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We have an organization of skilled craftsmen who take keen delight in doing their work just a little better than you would expect them to do it -- until you know them. Then you realize that it is because they are in love with their art and craft.

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The Porcupine Advance

"BETTER PRINTING"

Bolt Fires Dynamite But Workers Escape

Remarkable Incident Near
North Bay Tuesday

Although a bolt of lightning set off the charges in 50 holes at a Trans-Canada airport construction project near North Bay on Tuesday, only one of eight men in the immediate vicinity was injured, though not seriously. Pieces of rock were thrown around in forceful fashion, some of the chunks weighing as much as 300 lbs. Seven of the men at work at the project in Widdfield township, some four miles from North Bay, ducked as the explosion occurred. Rocks passed them safely by, but it is doubtful if they would be alive to tell the story were it not more for luck than for any prompt action they took. The accident happened so quickly that they had little time to do anything to save themselves. Two of the seven, Foreman Arthur Olsen and a worker named Louis Myer were only about fifteen feet from the drilled holes. Both of them were knocked down by the concussion. Others of the men—some of them as much as fifty feet away, were thrown to their knees, but none received injury with the exception of the eighth man referred to. Some of the smaller rocks travelled as far as 100 yards, while larger chunks of rock were scattered in the fifty-foot area. Despatches say that a total of 250 holes were loaded with dynamite. The wires, however, were "open" and the lightning and resulting concussion only set off charges in 50, located in a radius of approximately 40 feet.

The exception to the rule of non-injury was a workman named Matich. The wonder, however, is that he escaped so lightly in view of the circumstances. Eli Matich, 30-year-old Rumanian, suffered head and leg injuries, but was not injured seriously, although buried almost up to the hips. Matich, a powder man, was only a few feet away from the explosion, but was missed by the larger flying rocks. Several boxes of dynamite were beside Matich, and he was carrying a number of caps.

Suggests That "Jazz" Was Started in New Orleans

There is evidence that "jazz" is an invented word, belonging to no language except the American. Herbert Ashbury tells a story that sounds plausible, and is supported by living witnesses, in his book of New Orleans lore called "the French Quarter."

About 1895, he says, a group of seven street urchins calling themselves the Spasm Band strolled the red light district of New Orleans, giving concerts which astonished the natives. One crooned through a gas pipe; another played on a fiddle made out of a cigar box; another whiffed a harmonica. An old kettle, a cowbell, a bass fiddle made out of half a barrel, and various home-made horns and whistles were also among their instruments. They tooted into hats; they stood on their heads while playing; they howled "hi-de-hi" and "ho-de-ho." When Sarah Bernhardt came to New Orleans, they serenaded her, and she proclaimed them the most amazing creatures in her experience.

Imitating Band Carried New Name
These boys appeared in vaudeville halls under the billing "The Razy Dazzy Spasm Band." In 1900 a dance hall owner in New Orleans engaged a group of adult musicians to imitate their style of music, also under the title of "Razy Dazzy Spasm Band." The Spasm boys threatened reprisals with rocks and ripe tomatoes. The dance hall then altered the advertisements of its musicians, and called them the "Razy Dazzy JAZZY Band."

Thus, says a Chicago Tribune columnist, by a mere bit of rhyming nonsense on billboards, a word was born which was destined to become the label of an era in American manners.

BUILDING UP BUSINESS TO COLLECT TAXES FROM IT

The Sudbury Star—In all the argument about taxes, it is significant that Prime Minister Mackenzie King and Premier Hepburn have one point in common. Both men emphasize their desire to build up sources of taxation.

Mr. King and Mr. Hepburn are agreed that business should be nursed along so that they can be made the target for heavy taxes. That point has been made clear in their letters.

It would be in the better interests of Canada if taxes could be lowered and business men could have some respite from the crushing burden of taxation. If it were not for the necessity of meeting onerous bills constantly, businesses could give employment to more persons and pay higher wages to present employees.

In their anxiety to build up taxable units, the government leaders should take care not to kill the goose that lays the golden egg.

SOVIET NOT TO BE MENACE IN GRAIN MARKET THIS YEAR

Brandon Sun—World grain exporters need not fear a flood of Soviet grain on the market this year, in spite of bumper crops. The grain area was cut 7½ million acres this year, but yield was boosted by intensive mechanized cultivation and harvesting. Most of the surplus will be stored as military reserves for the world's largest army.

Toronto Saturday Night—Who says that history never repeats itself? Here's the stock market going up and Helen Wills Moody winning the tennis championship.