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Bird Escapes From the Provincial at Sudbury

(From Sudbury Star)
Hoot, the Owl, is a free bird once more, and Constable Joe Beaudoin, of the Ontario provincial police, is convinced that human prisoners are easier to hold than owls, especially owls.
Hoot... that's what he was dubbed after he escaped... was the only prisoner Constable Beaudoin brought back Thursday after a trip by car and skis to Beaver Lake, in search of a man wanted for allegedly obtaining board and lodging at Foley by means of false pretences.
Constable Beaudoin, the father of two children, one already declared a prize-winning baby, and the other a prospective champion, decided to bring the little barn owl back from Beaver Lake as a pet for his children. He was going to tame it.
But he hadn't figured on Hoot's persistent dislike for captivity. He put Hoot in a cage and went to bed Thursday night. Hoot got out and chose the stove as a perch. The constable re-caged him, at the expense of a couple of cut fingers. Again Hoot got out. And again he was re-caged. All this furry in the Beaudoin home was getting the best of the constable, as well as leaving his fingers in bad shape from Hoot's strong bill.
But the crowning stroke came Friday night, while Constable Beaudoin was at the hockey game. Mrs. Beaudoin, in bed with a cold, got up to answer the telephone, and instead of the receiver, got a handful of owl, as she had not bothered turning on the lights. Hoot had escaped again. And this time nobody recaged him.
Until Constable Beaudoin arrived home, Hoot's resting place was between the front door and the outer storm door. His captor found him there, and gave the bird its freedom. When last seen it was winging towards the bush, hooting happily to itself, and swooping wildly to test its wings, after one day in captivity.

Members Council Drop Resigned Colleagues From Key Committees

Replace Resigned Members With Selves on Finance and Relief Committees and Board of Works. McCabe Replaces Brunette as Relief Chairman. Armstrong Made Acting Mayor.

The three members of Council who resigned at the first regular meeting of the 1939 administrative body in protest against the way the town's affairs were being conducted, were replaced on key committees on Monday night, at the regular semi-monthly meeting, by members of Council who did not resign.

The Finance Committee, the Board of Works and the Relief Committee are now composed of the remaining members of Council. Councillors Armstrong, McNeil and McCabe are each a member of all three committees. The Mayor is a member of each ex-officio.
Resolutions were passed appointing Councillor McNeil a member of the Finance Committee in place of Councillor Roberts, who resigned on January 11. Another resolution made Councillor McCabe the third member of the Board of Works in place of Councillor Roberts. A third motion made Councillors McCabe and Armstrong members of the Relief Committee in place of Councillors Brunette and Cousins, both of whom tendered their resignations on January 11.

In the original schedule of committees, Councillor Brunette was Chairman of the Relief Committee. On Monday night Councillor McCabe proposed that he (Councillor McCabe) be made Chairman. The Council approved and passed a motion to that effect.

"All the taxpayers must realize that the Council is working under difficulty," said Councillor McCabe, introducing the subject. It was especially difficult for the three remaining members in committee work, he said. He suggested that absentee members of Council, who had places on the finance, board of works and relief committees be replaced.

"It is unfortunate that the absent Councillors do not return and attend to their duty," said the Mayor. "I do wish to thank you gentlemen and express my appreciation for the way in which you are carrying on. It is taking a lot of your time but as long as you are willing we can do it."
The formal resolutions were submitted and passed without discussion of any kind. Naturally, all three Councillors were unanimous in their approval.

At the same meeting Councillor Armstrong was appointed Acting Mayor during the absence of Mayor Bartleman this week. Mayor Bartleman said that he was leaving on Tuesday and would be away until Friday.

Mr. J. Low and Family Soon to Return to Old Country

Owing to ill-health and other circumstances Mr. J. Low, affectionately known as "Yorkie" to his many friends has decided to take up permanent residence in England, along with his wife and family. They sail for their new home this week. Mr. Low has been a valued member of the Timmins branch of the Canadian Legion for a number of years and was employed at the Hollinger Mine.

At both the smoker and the general meeting of the Legion this week, Mr. Low was given great praise for his assistance to the local branch and all wished him and his family the best of health and prosperity in their new home. A fitting send-off is being planned for the family by a large number of their long-standing friends.

Imperial Bank Opens Branch at Pickle Crow

Imperial Bank of Canada announce the opening of a Branch at Pickle Crow Township to provide adequate banking service in this new mining area. The Bank have now thirty-one branches serving the mining industry in Northern Ontario and Quebec.

North Bay Nugget.—Cooking by radio is a near possibility, says a Ecclesis manufacturer of sets. One will have to remember not to turn the torch singer too high under the steak.

Locate Missing Man From Kapuskasing

Philip Tremblay Found at Spanish, After Couple of Week's Search.

Reference was made in a recent issue to the reported disappearance of Mr. Philip Tremblay, of Kapuskasing. He had been visiting his sister at Minnow Lake, near Sudbury, and according to the information given the Sudbury police had not been seen or heard from since January 31st when he left his sister's home with the avowed purpose of cashing a cheque.

The sequel to this mysterious disappearance is given in the following article in The Sudbury Star on Monday: **Missing Man Located**

"The strange disappearance of Philip Tremblay, 55-year-old resident of Kapuskasing, who was visiting his sister-in-law, Mrs. Joe Tremblay, 362 Coniston Rd., and who was last seen on January 31 at Minnow Lake, is no longer strange and police have relaxed their search.
"The missing man showed up at a Spanish hotel to visit friends. He was in good health and spirits.
"Mr. Tremblay is making the rounds of his many friends in the district," commented Chief Joe Mulligan of the McKim township police. "He is a man who doesn't write many letters, and it was only natural that his relations should get nervous when they could not locate him."
"Constable Mulligan said that Mr. Tremblay had left Spanish to visit friends, but could not stay where he had gone.
"The hunt began on February 7 when a letter was received by Mrs. Joe Tremblay, of Minnow Lake, that her brother-in-law was wanted back at Kapuskasing for his job. At that time she thought he had gone to visit other relatives at Michipicoten Harbor. Fearing that something had happened, Mrs. Tremblay notified police. On February 15, Tremblay was reported at Spanish with friends and since then has gone to other friends."

Sudbury Star: A contemporary wrongers how long it will be before Hitler shows up at Doorn and says: "Move over Bill. It's my turn at the saw."

Needs Better Soldiers



Japan must strengthen her army until every man is a soldier according to Gen. Seishiro Itagaki, minister of war. Quality as well as quantity must be improved, he demands.

Legion May Conduct Sale Radio Licenses

Unemployed Ex-service Men to be Employed.

There was only a small attendance at the general meeting of the Canadian Legion on Monday, sickness of several of the members and the big counter attraction of the play-off hockey game.
All routine business was carried through, but special items of benefit to the Legion and ex-servicemen in general were left in abeyance.
It is expected that general house-to-house canvass for 1939 radio license fees will be carried out under the auspices of the local branch who will employ unemployed ex-servicemen for this work. About six men will be given a chance and full commission as detailed in government legislation will be paid.
Another opportunity given to these unemployed ex-servicemen will be the selling of Legion souvenir calendars. These are of very attractive design with a special picture of King George VI and the Legion crest, above the date pads.
A naval ensign will be donated to the branch by Fire Chief A. Borland. The flag will be of same design as the present Legion standards. A hearty vote of thanks was extended to Comrade Borland for his generous offer.
Matters of importance re the Legion in general were held over. Austin Neame zone commander, not being well enough to attend the meeting.
Mention was made of a St. Patrick's social evening, March 17th. All are to attend in costume, and a happy programme is being planned.

Armstrong Asks Mayor as Commission Leader

Mayor Bartleman Agrees That He and Not Magistrate Should be Chairman of the Police Commission. Council Trusts Commission Will Adjust Matter. Discuss Safety League.

Cheque Artist Gets Term of Two Years

Patrick Phelan Admits Forged Four Cheques for Total of \$72.

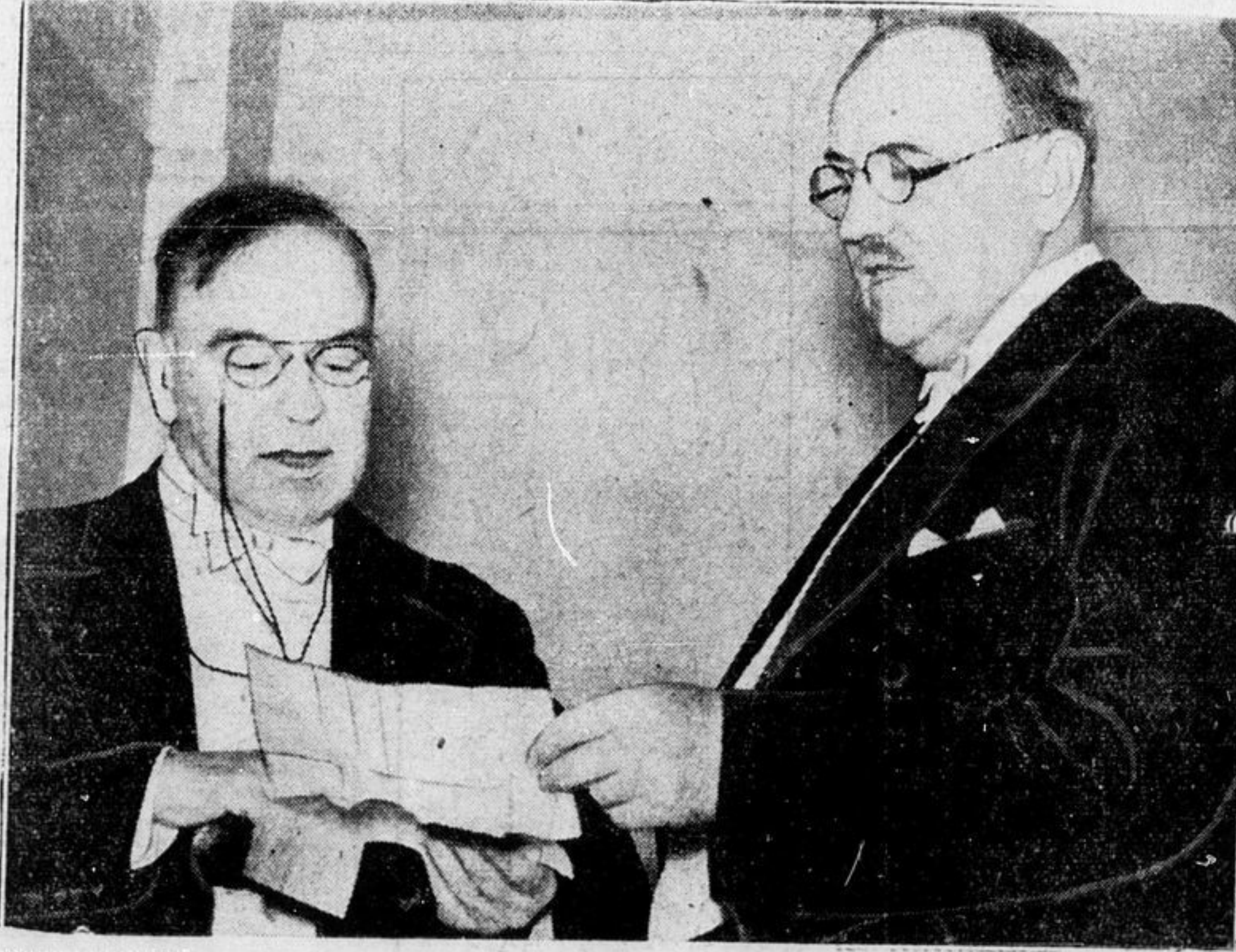
Two years in Kingston Penitentiary will be served by Patrick Phelan, who was convicted of four charges of forgery in police court on Tuesday afternoon. Phelan pleaded guilty to all four allegations.
Total amount received by Phelan was about \$72. He cashed four cheques. Twice he forged the name of A. Tamplin, once J. Cunningham was the name used and once J. A. Yuill.
"I was drunk that did it," said Phelan, when asked what he had to say for himself. "I was in trouble and I was drinking too much."
Magistrate Atkinson read Phelan's record. It listed a two year sentence served for convictions on seven forgery counts.

Two Vagrants
Jack Hutcheson went into a Timmins cafe and after eating a fifty-five cent meal could not pay for it. He was charged with false pretence. Sergeant Downey told the court that Hutcheson had got several meals at the police station and that he had come around several times smelling strongly of liquor. Thirty days was the sentence.
A call from the Metropolitan Stores resulted in the arrest of Joseph Thibault. He admitted that he had stolen a pair of coloured glasses, said Inspector Olson. The sentence, thirty days.

Ashley Gold Mining Co. Profit of \$28,629 in 1938

The income of Ashley Gold Mining Corporation for the year 1938 amounted to \$28,629, from which was derived a profit of \$18,285, while in addition \$260 was recovered from assets previously written off, which reduced the profit and loss deficiency to \$567,922 from \$586,468.
The net liquid assets increased to \$181,351 from \$177,793 at the end of 1937. Cash totalled \$16,226, accounts receivable \$317 and investments at cost, \$160,897 (market value \$165,849).
Investments consist of high-grade dividend-paying mining stocks. Accounts payable were \$921, and the reserve for taxes \$120.

RT. HON. ERNEST LAPOINTE TO CARRY ON



Aid to the provinces and municipalities in carrying out a works program was promised by Rt. Hon. Ernest Lapointe in Quebec, Feb. 18th. The minister of justice spoke to a distinguished gathering which celebrated his completion of 35 years in the House of Commons. Prime Minister Mackenzie King himself announced that Mr. Lapointe would be active in the next political campaign and the minister of justice confirmed the announcement. Mr. King and Mr. Lapointe are shown as they read telegrams of congratulation.

The present set-up of the Police Commission with Magistrate S. Atkinson as Chairman, came under the criticism of the Council at its regular meeting on Monday evening in the Council chamber.
Discussion was precipitated by a by-law which was passed altering sections of the present by-law governing the Commission in order to remunerate Commissioners to the extent of \$8 for every meeting actually attended.
"I should like to explain my stand," said Councillor McCabe. "I am given to understand that one member of the Police Commission actually attended about three meetings last year for which he was paid \$100. I think it was a crime to pay a man \$33 a meeting. This by-law should fix that situation."
When the Mayor asked for discussion Councillor Armstrong arose to his feet. The by-law did not go far enough to suit him, he said. The Commission could be set up much better than it was. It was strange when the elected Mayor of a municipality was just an ordinary member of the Commission.
It was strange, continued Councillor Armstrong that the Chairman should be a man who lived outside the town and who visited here only once a week. It seemed to him that the elected member of the Commission should be the Chairman. After all it was the town's money that ran the Police Department.
Another reason for having the Mayor as Chairman, which was advanced by the speaker, was that he was better able to keep in touch with the "small things" which occurred.
"It appears that when the Magistrate is Chairman he leaves the Chief of Police to run things until he gets here again," said Councillor Armstrong. "I trust that the Commission will take this matter up and adjust it."
Said the Mayor: "You place me in a very awkward position having to reply, but I can't help but think as you do. The Mayor is representing the citizens who pay for this service and it seems to me that he should be Chairman."
"I have a very high regard for the present Chairman," continued the Mayor, "but after all he is here only once a week."
While on the subject of police the Mayor also advanced the opinion that the Council should go into the matter of the cost of food for prisoners. "We feed the prisoners very well here," he said.
Results of an enquiry showed that one municipality fed its prisoners "anything from a hot dog to a forty cent meal," the Mayor said.
Councillor Armstrong advanced his opinion with regard to meals for prisoners. It cost \$1,400 to feed prisoners last year he said. Of course, the town got \$700 of that amount back again. So, it cost the town over three dollars a day to feed prisoners last year.
Discussion was brought to an end by passage of the by-law—discussion that is, on that particular facet of the police department and its administration.
Earlier in the meeting, however, the matter of police arose. A request was received from the Timmins Safety League asking the Council to pay one-third of the fee for affiliating the Timmins Safety League with the National Safety Council. Total fee was \$25. The letter pointed out that the League was an organization composed of representatives from the Timmins Lions Club, the Timmins Kiwanis Club and the Police Department. Its purpose was to educate school children to traffic safety.
"They want \$8.34 from us," said the Mayor, "but they also want a picture machine to show safety films and a constable to give lectures in the schools."
"It depends on you gentlemen. I do not think it is fair to turn the force into an educational institution. It is not a full-time job for a policeman. We might have a constable lecture from time to time," continued His Worship.
The Chief of Police was enthusiastic, added the Mayor. Of course all of the members of Council were eager to see safety measures taught to the school children. However, the attention of

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Visiting members of the Legion and ex-servicemen are welcomed at the Legion Hall, Cedar St. South. The next meeting of the branch will be held on
the school boards might be drawn to the matter.
At the suggestion of the Mayor the amount of \$8.34 requested, was granted.

Youth Sentenced For Thefts from Railways

North Bay, March 2.—Albert Simard, 19, of North Bay, was today sentenced to seven months imprisonment on five charges of breaking and entering and theft and his 17-year-old brother Romeo, James Donaldson, 16, and Harry Renaud, 16, were each sentenced to three months' imprisonment on charges of breaking and entering with theft, by Magistrate J. H. McCurry.
The four youths pleaded guilty to the theft for merchandise valued at approximately \$1,000 from freight cars in the T. & N. O. and C.N.R. yards during the past few months.
Facing a charge of receiving stolen goods, Oregine Chatelaine, 28, was given a suspended sentence.
Five juveniles were brought before Magistrate McCurry in connection with the case Saturday morning and were given a good "talking to" by the court. No charge was laid against them.
Powassan News: Somebody has suggested a statue to the man who invented rubber tires. Maybe a bust would be more appropriate.

