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SUPPORT THE HOSPITAL

This week sees the opening of the campaign for funds to build a nurses' residence for St. Mary's hospital. While there is great need for better accommodation for the nurses, it should not be forgotten that the real purpose of the building of the nurses' residence is the supplying of further accommodation at the hospital itself. The Sisters at St. Mary's hospital have already given up their quarters so that needed beds might be added to the hospital. Those in town who know the poor accommodation at present for the Sisters and nurses can not feel very proud about it, but Sisters and nurses alike appear to be ready to make any sacrifice to maintain the hospital at its fullest efficiency and to see that no single case is ever turned away. But the building of a nurses' residence will mean the addition of thirty more beds to the hospital; it will mean better service to patients; it will mean the meeting of the needs of this growing town and district; and so the Sisters favour the plan, hoping that it will be possible to carry it through at once.

There is a danger that because of the very excellence of the hospital, its value may not be fully recognized. In all the history of St. Mary's hospital there has never been a case where a patient in need has been turned away. Whether the patient was rich or poor—regardless of colour or creed or race—no matter whether from town or district—there was always care and attention and interest for each and all coming to St. Mary's. It has happened often that the hospital was full; that there was no room for even one more; but always the Sisters managed some way or another—usually by forgetting their own convenience—to make room for any in need of hospital care. It might be well to stop to consider what the doctors, the police, the Children's Aid, the other authorities, the families, the individuals in town and district would do if there were no hospital, or if the kindness and ingenuity of the Sisters would admit that the accommodation was actually overtaxed. Fortunately however, the Sisters have thought only of the need. There has always been room to meet the pressing need of sudden accident or illness. "Hurry them to the hospital!" has been an answer to all the emergencies of accident and illness in this town, and never yet have the good Sisters failed to meet the demands upon them.

It is a common saying that there are two sides to everything. To the hospital question, the one side is plain beyond doubt or denial. The Sisters have done their part. Timmins and district have enjoyed for years efficient and never-failing hospital service. The other side is that the public now should meet the call upon them—the first call ever made. The response to the request for funds to build a nurses' residence should be as generous as has been the devoted service of the Sisters and the hospital during all the years.

FEELING IN THE NORTH

A number of Southern Ontario newspapers are apparently seeking to secure comfort from the reports of an address given at Toronto by W. G. Nixon, M.L.A. for Temiskaming. "Here is a member of the Legislature from the North itself," they say in effect, "who states that there is little thought of secession in the North, and the businessmen of the North have no idea of boycotting the industries or business of the South."

All this sort of talk is false comfort. Mr. Nixon did not suggest that there was no secession talk in the North. He could not well do that, in view of the facts. A formal resolution requesting separation of the North into a new province was actually passed some months ago by a Liberal party association in Northwestern Ontario. There has been talk about secession for months past in the North. Mr. Nixon did not deny this. What he did say, according to the official report of the club at which he spoke, as given in another column of this issue, was that "he assured the members of the club that all the serious-thinking people of Northern Ontario are wholeheartedly behind a united Ontario." That is a horse of another colour. In regard to the matter of a proposed boycott, Mr. Nixon did not deny the existence of such a proposal. He could not very well do that in view of the fact that a resolution from his own home town of New Liskeard is now before the Northern Ontario Associated Boards of Trade, asking that a boycott be put into effect until such time as the South begins to deal fairly with the North. What the official report quotes Mr. Nixon as saying is that "there is no desire on the part of the businessmen of Northern Ontario to boycott the business houses of Toronto." That, too, is a horse of another colour.

It may be taken as absolute fact that the people of the North are "wholeheartedly behind a united Ontario." Equally true is it that they "desire" no boycott of Toronto business. Indeed, the most of the people of the North have a pride in Old Ontario, an affection for Old Ontario, a regard for the

business men and the industries of the Southern part of the province. But, as a matter of course, the North has a greater interest, regard and affection for the North itself. To the hearts of the North, the North comes first. If the attitude of the South is indifferent, careless, neglectful, taking no interest except in autocratic way, then it will be found that the North, being very human, will naturally turn its affection elsewhere. In all this question, as The Advance has repeatedly pointed out, the matter is all in the hands of the South. The North is anxious to co-operate, to be friendly, to progress. On the other hand, the North is all against being a milch cow, a goat for balancing the budget, or a doormat for autocratic politicians. In other words, it isn't the North that is unfriendly; it is the South. The record shows it.

It should be remembered that during the past two years no practical interest has been shown in the North, except to step in with autocratic methods to interfere in purely local matters. Solvent municipalities like Timmins have been ordered about by autocratic departments in absurd way. Of course, this may be a province-wide condition, but the people of the North have difficulty in stomaching it. On the other hand, the government has shown complete neglect for action in the things that really concern it. The roads have been neglected in criminal way. The millions spent in past years on the Ferguson highway have been prejudiced by the shameful neglect of the past two years. The excuse about balancing the budget is simply adding insult to injury, when it is remembered that highways and other public works in the South have received full attention. The thing that really makes the North bitter about the recent neglect has been the fact that a little attention would have meant so much not only to the North but to all Ontario. It is generally admitted that the mining industry has been the most vital single factor in helping Canada during the recent trying years. Ontario's mining industry has led them all, and Ontario's mining industry is in the North. With justified bitterness the North exclaims: What a time to choose to neglect the North!

It is idle to suggest that there is no talk of secession in the North. Equally idle to pretend there is no danger of a boycott of the South. The Toronto Board of Trade showed wisdom in being anxious about the matter. The Advance believes that all the boycott movement needs is leadership and direction to prove a serious and crippling blow to the business of the South. That there has been hesitation about giving this leadership and direction is ample proof of what Mr. Nixon said—that there is no "desire" in the North to boycott the business of the South. But there is a strong "desire" in the North to have this country, Ontario, the Dominion, march onwards and upwards, as it surely may on the power of the mining industry. There is a fervent "desire" for fair play and a square deal. The North will not be satisfied with less—will not take less with any meekness. That is the crux of the whole matter—the North is determined to go ahead, and prepared to show its keen displeasure of those who attempt in any way to block its progress. Talk of secession and of boycott are evidences of this determination. It would be most regrettable if they were taken lightly. They are not evidences of unfriendliness to the South, but rather proofs of desire for co-operation and fair play. The South can remove all ill-will from the minds of the people of the North by simply playing the game fairly, or half fairly. From the immense riches flowing from the North, from the great business going daily to Southern industry from the North, there should be at least a small percentage of money available to help the North expand and develop. It is up to the South.

GRAVEL AND SAND—AND PLACER

The Literary Digest's straw vote, like some other straw votes, simply showed the way the wind was blowing, which was exactly opposite to the way some people were blowing. Straw votes often show up the straw man.

Recently when The Advance commented that the difference between Communism and Fascism was that the Fascist used force to support the government, while the Communist used force to upset the government, it was expected that the comment might stir up some of the communistically inclined. The Cochrane Northland Post in attempting to prove The Advance wrong has simply shown how right The Advance was in referring to the odd quirk of temperament that makes some people sneer at the Fascists and show sympathy for the Communists. The Northland Post bemoans the growth of Fascism in Canada, forgetting that it is the inevitable result of allowing latitude to the Communist. "There is a very real menace in the movement," says The Post, "a menace which threatens not the liberties of the comparative few on top, but the great bulk of the population. It is a movement which, if it ever succeeded in attaining power, would reach out into every town and village, every home." Thus writes The Post about Fascism. The exact words could be aptly used for Communism. The Advance doesn't want Fascism under any name, but apparently The Post would find no fault with it if you called it Communism.

A local contemporary in commenting on the high standing of The Advance during the past twenty-four years, notes that no other newspaper in the territory has survived for even four years. This is good history and also likely to be true prophecy.

The Advance has one of those Latin rare birds—



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Remembrance

From a friend, loyal and thoughtful, come the following appropriate words, including the poem "Remembrance," by W. F. McAusland in The Weekly Scotsman, some three years ago.

On Armistice Day, when we stand once more in pregnant silence to pay homage to "Our Glorious Dead," many memories are unleashed, and for a brief space we re-live the past. Most of all do we remember those splendid fellows—great-hearted comrades—who marched with us, singing at times, mute at others, along the muddy road to the trenches or to the line.

The best are dead; And we who were the rest Walk in a strange world That is without the best.

Remembrance
The pibroch sounds!
Then silence falls profound!
Unfathomed pathos vibrates all around.
The memory speeds in fervent reverence To blessed thoughts
Of those now passed hence.
Majestic vision of our valiant dead
Unite us now and banish all our dread.
In hope eternal,
While our loved we name,
And live in spirit with them once again.
The last post sounds—the warrior's requiem.

For us Revell—Live mor worthy then.
Around the cenotaph in loving ring,
With throbbing voice
The pastoral psalm we sing.
Yet aye our hearts
Go speeding back through time,
To thoughts of deeds
Most noble and sublime.
Now we are chastened
By their sacrifice.
For here before us broken lies
All shattered by our vain perversity
The vow that bade them die for liberty.
Again once more
Our vows we pledge this day.
Our hearts in penitence united pray:
"O, Thou the everlasting Prince of Peace

Inspire the nations all,
Then wars shall cease.
O, give us grace
Our erring ways to mend.
And keep us steadfast
To the journey's end."
—W. F. McAusland (Weekly Scotsman)

a linotype operator who sometimes thinks about what he is setting up. That is excellent. But sometimes he talks about it. Not so good! The other night he said:—"If Northerners do not want to be milch cows, why are they beeing so much?" The Highlander's answer is:—"Any good cow will beef if milked to death. And that's no bull whateheifer!"

The danger of using coal oil for assisting in lighting fires has been demonstrated in this district on several occasions. The fire on Elm street, north, on Saturday night gave tragic emphasis to the many warnings issued in regard to the danger in the use of coal oil in kindling fires. It is sincerely to be hoped that care and thought in the future will avoid any similar tragedies.

The mayor of Toronto is sick. It is the people in Timmins who are sick.

The coroner's jury inquiring into the death of two men who lost their lives in a fire that destroyed a logging camp at Redpine Lake, near Kapuskasing, recommended that hereafter a nightwatchman be employed at all logging camps in which there are 50 or more men, that fire extinguishers be provided and that a rigid check be made of heating apparatus in all camps. At the conclusion of this inquest, which was held at Kapuskasing last week, M. A. McEachern, speaking on behalf of the Spruce Falls Power and Paper Co., operators of the camp at which the tragic fire took place, told the coroner that the recommendations would

WANT Ads

FOR RENT

FOR RENT—Three-roomed house, furnished or unfurnished, and one furnished shack. Apply to B. F. Lennon, 10 Elm North, Timmins. 82-831f

FOR RENT—Four room house at 111 Elm Street, South. Apply at 7 Montgomery Avenue. -86

FOR RENT—Five-roomed apartment, steam heated. Apply Hotel Ambassador, 84 Third Avenue. -86p



E. Brown was a visitor last week to his home at Hough Lake, New Liskeard.

Born—to Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Gouette, 105 Birch street north—a son.

Mr. and Mrs. Irvin Rosner returned on Thursday evening from New York where they had been on their wedding trip.

Jack Wilkes, former Timmins hockey player, now of Kirkland Lake, was a visitor here this week-end.

The Iroquois Falls annual golf dance is to be held there on Friday evening, November 20th. Members of the Timmins Golf Club have been invited.

Born—to Mr. and Mrs. Wilfred Empey, 25 Middleton avenue, on November 6th—a daughter.

Cobalt town council last week decided to observe a two-hour cessation of work and business on Armistice Day, Nov. 11th, from 10 a.m. to 12 noon.

Mr. and Mrs. Gerald Bartlett, of Toronto, were visitors to Timmins friends last week.

L. Halperin returned on Thursday last from a two weeks' Christmas buying trip to Toronto, Montreal and New York.

Born—to Mr. and Mrs. Joseph McNully, 181 Spruce street north, upstairs, on November 5th—a son.

Born—to Mr. and Mrs. Leslie Hall, 45 First avenue, at St. Mary's hospital, on November 2nd—a daughter.

Born—to Mr. and Mrs. Frank Brouseau, 139 First avenue, rear, on November 3rd—a son.

Born—to Mr. and Mrs. Robert Weatherill, 39 Lakeshore road, on October 6th—a daughter.

Mayor Cullen of Sudbury has requested the business places and the public generally to observe Armistice Day, Nov. 11th, from 10 a.m. to 12 noon as a public holiday.

Sydney Wheeler, of the Hollinger staff, who has been laid up for the past little while with a broken rib, is reported as getting along nicely and will soon be able to return to work.

Hennessy and Hennessy, of Halleybury, have been awarded the contract for clearing the right-of-way for the new C.N.R. line to be built from Rouyn to Sennerterre. Operations are to commence at once.

In both New Liskeard and Halleybury municipal announcements request the business places to remain closed and the people generally to observe an hour's holiday from 10.30 to 11.30 on Armistice Day, Nov. 11th. Both towns will hold memorial services but the day will not be a general holiday, except for the hour noted.

Mail and Empire.—Add forgotten men, Father Coughlin and Al. Smith.

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

CARD OF THANKS

The family of the late Mrs. L. J. Bennett of South Porcupine, wish to thank all friends and neighbours for kindly help and sympathy shown during the illness and death of their mother on November 2nd. -86

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Speedy Time Made in Answer to Fire Calls

Saturday Night Water was Playing on Fire Two and a Half Minutes After First Stroke of Bell.

Tests made this morning by the firemen go to show that the response was as prompt as possible to Saturday night's alarm from the scene of the fire on Elm street north in which five children died.

Two and a half minutes from the time the first stroke of the bell came in, a stream of water was playing on the blaze, Chief Borland said this morning. The truck started out the door of the fire station as soon as the first "round" of the alarm had come in, telling them the number of the box. Before the fourth "round" had been completed, the fire truck had passed the box at the corner of Maple and Sixth.

The men on the truck saw the blaze from the corner where the box was and went straight on to the corner of Elm and Sixth, slowing down there momentarily to let the hydrant crew attach the line. The truck continued on down the street, the lengths of hose going out behind. The remainder of the 300 feet was pulled from the truck immediately and the order given for water. The box apparatus this morning showed that it took 12 seconds for the first "round" to be rung off, and one minute and 14 seconds later, the last signal was given. That minute and 14 seconds was just the time taken by the truck to reach the box. From then on there was no hitch.

In a recent test run from the fire hall to Toke and Sixth, the brigade had water on in two and a quarter minutes from the time of the first stroke of the bell.

Jury Inquest Not Thought Necessary in Fire Deaths

There will be no jury inquest into the deaths of the five Charbonneau children, Coroner Dr. A. L. Minthorn told The Advance this morning.

The fire was clearly accidental, he said, and after making thorough inquiries himself, as well as hearing the report of the firemen, the police, and others, the coroner decided that an inquest by a coroner's jury would be unnecessary.

WANTED

WANTED—Names and Addresses of former residents of Timmins, to send them invitations to Timmins Old Home Week—June 28th to July 1st, 1937. Address replies P.O. Box 530, Timmins. -85-86192

PROPERTIES FOR SALE

FOR SALE—Horse, harness, single dray and sleighs. Apply 74 Fifth Avenue, Timmins. -86p

FOR SALE—Patented Claim No. P.5970, South shore Kamiskotia Lake; two-story log house, stone fireplace, taxes paid, good timber. Reasonable for cash. Make offer to Mrs. Margaret A. Clearhugh, 2063, Sunset Cliffs Blvd., Ocean Beach, California. 85-86-90p

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Fire Brigade Busy on Saturday Night

Four Calls in a Short Time. Three Calls on Friday.

A few minutes previous to the fire Saturday night in which the Charbonneau children lost their lives, two of the trucks in the fire hall had been out on different calls. It was one of the busiest times the department has had this year.

At 6:15 Saturday evening, Box 15 was rung in for the first time. While the general service truck was out at that call, a chimney fire at 117 Maple street north, another alarm came in. This was for a chimney fire at the Ideal Hardware, which was attended by the small truck. No sooner had the two trucks got back to the fire station than the second call from Box 15, this time for the Charbonneau fire.

Two trucks were used there and while they were out, Box 43, corner of Cambridge and Waterloo, was rung. This was a false alarm and the ladder truck answered.

On Friday, the firemen answered three calls: at 6:27 a.m. to Friedmans for a chimney fire; at 6:35 a.m. the Feldman planing mill fire in Mountjoy at which the local brigade could do nothing for lack of a pumper; and at 7:25 p.m., Box 42, a false alarm.

Gore Bay Recorder.—It may seem a killing pace we lead, but the average man of 57 has spent 18 years and seven months in sleeping; 15 years and five months working, eight years at recreation and church-going; five years at eating and drinking; five years in travelling; and two years just dressing and getting ready to go to bed.

Hepburn, Croll & Company Car Wreckers of the North

(From New Liskeard Speaker)

They tell us— That a farmer from the Charlton district pulled into Frank Goddard's garage at Temagami, from the North, minus his gas tank. There was sufficient gas in the vacuum tank to carry him in and then it was discovered he was minus the gas tank. A search back on the highway resulted in finding the missing tank. Simply shook off the car. Why?

That a government motor had three shock absorbers broken and sprung a leak in the radiator allowing the anti-freeze to escape, while coming up the same highway.

That a certain driver, recognized as "one of the best," took over four hours coming up from the Bay. Under ordinary road conditions Bill would easily do the trip under three hours.

That the Temiskaming boys in charge of the highway are doing their "damndest," but have had mighty little assistance from Highways Department.

That filling the millions of pot holes on the Ferguson Highway with a shovel, is like attempting to bail out the Wabigoon river with a tin pail.

Brockville Recorder and Times.—Germany is said to be launching negotiations for a diplomatic understanding with France. Well, why not? If the different European countries could agree, it would be one of the greatest blessings that could be conferred upon the world.