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Very Notable Entertainment Held at South Porcupine

Girls of South Porcupine High School Play Radio Stars. Very Interesting Event. Other South Porcupine and Dome News.

South Porcupine, Ont., Dec. 5th, 1934. Special to The Advance.

A very nice event was staged on Monday afternoon among the girls of the High School. They have been playing basketball in the gymnasium periods since school started this term and all the girls have taken part in the play. Six teams have been selected with captains and lately these teams have been playing off games with each other to determine the champions.

As the final elimination was to be on Monday, a party was in order afterwards. Frances St. Paul's "Red Peppers" played with Catherine Foster's "Nifty Meteors," and the latter won with a score of 25-12.

Then came the surprise. The teachers, Miss McPhail and Miss Lucas, after making speeches to the champions presented each girl with a very nice silver bracelet as a trophy.

Catherine Foster as captain replied and thanked the teachers.

The other champions receiving bracelets were—Catherine McPhail, Betha Londry, Mary Curtis, Rose Cosco and Josephine Cecconi.

Then followed a programme which we are noting on account of its originality. We were not present but have received such a glowing account of the good fun that all the girls had that we wish we had been invited.

The Mistress of Ceremonies (Ruth Verner) had made a radio programme. She called the various performers to the microphone under the name of a radio star and each had to respond in kind.

For instance Foster Hewitt gave a vivid account of their own basketball game.

Little Jack Little gave a piano solo. The "three little pigs" did their stuff as did also Garbo, the Boswell sisters

and Mae West. But when the Dionne Quintuplets were called to the "mike" and enumerated, each responded with the same squawk. Anyway the girls had a very good time, a very nice lunch and will no doubt feel, after this, that they also have two very nice teachers.

Mrs. Woodall and Miss Marjorie are in Toronto this week.

The date for the United Church Sunday School annual Christmas tree is definitely set for Thursday, December 20th. Please keep this date in mind.

We are sorry to hear this morning of the death of Mr. Dempsey, of Cochrane, who passed away on Monday night, aged 81. The Misses Elda, Vera, and Bess Dempsey, who are well known to most of us in the camp are his daughters. We extend our sympathy.

Mrs. Martin Knutson has been a wonderful worker for the Children's Shelter. This week she has handed in another sum of \$35.85 to swell the already large amount collected previously.

A very interesting wedding took place last Wednesday evening in the manse when Dr. Fraser united in the bonds of holy matrimony Miss Ve'ima Pearl Smith, of South Porcupine, and Clifford C. Gagnon, also of South Porcupine—cousin to Wm. Gagnon, well known to hockey fans in this district. The bride, who was attired in Wedgwood blue crepe trimmed with silver and hat to match, was supported by Mrs. Mary Gagnon. Malcolm Ross acted as best man. The young couple to whom, we extend best wishes for a happy future, will reside in South Porcupine.

We are sorry to report Mrs. T. Strain on the sick list. We hope to hear better news of her soon.

A whist drive is planned by the Past Grand's Club of the Rebekahs, under the auspices of Mrs. W. Freeman, and Mrs. T. Gibbons, and will take place at the home of Mrs. Gibbons on Wednesday next.

A most successful inauguration of the Men's Club of the United Church was accomplished on Tuesday evening in the church when over thirty men of the congregation assembled at a supper prepared for them by the Ladies' Guild. It proved to be a very interesting evening. A club of this nature seems to us to fill a need in this community. The ladies seem to be quite capable of forming clubs and guilds and other centres of social interest and of doing helpful work together, but a men's club is a move in a different direction. We wish it every success. Mr. James Thomson (High School staff) was elected president at Tuesday's meeting; Mr. Miles Clarke, vice-president; and Mr. Russell Vokes, secretary. The plan is for the men to meet the first Tuesday in each month. Mr. Purdy gave a most interesting and inspiring address on the "Elements of Success in Life," which was followed by a very full and free discussion among the men present. A vote of thanks to the ladies for the excellent supper provided was tendered at the conclusion of the evening.

Want Dr. McInnis on Compensation Board

South Porcupine Liberals Press Claims of Local Man. Other Matters at Kirkland Meeting.

The executive of the South Cochrane Liberal Association met at Kirkland Lake over the week-end and according to The Northern News one of the matters before the meeting was the recommending of Dr. J. A. McInnis, of Timmins, to be a member of the Workmen's Compensation Board of Ontario. Dr. McInnis has been a prominent and valuable member of the Liberal Association for a great many years and at every election has given the party generous service in both the Dominion and Provincial fields. He was a candidate in 1929 for the Liberal party in the provincial field in this riding and put up a notable election contest. Dr. McInnis has taken particular interest

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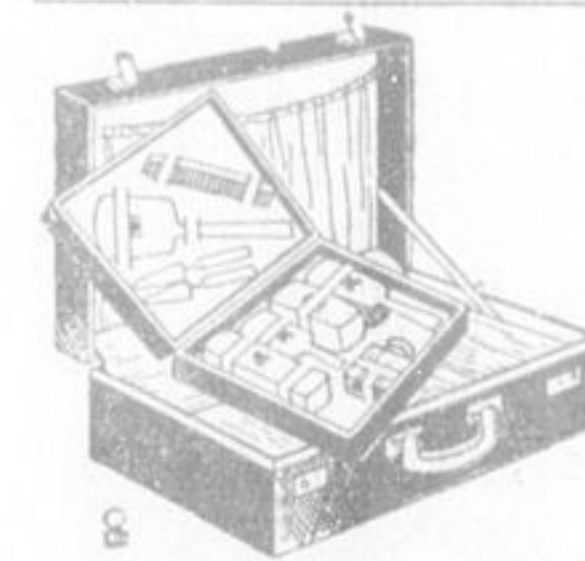
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A despatch from Mount Vernon, Washington, this week says that rockets and bombs are busting over Skagit County so the United States can eat its fill of cabbages next year. It's all on account of the ducks.

Migrating ducks swarmed down to feed in the cabbage and rutabaga fields with such regularity the farmers appealed to their Congressman and the United States Biological Survey to have the ducks branded "predatory animals," so they could be shot.

Then the State Game Commission, sworn to protect wild fowl heard about it, and furnished aerial bombs and sky rockets to frighten away the ducks.

Skagit County's cabbage is said to represent 85 per cent. of the United States output.

Punch (London, Eng.)—Wireless, we are told, will soon be used to exterminate germs. The difficulty at present is to induce the wretched little things to listen.

Sudbury Star.—That Texan who scratched the mosquito bite on his foot with the muzzle of a loaded shotgun was quickly relieved of that itching sensation—and also his foot.

Weston Leader.—We also think the banks ought to adopt a more liberal loan-policy, with us as the loanee.

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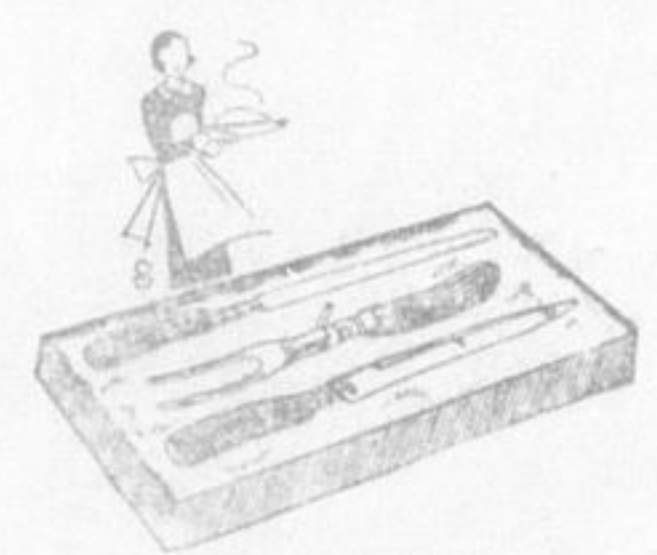
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VISITS HOMETOWN AFTER LONG ABSENCE
The renowned poetess and playwright whose works some profess to understand, Miss Gertrude Stein (left) arrives in New York with secretary, Alice Tokias, on first visit to homeland in thirty years.

in the Workmen's Compensation Act and on account of his profession is in a specially fine position to know how it works out. His appointment to the Workmen's Compensation Board will be popular with all. He is well-known for his fairness and patience and all would have confidence in him in any capacity of public service.

The meeting of the executive of the South Cochrane Liberal Association at Kirkland Lake on Saturday is reported as follows by The Northern News:—

Grits Want Dr. McInnis on Board.

Dr. J. A. McInnis, pioneer Timmins, physician, was recommended for the position vacant on the Ontario Workmen's Compensation Board by the district executive of South Cochrane Liberal Association which met here over the week-end.

It was when the Liberals were discussing the steps taken to fulfill the election promise to miners that the Compensation Act would be changed to allow them choice of their own doctor that it was decided to recommend Dr. McInnis for the position left vacant by death on the board.

In making the recommendation to the government department handling compensation local Liberals will point out the great amount contributed to the compensation fund by northern mines and paper mills with their heavy accident toll.

"Dr. McInnis has been in Timmins since the opening of the Porcupine camp," one prominent local Liberal

said in discussing the recommendation. "If anybody knows conditions in the north he does. And as any doctor will tell you he is eminently qualified from a professional standpoint."

"If the suggestion of riding heads is accepted party workers here say the work of the board will be made easier because of the expert understanding of all phases of the subject Dr. McInnis will be able to bring to the position."

The choice of the district for the compensation post has always been a confirmed Liberal and was the defeated candidate in the 1930 provincial election.

At the same meeting the seal of approval was placed on the elevation of Col. Mae Lang to the post of chairman of the T & N O. Railway Commission and the selection of Reeve Charles Gallagher, of South Porcupine, as vice-chairman.

"We were certainly glad to see northerners in charge of a northern railroad," said one who was at the meeting. "Recommendations will be forwarded to Queen's Park that the three positions on the commission made vacant by the retirement of Premier Hepburn, A. G. Slaght, K.C., and Armand Racine, temporary commissioners, be filled by northerners."

The meeting asked that Northern Development funds be set aside to run the Goodfish Road at the northeastern limits of Kirkland Lake through to Matheson and Harker township to open up new mining country at present not served by a road.

Liberals recommended the road program it is said because it is not entirely a case of making a new highway as it is claimed existing concession routes could be worked into a through highway.

The meeting went on record as being against wholesale dismissals in the government service throughout the riding. "It was the feeling of the entire meeting," said Harry J. Fine, president of the association, "that the policy of firing men who were Con-

servatives, just because they were Conservatives, to replace them with Liberals, for the sole reason that the replacements were Liberals, should not be followed.

"Dismissals should only be made on cause the meeting felt."

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