

Seek to Improve Town Accounting System

Council Court Upholds Hollinger Assessment

Assessor's View of \$75,000 Income Upheld by Court of Revision. Appeal will be Carried to Judge, it is Understood. Review of Arguments by Counsel for Each Side.

Contract Awarded for Moneta School

Hill-Clark-Francis with the Lowest Tender, to do the Work of Building 4-room Addition.

Contract for the four-roomed addition to the Moneta public school was let to Hill-Clark-Francis of Timmins by the public school board. Three tenders for the job were in, the two others, from outside firms, being well above the local contractor's price. It is understood that the tender was for about \$23,000. When the board buys furnishings, the total cost will run close to \$30,000, for which sum bonds are now being issued by the municipality.

Actual work on the Kirby avenue school is now under way. Excavation is going ahead quickly. The addition is to be of brick and tile construction to match the main building at present erected. It should be ready for occupancy about October 1st, it is believed, and all the rooms will be put into immediate use.

"Hunger Marchers" Start Breaking Law

Invaded Scarborough High School Grounds and Took Possession as a Camping Ground Wednesday.

Apparently the "hunger marchers" do not take Premier Hepburn seriously in regard to the statement that at the first sign of disorder or breach of the law they would be dispersed. A little thought will show that their march can not be carried on without breach of law and order. On Wednesday evening they did not get any further from Toronto than Scarborough when they made their first break. The 337 of them left after crossing the city when some 75 dropped from the ranks invaded the high school grounds at Scarborough without permission and used them as a camping ground for the night. The caretaker of the school will tell you whether they broke the law or not. The trekkers started out with the Union Jack flying out at the head of the march. Whether this flag will be carried far remains to be seen. It is said that there are several government agents in the group now on the march.

Good Crowd Pleased by Esteri Hukari

Concert Last Night a Delightful One and Greatly Appreciated by Music Lovers Present.

"A beautiful mezzo-soprano voice, perfectly trained, but with all its sweetness and power remaining, an attractive personality and a programme of much interest," this is the way one music-lover described the concert given in the Moose hall last night by Esteri Hukari with Elli Hukari as accompanist.

There was a good audience present for the occasion, the members being equalled by the interest and appreciation shown. While many of the numbers given were in Finnish the singing of Esteri Hukari appealed to all for its own innate excellence, and at the same time several English numbers and especially ones such as "Angels Ever Bright and Fair," made especial appeal to the lovers of good music and a voice of particular charm.

Prospector Passes Here on Wednesday

Wm. Jack, Well-Known in the North, Dies in Timmins. Funeral Arrangements Await Arrival of Son.

William Jack, formerly of New Liskeard, a prospector who is known throughout the North and who has been in the country since the early days, passed away at 107 Maple street north here yesterday morning.

The discussion between the Town of Timmins and Hollinger Consolidated Gold Mines went into the first round on Wednesday afternoon when the Court of Revision of the town sustained the assessor's view of the assessment and mining acts.

Hollinger will carry the fight to a higher court, in an effort to have the \$75,000 income tax bill presented them by the town reduced by about \$25,000. The town took the meaning of the Mining Act, this year, to mean that they could assess the mine for 1 1-2 per cent. of its profits up to a total tax of \$35,000, then 2 1-2 per cent. on anything over that. Hollinger's profits last year, according to the town's figures, amounted to \$3,973,142.71. On \$2,333,333.33 of this, they charged 1 1-2 per cent. On the remainder 2 1-2 per cent. In previous years they had charged 1 1-2 per cent. on the two and a third million dollars, and only 1 per cent. on the remainder.

Hollinger Reads Act Differently
Hollinger takes the reading of the Act to mean that they should pay as they have in the past and as all other mines have since 1927 when the alteration was made to allow municipalities more than \$35,000 income tax from big mines. This year, Timmins decided that the Act meant 2 1-2 per cent. on all profit over two and a third million dollars. The mine objected and on Wednesday the Court of Revision met to hear the Hollinger's appeal.

The motion that sustained the assessment so far as the town is concerned was made by J. H. Chateauvert and seconded by Dr. E. A. F. Day.

Much Hinges on Decision
P. C. Finlay, of Toronto, represented the Hollinger and Dean Kester the municipality, in an argument that touched the history of the assessment and mining acts as well as the intention of the legislature and the technical points in the wording of the acts under debate. In all probability, the case will amount to a test for all the big mines in the Province of Ontario. Should Timmins' council be upheld in their decision the Township of Tisdale and the Township of Teck will undoubtedly raise their assessments of mines in their districts. The total amount involved in such a change would be immense.

Chairman of the Court of Revision J. P. Bartleman and members Alfred Caron, H. E. Chateauvert, John Morrison, and Dr. E. A. F. Day were present.

History of Acts
Mr. Finlay opened the discussion with a review of the legislation, under which, he said, it was not the intention of the provincial legislature that mines should bear a double taxation. "The two sections of the mining tax act and assessment act not only were but are meant to be so that the mines would not be paying a double tax," he said, "the mines have been, from the inception of the act, different than ordinary cases. At no time have the buildings, plant, machinery or equipment been assessable by the municipalities."

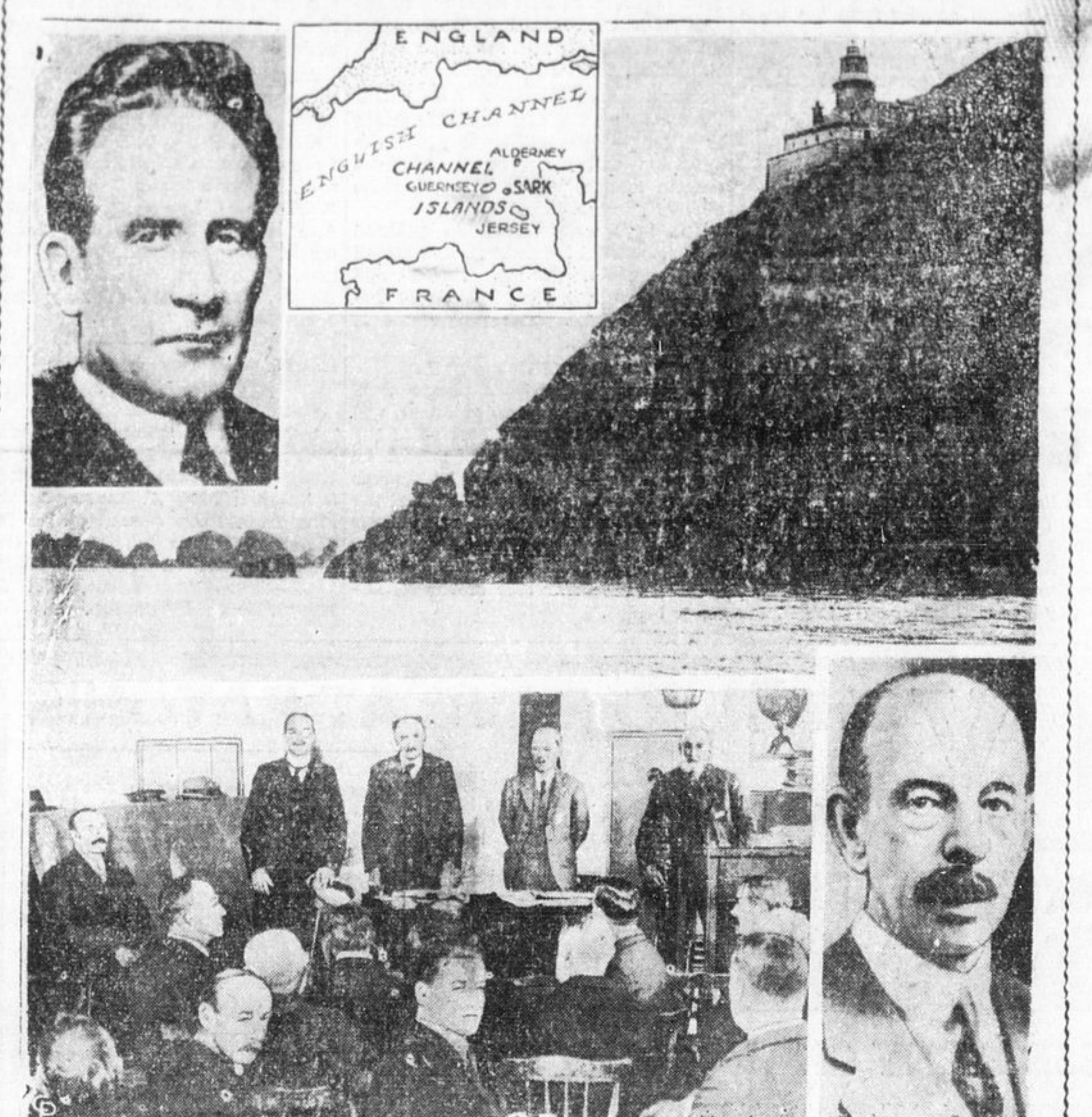
In 1907, when mining was beginning to assume important proportions, Mr. (Continued on Page Eight)

Warning Against Loaning Motor Cars

Local Man Allowed Acquaintance to Take Car and now Mourns the Loss of the Car.

A local man finds himself in an unusual and undesirable situation. On July 10th he loaned his car to a man he knew. The understanding was that the man was to use the car looking for a job, but that the car in any case was to be returned in a few hours. It was not returned. As a matter of fact, it has not been returned to date, and is not likely to be returned. It is doubtful if the car is even in Canada. There is good reason to believe that the car is not in Canada at the present time. When the car had gone some hours past the time agreed upon in regard to the borrower looking for a job, the owner of the car complained to the police, but there was little they could do about it, except to warn him not to loan his car to anyone, especially someone who did not seem to be a person who would return the car. The man admitted that he had set no particular time for the return of the car, that he had been perfectly willing to let the man have the car for a time, that he gave the fellow the key of the car, and so a charge of them could not be maintained. But with the car gone over a week and without a single word coming from the man who took the car, it certainly seems that the car is gone forever.

Canadian Millionaires May Choose Sark As Tax Refuge



Harry Oakes (TOP), and William E. Wright (BELOW), two of Canada's richest men, whose annual income tax payments are estimated to aggregate \$3,000,000, are reported to be considering moving their residences to the Channel Islands (see map) because parliament of Isle of Sark (shown in session below), doesn't impose income taxes. Mr. Wright, director of Wright-Hargreaves mine, claims 70 per cent. of his income is spent in taxes. The bleak island (RIGHT ABOVE) is ruled by a woman, Mrs. Sybil Mary Hathaway.

Power Co. to Pay Interest on Money held on Deposit

Names of Those Not Calling for Deposits Also to be Published. Customers with Several Properties to be Accommodated in Time of Billing.

During the past few weeks there have been a number of discussions on various matters between the mayor, the fire and light committee and representatives of the Northern Ontario Power Co. At a meeting of these some days ago, B. V. Harrison, vice-president and general manager, announced some plans that have been worked on for some time by the company to give customers greater convenience and the best possible service. Just as the plan has been to reduce the rates to the fullest extent justified by the earnings of the company, so it is the aim also to give the best service in every way to the customer, changes and improvements being made as soon as warranted. Although Mr. Harrison did not say that a further reduction in rates was on the way, it is understood that earnings continue very satisfactory and it is the decided plan of the company to give the public the advantage of increased earnings and improved business. At the present moment, however, there are important changes to be made by the company.

Interest is now being computed on deposits held by the company, the computations being made to Dec. 31st, 1934, and this interest will be paid to the customers concerned in the form of coupons, these coupons being redeemable on accounts due or in cash. As the interest is computed from the time the deposit was received, this will mean a nice "dividend" to many light and power customers who have been customers for long terms of years.

Another convenience planned for customers is that where several properties are owned the bills for all may be made to fall due at the one time. In some cases where the one person owned a number of properties with the bills coming due at different times, there was always danger of one of them being overlooked, with consequent penalty. Now, in cases where there are several properties the company is willing to arrange matters so that the bills on all the properties so owned may be due at the one date, if this is desired. Those who wish this single date of billing may secure same by application to the company. Of course, some will prefer the present way as they will not want all the bills to come due at the one time. To some the present method is as good as paying in instalments.

The Power Co. also intends to publish the names of all those who have deposits lying in the offices of the company but whose services have been discontinued.

Motor Car Burned at Outskirts of Town

Burning Sawdust Results in Fire Call Tuesday Evening. Second Call Later.

The body of a car parked near McClesney's mill on the bank of the Matagami was a total loss last night as a fire swept through it. Timmins fire department was called at 9.50 p.m., though the car was actually out of town, and 45 gallons of chemical were used to extinguish the blaze. It is not known how the fire started. The owner is A. Dupont, 101 Main avenue.

Tuesday night a call from the corner of Mountjoy and Commercial was for burning sawdust. The lot was the former site of an ice house and in some way or other, the sawdust caught fire. Chemical was used to put it out that night but next morning another call came in from the same place. This time, the fire had spread out under the surface. A line was laid and the fire flooded out so that there was no possibility of its starting up again.

Toronto Accountant to Study System for Town

Decision Made at Special Meeting of Council Yesterday. Several Raises in Salary Given. Dog Pound Moved Again. Other Council Items.

The system of accounting at the town hall will be thoroughly investigated by T. H. Franklin, certified accountant, of Toronto. He will recommend any changes he feels might make an improvement in the office work done at the town hall. Mr. Franklin's application for the job of overhauling was chosen from several replies received from accounting firms in several large Ontario cities. At a previous meeting, the council had instructed the clerk to write a number of firms asking estimates of the cost.

Raise Many Salaries
Yesterday's special meeting in the town hall saw several salaries of town employees raised. Three policemen, who have been on probation, had their salaries boosted from \$125 a month to \$145 a month. Two stenographers now receive \$55 a month instead of \$45 and \$50. An assistant in the police department will be paid \$75 a month instead of \$60.

Plumbing Inspector L'Ecuyer applied for a raise some weeks ago and is to receive \$135 a month in the future, instead of \$130. Another town employee, who did receive \$110, is to get \$125 in future. Mr. Riggs at the incinerator had his salary raised from \$120 to \$130 a month.

All these raises have been under consideration for some time now and follow the recommendation of the various committees with whom the decision was left.

Dog Pound Moved
The dog pound has been moved again. For the past few months stray canines have been kept at Eli Leblanc's on Mountjoy street, but residents in the district complained of the howling of the animals at night, so they're back at the incinerator now.

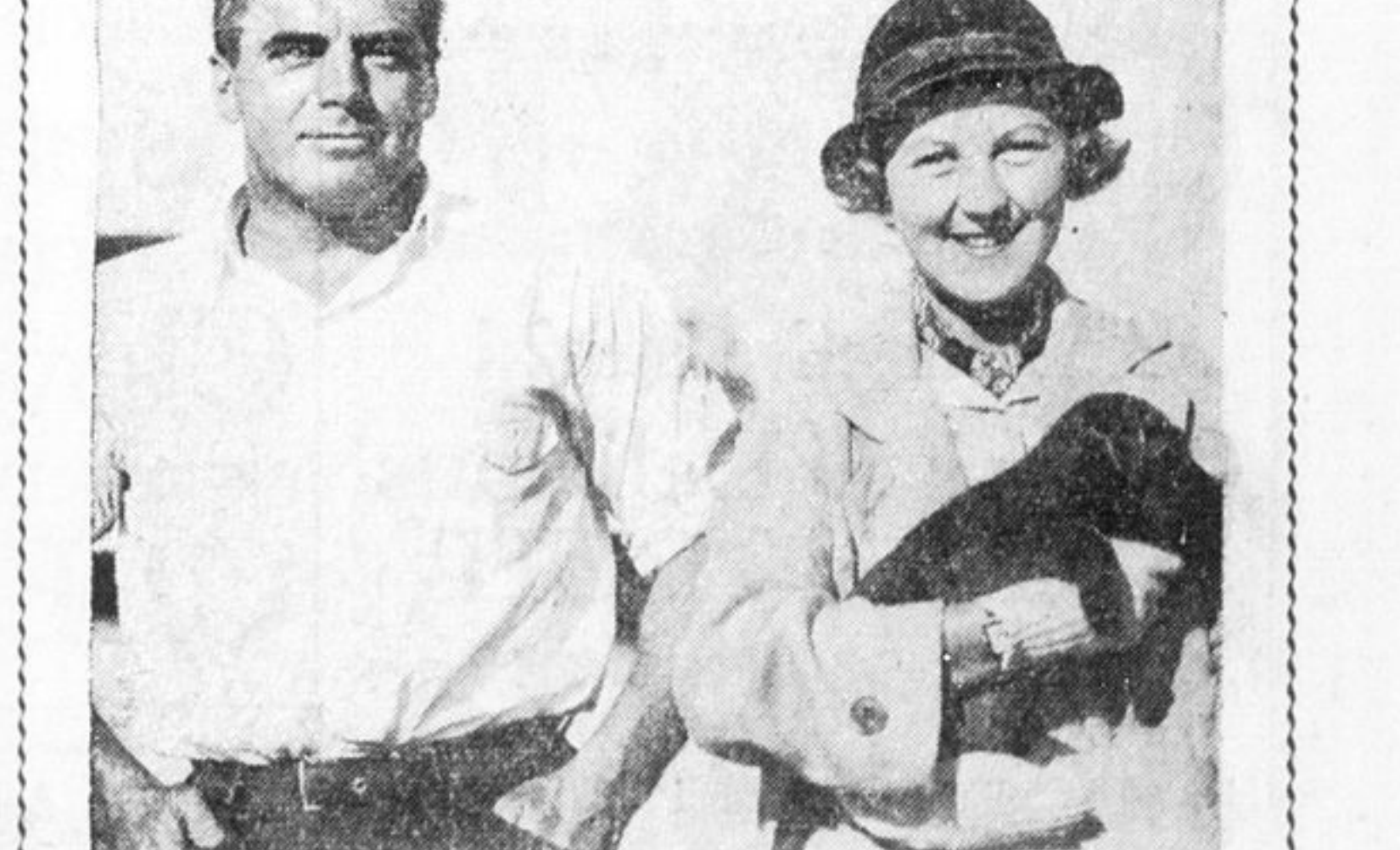
Another car of oil was ordered for use on the streets. A new Criminal Code of Canada is to be supplied to the police department, for the use of the police and the crown-attorney while at the town hall.

No Action on Meat By-Law
No action was taken on the proposed meat by-law, but arrangements are at present under way with the Vipond, whereby the town will be permitted to buy a strip of the Vipond's property out near the incinerator. This will be used for the building of a pen and a slaughter house.

Eli Leblanc, who has the scavenger's contract with the town, will be asked to appear at next Wednesday's meeting of the council to present his case for a higher monthly allowance. Mr. Leblanc claims that the job is much heavier than when the contract was made, and since he has had to put on another team, he feels that an increase over the contract price would be fair.

Miss Doris Montgomery is visiting in Kirkland Lake.

Famous Flier On Air Honeymoon



Leigh Brintnell, famous Canadian flier and president of Mackenzie Air Service, is flying from Toronto to Great Bear Lake on his honeymoon. Mr. and Mrs. Brintnell and aeroplane are shown above. Mrs. Brintnell was formerly Miss Caroline Mitchell of Charleston, West Virginia. The honeymooners will be accompanied by a party of mining men, headed by Gilbert Labine.



Whether or not it will be possible to save the foot should be known definitely within a few days, but in the meantime, she is making as good progress as can be expected. Should the foot heal, as it at present shows indications of doing, the ankle will in all probability be stiff.

Miss Rosard is allowed no visitors as yet, though a large number have asked to see her. She will be here another five weeks at least.

Mr. and Mrs. Eino Bask Making Good Progress

Mr. and Mrs. Eino J. Bask, who are in the Matheson hospital following injuries received when their car collided with the Kirkland Lake bound 12th of July bus, are making good progress to recovery, it was learned this morning, though it may be some time before either of them are able to leave the hospital.

Walter Little Nominated for Temiskaming South

Walter Little, well-known citizen of Kirkland Lake, and one of the real pioneers of the North, was the choice of the South Temiskaming Liberal Association at their convention in Kirkland Lake to choose a candidate for the coming Dominion election. Some months ago a convention chose Col. Mac Lang as their candidate, but objection was taken to the arrangements for the convention and the way it was carried through and this coupled with the general desire that Col. Mac Lang devote his time and energies to his position as chairman of the T. & N. O. Railway commission, resulted eventually in Col. Mac Lang resigning as candidate and a new convention being called. At the convention at Kirkland Lake yesterday there were a number of names brought forward including J. A. Legris of Haileybury, who was runner-up at the last convention; Brigadier-General Swift, of Dane; M. G. Hunt, of Kirkland Lake; Nelson Green, New Liskeard. The convention was strong for Walter Little.