

About the Cultivation of Pansies and Violas

Worst Enemy of Pansies and Violas is the Slug. How to Defend the Plants. Epidemic of Cuckoo-Spit, or Spit-Bug in This Neighbourhood. Preventive Measures.

(Contributed by Timmins Horticultural Society) Pansies and Violas will soon be in full bloom. Although they thrive best when they are shaded from the sun for a portion of the day, both are so much in demand for bedding and edgings that it is more often desirable to plant them in full sunlight. They will thrive if relieved of their flowers at frequent intervals. Like all other flowers Pansies and Violas soon deteriorate if allowed to bloom unchecked or permitted to go to seed. They prefer damp cool places and should be watered frequently during hot, dry spells. A mulching with leaf mould or rotted manure is very beneficial.

If intended for exhibition, Pansies should be severely disbudded from the start and the flower stems kept down to no more than four. This will give you an unsightly, spindly looking plant in the border but the blooms will repay you by their extreme size. Exhibition Pansies can only be grown from exhibition stock. Bedding Pansies are entirely distinct and are at their best in the border; they are shown in a separate class and must not exceed one and a half inches in diameter. It is well to be sure if you are showing bedding Pansies that they are not Violas, as Violas are again shown in a separate class, and keep them within the size specifications calls for or they will be disqualified, however good they may be. It is not an uncommon thing to see bedding Pansies and exhibition Pansies shown in the same container, although the extreme size allowed for bedding Pansies is printed plainly in the flower show catalogue.

Neither Pansies nor Violas are troubled with many pests or diseases; their worst enemy is the slug, which attacks not only the foliage but the flower as well. There are proprietary mixtures on the market prepared especially to destroy slugs but hydrated lime is apparently the best weapon of defence. The lime should be scattered around the plants, even over the foliage itself without harm, but once it becomes wet it loses its efficacy and must be renewed. Emulsified oil of eucalyptus is said to be a good repellent for slugs; it has also been proved that slugs do not like plants sprayed with Bordeaux Mixture and will attack weeds in preference, if there are any.

Bordeaux Mixture, however, is not an insecticide in itself, although any insecticide or poison may be mixed with it for convenience to save a separate spraying. Bordeaux Mixture is probably the most widely used preventative or cure for all fungoid diseases in plants. Potato growers use it largely against blight, mosaic leaf, etc. For the convenience of those who may not have read preceding articles we repeat the formula for mixing: Four pounds of hydrated lime; four pounds of copper sulphate or "bluestone" and fifty gallons of water. Bordeaux Mixture may be bought in small quantities ready mixed, requiring only the addition of water, from most seedsmen.

In the garden Bordeaux Mixture can be used to advantage in destroying mildew on perennial Phloxes, Hollyhocks, and the various fungi that attack Roses. The presence of any fungoid disease soon makes itself apparent in spots on the stems or foliage, which soon grow into patches unless controlled. Orange fungus, or red rust; spot, or black spot, on Rose bushes are fair examples of plant fungi, and their names are descriptive of their appearance.

There is an epidemic of cuckoo-spit, or spit-bug—in vulgar parlance—in this neighbourhood at the present time. The spit-bug usually shows itself under the leaf or at the junction of stem and stalk, but it shows itself very discreetly and must be looked for. It appears as balls of frothy matter, from which it derives its descriptive appellation within which is enclosed a tiny yellow insect that lives on the juices of the plant. These can be brushed off with the fingers and destroyed, a rather messy operation, or sprayed with nicotine sulphate, used as recommended in a previous article. Oil of eucalyptus, diluted, seems to be very effective. A plant infested with spit-bug very soon shows signs of leaf and stem distortion. In other words the plant literally ties itself in knots. Watch for it on most of the young annuals, although it does not confine itself to the annuals entirely.

North Bay Nugget: Evidently Mr. Hepburn is on the outs with Mr. King for keeps.

Government Weed Killer Now Available to Public

(Formula originated by Dr. W. J. Stephen, Ontario Department of Agriculture and source of supply information now in hands of Agricultural Representatives, County Engineers, Road Superintendents and Weed Inspectors—No fire hazard.) The new type of weed killer developed by Dr. W. J. Stephen of the Crops, Seeds and Weeds Branch, Ontario Department of Agriculture and announced by the Honourable P. M. Dewar, Ontario Minister of Agriculture, at the annual meeting of the Ontario Good Roads Association last winter, is now available for public use, the Ontario Department of Agriculture reports.

Full information as to formula and source of supply for ingredients has been sent to Agricultural Representatives, County Engineers, Road Superintendents and Weed Inspectors. Prospective users should contact these men in their respective areas or write direct to the Crops, Seeds and Weeds Branch, Ontario Department of Agriculture, Parliament Buildings, Toronto.

Dr. Stephen's formulas were thoroughly tested last year on a large scale in Wellington and Simcoe Counties and have been found satisfactory by officials. The new weed killer has no fire hazard and the cost is but half of weed killers formerly in use, authorities say. "A spray in time save nine." That's why road officials are ready to start at once in an effort to eliminate that dread threat to hay fever sufferers (Raywood)—and the blight of many summer resorts (Poison Ivy). Other weeds equally hated by farmers and ready for spraying are Perennial Sow Thistle and the Spurge.

It is very important to do a thorough job when spraying. Every part of the weed must be covered until it is dripping wet, Dr. Stephen declares.

Wrist Watches in England Said to Suffer from Flu

London, Eng.—Wrist watches are suffering from the latest 'flu epidemic in England.

Watch repairers are kept busy putting right watches that have gone unaccountably wrong, only to find them going wrong again. One leading watchmaker made enquiries of his customers, and found that the owners of these watches had nearly all had influenza.

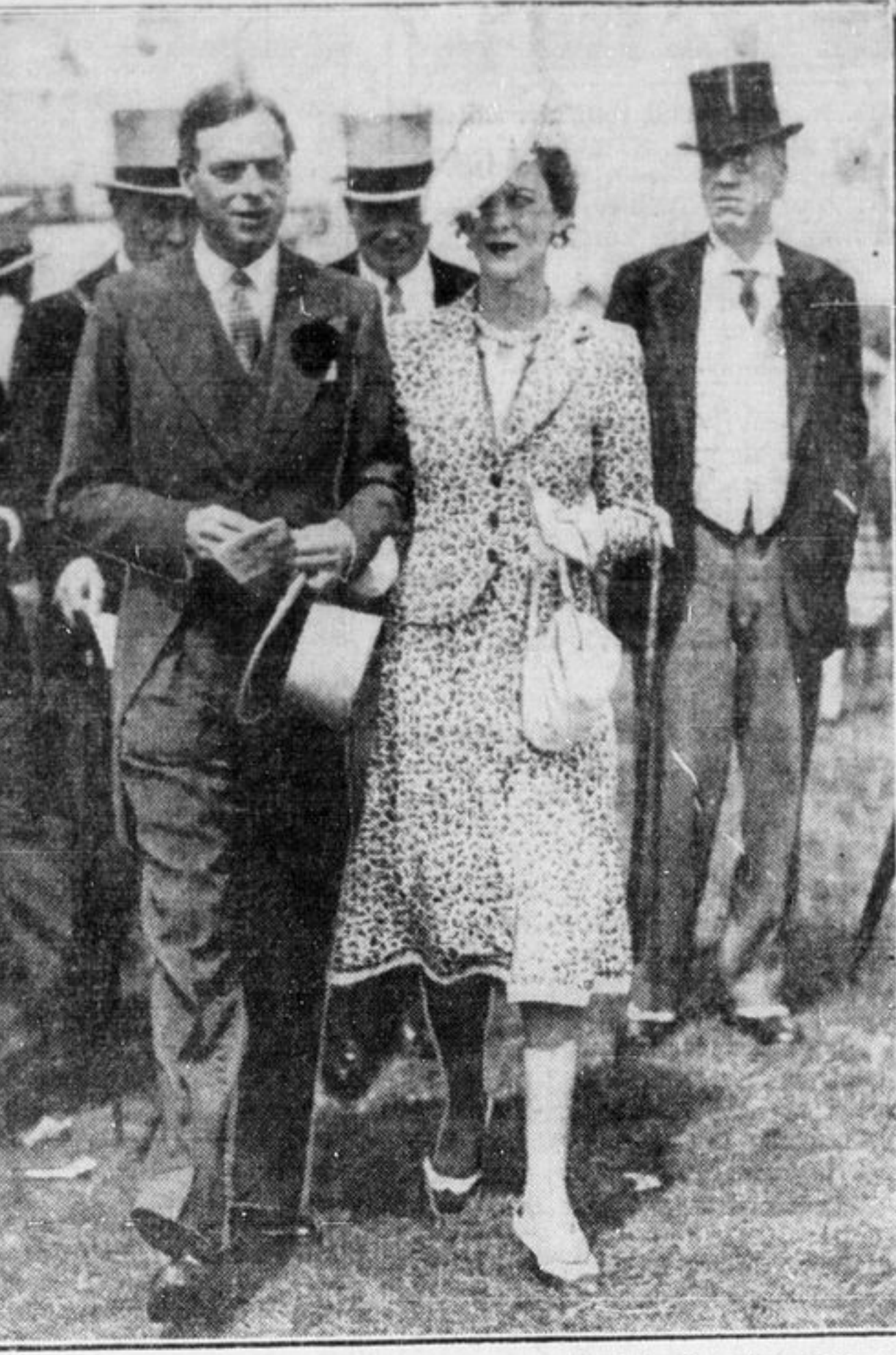
"Health conditions do affect wrist watches," he said. "The wrist, with its pulse, is very sensitive, I have found that gold watches are less effected than silver ones, and those on leather straps have been the worst of all."

Kirkland Boys Evidently Fooled Their Captors

An incident in Kirkland Lake recently will amuse some while others will regret that the lads who were so clever were not using their talent in a more honest way. The story is founded on the fact that recently one of Kirkland Lake dairies found that its bottles were being stolen and then sold back to the dairy. Two men were set to watch and gradually they caught two lads in the act of "lifting" bottles. One of the men went to telephone the dairy, while the other stayed to hold the two boys. It looked black for the lads, both of whom seemed to feel their position very keenly. One of the lads was so overcome, indeed, that eventually he appeared to faint. This was something for which the watchman was not prepared, and he can be excused if he became a little flustered. It was one thing to be holding a couple of young thieves. It was something else to have an unconscious boy to deal with. "Hurry! Get some water please!" the other lad called to the man, taking charge of the difficult situation. The man duly hurried off to get the water, no doubt wondering why he had not thought of that himself.

When he returned — yes, you guessed it—both boys had disappeared. They are still looking for those lads. It wasn't a real faint—just good acting—on the part of both boys. This is published not to tip off the other boys to a clever trick, but to hint to the man in such a case to send the one boy after the water—in which case he will have the "fainty one" at least.

SHOT FAILS TO FRIGHTEN DUCHESS



A man and a sawed-off shotgun were seized by London police after a shot was fired at the Duchess of Kent left her Belgrave Square home. The Duchess, unaware of the commotion, proceeded with her companion, Lady Portarlington, to see "Wuthering Heights" at a movie theatre. Here the Duke and Duchess of Kent are seen in the paddock at Epsom as they attended the recent Derby stake. The Duke will soon go to Australia as governor-general.

Drunk Driver Sent to Jail for Month to Repent Wild Ride

"Don't Be a Fool After This," Magistrate Tells Young Man Charged with Watch Theft.

Thirty days in jail at hard labour was the sentence imposed upon Harry L. Quinn, who pleaded guilty to a charge of driving while intoxicated. Quinn admitted that he drove his car over the sidewalk on Toke street, through the hedge around the property of Sol Platzky.

In its crazy journey the automobile rammmed a parked car owned by R. Vansickle and tore up about twenty-five feet of lawn. It finally came to rest nestling against a tree.

Sergeant Gilbert DesRoches said that Quinn was very drunk and that a bottle of liquor was found in the hedge. In the car was a glass smelling of whiskey. Total damage by the rather unusual motor tour was \$200 or \$300.

Dismiss Theft Charge "You can go but don't be a fool after this. Charge dismissed," said Magistrate Atkinson to Ted Wilson, hardly out of his teens, who was charged with the theft of a \$35 wrist watch from Hector Charon.

Mr. Charon told the court that he had been assaulted on the street by William Taylor some time ago. He could not say that Wilson picked it up. During his investigation into the theft he found the watch in a Third Avenue jewellery store, said Constable Angelo Guolla. Checking, he found it belonged to Mr. Charon and had been brought in by Wilson. In a statement Wilson admitted that a young fellow who was near at the time of the scuffle gave him the watch.

On the stand Wilson said that he "suspected the watch might have belonged to one of the men fighting." He admitted that he saw an advertisement in the paper referring to the lost watch and that he made no attempt to restore it to its owner.

Reduce Charge to Speeding A charge of reckless driving against Antero Lepisto was reduced to one of speeding after police evidence was given. Officers said that they followed Lepisto's automobile on the Hollinger flats. It was travelling at a speed of 55 miles an hour. The driver was not looking ahead of him but was talking to another passenger.

Several keepings for sale and illegal possession of liquor charges were adjourned until next week. Accused were released on bail.

There were the usual drunk charges minor traffic accusations and by-law infractions and the usual small fines from \$10 and costs to \$1 and costs.

Dance Recital at Kirkland Lake Proves Big Success

All who remember Mrs. R. B. Simms, who presented the first dancing recital ever given in the Porcupine Camp by local students of dancing, will be interested to note the success of the second annual dancing recital and children's dress ball to be held at Kirkland Lake by Mrs. Simms' pupils. This event was presented last Friday and Saturday and The Northern News says it "delighted its audience with a varied and colourful programme." Several numbers came in for special praise, while all were appreciated. A few paragraphs are given herewith from the report.

"In old-fashioned gowns and poke bonnets, Margaret Riddell and Margaret Stevenson were a delight to the eye in "Community Gardens."

"Colleens in national dress, Shean Trews, reels and Scottisches were all favourites."

"The four Highlanders, Mary Craig Hogarth, Joyce Heaslip, Nancy Neil and Ann Louise Maguire gave a clever and humorous characterization of the Dutch folk dance."

"Two violin solos were rendered by David Gordon, nephew of Mrs. Simms, and advanced pupil of Yacoba Pali, Russian violin master of the Hambourg Conservatory, earned great applause."

President Roosevelt May Visit Sudbury This Year

Reports from Sudbury this week are to the effect that President Franklin D. Roosevelt may be a visitor to the Nickel City this summer. It is said that the President plans to visit the San Francisco World's Fair following which he will travel up the west coast to Alaska. The story proceeds that as a goodwill gesture after the visit of the King and Queen to the United States, the President may return from Alaska to Washington, D. C., by way of Canada. In such an event the President would pass through Sudbury and in view of the generous hospitality shown the King and Queen on their visit to the United States, the people of the North would certainly wish to give a hearty welcome to the President of the United States. President Roosevelt has paid previous visits to Canada, being here last summer for the formal opening of the Ivy League bridge between Canada and the United States, and also he has been a frequent visitor to the Maritimes for summer fishing.

Toronto Telegram: According to Dr. Cody, the education is still higher, though the income be lower.

Conklin's Shows Drawing Big Crowds Here This Week

Many Novel Features to Midway Here This Week

Conklin's Shows, said to be one of the largest and best midway on the continent, is showing at Timmins all this week under the auspices of the Timmins Branch of the Canadian Legion, and is attracting large crowds. There are over 50 starting attractions at this midway, together with a striking array of rides, wheels, novelties, dancers, singers, magic, mystery and a wide range of freaks, curiosities, and other entertaining, thrilling and sensational features add to the interest, with games of skill and other added attractions. There are two sensational aerial performances free twice daily. The electric lighting of the show is a special feature and the hustle, bustle and liveliness of the big midway make it popular with young and old. The patter of some of the spellers alone is worth the price of admission.

There was a Kiddies' Day on Monday, and another similar Kiddies' Day will be held on Saturday.

Shook Hands with King Now Shakes with Others

Fort Hunt, Va., June 14.—John Draganza, of Rochester, Pa., the civilian conservation corps who shook hands with King George, walked around camp Saturday offering to shake hands with other enrollees—for a price.

He did business, too. One youth bought him a bottle of pop, another a packet of cigarettes, and a third promised to shine his shoes.

It was during a brief inspection of the camp by the King and Queen Friday that His Majesty spoke to the boy. "The King asked me how I like being in the C.C.C.," he said. "It was tough for a second or two. I could say nothing."

Draganza said he finally managed to stammer, "Fine." And from then on it was a breeze.

"We got real chummy," he said, "and finally the King asked me if I had gained any weight. I told him seven pounds."

The King appeared surprised. "I told him that was nothing," Draganza added, "I told him that some of the fellows had gained 24 pounds."

John said he would not swear to it, but it looked to him as if His Majesty almost whistled from surprise.

When the interview was over, the King offered his hand. "I was certainly taken back," John said. "I never even shook hands with a congressman."

It Can Happen Here, For It Has Happened Here

Years ago, a phrase in common use was "accidents will happen." Many people believed that accidents were as inevitable as the weather; that a period of "no accident" days had to be followed by a series of deaths and injuries, just as fair weather is always followed by rain, writes an official of the Highway Dept.

The idea emerged, however, among traffic engineers and industrial experts that "accidents can be prevented" and that people were being victimized by their own carelessness and thoughtlessness rather than by some mysterious phenomenon of nature.

In the field of highway accident prevention, the "three E" plan was developed as the one which eventually would obliterate the terrible annual toll of life and limb which followed the popularization of the automobile. The "three E's" are education, engineering and enforcement.

During the visit to Ontario of the King and Queen, the Department of Highways determined to apply this principle of accident prevention by means of a strenuous campaign to ensure that the Royal progress throughout the Province would not be marred by any traffic fatality or serious accident. Highway engineers, traffic and police officers in every part of Ontario where Their Majesties were to visit laid careful plans in the "engineering" and "enforcement" phases of the idea and newspapers and radio stations gave whole-hearted co-operation from the standpoint of "education" through their news and editorial columns and over the air.

The result was that Ontario motorists and pedestrians added to their loyal reception of the King by adding a personal tribute to his keen and active interest in accident prevention. A study of figures compiled to date reveals that serious accidents were practically eliminated throughout Ontario in the areas immediately adjacent to the municipalities visited by the Royal party on the days when the King and Queen were there.

Such a record, traffic experts believe, proves that accidents CAN be prevented and proves that "IT CAN HAPPEN HERE." The fact that must be realized is that the demand is not an "occasion" one such as the visit of the King, but an every-day demand. For what tribute is it to His Majesty if we merely refrain from killing or maiming people on our streets and highways for the single day of his visit and immediately go back to our careless habits as soon as he is gone?

That is not an imaginative phrase or figure of speech—it is a fact. Despite the lack of traffic fatalities and accidents in the "King's presence," so to speak, there were almost twice as

Dressmaker Had to Quit Sewing

Hands Swollen With Rheumatism

Pity the poor dressmaker! Nineteenths of her work consists of sewing—and she was not able to sew. Rheumatism in the hands was her trouble, and she tried any number of remedies. But nothing helped much—until she came to Kruschen.

"Three-and-a-half years ago" she writes, "I had a violent attack of rheumatic pains. My feet and hands were swollen. The pain was terrible. I was really quite crippled and helpless."

"I tried many remedies without success. Then I started on Kruschen Salts, and after one month, I could stand up again. Then, I walked with a cane. In three months, I was quite well again. As I am a dressmaker, you can imagine what it meant to me not to be able to work my sewing machine. What a treat to be able to walk, to work and to be free from pain."—(Mrs.) E.S.

The stabbing pains of rheumatism are often caused by needle-pointed crystals of uric acid lodging in the joints. Kruschen brings relief because it helps to dissolve those troubling crystals and to expel them from the system.

many highway deaths in Ontario in May, 1939, as a year ago. In Ontario last month, 54 people died as a result of motor accidents.

The lives of 54 people can't be dismissed by a shrug of the shoulders and a casual remark that "accidents will happen." The record of careful, considerate motorists and pedestrians in a score of Ontario towns and cities on the day of King George's visit has proved that "accidents can be prevented." If tragedy and suffering can be avoided on one day, they can be avoided every day. "IT CAN HAPPEN HERE" because it HAS happened here.

Only One Case Before Jury at Cochrane This Week

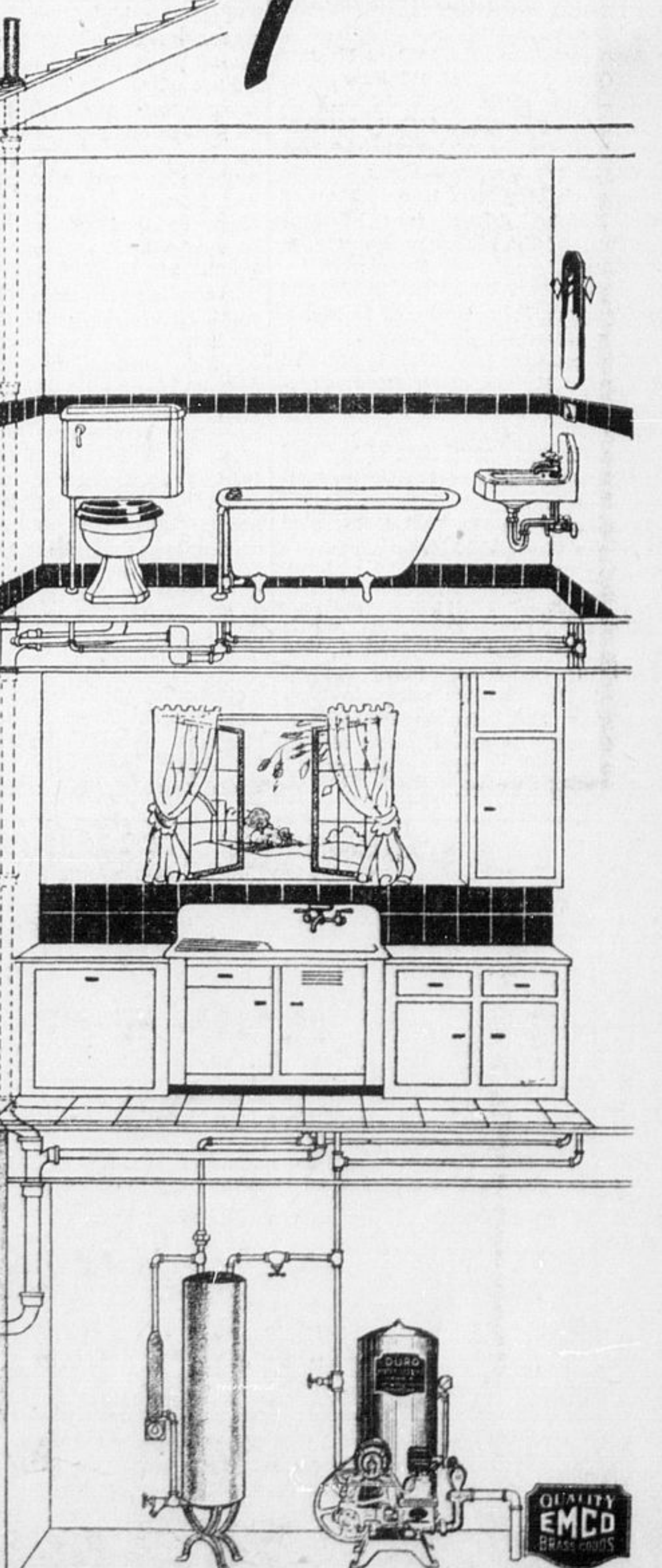
Cochrane, June 13. — Opening the general sessions of the peace in district court here this afternoon, Judge J. T. Caron congratulated the residents of the district in the death of crime reflected in the small list placed before him when he had only one indictment to place before grand jury.

The jury returned a true bill in the case of William Vichoff, charged with criminal negligence in driving an automobile on the highway between Timmins and Buffalo-Ankerite Mine on Sept. 30 when, it is alleged, he struck a pedestrian.

Stratford Beacon-Herald: Ottawa folk braved a short rain to wish Their Majesties a long reign.

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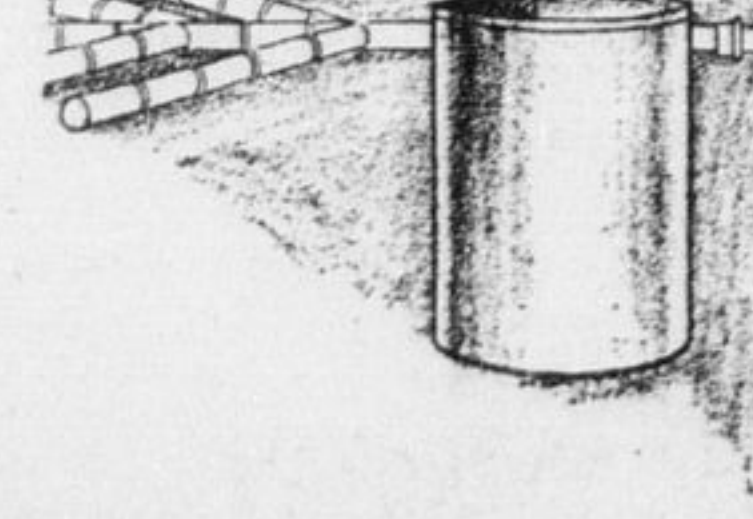
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