

# The People of the Porcupine Believe in Education

## Four Large and Modern School Serve the Public School Children Here

Last Year There Were Twenty-four Hundred Pupils at the Public Schools in Timmins and This Term Provision Has Been Made for Twenty-three Hundred.

Four Public Schools, the Central, the Birch Street, the Moneta, and the Mattagami are the schools to which Timmins people of non-Catholic religion send their children. The Central School is located on Fourth avenue between Pine and Spruce streets; Birch Street School is located on the far end of Birch street north, and is one of the newest additions to the public schools of the town; Moneta school is on Kirby avenue between Cedar and Balsam street, and Mattagami school is on Rea street between Commercial and Main avenues.

In the last school term, about two thousand four hundred pupils attended the public schools of the town, and

it is expected that this year the number will be about the same, although it may be slightly less due to the fact that many families have moved to southern and eastern industrial centres. The four schools supply fifty-three airy and well-lighted class-rooms. There are fifty-five teachers on the staff of the schools, with two of this staff as supply teachers. Each school is ably supervised by a principal—at the Central School it is Mr. E. J. Transom; at the Birch Street school, it is Mr. F. A. Robinson; at the Moneta school, it is Miss F. MacDonald; and at the Mattagami school, it is Mr. R. Beattie.

### University Bulletin for 1941 Proves Interesting Journal

Principal of Toronto University Looks With High Hopes to a Better Future.

"This crisis in human history," says Principal M. W. Wallace in the 1941 University College Bulletin, fresh from the presses, "may well mark an epoch in the story of our social and economic progress. We shall not enter the Millennium immediately, but many pre-war injustices and inequalities will seem no longer tolerable. And in this process we may discover new and satisfying kinds of human activity."

"In spite of a daily diet of horrors and although many civilized peoples have been reduced to virtual slavery, it is strange to find that we are discovering happiness in places where we had been unaccustomed to look for it," Principal Wallace remarks.

"Our sense of national unity has probably never been so intense," he says, "and we are daily made aware that our most fundamental riches are those which we hold in common with our fellows and not individually. Daily we are astonished by the capacity and readiness of humble men and women to contribute to the common well-being by deeds of heroism and self-sacrifice."

"Englishmen," he points out, "will know one another much better before this war is over. Rich and poor have shared a common danger in which they have been intimately acquainted with death. Sharing in common has become the rule of life—sharing in danger, heroism, food and shelter and medical care, and many men are realizing as they had never before realized how vital are the things which unite them, how superficial those that divide them. They have learned to take great pride and pleasure in their fellow-men, and in those co-operative undertakings which seek the well-being of all. Soldiers have always known the satisfaction of this highest kind of patriotic service, and to-day multitudes of civilians are in the front line of battle. As one listens to a news-reel—to a weaver, an admiral, a fisherman, a servant-girl, a cabinet minister, the brother of the Queen, one is conscious chiefly of the common characteristics of the great national family.

"Only the incurably sceptical can believe that these things will pass away with the coming of peace," says Principal Wallace.

The 80-page bulletin with its cover, the reproduction of an etching of University College by Owen Staples, tells in picture and in print the story of life at University College. The photography is outstandingly good. And for the benefit of incoming students, details are given concerning entrance requirements and courses available. Scholarship and prize awards are listed and American University Fellowship winners are announced as follows: W. M. Crockett, University of Chicago; Miss M. R. Fletcher, Columbia University; Miss W. A. Hillier, University of Colorado; S. J. Key, Institute of Fine Art, New York University; and B. Swerling, University of Chicago.

### Prepaid Hospital Care for Ontario Rural Communities

Announcement Made by Official of Health League of Canada.

Toronto, Aug. 27—Announcement that pre-paid hospital care will soon be made available to the rural communities of Ontario, was welcomed today by an official of the Health League of Canada as in line with the League's programme for the improvement of national health. "Prompt and efficient hospitalization, whenever called for and without the worry of subsequent bills, would greatly shorten many attacks of illness," he declared, "and for that reason alone the plan should be widely adopted."

Mr. N. H. Saunders, Secretary of the Plan for Hospital Care, stated that his board of administration was considering two alternative schemes for extending its benefits to rural cases.

One was to regard farmers as a special economic group, to which the plan would be opened by means of co-operation with various farmers' organizations, such as creameries, credit unions, co-operatives, etc. The second would include each farm family as part of the population of the nearest town or village and permit farmers to apply for the service—a non-profit one—through a local bank, newspaper office or similar sponsor.

In either case, he said, the farmer would be subject to the same fees—50¢ a month for himself alone or a dollar a month for himself, his wife and all members of his immediate family below the age of 15 years—and would be entitled to the same benefits as is the urban subscriber. These benefits were: immediate and complete hospitalization in case of need and without regard to the length of time during which fees had been paid, for a period up to three weeks in any one year, for Mr. Saunders mentioned that as well as use of operating room, pathological and bio-chemistry services, drugs, medications, dressings, etc. The hospital bills would be paid directly by the plan.

As evidence of the popularity which the plan has achieved in Ontario cities, result of the presentation to the staff of the John Inglis Company nearly 6000 participants had recently enrolled as a group. This was but one example of large industrial group enrolments, he stated.

It was emphasized that the plan was a purely co-operative community effort, that it was free from the profit-making motive, that its board of administration worked without payment, and that its overhead was strictly limited. Monetary success of the plan would be returned to subscribers in the form of extended and increased benefits.

### Important Cases Are Remanded at Tuesday's Court

Number of Remands are Granted in Important Liquor Cases. Theft by Conversion Count Remanded.

Aircraftman Joseph A. Lynch, stationed at Calgary with the R.C.A.F., and formerly connected with the firm of Hill-Clark-Francis of Timmins, was in police court on Tuesday afternoon facing a charge of theft of \$1840 by conversion and he was ready to proceed with the charge against him without the aid of any legal advice. When the charge was read to him by the magistrate he was asked if he wanted to be tried before a magistrate or a judge and jury. Lynch replied that he wanted Magistrate Atkinson to try the case and said that he was ready to go ahead with it.

The crown attorney, S. A. Caldwell said that he also was ready to proceed with the case but when the first witness was called, Mr. W. H. Burnes,

manager of the Timmins branch of Hill-Clark-Francis, he was not in the court. The magistrate then asked Lynch if he could obtain a lawyer because the charge was of a serious nature and was very complicated. Lynch replied that he had no reason to obtain a lawyer because he had done nothing wrong and that even if he did want legal advice he was in no financial position to pay for it.

Magistrate Atkinson finally decided to remand the charge till next week so that the R.C.A.F. officials at North Bay could be notified and have somebody present at the trial. Bail was set at \$3,500.00 cash or property.

A remand was also allowed in the case of Mrs. Roseanna Desjardins, charged with the theft of two infants' dresses from the S. S. Kresge store in Timmins. Mrs. Desjardins was called to the stand for the second time in two weeks and asked if she was guilty or not and each time she answered that she was not. Last week some of the evidence was taken before the remand was given and this week the magistrate made the charge peremptory for next week.

Two charges against Albert A. Fortelance, of Timmins were remanded for the second time. Portelance is facing one charge of theft by conversion laid by J. L. Fulton, of the George Taylor Hardware store in Timmins. Portelance is accused of failing to turn in a sum money that he collected while in the employ of the Timmins firm. The second charge against Portelance was laid by Alex Koskela who accuses him of cashing a worthless five dollar cheque at the Timmins Steam Bath, where he is manager.

A charge of careless driving against Edgar Caswell was withdrawn with the accused paying the court costs of \$3.50. A charge of spending against Michael Pelangio brought a fine of ten dollars and costs. One drunk was sent down for thirty days and another was fined ten dollars and costs.

Remands were granted in a number of important liquor charges on Tuesday. One of the charges, against Adam Koch, of having beer in a public place was remanded because Constable R. O. Stromberg, who was preferring the charge, was not in town. Another charge of having beer in a public place against Joseph Murphy was also remanded for the same reason.

Charges of having beer in other than their private residences against Paul Dinel and Joseph A. Houde were also remanded at the request of the accused. Houde was also remanded on a charge of keeping liquor for sale. All three of these charges were the result of the same investigation.

Wilbert Brewer, owner of the Broadway Taxi, appeared in court to answer a charge of being in illegal possession of beer. He told the court that he had just made arrangements for legal advice and wanted a week's remand. This request was granted as he had been charged only the previous day.

Marie Rose Perth asked that charge of assault that was laid by her against Albert Delaire be withdrawn. The bench allowed the withdrawal of the charge if the complainant paid the court costs of \$4.25. Thomas Chorney was remanded on a charge of assault causing actual bodily harm. The charge was laid by John Chorney. Louis Aubertin was hailed to court by one of his employees who said that he could not collect his wages. When Aubertin appeared in court he admitted owing the amount to Stanilas Charbonneau but said that he didn't have quite enough money to pay him. The bench advised him to pay the amount in the next eight days or he would be in serious trouble. The amount involved is \$36.70.

### KNOWLEDGE

He who knows not and knows not that he knows not, is a fool—shun him.  
He who knows not and knows he knows not, is simple—teach him.  
He who knows and knows not he knows, is asleep—wake him.  
He who knows and knows he knows, is wise—follow him.  
—Quoted as an Arab proverb by Lady Burton.

A boy is better unborn than untaught. —Gascogne.



BIRCH STREET PUBLIC SCHOOL, TIMMINS

### Notable Work Being Done by Toronto Health Dept.

Toronto, Aug. 27—"Figures issued recently by the Toronto Health Department supply striking instances of what may be accomplished in the direction of disease prevention, and at the same time point to the need for still greater efforts in public health work," said an official of the Health League of Canada today in commenting on the statistics.

Purification of the City's water supply and pasteurization of its milk are shown to have reduced the incidence of typhoid in Toronto from an average of 31.4 during the period 1890-1911—with a high of 99.6 per 100,000 of population—to one of 3 since 1934. In six years, 1935-40, there were only 10 deaths from typhoid in Toronto.

In 1929, the death rate from diphtheria was 10.6. Consistent immunization with toxoid had cut that rate to 2.4 in 1932. Since that year it remained at about 1 per 100,000. In 1934 and 1937 there were no deaths from diphtheria, and in 1940 not a single case of diphtheria was reported.

Smallpox appeared to have been completely banished from the city, there being no cases registered in the eight-year period 1933-40.

Modern safeguards had their effect also on the infant mortality rate. This stood at 137 per 1,000 live births in 1910-1914, but by 1940 only 41.3 babies out of every 1,000 live births died during their first year. The maternal mortality rate in 1940 had reached the low figure of 3.3 per 1,000.

In 1911-1915, the average tuberculosis death rate for Toronto was 109.3 per 100,000. A progressive decrease, year by year, reduced this appalling figure to 29.6 per 100,000 in 1940.

On the other side of the ledger is the fact that deaths from cancer, and from diseases of the heart, arteries and kidneys have greatly increased, according to the Health Department's figures.

The "crude death rate" from cancer was said to have doubled in the last 20 years, and in 1940 cancer accounted for 17 per cent of all the deaths in Toronto. Affections of the heart, arteries and kidneys caused 47 per cent of the deaths, the majority in this group arising from diseases of the heart.

### Scheme for Reduction in the Use of Gasoline

There are always occasional letters to the editor that say a great deal in a few words. Here is a sample one from Monday's Globe:

To the Editor of The Globe and Mail: With reference to a shortage of gasoline for this war, does it not appear that the speed of all cars should be not more than twenty miles, both for city and country? Why increase the country speed to more than the city speed? There are more killed and hurt on country highways than on city streets, and the only solution to control the speed of cars is not by traffic officers, but by installing a governor on all cars, locked for twenty miles per hour, these to be sold by the Government as a compulsory measure, at a profit, in order to overcome the loss of fines for speeding.

Toronto. T. M. Kirkwood.

### THE POOR MAN'S UNIVERSITY

The true university of these days is a collection of books.—Carlyle.

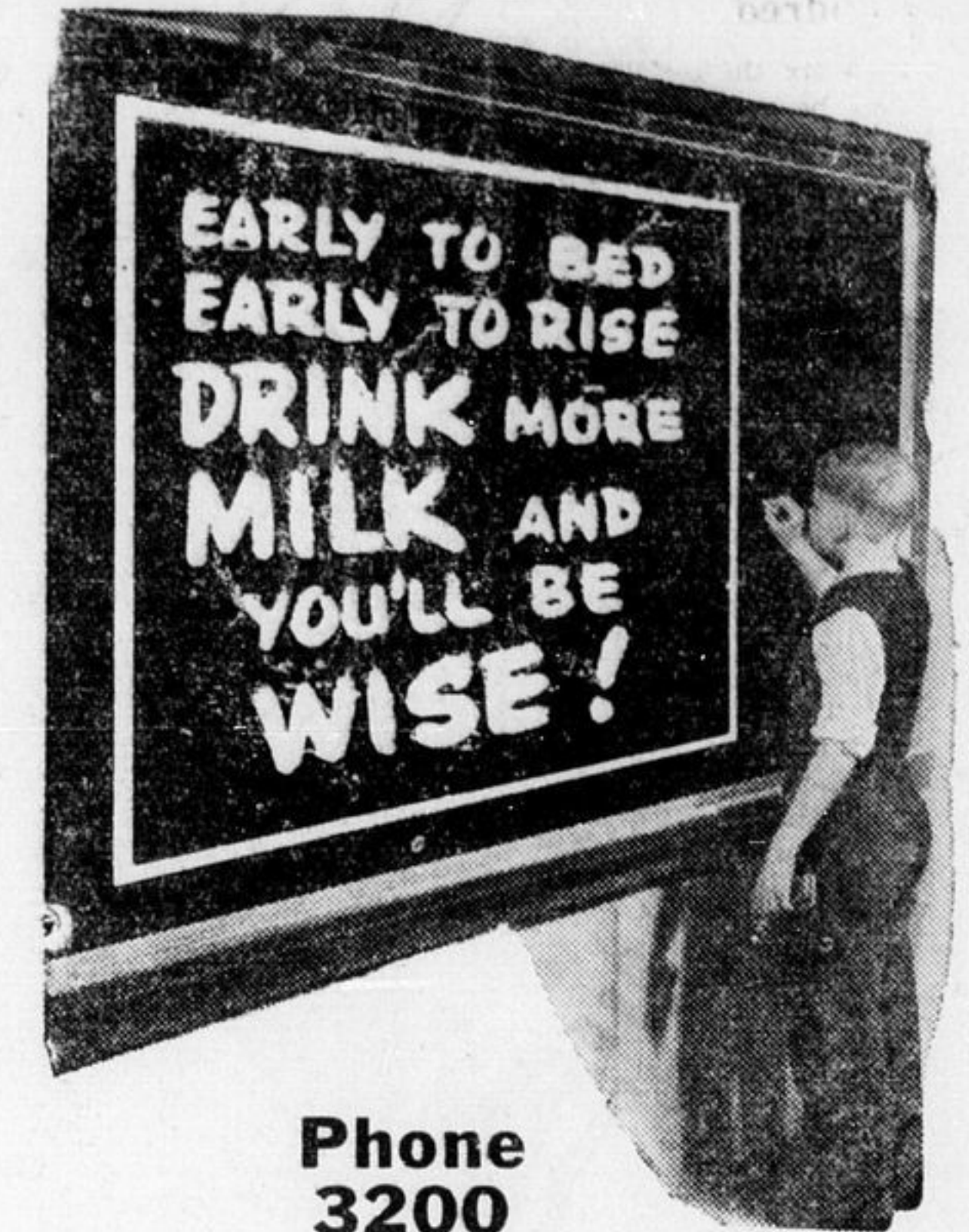
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### Sudbury Grocery Stores Defying Closing By-law

Several grocery stores in Sudbury are keeping open at nights in defiance of the early closing by-law regarding such stores. One grocer says that there are so-called confectionery stores on each side of him and these do a flourishing grocery business at

nights when the groceries are closed. Charges have been laid against some of the groceries that kept open last week, but there are several of these stores that say they intend to continue keeping open until the by-law is declared invalid.

Learning by study must be won.—Gay.



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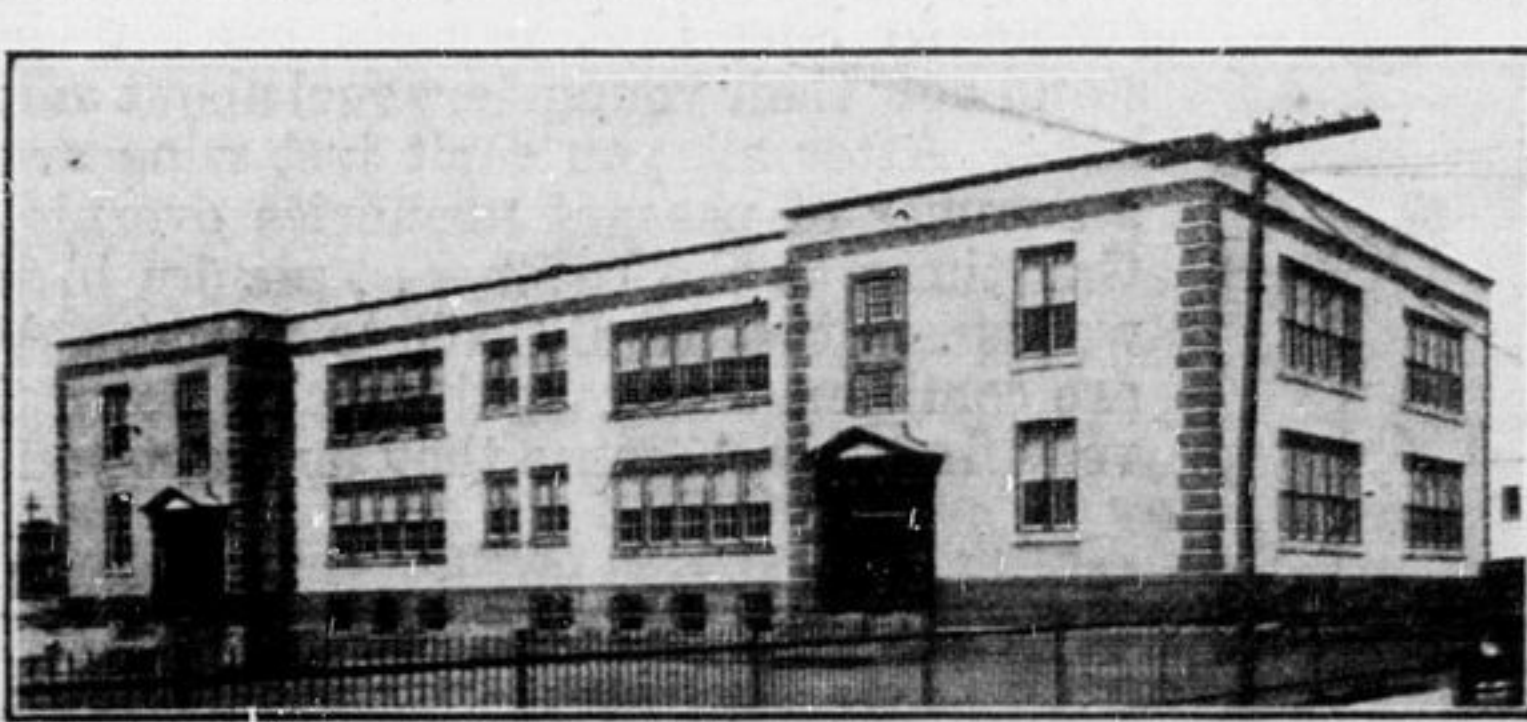
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