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THE PROTEST MEETING

It was an unusual meeting that was held in the United Church at Timmins yesterday. It was the first of its kind ever held in the Porcupine Camp, and it is doubtful if a similar gathering has been held in Canada since the days of the Armenian atrocities, when protests were made in churches and public halls against the lesser brutalities of the Turks. The meeting yesterday was a public protest by citizens of this camp against the wholesale robbery, murder, spoilation and degradation by Nazi Germany of the Jewish people. A resolution of protest was passed by unanimous standing vote asking the Canadian Government to enter the most earnest protest against the German brutality Similar meetings were held yesterday throughout Canada and the United States. These meetings were not organized by Jewish people, but were the spontaneous demonstrations of British and United States citizens, irrespective of creed or racial origin or political opinions. Mr. E. L. Longmore in addressing the meeting voiced the opinion that such meetings might have the effect of ameliorating the desperate situation of the Jews in Nazi Germany. He ventured the opinion that Germany was not nearly so disregardful of world opinon as it pretended to be. The expressions of disregard for this opinion, with the accompanying reats, in reality suggested that Nazi Germany was concerned about what the civilized peoples of the world thought about the matter.

All will hope with deepest sincerity that Mr. Longmore is right in his deductions. But whether this is the correct view or not, thoughtful people will feel that in any case the public protest was the right thing to do. In the first place, without such protest, Nazi Germany might feel that the world condoned its senseless persecution of the Jewish people, or at least was not particularly concerned about it. With these protests from otherwise friendly peoples, the Germans have no excuse for believing that their brutality and disregard for all humane considerations are not considered and condemned.

There is a second and still more important reason for this form of protest. It clears the people of civilized lands from the possible imputation of complicity in these fiendish crimes. Silence in the face of the crimes acknowledged could not be defended. Civilized peoples owe it to themselves to protest against such abominations. Many may feel that protest should be carried further than mere resolutions. In any event the protest in itself is well worth while. It shows where civilized peoples stand in the matter. It stands on record by unanimous standing vote that wholesale murder, robbery, violence, torture and injustice come under the ban of British and United States peoples.

ABOUT OBITUARIES

A Western editor comments on the writing of obituary notices in a light way that may make appeal to the thoughtless. He suggests that he has written encomiums on the dishonest, spoken of the beautiful home life of the wife-beater, and extolled the virtue of the immoral. In brief, that in the desire to speak only well of the dead, he has persistently lied about those who have passed away. He concludes with the words:-"I did it with the best of intentions; and here's hoping that when I embark for the journey over the Styx, there'll be someone to lie for me." The editorial would scarcely be worth notice were it not for the fact that by re-producing it with a few introductory remarks, and giving it the honour of a place of the falsehoods implied as common to obituary that many obituaries in other weekly and daily newspapers picture the passing as men and women of integrity, of public spirit, of noble character and kindly disposition. This is not falsehood, but the truth. The world is full of good people, gentle people, helpful people, clever people, and in the course of time these people pass on to another life. It is but fitting that the good things that should have been said about them in their life, at least should not go unrecorded for ever. There is lately. a miserable tendency in some minds, to think the worst, to believe the worst, to say the worst. The is some good in all. The average man or woman so much protest that Armistice Day was exempted. | leath roll from traffic accidents.

hears enough of their weaknesses, their faults, their failings, as they pass along life's way. The good that is in them does not seem to attract so much notice. Surely, there is excuse, even virtue, if emphasis is given to the kindness, the good, the strength, the service given-even if this emphasis is left to the sad day when the death notice is written. There need be no falsehood, no exaggeration, no overdrawing of the truth. The simple facts, in most cases, will leave nothing but praise. to be given. One example may give the whole point of the thought in mind. The Advance many years ago had occasion to write the obituary notice of a woman who had been in police court more than once. Perhaps the Western editor's opinion of the truthful obituary for that poor woman would have been the phrase:-"Dead-a blindpigger and a prostitute." Yet that would have been a lying exaggeration, a travesty, falsehood of the rankest kind. It was not thus that neighbours thought of this woman. The truth is that these matters were in reality incidentals, compared to the qualities that naturally ruled the woman's life. The reference that was made in the obituary notice that did appear was the unvarnished truth-that she was kind and generous, ready to help those in need-and that the outstanding feature of her life was no law-breaking or immorality, but that when an epidemic raged she spent her strength and time to nurse the sick, to comfort the dying, and to help the bereaved. To remember only the occasional lapses from the line of the law, and to omit the everyday, year-in, year-out life of cheerfulness, friendliness and kindly helpfulness to others, surely that would be lying of the

If the world were full of nothing but rogues, wife-beaters, immoral people, the Western editor quoted might have some grounds for his halfhumorous reflections. But this world is full of good people, kind people, helpful people. It is true that there is weakness, yes, and evil. But still the good is there in abundance. Sometimes, it needs the shock of death to rouse others to a realization of the nobility that has flourished beneath human error and oddity. It is hard to believe that Timmins should be greatly different from other towns and cities in its humanity. Yet there are few here about whom much good might not be truly said. The newspaperman who can not write any obituary notice without lying should seek some other calling-probably something in the line of garbage collection—for his nose is not for news or for truth.

PROTECTING MEN AND ANIMALS

It is interesting to note that the Ontario Department of Game and Fisheries has passed new regulations to make impossible any recurrence of the near-tragedy at Larder Lake recently, when a small child had a narrow escape from death when the youngster was mauled by a supposedly tame bear kept at a wayside service station as an attraction to tourists. In future it will not be permitted to keep in captivity any bear over a year-old without a special permit from the department. In addition it is provided that any animals so kept in captivity shall be securely enclosed in a pen at least 200 feet in area, provided with proper shade and shelter and a suitable tank for water. Hereafter all bears found to be held in captivity without all the regulations fully carried out are to be destroyed immediately by the department officials.

All this has been accomplished without a regular tragedy, though the child at Larder Lake had so miraculous an escape that it might be considered as being almost as forceful in its lesson as if a death had resulted. The newspapers of the North played their part in forcing the matter on the attention of the authorities and building public opinion in the matter.

It may be noted that the new regulations not only protect the public, but they also miminize the chances of ill-treatment or suffering for the animals. This is the proper attitude and credit should be given the Dept. of Game and Fisheries for thus looking at both sides of the picture. It would be pleasing if the same department showed a similar determination to avoid cruelty and suffering for the animals concerned in this matter in its editorial columns, The Bowmanville States- of the bow and arrow faddists. Game should be man confers on the thoughtless Western product protected from the chance of torture from the a dignity not at all deserved by its falsity. The weilders of these weapons of the dark ages. The Advance has read many an obituary notice in The department should not wait for tragedy-even Bowmanville Statesman, with knowledge of the though the tragedy might be for the game animals subjects written about, and has failed to find any alone. The very fact that Nazi Germany has gone by bound up with the date that it would lose its that they have attained perfection. Last week at back to the methods of torture of long ago should notices. It is true that obituaries in The States- be all the more reason why in this civilized country man often speak in praise of the dead. It is true of Canada ancient forms of cruelty should be avoided, even though only animals are involved.

GRAVEL AND SAND—AND PLACER

Cecil Frost has been mentioned as a candidate for the post of leader of the Conservative party in Ontario. Mr. Frost, however, has declined the honour, if honour it be. Possibly he feels that there have been too many Frosts in that position

At its meeting last week the Ontario Associated

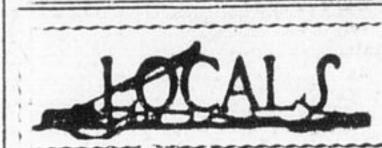


" The life of the party"

"Yes, that's about what I am now. You've read about people that were grouchy and bad tempered and after some tonic or other became 'the life of the party'. It seems incredible but that's how I feel with my new glasses. Before Mr. Curtis prescribed them I was always out of sorts. I know now that it was eyestrain sapping my nervous energy. Not only do I feel better but I see better,

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Mr. S. Solway was a visitor to his nome in Englehart last week.

Mrs. A. Pelkie returned to Elk Lake daughter. last week after visiting her mother Mrs. Starling, in South Porcupine.

Mr. and Mrs. A. W. Leach are in North Bay, where Mr. Leach has joined a group of friends on a hunting trip.

Mrs. Chas. Merikallio returned last week after spending a few days in

Mrs. S. Martin has been visiting her son and daughter-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Martin, of Rouyn.

Mrs. H. A. Day, of Haileybury, was he guest recently of friends in Tim-

Miss Julia Metcalfe, of Hamilton, was the guest of friends in Timmins ast week.

Miss Margaret McColgan, of Quyon Quebec, is visiting at the home of her brother-in-law and sister, Mr. and Mrs Frank Joyce, for a few weeks.

Miss Carpenter, R.N., returned home o Timmins last week after spending ome time on the staff of nurses at St Paul's hospital at Hearst.

Mr. and Mrs. W. Ramsay were visi tors in Cobalt last week at the home of their son and daughter-in-law, Mi and Mrs. Wally Ramsay.

Eleven Births Registered

Born-On November 7th, 1938, to Mr. and Mrs. Frank Ruttetzki, of 162 Eln St. N.—a daughter.

Born-On November 18th, 1938, Mr. and Mrs. Desmond Mapplebec, of .27 Sixth Ave., at St. Mary's Hospital-

Born-On November 12th, 1938, 4 Mr. and Mrs. Patrick Lacroix, of 31 Main-a daughter. Born-On November 12th, 1938,

Mr. and Mrs. Henri Bigras, of 90 Second Ave.—a daughter.

Born-On November 16th, 1938, Mr. and Mrs. Edward Fournier, of 3 Main Ave.—a son. Born-On November 14th, 1938,

Mr. and Mrs. Omer Mathe, of 38 Com-

nercial Ave.-a daughter. Born-On November 14th, 1938, Mr. and Mrs. Benjamin Bugamin, 165 Bridge St., Guelph, Ont., at 169

ine St. S .- a daughter. It was very earnestly urged by some delegates that

significance if changed. The force of this argu-

ment was recognized, but it is passing strange

that the delegates did not see that the argument

applied with equal force to other holidays. Sure-

ly, July 1st, Dominion Day, has a special signifi-

cance to Canadians. If it hasn't, why observe

the day at all? The same applies to Victoria Day

-May 24th. Indeed, the most of people who con-

sider that there is any significance to Victoria

is logic in the idea of observing special dates on

the nearest Monday, it would seem that the mat-

ter could be easily carried along to its logical con-

clusion and have all holidays fall when the wea-

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LOST

LOST—Saturday night between Tim-

Born-On November 20th, 1938, Mr. and Mrs. Clifford Villeneuve, of Tisdale Ave., at St. Mary's hospitaldaughter.

Mr. and Mrs. Russ Fairbrother, of Gold Centre, at St. Mary's hospital - a

Born-On November 19th, 1938, Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Votour, of 1091 Avenue Road-a son.

Born-To Mr. and Mrs. Lou Hudson of 65 Bannerman Ave., at St. Mary's hospital, on November 18th, 1938-a paying. daughter.

Believe Refining Gear Held

(Continued from Page One) ice broke it down with an axe. Inside coke oven. In one part of the room was a heavy wooden chest. Tacked on | gentlemen out of their coats, and setit was a card bearing the name "Mr. Joe Beland, Timmins."

Police broke open the chest, In it was found stone and heavy metal crucibles. men into their coats, and escort them metal mortars, asbestos gloves, troy weight scales and a quantity of borax. Also were found some "chippings."

Police say that such equipment would be used for gold refining. Ore would be mixed with borax and melted in one of the crucibles. The borax would take the impurties out of the ore. Final result, after the mixture cooled, would be a black clinker. The clinker would be chipped away and in its centre would be found the pure gold. The black clinker is known as "chippings."

Also found in the shack were three

beaver pelts. Poulin denied all knowledge of the shack and all it contained. He knew nothing about it and believed it was o During the Past Week-end another lot and not the one he occu-

Police knew that someone had recently been at shack because of the fresh footprints and the burning fire. A search of the surrounding district availed them nothing.

tacked on the chest. They found that shack was registered in the name of Joe is they do not know. They believe the name to be fictitious.

It would be quite possible to have uch a shack registered in a ficcitious name, police say. Taxes and dues could be met and no one would know.

The obvious deduction is that a number of highgraders have been using the shack and equipment to refine gold ore. Police believe that the shack may have to been used as a point of operations in a high grading ring.

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> J. H. McQUARRIE, Durham, Ontario, Solicitor for the Ad ministrator.

Sadie Hawkins Week **Observed in Timmins**

Girls Take Out the Boys and Foot the Bill.

Last week was an especially hecti week at the Timmins High and Vocaional School-it was known as Sadis Hawkins week. Taking the plan from Born-On November 16th, 1938, to the comic strip entitled "Lil' Abner," the Toronto University first enacted Sadie Hawkins week, and was followed by the Timmins school.

> The idea of Sadie Hawkin's week, i to give the boys a "break," and allow the girls to do the "dating" for a change. Also included in the plan is the fact that the girls also did all the

Last week many local citizens were uncomfortably surprised to find some very young ladies escorting their ger demen friends to the theatre, calmly walking on the "outside" of the street. As they entered the theatre they walked up to the ticket office purchased two tickets, entered theatre, and lead their gentlemen friends down the aisles to suitable seats. Then they produly helped the led back to enjoy the feature.

When the time came to leave, the young ladies would help the gentlehome, making the journey to their own ion, who has just died in Winnipeg, was homes alone. Many of the young with the C.P.R. for over thirty years. ladies were so far as to hire taxis in He was 66 years of age at the time of which to "take out" their escorts in death. He served in the First Canaroyal style. And, also, the young dian Contingers in the South African couples would visit restaurants where War. He is survived by four sons and the young lady would again "dig into" the handbag that was gotting a great Lake. deal more use than was usual.

In commenting on the idea, the young ladies were quite enthusiastic, but one week does not deplete very badly into the allowance. What the gentlemen would like to have them do is to try it for a year or two.

Two Debates Won by Timmins H. S. Teams

The auditorium of the Timmins High and Vocational School was crowded or Friday evening when students from the Saturday police began investigation | Timmins school and the South Porcuinto the name on the card which was pine High School took part in a debate entitled. "Resolved That the Thirteen American Colonies Were Justified in Joe Beland, Timmins. However who Their Revolt Against Great Britain. On the same evening repesentatives from Timmins Misses Betsy Dodge and

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Mary Ercck, took the affimative in the debate at the South Porcupine High

The Timmins teams, taking the negative in Timmins and the affrmative in South Porcupine, won the debates at both schools, although the South Porcupine representatives carried off many points in both towns. Those taking eart in the debate at Timmins were Joan Maxwell Smith, and Mr. Mitchell of South Porcupine, and Lee Lawry and Jim Cameron the winning team,

Judges of the debate at Timmins were Miss Lynch, Mrs. Gabriel of Schumacier, and Mr. Robinson of the Birch Street Public School.

Other numbers included on the programme on Friday evening, were "Music Maestro Please" sung by Colin Charron in both English and French, a trio of first form students and the orchestra under the direction of Mr. Chapman. Mr. W. W. Tanner, principal of the Timmins High and Vocational School acted as chairman.

Inter-school debates will be carried on throughout the winter months, as they provire an interesting programme and a means of training the pupils in oratorical and study work.

A full account of the debate at South Porcupine is carried in the South Porcupine news.

Mr. H. A. Preston Bereaved by Death of Brother, George

Mr. H. A. Preston, of South Porcupine, one of the original pioneers of the Porcupine camp, last week received a letter from Winnipeg informing him of the death of his brother, George, who had been ill for some time with neart trouble. This leaves Harry A. Preston, at Porcupine, and Allan Preson, a brother at Hamilton, as the sole survivors of the Preston family at Niagara Falls. All the rest of the family have passed on. George Presone daughter, Mabel, living at God's

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Armistice Day was a special observance, so strong- papermen humble and free from any suspicion Kirkland Lake a remand was granted at the request of the attorney for the defence. The Northern News in the ordinary course of covering the ous growths of garden and bush. Pussy news attempted to pass on the information; but the intelligent linotype operator made the story

In an editorial article The Toronto Telegram refers to the Toronto Transportation Commission -the holiday date of three generations. If there carry-alls as "busses." Why not, "bussesses?"

start off with the words, "At the inquest of the de-

A bull at the Royal Winter Fair sold for \$10,000 Some bull!

good newspaper should not encourage this tend- Boards of Trade passed a resolution asking the ther is fine-on Mondays, perhaps. It will be The Provincial Council of Women has passed a resolution asking the there is fine-on Mondays, perhaps. ency, in regard to the living. Above all, it should Dominion Government to pass a law providing found that if the government follows the idea pro- resolution requesting the closing of beverage vicinity were out in bud, something not cater to depraved tastes by abuse of those no that all holidays, with the exception of Christmas, posed by the Ontario Associated Boards of Trade, rooms at 10 o'clock, instead of at midnight, and which had never occurred at this time longer able to defend themselves. It is surely a Easter and Armistice Day, should be observed on all holidays will lose their special significance, and the exclusion of women from the beer palaces. confession of the rankest incompetence for a Mondays rather than on the actual days upon what will remain will be a series of holidays falling Now, it remains for some mere man to suggest! We are told that "sun spots on the newspaper to admit that it can find no good to say which they may fall. At first the resolution was on Mondays, with no particular significance to any that the women's beverage rooms should be closed of any man or any woman, without lying. There framed to include Armistice Day, but this raised of them, except in the increase, perhaps, in the two hours earlier and the men's beer palaces be ! closed altogether.

The typographical error continues to keep news- | Flowers Blooming in **New Liskeard Gardens**

(From New Liskeard Speaker)

On every hand we see most extraordinary things happening in the variwillows are in full bud in the Temiskamings. Flowers were picked in New Liskeard gardens over the week-end. Geese are said to have been seen "tossing up the proverbial copper" as to whether they would proceed south or return to the James Bay feeding grounds. Indeed, one Temiskaming zoose has become so badly mixed up in her dates that she has already laid fourteen eggs during the past several weeks. This ambitious goose is owned

Borden showed up one of the big eggs to prove her statement. Mr. J. Myers of Bucke Township cold of year during the many years of Mr.

by Mrs. S. Borden, of Heaslip, and Mrs.

Myers' residence in Temiskaming. sun" are responsible for the topsy turvy condition of affairs. Eh, what?

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