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Seeking Disqualification of Trustees Near Sudbury
The third upset in rural school sections of Sudbury district popped up Saturday, when Judge Edmund Proulx received an application to unseat two trustees of union school section of No. 2 Cleland and No. 4 Dryden. The application was accepted on the affidavit of Edmund Fortier.
Mr. Fortier, accompanied by John Kart and K. E. Konkola, claimed that Charles Peterson and Wilfred Millette sat and voted at meetings of school trustees when they owed the municipality money, either taxes or for wood. The case will be heard by Judge Proulx, Feb. 15.

Two Young Men Fined For Assault Last Saturday

Magistrate Comments on Their "Smart Guy" Tactics. Talk in Court Lands Them in Cells. Reckless Driving Case Takes up Much Time.

Panco Delabbio and Woodrow Racicot, referred to in police court as "smart guys," were convicted on Tuesday of assault and ordered to pay a fine of \$10 and \$17.50 costs each, or go to jail for 30 days. Delabbio was sentenced for assaulting George Thrasher and Racicot for hitting Charles Holmes in a row on Saturday night in front of the St. Charles hotel.

The two young men, one of whom claimed to come from Sudbury, landed in jail much more quickly than they expected. When Magistrate Atkinson had passed sentence on them, one turned around and said to the complainants "Are you satisfied now?" Without any hesitancy, Provincial Constable J. W. F. Pretorius and Chief of Police R. Paul hurried them out of the courtroom and into the cells. Their demeanor throughout the hearing had brought remarks from the magistrate.

Unprovoked Assault?
Mr. and Mrs. Holmes and George Thrasher told the court that they had just been coming out of the hotel when they were set upon by the young men. Five of them. Of the three who appeared in court, Andrew Spencer was dismissed, since he could not be identified by any of the three complainants. The one hearing of the evidence sufficed for the nine charges laid.

"What started the trouble?" Thrasher was asked.
"I couldn't say," replied the witness. "Did you know them before?"
"They're all strangers to me."
He had been at the top of the steps when one of the men hit him, he said and losing his balance, he had fallen down to the bottom.
John Jordan who was with the Holmes' and Thrasher, had gone out ahead and was waiting at the bottom of the steps when the young men came along, he said.
"What are you doing there?" Jordan said one of the young men asked him.
"Waiting," he had replied.
"Do you want a fight?" the man had demanded.
"No," Jordan gave as his reply. Immediately after that the trouble had started.

Versions Vary Widely
Spencer, Delabbio and Racicot told much the same story, except that their versions of how the trouble began varied widely.

They had just come from Club Hollywood, they said, and were on their way to the pavilion. Spencer had stopped to talk with Jordan, "just laughing and talking," when Thrasher came up and said something to Delabbio. "What's it to you?" Delabbio had replied, according to Spencer. "I suppose you're one of these tough Moneta bunch," Spencer claimed Thrasher had said. Spencer had parted them after the fight was over, he told the court.

"If it hadn't been for you, this fight would never have started, would it?" the magistrate asked Spencer.
The stories of the others varied slightly as to the words used and as to who hit whom. Racicot claimed he had seen Delabbio with his knees on the ground "talking" to one of "the other fellows."

Lachapelle Acquitted
The longest case of the Tuesday afternoon session was that in which Roland Lachapelle was acquitted of a reckless driving charge. The accident from which the charge arose had happened on December 22nd at about 8.15. Mike Scanlin has been in the hospital since that time, suffering from a badly sprained and slightly dislocated neck. He appeared in police court with a plaster cast extending from his chest up over his shoulders, around his neck, over his head, and leaving just part of his face exposed from mouth to eyes. The other injured man, by the name of Taylor, did not appear.

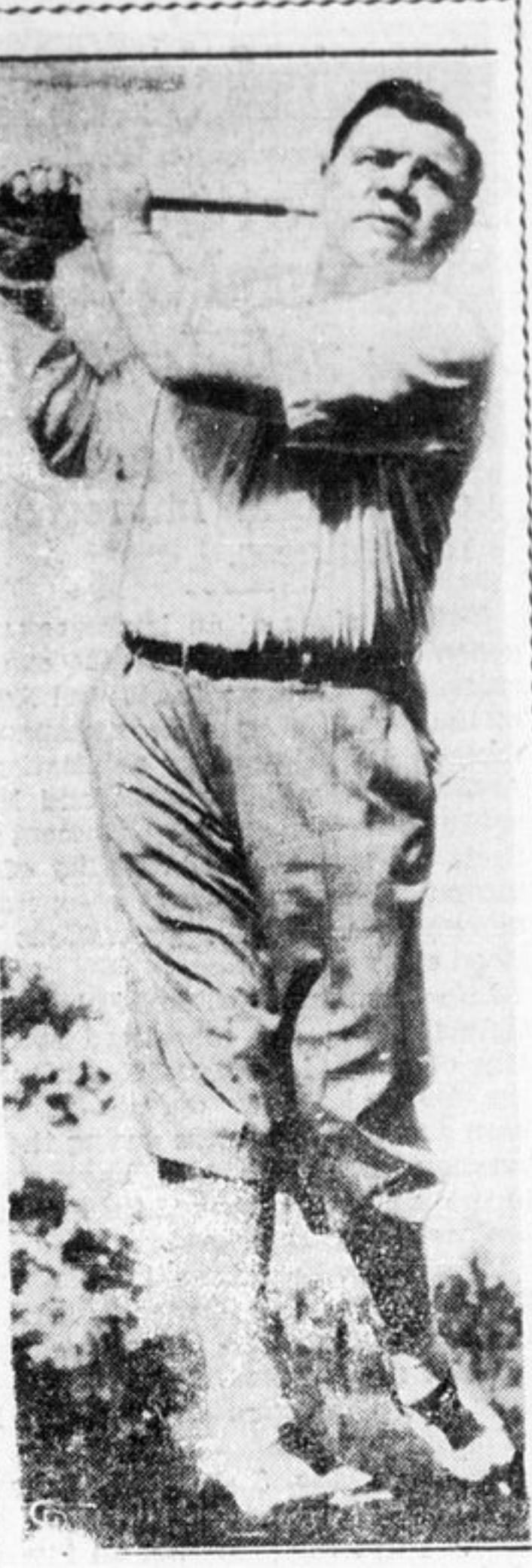
Scanlin said that he and Taylor had just come down Third avenue, had turned south on Spruce, went along Spruce as far as the lane by the Welcome hotel and had there started to cross the street toward the freight sheds. He saw no traffic, and knew nothing more until he woke up in the hospital.

Scanlin had met Taylor that afternoon in a house on Third avenue where he had been for a drink of beer. From 4.30 to 5.00 he had two bottles of beer and from 6.15 to 8.10 he had had another two bottles. He was seeing Taylor home to the railway bunkhouse at the time.

"Were you intoxicated at the time?" asked the magistrate.
"No," replied the witness.
Speaking of Taylor, Amos Brown, counsel for the defence asked, "Was he drunk or was he not drunk?"
"I guess he was drunk," was the reply.

Doctor Saw Accident
Dr. J. W. A. Greig witnessed the whole accident, he told the court. He had just driven his car south on Spruce street and had intended to turn in toward the station when he saw the two men walking across the street. He stopped and was waiting until they had crossed when he saw the lights of a car round the corner of Spruce and Second streets. As the car had neared the men, it looked as if it might have been going in to the parking space at the station, but it skidded, struck both men and

Ruth Strikes Out



GEORGE HERMAN RUTH
Swinging right lustily with his trusty driver is George Herman Ruth, who once did smite baseballs far and wide across the major league diamond domain. George Herman who most people call Babe couldn't resist the call of the south once more, only this time it's to practise golf, not the pastime of pasting baseballs

The appeals for commutation of the death sentences imposed on 17-year-old Allan Cowan and his sister-in-law, Mrs. Mary Cowan, 26, both of Barry's Bay, sentenced to hang February 27 for the slaying of Mrs. Cowan's husband, Allan Cowan, 27, will likely be considered February 21. C. A. Mulvihill, K.C., of Arnprior, and James A. Maloney, of Renfrew, counsel for the convicted slayers, arranged an interview with Hon. Ernest Lapointe, Minister of Justice, to apply for clemency.

May Construct White River to Hearst Loop
Letter Received by Cochrane Board of Trade Leaves that Impression.
There is revival of the possibility that the Trans-Canada highway may be made of some service to Northern Ontario by the construction of a loop road that will join the highway with the populous and progressive part of the North. Those who have studied the question with a single eye for the facts of the case and the good of the North, have been forced to the conclusion that the Northern Ontario Associated Boards of Trade were right in urging that the Trans-Canada highway be routed along the Ferguson highway and then west from Cochrane and Hearst, making use of the roadways already constructed and serving the people along a populous route where mining and farming are flourishing. The government, however, acceded to the high pressure demands of Sault Ste. Marie that the road be built along the rocky shore of Lake Superior, leaving the most prosperous part of the North "up in the air," as it were, as far as the Trans-Canada road is concerned.

However, though the rocky road route was decided upon, apparently for political reasons, the fact will not down that the Ferguson highway route was the logical and desirable one. In indirect way, Hon. Peter Heenan admitted this, by his advocacy of the connection between White River and Hearst. Hon. Mr. Heenan had promised surveys before the route was actually decided upon. W. O. Langdon, president of the Northern Ontario Associated Boards of Trade has been insistent in asking for the results of the surveys, such results having been definitely promised him. The fact that the reports of the surveys have not been made public seems to be suggestive. In any case President Langdon seems to be fully justified in his continued request for the reports of these surveys.

When in Timmins last year Hon. Peter Heenan said that the North needed the two routes, the one to serve the Sault and the one using the Ferguson highway. Apparently Hon. Mr. Heenan has not changed his mind or his policy, to judge by a letter he has written to the Cochrane board of trade. The Advance believes indeed, that Hon. Mr. Heenan is perfectly honest and fair about the whole matter, and that if he has his way there would be no particular feeling of grievance in this part of the North. The letter referred to is mentioned in the following paragraph from the report of the last meeting of the Cochrane board of trade as published in The Cochrane North and Post.

"Due to the efforts of Cochrane board of trade and other boards in the surrounding district in keeping the claims of the loop line from White River to Hearst before the Provincial Government, a letter was read from Hon. P. Heenan, Minister of Lands and Forests last evening stating that the estimate submitted by his Department to the Federal Government calls for this road being built on the lines suggested by the Cochrane Board of Trade, i.e., mile for mile with the road from White River to Sault Ste. Marie."

Whether with any undue hope or not, the people in this section of the North will watch with considerable interest, at least, to see what progress will be made, if any, in the joining together of that part of the immense North that has prosperous towns, producing mines, large population and other advantages, and that part of the North that is designated as the rocky road section.

Tuberculin Test for All School Children Here

Work Already Begun in Schumacher. Co-operation of All Solicited for General Advantage. Christmas Appeal for Funds Met with Very Fine Response.

The following letter from Dr. N. H. Russell in regard to the tuberculosis clinics in Timmins and district will be read with interest and should receive hearty response from all:—
Timmins, Ont., Feb. 10, 1936

To the Editor of The Advance, Timmins, Ont.
Dear Sir:—The Christmas appeal for funds to finance tuberculosis work in this district received a very fine response. We hope that the work which will be done during this year will be sufficiently appreciated and understood among the public who benefit by it to bring an even greater support in future years. Only the hearty co-operation of the whole community will make it possible for this work to be carried on to its best advantage.

One of the main plans for this year's work was explained in the radio talks at Christmas. It is hoped that, within the next few months all the school children of the Porcupine district will be given the tuberculosis skin test. A positive result in this test does not necessarily mean that a child has active tuberculosis, but it does mean that he has had some contact with tuberculosis, and that he should be carefully watched and checked, and that the source of infection should be traced. This work has already been begun in Schumacher, but it takes considerable time and trouble for the nurses, and for the doctors who volunteer their services. The work will be continued in Schumacher, Timmins and South Porcupine as soon as the necessary arrangements can be made. We hope that this test will make it possible to trace many sources of tubercular infection which might be missed in the other phases of the work.

The other plan is one which has already been proven to be of the greatest benefit to the community. This is the carrying on of tubercular clinics, conducted by Dr. D. G. Wilson of St. Mary's on the Lake Sanatorium, who is assisted by the public health nurses of the district. These clinics have been carried on for some time now but we are hoping that Dr. Wilson will be able to arrange for a larger number of clinics than in the past. As yet no definite number has been decided on for 1936, but we hope for at least six and possibly eight. Dr. Wilson usually comes up for a week at a time, and appointments are made for him to see as many patients as possible during that period. All appointments should be made through the public health nurses, Miss Farr and Miss Wing, and should be arranged before the clinic has begun as the time is usually completely filled, and it is practically impossible to take extra cases which have not been arranged for. In this clinic we try to include all patients who have had definite contact with tuberculosis, and those whom the doctors of the district believe to be suspicious cases. We also try to follow up cases who have been in sanatorium as long as there is any question of doubt as to the possibility of the disease. Those who are able to do so frequently pay something to defray the expense of their x-rays, but those who really cannot afford this are x-rayed free.

These two main branches, and the continued work of our public health nurses cover most of the field. Naturally there are constantly small incidents occurring which necessitate extra work on the part of all who are interested in tuberculosis, but these cannot be enumerated or definitely planned in advance. With the co-operation of doctors, nurses, patients and general public we hope that this work will be carried out this year and extended in succeeding years, in an effort to wipe out this disease in our district.

N. H. Russell.

CUNIPTAU PROCEEDING WITH DEVELOPMENT WORK
Directors of Cuniptau Mines have decided to proceed with the recommendations of the company's engineer and interests associated with financing, in connection with enlarged programme of production and development at the property in the Temagami area.

At present a crew of 25 men is engaged in installing new equipment and getting out fuel, but this staff will be materially enlarged when the new furnace goes into operation.

A resident engineer, who has had considerable experience in treating sulphide ores, will be retained and take charge of work within a few weeks.

The company is financed, for the proposed enlarged campaign.

Annual Eastern Star Valentine Dance, Feb. 14
Invitations have been issued for the annual Valentine dance under the auspices of the Arbutus Chapter, Order of the Eastern Star. This annual Eastern Star Valentine dance is to be held this year on Friday evening, Feb. 14th, in the Masonic hall, Timmins. The annual Eastern Star Valentine dance is always a social event of unusual interest and attraction and the dance on Friday evening of this week will be up to the usual high standards of enjoyment and popularity.

Kiwanis Clubs of North to Have Curling Trophy

Cup Donated by Karl Eyre to be Placed for Competition Between the Several Kiwanis Clubs of the North This Winter. Other Kiwanis Notes.

The Kiwanis Clubs of the North will compete for a curling trophy this winter, it was announced at Monday's meeting of the Kiwanis Club. The games will be played in Kirkland Lake, according to an agreement reached last week at New Liskeard when members of the district committee on inter-club relationships met. Karl Eyre donated the cup for annual competition.

Two new members were admitted to the club and were given their introductory address by Rev. Bruce Miller. Dean Kester, K.C., and Ralph Paul, chief of police, are the two who joined this week. They were presented with their buttons by Past Presidents Dr. S. L. Honey and Karle Eyre.

The speaker on Monday was Frank Feldman who described in detail a trip to the West Indies and South America. From New York, he had first gone to Bermuda, Puerto Rico, the Barbados, Trinidad, Venezuela, Panama, Jamaica, Cuba, the Bahamas and back to New York. He included in the talk a great deal of information about the islands, the chief features of the towns, the more important products of the countries, the principal nationalities that have gone to make up the population, and the religion of the people.

Reports were received on the condition of Kiwanians Cohen, Gillies and Heil, all of whom are progressing well from recent illnesses. Vincent Woodbury wrote from Texas to say that both he and Reg. Smith were enjoying the climate and the country.

W. O. Langdon was elected to the board of directors of the club.

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Former Deputy Minister of Education Dies in Toronto
A despatch this week from Toronto says that Deputy-Minister of Education for Ontario from 1906 to 1934, Dr. Arthur H. U. Colquhoun, 74, died at Toronto on Sunday, Ill for only a few weeks. Dr. Colquhoun was also known as an author and journalist, and an authority on Canadians.
After several books of an historical nature, Dr. Colquhoun in 1915 wrote "Fathers of Confederation," and a short time ago, "The Life of Sir John Wilson." He contributed to several magazines, and served on the staffs of the Montreal Daily Star, Montreal La Presse, Ottawa Journal and Toronto Mail and Empire.
Born in Montreal December 2, 1861, Dr. Colquhoun was educated at Cornwall public schools, the Protestant public school of Montreal, Montreal High School and McGill University. Dr. Colquhoun took the Murray medal for proficiency and the Governor-General's medal for history in high school and the Shakespeare gold medal at McGill. He became a journalist and author. He was secretary of the Canadian Press Association. Joining the Ontario Department of Education in 1906, Dr. Colquhoun served with five ministers of education.
A sister, Janet, survives, his wife having died many years ago.