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FINLAND READY FIGHT FOR
HER FREEDOMDISCUSSIONS BETWEEN FINLAND
& RUSSIA CONTINUE TO-DAY

LONDON, Nov. 3 - Finland and Russia to-day continued their recent discussions which have been made more difficult by recent fierce attacks by Soviet official newspapers on the policy of Finland and Sweden. Finland continues to firmly resist Soviet demands for naval bases or to demilitarize her borders. In a speech Wednesday Finland's Foreign Minister declared that Finland was ready to fight to preserve her independence.

WESTERN FRONT QUIET: Nov. 3 -

Very little activity was reported on the Western Front to-day. Germany reports feeble artillery fire and a small amount of reconnaissance work going on.

PARIS, Nov. 3 - A German twin-motored plane was brought down by British fighter planes in France to-day and the pilot and 3 officers taken prisoners. The machine became lost over the North Sea.

NOV. 3 - Since the war started British & French ships have captured half a million tons of contraband goods headed for Germany. Much of this includes metals, iron ores, raw materials and other war necessities including 12 million gallons of gasoline.

LONDON, Nov. 3 - The American steamer "City of Flint," is being taken to a German port by its prize crew. The United States have sent a message to Germany demanding that care be taken for the safety of all members of the crew.

MELBOURNE, Australia, Nov. 1 - Australia has decided to send a full reconnaissance squadron to Britain.

ROME, Nov. 1 - At least half a dozen changes have been made in the Italian cabinet this week. Marshall Graciano has been named Chief of Staff for the army.

LONDON, Nov. 1 - Beginning Dec. 15 only 1/4 lb. of butter and bacon will be allowed each adult as Britain begins its food ration policy. Germany began food rationing 9 weeks ago. German subjects are now only allowed 2 cigars a day at the most, 10 cigarettes while no German women are allowed to buy tobacco of any kind.

SENATE OK'S NEUTRALITY
BILL BY 60 MAJORITY

WASHINGTON, Nov. 3 - The U. S. Senate to-day put its final seal of approval on the new Neutrality Bill with a large majority of 60 votes. With the arms embargo clause now deleted, the United States can ship arms and military supplies to belligerent nations. Big shipments to Britain and France will get under way at once. A large number of battle planes are waiting & will be flown over.

BAZAAR & SHOW
TO-NIGHT

All trails in Mayo will lead to Pioneer Hall to-night where the Women's Auxiliary of St. Mary's Church is holding its annual Church Supper, Bazaar and Sale of Work.

The supper starts at 5.30 and lasts until 7 o'clock when the various stalls and other attractions will be open to the Public.

A moving picture show, which will start after the bazaar is over, will wind up the affair. All those attending the dinner will be given free tickets to the show. A 50¢ charge will be made for all not at the dinner but all kiddies will be free to the show.

Many fine articles are on sale this year. A very fine dinner will be served and a big turnout is anticipated.

AIRMAIL IN BY
PLANE TO-DAY

The White Pass Ford, Pilots Vines and Oakes, returned to Mayo to-day, bringing air mail from the south. From Mayo the big ship continued on to Dawson. Eric Faa was an outgoing passenger for the Gold City.

WEATHER NIPPER
ON FRIDAY

Following the past several days of real mild weather, the temperature was quite a bit nippier to-day but, even at that, it was only 10 above zero at 10 o'clock this morning. A brilliant sun dog in the southern sky late this afternoon may signify colder weather in the offing.

YOUNG GALENA CHILD
BADLY SCALDED

The young son of Mr. and Mrs. Krusel of the Silver King, received painful burns on Wednesday evening when he sat in a pan of hot grease which his mother had just taken off the fire. Mrs. Krusel had just finished making a batch of doughnuts and had taken the pan of hot grease to the shed behind the kitchen. The little lad followed his mother who went back into the kitchen. A few seconds later she was shocked by the child's screams and ran to his aid.

A. K. Schellinger, T. Y. Sup't. rushed the child to the hospital at once.

Radio reception has been especially clear during the past week in this district.

Banner Crowd, Swell Music Highlights of Dance

THE MAYO MINER

"A lot of News in a Little Bit of Space"

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The Miner is Your Local Newspaper and is devoted in the attempt to picture in a fair and unbiased way the events and happenings that take place weekly in this, the Yukon's greatest silver camp. The Miner strives to report in these columns the news and views of most popular appeal to its readers and supporters. Of course, in this, we often fail. We don't pretend to be perfect. A number look upon this weekly sheet as a "slangy little rag" oftentimes turned out, in their opinion, under a miasma of greyest fog. (Bats in the belfry in other words.) Be that as it may, the Miner never has, nor never will, publish a paper along the lines of "teacat tactics." Should any of these lines tread on any readers toes, we're truly flabbergasted. We can assure you it is meant for not a single one of our regular subscribers or supporters. If any not in this category read this, and feel sore or amused or something like that, thanks for the compliment but we'd really rather have your two bits. But, to our subscribers and supporters, all you who have helped to keep a local paper going in this community by your loyal support and tolerance, many happy birthdays. Please still consider the Miner your paper, willing and eager to supply you with the latest, most interesting and concise news at our disposal. If its news of most interest to the many or if its news that gives a boost to the camp, you'll find it in the Miner. Whew! Now that that's off our "chist" let's get on with the week's digest of local happenings and what nots.

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DID YOU KNOW THAT: Christmas Eve this year falls on Sunday.

THAT: The next southbound sailing of the CPR Princess Norah out of Skagway after Sat. Nov. 4th's. sailing, is on Nov. 14th.

MAYO CATHOLIC CHURCH

Church Services for November.

SUNDAYS:	Mass	10.30 a.m.
	Benediction	7.30 p.m.
WEEK DAYS:		
	Mass	8 a.m.

Rev. Father A. Monnet, O. M. I.

RECORD CONTINGENT IN FROM GALENA
MAKES MONDAY'S DANCE HUGE SUCCESS
\$30.00 CLEARED FOR XMAS TREE FUND

A record crowd from the Elsa and Calumet camps on Galena Hill came in Monday night to join with Mayoites in putting over one of the finest dance hits of the year in Pioneer Hall.

Originally scheduled for Halloween's Eve, the hop was put ahead one night and the wisdom of this switch in dates was amply proved by the large turnout. After paying all expenses, \$30. clear remained from the proceeds and this sum was donated to the Mayo Xmas Tree Fund.

The sum of \$29.50 was cleared, to be exact, but when Pete Buckway went to the Bank to deposit the surplus, Manager Hall chipped in 50% out of his own pocket to make it an even amount.

Credit for the fine success of Monday night's dance goes to Peter and Frank Buckway, who got up the affair and to the musical stars who provided such grand music for the dancers.

The Pioneer Hall floor was waxed and glistening; above the stage hung suspended over the orchestra stand a beaming moon while four picturesque lanterns hung above each corner of the big hall.

From the bandstand came wafting across the hall the syncopated dance melodies of those three aces of harmony - Bill Thomey and his banjo with electric amplifier, Miss Dorothy Durie and her famous piano-accordion and "Chuck" Caddy and his swing-time traps. "Chuck" also handled the vocal refrains and a fine job he made of it, too.

Miss Durie, Bill and "Chuck" thrilled the large crowd of dances with their catchy swing arrangement of all the popular new dance numbers, pleasingly blended with dozens of the old favourites. At midnight Bob Sheardon joined the trio with his singing violin. And from then on, until the home waltz at 2 o'clock, did those swingsters really "go to town." As a dance band, with syncopated magic that makes for real dancing pleasure, these four harmony aces are "tops." There wasn't a sheet of music in sight on the orchestra stand all night. "Dot" Bill, "Chuck" and Bob just play from the bottom of their hearts but how the dancers love it.

Seldom in many months has there been such a large crowd in from Galena. Eight cars came in that evening, one right after the other, bringing about forty hill visitors in for the gala evening. There was a holiday atmosphere in the hall, a gay spirit among the throng of dancers and spectators and no wonder so many kept saying, even the next day, "That was the best dance I've been at in weeks."

Sandwiches, cake and coffee were served on the stage at midnight. Assisting the Buckway brothers with the serving of the "eats" were Mrs. Neil Keobke, Miss Anne Goulter, Miss Helen Goulter, & Mrs. Alex McCarter, with a number of other willing volunteers offering their services.

Although the dance was originally scheduled for a Halloween affair, it was also held in compliment to several popular, well-known Mayoites who are leaving for the outside, including Mr. and Mrs. Wesley Palmer, Claude Irving, and others. Incidentally, Pete Buckway, the moving spirit behind Monday's dance, is also leaving shortly for the outside.

In addition to the popularity of Monday's dance, the success of the affair amply proved what a big hit a dance in Mayo can be when the co-operation of the Galena crowd is behind it.

DON MILLAR, who had been in the hospital for the past several days receiving treatment for an injured hand, was discharged on Tuesday. Don hopes to be able to leave for the Calumet to resume his job there Friday.

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Pilots Vines and Oakes brought the White
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continued to Whitehorse. Outgoing passengers
from Mayo were: Mr. and Mrs. A. M. Krusel,
Claude Irving, Charley Nixon and Fred Morito.
Miss V. Page was an incoming passenger on
the Ford from Dawson. The plane brought Daw-
son airmail.

BELLANCA IN ON MONDAY

Bringing airmail from the south the Bell-
anca "BLT", Pilot Wasson, came in from White-
horse on Monday and went on to Dawson.

WERNECKE WAS HELD UP A WEEK

On his trip south from Mayo 3 weeks ago Mr.
Wernecke, General Manager of the T. Y. Corp'n.
and his Bellanca plane were held up for a week
in Whitehorse on account of poor flying weather
according to the Whitehorse Star of Oct. 20.

LANDED BIG FORD ON GLACIER BEACH

While flying south on Oct. 20th. with a load
of passengers from Skagway who wanted to catch
the southbound steamer at Juneau, Pilot Vernon
Bookwalter and Co-pilot Merrit Boyle were for-
ced to make a landing en route and came down
on the beach at the foot of the Davidson Glac-
ier. The plane returned to Skagway the next
day.

SEAPLANE SINKS

KETCHIKAN, Oct. 23 - A Canadian seaplane
carrying supplies to mines on the Unuk river
sank in a lake during a gale Saturday. A heavy
piece of machinery the plane was carrying shift-
ed during the storm. Salvagers expect to raise
the plane.

AROUND TOWN

WEATHER TURNS MILD Even the old timers who have been around these parts for the past quarter of a century are scratching their heads these days trying to figure out the weather. October's early winter has suddenly changed back to ideal fall weather as we make the turn into November. Last Sunday it rained while all this week there have been numerous wind squalls accompanied by mild temperatures. A great deal of the early snow has disappeared during the thaw of the past few days. With milder temperatures now prevailing, denizens of the district foresee a marked chunk taken out of the long winter. Last week the river in front of Mayo was nearly frozen over. This week it is running wide open in places. Late afternoon and evening frosts have left the streets and roads glazed and precarious for walking.

Indeed, it has been an unusual fall and winter to date.

Quite a few Sourdoughs of the district predicted several weeks ago that most of the early snow would disappear before real winter set in. They sure called the turn.

HALLOWEEN PARTY: The spacious dining room at the G. N. Cafe proved a popular spot on Tuesday afternoon for the school children of Mayo when George Nagano, genial proprietor & his staff staged the annual GNCafe Halloween party. The school children marched to the Cafe in pairs under the watchful eye of Principal Gordon McIntyre. Once there they found long tables laden with all kinds of eats appropriate to the Halloween occasion and all the trimmings including caps and noise makers. Other grown ups in attendance, besides Gordon included Mr. and Mrs. George Andison and Rev. R. Boyd.

Miss Mary Yoshida and Miss Kay Takiguichi looked after the tables.

HOME OF HOSPITALITY: The home of Mr. and Mrs. Ed. Kimbel on Third Ave. has truly been the "home of hospitality" these past few days.

After the dance Monday night a party was held at the Kimbel home to which nearly every one who was at the dance attended. Nearly all of the Galena Hill guests were present and enjoyed the party immensely while waiting for the new dawn before heading home to Galena.

Music for the party was supplied by Miss Dorothy Durie, Bob Sheardon and Bill Thomey.

All told about 60 guests were present.

On Halloween night the Kimbel home was again the scene of a very enjoyable night-after-the-dance party; the sponsors being those two genial TYers from the Calumet - Alex Levin & and Ray Larkin. A number of those who are leaving soon for the outside were guests of honor.

On Wednesday evening the Kimbel residence resounded with the merriment and good cheer of a dinner party. It was Claude Irving's farewell dinner party and 12 guests were in attendance. After a sumptuous dinner, with all the trimmings, an enjoyable evening was spent dancing and making merry.

AFTERNOON SERVICES: Rev. R. Boyd has announced this week that beginning this coming Sunday, Church Services in St. Mary's will be held at 3.30 in the afternoon for the duration of the winter months. The regular weekly meeting of the Discussion Group will be held on Monday night of next week.

PERSONALS

POPULAR MAYO FAMILY LEAVING

Mayo will shortly be losing one of its most popular young couples when Mr. and Mrs. Wes Palmer and family leave for the coast. They have reservations for the southbound boat of Nov. 14th.

Since their four-year sojourn in Mayo Wes and Mrs. Palmer have made a wide circle of friends in this community and their departure will be greatly missed. On occasions without number their home on 4th. Ave. has been the scene of many happy parties and gatherings.

For the past two years Wes has been operating a car service between Mayo, Galena and Keno. He has sold his car business to his brother George who will continue the service. Wes and his family are going to Vancouver where Wes plans on taking up a course in airplane welding with a view of entering an airplane factory later. It will be the Palmers first visit to the coast city.

During their stay in Mayo Mrs. Palmer has taken an active interest in the various clubs and organizations in Mayo, particularly as a member of the Altar Society. Their two young daughters Leila and Norma have been attending the Mayo Public School.

In their departure from Mayo, Wes and his wife and family will carry with them the best wishes of their scores of friends in the silver district who wish them every success and happiness in their new home.

Wes has sold his home in Mayo to Yorke Wilson, Local White Pass Agent.

DANCE HELD AT THE ELSA

Another popular Saturday evening dance was held in the Community Club at the Elsa last Saturday night. There was a large crowd on hand, especially from the Calumet camp, and a fine time was enjoyed. Music was by the Public Address system. Refreshments were served after the dancing program came to an end.

Several Mayoites made the trip up the hill to attend the affair including Mr. and Mrs. Wes Palmer, Mrs. A. McCarter, Mr. and Mrs. S. M. Wood, Dick Steeves, Fred Marshall, Miss Anne Goulter and her sister Helen and George Palmer.

MISS V. PAGE, matron of Mayo General Hospital, returned on Thursday's plane from her recent holiday trip in Dawson.

S. M. WOOD, Mayo mining recorder, got back last Friday night from a trip of inspection to the mining camps on Galena.

GEORGE ANDISON, Mayo Manager for Burns & Co. Ltd. left on a business trip to Galena last Sunday, returning home Monday night.

CLAUDE IRVING, well-known T. Y. welder at the Elsa, left on Thursday's plane en route to the coast. Claude planned on visiting his mother in Vanderhoof before proceeding to Vancouver to take up a course in electric welding. Many farewell parties were held in Mayo for Claude prior to his departure.

ANOTHER WELL KNOWN young Mayo man who left by plane yesterday en route to Vancouver was Charley Nixon. Charley is also heading for Vancouver. For the past three weeks he had been visiting his sister - Mrs. Jean Woolsey, at Keno.

NO ELECTION BEFORE NEXT SESSION

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LETTER TO THE EDITOR

CO-OPERATION FROM
MAYO PARENTS

Dear Sir:- What is the matter with some of the parents of Mayo School children?

Do they want their children to be taught properly or just let them slough over their pieces any old way? Do they think I get any pleasure out of drilling the children when I have to contend with the same mistakes day after day?

Don't they know the difference between rattling off a few lines, and speaking plainly, with expression? Do they ever stop to think that I am giving freely to their children what it cost my parents plenty of money for my tuition.

If the parents would sooner have some one else teach the children, let them come forward and say so instead of backbiting. Of course I could make things a lot easier for myself by picking out some of the brighter pupils and leave the others out, but that is not my way. For if I have anything to do with this school concert, every child is going to have an equal chance to show his or her ability.

So it is up to the parents to give me their co-operation instead of putting obstacles in my way.

Will the parents call on me Sunday, 5th. of November, when I will listen to their complaints and decide what is best to do.

MRS. M. B. MILLAR

ED. NOTE: The above letter is in regards to the School Children's X-mas concert. Mrs. Millar has explained to the Miner that one or two parents have complained (not to her) that the rehearsals take up too much of their children's time after school. She points out that only a few children are rehearsed each afternoon; that is they are taken in turns. But, she explains further, many of the children "stick around" even when they are not needed, and then report at home that they were "practising" for the concert.

We know for a fact that Mrs. Millar spent many hours in preparing the children for last year's concert which was prevented on account of the chicken pox here around the holiday time. We also know that she has expended at least \$15. of her own money in arranging costumes & buying material for same. This year Mrs. Millar is duplicating her efforts in doing everything possible to insure the success of the concert.

She rightly feels that if any parents are not satisfied with her efforts they might at least discuss the matter with her and not go behind her back to do so.

NO FEDERAL ELECTION BEFORE NEXT JANUARY.

OTTAWA, Oct. 25 - Whatever may happen in Quebec to-day, a federal general election before the next session of Parliament in January is not being considered.

MOTOR-BIKE MUSHERS FEARED LOST

CHARLEY TAYLOR RUNS DOWN A FOX WITH HIS CAR. THOT IT WAS A COYOTE

Isaac Taylor & Bill Drury may savey the trapping game pretty well but from now on these two Sourdough merchants of the Yukon will have to go some to beat the stunt which Charley Taylor, of the Mayo branch, pulled off this week.

Out for a ride one evening this week with his wife, Charley was deftly wheeling his Chev. along the snow-packed highway near the 3-mile lakes when he spotted a small animal loping along the road ahead of the car. Right away he figured the swiftly-moving object ahead was a coyote, and stepped on the gas. Purring like a sewing machine and picking up speed on the hill in a manner that would have made Henry Ford snort with envy, the little Chev. spurted ahead into the night.

Quickly the gap between car and "coyote" diminished. Blinded by the car's lights the fleeing animal raced straight ahead on the smooth roadway. Just as it sped 'round a bend the car caught up with its rear and knocked "Mr. Coyote" for a row of turnip seeds.

Stopping the car, Charley walked back, expecting to find one more vanquished coyote but his surprise knew no bounds when the animal turned out to be a red fox.

"It was a fair size," Charley related " & the pelt should be worth around \$7 or \$8."

Earlier in the week A. K. Schellinger, T. Y. Superintendent, chased a red fox in his car in the neighborhood of Bottle Creek.

Charley swears that "Schelly" must have winded Mr. Reynard so that it was no trick for him to run it down later.

Now if that isn't trapping in the modern manner...well, we ask you!

Wednesday Charley duly recorded his prize catch in his movie album before taking it to the tanners.

FORMER YOUNG ELSA COUPLE OPEN BEAUTY PARLOR, WHITEHORSE

In the Oct. 20th. issue of the Whitehorse Star appears an attractive ad announcing the opening there of Dick and Ivy's Beauty Parlor.

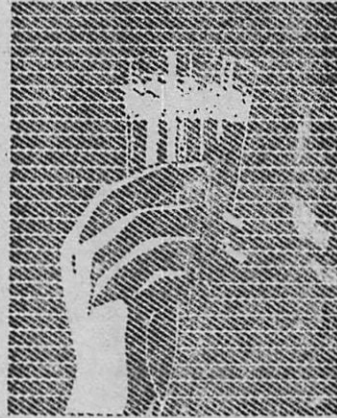
Mr. and Mrs. Dick White, former well-known young Elsa couple, arrived in Whitehorse a short time ago following their long sojourn outside. As they have started a new business in the Gateway City it looks as if Dick and Ivy are back to stay in the North.

Best wishes Dick and Ivy from your many friends in the silver district, all of whom are glad to hear you're back in the Yukon again after your visit outside.

MAYOITES AFIELD

A recent letter from a Sourdough Mayoite now in Vancouver states that the Ambassador Hotel there (Jimmy Keith, Manager) is fast becoming the most popular spot in the city with Yukoners. Angus McLeod has returned from Harrison Hot Springs and is on the way back North.... Clem Sinyard has gone to New York.... Dr. Nash now has an office in the Birks Building....Sinc. Dunnett arrived in Vancouver Oct. 16th.

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SILVERITES WITNESS ECLIPSE OF MOON

Silverites witnessed an eclipse of the moon on Friday night, Oct. 27th., under perfect conditions.

The phenomena began about 9 o'clock and lasted for over 2 hours when the moon again came into the clear, flooding the mountains and valleys in a silvery glow. It was just like daylight outside at 1 o'clock so bright was the moonlight.

An eclipse of the moon, that is a total eclipse such as last Friday night, occurs only rarely.

Sam Wood relates an interesting coincidence in connection with last week's eclipse. He was listening to the 9 o'clock news when the radio announcer mentioned that northerners would have a fine view of the moon's eclipse on that date. That was Sam's first inkling that an eclipse was due. He immediately went out to take a look see and sure enough... there was the eclipse in progress.

MOTORBIKE ARGONAUTS MISSING MANY WEEKS

KETCHIKAN, Alaska - Oct. 25: Friends here have expressed fear that the attempt of "Slim" Williams, noted Alaskan musher, and his partner John Logan to go to the New York Fair by motorcycle from Fairbanks might have ended in a tragedy. They have been unreported for several weeks.

The motorbike argonauts left Atlin early this fall on the next lap of their long over-trek after successfully negotiating the worst part of the trip from Fairbanks and through the Yukon. Williams is an experienced musher and knows the country where he was last reported thoroughly.

Squeaks and Squawks

"Heck," grimaced Plunk Bender, Mayo's most prolific crystal gazer the other morning as he whittled off a pipeful of MacDonal d plug. "All these kicks you hear about the weather, sum 'em all up and what do they amounts to?"

Plunk ground the cut plug between his calloused hands and jammed the 'baccy into his Meerschau, '98 vintage. Great blue billows of smoke curled around his massive head and shaggy ears as he lit up the bonfire.

"What do they amounts to?" he repeated disgustedly, puffing away to beat blue blazes. "Nuthin' I tell you, plain nuthin!"

Plunk prowled over to a weather-beaten cracker box and hoisted out his crystal-gazing apparatus. A great beam of satisfaction lit up his leathery countenance as he eyed the big crystal globe lovingly. Gingerly he brought it over and laid it down on the small, spruce table, already cluttered up with scads of old magazines and newspapers. Slowly and with dignified aplomb, the old Fakir eased his huge bulk into the squeaky chair in front of the table and gazed long and mysteriously into the glass.

"Y'see," he growled savagely, pointing a long, gnarled finger directly at the centre of the crystal ball, "it's just as I predicted five weeks ago. This snow is all going to a-melt away and leave a solid layer of ice over everything. According to what I see here now Jupiter will soon be moving across the heavenly orbit into the sphere of Scorpion or "Scorpy" as I always call him affectionately. Well, son, that spells bad weather. Oh yes, very bad weather indeed wherever you may be. But then that's natural. Them's the laws of Nature and us human mortals shouldn't kick. No siree! Now my theory is that this north country is quickly growing warmer and warmer. Some of these days, maybe not in your time or mine, we'll see this whole North country becoming the temperate zone and all the southern countries growing colder all the time!"

Plunk let his eyes, the color of blue glacial ice, become fixed upon the myriads of cobwebs on the ceiling. A deep sigh of despair escaped into the floating clouds of smoke.

"Yea, verily," he droned on, again shifting his gaze back to the big, crystal globe, "we should never kick about the weather. Gosh A'mighty, ain't this mild spell going to cut down our wood bills and shorten our winter. Yes, siree, Such a spell as this is like a gift from the Gods. And still people are kicking."

Plunk gazed long and fondly into the great ball of glass, strangely silent under the spell.

"It's jest like my old partner Sheepshank McGinny," he finally growled. "Didn't know him did ye? Well, I'm telling you right here he was one of the most ornery cusses that ever pulled leather on a bucking bronc. These birds who squeak and squawk about the weather reminds me of "Sheepshank." One morning, oh 'bout 35 years ago, "Sheepshank" had a cabin up on the left limit of the Klondike. He was a-cooking his breakfast one morning when two stranger guys sortied up to the shack and passed the time o'day with him for ten, maybe fifteen minutes before hitting on up river. Well, sir, "Sheepshank," was so gol darn busy kicking about the weather that morning he plumb forgot all about his mush a-boiling on the stove inside. "Hey," yelled one of the Cheechakoes. "Your porridge is burning, partner." "Yah, I know," growled "Sheepshank." "That's the way I like it."

The Weekly Pow-Wow

BY A. A. G.

One of the most dramatic little yarns we've seen for a long time appears in a recent issue of the Dawson News and it's about a lone, little Robin that is making a game fight to winter in the Yukon.

It is thought that maybe the little Robin red breast had to remain behind this fall on account of a damaged wing. Or maybe it is just trying to show its brother robins that it has what it takes.

At any rate, the "Harbinger of Spring" has been the cynosure of many anxious eyes as it hops about a clump of willows near the home of Mr. and Mrs. George Fulton. He has been huddled up like a ball, trying gamely to keep warm. When the sun comes out, the little fellow becomes gay and chirpy and even sings several summer-time tunes.

Mr. and Mrs. Fulton have come to the conclusion, however, that the only way of salvation for the little fellow lies in taking him captive. Steps have been taken to do this and with the aid of a figure "4" trap he may soon be enticed into a warm, new home.

Somehow we feel that many people will want to know the ultimate fate of the game, little songbird who is trying so hard to become a real Sourdough.

Principal Gordon McIntyre of the Mayo School made a suggestion recently which, if acted upon, would undoubtedly prove a big boon for Mayoites.

"Most dances put on here," Gordon explained, "are staged for the purpose of making money for some cause or institution. I suggest that dance admissions be cut to 25¢ or 50¢ just enough to cover actual expenses. If monies are to be raised for various purposes, why not do it by subscription?"

Gord. sure has the right idea there. There are far too many affairs being staged around here for the sole purpose of raising a few dollars for various causes. Dancing is without a doubt one of the most popular forms of diversion here but if dances have to be given the "go by" because they're not paying propositions...then that's sacrificing very enjoyable entertainment for purely monetary reasons.

Gordon's timely suggestion that dances be put on more for the recreational and entertainment value instead of for financial reasons, would certainly create a much stronger community spirit in this town.

Halloween Night afforded a group of Mayo friends the ideal occasion for holding a progressive dinner party...the first, we believe, ever held here. A progressive dinner, you know, is where you start in on the first course at one house and then go on to the other successive homes until the last course is finished.

Wonder when Mayoites will inaugurate one of those "come as you were" parties. The big kick here is that you have to show up at the party in whatever clothes you happen to be wearing at the time you receive your invitation.

Halloween night this year found Lady Feltboots and Li'l Abner from Dog Patch out spookifying their friends. We also hear that Miss Balloon Dancer was also out nonplussing her friends. And did Eddie get a bang!

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LATE RADIO-PRESS

MACKENZIE KING REPLIES
TO CHARGES

OTTAWA, Nov. 3 - Prime Minister MacKenzie King to-day replied to charges levelled by Dr. Manion, Conservative leader, that the Government was allowing wholesale patronage in connection with war contracts. The leader of the opposition also declared that the Liberal Government had not consulted the opposition in connection with war measures.

The Prime Minister replied that every effort was being made to prevent patronage and that the Government was trying to effect a united effort in its war effort.

RIBBENTROP SKELTON DRAGGED
OUT OF CUPBOARD

LONDON, Nov. 3 - The Polish Foreign minister to-day announced that as early as last March Von Ribbentrop had tried to formulate a scheme with the Polish Government whereby Poland and Germany would collaborate against Soviet Russia. The plan was rejected the Polish Foreign Minister said although, at that time, Poland put forward other suggestions to settle differences, he said.

PERSECUTION CATHOLICS
IN GERMANY INCREASES

ROME, Nov. 3 - Persecution of Roman Catholics in Germany has increased considerably following the Pope's latest encyclical, a reprinting of this document having been forbidden in Germany's press. Nazi Youth groups are reported to have attacked Catholics as they came out of their churches in Austria and Bavaria while instructions have been issued in Germany that Roman Catholic priests must not preach or mention the Pope's latest encyclical in that country.

SOVIET FOREIGN MINISTER
LAYS BLAME ON BRITAIN

LONDON, Oct. 31 - M. Molotov, Soviet Foreign Minister, addressing both chambers of the Soviet parliament, declared that Britain had been taking the offensive in the war despite Germany's striving for peace.

KING'S BROTHER VISITS
SOLDIERS IN FRANCE

PARIS, Nov. 1 - The Duke of Gloucester dropped into a small roadside village in France to-day where he chatted for some time with a group of American correspondents in the small 16-foot shack. The Duke declared that the spirit of the British troops was excellent.

TONY CANZONNERI OUT
FOR GOOD

NEW YORK, Nov. 1 - The brilliant ring career of Tony Canzonneri came to an inglorious end in Madison Square Garden to-night when referee Arthur Donovan stopped the fight after granting Al Davis a technical KO decision over the former champion.

215,222 RECRUITS
ENLIST IN 1 DAY

LONDON, Oct. - It is reported that 215,221 men between the ages of 21 and 22 registered in 1 day under the Empire Defence Act.

Dont' Forget the Church Supper and Bazaar in Pioneer Hall To-night.

HOLLAND, SWITZERLAND
BELGIUM STRENGTHEN
BORDERS

LONDON, Nov. 3 - Holland and Switzerland continue to strengthen their borders in the event of a sudden German thrust through neutral zones against the Allies. Three Germans were to-day deported from Belgium for reasons not published.

ANOTHER BRITISH
SHIP SUNK

LONDON, Nov 1 - A British steamer of 4,700 tons was sunk to-day by a sub without warning. 41 members of the crew of 44 were saved.

SEVEN VACANCIES IN
HOUSE OF COMMONS

OTTAWA, Oct. 25 - With the resignation of M. B. Elliott, Social Credit member for Kindersley, to make way for Hon. Herridge, there are now seven vacancies in the House of Commons and 11 in the Canadian Senate. Should Herridge be successful in Kindersley, it is expected he will become leader of the Social Credit group in the House.

BRITAIN GRANTS BIG
LOAN TO TURKS

ANKARA, Oct 23 - Great Britain is reported reliably to have granted Turkey a credit of 60 million pounds in connection with the newly signed Mutual Assistance Pact.

AUSTRALIA DOUBLES
PLANE ORDER IN U. S.

MELBOURNE, Nov. 3 - The Australian Gov't. to-day doubled its order for Lockheed-Hudson war planes from the United States and now has 100 ships on order.

STEERS RUN AMOK
IN BEAUTY PARLOR

ROCHESTER, N. Y. Nov. 1 - Consternation reigned in a beauty parlor here to-day when four runaway steers broke through a window and stampeded through the place while Mrs. Bates, the owner, was working on an 11-year old girl. The steers finally crashed through the windows and cleared a high fence to make a clean getaway. Mrs. Bates was scared half out of her wits by the sudden intrusion of the animals.

NEW MYSTERY RADIO
STATION IN AUSTRIA

LONDON, Oct. 25 - A new mystery radio station has been started in Austria, which is causing the Nazi regime grave concern. The announcer, in commenting on Germany's claim that Britain is trying to enslave Europe, pointed out that when war was declared the British tried in no way to influence the component parts of the Empire, but left it entirely up to each government to follow suit or remain neutral, according to their own feelings in the matter. He taunted the Berlin government by saying: "Hitler would not dare copy such an example because he knows full well such suppressed countries as Austria would not follow him."

BLACKOUT HOURS SHORTENED

LONDON, Nov. 3 - The rigors of blackouts in Britain were relaxed to-day when 1 hour was cut off blackout periods.