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Souvenir Hunters Carrying Away Mrs. Simpson's Home

Among all the odd bits of news about the former king and Mrs. Simpson, perhaps the strangest has nothing to do with the King or Mrs. Simpson, as the Irishman would say. This peculiar news comes from Blue Ridge Summit, Pennsylvania. It says that souvenir hunters bit by bit have been actually carrying away the house in which Mrs. Wallis Simpson was born. Even if Mrs. Simpson has been known as a friend of the former King that seems no particular reason to tear her house down, especially when she is not in it. Indeed it is understood that the Simpsons have no interest in the house now, but the souvenir hunters have been so many and so greedy that the owners of the house have been forced to instal padlocks on all the doors of the place and to securely board up all the windows. One day this week several hundred people were reported as visiting the house. When they found nothing worth while to take from the house itself they carried away some of the contents from the yard. It is an odd mania, with peculiar results surely. Perhaps some years from now you will hear something like this:

"You remember Mrs. Simpson?"
"Was she connected with the mail order business?"
"No! No! You know—the woman that fascinated King Edward!"
"Oh, yes, he was the King of Portugal, wasn't he, or something?"
"No! No! He was King Edward of Britain!"
"Oh, well, I knew it was one of those Balkan States, anyway. But what about it, anyway?"
"Why, do you know I've actually got some twigs that came from the house"

where Mrs. Simpson was born!"
"You don't say!"
"Yes, look here!"
"Those ain't twigs! Those are straws from one of those old-fashioned brooms!"

Additional Expansion for Ford Motor Co. in Canada

Plans for additional expansion of the Ford Motor Company's productive plant in Canada, involving construction of a new branch assembly plant at Vancouver, B.C., to serve the British Columbia territory, and erection of a branch warehouse at Regina, Sask., were announced yesterday at Windsor, Ont., by Wallace R. Campbell, president.

The new Vancouver plant will cost approximately \$400,000, and will be built on property acquired some time ago on Kingsway, midway between Vancouver and New Westminster. The new plant will have a capacity of 30 cars daily.

The new warehouse at Regina will add to the present sales and service building. It will cost approximately \$50,000.

These two new Ford branch projects will bring the total of Ford expenditures thus far allocated for Ford home office and branch expansion to nearly \$5,500,000. Mr. Campbell pointed out He had previously announced plans for enlargement of the main manufacturing plant in Windsor, at a cost of \$1,700,000 including tools and equipment and for construction and equipment of a new body building and final assembly plant to cost \$3,300,000. The major items in the programme are intended to permit Ford to modernize and consolidate its manufacturing facilities.

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Inquest Into Death Near Iroquois Falls

Jury Suggests Fire may have Been Due to Gasoline Lamp.

Iroquois Falls, Ont., Dec. 17, 1936. (Special to The Advance)—Evidence that the fire which destroyed the home and caused the death of Frank Koski, in Pyne township, November 20, was caused by a faulty kerosene lamp, was adduced at the inquest held Saturday night by Coroner W. J. Grummett. There was evidence also to the effect that Koski had been drinking prior to going to his home but this was not sufficiently strong to have much bearing on the inquest and was disregarded in the jury's verdict, which was as follows: "We, the jury investigating the death of Frank Koski, find a man, presumed to be Frank Koski, came to his death by burning in his shack in Pyne township, Friday, November 20. In our opinion there is insufficient evidence to show exactly the cause of the fire but the indications are that it was caused by a faulty kerosene lamp."

R. W. H. Smith, Ansonville, undertaker, who accompanied Coroner Grummett and Provincial Constable J. Allan Stringer to the scene, testified as to the completeness of the burning. He had never, he said, seen a body so completely burned and had never seen an instance where the stomach had not burned as in this case. He remembered seeing the remains of a kerosene lamp at the feet of the remains. The remains had been found in a corner of the building farthest away from the door. Leonard Karen, settler, testified he had gone to the home of Aarne Heinenon, who lived directly across the road from Koski, on the night of the fire, to purchase wine. He had seen Koski in the Heinenon home, he said, sitting with a bottle of moonshine in front of him, and Koski had said a Frenchman had given him a drink previously and had made him feel pretty good. He had given Koski a drink of moonshine, purchased from Heinenon, and had then left. Later in the evening he and some friends had sent another settler for some more liquor and the messenger returned with the news Koski's home had been burned.

Emil Haakala testified Heinenon had come to his home the night of the fire and had told him Koski's home had burned. With Koski in it. He had gone to the scene and had noted the fire was strongest in one corner. In answer to questions he stated Koski had kept his kerosene mantle lamp, on a table in that corner. He stated later that Koski's tracks into the cabin had certainly not been made by a sober man.

Aarne Heinenon, who is out on bail, charged on liquor counts in connection with the incident, testified Koski had come to his house the night of the burning and had had coffee with him. Koski had left and he had gone to bed, waking later to see the Koski cabin in flames. He had tried to enter and had then rushed to the Haakala home for assistance. He emphatically denied having given liquor to either Koski or Karen or that Koski was drunk. He stated the three Finnish witnesses present were not his friends. He had fought previously with two of them, he said. He testified he had lived with Koski for two years and had often thought Koski's lamp was defective. He stated Karen came to his home that night for cigarettes.

Recalled to the stand, Karen stated he understood he was on oath, and that he had held no grudge following his fight with Heinenon. He insisted he had purchased wine from Heinenon that night and that Koski was drinking.

Another Finnish witness testified he had gone to Heinenon's home for liquor that night. His evidence corroborated Karen's in so far as the earlier purchase of wine was concerned.

Provincial Constable J. A. Stringer, investigating the case, described the situation as he found it, in company with Coroner W. J. Grummett and R. W. H. Smith.

Rev. Fr. Renaud Appointed to New Parish in Quebec

Rouyn, Dec. 17.—(Special to The Advance)—Commencing with his arrival in Rouyn today, Rev. Father J. A. Renaud, for the past two years rector of Holy Cross cathedral at Haileybury, see church of the Roman Catholic diocese of that name, is to engage in a new sphere of labour in the mining areas of Northern Quebec. Father Renaud has been appointed by Rt. Rev. Bishop L. Rheume to missionary work in that section, and he will have charge of four townships, with his headquarters at the Canadian Malartic mine. The territory, which is entirely new ground for the church, is approximately 40 miles east of Rouyn, and about the same distance south of Amos.

There are 1500 people in the Malartic section alone, it is stated, and seventeen other mining camps will come under the ministrations of Father Renaud. The area over which he will have spiritual jurisdiction is beyond the limits of farm settlement, but there are several lumber camps in the district and the new branch line which the C.N.R. is building runs through his parish. Father Renaud went to Haileybury in 1934, succeeding there Rev. Father J. M. Pelhat, now of Noranda, but he had been stationed in the Ontario town from 1914 to 1917, during a previous ministry. No appointment of a successor has been made yet.

Ohio State Journal.—Judging by the way the Spanish women hold their rifles as shown by the pictures coming from that war-torn country, they are about as much of a menace to one side as the other.

New King's Birthday Not Very Generally Observed

Following the agreement made at the meeting last week of representative business men of the town, most of the stores in town remained open all day Monday. This was not intended as any disregard of the occasion to pay honour to the new King, but the notice in regard to the holiday was so short that it was practically impossible to arrange for a holiday without serious inconvenience to the public. The condition in this regard was little different in Timmins to other places. In Toronto the authorities made it plain that it was optional to observe the holiday. The result was that most of the stores in the city remained open. The same condition prevailed in most of the towns and cities in the North, and indeed, in all Ontario. Indeed, The Advance has yet to learn of a single town in Ontario where the King's birthday was generally observed. It will be different next year when the date and the occasion are known far in advance and the necessary arrangements can be made to protect the public in the matter.

It may be noted, however, that on Saturday the meeting of business men here decided to close on Boxing Day, Dec. 26th, the day after Christmas. This will be a decided advantage to the staffs of stores where next week—the last week of Christmas shopping—means so much extra labour and longer hours. There is ample time for the public to learn that the stores will be closed all day on Boxing Day, Dec. 26th. With this knowledge before the people now, there should be little difficulty in providing for the closing without any material inconvenience to the general public.

All patrons of the various stores in town should make a special note of the fact that all the stores will remain closed all day the day after Christmas, Dec. 26th.

This Caruso Gets Into a Lot of Trouble at Cobalt

Joseph Caruso of Cobalt, may or may not be some relation to the famous tenor of that name, but Joseph will have to do some singing of a sort next Saturday for he has to face Magistrate Atkinson in police court at Cobalt on two counts. The first is one that has

I wish to sincerely thank the Iroquois Falls electors, who by their vote of confidence, returned me to the council at the recent election.

Wilfred Stables

been hanging fire for some time. Joseph just about a month ago took a notion to pass Chief Miller of Cobalt on the road and the chief says he had to do "a cool 55" to catch up with him. This case was called and Joseph wanted time to get witnesses together. He got it, and then the next week his counsel was away, then later at court in Haileybury. On Saturday last Joseph was among the missing as also were his witnesses, for he had refused to pony up the money necessary for their service. And then Joseph's mother imparted the information that he was only 15 years of age, and driving. So the case was put over for a week when he will face this charge and also one of discharging firearms within the town limits, for he is alleged to have shot and killed several tame pigeons that frequented the streets of the town, and do no harm to anyone.

Several youths, all under 15, were tried in juvenile court for trespass on the property of the T. & N. O. at Cobalt. They had been using the local station as a sort of playground and were warned by the bench to stay away, with a suspended sentence hanging over their heads.

Ex-Mayor Houde Beaten in Montreal Mayoralty Race

J. A. Raynault, former Montreal Alderman and Union Nationale member of the Quebec Legislature for L'Assomption, was elected Mayor of Montreal Tuesday with a majority of 3849 over ex-Mayor Camille Houde, his nearest opponent.

First complete count of returns from the 1041 polls gave Raynault 56,395 votes; Houde 52,546; and the third candidate, Candide Rochefort, Union Nationale Legislative Assemblyman for Montreal-St. Mary's, 19,689.

Victory for Raynault followed one of the most bitterly contested campaigns in Montreal's history. He is 42 years old, and for the past two and a half years held an Aldermanic seat in the Montreal City Council.

He succeeds the dynamic Houde to the Mayoralty, the former Mayor having resigned last August after the Union Nationale Party of Premier Maurice Duplessis swept to victory in the provincial elections.

Houde was a surprise candidate, having waited until the last possible moment to enter the contest. Early this week his organizers predicted victory for him. They said they were confident of a 25,000 majority, but so did those of Raynault.

Raynault for some time has been keenly interested in trade matters. He promised the people of Montreal "justice for everybody from an administration with a heart."

Houde campaigned on the basis of his previous term of office, and claimed he had prevented revolution in Montreal while he was mayor in 1934 by acceding to demands of the Montreal Proprietor's League for back rent for relief recipients.

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Cheer for Settlers from Iroquois Falls

Residents in Paper Town Giving Thought to the Many in Need in the District.

Iroquois Falls, Ont., Dec. 16, 1936. (Special to The Advance)—In place of the usual Christmas tree and sleigh ride the local United Church Sunday School held a "white service" Sunday afternoon. Each child brought a gift of food, wrapped in white paper, for distribution among needy settlers in the district. A similar service was held by the Young People's Society Monday evening.

Local schools observed the King's Birthday Monday with a holiday. The holiday had not been announced Friday and many kiddies turned up at school Monday to receive the welcome news.

Special Christmas services will be held at the local United Church Sun-

day, December 20th, Rev. R. S. Laidlaw officiating at both services. The choir, under the leadership of Mr. Nells Cushman, has been practising hard for the occasion. The choir will sing at the Anson General hospital Christmas tree Tuesday evening.

Iroquois Falls residents interested in distributing Christmas gifts in the form of food and clothing, to district settlers, find many are in very needy circumstances. Those who came North on the government land settlement scheme are in a particularly bad way since all district vegetable crops were completely killed by frost early last fall.

In one instance one family on relief attempted to augment their scanty income by making and selling home baking. They were, it is reported, cut off relief because of this—and have not been able to again obtain relief. In another instance a settler obtained temporary employment in town, but had to drop the job to attend his wife, who was ill. The many who are trying to do a little good by distributing gifts to these people are finding a very definite need.

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