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Urges More Thought and Care for Indians

Mr. Wm. Stewart Pleads for
Alleviation of Any Suffering.

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Editor The Porcupine Advance,
Timmins, Ontario.

Dear Sir:—Almost everyone everywhere—by this time—must have read and heard about the "thoughts" (?) words and deeds of Mr. Hitler as well as those of his mess officers (or should I have better said officers of "a mess"). And of Hitler's meteoric rise from obscurity to political imprisonment, thence on to the pedestal of German national leadership.

He along with his confidants have waxed their militant careers by each marching, through infamy, over the trails of existing international social

dereliction and decadency. As the invective words of these international demagogues—followed on each occasion by an aftermath of hideous deeds—get time to penetrate into the soul of civilization people become more and more bewildered and horror-stricken. Psychiatrists (Doctors who diagnose mental cases) have already passed down, through newspapers, their beliefs about Mr. Hitler's mentality. One (Dr. Gregory Zilboorg) speaks of him as one "who weeps while murdering and murders while weeping."

Albeit, few are the people in this world, beyond Hitler's national regimentation, who hold any brief for the diabolical chapters of Hitler's un-Christian and blood-curdling tyranny. But—the recent outbursts from Hitler and his subordinates, directed straight at Canada, alleging Canada's mistreatment of the Indians entrusted to her care and protection, may give food for thought. Moreover; a recent article, from the pen of Reverend Raymond B. Horsefield, under the heading "Canada Deserts Her Children" has ear-marks which indicate all is not well in Reservation domestic family life of Indians. Whether the reflections cast by the Reverend gentleman refer to one or more Reservations matters not; the Indians are human beings.

Reverend Raymond B. Horsefield's article appeared in the Toronto Star Weekly dated November 19th, 1938. He is an Anglican missionary, the article mentions, and has been stationed at The Pas, Manitoba, for the past seven years. Continuing the article informs us that, as missionary, his work brings him into almost daily contact with the Indians. Below are some excerpts I quote from the article and a reading of them, by the average right-thinking person, will at a glance reveal an apparently all too huge a chasm between Canadian normal hygienic domestic life and that of the Reservation domestic life of Indian families.

A chasm that will engulf, not only our most vivid imagination, but almost all the courage most courageous persons might be able to muster, as the following excerpts—speak—in part.

"And he belongs to The Pas Indian reserve in Manitoba, but it might as well be any other reserve in the Dominion." "The x-ray is brought into use and reveals the ravages of tuberculosis in one lung. The ordinary hospital is not suited for the care of consumptives, and staff and other patients have to be considered. But Luke goes home to die. He lives in a little two-

roomed house with his father, his mother, his wife, and five children. There is no plumbing of any kind." "He must share his planked bed with his wife and one of his children, sick and infected as he is, or must sleep on the floor. In some other parts of Canada district nurses are provided." "The future is easy to foresee. It can be read in the story of a dozen such homes of this reserve alone." "The Reverend gentleman speaking of another Indian and his family says, "Eighteen months ago the house was merry with life. Horace was a fairly successful trapper... the father's right hand man was his son and namesake, a fine lad of 20 years... and now? Freddie is gone, he was sicker than anybody knew at that time, with consumption. Horace Junior is gone—consumption. Lizzie's baby lasted only nine months—consumption. Mother died last spring, of consumption. And Horace is sitting helpless by the bed watching the wasted remnant of Maria Jane coughing herself daily closer to the end. Somebody ought to be looking after the father, but there is no one to do it but eight-year-old William, and William has been told he must not attend day school any more—he has consumption. This is no fiction, I have just come from that home." Continuing Mr. Horsefield, in the article says, "I could tell you of others. There is Hector Spence with two children left out of 11..." Here is one more excerpt (to close quotations from the article. "The greatest of Canada's callousness is shown in the figures published by the Canadian Tuberculosis Association in their last report (1936). There it is recorded that "In Manitoba the Indians are only 2.2 per cent. of the population, yet 31 per cent. of all deaths from tuberculosis were among this 2.2 per cent. In Saskatchewan 27 per cent. of the total tuberculosis deaths fell among the Indians, who are only 1.6 of the population. In Alberta 2.1 per cent. Indians accounted for 34 per cent. of the tuberculosis deaths, and in British Columbia an Indian population of 3.7 suffered 35 per cent. of the deaths from tuberculosis."

Such allegations, or statements, should cause some of our elected politicians to have a check-up on their scholastic memory—and knowledge—of the treaty relations... with Canada and the Indians. Following such a check-up "and dusting" the powers—that be might then begin dusting the cobwebs from off any such treaty documents lying on the shelves of Governmental Archives. Having done so, the elected representatives—of legislative and administrative bodies—could proceed to dispel any doubts or misapprehensions, at home or abroad, as to Canada's obligations with the Indians. This they could do by rehearsing what they already know about such treaty, and learning what they have yet to know about the treaty.

My dear Editor it is not in the interests of Hitler and his glorified infamy that I crave space in your valuable columns for this letter of approach on such discussion... No! It is in the name of God; Christ and all Humanity—and in the hope that our Dominion, Provincial (if we must have such) and Local Legislative and Administrative bodies shall consider such social injustices as being part of their sincere concern. And that they may create greater concerted efforts alleviating, not only the social injustices permeating the social life of the Indians, but also the many, and great, injustices still cankering the whole social independence of thousands of our Canadian families and young people.

In seeking your pardon may I digress to express my appreciation to you, Mr. Editor, for the sublime Editorials, from your pen, against the brutality of killing deer, or any game, with arrows. Also my sincere regards to Mr. Woods of Schumacher, and to Mr. Wheelan of Smoky Falls, Kapuskasing, for their splendid contributions in recent issues of The Advance.

For your generosity—Thanks.
Yours very sincerely,
William Stewart.

To-day's Stocks

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| Aldermac | 49 |
| Aurite | 33 |
| Ashley | 9 |
| Base Metals | 33 |
| Big Missouri | 28 |
| Beattie | 1.39 |
| Biggold | 26 |
| Bobjo | 23 1/2 |
| Bralorne | 9.85 |
| Broulan Porcupine | 48 |
| Fuffalo Ankerite | 14.30 |
| Canadian Malaric | 97 |
| Castle Tretheway | 1.07 |
| Central Porcupine | 8 |
| Central Patricia | 2.40 |
| Cheverville | 1.25 |
| Conibus | 2.00 |
| Coniaurum | 1.50 |
| Con. Chibougamau | 28 |
| Dome | 32.00 |
| Eldorado | 2.33 |
| Falconbridge | 5.50 |
| Gilles Lake | 11 1/2 |
| Goldale | 24 1/2 |
| Granada | 10 1/2 |
| Gunnar | 65 |
| Hardrock | 1.71 |
| Hollinger | 15.00 |
| Howey | 26 |
| Hudson Bay | 33.00 |
| International Nickel | 52.00 |
| Jackson Manion | 9 1/2 |
| Kerr Addison | 1.91 |
| Kirkland Lake | 1.20 |
| Lebel Oro | 9 |
| Leitch | 74 |
| Lake Shore | 50.50 |
| Little Long Lac | 2.66 |
| Macassa | 5.40 |
| McLeod Cockshutt | 3.10 |
| Manitoba and Eastern | 2 |
| McIntyre | 52.00 |
| McKenzie Red Lake | 1.36 |
| McWatters | 77 |
| Mining Corporation | 1.95 |
| McVittie Graham | 12 |
| Moneta | 1.33 |
| Naybob | 33 |
| Noranda | 80.75 |
| Nipissing | 1.80 |
| Omeca | 50 |
| Pamour | 4.40 |
| Paymaster | 48 |
| Pickle Criv | 5.20 |
| Pioneer | 2.68 |
| Preston East Dome | 1.40 |
| Premier | 2.21 |
| Read Authier | 2.21 |
| Reno | 28 |
| San Antonio | 1.25 |
| Sherritt Gordon | 1.31 |
| St. Anthony | 14 |
| Sullivan Con. | 97 |
| Sudbury Basin | 2.65 |
| Stadacona | 49 1/2 |
| Sylvanite | 3.40 |
| Siscoe | 1.50 |
| Teck Hughes | 4.70 |
| Toburn | 2.00 |
| Venturis | 5.25 |
| Waite Amulet | 8.15 |

Address on "Courts" at South Porcupine

Other News from South Porcupine and Dome Mines.

South Porcupine, Nov. 26.—(Special to The Advance)—The Kiwanis held their usual dinner on Thursday. Mr. Rutherford Langdon was guest speaker and gave a paper on the "Courts of Law in Canada"—police, divorce and criminal, to which the club listened with interest. A fair attendance was noted at this meeting. The Kiwanis are busy now with ticket selling for the Schumacher carnival on December 5th and 10th. A special section has been reserved for this end and tickets are obtainable from any Kiwanian.

The Young People's Society of the United Church met on Wednesday and enjoyed a programme presented under the sponsorship of Mr. H. Burnett, Mr. D. Simpson, of the Public School Staff, gave an interesting talk on "The Three Chamberlains"—Joseph, Austin and Neville—to which the young people listened with attention and interest. Mr. T. Kelly sang a song of his own composing, and Mr. Eino Kautto with Miss Jean Andrews at the piano, gave some violin selections. Community singing and lunch ended a good meeting. Next Wednesday the programme is in charge of the Misses Jean Jorison and Jean Andrews.

The A.Y.P.A. of St. Paul's Church will hold a regular meeting on Wednesday next, their guest speaker being Mr. H. H. Cochain, of Dome Ex., who will give a talk on geology and bring his famous collection of specimens with him.

The Chief of Police, Mr. C. McInnis, wishes us to give publicity to the following mandate:—No cars must be parked on the streets at night, either here or in Schumacher. They hinder keeping the road in shape and get in the way of the snowplough. They are now checking up for offenders, who will be warned officially.

A simple and quiet wedding took place on Saturday in St. Paul's Anglican Church when Archdeacon Woodall officiated at the nuptials of Teresa Parsley, of South Porcupine, and Travers Johnson, of Schumacher. Miss Parsley is the daughter of Mr. Peter Parsley, of File, Mound, Manitoba. The bride was dressed in a gown of ice blue satin, cut long, with ruffled effect at hem. She wore silver slippers and a corsage of pink roses. Her attendant, Mrs. Elmer Berghouse, was dressed in a blue ermine. Mr. Owen Jones acted as best man. A reception was held afterwards at the home of Mrs. Berghouse. They will reside in Golden City.

Archdeacon Woodall officiated at another wedding on Saturday afternoon when he united in marriage Violet Earle, of Golden City, and Elmer Kargas, also of that place. The bride wore a dress of pale blue crepe and carried a large bouquet of red roses. Her attendant was Mrs. R. J. Earle, Mr. Earle acting as best man for the groom. This couple will reside in Golden City.

Addition to Ore Testing Facilities

Dominion Dept. of Mines
Meets Growth of Mining
Industry.

Arising from the steady expansion in metal mining operations throughout the Dominion, the Canadian Department of Mines and Resources has made an important extension to its ore dressing and metallurgical laboratories, where investigations on the treatment of gold ores and other metals, are carried out. The new building, which is now ready for use, is of brick, concrete and steel construction, 60 feet by 100 feet, with a basement and three storeys. It adjoins the existing buildings, and is located close to the railway siding so that ore shipments can be conveniently transferred. With this extension to its laboratories the Department now has unexcelled facilities for test work on ores.

One quarter of the new space is allotted to a crushing and sampling plant with a capacity of four tons per hour to provide a long-desired service to mine operators who require an accurate appraisal of the value of representative shipments from their ore-bodies. In the remaining space are apparatus for grinding, classification, gravity and flotation concentration, and magnetic concentration, along with the machinery necessary for the cyanidation of ores, the equipment being so placed that the combination and hook-ups are readily adaptable with a minimum expenditure of time and effort.

Most of the research and investigative work is on gold ores, and owing to the steady increase in this work unavoidable delays had occurred, more especially on occasions when a number of complex ores were being studied. The new building and equipment are designed to remedy this.

A complete cyanidation unit is provided for the test work on the extraction of gold from its ores. This "pilot plant", consisting of a ball mill, classifier, thickeners, agitator tanks, filters, and a precipitation unit, is capable of milling up to two tons in twenty-four hours. It will thus be possible to gain data which will correspond very closely with the results that would be obtained from milling practice on a much larger scale. Should amalgamation appear to be the proper method for extracting the gold, an amalgamation unit consisting of ball mill, gold jig or traps, corduroy blankets, and clean-up barrel can be readily assembled. For work on the treatment of base-metal ores, a large continuous flotation unit of thirty cells, to handle ten tons of feed per twenty-four hours, is provided, along with the necessary accessory equipment.

Mother: "What did your father say when you smashed the new car?" Son: "Shall I leave out the bad words?" Mother: "Yes, of course." Son: "He didn't say a word."

For
Efficient Administration

VOTE

W. C. Arnott

For Council

Township of Tisdale
1939

Urge Issue of a Silver Coin for King's Visit

Cobalt Kiwanis Club Suggest Special Coin as Souvenir of
Visit to Canada by King and Queen. Point at Advantage to Government and Success of Plan at
Government.

Cobalt, Nov. 28.—(Special to The Advance)—Urging the Dominion authorities to issue a special silver dollar to commemorate the visit next summer to Canada of King George and Queen Elizabeth, members of Cobalt Kiwanis club have prepared the following resolution, copies of which are being sent to Prime Minister Mackenzie King, Hon. Charles A. Dunning, Minister of Finance at Ottawa, Walter Little, M.P. for Temiskaming, and other Kiwanis clubs in different parts of Canada, including British Columbia:—

"In view of the promised visit of their Majesties, King George and Queen Elizabeth, to Canada in Nineteen Thirty-Nine, we the members of the Kiwanis Club of Cobalt, feel that a souvenir, made of Canadian metal, should be issued for this most im-

portant occasion. Our suggestion is (and we ask that you give this suggestion your earnest consideration) that a suitable dollar of Canadian silver, be coined."

"The covering letter continues:— "We would ask that if this resolution meets with your approval, immediate action be taken in order to ensure ample time to have the coin issued well ahead of the royal visit. We will appreciate any support you can give this resolution.

"We made a similar request on the coronation, asking for one hundred thousand; the demand was such that four hundred thousand were issued, with more in demand. The government will receive over three dollars for every dollar issued in silver, hence a large profit for the government, as well as assisting mining."

Production of Gold in Canada Helps Prosperity

Woodstock Sentinel-Review: It is painfully evident that too much of the world's surface is producing wheat, and too many people find it necessary to seek a living from agriculture. Canada's more promising prospect in that regard is that our mineral-producing area is steadily extending. Gold en-

joys an insatiable market, and this country appears to possess the most prolific resources in that line. So, if it seems our fate to be worried over the future of the wheat industry in the West, it is also encouraging to look forward to the time when Canada will be supplying most of the world with coveted gold.

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