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GOVERNMENT STATION NEEDED

There is considerable question as to whether the recent proposal to increase the power of one of the Toronto government radio stations will solve the radio problem for the North. Many people interested in radio and from careful study of the subject having much more real knowledge of radio than some of those who have no other interest in it than to make money from it are convinced that the needs of the North could not be supplied by a Toronto station except one of prohibitive power. They explain this by quoting geographic conditions and pointing to the fact that radio reception from Toronto is seldom as clear here as it is from other stations, even on the best of radios. These radio enthusiasts argue that the only solution of the radio question in the North is the installation of a government radio station that will relay Canadian programmes to all parts of the North. The area concerned embraces about four-fifths of the province of Ontario and yet little has been done to accommodate the thousands of radio owners in this immense territory. The North pioneered in the matter of radio and so deserves even more consideration than other sections. Because there are so many radio enthusiasts here, attempt has been made to turn this fact into a means of making money for a few interested. Under the guise of filling a want until the government could get around to building the necessary station attempt has been made to foist little and inadequate local stations. Perhaps it is natural for those making money out of these toy stations to bend every effort to hold their money-making monopoly even though the public suffer. The public however, will be foolish indeed if these people are allowed to grind their toy axes to the public detriment. What the North needs is to have available for radio owners the programmes for which they have been paying in common with the rest of Canada. A government radio relay station at some point near Sudbury, or North Bay, according to experts, would make radio available to all in the immense area from North Bay and Sudbury as far north as Mooseonee and from Northwestern Quebec to Sault Ste. Marie. If a Toronto station can be increased in power and efficiency to cover the same territory, well and good. That will suit the people of the North. All they are asking for is a square deal in the matter of radio. There was a time perhaps, when any sort of radio station seemed desirable for any centre. The centres that have suffered from any sort of a radio station are not at all anxious for any more. The attitude of the North towards radio stations has materially changed. Some years ago when The Advance suggested that a point north of Sudbury seemed the logical place, according to the experts as a site for a government radio station, there was general objection. Nearly every centre thought itself the ideal location for a radio station. Now the general attitude is that a government radio station is badly needed, and that it should be installed at once in the location where it will prove of greatest service to the largest territory. If the radio owners of the North can bring the government to see the great need for a government radio relay station for the North, then the government may be trusted to have experts select the best site for the needed station.

There are a few who seem to think that because the government has suggested that radio will be made more fully available to the North, there is no more to be said or done. The fact is that now is the very time to keep the matter alive and prominent. There should be careful study of the situation by the government's experts and such study would no doubt result in it being shown that what is really needed is a government radio relay station for the North—that nothing else will meet the needs. A government radio relay station is needed for the North. That fact should be repeated and emphasized and kept to the fore until the need is filled.

IS DICTATORSHIP PLANNED

The people of Ontario should wake to the real danger with which they are faced at the present moment. The autocratic and brutal attitude of the present government has surely been apparent from the moment the administration took office. Never in the history of the province has any government shown such a total disregard for popular feeling. Is it any wonder that people are beginning to question whether the administration in its folly is not actually aiming at a regular dictatorship. What is the first move made when such dictatorship is planned? The answer is, the control of the army and the police. In the case of Ontario there is no army, but if the police of all the province were actually under the control of the administration the dictators imagine they could do just as they wished. Recently the present Ontario government has shown its hand by attempting to put through a measure bringing all the police of the province, municipal police included, under the direct control of the party in power. Under the proposed legislation while townships, towns and cities, would have to pay their police, the latter would be under the direct orders of a political appointee at Toronto. Hon. A. W. Roebuck excuses his proposed legislation by the suggestion that closer co-operation is needed between provincial and municipal police. In this regard it may be said that the provincial police all over Ontario can always rely on the fullest co-operation from municipal police just as long as the provincial police merit that co-operation. Timmins and other municipalities in the North give ample proof of this fact. Usually there is the closest co-operation between municipal and provincial law enforcement officers. As a general rule the fault may be traced to political control when this co-operation is absent. The truth, however, is that the proposed legislation would not assure any co-operation. It would simply turn over the control of local police to a political servant at Toronto. It is unthinkable that Ontario would tolerate any such move. The proposal for Toronto dictatorship for the police of Ontario has been opposed in the Legislature. Hon. Mr. Roebuck has been asked to withdraw it. Any legislation that passes such legislation will be dealt with by the people at the next opportunity. It is against every British instinct and principle. To the question that The Advance is taking too serious a view of the matter it is replied that the proposal is one that requires the most serious opposition. Unless some form of dictatorship is aimed at, there is no sense in the proposed legislation. There are few towns or cities where the municipal police are not doing their duty fully. The people are able to make a change in case there is need. Only for a limited time will the people of any centre endure improper political control of the police. Under the proposed legislation they would be forced to suffer under partisan police all the time. To the argument that all the powers of the legislation proposed would not be used, the answer is then why have such powers conferred, unless

distasteful is dreamed of? The present government has never shown the slightest approach to the good judgment, fairness, lack of political tyranny, that are absolutely necessary to make such powers as those conferred by the proposed legislation other than a menace. The proposal to establish any form of Soviet control of the police in Ontario should be resisted to the limit by all fairminded members of the Legislature irrespective of party.

GOOD OLD AB.

Recently the new government in Ontario has been threatening to abolish Latin from the school curriculum. Now, they can scarcely do that. Or can they? Hon. A. W. Roebuck has been using Latin in his speeches on the Hydro Electric Commission, and if Latin is abolished how can people understand Mr. Roebuck's speeches? Or is that necessary? Hon. Mr. Roebuck said that something or other was "ab initio." Just like that. Now "ab initio" means "from the beginning," to use English. Why didn't Mr. Roebuck say "from the beginning?" Now, why bring that up? J. V. McAree, who writes the famous fourth column on the editorial page of The Mail and Empire says that Mr. Roebuck should not have used the Latin phrase, "ab initio," but that he should have said "ab origine," which also means "from the beginning." Such a phrase would certainly be more appropriate and it has a native touch as well. The Advance thinks, however that Hon. Mr. Roebuck might well have used the Latin phrase "ab ovo," which is another Latin way of saying "from the beginning." Literally "Ab ovo" means "from the egg," and it was the whole point, if any, of Mr. Roebuck's speech that the whole trouble started from an egg, a bad egg. It may be said by some mean men that Hon. Roebuck was using Latin in his address simply to show his superiority. That is not likely. It will be noted that he used only phrases beginning with "a" Before the next election relieves him of the necessity he may get as far as "reductio ad absurdum," "vae victis," and "zonam perditit." But the gentle reader may exclaim—"Ha! But The Advance got all these Latin phrases from "Words and Phrases from the Greek, Latin and Modern Foreign Languages. Arranged Alphabetically, with English Translations," to be found in any modern dictionary." All right! What about Hon. Mr. Roebuck? You will find his little ab initio only the eighth down in the list. Hon. Mr. Roebuck's Latin family of Ab's are quite interesting and impressive. It would appear that like the Chinaman the first name is used as the last. There is Ab Hoc and Ab Hac, Ab Intra and Ab Extra, not to mention dear old Ab Urbe. Then there is Ab Officio, and Hon. Mr. Roebuck will yet learn what that means. And he won't need to wait for Ab Aeterno for this either. Perhaps the liveliest member of the Ab family is in some way related to Mr. Roebuck, especially if the Attorney-General is forever wedded to that idea of being dictator to all the police. The Ab referred to is no less than that old friend, Ab absurdum. This Ab may well take the bow.

GRAVEL AND SAND—AND PLACER

A friend of The Advance calls attention to the fact that in printing the name of that famous village in Wales known for short as Llanfair P.G." The Advance omitted the letter "n" A check-up reveals the fact that the omission was the work of the intelligent compositor. In the copy the "n" was duly inserted east of a "y" and west of two "l's" No one seems to dispute the fact that "n" should be in its place in that 57-letter name; that is, no one but the intelligent compositor who deliberately left it out. He does such things, and short of perfection in the world he will have his way in the world he will have his way for a while. It shows, however, how carefully The Advance is read when readers note the omission of one little "n" in a word of 57 letters. To the most of people the omission of the "n" did not seriously harm the word. As the name has appeared absolutely correctly in every detail of its fifty-seven letters in more than one recent issue of The Advance, the correction of the "n" is made here-with without reproduction of the name in full.

Hon. A. W. Roebuck recently spoke for nine hours in the Legislature on the question of Hydro Electric Commission affairs in Ontario. The full truth about Hydro can be told in two hours.

A number of newspapers at the present moment are complaining about the garrulous style of some parliamentarians. It is argued that if some of the talkative legislators would say nothing, much value, time and money would be saved. Yes, and if this suggestion were followed, there would be a great howling rising to the sky about the silent legislators. "You let that injustice or that piece of crookedness pass, and you never said a word?" would be the cry. It is a hard world, if you don't weaken.

The Toronto Telegram suggests that it is a ridiculous work for a 200-lb policeman to be chalking up breaches of the traffic laws by motorists. Not half as ridiculous as that full grown adult motorists who know the law and the regulations should need to be checked up in this day and generation!

Olivia Dionne, father of the famous quintuplets, is being frequently mentioned in the newspapers these days and most references add a word about Mr. Dionne being accompanied by his manager. It doesn't seem proper that the father of the quintuplets should have a manager. If there were any justice in the world Mr. Dionne would have a syndicate to look after him.

Recent official figures show that the population of Toronto has decreased 11,858. Of the 11,858 about 11,500 came to Timmins to look for a job.

Although no provision seems to be made in the estimates for the building of a new town hall in Timmins that does not necessarily mean that the idea is dropped altogether. There is one way whereby a new town hall may be financed without any provision for financing being necessary this year. That method is indeed the only sensible one that can be considered at present. It means the paying for the town hall by debentures spread over a term of years. The objection to this debenture plan is that it would be difficult to sell the debentures. If the town council has a plan whereby the debentures are taken up and the necessity removed for placing them on the market, the building of a new town hall would be warranted. If the cost has to come out of current revenues or the debentures have to be carried for years by the town itself, the new town hall will not be practical at present.

Sir Malcolm Campbell last week broke his own record as a motor car racer. It is to be hoped that he doesn't break something else of his own in this speed business.

There are hints from Toronto that the Hepburn Government has new taxes in store for the people of the province. This is the very thing for which they were not elected.

If the Hydro Commission is the kind of outfit that Hon. Mr. Roebuck suggests it is, then no municipality would care to enter any partnership with such a group. If Hon. Mr. Roebuck is mistaken or misleading others, then it would be well to steer clear of anything with which he is concerned.

South End Aeroplane Helps in Injury Case

Trip Made to Matachewan. Pleasant Evening at Dome Ex. Other South Porcupine and Dome News.

South Porcupine, Ont., March 9th, 1935. Special to The Advance. Mr. and Mrs. M. Bessette and Valerie returned from Mattawa on Thursday.

Mr. Wally Martin is recuperating nicely after a minor operation in Presbyterian hospital. Another euchre party is to be given by the Rebekahs on Friday night in the I.O.O.F. hall. Everybody welcome.

A party of ladies from town and the Dome attended a nice little bridge party in Timmins given by Mrs. Rickward (Irene Rowe) in honour of her mother who is visiting. Mrs. W. W. Wilson brought back the honours with Mrs. D. Wright (nee Martha Michaelson) second.

A call on Tuesday from Matachewan to the airport here, brought news that a man had met with a nasty accident while, ski-ing, the pole having broken and pierced his leg, necessitating medical attention. The plane brought the man into Timmins hospital in one hour and fifteen minutes.

Mr. "Noisy" Clarke, who played hockey this year with the Mercantile league in Toronto is in camp. Mrs. Wilfred Deacon and baby are visiting her mother in Sudbury this week.

A very congenial social was held last Monday night in St. Paul's parish hall, the A.Y.P.A. acting as hosts to the sewing circle. Games, cards and dancing passed the evening pleasantly.

Next Tuesday night is an open meeting at the parish hall, in which the Men's Club invite the congregation to a social evening to inaugurate the activities of the men's club of the church. Mr. Rene Quenell accompanied the Junior hockey team to Sudbury on Wednesday.

Born—To Mr. and Mrs. Fenato on Saturday, March 2nd, in South Porcupine—a son.

Born—On Monday, March 4th, to Mr. and Mrs. Ed Gervais, of South Porcupine—a daughter. Mr. C. V. Gallagher left for Toronto on Saturday.

A most pleasant evening was spent last Wednesday at the home of Mrs. D. Thomas, Dome Extension. A whist drive in the interests of charity was the occasion, and all had a very nice time. The highest honours went to Mrs. B. Curtis, with Mrs. Roy Andrews coming second, and Mrs. H. Miller third. For sitting the longest at one table Mrs. Spitz gained a special prize.

McLaren-Porcupine Now Self-Supporting

Notable Achievement Made by New Porcupine Property. Much Progress is Made in Less Than Six Months.

Very noteworthy progress has been made at the McLaren-Porcupine Gold Mines property. In a period less than six months the property has been placed on a self-supporting basis, which is certainly an unusual situation for a gold mining proposition. In a letter to The Advance, W. M. McLaren, president, says:—

"Although severe winter conditions have interfered considerably with operations in the glory hole, a good proportion of high-grade ore has been milled and McLaren-Porcupine is, and has been for a month past, on a self-supporting basis. The management feel that this is a unique achievement for a company which is less than six months old.

"The glory hole has been considerably extended in the past few weeks both in area and depth. The numerous veins across the bottom of the pit are widening rapidly as the depth increases and free gold has been encountered in practically all of them. An incline trestle and air hoist has been installed in the pit to facilitate the removal of ore and waste. This is expected to boost the mining rate two or three times without additional labour cost.

"The company has just completed the construction of a new and up-to-date cookery and bunk house which is ample in size to handle not only the present crew of twenty men but also a substantial increase which normal progress will require in the near future. "Diamond-drilling, for which tenders have been called, will be proceeded with upon the abatement of severe weather conditions."

Highest Temperatures Registered Here Sunday

The highest temperature of the year was registered yesterday afternoon when the Hollinger government tested thermometer went to 37 above zero. This morning at 8 o'clock it was 30 above and still climbing. During the week-end, two and a half inches of snow fell.

Table with 3 columns: Day, Maxima, Minima. Thursday: 6 above, 21 below; Friday: 14 above, 19 below; Saturday: 27 above, 12 below; Sunday: 37 above, 3 above; Monday: 23 above.

Detroit News.—A man with one idea is sometimes worse off than a man with no idea at all.

As far as can be figured from an editorial in The Toronto Telegram on Saturday it would appear that Mayor James Simpson, of Toronto, had a narrow escape from being kicked

WANT Ads

FOR RENT

ROOMS TO RENT—Central location; newly decorated. Apply at 5 1-3 Fifth avenue, Timmins. —20.

FOR RENT—New six-roomed house with bath; up-to-date, modern conveniences; full-size cement basement with hot-air furnace; immediate possession. Apply at 14 Allen Street, Connaught Hill, South Porcupine, phone 32. —20

ROOM AND BOARD

SINGLE AND DOUBLE ROOM in comfortable private home where board excellent. Recently remodelled and newly furnished. Mrs. M. Lawlor, 3 Elm South, Timmins, Telephone 552-J. —191f

WOOD FOR SALE

WOOD FOR SALE—J. B. Charette & Son, Tamarack, Jackpine. Reasonable price. Phone 856-W. 44 Commercial Avenue. —20-22-24-26p

MISCELLANEOUS

CHILDREN FOR ADOPTION—Good homes desired for children, boys and girls, Catholic and Protestant, ages 4 to 14 years. Any home desiring to adopt a youngster should have their clergyman write A. G. Carson, Supt. Children's Aid, Timmins, Ont. 441f

THE WOMEN'S ASSOCIATION TRINITY UNITED CHURCH, SCHUMACHER, cordially invite you to afternoon tea and bake sale at Mrs. Gabriel's, First avenue, Schumacher, Tuesday March 12th, at 3 o'clock. —19-20

LOCALS

W. D. Watt is making good recovery after an operation some weeks ago.

F. E. Miller, of Iroquois Falls, was a Timmins visitor on Saturday.

Miss Pearl Brown, R.N., of St. Mary's hospital returned to her home at Iroquois Falls on Friday for a few weeks.

Mr. and Mrs. C. W. Pearson, of Toronto, spent a few days last week the guests of friends in town.

W. Bro. W. H. Johns, D.D.G.M., will pay his official visit to Golden Beaver Lodge on Wednesday evening of this week.

Thursday and Friday were typical old-time North Land days, with the thermometer twenty below and yet the cold not being felt particularly.

Ed. St. Louis returns to Timmins today from the National Hairdressers' convention at the Royal York hotel, Toronto.

The Rouyn-Noranda Press last week says:—"Mrs. J. Korman, Third avenue, Noranda, gave a miscellaneous shower and bridge on Sunday in honour of Miss S. Korman, of Timmins, whose marriage takes place on March 17 in Timmins. At bridge Mrs. I. Luke won the first prize, Mrs. S. Korman, the second and Miss M. Rubinvitch the consolation."

Want Ads

With the issue of The Advance semi-weekly, the rates for want ads have been simplified. Want ads now are 1c per word with a minimum of 25c (35c if charged).

ARTICLES FOR SALE

FOR SALE—One used Electric washer in good condition will sell for reasonable offer. Phone 595-W. —20.

FOR SALE—One large mounted moose head. Price reasonable. Apply to J. and T. Purvis Golden ave., South Porcupine. —20-21

FOR SALE—Two of the famous "Easy" Spin-Dry Electric washers at reduced prices. Your old washer will be accepted as part payment. Terms on the balance. The Geo. Taylor Hdw. Ltd., Phone 300-301. —20

LOST

LOST—One shootree, black, size 7 1-2, this (Monday) morning, between foot of Wilson avenue and the post office. Please phone 690-J. —20p

CARD OF THANKS

Mr. and Mrs. Maurice Bessette, South Porcupine, wish to thank everybody for the thoughtfulness and kindness shown to them in their recent sad bereavement. —20S

PRIVATE BILL TOWNSHIP OF TISDALE

Notice is hereby given by the Corporation of the Township of Tisdale that an application will be made to the Legislative Assembly of the Province of Ontario, to enact a Private Bill at the next session thereof to validate and confirm all sales and conveyances of land within the Township of Tisdale prior to the 31st day of December, 1934, for arrears of taxes in respect of the land so sold.

Also to confirm and declare legal, valid and binding upon the Corporation and the ratepayers thereof a certain agreement between the said Corporation and the Provincial Government respecting High School Debentures; By-law No. 427 of the said Corporation authorizing the execution of the said agreement; and declaring legal valid and binding the Debentures mentioned therein.

Dated at South Porcupine in the Township of Tisdale, this 28th day of January, 1935.

The Corporation of the Township of Tisdale by: CHARLES V. GALLAGHER, Reeve. FRANK C. EVANS, Clerk-Treasurer 20-22-24-26-28-30.

IN MEMORIAM

BURKE—In loving memory of our dear friend, Evelyn Burke, who departed this life March 12th, 1934. Earthly friendships Death may sever, But sweet remembrance Goes on forever. —Lovingly remembered by Betty and Carrie. —20

Mrs. Wm. Lafferty, of New Liskeard, is spending a few weeks at the homes of her daughter, Mrs. Alf Holland and son, Roy Lafferty, of the Coniarium.

Miss S. Korman returned last week from a visit to relatives and friends in Rotyn and Noranda.

Mrs. Arthur Olson, who was taken suddenly ill on Thursday and has been in St. Mary's hospital since that time, is making satisfactory progress to recovery.

Hon. Peter Heenan in Need of Holiday

Has Been Quite Ill. Not Likely to Resume Work in the Government for Some Time.

A despatch from Toronto this week is to the effect that the health of Hon. Peter Heenan is a matter of grave concern to his cabinet colleagues. There is no likelihood whatever of the Minister of Lands and Forests taking his seat in the legislature this session, it is said.

Mr. Heenan has been indisposed for some time and he was taken suddenly ill last Tuesday shortly after the house adjourned for dinner. A consultation of his two physicians was held yesterday and they have ordered Mr. Heenan to rest for at least six weeks.

They advised a trip to the West Indies where Mr. Heenan would be completely removed from any official

business. In urging this course, they pointed out that it was his failure to obey their instructions last January that is responsible for his present serious condition.

Under strict orders Mr. Heenan will remain in bed for at least eight days and if he is sufficiently recovered he will then take an ocean trip. Premier Hepburn spent yesterday morning in conference with the Minister of Lands and Forests preparatory to taking over his duties. Mr. Hepburn will endeavor to carry on Mr. Heenan's two portfolios in addition to those of prime minister and provincial treasurer until the end of the session.

By that time Mr. Heenan is unable to resume his work a new minister must inevitably be appointed. Should this unfortunate situation arise, it is said that the choice will rest between E. A. Laperre, M.L.A., of Sudbury and Dr. A. D. Roberts, of Sault Ste. Marie. The situation created by Mr. Heenan's enforced absence is admittedly a most difficult one. Both of Mr. Heenan's departments are of such great importance that they constantly require the attention of a minister.

At the present time there is no other member of the Cabinet sufficiently familiar with their intricacies to assume a position of acting minister.

Hamilton Spectator.—The effects of worry are deadly, which is something else for the worried to worry about.

Press despatches from the North West on Friday morning carried stories of "intense cold." At Edmonton it was 22 below; at Athabaska, 30 below; and at Peace River, 25 below. The official temperature in Timmins was 21 below as noted above.

Owing to the death of Mrs. Sam Bucovetsky the store will remain closed to-day and day of funeral. Sam Bucovetsky Ltd.

Sir James Barrie.—It is true that woman was made from man's rib; she was really made from his funny bone.