

PITTSBURGHER KNOCKS RED LAKE MINING FIELD

Asks Government to Stop the Rushes.
Somebody May Ask That He
be Stopped

When The Advance noted an interview with Mr. W. F. Baum, said to be a Pittsburgh mining engineer, in which he was alleged to have told a New York newspaper that Red Lake was no good, and the Government should stop people going to that new camp, this paper naturally thought that Mr. Baum was either misreported or else should have been missed in reporting. The interview appeared to be a sort of er-silliness. He was credited with saying that the rush to Red Lake was most deplorable, or words to that effect; that the new field had no ore worth mining, the miserably stuff only running \$10 to \$17 to the ton, or what will you have, or something like that; and that hundreds of men, women, children, orphans, widows, bank clerks, capitalists and machinery supply houses are going to be bitterly disappointed over the matter, or something along that line. Newspapers all over the country have given prominence to the interview, so perhaps, one more reference will not ruin Red Lake.

Surely, everybody has been aware from the very beginning that there will be hundreds of disappointed people in regard to Red Lake or any other mining camp, or any other venture on earth. Why, there are hundreds of people disappointed already in the new Timmins Council. There were hundreds disappointed in the Yukon, in South Africa, in everything and everybody. There will be hundreds disappointed in Heaven, and elsewhere. Disappointment is the common lot in life. No Government can legislate or guard against disappointment. In mining matters particularly people should be prepared to take a risk, or find some other business. Getting down to hard pan, the risk in the mining game is the chief attraction for a great many, and these usually the best people in the game. They are such good sports that they would simply scorn a dead sure thing!

Mr. Baum affirms with one side of his mouth that Red Lake has no commercial ore, and with the other side that the ore does not assay more than \$10 to \$17 per ton. Unless he is misreported, he must be sort of cross-eyed in the lower jaw to talk that way. Ore running \$10 to \$17 per ton is certainly commercial ore of attractive type. If Red Lake has that sort of ore and much of it, the camp will be humdinger. Ontario's gold ore, famous for its high grade, averages only about \$9.00 per ton, and South Africa's average ore produced is a dollar or two less per ton. If Red Lake has lots of the \$10 to \$17 kind, then the new camp is "jake."

As to the suggestion that the Government should discourage people taking an interest in the Red Lake Camp, there is nothing worth while in that. The Government of Ontario has already made it clear that Red Lake is a venture, even though a promising one. Red Lake gold field, Hon. Mr. McCrea said last week, is well worthy of thorough investigation. The Government has assisted all possible in giving Red Lake a fair chance. It has taken the correct attitude. Red Lake is a good bet, and anybody who likes to bet has a run for their money. If you don't like to bet, don't take a chance.

UNO PARK CORRESPONDENT LIKES THE CLOCK RIGHT

The Uno Park correspondent of The New Liskeard Speaker last week says:—

"We notice that the so-called 'Daylight Saving' bug is again at work in some of the Temiskaming towns and it is to be hoped that the Liskeardites will again use their good common sense as on the last occasion and squash the idea flat. As far as the farmers and farming towns are concerned the scheme is simply no good. As we said when the last agitation was on that surely the citizens of Temiskaming could find all the daylight between 3 a.m. and 9.30 p.m. during the summer months that they could stand for either work or play, without monkeying with the clock and causing disorder and inconvenience all round."



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Ten Years Ago in Timmins

FROM DATA IN THE PORCUPINE ADVANCE FILES

The annual meeting of the St. Matthew's Church ten years ago showed the church making good progress. All the reports were satisfactory. The officers elected for the ensuing year were:—Rector's Warden, Mr. C. Humphrey; People's Warden, Mr. V. Woodbury; Sidesmen, Messrs G. S. Lowe, W. H. Pritchard, A. W. Reid, and Dr. Otton.

The 159th Battalion held a very successful dance in the Masonic Hall on April 26th, 1916. There were many visitors from South Porcupine, and the Dome, the total attendance being about 130. Mrs. Darling was given much credit for her good work in making the event a success. Privates Jermyn and Dixon were also singled out for special praise for their work in preparation for the event.

The final meeting at Timmins of the 159th Battalion in its recruiting campaign was held on April 30th, in the Empire Theatre. Dr. McInnis was in the chair, and the speakers included Lient. Nicholson, Corp. Gallagher and others. Mrs. J. K. Moore favoured with a solo. The motion picture, "The Eternal City," was shown on the screen during the evening. Previous to this a collection was taken up, and the chairman warned his hearers that unless they gave liberally they could not hope to see "The Eternal City."

Timmins Rod and Gun Club got away to a good start in 1916. The Advance of May 3rd, 1916, says:—"Several small practice shoots have been indulged in by members of the Timmins Rod and Gun Club during the past week, and considering the early season, some really mid-summer form was shown on some of the score sheets. Interest in the club is increasing as the season for regular sport approaches. Single and double traps are in position on the shooting grounds, which is conveniently located about ten minutes walk down the Moneta road, south of Timmins. The following are the scores which have been obtained in two practices already held. These shots were not regular schedule ones, but were indulged in by a few of the members to try out the new traps and grounds, both of which are pronounced by the more experienced gun-men to be excellent. First shoot: Geo. Preston, 11 hits out of 15; Geo. Dewar, 6 hits out of 15; Carl Eyre, 4 hits out of 10; Bob Hunter, 3 hits out of 10. Second shoot: Spence, 16 hits out of 20; Uttley, 9 hits out of 20; Armstrong, 2 hits out of 5; Dewar, 7 hits out of 15; Preston, 16 hits out of 20; Dalton, 6 hits out of 20. A meeting of the Club is called for Thursday (to-morrow) night at the Goldfields Hotel. The officers expect a good attendance as many details in regard to the programme for the season as well as other business of interest will be dealt with. All members and prospective members should make a special effort to be on hand so that the officers may have a more practical basis on which to work in mapping out their plans for the approaching season."

The following from The Advance's South Porcupine correspondent in the issue of May 3rd, 1916, will be read with interest to-day, as ten years ago:—"Mr. Gagne is to be complimented for his prompt and plucky rescue of the young son of Mr. Bucovetsky, who fell off the sidewalk into the deep water last Thursday. We understand there were some other on-lookers who made no attempt to save the child and had it not been for Mr.

Gagne the accident may have proved fatal."

The Township Council in 1916 appointed May 12th as Arbor Day, and urged all residents to clean up their premises on that day.

The following were among the local items in The Advance of May 3rd, 1916:—"Mr. J. P. Bartleman is back in town after spending a few days at southern points." "Men are engaged in moving the old paint from the Imperial Bank preparatory to giving it a new summer coat." "The Mattagami river is rising steadily these days, and one or two householders on the river bank have found it necessary to vacate their places of abode for a time." "The Marshall-Ecclestone Co. had another shipment of three Overland automobiles on Tuesday. Messrs A. R. Globe, R. J. Ennis and J. P. McLaughlin were the purchasers."

"Henry Mueller is back in town after consulting physicians in Toronto regarding his knee which was injured a couple of months ago. He also paid a visit to his home in New York during his absence." "Word has been received here of the death of Fred Warrington, on Wednesday last, at the Weston Sanatorium. The deceased will be well remembered in the North Country having been employed by the Imperial Oil Company at South Porcupine. He was also a member of the I.O.O.F. The remains were laid to rest by the Masonic Order of Haileybury, he having been a member of that lodge." "E. M. Allworth has opened up an electrical shop at the rear of Cumming's Cigar Store, where he will handle all kinds of electrical supplies besides doing everything in the line of wiring."

In 1916, Miss B. M. C. Shaw was the teacher at the Dome School. The report of the school for April, 1916, was published in The Advance. The following were those first in each class:—IV Class, Annie Smith; III Class, Hattie Johns; II Class, Jas. McWilliams; I Class, Geoffrey Cosser; Primer B., Clyde Phillips; B. Class, Teddy Milliken.

Among the letters from the front published by The Advance ten years ago, the following will no doubt be of special interest now:—

Mr. and Mrs. Pete Chapman, Timmins.
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I can't write you very much owing to the censorship or I could make a very interesting letter. Sufficient to say that I think the North Country boys are the finest men I ever was with and I know a little about soldiering. They are all right on the job all the time and I know that they are appreciated at headquarters.

"Smoke" is a full corporal, and "Scotty" Gardner is in line for a couple of stripes, so I hear, and others of the boys have been offered promotion but would not take it.

I don't think I have any more to say just now so I will conclude with my best wishes and remain

Yours sincerely,

Sergt. Jack Carey.

For ten years The Advance has been calling for roads, roads and more roads. Every once in a while there was some Government announcement to keep courage up. Ten years ago ten thousand dollars was a lot of money to spend on any section of roads in the North, and accordingly The Advance was pleased in its issue of May 3rd, 1916:—"Ten or twelve thousand dollars was voted by the Government to be used toward improving the highway between here and South Porcupine during the present summer. This sounds like a goodly sum in these strenuous times, but, for

the work about to be taken in hand, will scarcely leave a surplus,—rather will it leave a deficit in the form of an incomplete transformation of the said highway. The government have also voted \$55,000 to be used in building a road which will parallel the railway from Porcupine Junction to the Mattagami River. This will be good news to the communities along the line traversed by the Porcupine Branch, and will widen the scope of automobiles as a means of transportation between different points along the route,—especially on Sundays and at times when the local train is not available."

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