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## MORE TO COME

With the execution of Bruno Hauptmann for the murder and kidnapping of the little son of Col. and Mrs. Lindbergh, it might be hoped by many that the public would have to bear a little less publicity about the man and the case. But such a hope would be vain. Hauptmann had scarcely been electrocuted before a hysterical newspaper was out with the heading, "Bruno Burns." Since then a certain class of neurotic newspaper has been featuring all sorts of unnecessary and greswome details about the execution and the aftermath. There are weird tales about Mrs. Hauptmann locking herself in the bathroom at a hotel and screaming until people at a distance were disturbed. Other tabloid tales recount how the widow plans to bring up the Hauptmann boy to believe that his father was a martyr. Col. Lindbergh showed his wisdom in moving to a secluded place in Wales, where the authorities will not only respect his privacy and private rights, but also will insist that others do the same. Unfortunately the people in general cannot move to Wales and so must endure an enormous amount of muck and rot about the Hauptmann case. Hauptmann was found in possession of the greater part of the ransom money paid for the return of the Lindbergh baby. There was not a shadow of doubt in regard to the fact that Hauptmann had some connection with the kidnapping and murder of the child. So far as known he was the only one to make any profit from the receipts of the vile crime. He deserved death for his part—his proven part—in the crime. If he had confederates, he merits no sympathy or mercy for failing to help clear up the dastardly crime. The kindest, most humane and most sensible thing would be to try and forget Hauptmann and all his breed. But a certain class of yellow paper will never think of doing that until a more unsavoury mess appears in which to wallow.

## TO SAFEGUARD SETTLERS

A little over a month ago The Advance recorded a tragedy near Kapuskasing when three children were burned to death in a fire that destroyed a settler's home. The father and mother made frantic efforts to rescue their children—did succeed in getting some of the youngsters out of the house—but three lives were lost despite the risking of the lives of the parents. As a matter of fact, both the father and mother were rather badly burned in their brave attempts to save their children. At the time a gentleman asked The Advance if something could not be done to avoid the recurrence of such tragedy. There have been a number of similar cases in the North this year. Indeed this sort of tragedy is an old, old story in the North. The situation of the homes of settlers, far from help and with no means of fighting fire, tend to such tragedies as the one near Kapuskasing on February 29th. It seems a reproach to boasted civilization that tragedies of this kind should be permitted to happen from time to time without anything being done about it. Yet when The Advance was questioned about possible safeguards for settlers' families in case of fire, it seemed difficult to suggest anything that was really practical. One suggestion was that the government supply each settler with one or more fire extinguishers and that settlers also be compelled to have their cabins constructed in such a way as to prevent them being fire-traps. Those who know the circumstances and conditions will realize the difficulties under which the settlers live. The settlers are not able to let the contract for the building of houses, or the matter of safeguards in the construction of the buildings might be a comparatively easy thing to assure. At first glance a system of inspection and the cost of the charges necessary to give some measure of safety from fire danger, would entail a prohibitive cost. But the verdict of the coroner's jury enquiring into the three deaths in the fire at the settler's home near Kapuskasing seems to suggest a practical and economical method for the protection of settlers' homes from fire danger. The adoption of the plan would not prevent all future tragedies from fire on homesteads, but if it saved a few lives, as it undoubtedly would, it would be well worth a trial at least.

Coroner E. R. Tucker, of Cochrane, who is a coroner for all of North Cochrane, and who knows

circumstances and conditions all through the wide territory he has to travel, does not seem to be content simply to record a death and to indicate the cause. He seems to feel the deeper purpose of the coroner's inquest,—the recommending of something to avoid similar tragedies in the future. It will be recalled that in conducting an inquest into deaths due to the speeding of motor cars last year, Coroner Tucker had thoughtful suggestions that would minimize the probability of further accidents of the same kind. The inquiry into the fire at the settler's home near Kapuskasing was carried through in a similar spirit. The verdict showed that the jury studied the circumstances and conditions with the earnest desire to make some recommendation that would be helpful in avoiding the same type of tragedy in the future. Chief Constable Wm. Noyes, of Kapuskasing, has given a copy of the coroner's jury's verdict to newspaper representatives and it seems to be well worth consideration by the authorities. The verdict reads: "We find that Francois, Louis and Rebecca Belanger came to their death on Lot 7, Concession 12, O'Brien Township, district of Cochrane, between 5 and 6 a.m., February 29, by burning, when their home was completely destroyed by fire caused by stoves and pipes being located too close to a highly inflammable partition. In view of the annual loss of life from the said cause in the homes of settlers we strongly recommend that provision of the Ontario Forest Fires Protection Act be extended to include inspection of settlers' homes by fire inspectors as well as inspection of fire hazards on settlers' lands."

The use of the Ontario Forestry Dept. employees in inspecting settlers' homes to assure greater safety from fire danger gives an economical and practical plan. At first the settlers might resent the inspection, feeling, perhaps, that the government has neglected them so much in helpful ways in the past, that inspection is an interference and annoyance. But once the settlers realized the true purpose of the work they would be glad indeed of its assistance and would soon be finding ingenious ways to profit from the suggestions of the inspectors. In towns and cities inspection to guard against fire risks is a common procedure. At the present time Timmins business places and homes are visited regularly by members of the fire brigade and the service thus given to assure safety is much appreciated. Fire rangers, if given this duty, would soon enlist the co-operation of the settlers, and there would be fewer of the tragedies that occur at settlers' homes each winter. It might be necessary to slightly increase the number of fire rangers employed all the year round but the cost would not be excessive and it certainly would be well worth while.

## GRAVEL AND SAND—AND PLACER

Last week The Haileyburian started its thirty-second year of publication. It claims to be a few months older than The New Liskeard Speaker, and so the oldest newspaper in the North. On the other hand The Speaker might reply that it has the distinction of being the oldest paper in the North conducted under the same ownership and management. Both The Haileyburian and The Speaker, however, have the distinction of giving over thirty years of good service to the North and assisting very materially in the development and progress of their section of the North. All truly interested in the welfare and standing of the North will agree in wishing The Haileyburian (as well as The Speaker) many, many more years of success and service.

Chairman Charlesworth of the Canadian Radio Commission is quoted as saying that the only complaint he received in regard to the conduct of private radio stations was in the case of an Ottawa station. Jos. A. Bradette, M.P., must have been astounded at such a statement, if Mr. Charlesworth actually made it, as Mr. Bradette had reason to know how many complaints were made to the commission in reference to one other private station.

Some thirty million wild ducks are said to have started in the South on their annual journey to the far North. These birds spend the summer months in Canada and are carefully protected here before and during the breeding season. Canada has always felt that this protection was more or less useless on account of the fact that it seemed to be lacking in the United States. United States duck hunters shot down the birds by the thousands on their trips north, according to popular belief. This is not to be the case this year, however, as a special detail of game agents are following the birds to protect them during the migration. The men are scattered in the four national skyways used by the ducks along the Atlantic, Mississippi Valley, Rocky Mountain and Pacific areas.

Born—to Mr. and Mrs. Abraham Phillon, Timmins, on April 2nd—a son.

Last week Fire Chief G. M. Brady, of North Bay, celebrated the fortieth anniversary of his work as a fire-fighter. He started on the Ottawa fire department in 1896, and since then has served at Ottawa, Cobalt, Brockville, and North Bay, being fire chief at each of these places with the exception of Ottawa.

North Bay Nugget—Kirkland Lake barber endorses the statement of North Bay's veteran tonsorial artist that men are losing a lot of masculinity, a softening of beards being the evidence against them.

## LOCALS

Mr. and Mrs. W. Ringsleben returned last week from a trip to the south.

Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Fogg returned last week from their holiday in Florida.

Reg. Smith left on Saturday on a business trip to Toronto.

Howard Peters was a recent visitor to his home at Cobalt.

Mrs. K. Bertrand was a visitor to Rouyn and Noranda last week.

Born—to Mr. and Mrs. Walter Ross, 51 Elm street south, on April 1st—a son.

Mr. and Mrs. A. MacGillivray, of Halifax, N.S., were visitors to friends in Timmins last week.

Born—to Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Johnston, 30 Columbus avenue, on March 27th—a son.

Misses M. Rothwell and M. Empey were guests of Timmins friends last week.

Noon weather report for Northern Ontario: Mostly cloudy and cold today and Tuesday, with some light snow.

Mr. E. Wallingford, of Perkins, Quebec, is enjoying a short holiday in Timmins.

Born—to Mr. and Mrs. Percy L. Climo, of 14 First avenue east, at St. Mary's hospital, on March 31st—a son.

Born—to Mr. and Mrs. Lorica Dagenais, of 458 Pine street south, at St. Jude's hospital, on April 1st—a son.

Born—to Mr. and Mrs. Ardy Gentile, 123 Pine street south, on April 2nd—a daughter.

Mrs. F. J. Hornby received the sad news on Saturday of the death of her sister, Mrs. C. Markham, at Rugby, England.

At Timmins Lodge, I.O.O.F. No. 459, on Tuesday night, April 7th, the teachings of the Second Degree will be exemplified. All members and visiting brothers are cordially invited to attend.

The monthly general meeting of the Ladies' Auxiliary of the Canadian Legion will be held this evening (Monday) in the Legion hall, Cedar street, commencing at 8 p.m. As there are several matters of interest and importance expected to be before the meeting a large attendance of members of the Auxiliary is desired.

Chief R. Paul, Deputy Chief Mervin Salley, and Constables C. Culhane and J. Clefen are to go to Cochrane tomorrow as witnesses in the case of John Wah, the Chinaman charged with murder following the death of Woon Hong who was stabbed on Nov. 4th, 1935, at 79 Pine street south.

## Mark Twain Thought Even Cursing Should be Earnest

One hundred years after the date of his birth, Mark Twain is still on the public tongue and stories about him are still among the best to be heard. One of the most typical recalls his remark to his wife, who could not abide cursing as a form of conversation.

One afternoon, while dusting a mantelpiece containing several priceless objects, Mrs. Clemens knocked a Dresden vase from its pedestal, exclaiming petulantly, "Oh, damn!" as the vase struck the hearthstone and was shattered to bits.

Mark, at that moment passing down the hall in his slippers, heard the outburst and stopped at the threshold. Mrs. Clemens, startled beyond composure, caught her breath, stood stock still a moment, went speechless in dismay and turned her back.

"My dear," said Sam, coming forward, "it is not my nature to trespass. But now that it has been my privilege to hear your rehearsal, I am bound to render an honest verdict. Frankly in view of our long acquaintance and a feeling of deep concern, it is only fair for me to say that you have the words but not the music."

## EXHIBITION OF ORIGINAL OILS

Feeling that there are a number of people in this district who appreciate fine art, we have brought to Timmins a fine collection of original oil paintings by such well known artists as J. W. Beatty, R.C.A., O.S.A.; Manly MacDonald, A.R.C.A., O.S.A.; George Thomson and others. A variety of subjects are portrayed chief among them being landscapes. The collection will be on display for a few days. While the paintings are offered for sale, we want you to feel free to come in and inspect them at your leisure. Seldom do we have an opportunity such as this present itself. We cordially invite all to visit this collection.

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## FOR SALE

CAR FOR SALE—1930 Ford Coach; 1936 license; good condition; ready to run; cheap for cash. Apply at 35 Columbus Avenue, Timmins. -28p

## Premier Presents School Tax Change

Hon. M. Hepburn Makes Strong Plea for Support of all for New School Tax Legislation.

In the Ontario Legislature last week Hon. Mitchell Hepburn, premier of Ontario, made a strong plea for the acceptance by all of the changes he proposed to make in the allocation of corporation taxes for school purposes. The amendments to the Assessment and Separate Schools Acts introduced by the premier provide that where it is possible to determine the number of shareholders who are supporters of separate schools the division of taxes of corporations shall be made on the basis of the ratio of the total number of shares declared by supporters of separate schools to the total stock of the corporations in question. Shareholders and companies are required to file returns showing the proportion of their shareholdings, and corporation taxes are divided in that proportion. Two types of corporations are excluded from the operation of his section. One are public service companies like the Bell Telephone and the C.P.R. In these instances the division of taxes is not based on the relative ownership of stock, but upon the general assessment of the municipality in the proportion of public and separate school supporters. A corporation of which more than one-fourth of the shares issued is owned by another corporation whose head office is not in Ontario, will also have

## MISCELLANEOUS

EXPERT CARD READER—Residing 85 Balsam Street South, Corner First Avenue, upstairs. Convince yourselves. Free hand reading. Daily, 10 until 10. -28

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

## ROOM AND BOARD

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## POSITION WANTED

WANTED—Position as bookkeeper or stenographer, either temporary or permanent. Four years' experience. Best references. Apply to P. O. Box 1107, Timmins. -27p

## HELP WANTED

MEN TO SELL CIGARS, Confectionery, novelties, etc. AS sole agency Jobbers; must be able to buy some merchandise; real assistance given. Only serious persons reply to S. Levitt, 1469 Bleury Street, Montreal, Quebec. -28

## Moffatt-Hall Not to Merge with Bidgood

Official Denial Given Story of Amalgamation of Two Mines. How the Rumour Started.

There is absolutely no truth in the rumors of a merger between Bidgood Kirkland Gold Mines and Moffatt-Hall Mining Company. It is officially stated. Operations at the two properties are being carried on independent of each other.

To commence the new campaign at Moffatt-Hall, however, Bidgood carried its drift across the line and into Moffatt-Hall ground for some distance and in return for this week received all ore taken out. This work was completed a short time ago and Moffatt-Hall now is responsible for its own development.

Underground development at the Bidgood property is progressing satisfactorily with the favourable results continuing. Sinking of the winze from the 500-foot level to greater depth is proceeding and it is expected that another level will be established and lateral work undertaken at this point in the not distant future.

Literary Digest—Ba-ah!—News that Italy has devised a process of making wool out of milk must make the cows feel rather sheepish.

Its taxes divided between public and separate schools on the basis of property assessment in the municipality. This will apply to subsidiary concerns of United States companies operating in Ontario.

In all other cases where it is possible to determine the number of shareholders who are separate school supporters the division of taxes paid by the corporation is made on the basis of ownership of such shares in relation to the total issued stock of the company.



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