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Northern News—German officials have been told to marry or be fired. Some confirmed bachelors have probably resigned already.

Kiwanis Keep Up With the Smiths This Week

Reg. Smith, Past President of the Club, Delights Record Attendance with Illustrated Address on Mexico. Notable Description of Wonderful Country. David Smith, Welfare Council, Another Speaker. Jos. A. Bradette, M.P., a Guest.

This was "smiled" week at the Kiwanis and it ended with everybody having a specially high opinion of the "Smiths". The main speakers at the Kiwanis for the weekly luncheon were David Smith, of the Ontario Community Welfare Council, who was introduced by President E. H. King, and Reg. Smith, past president of the club and well-known business man of town.

A record attendance enthused the executive of the local Kiwanis Club last Monday, when the club held its regular weekly luncheon in the Legion hall. Following a very delightful luncheon, visitors were introduced, and a hearty sing-song was enjoyed under the capable direction of Rev. Bruce Millar.

Mr. David Smith, of the Community Welfare Council of Ontario, was then called upon to give an outline of the work carried on by that organization. He stressed the importance of youth management, and said that the only way to succeed in this movement would be for all the local organizations to unite, choose a capable leader, and then carry on their undertaking as a community business. Mr. Smith is at present compiling a report on youth conditions in Northern Ontario.

Joseph Bradette, M.P.P., was then called upon to address the members. He was very complimentary in his remarks concerning the work carried on by the local club.

Reg. Smith, past president of the club, then gave a very interesting illustrated talk on "A Holiday in Mexico". Mr. Smith was introduced by Vince Woodbury, who, along with Mrs. Smith and Mrs. Woodbury, accompanied the speaker on the trip.

"It was the most thrilling, the most glorious, the most pleasant trip I have ever taken," was Mr. Smith's opening sentence. "The amusing part of the whole trip," continued Mr. Smith, "was that it was taken wholly by accident. We had planned a vacation in California and nearby points but due to bad weather it was found necessary to change our plans."

With the aid of a large map, Mr. Smith outlined the physical features of Mexico. At the border between the United States and Mexico Mr. Smith's party met quite a formidable obstacle in the form of the customs. Mr. Smith explained that it is comparatively easy for the American citizens to cross the border, but with Canadians it is another story. The party was detained about two and a half hours before they were allowed to pass on their way during which time it was necessary to sign an affidavit promising to leave the country inside of six months.

Having crossed the border, which Mr. Smith humorously added was really not a ridge in the earth's surface, the party continued on to Monterrey. This city is entirely Spanish. Both the business houses and places of residence extend to the street, each having a spacious patio in the rear where cactus and other sub-tropical vegetation is carefully grown. From Monterrey the party continued on towards Mexico city. Just here Mr. Smith added that the highway for the first sixty miles was as straight as a ruler but from there on the road became very irregular. Going south the ground elevates considerably, the scenery becomes extremely beautiful and vegetation of a very deep green shade covers everything. The next town reached had a population of about twenty thousand people and contained about three hundred churches. The carvings both inside and outside the churches were magnificent, the altars were faced with pure gold and marble was predominant everywhere. In the centre of each Mexican town is a huge plaza and the streets start from this point.

Orange, lemon and lime groves are seen everywhere and all blossoms, flowers and shrubs are vividly coloured. Orchids grow wild in this district and according to Mr. Smith one thousand dollars worth of orchids could be picked in a half hour, this of course is considering the cost of the flowers in Canada.

In this district there is a very interesting plant cultivated on a large scale; this is the Maguay plant, and from it the natives produce paper, string and liquor.

The absence of wheeled vehicles in Mexico was very noticeable, autos and bibles being alone in this class. All produce, baggage, etc., was carried on burros.

"The highways are literally niched in the mountain sides," continued Mr. Smith. "There are no guard rails and one must proceed with the greatest of caution, not only because of the dangerous nature of the roads, but because the high altitudes affect the engine. One thousand lives were lost in the construction of this road into Mexico City."

Once in Mexico City, the party was deeply impressed by the automobile drivers. They drive very fast, and are exceedingly reckless. About ninety per cent. of the cars in Mexico City are Ford's and of these about seventy-five per cent. are taxis.

"Every one, at least all the men, in this city go to the bull fights. We decided to see one while we had the opportunity and I might say I never want to see another one."

"It was the most brutal thing I have ever seen," exclaimed Mr. Smith. "The city in itself is becoming quite modernized. The hotels are very up-to-date and the rate quite moderate. All Mexican food is highly seasoned and their pastry and confectionery are delicious."

"The history and antiquity of Mexico not only fascinates but amazes you, there are pyramids in Mexico built even before those of the Egyptians. Architects come from all over the world to study the graceful contours of the Mexican buildings."

Noted Baritone to be Here



Adolph Wantroff, young Russian-Canadian baritone, made his debut in Toronto in May 1932, as a soloist before a capacity audience in Massey Hall. Since then he has sung with great success and his name is well known throughout musical Canada. During the seasons of 1935 and 1936, Wantroff appeared as soloist with the Toronto Symphony Orchestra, directed by Sir Ernest MacMillan, and in the same period filled three engagements as soloist with the Promenade Symphony Orchestra under the direction of Reginald Stewart, also appearing with the Hamilton Symphony Orchestra, directed by Dr. Graham Godfrey.

He is well known to Canadian radio audiences because of his many coast-to-coast broadcasts for the Canadian Broadcasting Commission.

Old Business at the Falls Changes Hands

Iroquois Falls, Ont., April 27th, 1937. Special to The Advance.

Newspaper Business Changes Hands. One of the old-timers of the vicinity now the present bailiff for the district, J. J. Johnson, has announced that he will give up the newspaper-carrying business which he has conducted for the past twenty-three years.

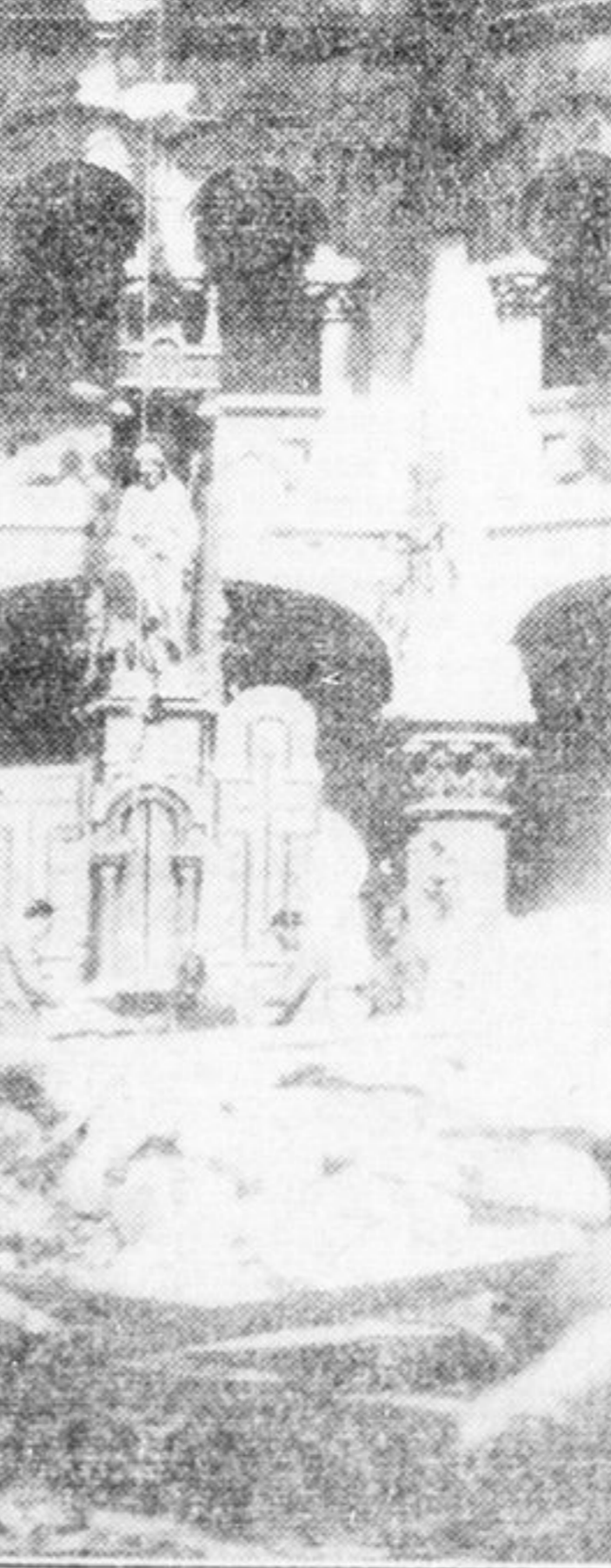
Mr. Johnson began this work back in the early days of 1913 when the papers came only as far as Porcupine Junction by train and had to be transported into the Falls by dog sleigh.

It is significant indeed of his rugged venturesome nature when we recall that he was the first man from Iroquois Falls to enlist for service overseas. Leaving a family of five boys, Charlie, Joe, George, Stanley and Art, he served in France until the Armistice when he returned to his home town.

The papers have since been faithfully distributed by his sons in succession but now that the youngest son is forfeiting the responsibilities which have been the family's for a generation, they will pass to other hands.

After May 1st, the papers will be handled by Eric McDermid, Iroquois Falls Hotel manager, and with the recent advantageous changes in the railway timetable, Toronto evening papers will be available in the hotel lobby the following morning.

Famous Churches Become Ruins During New Spanish Offensive



A picture of the Church of Jesuits in Durango after insurgents had bombed the church and reduced the stately building into a mass of ruins. —Photo by Marcus Adams

Plan Red Cross Nutrition Course to be Held Here

Ladies of Public Health and Social Welfare Agencies Launch Movement to Give This Service to Timmins. Importance of the Course Explained

Monday evening several women from local public health and social welfare agencies met to discuss plans for the holding of a Red Cross Nutrition Course in the early fall. Miss Florence Farr called the meeting. Those in attendance were: Misses R. Brooks, J. Kicher, Price and S. Smith, Mrs. Ed. Fritchard, Mrs. Traver, Mrs. E. B. Weir, Mrs. W. Wren and Miss Eva Boone. Miss Boone, a graduate dietitian, has volunteered her services in conducting the series of eight lessons, when local arrangements can be completed satisfactorily.

Miss Margaret McCready, of the provincial Red Cross Nutrition and Visiting Housekeepers Services, explained the interest which there has been throughout the province in this form of health education. Women in all walks of life have been eager to learn more of the newer knowledge of nutrition and of the great power good food, used regularly, has in building and maintaining health. Adults are convinced of the great value good eating habits have in building healthy children, but they often practise very poor eating habits themselves. Commonly boys and girls from adolescence on are seen falling away from the use of the more protective foods to which they were accustomed in childhood. Inevitably the adult body is weakened gradually, and is much less able to withstand infections etc. It is illogical to think that body tissues can maintain their health and proper functioning if they are not fed and repaired with the best possible food throughout life. To withstand the strain of modern living adults must continue to feed themselves none of their health protective foods. Only in this way can it be hoped to prevent the increase in the degenerative diseases of heart, kidney, arteries, etc., which are far too common amongst people of middle age to-day.

It is hoped that any mothers or girls interested in this topic of food in relation to health, will keep it in mind to attend the eight lessons in the fall. Lessons will be given once weekly at a time and place to be announced later. All who can, will be asked to contribute ten cents per lesson to help defray expenses but anyone is welcome to attend.

An economical and practical cookery demonstration accompanies each lesson. Dr. H. H. Moore, Medical Officer of Health, gives this type of study his full support.

Dr. Frankish to Be in North This Week

Coming in Connection With Cases at Cobalt and Kirkland Lake. Cobalt, April 29.—Special to The Advance.—Dr. E. R. Frankish, medical expert for the Ontario government, who has been busy at enquiries in different parts of the province of late, will be in the North next week in connection with two investigations, to be held at Cobalt and Kirkland Lake, respectively, on Saturday. In the morning, Dr. Frankish is to testify for the Crown in preliminary hearing against Ernest Rail, transient charged with a serious offence against a Gilles Limit school girl, and in the evening of the same day he is to give evidence at an inquest in the gold community. The jury there will be probing the death of the late Miss Teresa Cole, of Halleybury, young woman who died in Kirkland Lake hospital allegedly from the effects of an illegal operation. Dr. Frankish is to examine the body of the deceased woman in the vault at Halleybury before going on to Kirkland Lake. He has already examined certain organs sent to his office at Toronto in connection with the investigation. He was consulted in the other case following the arrest of Rail, Provincial Constable R. O. Stromberg making a trip to Toronto with some of the evidence in the case.

Wedding Anniversary of King and Queen on Monday

A despatch this week from Windsor, Berkshire, England, notes that King George VI and Queen Elizabeth were married on April 26th, 1923, and so observed the fourteenth anniversary of the event on Monday of this week. There was an informal family luncheon at Windsor Castle. Government officers and other public buildings unfurled flags in honour of the occasion. On Tuesday Their Majesties motored to London and sailed the Thames aboard an admirably barge to inaugurate the national marine museum at Greenwich. After this event the court took up residence at Buckingham Palace where they will remain until after the coronation.

About the Finnish People in Canada

Helpful and Pleasing Volume by Local Clergyman. The people of Timmins will be interested to know that the Committee on Literature, General Publicity and Missionary Education of the United Church of Canada, has issued the book "Finnish Friends in Canada," which is written by a resident of Timmins, Rev. Arvi I. Heinonen, B.A. Rev. Heinonen is at present minister for the Finnish United Church of Timmins and South Porcupine, and despite the fact that he has been in the district recently for only a short time, is a well-known and equally well-liked member of the community. Rev. Heinonen opened the first Finnish Church in the Porcupine region about 23 years ago.

Rev. Heinonen being well acquainted with his countrymen and familiar with their habits and customs, gives first hand information about these people. He tells of their homeland and its progress in a very charming and interesting manner. Not only does he explain their origin which has caused much discussion, and much argument, but he tells about their qualities of strength and resourcefulness. However, he is not blind to their failings.

The book is a history of the Finnish people, as well as a story of their life. Rev. Heinonen tells of the Finnish government, and of the faith the people have in their adopted country. He speaks of their church and their activities.

To learn, by a sure and sincere means, all that may puzzle you about the Finnish people, read "Finnish Friends in Canada," a guide to the spirit of a nation.

New Fast Train Not Due to Work of Royal Commission

(From Sudbury Star) Extension of the service given by the T. & N. O. Railway provides for a new and faster train from Toronto to Timmins, permitting the loss of only a day between the two points. In these growing times not much attention is being paid to the royal commission report which recommended that the service on the T. & N. O. be curtailed in the interests of economy.

Joseph Cailloux—All the money systems in the world may be represented as an upside down pyramid of paper notes resting on a point of gold.

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USED GONG FOR FIRES IN EARLY DAYS AT KIRKLAND
In honour of the official dedication of the new fire hall in Kirkland Lake, a banquet was held recently in the council chambers, at which Chief Jack Mathieson reminded of the days when the fire alarm was sounded out by the chief on a gong near the Imperial Bank to summon the members of the volunteer brigade.