

Notes of the North

"FAST FROZEN CLUB"

Cochrane's Arctic Bathing Club whose member have nonchalantly been accepting newspaper publicity for years as the inescapable accompaniment of fame, has now reached the slick paper magazines. The April issue of "New World" devotes a page of pictures and text to what it describes as "this Northern Ontario fast-frozen organization" — "one of Canada's most exclusive clubs." Shown leaving the Finnish steam bath, and sporting in the ice hole, are a quartet of members.—Cochrane Northland Post.

EXTREME MEASURES

The case against Rene Groulx, man on Kent avenue, who called the police and then refused to let them leave until they took him to the jail with them, was dismissed by Magistrate Atkinson after hearing evidence that the police had just been called by Groulx to settle a dispute between himself and his wife.

After a quarrel with his wife in which she threatened to leave Groulx, Groulx said he refused to let her leave in the middle of the night and did not have the money to pay for a hotel room for himself, so he called the police and insulted them so they would lock him up for the night.—Porcupine Advance.

INDUSTRIES EXPECTED

Six new industries are almost sure to move into Kirkland Lake in the near future, Reeve Ann Shipley told the annual gathering of the Kirkland Lake Board of Trade last night. Improved railroad accommodations had greatly heightened the township's industrial attractiveness, she said.

These expected industries for the most part will be distributing houses for mine equipment. There is a possibility that some manufacturing might be done. "However," said the reeve, "the main thing is to get the distributing houses here first."—Kirkland Lake Northern News.

SHOWER FOR TEACHER

Blanche Harrison, who hasn't as yet told friends the date she will wed Rev. Campbell McLean was entertained at the home of Mrs. Edgar Shaw recently. It was a miscellaneous shower and Blanche received about 35 grand gifts from her friends who were present. Games were played and later lunch was served by the hostess and her daughters, Margaret and Gwenth.

Blanche, the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Harrison, Wellington street, teaches at the Haileybury public school. Her fiancée is the pastor of Uno Park United church circuit.—Temiskaming Speaker.

INCIDENT OF STORM

The Rouyn snow plowing crew had more than the snow to contend with last Wednesday night as they made their tortuous rounds of the drift-blocked streets of the town. An incident occurred which though it had its humorous side later, could have been fatal at the time. At one time the bulldozer was brought up sharply when a passer-by called out to them to stop. When the driver clambered down he found that he had neatly shoveled a man up onto the snow drift with the blade of his machine. The man, unidentified, had apparently fainted in the roadway before the bulldozer came along.—Rouyn-Noranda Press.

SCHOOL PUZZLE

Students of Harvey street public school in North Bay had an unexpected holiday, all because someone turned on various water taps during the night, flooding the furnaces and bringing the schoolroom temperatures down to outside levels.

Meanwhile there is one puzzle the school students won't be asked to figure out—it already has stumped school board authorities and police. The puzzle is, who entered the building and performed the playful stunt, and above all, how did he, she or it manage to go through a locked door to get into the building and again to leave it?—North Bay Nugget.

WORSE IN 1917

Although the blizzard which struck the Porcupine district this week was one of the worst in

NEW AUTO CARRIERS



A new Canadian Pacific automobile car designed for speedier handling of the new models rolling off assembly lines was inspected recently at Place Viger freight yards by W. M. Neal, the chairman and president of the C.P.R., accompanied by W. F. Tully, general superintendent of the Quebec district (at right). Larger than former cars of this type, with extra wide loading doors, 620 of these cars are being added to Canadian Pacific rolling stock this year with 204 received up to yesterday on a 25-a-day delivery schedule. In the car can be seen the loading arrangement which places one car above the other to make the best possible use of space.

Northern Ontario's history, many pioneer residents of Timmins claim that the "big snow-storm" of 1917 still ranks first in spring storms.

The storm struck Timmins on March 23 of that year. It was a Tuesday and not until the following Saturday did the wind abate enough to allow roads and rail lines to be cleared.

Perhaps the most vivid recollection of the storm is that of W. H. "Scotty" Wilson, 18 Middleton avenue.

"As I remember, it was the worst Spring storm we ever had" he says. "The wind continued for more than four days and that makes it one of the longest we've ever had too."—Timmins Press.

The annual campaign for funds by the Children's Aid Society will open on Monday, April 14th.

Milk and Water Reports Are Both Satisfactory

Tests made late last month of both milk and water supplies on the community were all satisfactory, according to Chief K. R. Watson, who handed the reports to The Haileyburian on Monday. Reports on the two dairies are given below, the figures indicating the "B. Coli Count," "Standard Plate Count" and "per cent butter fat" in that order:

Temiskaming Dairy—Milk, 1 6,000, 3.6; cream, 5, 50,000, 19.5.

Ideal Dairy—Milk, 20, 144,000 3.6; cream, 0, 2,000, 19.5. All samples were marked "A" denoting proper pasteurization.

The water samples, taken from the public and separate schools and the convent, and one from the Constance Lake supply, all were classed "A".

Taylor Warehouse at Timmins is Destroyed by Fire

Gil Barrels and Paint Cans Add to Spectacle; Origin Not Determined

The main warehouse of the George Taylor Hardware in Timmins was destroyed early Tuesday morning in one of the most spectacular fires in the history of the mining town. Spectators watched oil barrels and paint cans hurling 100 feet in the air from the estimated \$600,000.00 blaze.

The asbestos covered building was the largest and most modern warehouse in Timmins, and at the time of the fire held more than \$450,000 worth of stock. It was fully covered by insurance.

First word of the fire to reach head office in New Lskeard was received by J. M. Beemans at 2 o'clock Tuesday morning. Jack Fulton, the Timmins branch manager, phoned Mr. Beemans at his home to tell him that the fire had been discovered and at the time was out of control. It was still smoldering at noon that day.

"We have no idea where the fire originated and probably never will know," Mr. Beemans said in an interview with The Haileyburian. "Mr. Fulton first noticed a volume of smoke coming from the part of the building where roofing and tar paper was stored. It quickly spread to the nearby oils and paints. The firemen could not get near to fight the blaze because of the smoke and fumes. Mr. Fulton called me back about 6 o'clock to tell me that it was a total loss."

Replacement cost is estimated between \$500,000 and \$600,000 but the real loss would be in the irreplaceable stocks destroyed in the fire.

"Our firm has always prided itself on its supply of anything in hardware," Mr. Beemans said "and that loss of scarce materials is the hardest blow. It will mean

a break in the service. We have three warehouses in Timmins and it was the largest and had the heaviest concentration of stock. We will establish a temporary office and warehouse space and drawn from the other branches in the north"

Last year the firm had spent \$50,000 in modernizing the big building. It had been all finished

in flexboard with chromium trim. Servicing the mines and other businesses in the Porcupine district were the numerous departments, including the electrical automotive, industrial hardware mine chemicals, instruments and assay supplies departments.

The records were in the vault and were not destroyed.

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