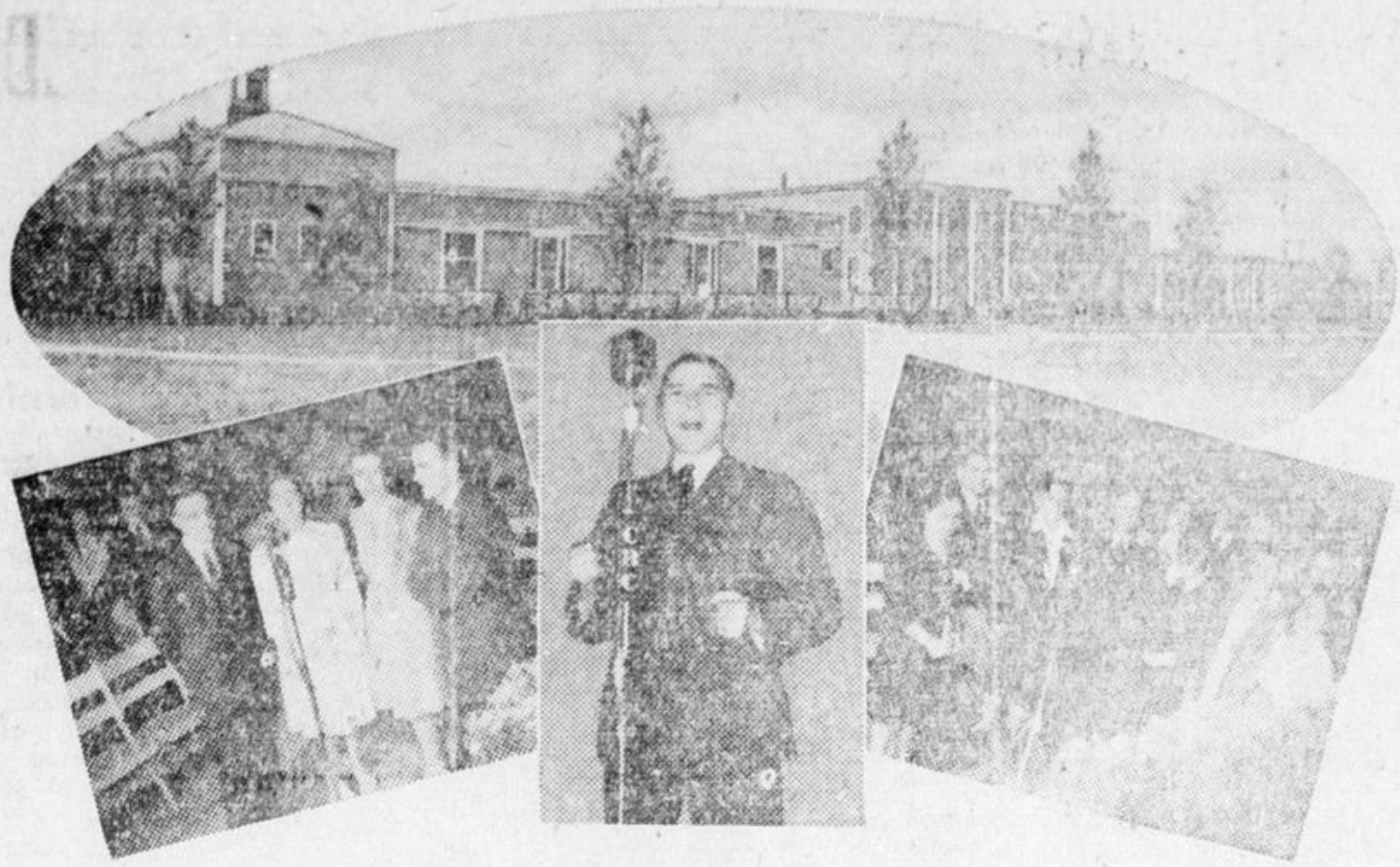


Arvida Recreation Centre Officially Opened



(Above) The Recreation Centre at Arvida where the Inauguration Ceremony was broadcast to the CBC French Network. (Lower left) "The Arvida Quartet" under the direction of Sylvette White, who is seated from opposite since were heard over a radio network. (Center) Private Leclair, whose ambition has been to sing on the radio, realizes that ambition by singing with Allan McIver, a top-notch band, on a radio broadcast. (Lower right) The Slovak Choir, under the guidance of Marie-Louise Tremblay, the only Canadian of its kind in the Province, made their debut in this provincially broadcast.

An impressive inaugural ceremony recently held at Arvida, the new modern recreation centre built by the Aluminum Company of Canada, Limited, was officially handed over to the Arvida Athletic Association, Inc. Designed by Fetherstonhaugh and Burnford, this centre is one of the finest in Canada. It contains an auditorium seating 500, a well-equipped stage and dressing rooms, reading, meeting and game rooms, a restaurant, bowling alleys, pool and billiard hall, curling rink and lounge, dressing rooms for hockey teams, and general skating, and a hand room all fully equipped. It has a splendid public address system. Radio or programmes of records can be played throughout the building.

The Arvida Athletic Association, Inc., will now operate this community centre in the interests of the several thousand members who for 50¢ a year enjoy all the privileges of membership. The centre will be the focus for some 70 different community organizations, such as the Arvida Curling Club, the Arvida Concert Association, the Arvida Amateur Dramatic Society, the Arvida Bowling Club, etc.

Gaston Dufour is President of the Arvida Athletic Association. The centre is managed by Stanley Rough, Secretary of the Association, and widely known throughout Canada for his experience in sports and community organizations.

About Some Blind Men Who Possess Great Vision

And They Have Made Their Dreams Come True.

The annual report of the Canadian National Institute for the Blind has just come to hand, and it is a remarkable little volume for many reasons. To the thoughtful, however, its great appeal will be in the fact that it tells the living story of a group of blind men who had the greatest vision and who have translated their dreams into reality to the great benefit of Canada at large.

The story of the Canadian National Institute for the Blind is a wonderful one of high courage, successful endeavour and sagacious vision. The current report made the close of the twenty-fifth year of the Institute's service to the blind people of Canada, and in referring to that service it should not be forgotten that so great a service to a part of the people is a service of great value to the whole Dominion. Founded largely through the interest created by the return of a few blinded soldiers from the battlefields of the first world war, the Institute has developed beyond even the high hopes of its founders. Previously Canada had been backward in its handling of the problems of blindness, but now as a result of intensive organization and the strenuous labours of Col. E. A. Baker, O.B.E., Croix de Guerre, its sightless managing director, the Institute stands in the front rank and Canada leads in its attention to the sightless and its efforts for the preservation of vision. There is reason to believe that the great success of the Institute has been due to the fact that most of its officers and staff are themselves blind and so have a special knowledge of the problems of the blind and cheerful recipes for solving all such puzzles. To people of Timmings and district many of these gifted "blind leaders of the blind" who are leading so wisely and so well, are well known and popular. Col. Baker has been a visitor here, as has also that gifted former newspaperman, Harris

Turner, director of publication for the Institute. Mr. D. B. Lawley is an old and valued friend of hundreds of people in this area. Mr. Henry, who also visited here last year, will be welcomed back sincerely any time he may come here.

The annual report gives the financial statement for the year with all details, and the various reports of officers and staff. "There has been a gratifying improvement in the financial position of the Institute during the year," it is stated. There were 12,546 blind persons in Canada last year, a slight decrease from the previous year. Nearly a third of them were in Ontario. There were 30,055 men, women and children registered as "prevention of blindness" cases. Statistics are given of the services given all requiring help by the Institute. This is all interesting and informative, but the chief interest of the booklet rests in its brilliant reviews of different phases of the work. For instance here is a paragraph from Col. Baker's report:—

"It is not my intention to attempt an analysis of figures relating to employment and earnings, but I would like to call attention to one figure—1,090 blind Canadian men and women were employed through Institute channels at the end of the year which has just come to a close. Twenty-five years ago there were a few blind piano tuners and basket makers of whom there is no accurate record, but whose number was very small and whose earnings could not have aggregated more than a few thousand dollars. Now, there are almost eleven hundred blind people employed and last year they earned over one million dollars. If that one startling fact was the only accomplishment to which our Institute could point it would, in my opinion, be sufficient to prove the tremendous change which has been wrought in the lives of Canada's blind population by the Canadian National Institute for the Blind."

A special page in the report is devoted to "The Library." The Library has 23,302 Braille books, 12,955 records. During the year there were 13,412 books on loan and 59,113 records. There were 3,611 copies of The Braille Courier circulated during the year, while the publishing department printed 391,270 pages in Braille. This inadequate review of the annual

report of the Canadian National Institute for the Blind may well close with these words from the foreword of the annual report itself:—

"Creative imagination must be used in considering its facts and figures, for from every one there goes out an invisible line which ends somewhere in the life of some man, woman or child, or group of blind people, into whose spirit there has been born a new morale, in whose hearts there has been created fresh courage, new hope and increased determination, whose fingers have learned new skills and whose lives have been richer and happier by the services of the Institute."

Porcupine Music Teachers' Ass'n Hold Monthly Meet

Very Interesting Meeting of Association Tuesday Evening

The regular monthly meeting of the Porcupine Music Teachers' Association was held Tuesday evening, October 5th, at the Radio Station, with president Mr. George Jenkin presiding. The meeting opened with the reading of the minutes of the previous meeting and also of the executive meeting which was held on Sunday, October 3rd, at the home of Vice-President Mrs. Alfred Gamble. Full arrangements were made for the musicale which the Association is giving next Tuesday evening, October 12th at the First United Church, under the auspices of the Women's Association. It was decided to sell student tickets at half price for this event. Mrs. A. Gamble and Mr. H. C. Treneer were appointed by the meeting to act as additional representatives of the association on the Music Festival executive.

New associate members received were Mrs. J. Knox, Jr. and Mrs. Woodbury. The business portion of the meeting was brought to a close with the treasurer's report.

The programme was under the leadership of Mr. R. Bailey, and opened with a sing-song by Miss Alice Diemert at the piano. Miss Blanche Dodge

then favoured the meeting with two violin selections accompanied at the piano by Mr. G. Jenkin. Mrs. W. Rinn gave an enlightening and interesting talk on Chopin, after which Mrs. J. B. McCClinton and Mr. R. Bailey sang two vocal duets. After a musical game led by Mrs. R. Vary, the meeting closed with "The King." Those present were: Miss A. Diemert, Mrs. J. Wilkins, Mrs. W. Rinn, Mrs. J. B. McCClinton, Mrs. A. Gamble, Mrs. J. Knox, Jr., Mrs. F. Woodbury, Mrs. J. Barry, Mrs. Kinkel, Mrs. R. Vary, Mrs. Therriault, Miss B. Dodge, Miss Broadfoot, Miss Baskerville-Smith, Mrs. Carlson, Mrs. W. Young, Mrs. Summers, Mr. O. E. Wall, Mr. W. Young, Mrs. R. Bailey, Mr. H. C. Treneer, Mr. G. Jenkin.

Meeting of Girl Guide Association at South Porcupine

Featured by Mrs. J. A. Connor of Kingston.

South Porcupine, Oct. 4th. Special to The Advance.

A meeting of the Girl Guide Association of South Porcupine was held on Monday afternoon at the home of Mrs. F. C. Evans. Following a business meeting Mrs. J. A. Connor, of Kingston, gave an excellent address to the ladies on the work of the Girl Guide Association in the world today.

Attending to hear Mrs. Connor were members of the Timmings Girl Guide Associations: Mrs. Booker and Mrs. S. Wheeler.

Members of the South Porcupine Association present were: Mrs. B. A. Harper; Mrs. L. Sharp, president; Mrs. R. P. Smith, secretary; Mrs. M. Bessette, Mrs. Maxwell Smith, Mrs. Cummings, Mrs. J. Dogue, Mrs. F. C. Evans, Miss B. M. C. Shaw, Mrs. E. J. Rapsey, and Captain D. Wilkins.

Mrs. Connor is Field Secretary of the Canadian Girl Guides for Ontario and is making a tour of the north, establishing new companies, training Guide leaders and addressing service clubs, etc.

Officers Installed at Rebekah Lodge at South Porcupine

South Porcupine, Oct. 6th. Special to The Advance.

On Friday night in the Masonic Hall, South Porcupine, a large number of members attended the installation of officers of Kitchener Rebekah Lodge No. 172.

Mrs. Verna Rayner acted as Installing Officer, being the District Deputy President.

The ceremony of installation was a very impressive one, each installing officer being gowned in a long white evening gown, wearing a corsage of Rebekah colors of pink and green.

As Mrs. Rayner took her place in the room, she passed through a guard of honour, each bearing a spray of gladioli. These were later placed as a sheath to form a presentation bouquet for the D. D. P.

Mrs. Rayner was assisted by the following installing officers:—Deputy Marshall Sister Susan Crews, Timmings; Deputy Warden Sister Hallie Rogers, Iroquois Falls; Deputy Recording Secretary Sister Dorothy Miller, South Porcupine; Deputy Financial Secretary Sister Minnie Rhodes, Matheson; De-

puty Treasurer Sister Thirza Stanlake; Deputy Chaplain Sister Charlotte Lacy Tambling; Deputy Inside Guardian Sister Josephine Eiler, Iroquois Falls; Musician Sister Mary E. Wilson, Timmings.

Officers installed for the fall and winter session were:

Junior Past Noble Grand—Sister Margaret Farrell.

Noble Grand—Sister C. Melville.

Vice Grand—Sister Florence Mitchell.

Recording Secretary—Sister Beatrice Libbey.

Financial Secretary—Sister Emily Lane.

Treasurer—Sister Beatrice Anthony.

Warden—Sister Lina Carruther.

Conductor—Sister Louella Stringer.

Inside Guardian—Sister Doreen Phillips.

Outside Guardian—Sister Mary Bass.

Chaplain—Sister Hettie Beard.

Right Supporter N. G.—Sister Eva Ewing.

Left Supporter N. G.—Sister Phronia Montrose.

Right Supporter V. G.—Sister Thirza Stanlake.

Left Supporter V. G.—Sister Mildred Dickson.

Musician—Sister Evelyn Webb.

A Past Noble Grand's jewel was presented by D.D.P. to retiring officer,

Sister Margaret Farrell, and again in South Porcupine. Deputy Chaplain Sister Charlotte Lacy Tambling, Deputy Inside Guardian Sister Josephine Eiler, Iroquois Falls; Musician Sister Mary E. Wilson, Timmings.

South Porcupine Young Lady Celebrates 14th Birthday

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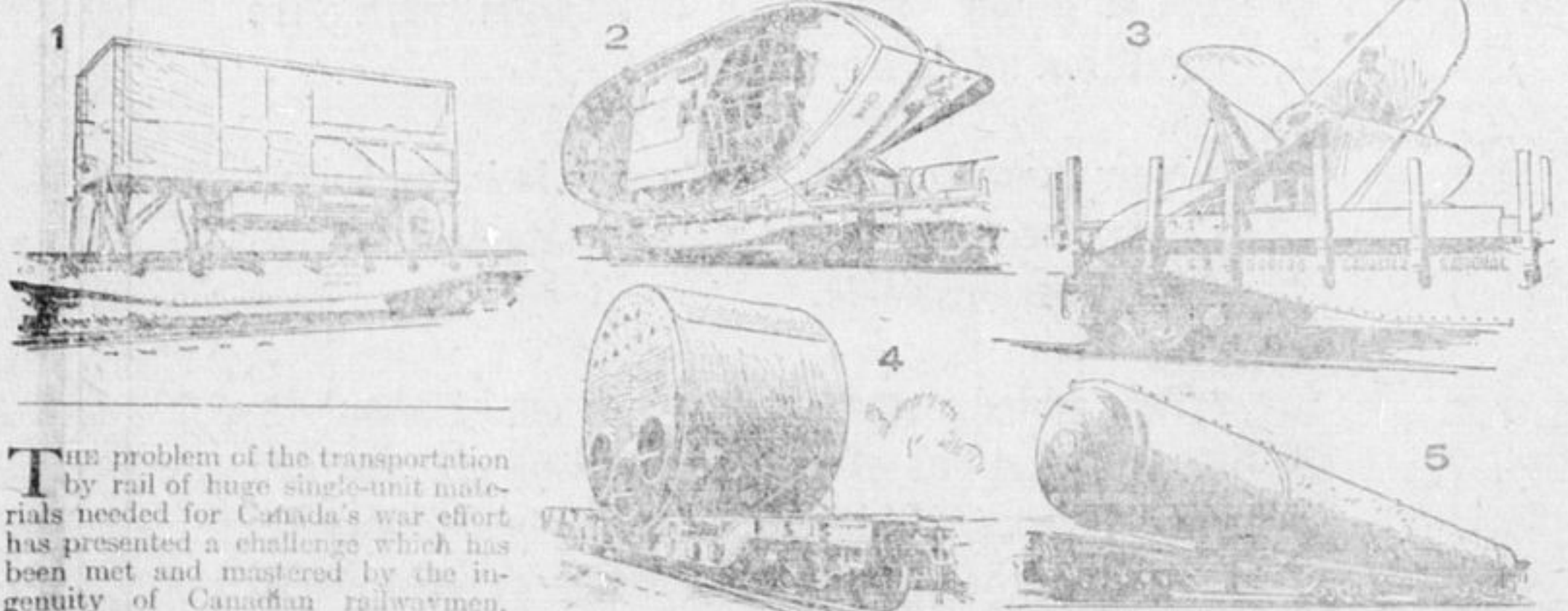
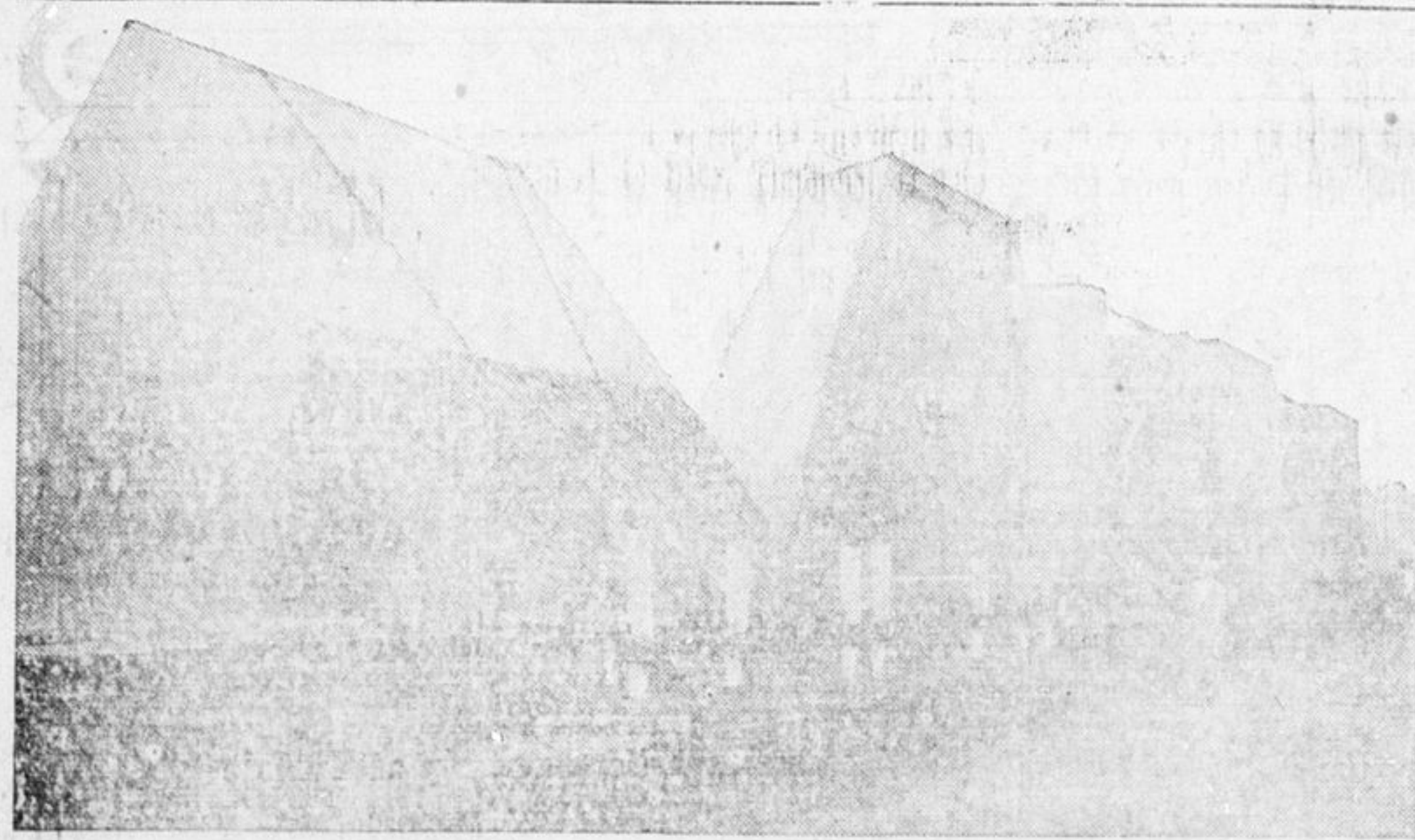
Miss Flora Reed, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Dan Reed, celebrated her 14th birthday on Friday. She was delighted when a number of her friends gave her a real surprise party in the evening. Besides bringing her a nice gift they also brought a decorated birthday cake with candles on it. The evening was spent in games and dancing.

Present were Loma Brown, Florence Price, Sybil Ostrom, Aila Antilla, Hilda Hairy and Lyja Makila.

WHAT HE HOPED

Two American boys walking along Whitehall, London—the street where the chief government offices are situated—halted a passing Tommy and said: "Say, which side is the War Office on?" "Blimey," said the Tommy, "outs I hope."—Cochran Post.

Invasion Barges Latest "High and Wide" Rail Leads



This problem of the transportation by rail of huge single-unit materials needed for Canada's war effort has presented a challenge which has been met and mastered by the ingenuity of Canadian railwaymen. These "oversize" shipments are moving daily over rail lines in all sections of the Dominion. To railwaymen they are known as "high and wide" loads. They require special care and skill in loading and many of them also necessitate special operating arrangements. The Canadian National Railways recently handled what is said to be the largest single-unit freight shipment ever carried by a railway on this continent. This was a 150-ton tank

loaded on three flat cars which was transported from Montreal to the Government's new synthetic rubber plant at Sarnia. The latest "high and wide" loads carried by the Canadian National are invasion barges, now forming such an essential part of the equipment of Allied fighting forces. The upper picture shows one of these invasion barges loaded on flat cars enroute to a Canadian port over the

lines of the National System. Other unusual freight loads illustrated in the drawings are: 1. An army laundry unit. 2. A sixty-foot tug built at Owen Sound and shipped by C.N.R. to the seaboard. 3. A huge propeller engine for a shipbuilding plant. 4. A massive boiler which required a specially equipped car and fixtures to prevent rolling. 5. The big tank loaded on three flat cars for the record trip.

Don't Be Among The Forgotten!

Every business to-day has its worries,—labor shortage, restrictions on commodities, quotas of supplies, etc., all due to Canada's great effort in Winning the War. Due to this condition some business firms are in danger of losing contact with their customers. In other words your concern is being forgotten.

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