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great deal of claim surveying became necessary. In this great activity Mr. Dynes was to take a very active part.

Sioux Lookout, therefore, became a permanent home and in the town's welfare Mr. Dynes took a very leading part. For many years he was mayor, and as well for a number of years was magistrate. In religion a Presbyterian—he was very active in the welfare of St. Andrews' Church from whence the funeral took place on February 6th, 1954.

Left to mourn the passing of Mr. Dynes, who at the age of 69, in full measure of vitality died so suddenly, are his widow, two sisters and one brother.

The accompanying snap of Mr. Dynes was taken at the very far Northwest Canada gold camp of Yellowknife.

AARON LOUGHEED, O.L.S.

There is no available data of Mr. Lougheed's ancestors. He was, however, of Irish descent and was born in the village of Heathcote on December 2nd, 1863. It is presumed that his parents or grandparents came out from Ireland and became settlers in the Heathcote vicinity in Grey county. (A former Surveyor General of Ontario—L. A. Rorke, O.L.S., was also born in 1865 at Heathcote; see O.L.S. report for 1943).

Mr. Lougheed attended public school at Heathcote, high school at nearby Collingwood, and after spending the year 1883 with the Canadian Pacific Railway construction engineers on the north shore of Lake Superior, became convinced that surveying was to be his life's work. In 1884, therefore, he became apprenticed to Peter Burnet, O.L.S., and on November 12th, 1888, received his commission to practice as an Ontario Land Surveyor. During his apprenticeship to O.L.S. Burnet it appears that Lougheed also assisted C. E. Fitton, O.L.S., at Orillia, Ont., and for a time was again on C.P.R. construction, this time on the Sault Ste. Marie branch.

However, now being commissioned he went to Port Arthur, Ontario, in 1889 and for a period was in the employ of Henry DeQuincy Sewell, O.L.S., and, as this "Head of the Lakes" area was rapidly expanding, he established his own practice there in 1890 and maintained it until 1913 when he sold it to Messrs. Phillips and Benner.

For him the period of 1890 to 1907 was a busy period and while engaged actually in the area (in 1902 was in British Columbia and California—presumably in connection with gold mining) his work consisted largely in the surveying of mining claims. On the side, however, he did claim staking on his own account—but for gold. Much of this effort was in the area that since has become one of America's biggest iron ore production centers and in which is the Steep Rock Iron Mine. In that far distant day iron was not of the importance that the steel age of today has made it and gold was the prospector's target.

From 1908 onward to 1913 he confined himself to, and was busy in, subdivision work in the Port Arthur region where expansion was still in a spiral because of rail and boat transportation, pulp and paper mills, and grain elevators.

Upon the transfer to Messrs. Phillips and Benner, he retired from active practice though still remaining in that city where he died on July 30th, 1953.

The following is given your committee by one who knew Lougheed very intimately:-

"Mr. Lougheed was very radical in his political views and might be called

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an extreme socialist. He always advocated, that if every person did their share of the world's work, a person could retire at 50 years of age. He not only advocated this but followed his own teaching and did retire when he was 50 years old. After this time he interested himself in socialism and any avocation which he had previously developed."

To this might be added that, so far as was known, he had no very definite religious leanings or preferences. Nevertheless, the Very Rev. Hewlett Johnson, Dean of Canterbury, when on a visit to Canada made a special trip to Port Arthur to see Mr. Lougheed.

Mr. Lougheed died a bachelor.

It is worthy of note that the area in which Mr. Lougheed worked on the C.P.R. in 1883 has since become the site of the huge paper mill at Marathon on the shore of Lake Superior. Here has been molded out of a so rugged shore line one of the most modern and most completely serviced townsites that one could see in a long day's journey.

CAPT. MILTON EDWIN CROUCH, O.L.S., B.A.Sc. (Toronto), D.L.S.

The subject of this sketch was born in Rochester, N.Y., on December 10th, 1886, the son of Charles and Eva (nee Skinner) Crouch. His earlier years of education were received at public school and "East High" in that city as well as two years in an arts course at Rochester University. Then the family moved to Canada which from then on was to be the adopted country.



Milton entered Toronto University on an engineering course and graduated in 1911 with the degree above noted. Subsequently, on February 11th, 1914, he was admitted to practice as an Ontario Land Surveyor, and then proceeded to secure his commission as a Dominion Land Surveyor.

Upon graduation from Toronto University he was for some time engaged on engineering work at Sault Ste. Marie, Ontario but, after receiving his O.L.S. commission, he moved to Port Arthur, Ontario and for the next two years worked for E. R. Bingham, O.L.S., chiefly in the resurvey of the old town plot of Prince Arthur's Landing—now a part of Port Arthur. While living in Port Arthur he married Myrtle Tapp whose home was in that city.

Succeeding his two years association with O.L.S. Crouch he was, for the next seven years, engaged in surveys in various parts of North-Western Ontario—some of his commissions being for the Ontario Government. Then for one year he was