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#### BACKUS INTERESTS PAY MORE

E. W. Backus, the Minnesota millionaire lumber king, finds it rather in its history. harder to deal with the Ferguson Conservative Government than he did with the late Drury administration. The famous Backus Deal of last June was regarded in many quarters as purely an election dodge on the part of the Tories, but it appears that there was something in it afer all.

The latest thing to be unearthed and nipped in the bud was an unsigned contract made by the Drury Hydro Commission when in power to deliver over to the Backus interests 20,000 horsepower from the Nipegon development. This was to be charged at \$18.00 per horsepower.

From the first, Sir Adam Beck was opposed to the deal, but was outvoted by both Lieut.-Col. Carmichael, and Mr. Ramsden, both of whom were agreeable to make the contract at \$18 per horsepower. The Gregory Commission, also a child of the Drury administration, recommended the contract. In the face of all this, however, Sir Adam was adamant and refused to affix his signature, and here the thing hung fire.

Government has been conducting negotiations with the Backus interests and have secured their signed contract for the 20,000 horsepower at \$21.00 per horsepower, on a 40-year contract. This is a saving of \$60,000 per year, or, in the 40 years, the Ferguson Government will have saved for the people of Ontario the aggregate sum of \$2,400,000.00. This one contract, if nothing else, should be convincing proof that there was something decidedly wrong when the cry about the Backus deal was rais-

#### BOIL THE WATER

Owing to the recent unfavorable report on the condition of our wells, we believe it would be well for all to exercise care and boil, or otherwise treat, the water before using it for drinking purposes. Owing to the excellent health enjoyed by the residents and the comparatively small amount of sickness, it is not our intention to sound an alarm, but the danger signal has been sounded, and reasonable precaution should be exercised by all who have to depend on wells for their water supply. The town is in a healthy condition and all hope it may continue to be so. It would be well to ascertain from good authorities the best methods of treatment so as to avoid a possible epidemic. There is no doubt about the correctness of the report, and to express other views would be putting ignorance up against knowledge

#### EDITORIAL NOTES

Some one has suggested that the reason some people get "mushy" when in love is because they become soft through too much squeezing.

The Vancouver Province says that "walking is said to develop more muscles than any other outdoor exercise, but shovelling snow is a good second." That being the case, the fellow that walks away from a snow shovel is getting more exercise than the one that shovels snow.

the storm of January, which was to for some time. be mild and quiet, we didn't know whether Mr. Bowes was a "prophet or "propheteer."

The man who used the wart on the back of his neck for a collar butte has lost his reputation. He isn't it with the fellow who is so "tigh that every time he winks his e his toes wiggle.

#### Out of Step.

An Irish sergeant was drilling ! very stupid recruits who could he prevailed upon to keep step. ing all patience, he shouted:

"If I knew which of ye two s peens was out of step, I'd put straight in the guard-room!"

# REGENT FOR 1924

Annual Meeting of Canadian Greys Chapter I.O.D.E. Monday, Was Best | meeting. At this meeting the Order | The lowing herd winds slowly o'e. In Its History. Many New Officers.

The annual meeting of the local Chapter of the I. O. D. E. was held in the Public Library at 8 o'clock. We are told it can safely be called the best meeting in the history of the society here, and that while quite a lot of the officials elected are new ones, the Regency, held last year by Miss J. Weir, was an acclamation for her this year. Under her guidance the society has prospered until

The following are the officers elected for the year 1924:

1st Vice Regent-Mrs. W. Calder. Secretary-Miss A.C. MacKenzie. Treasurer-Mrs. R. Burnett. Educational Secretary-Miss A

Ramage. Echo Secy .- Miss M. Calder. Standard-bearer-Mrs. J. M. Burgess (accl.).

Councillors:

Mrs. A. W. H. Lauder. Mrs. J. H. Harding, Miss E. Kress, Mrs. M. Knight,

Mrs. W. McDonnell, Mrs. W. C. Pickering. Mrs. W. E. Clark, Mrs. T. Henderson,

Miss M. Hunter.

Miss A. Kearney.

The annual report of the Secre-

"The Canadian Greys Chapter I.O. D.E. have once more finished a very Canadian Weekly Newspapers Assomention was the loss sustained by terest at the Association meetings

many new names to our membership weekly newspapers, and under its list and all through the year a keen present management enjoyed a good interest has been taken in the work. patronage and exercises a good mor-At the beginning of the year the Ex- al influence. As we knew the Keef- Perhaps near this neglected spot is ecutive thought it wiser not to work | years and have always held them in for the bazaar as we did in other high esteem, we deeply regret the years, but to have some particular misfortune. thing each month, and throughout the year this idea has been carried we wish the proprietors success in jout with the exception of July and their plucky effort to rise from the

"Beginning March 17, a very successful euchre and dance was held in the Town Hall by which we realwith holiday visitors.

brought back good reports.

on the Library grounds. ments were made for the Poppy sale steamer bound for Liverpool in mid-paying the regular hospital fees they for Armistice Day. The ladies work- Atlantic jumps overboard and is made a nice little donation towards ed hard in this campaign and a good drowned, is that anything against the the funds of the hospital to show sum was realized. We held a mas- White Star Line's ability to take the their appreciation. querade dance and euchre at Hallow- man across the ocean? And if a een and besides being a financial man jumps over the gunwale of his success it was also a great social religion and goes down, never to success. Some of the ladies of the rise, is that any reason for believing The storm of this week arrived town remarked that it was one of that religion has no capacity to take according to Bowes' schedule. After the nicest parties they had attended the man clear through? In the one

> making, but while that is very ne- religion his morals would have been cessary, I would hate to think that saved. the Canadian Greys Chapter, I.O.D.E.

was entirely mercenary. "Here I might say that the Order gave \$10 to the Children's Shelter at .Owen Sound: \$200 has been invested in Victory Bonds to be used for new Town Hall, or for renovating the resent Hall. There was a special you? meeting called to see about securing the Aeolian Entertainers for a concert on December 5. Although it shoes any more. was a very busy time, still the memhers present thought it would be peace until multitudes pay \$10 wise to have them and those who seat to watch pie-eating contests.

the form of a social and business voted \$50.00 toward the Memorial said committee to report later. Mon- Is painfully, alas, brought home to fects, such as wood fibre or cork ev was also voted towards fixing up the memorial grounds, \$10 to be given at once and \$15 in the spring. It was also decided to devote a certain percentage of the money raised by And all the herd a solemn stillness the Poppy sale to decorate the memorial grounds.

"It was also decided to give a play some time in the New Year. A comto-day it has the largest membership | mittee was also appointed to distribute Christmas cheer, and from all reports this committee did excellent

"At the January meeting it was Regent-Miss J. Weir, B.A. (accl.). decided to make talent money, but we will hear more about that later 2nd Vice-Regent-Mrs. S. MacBeth. on. Three pictures have been received by the schols here as part of the memorial scheme. "I hope the ladies will pardon the

time taken, but hope you will agree that this has been one of the most successful years that the Order has seen."

#### PRINTING OFFICE AT NORWOOD

Complete Loss In Early Morning Blaze.

On Sunday morning the printing office and plant of the Norwood Register, owned by Messrs. J. G. Keefer & Son, were totally destroyed by fire which broke out about 5 o'clock in a nearby building.

Mr. Keefer, the elder, was a son of tary, Miss A. C. MacKenzie, follows the late George Keefer of Flesherton The fight for freedom on the fields trust that she will soon be better. and one of the most progressive of Canadian weekly publishers. He is one of the leading members, of the It now develops that the Ferguson successful year's work. The only ciation and his opinions, based on a sad and deplorable item we would long and successful business experience, are always received with in-

> the Order in the death of one of our | The building was a modern and esteemed members, Mrs. S. D. Croft. well-equipped structure, erected by Where stands manure in many The members felt their loss keenly. Messrs. Keefer, and the plant a good one. The Register, established in "This year we have added a great 1870, is amongst the oldest existing

Arrangements are already under way to re-establish the paper and ashes and again wield an influence in the community.

#### STICK TO YOUR RELIGION

Practical religion is a friend of ized some money besides the pleas- longevity in the fact that it is a proure. We had another dance on April test against dissipations which in-3. We always have a birthday party, jure and destroy the health. Bad so in 1923 it was held on May 22. In men and women live a very short June Mrs. W. E. Clark kindly opened | time. Their sin kills them. You all her home to the Daughters and a know many good old men and but very pleasant and profitable time few bad old men. Why? Bad men was spent. At this meeting it was seldom live to get old. Lord Byron decided to cater to the Bowlers who died at Missoloughi at 36 years of were meeting here. The ladies age, himself his own Mazeppa, his entered heartily into the affair and unbridled passions the horse that some money was added to the treas- dashed with him into the desert. ury. No business of any account was Edgar Allan Poe died at Baltimore done during July and August, as at 38 years of age. The black raven those who were not away were busy that alighted on the bust above his chamber door was delirium tremens, "Our Regent and Treasurer were | "Only this, and nothing more." Nain Hamilton to the convention and poleon Bonaparte lived only just beyond mid-life, and died at St. Helena, "The opening meeting for the Fall and one of his doctors said that his term was held at the home of Mrs. disease was induced by excessive Burgess, but unfortunately the night snuffing. You have known many was very wet, so we did not have as people who have not lived out half One of our exchanges last week large a meeting as we otherwise their days on account of their dissisays, in referring to the death of an would have had. At this meeting pations and indulgences. Now, pracold school teacher, that he was plans were made to have Miss Drake tical religion is a protest against dis-"highly inspected." We would call of Arthur give her "Night In Fairy- sipation of any kind. But, you say, Staff Makes Many Friends Among the attention of Inspector Wright land." The concert was given on professors of religion have fallen, of South Grey, to this little mater. October 5 and 6, and though not up professors of religion have misapto expectations, still we had a little propriated trust funds, professors of balance left after paying our expen- religion have absconded. This is all Walter Ball, Glenelg, with the suctrue, but they threw away their re- cess of the operation performed upon "Time and money was also spent ligion before they did their morality their little daughter at the hospital and before they did these evil acts. here, and of the treatment received "At the October meeting arrange- If a man on a White Star Line by her there afterwards, that, after

case, if he had kept to the steamer "You will no doubt think that the his body would have been saved; in only aim of our Order is money- the other case, if he had kept to his

#### The Brute.

He (during the interval)-What did you say your age was? She (smartly)-Well, I didn't say: but I've just reached 21.

He.—Is that so? What detained The world may not be improving in

some respects, but you don't see red We shall not expect everlasting

#### heard them had a great musical ELEGY, WRITTEN IN A COUNTRY COW-YARD

ing day;

the lea: Hospital, the expenditure of this That milking-time will soon be on

Now fades the glimmering landscape on the sight. hold:

hungry plight Bawl for the milk their stomachs slap suppressed for a time with would enfold.

Save that from yonder hop-vined molasses; adding a stronger acid to covered bower

That gathering clouds portend

coming shower, And, in his haste, there's not a sol tary pail.

Let not ambition mock their useful From city life so happily secure;

For farming is to poverty a foil, And makes a living positively sure

WAS BURNED SUNDAY Far from the madding crowd's ignoble strife.

> to stray; Content to lead the quiet, simple!

And keep upon the straight and narrow way.

The boast of heraldry, the pomp of

of Marne Awaits, alike, the inevitable hour; The paths of duty lead but to the

Beneath those rugged sheds, roughly made,

moulding heap;

The offspring of a celebrated sire;

Some heifer that a record might have And raised the "average" a little higher.

Full many a cow of purest breed

The dark tempestuous waves winter bear: Full many a carcass lies to rot un-And waft its fragrance on the desert

Yet, even these bones from insult to protect.

Some frail memorial still erected Shall tell of her that oft the milkpail decked. And ask the passing tribute of a sigh.

EPITAPH Here rest her bones upon the lap of

A cow to fortune and to fame well-

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### SOCIAL AND PERSONAL

and things are looking brighter.

Mrs. George Sharp of Normanby man or woman is always welcome. spent last week at the home of her but the dyspeptic or hypochondriac Norwood Register Office Suffers Their calling gives but little time parents, Mr. and Mrs. John Backus, is not wanted anywhere, and is a here, who have not been well of late. nuisance as well. We thank Mr. F. R. McNally of Al-

sask, Sask., for his recent remittance and his kind expression of appreciation for The Chronicle, which he receives regularly every week.

Mrs. H. Dunn of Mulock has again been called to Toronto to attend her daughter, Miss Irene, who is ill.

#### KEEP IT TO YOURSELF

Learn to laugh. A good laugh is better than medicine. Learn how to tell a story. A well-told story is as Butter ..... welcome as a sunbeam in a sickroom. Learn to keep your own trou- Potatoes ..... bles to yourself. The world is too Hides ..... busy to care for your ills and sor- Sheepskins ...... 50c. @ \$1.00 The fertilizer for the cornfields keep, world, keep the bad to yourself. Geese ...... Learn to hide your pains and aches Turkeys .....

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under a pleasant smile. No one Mr. William E. Edmunds of Major, cares to hear whether you have the Sask., will accept thanks for remit- earache, headache or rheumatism. tance and kind works in apprecia- Don't cry. Tears do well enough in tion of The Chronicle. He says crops novels, but they are out of place in were good around Major this year, real life. Learn to meet your friends with a smile. The good humored

### DURHAM MARKET

Corrected February 7, 1924. Live hogs..... \$7.50 Wheat..... 95 @ 1.00 Oats..... 40 @ 45 Bariey..... 60 @ 06 Buckwheat ..... 75 @ 85 Peas..... 1.25 @ 1.50 Hay..... 10:00 @ 12.00

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chie 73%, Dorothy