

railways are badly needed up there. I hope something can be done, and I know something must be done in the near future to meet your transportation requirements in the North country."

Would Serve Wide Area.

The proposed line, spokesmen of the delegation said, might leave the T. & N. O. at Swastika, north of Englehart, and run in a southwesterly direction as far as Westree, on the C. N. Railway. This line would be 90 miles in length, and would serve the areas of Matatchewan, Gowganda and West Shining Tree.

Strong representations were made by several prominent Northerners, and especially by the noted mining engineer, Frank C. Loring, who stated that the proper conditions for gold mining seemed to exist over thousands of square miles of the area concerned.

The territory of Gowganda, after waiting 13 years, scarcely had a road today over which a team of mules might be driven, declared J. H. Dixon of North Bay, adding that enough timber had been destroyed by fire to have paid for 50 years the bonds on any road that might have been built.

There's Optimism Here.

Weldie Young, prospector and miner, said that, apart altogether from the enormous mineral wealth of the region, "from pulpwood, poplar and balsam alone you can pay working expenses and dividends from the day you lay the rails."

Hon. Howard Ferguson assured the Minister of Mines that the Drury Government might rely for support upon himself and the Conservative group in the House in anything the Government might plan toward railroad development in the mining area.

The delegation, which was introduced by Malcolm Lang, Liberal member for Cochrane, numbered well over one hundred, and was supported by several Torontonians, including Controller Hiltz; W. H. Alderson, President Board of Trade; Hugh Blain, and J. B. Clark, K.C., all of whom spoke in favor of the project. Other speakers included A. J. Young, North Bay; E. Christopherson, Gowanda; J. L. O'Grady, Sudbury; L. A. Lillico, Swastika, and W. A. Crockett, Labor member for South Wentworth.

U.F.O.'S in City Life

Eschew Early Rising

Prolonged night sessions on consecutive days do not conduce to matutinal sprightliness on the part of the statesmen in Queen's Park. No one group "has anything" on others in this regard; even the Farmer members, accustomed at home to early rising, find it very difficult to be ready for duty in committee rooms by 10 o'clock in the morning following a late night sitting.

Thus it was that yesterday the Public Accounts Committee of the Legislature could not secure a quorum until long past the appointed hour. Chairman J. Walter Curry was in his place before 10 o'clock and called "Order!" at that hour—but with no results. About 10.30, or later, enough members sauntered in to form a quorum, only to adjourn forthwith because of a misunderstanding as to the witnesses to be examined.

"You must make allowance for these late night sessions, Mr. Chairman," said R. M. Warren, U.F.O. member for North Renfrew.

"Perhaps," was the dry rejoinder. "I was up shortly after 7 o'clock myself this morning."