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When Will Lake Temiskaming Lose Its Winter Mantle?

The Haileyburian's annual guessing contest on the date of the ice leaving Lake Temiskaming is again open to readers. The first records of this age-old contest appear in the 1923 issue of the paper and the conditions governing the contest remain the same with the exception of the closing date for entries. In the early days the date was April 26, but in the intervening years, it was advanced to April 9th when the ice went out on the 10th in 1945.

The official judge in 1923 was W. J. McLean. Today the decision rests with Neil Fleming proprietor of the Matabanick Hotel who has acted in this capacity since 1946. According to Mr. Fleming, we may have more snow, but any fierce below zero weather is unlikely. The lake froze over on December 20th which is considered average timing.

So here are the rules and a record of dates for twenty-four years to assist those entering the contest. One guess only is allowed to each person, and in each family; fill out the coupon below and mail it to The Haileyburian office; entries must reach the office or be postmarked not later than April 9th, 1953.

Record

1923	May 5th
1930	May 5th
1931	May 1st
1932	May 10th
1933	May 7th
1934	May 5th
1935	May 9th
1936	May 13th
1937	May 8th
1938	April 22nd
1939	May 10th
1940	May 7th
1941	April 29th
1942	April 28th
1943	May 7th
1944	May 6th
1945	April 9th
1946	April 20
1947	May 18th
1948	April 30th
1949	April 29th
1950	May 14th
1951	April 29th
1952	May 3rd

COUPON

My guess is that the ice will be out of Lake Temiskaming on

Name

Address

Board of Education Seek New Maths Teacher

The Board of Education accepted the resignation of Mr. R. Thompson at their last meeting. Mr. Thompson has accepted a position to teach in Eastern Ontario next fall.

Mr. Thompson's subjects include mathematics, a few sciences and physical training. The Board has inserted an advertisement in a Toronto paper to fill the vacancy for the fall term.

All members were present for the meeting which devoted much time to the year's budget.

Calendar of Events

- Thursday, March 19th—Bear Supper, Anglican Church.
- Thursday, March 19th—Piano Recital, pupils of Miss Maher and Miss Donaldson, Blue Room, at Hotel Haileybury, 8 o'clock.
- Home and School Open House Tuesday, March 24th.
- C. I. M. M. meeting, Friday, March 20th.
- Haileybury Art Exhibition, March 28th and 29th.
- I.O.D.E. Cooking School, April 17th and 18th.
- High School Operetta, April 21, 22 and 23.
- Home and School Card Party April 28th, in the new gymnasium.

Ed Horne, Discoverer of Noranda, Dies at 88

Edmund Henry Horne, discoverer of the great Noranda base metals field in Northern Quebec died in a Halifax hospital on Sunday.

He struck Noranda after a 40-year search for gold that led him from Colorado and Nevada to California and British Columbia and up into the wilds of Labrador. Before today's Labrador iron ore development was thought of, he predicted that these resources would one day be harnessed in a big undertaking.

Ed Horne was on his last grub stake and exhausted when he made the big strike; he sold his option for \$280,000 and returned to his birthplace, Enfield, N.S., where he ended his days as a successful dairy farmer.

Rotarians Recall Early Days of Club at Anniversary

Sixty-five Rotarians gathered in Hotel Haileybury on Saturday evening to attend a banquet held to honor the day twenty-five years ago when the local club came into being.

Representatives from North Bay, Sudbury, Kirkland Lake, Val d'Or, Englehart and Oshawa were welcomed by President Lorne Charbonneau following the toast to The Queen, proposed by Dr. W. C. Arnold.

Fourteen of the twenty-six past presidents were among those present and they were introduced by Mr. Charbonneau. Two of them H. G. Pickard and Reg. Unwin of Kirkland Lake gave a resume of the early days of the club. Mr. Pickard dealt with the actual formation of the club in 1928 and read the minutes of the first meeting. Mr. Unwin discussed the activities of the club and spoke particularly of the water sports day which is held annually during the month of August. This day was the outcome of the swimming classes first offered to the children of the town in 1932 under the instruction of Carl Hutt. Since that time, beach conditions and equipment have been steadily improved and attendance at the swimming classes has soared.

District Governor Stan Everson of Oshawa gave an illuminating talk on the international aspect of Rotary and its ideals and purpose. District Governor-Elect Ray Jessup of Sudbury chose the importance of the work being done for crippled children for his subject.

Guest speaker, Squadron Leader C. E. Harris of North Bay was introduced by a Past President, M. E. Whitby. Mr. Harris told of the progress being made in the organization of the Ground Observer Corps at North Bay and gave an interesting talk on how the success of the corps depended on volunteers throughout the district who would be trained in spotting planes and identifying them.

Sing songs were led by Dr. J. C. A Crawford and when the party was over, Rotarians were unanimous in their thought that "it was the best meeting ever held".

Baptist Mission Circle Meet at Mrs. J. Belland's

The monthly meeting of the Baptist Mission Circle met Tuesday afternoon in the home of Mrs. J. Belland. After the opening prayer, the hymn "Face to Face" was sung. Mrs. Geo. Kranz read the Scripture, the first chapter of James. Mrs. C. Palmer led in prayer.

Plans were made to hold a thanksgiving service in April. Also, it was decided to pack a food parcel to send to India. Mrs. M. Crooks gave for the topic a story of a modern "Stephen" who was put to death because of his belief in Jesus Christ.

The next meeting will be held at the home of Mrs. Crooks', North Cobalt. The roll call is to be answered with a Scripture verse pertaining to faith.

A social time followed with a lovely lunch served by the hostesses.

Board of Education Reports on School's Financial Position

Cost of education continues to rise in Haileybury as in other communities. Since Provincial grants have not increased, the extra cost must be borne by the local taxpayer.

During 1952 the operating cost of the High School amounted to \$20,018.86 and that of the Public School was \$22,181.58. After deducting grants and other income the balance of \$9,441.68 for High School and \$14,135.17 for Public School came from the municipality at the rate of 8 mills and 10 mills respectively.

Average daily attendance at the High School was 68 pupils of whom 46 are residents and 22 live in Bucke Township. Cost of education to the municipality is 76 cents per child per school day. Average attendance at the Public School was 174 pupils of whom only two live outside the town. Cost of education of these pupils to the town was 35 cents per pupil per school day.

To cover the increased costs this year, the Board has budgeted for an increase of two mills for High School and one mill for the Public School. The increases are partly reduced by economies elsewhere.

However, the High School rate will be further increased by an additional 4 1/2 mills to cover a deficit in the Building Account. Three fifths of this deficit is the loss on the sale of Dominion of Canada bonds to finance the construction of the new building. Items in the architect's specifications which the Board felt could be deferred were eliminated from the contract, but it was not possible to keep within the amount of money available. Since local organizations have expressed a wish to contribute to the cost of stage furnishings, which will enhance the appearance of the auditorium, the Board has agreed to purchase them. The cost of these is included in the deficit. The Board will welcome contributions from other organizations for the improvement of or additions to the school property.

The gymnasium-auditorium is almost complete. The result is a finer building than was anticipated when the first plan was considered and it is felt that the extra cost has been warranted. Whilst the three schools will have first choice of the use of the building for curricular or non-curricular activities, a committee of the Board is now drawing up regulations permitting the use of same by local organizations in the interest of the community as a whole. Further details will soon be made public.

WEEK IN COURT

Three charges of assault causing bodily harm were heard in court. A charge against Joseph Connelly of Englehart, who twisted a Miss Baker's arm, was dismissed; Frank Burling of New Liskeard assaulted Mrs. Burling and signed a bond for \$200.00 to keep the peace for a year; Ernest Pannell of New Liskeard struck Henry Peckover in the face and body with his fists and paid \$20 and costs.

John Heikkila of Cobalt paid two fines of \$10 and costs each for being intoxicated in a public place and "having liquor."

A charge against Bruce Christie of Matachewan for illegal possession of a permit was withdrawn and he paid \$10 and costs for having liquor in a place other than his residence.

Intoxication in a public place cost Alex Batisse of Matachewan \$10 and costs.

Milivoj Bratina of O'Brien left his vehicle on the highway without a clear view and paid \$10 and costs.

For being unlawfully engaged in cutting timber and possessing a .22 rifle during a closed deer and moose season, A. Lauzier of Englehart paid \$10 and costs.

A charge against Alfred Barnes of Latchford for attempted forgery was the prejudice of Mrs. J. Lafleur was withdrawn.

District Trainer Holds Classes for Brownies and Guides

Brownies and Guides from Cobalt, Haileybury and New Liskeard attended classes over the week-end under the supervision of the district trainer, Mrs. Reilly of Kirkland Lake. These classes are held each year with a view to bringing new ideas for programs, things to make and games and songs to each organization.

On Saturday morning, fourteen attended a class for Blue Guides in the Anglican parish hall and in the afternoon seventeen Brown Guides and the Blue Guides participated in the class held.

The local Association served tea at four o'clock. The president Mrs. M. A. Whitby, Mrs. Fred. Thompson, Mrs. Don Gardiner and Mrs. H. Jenkins served.

On Friday evening, Brownies and Guides from Haileybury went to New Liskeard to see movies on "Guides' National Camp" and "Brownies".

Haileybury Art Club to Exhibit Verdonk's Work

On Saturday afternoon and evening and Sunday afternoon, March 28th and 29th, the Haileybury Art Club will present an exhibition of Adrian Verdonk's paintings in the High School. Members of the local club will also take this opportunity to exhibit their own work.

Adrian Verdonk was born in Holland in 1896. He came of a talented family—his father was a mural painter and his brother a famous sculptor.

Verdonk won much attention and many prizes when a boy for his outstanding work and lived for the day when he would be enrolled in the Royal Art Academy and study under the famous professor Huib Luns. He worked seriously and spent his leisure time in the Art Gallery studying the works of the Old Masters. To paint was his life, but his modesty and worship of other painters kept him from seeking recognition in the art world. However, his work could not go forever unrecognized and finally his piled up canvasses were discovered and an exhibition arranged.

To Adrian's amazement he read accounts of his work from the foremost critics who praised him with such phrases as "the most talented painter of our times"—"through his hands the beautiful lights and rich colors of the Old Masters have come back after three hundred years". To this very humble artist this was indeed a tribute—to have his work compared to the beloved Masters was beyond his highest hopes.

Mr. Verdonk is at present in Holland but expects to return to Canada in the near future bringing with him more of his fine work. He has without doubt much to contribute to art in Canada.

The local club will also take this opportunity to exhibit their own work.

Rebekahs and Friends Enjoy Social Evening

The regular meeting of Northern Light Rebekah Lodge was held on Tuesday evening, March 10th, with the Noble Grand, Mrs. M. Hargrave presiding.

The business meeting was short so that members and their friends who had been invited to attend could enjoy a social evening. Games were played and the prize winners were as follows:

Bridge—1st, Mrs. W. Gordon. 2nd, Mrs. A. Hargrave. Euchre—1st, Mrs. W. Stewart. 2nd, Mrs. Joe Leveille. Chinese Checkers—1st, Mrs. E. Carriere; 2nd, Mrs. B. McFarlane.

Mrs. V. Dinesen held the lucky number for a prize and Mrs. E. Del Guidice won the basket of groceries.

The social committee served a dainty lunch and members wish to thank all those who attended.

The declining trend in the birth rate was reversed in 1951, although the rate for that year remained below that of 1947, a 25-year record high.

C.W.L. Holds Successful St. Patrick's Day Party

The annual St. Patrick's Day card party at the parish hall saw twenty-three tables of euchre and bridge participating in the evening's entertainment.

The ladies' bridge winners were 1st, Mrs. H. Brunette; 2nd, Mrs. J. Worrall; consolation, Mrs. P. Valentine. Winners from the men's playing were: 1st, Ron. Morrisette; 2nd, Mr. C. Tuer; consolation, Mr. T. Tulloch.

At euchre, the ladies' winners were 1st, Mrs. J. A. LaBine; 2nd, Mrs. Cloutier, North Cobalt; and consolation, Mrs. N. Labarge.

Mr. N. Labarge took 1st prize for the men at euchre with Mr. A. Bourget 2nd and Mr. L. Gravel consolation.

Accompanied by Mrs. J. Boudreau Mrs. B. Dans sang two songs, "Peg O' My Heart" and "Spring Is Here Again".

Mrs. L. Simard and Mrs. Ken. Watson raffled thirty lovely surprise boxes.

A very nice lunch was served with Mrs. S. McGillivray and Mrs. J. O'Grady acting as conveners.

The League extends sincere thanks to all those who assisted in making the evening successful.

New Road Work Is Planned For Northern Ontario

Ontario will get rolling in high gear on road construction this year, Premier Frost said last week, spending \$153,000,000 on its highways or about \$54,000,000 more than last year.

Estimated cost of new construction is \$95,000,000, roughly one-third of the total amount spent on building roads in the last ten years.

In his budget speech to the Provincial Legislature the premier said \$30,000,000 of the funds will come from the current fiscal year's revenue through supplementary grants to a highway reserve account established last fall. Another \$23,000,000 will be paid into the reserve account from the 1953-54 budget which also provides for expenditure of \$58,000,000 on current account and for \$42,000,000 from capital borrowings. The amount is "unprecedented in Ontario."

Motor vehicle registration in Ontario has grown faster than population, said the premier, with 1,200,000 compared with 691,615 ten years ago.

The speech gave a brief breakdown by districts of projects included in capital construction.

Northern Ontario \$19,891,000 including the North Bay by-pass; the Trans-Canada Highway in the Huntsville, Sudbury, Chapleau, Hawk Junction and White River area; work between Hawk River and Michipicoten Harbor and continuation from Montreal River of a highway from Sault Ste Marie. The Premier said it was hoped to provide Hawk Junction and the nearby iron mining community of Wawa with a road outlet in two or three years. Hawk would be on the Trans-Canada Highway. He said also that extent of work this year on the extension north from Montreal River along the north shore of Lake Superior would depend on engineering and other problems in the rugged country.

Northwestern Ontario, \$9,863,000 including Atokokan highway east and west from Fort William.

The budget included \$1,000,000 for construction of mining roads. Municipalities would receive \$16,325,000 for capital construction and another \$16,782,000 for road maintenance.

Legion Zone Meeting In Englehart Next Sunday

Fifteen members attended the regular meeting of the Legion on Monday evening and heard an interesting talk by John Sumbler of New Liskeard on his trip to England.

President Sam Hughes will represent the branch at the zone meeting to be held in Englehart on Sunday. Members who wish to attend the meeting are asked to contact Mr. Hughes.

Ice Fishermen Spend Two Nites in Northern Bush

Ice-fishing is normally looked upon as a quiet, tedious pastime. The fisherman simply baits his hook, drops a line down and waits. George Beaudet, Eric Soderstrom and Bill Hammerstrom found out this week that the sport can lead to unforeseen waiting for more than just a lake trout.

Early Sunday morning, the well known fishermen headed for Niccolite Lake, some forty-five miles west of Haileybury in a Temiskaming Airways plane piloted by owner Gerry Quinlan. Although the trip was uneventful conditions were not to the pilot's liking at any time.

By late afternoon, both Airway pilots, Quinlan and Chuck Thompson, ran into very dirty weather on their regular trips. Wet, sticky snow made it impossible for Thompson to bring the fishermen home at 5.30 p.m. Although he made it off the lake by himself, he was not happy about the take-off. Quinlan also attempted to come in from the south with a larger aircraft but heavy icing forced him down overnight at another camp.

According to George Beaudet, "lake trout with no salt" and no trimmings can be very tasty, for that was their fare on Sunday night. Concern for the fliers and fishermen was averted as Thompson made home base on Sunday night piloting the Stinson.

On his return flight Monday morning, Quinlan circled the men and not long afterward, both pilots participated in an airdrop from a Fairchild Huskie. Down to the sleepless fishermen from the drop hatch went snowshoes and supplies with instructions to head for Mendolsohn Lake four miles distant. Continuing on to McCabe Lake for another fishing party the fliers were to spend Monday there due to sticky conditions.

"Lots of snow and a good crust made the trek in the woods 'easy going'" said George. The hardy fishermen took off at 6 a.m. on Tuesday and at 11 a.m. reached their destination where the plane was waiting for them. As to how they slept, the good humored George said "they sat down" and that "he had no trouble sleeping when he got home to his own bed."

And the fishing—the boys got a nice catch of lake trout and thoroughly enjoyed their enforced outing.

Barn Door Needs Locks

Ottawa despatches have noted that the cost of the Currie report on conditions at Camp Petawawa has been greater than the losses uncovered.

What of it? There may be other horses that can be locked behind the barn door.

—The Printed Word

OBITUARY

George Nelson Hiles

George Nelson Hiles, well known old timer of Northern Ontario, died on Monday evening at the home of his daughter, Mrs. John Clow, North Cobalt, in his eighty-second year.

Mr. Hiles was born in Welland County and came North in 1922, where he made his home in Haileybury. After the fire of 1922, he settled in North Cobalt and remained there for the rest of his life. His wife predeceased him in 1946.

Until his later years, Mr. Hiles was actively engaged in truck farming in North Cobalt and the surrounding areas.

He is survived by his daughter, Mrs. John Clow of North Cobalt and one son, Mr. Vernon Hiles of Sudbury.

He was a member of the Haileybury Anglican Church.

The funeral service was held on Thursday from the Tulloch funeral chapel with Canon C. Goodier officiating.

Pallbearers were T. J. Duncan, Cobalt, Robert Watson, Bert Page, Burt MacPherson and Waldo Brown, North Cobalt and Charles Phelps of Lorraine. Interment was in Mount Pleasant Cemetery.