 teaspoon salt
2 eggs
Blend sweetened condensed milk, corn, chopped green pepper, chopped pimento, chopped onion, salt and well-beaten eggs. Pour into buttered baking dish and bake 25 minutes in a moderate oven (350 degrees F.). Serves six.
- Orange Meringue Custard**
1 1-3 cups sweetened condensed milk
3 oranges
3 eggs
3 tablespoons granulated sugar
Blend sweetened condensed milk with diced pulp and juice of oranges. Add well-beaten egg yolks. Pour into buttered baking dish. Cover top with meringue made from stiffly-beaten egg whites and sugar. Bake 15 minutes, or until meringue is brown, in a moderate slow oven (325 degrees F.). Serves six.

Coffee Drop Cakes
1 cup sweetened condensed milk
4 teaspoons powdered soluble coffee
1-4 teaspoon salt
1-2 cup pecan meats.
Blend sweetened condensed milk and powdered coffee in top of double boiler. Stir over boiling water five minutes until mixture thickens. Remove from fire. Add salt and chopped pecan meats. Drop by spoonfuls on to a buttered baking sheet. Bake in moderate oven (350° F.) 10 to 15 minutes. Makes one dozen.

Lemon Drops
5 eggs
1 1-3 cups sweetened condensed

milk
1-2 cup lemon juice
8 zwieback
Cinnamon
Blend thoroughly egg yolks, sweetened condensed milk and lemon juice. Add zwieback, which has been rolled to crumbs. Fold in stiffly beaten egg whites. Drop by spoonfuls on buttered baking sheet. Sprinkle with cinnamon. Bake 20 minutes, or until a delicate brown, in a moderately hot oven (350° F.)

Magic Peach Cream Pie
1 1-3 cups sweetened condensed milk
1-4 cup lemon juice
1 cup sliced peaches, fresh or canned
1-2 cup whipping cream
2 tablespoons finely powdered icing sugar
Chocolate wafer pie crust.
Blend together sweetened condensed milk and lemon juice. Fold in sliced peaches. Pour into a nine-inch pie plate lined with chocolate wafer crust. Cover with whipped cream sweetened with icing sugar. Chill before serving. Note: If canned peaches are used they should be well drained.

Chocolate Wafer Pie Crust
Roll enough chocolate wafers to make 3-4 cup of crumbs. Cut enough chocolate wafers into halves to stand around the edge of pie plate. Cover bottom of plate with crumbs and fill in spaces between wafers. Pour in filling as usual.

Peach Delight
1 cup canned sliced peaches
1 1-2 cups peach juice and water
1 teaspoon gelatin
1 tablespoon cold water
1-4 teaspoon almond flavouring
1-2 cup sweetened condensed milk
Bring peach juice and water to boil and add gelatin which has been soaked in cold water. Stir until gelatin is

thoroughly dissolved. Chill. When gelatin begins to thicken fold in peaches cut into half-inch pieces, sweetened condensed milk and almond flavouring. Pour into mold. Chill until firm. Unmold. May be garnished with peach slices. Serves six.

Peach Dainty
1 can sliced peaches
1 cup peach juice
1-4 cup orange juice
1 tablespoon lemon juice
1-2 cup sweetened condensed milk
Place sliced peaches in six individual sherbet glasses. Thoroughly blend fruit juices and sweetened condensed milk. Pour over peaches. Chill. Serves six.

Urging Early Building Sudbury-Porcupine Road

An editorial in The Sudbury Star last week says:—"Delivering an address at North Bay Saturday on the occasion of the opening of a portion of the new trans-Canada highway east of that city, Hon. Peter Heenan expressed the sentiment that he hoped the north country would ask for many roads, and that he would have the pleasure of opening them. On Saturday, going through to his home riding of Kenora, he told a representative of The Sudbury Star that he had not heard anything of the proposed construction of a highway north from Sudbury to connect the Porcupine mining camp, and that there were no charts, plans or surveys for the suggested highway. Taking the new minister of lands and forests and northern development at his word, no time should be lost in making the same request of the Hepburn government as was made to its predecessors, that early construction of a road to Timmins be started. If Sudbury is in earnest about the pro-

ject, and there is no doubt on that score, the government should not be left in ignorance of the demand or the details of the scheme to connect the nickel district with the Porcupine field through the territory to the north, believed to be rich in mineral resources. Mr. Heenan professedly is anxious that Northern Ontario should ask for lots of roads. This banner portion of the province has sought more roads, and is still willing and anxious to ask for them, so that the desire of the minister should easily be gratified. The north wants roads, and more roads, and better roads. No one should know better than Mr. Heenan the actual need in the north for improved facilities of transportation, and if the minister is sincere in his expressed hope that requests will be numerous, the people of this great hinterland should make sure that he will not be disappointed. Whether the demands will be satisfied, of course, is another question. It will at least be gratifying to know from Mr. Heenan that there is no intention of eliminating the northern development branch of the government. Apparently this arm of the service is of sufficient importance to be continued in the interests of the north country. It may be that a few foremen here and there will be replaced, but the work is to go on, and for this assurance the people of the north land will be grateful. They will be glad to co-operate in giving Mr. Heenan the opportunity of instituting improvements in administration and of expanding the services that may be rendered by this important department in every corner of the north."

Sudbury Star:—"The Prince of Wales saved a boy from drowning in a beach swimming pool at Biarritz, so, even if the throne-toppers have their way, E.P. can always qualify as a life guard.

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council in its apparent attitude of "the public be damned." What would be thought of a judge who would preface the opening of court by saying—"Bring in the criminals to be tried." Yet that is the attitude of Premier Hepburn in announcing each of his many investigations.

Pembroke Standard - Observer:—"A despatch says the Hollywood stars are to get a slash in their salaries. As Will Rogers gets over \$300,000 per year, he will think that the depression has hit him.