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PROTECTING THE PUBLIC

A recent announcement by the Attorney-General of the province that hereafter representatives of newspapers would not be permitted to attend hangings of convicted murderers has been greeted with many expressions of approval by newspapers throughout the province. The Advance, however, believes that both the prohibition and the expressions of approval have been made without due consideration. Few real newspapermen desire the unpleasant task of attending hangings. The competition between newspapers sometimes forces some of the newspapers to attend such events and pay more public attention to them than would be the case were it not for the tendency to imitation. Most newspapers in Canada would wish to avoid much more than a bare statement of the time and fact of execution. To these newspapers it may appear an easy way to achieve their method of dealing with the case when the newspapers are forbidden the scene of the execution. However, the public interest should be the paramount issue, and it is difficult to believe that the public interest will be served by any policy of secrecy in this matter. Some years ago in the North there was a man hanged, but a story was started to the effect that he had escaped the rope. The fact that newspapermen were present at the execution and could verify the fact of the execution prevented the story of the escape from gaining any currency among thoughtful people. Had it not been for the brief but very evidently authentic newspaper account of this hanging, there is little doubt but that it would have been difficult to convince the general public that the sentence had been duly carried through. There was a more recent execution in Ontario where the condemned man had powerful political connections. Had the newspaper representatives been debarred from that particular hanging, there would have been added force to the suggestion made by many: "That man has too much political influence to suffer the supreme penalty." More and more the people in general look to the newspapers to protect their interests and their rights. The newspapers have fostered that idea, and they can scarcely avoid all its implications, however unpleasant. Few people are in favour of public hangings; but under a democratic form of government the law can not be enforced in too private a manner. Under bureaucratic government the people are expected to blindly accept official word of what may or may not have happened, but in a democracy the people insist on their own representation. In many affairs concerning the public, the newspapers have been accepted as specially representing the public, and it must be admitted that in general they have guarded the public in earnest and efficient way. It is doubtful if any other representation will as fully satisfy the public. In this there is no intention to cast discredit on any public officials. The sole point is that whatever may be accepted under Soviet rule, the public of a democracy do require that they be specially represented and their interests guarded in all matters of general law enforcement and welfare. It is not suggested that the newspapers feature long accounts of hangings. Quite the contrary! It might, indeed, be well to forbid more than brief reference to such events. No public interest is served by sensational stories or gruesome accounts of executions. But the public has an interest in preserving the right to know about the enforcement of the death penalty and to guard against the possibility of improper action on the part of anyone in so serious a part of law enforcement.

A NOTABLE ANNIVERSARY

Mr. and Mrs. E. F. Stephenson, of New Liskeard, last week celebrated the 65th anniversary of their marriage. On the same occasion Mrs. Stephenson observed her 84th birthday anniversary. Mr. Stephenson will be 90 years of age on June 10th this year. It is very pleasing to know that both Mr. and Mrs. Stephenson are enjoying a remarkable degree of strength and health for their time of life. Mr. Stephenson, though not as active as in former years, still writes considerable "copy" for The New Liskeard Speaker which he edited for a great many years with marked ability and success. It must be pleasing to him in these later years to see his son, A. E. Stephenson, carrying on the high traditions of the newspaper. The New Liskeard Speaker is a newspaper that is a credit to the North as well as an influence for good and for progress. It upholds all the old-fashioned virtues—temperance, honesty, industry, kindness, fairness, justice—and at the same time it is progressive, up-to-date and enterprising. It is founded on ideals, and these ideals have been made practical. Founded by E. F. Stephenson thirty years ago it has more than done its part to assist the progress of the great clay belt of the North and to further the true interests of the people.

E. F. Stephenson in his ninetieth year can look back on a life exceptionally well spent. It might

be truly termed a model life—where the home, the family, the good of the community, were the chief considerations. In the community life of New Liskeard, Mr. and Mrs. Stephenson and family have taken a leading and a useful part. They have won the respect of all, and the affection of those near to them. Can life offer much greater achievement? They typify the real Canadians that have given this Dominion its true greatness—the unassuming people who work and prosper by industry and thrift, who are kindly and public-spirited, and who make life better because of their example.

Their 65th anniversary of married life, and their advanced age, make a truly notable occasion. Congratulations and good wishes should be showered upon them. And congratulations also may well be extended to New Liskeard and the North because there are good citizens of this fine type. They do not thrust themselves so often upon public notice as some less worthy ones may do, but the very fact that there are such estimable citizens is in itself a pleasing form of good wishes for the North.

"ADOPT A CHILD" WEEK

Hon. David Croll, Minister of Welfare for the province of Ontario, has proposed that the week of May 26th be observed as "Adopt a Baby" Week. There are approximately 9,000 children in the province who are wards of the Children's Aid Societies. Of this number 8,000 have been placed in foster homes and are being well cared for there. It is Hon. Mr. Croll's hope that the other 1,000 youngsters in the Shelters may be adopted through the results of the "Adopt a Baby" Week. The Children's Aid Society, since its foundation over forty years ago, has always endeavoured to avoid institutions for children. "A home for every child" has been one of its mottoes. Shelters have been necessary, however, and will always be necessary. This is especially true of the North, perhaps, where so many of the children taken under the care of the Children's Aid need some care and attention and training before they are suitable for the sort of homes that they need, and that need them. Most of the children coming under the care of the C.A.S. need to be "cleaned up" physically and toned up mentally and morally before they are ready for the right sort of homes. There are, however, large numbers of children always available for adoption, and any plan that will make this known to the public is certainly a commendable one. Hon. Mr. Croll has the right idea when he stresses not only the need and the right of the child to the home, but also the need and the right of the home to the child, and the happiness that will come to that home through the child. In this connection it is interesting to note the case of John Everett Reece, who died recently at Shandon, Ohio. He was a man of 79 years of age at the time of death, and just before he died he remarked on the full happiness that had been his. Six adopted sons acted as his pallbearers and never was there a father carried to rest by more loving hands. In his long lifetime he had reared no less than 47 orphans. He first became interested in homeless children at the county home from which he first took two children. He became so interested in these youngsters that he adopted this as his one welfare project. He had as many as 19 children in his home at one time. Mr. Reece often said that there was nothing to be compared to the joy of taking an underprivileged child and by giving it a home and the right care have the privilege of watching the youngster grow into a useful citizen. While the case of Mr. Reece may properly be considered as unusual and his pleasure in children carried to lengths far beyond the practical in the case of the ordinary home, he had nevertheless the right idea for joy in life, and his example may well be followed in moderate form by all who have a home.

Children's Shelters throughout Ontario for many years past have been temporary homes where neglected and dependent children could be cared for until foster homes might be secured for them as soon as they were ready for such homes. It is true that the District of Cochrane Children's Aid Shelter has given scores of children a much better home than they could hope to secure elsewhere. It is true that the Shelter is a real home, where there is even love for the youngsters. It is true that there is none of the "institution" about it. At the same time, there is the Children's Aid Society hope and belief, that every child is entitled to a good home of his or her own, that in such a home the child will make the greatest progress and development. The founder of the Children's Aid, J. J. Kelso, never tired of stressing the idea, "a good home for every child." If "Adopt a Baby" Week brings to the attention the need of the child for a good home, and the need of the home for a child, then it will be one of the best "weeks" out of the many observed throughout the year.

GRAVEL AND SAND—AND PLACER

The Department of Agriculture is reported as having a plan to get rid of the pest to farmers and others, the starlings. The department's plan is to exterminate the pestilential birds by the use of gas. The plan is no good. Starlings are living and thriving in the vicinity of Queen's Park, Toronto.

This year Russia observed "Moth-ers Day." But that was some weeks ago, when severe sentences were meted out to some Soviet women who vented their spite at others by putting moth balls in the soup in a Soviet kitchen.

Suggests T. & N. O. Take Lignite Mining

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man of the T. & N. O. Railway directorate.

"Development of the fuel primarily for railway use is the main object of the T. & N. O. proposal, Col. Lang stated, with a view of halving its present fuel costs—which would mean a saving of more than \$300,000 annually. The secondary purpose behind the scheme is to provide a new industry for the North, and eliminate the importation of fuel—providing efficient heating and power developing material to Northern industries at a cost far below the present level.

"If the deposits are not to be developed by private interests or by the government," Col. Lang enthused, "I am so keen about the possibilities of the thing that I am willing to take it over and develop it for the railway. The thing is so big that it is a shame to have it lying idle.

"Over in Germany there are lignite veins far less pure than those in the North supplying that nation's fuel requirements almost 100 per cent. The possibilities of the Blacksmith Rapid deposits are unlimited, and what they can do for the North is tremendous," the chairman replied.

No Difficulties

"There are no difficulties in the way of development in a mining sense," Col. Lang continued. "The fuel-bearing veins are covered with from thirty to sixty feet of over-burden which can be stripped easily with steam shovels, leaving rich, thick veins exposed for working."

"Construction of a processing plant at the scene of operations is a part of the T. & N. O. scheme, and it is felt by the chairman that the capital expenditure involved will be so small that the road will save on its fuel costs a sum equivalent to the outlay in only a few years' operations.

"Engineers of the Ontario Research Foundation have been at work exploring the deposits for some years, and to date have proven an area of 13 square miles, with known deposits totalling 125,000,000 tons.

"Obstacles which have in the past stood in the way of the development of the deposits—the high cost of treating the raw material and processing it into a commercially practicable product—are believed to have been overcome recently in a new method developed by research engineers for dehydration of the material. Under latest developments it is possible to develop almost 100 per cent. b.t. units from the raw material, Col. Lang stated.

Big Fuel Market

"The potentialities which the development of the fields hold were hinted at by Col. Lang, when he revealed that annual consumption of coal by the Noranda Mines runs from 60,000 to 70,000 tons. This quantity secured from the Blacksmith Rapid field, in addition to the requirements of the T. & N. O. itself, would provide a new and permanent industry for the North, in the opinion of Col. Lang.

"In addition, many other Northern industries would be potential consumers of the new fuel, it is believed, expanding still further the possible development of the deposits.

"While no decision on the matter has been announced by the Ontario Government—and one is not expected in the immediate future—should it favour development of the field by the T. & N. O. Railway, preparations will be made to have work commenced during the coming summer, Col. Lang concluded."

Powassan News Starts on Twenty-ninth Year

With its issue of last week The Powassan News started on its 29th year of publication. The News has survived the depression in much better fashion than most newspapers in towns no larger than Powassan. The prosperity of The Powassan News may be traced to two main causes. A good newspaper for its field, in a good town for its size. The Powassan News gives the news of the community in complete and kindly way. It is a friendly paper and so has friends. The town gives the paper good support, and the result is to the advantage of all. Success to The Powassan News, and to the enterprising town of Powassan!

Porcupine Gold Syndicate Closes Deal on Pouley Vet.

Porcupine Quartet Gold Syndicate announces that an option has been granted on its No. 4 property, the Pouley Vet. claim adjoining the Pamour on the west, to J. H. C. Waite, acting for unknown parties. The agreement calls for a firm commitment of \$2,700 and should the option granted for this payment be exercised, four further payments totalling \$65,000 are to be made. The syndicate is then to receive a one-tenth interest in a \$2,000,000 company, says The Northern Miner last week.

The syndicate controls three other properties in the Porcupine area. All the properties are held under a 99 year lease with an option to purchase. The four groups consist of four claims each and are fully patented.

Porcupine Quartet is capitalized at 5,000 units, \$10 par. Of these 2,557 have been issued, 2,400 being pooled as vendors' units. The management of the syndicate is as follows:—J. H. King, W. A. Swallow, and W. H. Noble. The head office is at 217 Bay St., Toronto.

Stratford Beacon-Herald: Hamilton woman had to receive medical attention after having been bitten by a bulldog. The bulldog is not a pleasant looking fellow, but his record as a peaceful and affectionate animal is hard to beat. It is not often that a person is bitten by a bulldog.

WANT Ads

FOR RENT

FOR RENT—One store, with good cellar. Apply at 55 Third Avenue, Timmins. -36

FOR RENT—Bright, sunny, three-roomed apartment, with verandah; light and water paid. At 25 1/2 Way Avenue, Timmins. -36p

HELP WANTED

WANTED—Two salesmen. Apply at Robt. Simpson Co. Ltd., 35 Third Avenue, Timmins. -35-36

PROPERTY FOR SALE

LOT FOR SALE—Apply at 20 Birch Street, Schumacher. -35-36

LOT FOR SALE—Near High School on Wende Avenue. Apply at 82 Montgomery Avenue, Timmins. -36p

FOR SALE—160-acre farm, located 3 1/2 miles from town. For particulars call at rear of 59 Balsam Street, North, Timmins. -33-34-35-36p

HOUSE AND LOT FOR SALE—On Second Avenue, Schumacher. Enquire at 98 Second Avenue, Schumacher. -35-36p

FOR SALE—Lot and shack, Maple Street, \$300. Also furniture; girl's bicycle, \$15; dresser table, with large mirror; hotel dishes; carpet 6 x 9; 272 Maple Street, North. -36p

ARTICLES FOR SALE

FOR SALE—Chicken coop; chicken incubator; in good condition. Chicken fences 2 ft. high and 6 ft. high. Want to sell right away. Apply at 76 Hemlock Street, Timmins. -32-34-36p

WANTED

WANTED—25 sets of automobile brakes to overhaul or reline; low price on material and work by mechanic with 12 years' experience on brakes. Call at No. 9 Cedar Street South, Timmins. -35p

WANTED—Small-size Dressers, used. Apply P.O. Box 659, South Porcupine. -36-37p

Huntingdon Gleaser:—Back in 1928, 1,100 Gideon Bibles were placed in the rooms of one of Detroit's largest hotels. A recent check showed all but 25 of those Bibles have been carried away by guests. Reading of the Scriptures is to be commended but what would our theologians say about reading from stolen Bibles? -36

MISCELLANEOUS

McINTOSH SPRINGS HOTEL—A good place for Meals, Rooms and Service. Refreshments. Standard Hotel, licensed J. H. Tremblay, proprietor, McIntosh Springs. -36-37-38-39-40-41-42-43p

DANCING SCHOOL FOR CHILDREN—Tuition includes physical culture, tap, ballet and national dancing. Stage singing taught. Rates moderate. Apply Mrs. Harold Burt, 17 Borden Avenue, Box 948, Timmins. -32f

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. -32f

ROOM AND BOARD

ROOM AND BOARD—Comfortable room, excellent board; in newly furnished private home; reasonable weekly rate. Apply to Mrs. M. Lawlor, 3 Elm Street, South, Timmins. 29f.

WOOD FOR SALE

WOOD FOR SALE—16" Jackpine 4 ft. and 16" dry Birch; also mixed wood for furnace. Reasonable price. Apply to Chaput & Mainville, 118 First Avenue Timmins, phone 377 52b tf

LOST

LOST—A medal, General Service. Return to Canadian Legion, Cedar Street, South, Timmins. Reward. -35p

DRESSMAKING

DRESSMAKING DONE—At 75 Maple Street South, side door, Timmins. 32-4f.

NOTICE

The owners of fences along the streets of Timmins are hereby notified that fences must be maintained in first class repair and that wires or other projections which may cause damage to clothing of pedestrians must be removed. A thorough inspection of all fences will be made and if found to be not in good repair or any projections on same repairs will be made by Town employees at the expense of the owners. By Order Corporation of Timmins. -36

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

In the Matter of the Estate of Chester Patricik, late of the Township of Tisdale in the District of Cochrane, deceased, who died on or about the 17th day of February, 1935. All persons having claims against the

Estate of Chester Patricik, late of the Township of Tisdale in the District of Cochrane, deceased, who died on or about the 17th day of February, 1935, are hereby notified to send to the undersigned administrator or her solicitor on or before the 9th day of June, 1935, full particulars of their claims verified by affidavit. After the said 9th day of June, 1935, the assets of the estate will be distributed amongst the parties entitled thereto, having regard only to the claims of which the administrator shall then have notice. Dated at Timmins, Ontario, this 9th day of May, 1935. Anna Gilinski, Schumacher, Ontario, Administrator, by J. T. Jackson, 14 Third Avenue, Timmins, Ontario, her Solicitor. -35-36-37-38

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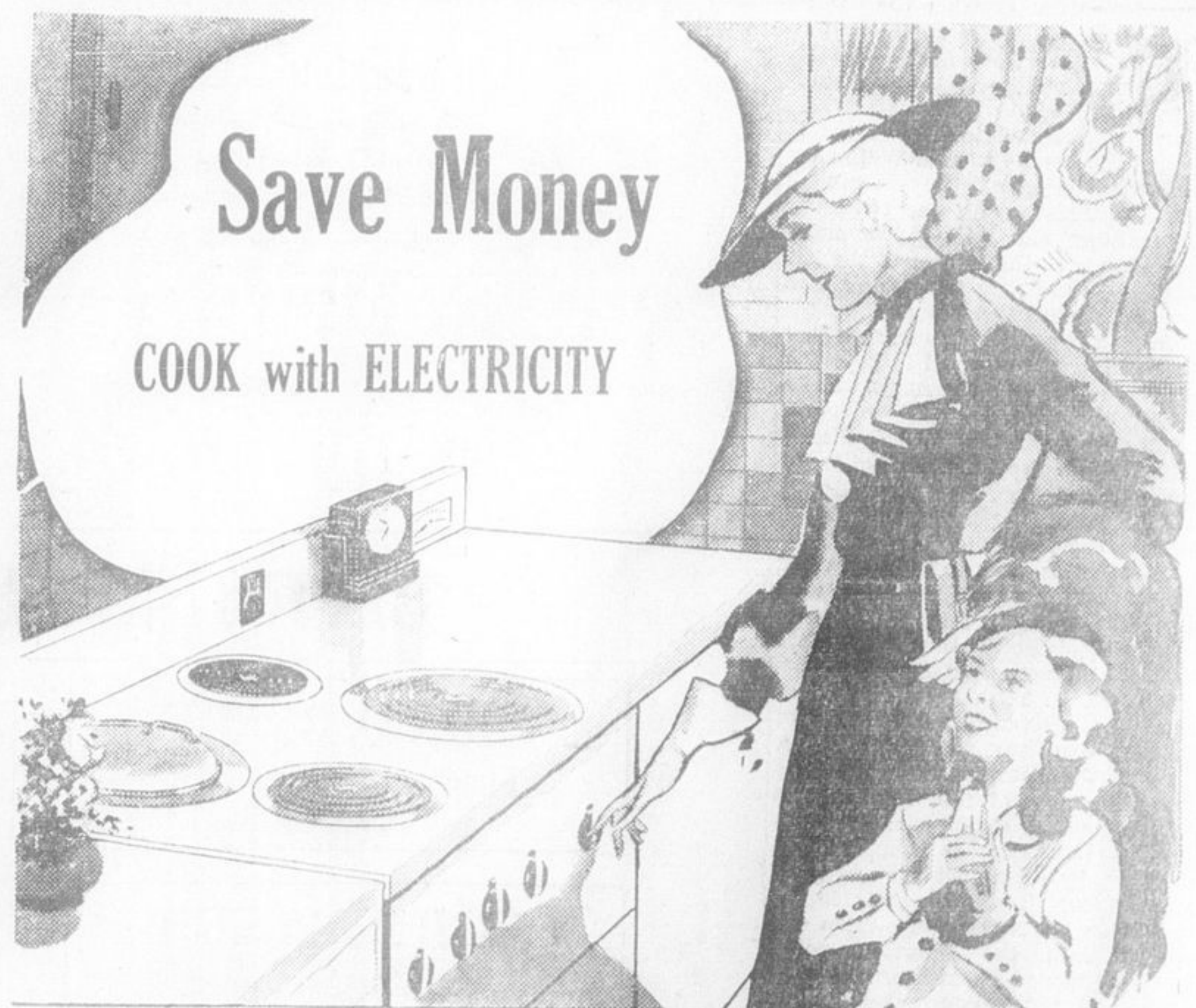
In the Matter of the Estate of Thomas Archibald Scott, late of the Town of Timmins in the District of Cochrane, deceased, who died on or about the 22nd day of February, 1935.

All persons having claims against the Estate of Thomas Archibald Scott late of the Town of Timmins in the District of Cochrane, deceased, who died on or about the 22nd day of February, 1935, are hereby notified to send to the undersigned Executors or their solicitor, on or before the 11th day of June, 1935, full particulars of their claims verified by affidavit. After the said 11th day of June, 1935, the assets of the estate will be distributed amongst the parties entitled thereto, having regard only to the claims of which the Executors shall then have notice. Dated at Timmins, Ontario, this 11th day of May, 1935.

WILSON ARTHUR PATTERSON, MARTIN GLOSTER and E. W. TRAFORD, Timmins, Ontario, Executors, by J. T. Jackson, 14 Third Avenue, Timmins, Ontario, their Solicitor. -36-37-38-40.

CARD OF THANKS

We wish to thank the nurses at the Presbyterian hospital, and Drs. Kinsman and Harper; also all who so kindly helped during the illness and death of our dear father, John Bray, Audrey (Mrs. Matt, Donovan) and Jack Bray. -36



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