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PASS BYLAWS

The city council has decided to submit to the people at the time of the civic election the two bylaws which were defeated earlier in the year. They are to provide sums of money for sewer extension work and for completing McBride Street where the road is now torn up opposite McClymont Park.

A great many people voted against those bylaws when they were submitted. They thought the city authorities should be taught a lesson not to begin work until they were given authority. Also, it was thought that in the present financial condition it was not wise to proceed with public works.

Now that the city council has received its reprimand, we suggest that the people should pass the two bylaws and relieve the next council of the work of financing them. Undoubtedly McBride Street should be completed and the sewer also should be financed.

Recriminations now are useless. We have to deal with the present situation in the best possible manner and the reasonable thing to do, it would seem just now, would be to pass the bylaws and have these works cleaned up.

Talking politics is all right but not during business hours.

NEED OF EMPLOYMENT

While passing the bylaws will not meet the city's need for employment after the new year, it will help. The bridge work on McBride has to be finished and connected up. But possibly other work will have to be commenced and if the next city council is relieved of the payments on these bylaws they will be in a position to undertake such public relief as may be necessary without seriously injuring the finances of the city.

It is seriously suggested, then, that the ratepayers should vote for the bylaws when resubmitted and get rid of these landmarks. Then future councils should take a lesson from the past and refuse absolutely to proceed with new work until the bylaws have been sanctioned by the ratepayers.

How can we expect others to think highly of us if we do not think highly of ourselves. Most people take us at our own valuation.

VALUE OF MINING CENTRE

The locating of the northern headquarters of the Consolidated Mining & Smelting Company at Prince Rupert is bound to have the effect of making the city more or less of a mining centre. The immediate neighborhood is recognized as the strategical location for a smelter that will serve both interior points and Portland Canal and other coast mines. It is the place where rail and water transportation meet.

While at present the staff of Consolidated consists of less than a dozen men, the local office has been established but a short time and it is probable it may have to be considerably extended. Prospectors who wish their samples examined by experts bring them to Prince Rupert and await the results of the assay. By doing so they get quick action, much quicker than if they had to send a long distance.

Learn to do without friends and you will get all you need or want.

X-Ray Motion Pictures Taken of Human Body

TORONTO, Dec. 10.—X-ray motion pictures or interior views of the human body! This latest innovation of the science of radiology and the use of the "Cin-ex Camera" was explained recently by Dr. H. A. Jarre of Grace Hospital, Detroit, Mich., before the fifteenth annual convention of the Radiological Society of North America.

In this way are too faint and are otherwise not as valuable as they might be. Now we have an apparatus which resembles a moving picture film which shows us many things we could not learn from a still photograph. In the fall of 1928 we first built such an x-ray moving picture machine. We confine our pictures to the rate of one to four per second, while a regular motion picture camera takes 16 shots per second.



Miss BROWN of X.Y.O.

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INSTALMENT XXXI

"Take off your hat quickly, please, Miss Brown," Col. Dessiter enjoined. "Sit down there. I want to talk to you. No, leave the letters alone until after I have finished."

Miss Brown obeyed meekly. "I asked you," he went on, "yes terday whether you would accept a position here as my secretary. You accepted. I have been thinking it over. I want to ask you now whether you will consent to be something more than my secretary."

Miss Brown's eyes had never been bluer than at that moment. She gripped the sides of her chair. She felt her heart almost stop beating, and then pounded away until she became actually breathless. He was looking at her intently, but without the slightest softening in the hard lines about his face.

"A secretary," he explained, "is neither one thing nor the other. You know more than any one else out side this building what my life is like, and the nature of my work. There are times when I need help. I want to explain to you, if you will listen carefully, why I think it worth while to devote my life to my job, and I want to ask you whether you are willing to take your share now and then of the risks to be something more than a mere typing secretary, to be actually one of my organization?"

"What you would in fact become is a secret-service agent of the X.Y.O. Department of the Home Office, with an affiliation across the way at Scotland Yard."

Miss Brown swayed a little in her chair. She felt an insane desire to laugh. What a fool she had been. Try as she would, she found speech impossible. Dessiter, however, continued:

"I want you to feel in your own mind that this is your worth while. He said impressively, 'Patriotism is rather at a discount since the war. Every one worked themselves up into a fever then, and nowadays there's a perfectly natural reaction to the whole thing.'

"I've got the Home Office to listen to me, hence this department of mine with a staff of over 200, not more than half a dozen of whom you will probably ever see. I'm in it up to the neck, and I've got a great pull. The bluff of my death has been entirely successful. They don't care a damn about John Glyde."

"Now, are you going to work with me, Miss Brown, body and soul? Listen before you answer. You will draw your \$300 a year and there will be grants liberal allowances, a pension afterward even if we are disbanded in six months, but there will never be any honors, mind."

"You'll never be made a Dame of the Empire, even if you save the country. No one will ever have heard of your name, or know what your work is."

She smiled. "As though I should care about such things," she said. "Besides, don't I know? I looked everywhere for your obituary notices."

"A proof of our power over the press," he remarked. "The Home Office is still a little difficult, but nothing like what it used to be, and Scotland Yard has an entirely new code."

"Do you think," Miss Brown ventured, "that there will ever be serious trouble?"

Dessiter shrugged his shoulders. "I don't see a bloody revolution, but a revolution of some sort is what we're out to fight against."

"Are you with me, Miss Brown?" She was her usual composed self now. She looked up at him and smiled.

"Absolutely," she assured him. "I'll do all I can. I'm not very clever, but I can be trusted."

He came and sat upon the edge of her table. His fingers were playing with his cigarette case. In the momentary pause she found herself studying him. He was wearing country clothes of gray tweed, inclined to be shabby, but well cut and becoming to his long, lithe figure. The lines of his face seemed to her to have become a little deeper even during the last few days, but his eyes were bright and there was a certain indefinable vigor, mental as well as physical, which seemed to radiate from him.

"Miss Brown," he said, "I never flatter. You have the gifts I need. You have no nerves; in your quiet way you are shrewd; you are not easily led away from a course of action upon which you have decided, and there is a great deal of force behind that sedate life of yours. I know, I'm a judge of men and women. I've had to be, for there are times you have to trust, times when a mistake would cost you your life. * * * It's agreed then. We work together?"

"I shall be very proud," she assured him.

"Nominally, of course," he continued, walking up and down the room, "you are my typist, just as nominally I am one of the Under-secretaries at the Home Office. Actually I am the chief of X.Y.O., and you will be my trusted helper as well as my secretary. * * * Now let me explain your first job. It isn't pleasant, but there's no risk."

"Here in London?"

"No; down at Camberley. By the bye, you will have to catch the 10:46 train from Waterloo."

Miss Brown glanced at the clock. "I must leave here in twenty minutes."

He nodded and took up some papers from his desk.

"Here are your instructions. You will book to Camberley, take a cab and drive to this address: 'Lady Hannerton, The Nook, Merton Road, Camberley. Lady Hannerton has applied to the principal agency in the West End for a secretary. By arrangement with the manageress you are to offer yourself for the post. Here are your references.'" he added, handing her a little bundle of letters secured with a rubber band. "Unquestionable, I think you will find them. Lady Hannerton is very fond of money, so we will make your selection a certainty by asking a very moderate salary—let us say £2 a week. Live in the house if you can. Exactly opposite is a grocer's shop with a telephone. Make friends with the woman who runs it. You may have to use the telephone frequently. Take down these two numbers, one for me, 1000 Whitehall, which you can use in any time, night or day, and in case of emergency or certain other contingencies which I will explain to you here, is a local number—100 Q Aldershot—which will put you in touch with a staff officer who is acting for us."

"How long am I to stay with Lady Hannerton, and what is my work to be?" Miss Brown inquired.

"You may be there a week, perhaps a fortnight," Dessiter announced. "If you have exceptional good luck perhaps only three or four days. From the moment of your arrival I want the names of every one who visits the house, both officially and for any other purpose."

"Is it Lady Hannerton who is the suspect?" Miss Brown inquired.

"It is. Suspect is the word. What we need is definite information. By some means or other an enormous quantity of literature of the worst type is being distributed among the soldiers in Aldershot, Camberley and the whole of that district. A great deal of it is in the shape of placards stuck up on walls and trees during the night, but a large quantity of pamphlets gets into the hands of the soldiers themselves, and we believe by means of their wives."

"Lady Hannerton is the widow of a very distinguished general who was killed during the last week of the war. She herself spends half her time on the Continent where our reports tell us that she gambles very high. She has no money except her pension, so that she has without a doubt means of supplementing her income. All these things we want to discover."

"May I suggest something?" Miss Brown ventured.

"Of course."

"You have powers which would enable you to examine Lady Hannerton's banking account. Couldn't you trace any sums that were paid in apart from her pension?" Dessiter nodded approvingly.

"Quite right, Miss Brown," he said, "but you may be sure that we've tried that. There are very considerable sums paid in at odd times, but these are all by cheque on a foreign bank over which we have no jurisdiction, and which refuses information regarding its clients. Even that has stopped lately, but we believe that Lady Hannerton has money paid to her account at a bank somewhere on the Riviera. There is one other person down there, Miss Brown,

whom I want you to look out for—a man named Thornton."

"A friend of Lady Hannerton?"

"Not that we know of, Thornton has been lecturing in Hyde Park for the last two years, but he is lying doggo just now. He is, as a matter of fact, rather one of the tragic figures on the other side. He was a magnificent soldier, did splendidly in the war, got a V.C. and every possible medal. When he came back he found his wife virtually dying of starvation. He had a large family and she'd worked herself to death. His two elder sons were killed, and unfortunately their lives were rather thrown away by a foolish commander."

"Thornton ought to have been found a job, of course, but he wasn't. He took to drink at odd times. No one seems to have looked after him, and then he got into other hands. He was mixed up in a brawl and sent to prison notwithstanding his record. That finished him. Today he's one of the most dangerous men on the other side. I had a talk with him once. He showed me the photographs of his dead wife and the account of his own conviction at How Street. He'd had it framed. He'll go on to the end now, and I'm afraid it will be a bad end."

Miss Brown glanced once more at the clock. Dessiter nodded.

"What have you to do," he summarized, "sounds simple enough, but you may find it not quite so easy as it seems. I want the names of every one who visits Lady Hannerton. I want to know particularly if Thornton is ever there. I want to fathom the nature of Lady Hannerton's activities among the soldiers' wives, and naturally I want you to discover, if you can, whether any of this infernal literature is distributed through her."

Miss Brown inclined her head gravely.

"I think I understand," she said. "You will probably get the job all right," he said, "but if there's any trouble about it come straight back and report."

Birth Control Is Being Promulgated Among Japanese Poor

TOKYO, Dec. 10.—The capital of Japan is making official preparations to furnish birth control information to its poor in an effort to relieve the suffering that comes from large families in poverty-stricken homes.

This sociological experiment, especially starting in the Orient where ancestor worship has placed a premium on large families, is hailed by proponents of birth control as opening the way for application of this remedy on a national scale to Japan's overpopulation problem.

Yukichi Shirakami, deputy mayor of Tokyo, said it was the purpose to give information only to couples that already have four children and can show that they are too poor to care for more.

Information will be handed to young, newly married couples and to persons of wealth. Mr. Shirakami said that the municipality hoped birth control would help to lower the high infant mortality rate and eventually reduce the number of families depending on official charity.

NEW YORK HOCKEY TEAM MANAGER



"Nip" Dwan of Toronto, who is business manager of the New York American Hockey Club.

Dr. W. T. Kergin Returns Today

Well Known Pioneer Surgeon Has Been Taking Up Three Months' Post-Graduate Work in East

After an absence of over two months taking up post-graduate work in Rochester, New York and Chicago, Dr. W. T. Kergin, well known pioneer local surgeon, is returning to the city on this afternoon's train from the east. In Chicago in October, Dr. Kergin attended the Surgeons' Congress of America.

Dr. Kergin is remaining over in Toronto until after Christmas with her sons, Will and Fred, who are completing their medical studies at Toronto University and her daughter, Miss Margaret Kergin, who is training for a nurse in Toronto General Hospital.

C.N.R. TRAINS

For the East—Mons. Weds. & Sats. 11:30 a.m.
For the West—Suns. Tues. & Thurs. 3:30 p.m.

Sport Chat

Line-ups for tonight's Billiard League fixture: W. J. Nelson (Grotto) vs. C. P. Balagno (Elks). George Waugh vs. A. A. Easson. Don Brown vs. F. H. Stephens. James Andrews vs. W. E. Williscroft. J. Hillman vs. W. Mitchell.

Players' Club and Three Two Taxi will renew their argument for Senior League basketball honors this evening when they meet at the Exhibition Hall in a fixture which is anticipated to turn out to be one of the liveliest encounters so far this season.

With five wins and two losses to date, the Dramatists are going to get in a commanding position at the top if they win this match. The Taxi Men so far have three wins and two defeats and the race will be interestingly tightened up if they are able to come out on top. In the Intermediate League the leading Big Four quintette will try conclusions with the cellar dwelling C.N.R. while High School will meet Naval Reserve in the second Intermediate fixture. Taken on the whole, it gives promise of being a rather interesting evening with the hoopsters.

The reserve list for 1930 of the Brooklyn baseball club indicates that the Robins are looking for a bigger and better pitching staff for the coming season. The list of pitchers is only one less than the number of all the other players. There are 19 hurlers on the list, four catchers, eight infielders and eight outfielders. Only four new names appear on the list this season. The rest are Brooklyn regulars or players who have been up before and were farmed out. Three newcomers are pitchers. Jim Faulkner, big left-hander drafted from the Buffalo Internationals; Hollis Thurston, who throws with his right hand, drafted from San Francisco, and John Krieger, young right-hander purchased from Macon. The fourth player is Joe Vance, an outfielder, purchased from Rocky Mountain of the Eastern Carolina League.

ELKS BEAT VETERANS

Postponed Billiard Fixture From Last Week Completed With Playing of Outstanding Game

A. A. Easson (Elks) defeated A. Murray (Canadian Legion) by a score of 250 to 218 in a billiard game postponed from last Tuesday. This makes the final aggregate score for this fixture 1218 to 956 for the Elks over the Canadian Legion.

In one of two postponed games from last Thursday's fixture of Canadian Legion vs. Grotto, J. Hillman (Grotto) won 250 to 120 from Red Young (Canadian Legion) with A. Murray (Canadian Legion) still to meet in another postponed game of this fixture, the score to date stands at 925 to 870 in favor of the tobaccoists.

Grotto and Elks are to meet in tonight's league fixture.

Taking into account the completion of last week's Elks vs. Canadian Legion, the league standing is now as follows:

	G.	TH.	AV.
Grotto	10	11,791	1,179
Elks	10	11,177	1,118
Canadian Legion	10	10,602	1,060

Had Good Hunting At Welcome Harbor

Party On Trolling Boat Ideal Bagged One Deer Each and Also a Goose

Skipper Neils Rudd, Harry Stiles, E. Hellman and Ald. George Sunderham returned to port late Sunday night after a successful hunting trip to Welcome Harbor aboard the trolling boat Ideal. They bagged a deer apiece and also one goose. They were away two days and a half.

British People Are Using Many Cigarettes Today

LONDON, Dec. 10.—In the last twelve months 38,293,999,560 cigarettes were sold in the United Kingdom. This means that if every man, woman and child had an equal share they would have had 912 cigarettes each. This is more per capita than in the United States where the ratio is 856 per person.

Five years ago, according to a London retailer, whose statistics are regarded as accurate, the British average was a little more than 800. Women are responsible for the increase. "Among my women clients," said this retailer, "is one who regularly smokes 50 cigarettes a day."

Last year \$2,214,942,950 was spent on cigarettes in the United Kingdom. Toward this expenditure the woman smoker contributed \$417,333,970 cigarettes.

BOWLING POSTPONED

Last night's St. Andrew's Society carpet bowling fixture between J. Frew and J. McLeod was postponed. The next regular game will be on Thursday night between J. Watson and A. McLeod.

GROTTO LEAD STILL LARGE

Operators and Cold Storage Tied For Second Place in Cribbage

Prince Rupert Cribbage League results last night were as follows: P. R. Hotel 14; Orange Lodge 13; C. N. R. A., 15; New Empress 12; Eagles 12; Cold Storage 16; Moose 14; Grotto 13; Seal Cove Sawmill 13; K. of C. 14; Operators 14; I. O. O. F., 13.

League Standings

	W.	L.	Pts.
Grotto	161	109	161
Operators	145	125	145
Cold Storage	145	125	145
Moose	143	127	143
I. O. O. F.	139	131	139
Eagles	137	133	137
P. R. Hotel	132	138	132
C. N. R. A.	131	139	131
K. of Columbus	127	143	127
New Empress	122	148	122
Orange Lodge	120	150	120
Seal Cove	118	152	118

SKATING ENJOYED

Large Crowd Visited Ice On Lake Out Kaizen Island Highway Last Evening

Some seventy-five or eighty skaters visited the lake on the Kaizen island highway last night to enjoy the first skating of the season here. The ice was reported to be fine and smooth and of substantial thickness.

Some of the skaters went out in private cars, while there were also a number of taxi parties.

DOG DERBY AT THE PAS

THE PAS, Man., Dec. 10.—Over a slightly altered 400-mile cross-country course, The Pas will stage its annual dog derby, northern racing classic to the Flin Flon and return, next March. It was decided here, The famous non-stop endurance test, most gruelling of all dog racing events, will again summon to the north many of the most noted "mushers" from the east as well as the favorites from Alaska and northern Manitoba.

In the midst of The Pas' colorful winter carnival, the derby will start from here on March 4. Hardened mushers, including such noted figures as Emile St. Goddard, six times winner of the event; Earl Brydies, bosom chum of the French Canadian youth; and "Shorty" Busick, who came from The Pas through Cranberry Portage to Flin Flon and except that they must pass through Cranberry, the devious and wind-swept trails of the north are open to their choosing.

Dr. P. C. Robertson was elected president of the carnival association, succeeding Mayor Barney Sutt.

Electric Shock Kills Big Fish When Hooked

SAN DIEGO, Cal., Dec. 10.—Landing a fish may be sport, but when the fish weighs 100 pounds or more, it is altogether a different problem. At least tuna fishermen off the coast of Mexico feel that way. With the assistance of General Electric engineers, they have rigged up a scheme of electrocuting the fish once they are firmly hooked.

Some of the boats are equipped with 110-volt direct current. On one side of the circuit is attached a small steel plate which is thrown into the water alongside the ship. The other side of the circuit is carried to the steel hoop through a small insulated wire. Once the fish is hooked a switch is closed, sending sufficient current to stun it.

The same equipment has been tried out on swordfish, weighing from 800 to 1000 pounds, which usually require seven or eight hours to land. By using electricity these fish have been landed in approximately five minutes.

Billiard Averages

G. Waugh (G)	9	2190	244
J. Hillman (G)	9	2168	241
J. Andrews (G)	10	2571	257
D. Brown (G)	6	1424	237
W. J. Nelson (G)	11	2588	235
G. P. Tinker (CL)	10	2334	233
A. A. Easson (E)	9	2096	232
M. M. McLachlan (G)	8	1850	231
F. Stephens (E)	9	2077	231
W. Lambie (E)	3	891	230
W. E. Williscroft (E)	7	1692	227
W. Mitchell (E)	8	1785	223
J. W. Scott (CL)	9	1984	220
C. Balagno (E)	10	2191	219
M. Andrews (CL)	11	2375	216
A. Murray (CL)	10	2029	208
R. Young (CL)	6	1201	190
J. H. Pillsbury (CL)	2	380	189
A. Donald (E)	4	755	178
F. G. Fyfe (CL)	6	1069	178
G. Howe (G)	1	118	118