

Report of Fire Dept. at South Porcupine

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Annual Report of S.P.F.D.
At the last meeting of the old council for 1936 the following report was handed in from our Fire Brigade. As many of the items are of general interest, we are reproducing them here.

The department has responded to 50 day and night calls, 13 actual fires, 37 chimney and stovepipe fires. Actual fire loss in the subdivisions estimated at \$2050; covered by insurance \$500. Fires attended outside town limits—March 18th, Dome Mines carpenter shop, estimated loss \$3500; January 4th, Gold Ridge Stock Farm, estimated loss \$3060; November 10th, New York Porcupine Mines shed, estimated loss \$100; November 28th, Paymaster assay office, estimated loss \$35.

Our equipment consists of:—1 Reo motor hose truck, capacity 1200 feet of hose; 1 Chevrolet motor truck with 50-gallon chemical trucks and hose body, capacity 750 feet of hose; 2700 feet of 2½-inch hose and 200 feet of 1½-inch hose, all in good condition.

We fitted up a spare hose reel as a wheeled carrier for 40-foot extension

ladder and it can be coupled to truck.
"We note with satisfaction the placing of more fire mains and hydrants to serve the outlying districts. This calls for additional alarm boxes in these areas to make the installation complete and I would recommend this matter be considered early in the coming year. The fire hall is giving satisfaction, especially the new elevating doors. It is kept clean and in good condition. Four men sleep in upstairs room which increases efficiency on night calls. Our request for the use of these rooms has proved itself in every way. The new fire pump station is a splendid addition to the system, and though we have not been called upon to use any great quantity of water from that source there will be no trouble in obtaining a good supply of clear water. When grading of land around building is finished next spring, we shall have something to be proud of. The Dept. consists of the Chief and 17 men. We have had the average immediate response of 11 men to a call. There has been a considerable amount of work done by these volunteers during the past year.

—Max Smith, Chief.

Perth Courier:—It is impossible to keep down these Scots. One of them is serving as Governor-General of Canada, another in a similar capacity in Australia, and now a third representative of the race is to be Governor-General of South Africa.

Wear for Children in the Winter Time

One Common Error, Says Expert, is Too Much Clothing.

(By C. E. Snelling in "Health")

In clothing children and infants during the winter, the common error is to use too much, rather than too little. No mother in extremely straitened circumstances would be guilty of under-clothing a child. Over-clothing fatigues the child, causes excessive perspiration and lowers the resistance. Damp under-clothing is not healthy for anyone, let alone the infant or growing child.

Infants

In clothing infants it is impossible to say that each baby requires so many articles of clothing at a certain temperature. Babies, like adults, are individuals and have individual reactions to environment. The only sane rule that a mother can follow is: the properly-clothed baby is not perspiring under the clothing, and is not blue, pinched in the face and with cold hands and feet. If the baby is perspiring under the clothing, less is required for that particular baby. If the baby's face is pinched up and blue, or the hands and feet are blue, cold and clammy, more clothing is required.

In general, the articles of an infant's

winter wardrobe are diapers, shirts, garters, dresses, stockings, mitts, nightgowns, bonnets, sweaters, sleepers and sleeping bags. Binders are never used after two weeks of age. Diapers should absorb moisture freely, so that one recommends bird's eye, the knitted cotton fabric and a recently-developed type which is composed of numerous layers of cheese cloth sewn together. The discardable tissue napkin which may be inserted inside the regular napkin is very useful. The shirts should be of wool mixture with cotton, rayon or silk, and the sleeve is advisable though not necessary. There are certain conditions in which wool is not advisable—the child's physician will advise the mother regarding this. The garters may be of flanellette or cotton; the dress should be of cotton. These should not be so long as to restrict the normal and necessary movement of the extremities of the baby.

The stockings for the baby under three months should be the knitted knee-length bootee. After three months the full-length stocking of wool, unless contra-indicated, should be used. The mitts for going outside or night wear should be knitted woolen, roomy and long enough to fasten with pins to the sleeves of the outer garments. A silk-lined bonnet is preferable. Sleepers with the feet enclosed and plenty of room may be used for the older infant and child; sleeping bags with zipper fastening are helpful in keeping the baby covered while sleeping out of doors.

In dressing the baby the mother should use a minimum of regular clothes and make up for the changes in temperature by varying the outer garments such as sweaters, stockings, mitts, sleeping bags and blankets.

Children

The same note of warning and advice applies to the child who is running about, but here, to make it more complicated, we have the factors of excessive activity and the frequent changes from outdoor to indoor atmosphere. The regular clothes of the child should be devised to meet the requirements when the child is indulging in moderate activity at the usual temperature of the house or in other words so that the child will not perspire under those conditions. When the child is going out of doors or resting indoors the requirement can be met by the use of outer garments, such as sweaters, leggings and coat, or the combination garment. The child should wear rubbers or overshoes when playing out in the wet. If the child comes indoors for any length of time the outer clothing should be removed.

The child should have the legs covered in the colder weather. It is just as ridiculous for the child to go out with a sleeveless coat as to go out with bare knees. The question of underwear depends to some extent on the usual temperature at which the house is maintained. For most instances long underwear of wool and cotton mixtures

is preferable, but in the home where the temperature is maintained constantly by automatic control devices, a shirt with bloomer or knee-length drawers is sufficient underclothing.

The first and last word on this subject is to use a minimum amount of regular clothes and meet the requirements for change in temperature by the addition of outer garments.

Detailing a Number of Queer Things About Cats

(From Our Dumb Animals)

Perfectly white cats are invariably deaf; they are sure to be, if they have blue eyes.

The Egyptians considered the cat a sacred animal, and usually mummified its remains.

The cats of the Isle of Man, and those of North Borneo are all tailless. All of the mummy-cats unearthed in Egyptian tombs have red hair, due perhaps to the embalming fluids and unguents used in mummifying them.

There are three times as many muscles in the tail of a cat as there are in the human hand and wrist.

At the end of each hair of a cat's whiskers is a bulb or nerve fibre which makes that particular hair a very delicate "feeler."

A cat's head has a regular partition wall projecting from its side, inward, which, naturalists say, is a provision against concussion of the brain.

Believes that the Noble Old Country Doctor is Passing

(Halifax Herald)

The "country doctor" gradually is disappearing in this province, as elsewhere. The world-picture of the man who, winter and summer, behind a faithful horse carried health and healing and advice into the isolated farming and fishing and lumbering settlements seems to mean little to today's generation—a generation accustomed to the specialist in the large centres, the village doctor with much more science but much less opportunity to mingle and be one of his people.

The latest to drop from the ranks of the old-time practitioners is Duncan Andrew Murray, of River John in Pictou County. A school teacher first, he later had a brilliant university career which might have carried him to wealth and fame in the cities. Instead, he chose his old county, and there for more than 40 years he was present at births; he warded off deaths so long as he was able; he comforted the pained, the worried and the harassed in the country roundabout; in his own store he compounded those medicines which childhood and age alike know. He was a member of every family.

Powassan News:—Sir Harry Lauder recently left for a trip around the world. That's one way to escape your Christmas shopping.

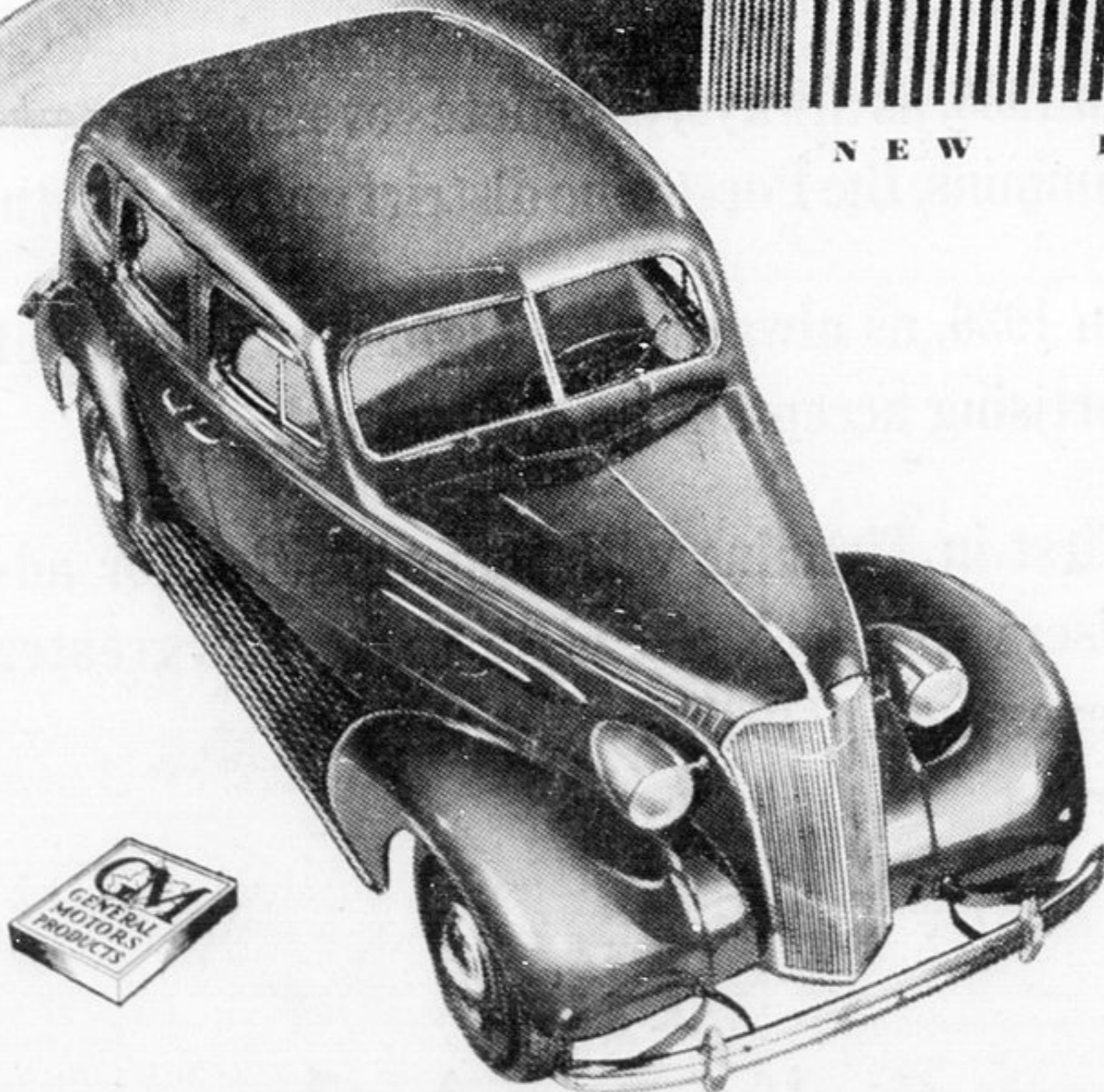
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