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"Gold is Where You Find it" And the Process is Lengthy

Being Just a Story of a Trip to Ontario's Mining District, by One of a Group of Newspapers Folk — Northern Hospitality is Second to None.

GROUP ALSO VISITED
GLOBE AND MAIL

We warned you last week that a newspaper trip to Northern Ontario would possibly encroach on the *Free Press* column this week. We might tell of a visit to the office of *The Globe* and *Mail* and the hospitality of the editor and his staff, or of the business sessions, held in the city. That would be shop talk, but a subject on which a lot might be written. Mr. McOullough is a splendid host and the party certainly enjoyed the opportunity of visiting in this modern building and plant.

But we'll just jump to Northern Ontario and the mining section. Dinner and sleep on board the train and we awoke at Englehart. Breakfast and arrival in Timmins was all done before ten o'clock. And what a day George Lake, editor of the *Advance*, had arranged. He is a former Georgetown boy, who also spent a period on the *Free Press* staff. From the train direct to the Hollinger mine the party of 100 were escorted. It was mining we had come to see and we got it in that quick way northern folks have of accomplishing a project.

Preparation had been made at the Hollinger for a trip underground by all the party who would go, and Mrs. Dilla was just as game to go through the trip as the editor. Rubber boots, jackets and hats, with a miner's light, was the equipment. It was indeed a queer looking gang that was loaded into the trolley car for the trip to shaft No. 11. Then re-loading again was into the cage for the visit underground to the 3,800 foot level. It's sort of a double deck elevator that is used, which carries a load of ore on the lower car and a load of miners on the upper berth, but it was all humans on this load. Those mine elevators are not trimmed like the ones in the *Globe* and *Mail*, but they do heavy duty. They are operated by the man at the controls and not from the elevator.

Perhaps you have been in the Bank of Commerce Building and taken a trip from top to bottom in one drop. Just multiply that drop by six, and add a lift and you have the descent to the 3,800 foot level. Ok, if you will, make the comparison with the tower at Hornby. If you change your mind and want to get off at another floor, it just can't be done by calling to the man in charge, as he has no control over the thing. Anyway, your hearing gets weaker as you make the descent. Half way down the elevator slows up to jiggle around and take up the stretch on the cable. Lights flash past as each level is reached.

Down at 3,800 feet we disembarked into the labyrinth of tunnels and car tracks. We understood this mine has over 200 miles of electric track in its workings. Here on this level we were shown another electric hoist, built in a room hewn from the solid rock. It operated a hoist that went down another 2,000 feet had a 1,000 h.p. rating. Just how it was put down in its position is but one of the many engineering feats that has been accomplished in this struggle to get gold from the earth.

Then we were taken to a drift, where a pair of miners had just loosened a bunch of ore. It was washed down, because all these workings are supplied with running water. A few samples were picked up from the rock pile and are on view in the *Free Press* window. One is not liable to carry away any quantity of gold in the ore that is being mined. The ascent is just as quick as the descent. Direct electric current used in the hoisting equipment maintains the speed of the hoist in either direction.

We might write at length, but mining of today is a big proposition. Its immensity can never be realized until one has viewed the fields. Hollinger gives employment to 3,000 men and other camps, such as McIntyre, Dome, Con-

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LAKESIDE CHAPTER TO CO-OPERATE IN MAGNA CARTA WEEK

The June meeting of the Lakeside Chapter, I.O.O.F., held in the Y.M.C.A. social room on Tuesday evening, was exceptionally well attended. The Second Vice-President, Mrs. Emma Robinson, presided. Plans were made for the Chapter to join in the celebrations of Magna Carta Week. The film, "Tom Sawyer," is to be shown at the Gregory Theatre in the near future, under the Lakeside Chapter auspices. A lovely solo by Miss Ruth Britt was followed by a splendid talk on current events by Mrs. (Dr.) O'Brien. Several social events were planned, though June is the last business meeting for the season.

Lunch was served by the group hostesses and a social time enjoyed.

TORONTO BIBLE CLASS PROVIDED SPLENDID SERVICE HERE

Mr. Fred T. Bignell, President of the Melvir Young Men's Bible Class of Temple Baptist Church, Toronto, spoke at a special service at the Acton Baptist Church Sunday morning.

Mr. James A. McConaghy, leader, assisted by class members, conducted the service. Mr. Frank Gilbert led in the singing, with the Melvir brass sextet.

"What is needed to-day is people whose life speaks a gospel message," Mr. McConaghy declared. He took for his subject, "If I Could Preach Just Once." He said, "I would strive to explode the notion that you can't mix business and religion. One rarely gives it the place it deserves." Declaring they do mix, he stated we cannot regard our religion as being fixed to the atmosphere of the church.

The service was greatly enjoyed and very inspirational, as was a song service in the church in the afternoon, under the genial song leader, Chas. Landsborough, local cornetist, joined with the Melvir brass sextet in the afternoon music.

ACTON CITIZENS' BAND PRESENT FIRST CONCERT OF THE SEASON

Folks were keenly interested to hear the first concert of the season by the Acton Citizens' Band, and there was a splendid attendance at the concert in the Park on Sunday evening. It was the first appearance of the Band under Mr. A. H. Perrott, and the organization showed the results of the diligent practice that has been held all season.

The program was well chosen and included a pleasing variety of numbers. "The Champion" overture, which is the contest selection for the Waterloo Festival in which the Band will compete this year, was among the numbers played. It is hoped the concerts will be a regular feature throughout the summer, as they are enjoyed by many citizens of Acton and the district.

Fourteen Appeals Heard by the Eramosa Coun.

Assessor's Valuation Confirmed in Every Case — Township Rate Set at 1 1/2 Mills

The Council for the Township of Eramosa met as a Court of Revision, and for general business, at 1:30 on June 6th, in the Town Hall, Rockwood, with the members all present and the Reeve in the chair.

A list of fourteen appeals for lower assessment was considered, several appeals being presented in person by the owners of the properties concerned. The Assessor's valuation of the properties was confirmed by the Court of Revision in all cases. Two properties were ordered to be added to the roll; eight dogs were ordered to be struck off; and the Court of Revision was closed.

A delegation of representatives from three Women's Institutes in the north-western part of the Township waited on the Council for assistance toward the immunization of school children against diphtheria and scarlet fever.

Moved by Messrs Pinkney and Kelly, and carried, that immunizing the school children of the Township against diphtheria and scarlet fever, as advocated by a delegation representing several Women's Institutes be left over for further consideration and until some systematic organization of the pupils and division of costs is arranged.

On motion of Messrs Kelly and Lush the Township rate for 1938 was set at 1 1/2 mills.

Satisfactory arrangements were made with Mr. Wilfred Flewelling concerning the share of the cost of cleaning a ditch opposite lot 19, on the seventh line.

Many other matters of general Township concern were discussed and accounts amounting to \$497.02.

Council adjourned to July 11th, at 7:30 p.m.

ANOTHER PUZZLE WINNER FROM BALLINAFAD

The answer to last week's Puzzle Poem was "Circus," and the winner of the award was Gray Merriam, of Ballinafad. Interest was maintained and again last week there were a large number of solutions to the puzzle arranged by Mr. Cole. See if you can solve the one on Page Five in this issue.

ACTON SCHOOLS WILL SING OVER CFRB SATURDAY

Arrangements have been completed with Station CFRB for the broadcast of the winning musical numbers of Halton Music Festival. The program has been allotted half an hour from this station and will be heard at 9:45 p.m., Daylight Saving Time.

Cars transporting the pupils to the broadcasting station on Bloor Street will leave the Town Hall at 7:30 p.m. that evening. The pupils will meet there at 7:15. It is necessary for all taking part to be in the studio not later than nine o'clock for rehearsal of the program before it is put on the air. Acton citizens are proud of the achievements of the pupils under the able direction of Miss T. F. Hunt and many who were not privileged to hear the numbers are anxious to hear the radio program.

CFRB on Saturday evening at 9:45. About one hundred pupils will take part.

ALL READY FOR CHURCHILL CENTENARY ON JUNE 19th, 20th

These are busy days at Churchill, preparing for the Centenary celebrations on June 19th and 20th. New electric lights have been installed, the ladies are redecorating the church interior, an historical booklet is in course of preparation, containing pictures of the church, ministers and of the first officials.

Just try to communicate with any of the members these days and you'll be told they are at the church. It's a big undertaking but Churchill folks are preparing a genuine welcome for the folks from far and near when they come back "to the Hill."

Three services are planned for Sunday, with the afternoon memorial service in the Cemetery. Monday will be featured with an old-fashioned garden party. Perhaps you remember the kind where the supper was prominent and the program extra.

JOHN IRVING CHOSEN HEAD OF HALTON CONSERVATIVES

John Irving, Reeve of Milton and ex-Warden of Halton County, was chosen President of the Liberal-Conservative Association of the County of Halton at the annual meeting. He succeeds Lloyd Dingle, of Burlington, George Thorpe, Burlington, and Mrs. F. Pullen, Oakville, were elected Vice-Presidents. Bruce Fitzgerald, Milton, Secretary, and Dr. C. A. Martin, Milton, Treasurer.

Joe Harris, M.P. of East York, was guest speaker.

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MAGNA CARTA WEEK PUBLIC EVENTS

Sunday—Special services in the churches and reference to Magna Carta.

Wednesday—Parade of School children from Mill and Fellow Streets to Town Hall. Address by Mr. K. P. Hendrick, of the Normal Schools, Toronto. Parade starts at 7:45.

Sunday—Parade at 3:00 p. m. from Mill and Fellow Streets of all organizations of the community. Special service in the Park, with Reeve McCutcheon presiding, and W. J. Stewart, O.H.E., of Toronto, as guest speaker.

Music for all occasions by Acton Citizens' Band.

Special instruction in the schools all week on significance of Magna Carta.

Prisoner Makes Get-away from Milton Jail

Governor Temporarily Suspended Pending Investigation — Traced as Far as Toronto

The citizens of Milton and district were agog with curiosity on Monday, when the news gradually leaked out that a prisoner had escaped from the County goal.

The prisoner, William Moore, of Toronto, age 30, was being held on charges of forgery and was to have come up for trial at the General Sessions at Milton on Tuesday. He had been tried for similar charges in Toronto, where he had been sentenced to three years in Kingston Penitentiary but had been detained in Milton goal for two months, awaiting trial on the local charges.

It is thought Moore made his get-away sometime after Sunday midnight by "jimmying" the lock of his cell. He then forced the door leading to the courtyard, where he piled chairs, boxes and whatever else he could find to aid him in climbing the 20 foot wall surrounding the goal. His absence was not discovered until the turnkey made his rounds, about 8 a.m. Monday morning.

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ADDRESS ON CRIMINAL LAWS FEATURED ACTON-INSTITUTE MEETING

The June meeting of Acton Women's Institute was held at the lovely farm home of Mr. and Mrs. Hugh McCutcheon—Mrs. J. Wilderspin, President, was in charge. The motto, "Be it ever so humble, there is no place like home," was given by Mrs. Stewart, and current events by Mrs. Bell.

The branch are giving a donation to the bathing house to be erected at the Park, and also decided on the project, either meat or cookery, or whole wheat.

The members of the Cheerio Club were guests at this meeting. Two vocal duets were given very ably by Misses Blanche McKinnon and Dorothy McKensie, of Oshawa, which all enjoyed.

Miss Sybil Bennett, barrister, of Georgetown, who was guest speaker, very capably spoke on criminal laws and gave a very illuminating word picture of some of the sordidness of life in connection with women's police court work and spoke of the good work the Salvation Army was doing to help in these cases.

After the program closing, all spent a real social half hour, when a dainty lunch was served by the social committee.

VICTORIA MISSION BAND PICNIC IN THE PARK

The regular meeting of the Victoria Mission Band was held in the Sunday school room on Friday afternoon. After the devotional exercises, the band marched to the Park, to spend the rest of the time in the form of a picnic. The senior girls and boys had a real game of baseball while the Juniors played games. Lunch was served by the losing team of the ball game. After lunch the following races took place:

- Junior Girls—Joan Somerville; Audrey McKinnon.
 - Junior Boys—George Muscell; Billie McKinnon.
 - Senior Boys — Lorne Masters, Jack Kenter.
 - Senior Girls — Margaret Somerville, Doris Weaver.
 - Mary R. Moore Girls—Helen Mainprize, Bella Rosell.
 - Ladies' Peanut Race — Miss Isabella Bruce, Mrs. Mainprize.
 - Group Leaders — Kenneth Hassard, Doris Hansen.
 - Half Mile Dash—Lorne Masters, Kenneth Hassard.
- All report a good time.

All Teachers Have Accepted Re-Engagement in Acton

EVAN MACDONALD, PROMINENT GUELPHITE, DIED ON SATURDAY

Member of one of Guelph's oldest families and leading business man of that city for more than half a century, Evan A. Macdonald died Saturday at Guelph General Hospital, after a brief illness. Mr. Macdonald had been in failing health for some time.

The son of Evan Macdonald, one of the early residents of Guelph, Mr. Macdonald was born on the old Macdonald farm, which is now part of the Outten golf course south of the city. He was educated at the Guelph Public Schools and Collegiate Institute, and first became associated with business when his brother, D. E. Macdonald, established the first flag on Lower Wyndham Street.

Subsequently, the firm of D. E. Macdonald and Brothers was formed, and over a period of fifty years Mr. Macdonald was associated with the company, which at one time was one of the largest departmental stores in the smaller cities of Ontario.

Nassagaweya Assessment Roll is Confirmed

Delegations Interviewed by the Council — Road and Relief Vouchers Are Passed

Nassagaweya Township Council met on June 1st. All members present, Mr. O. Gordon, Reeve, in the chair.

The minutes of last meeting were read and adopted, also the correspondence. The Council then interviewed a few visitors present, who had matters to bring before the Council.

The Road Superintendent's vouchers, the Relief Officer's vouchers, and the miscellaneous accounts were then ordered paid.

The Council adjourned and organized into a Court of Revision and considered the various appeals, and after resuming, reported the report and confirmed the Assessment Roll for 1938.

Council then adjourned, to meet July 4th, at one o'clock.

Arrangements Made to Transport 100 Pupils to Take Part in the CFRB Broadcast on Saturday Evening — Music Course Discontinued for High School

SPECIAL MEETING TO BE HELD

Acton School Board met on Tuesday evening, when Trustees W. K. Graham, Dr. A. J. Buchanan, V. B. Rumley, Dr. P. W. Pearen and F. S. Blow were present and Chairman J. M. McDonald presided.

Letters were received from all the teachers of the High School and Public School, and all had accepted re-engagement for the year at the salaries offered. The teachers expressed appreciation of the offers made in regard to salaries and their willingness to co-operate in making the school and the work successful.

The Secretary reported that the teachers were all willing to co-operate in the plans for Magna Carta Week.

The Committee on Finance recommended payment of the following accounts:

Geo. M. Henry Co. Ltd., supplies	\$ 9.30
Beare's Ltd., supplies	20.45
National Stationers, supplies	2.75
	\$31.50

The report was adopted.

The Finance Committee was to meet and make an estimate of the requirements from the ratepayers as soon as possible.

The Chairman brought up the question of arranging for transportation for the pupils to broadcast their program over CFRB on Saturday night. In view of the success which had been achieved at the Festival by Acton pupils, it was felt that the Board should co-operate in every way. A list of cars was made.

Principal MacRae was present to discuss with the Board the possibility of providing music on the course for next year. The Board expressed a willingness to co-operate, but pointed out the difficulties in view of decreased grants. It pointed out that three hours per week would be sufficient for the course. Expenditure on books was all the equipment that would be required and it would only apply to the two lower forms.

The Secretary was instructed to make

Acton Trims Guelph by a Score of 11-7

Locals Came from Behind to Capture Exhibition Game Last Night

The first exhibition game of the season was played in the Acton Park last night, when Acton and Guelph Juniors battled to a 11 to 7 decision. Joe Kaine's kids showed lots of pep in the ball game, but the pitching staff was a little better. Henry Cripps started the pitching for Acton, but after Guelph had scored seven runs, was replaced by Nurm Morton. Guelph used three pitchers and they succeeded in holding Acton until the sixth, when Acton collected no less than six runs to win the game. A feature of the game was the home run of Matt Tyler, in the fifth. Tyler replaced Cripps in the batting order and clouded out a century with two men on. The sixth really was the big inning, Acton collecting seven hits, one a triple by "Long Jim" Anderson. Morton started in the fifth and out of eleven batters that faced him, he struck out five. Morton looks to be returning to form—remember three years ago, the series with Milton.

Two new faces were seen in the lineup. Molozny at second and Pottler in left field.

The crowd in attendance enjoyed the game despite the cold weather.

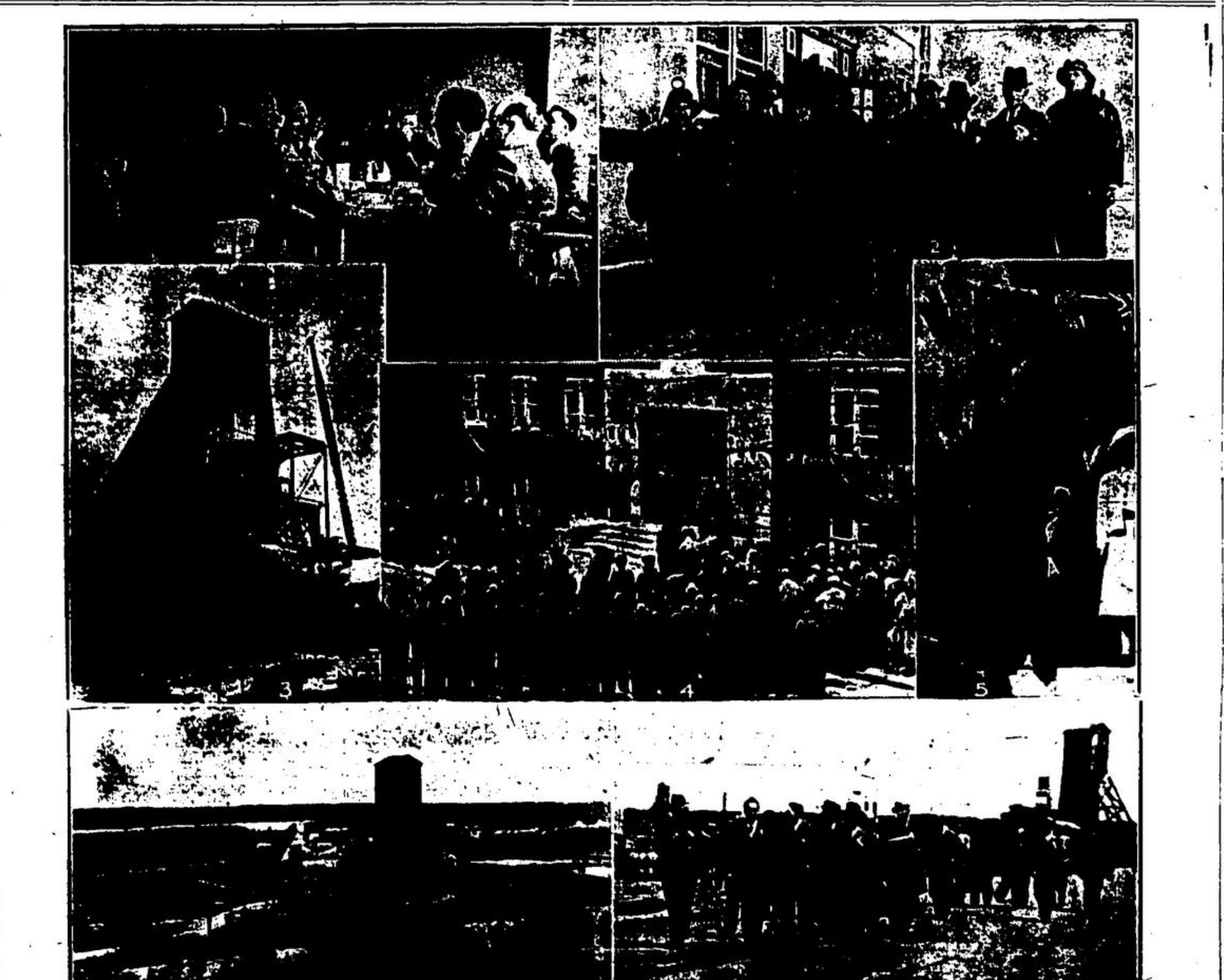
Coming Events

Announcements of Meetings, Concerts or Other Events, under this heading, are charged, on cents per line, with a minimum charge for any announcement of 25¢.

Churchill Centenary on June 19th and 20th. It will be a grand re-union of many old friends.

Reserve July 1st for Bloomsbury Old Boys' Re-union. It will be a grand time for young and old.

Woodside Fifth Anniversary on Monday, July 11th. Sports program, Russ Creighton and His Canadian Mountaineers. A day of re-union and entertainment. Mark the date now.



THE PICTURE STORY OF WEEKLY NEWSPAPER CONVENTION

1. Mr. A. E. Dobbie, of Smiths Falls, tells Mr. Geo. McCullagh a new one.
2. Pseudo miners! They are newspaper publishers during the other 364 days of the year.
3. Typical gold field equipment and construction.
4. The opening ceremony at the new Timmins Municipal Building.
5. The Hon. Paul Leduc, Minister of Mines, who accompanied the delegates.
6. A view from the highest point on the Hollinger Mine. T.C.W.J.A. delegates en route to enjoy a little "Northern Hospitality."

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