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MUCH CRITICISM OF PLAN TO BUILD 'ON TO THE BAY'

Not a Square Deal to the Mining In-
dustry.—Other More Pressing
Needs.

The announcement by Premier Drury that the Government proposed to build the T. & N.O. track 25 miles further north from Cochrane to relieve the unemployment problem has given rise to much criticism, especially in the North Land. The stand taken in this country generally is similar to that suggested by the Advance last week in commenting on the Premier's announcement. It is perfectly proper and highly commendable to start public works to relieve the unemployment problem, and it is sincerely to be hoped that the present Government will do more along this line than any other Government ever attempted before. If it does not, it certainly will fall far short of its boastful and "holier-than-thou" promises. But common sense must be used. The proposed road north of Cochrane is the one proposed road that could and should wait until other more pressing ones are attended to. The extension on to the Bay may eventually be a necessity and a good business proposition. At present it is no more than a theory. At the same time the North Land actually has a number of necessary extensions in view that are not only desirable from a progress viewpoint, but also would pay, as one man says it, "from the drop of the hat." There is for instance the proposed line into Kirkland Lake. There is the line into Shiningtree. There is the proposed connection between Timmins and the C.N.R., near Sudbury. Any of these would show definite promise of being paying propositions when built. They would pass through districts known to be rich in minerals and in forest wealth, while the agricultural possibilities of the sections referred to are admittedly greater than those of the land north of Cochrane.

Speaking of the Premier's announce-
ment The Northern Miner says:—

Premier Drury has intimated that a 25 mile right of way be cleared from Cochrane north, on the On to the Bay railway route. No particular reason for running a line up through this country at this time can be seen unless the Farmers' Government has in mind the raising of a new crop of timber permits.

And how such a line would pay is a question. It has been definitely proven that no section of the T. & N. O. Railway can take anything but a loss when handling timber and pulp products exclusively. One-way freight is the worst handicap any railroad can have.

Mining is the backbone of the T. & N. O. Railway. The Porcupine branch is so good a section of the system simply because the mines furnish a steady stream of freight and passenger traffic.

Frankly, we are out against the building of a 25 mile line, heading nowhere in particular, that will aid only a bunch of pulpwood contractors, when the mining development of this north country is languishing for lack of railway assistance.

Gowganda and Shining Tree, to mention two examples, are almost still. The property owners keep on digging up enough money to meet taxes and other duties, or to do some development work, but neither of these camps will ever have real prosperity until a railway is run in. Without some railway help, the big part of the value of these two great fields is likely to be lost to the province. And what a pitiful waste of natural resources. If Mr. Drury desires to know the importance of these two camps let him consult his Department of Mines staff.

And there is Kirkland Lake, the centre of a 30 mile gold belt. Kirkland proper is only five miles off the railway; that is why it has been able to get along. But certainly it would have progressed much faster if it had had railway help from its early days. The outer and eastern parts of Kirkland are proving up very strong and there is no evidence against Lebel's becoming quite as rich as Teek. To really develop Kirkland to its fullest extent, as well as the gold country surrounding it, a line should be run from Swastika to the Quebec boundary. Twenty miles should be run now, and the balance could reasonably wait. The main thing is to get a start on it. We can assure Mr. Drury that if he will run a line through Teek and Lebel townships he would be starting one of the greatest gold booms it has ever been the pleasure of the head of a state or province to assist.

We firmly believe that what has been accomplished in the way of opening up exceedingly rich gold ore is only a starter on what will be shown when the Great Gold Belt, of which Kirkland is a center, is opened up by a railway.

GOLD MINES PAYING DIVIDENDS IN U. S. FUNDS.

Dome Mines has declared a dividend of 25 cents per share payable Jan. 20th to shareholders of record Dec. 31st. The Lake Shore Mine is also paying a 2 per cent. dividend in January to shareholders of record Dec. 31st. The Lake Shore dividend will amount to \$40,000.00 in cash, and the Dome Mines will total \$100,000.00. Both these companies are paying the dividends in N. Y. funds. This will mean an additional bonus, as it were, for the Canadian shareholders. Canadian shareholders will likely receive thus between twenty-seven and twenty-eight cents per share in Canadian money, while the U. S. shareholders will receive the full 25 cents in American funds in the case of the Dome Mines, and the same idea will apply to the Lake Shore shareholders.

Including the January payment the Dome's total dividends amount to \$2,000,000.00, which is 40 per cent. of the authorized capital stock issued.

The total dividends for the Lake Shore, including the January payment will be \$320,000.00, which is 16 per cent. of the authorized capital.

MATHESON FIRE OF 1916 NOW UNDER ARBITRATION.

Property owners who suffered at Matheson from the fire of 1916 have entered claims amounting to \$350,000, against the T. & N. O. Railway, maintaining that the railway started the fire which destroyed their homes and business places. The claim of the Matheson people is that the fire which destroyed their property came from fires started by the T. & N. O. on the railway's right of way. On the other hand the Railway holds that the Matheson people simply suffered in the general fire which swept the North in the summer of 1916 and that the Railway was not responsible. In answer to this the Matheson people say the general fire occurred afterwards and that their property was destroyed previously from fire originating on the T. & N. O. right of way. The matter of decision on the question has been left to a Board of Arbitration, and the proceedings of this Board will be watched with much interest. This Board will likely sit on or about January 10th of the new year. The Board consists of Judge Denton, chairman, Dr. A. L. Kinney, of Hearst, representing the property holders of Matheson, and Mr. Wm. H. Milne, of North Bay, representing the T. & N. O. Railway.

COCHRANE NORTHLAND POST BOOSTS GEO. LEE.

Even The Northland Post has kind words around the happy Christmas-tide. But in this case the good words are well deserved. This is from the last issue of The Northland Post in regard to the T. & N. O. Railway Commission:—

It is now a year that Commissioner Geo. Lee has been acting chairman. He had been made a Commissioner to fill the vacancy caused by the death of late Mr. Denis Murphy, and had previously served the T. & N. O. ever since its inception. In fact, in all these years of faithful service up to the time of appointment as Commissioner, he has been so close to the Commission that he was always identified with the Commission even before his appointment as actual Commissioner.

If merit is to count for anything in the appointment of a chairman, and we understand this to be the avowed policy of the present Government, Geo. Lee has certainly earned the promotion, and there should not be any diversity of opinion in the Cabinet about the matter.

The people mostly affected by the appointment of a chairman for the T. & N. O. Commission are surely the people of the North, and they have often and strongly urged upon the Government to appoint Mr. Lee and make an end to the untenable position of the present interregnum. In fact, such strong representations have been made to the Cabinet at various times, and on all possible occasions that Mr. Lee would be acceptable to all factions and classes of the people of the North, that it seems difficult to realize that small minorities here and there should be able to give cause for any diversity of opinion through their persistent efforts to advance the claims of men to this important position whom the vast majorities here do not want, and who, as a matter of fact, are hardly known outside of their immediate surroundings.

The Pas Herald says:—"We are told that there is a tendency among modest living folk to go back to the long skirt, such as worn by the women of the Pas. It should be made compulsory anyway. A panorama of legs on Portage Avenue, Winnipeg, has caused many a fine chap to leave the Pas for city life and ruination."

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