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THE UNFAIRNESS OF THE OUTSIDE NEWSPAPERS

"Some time ago there was an accident at one of the mines in the Porcupine and the Cobalt Nugget put a big misleading heading right across its front page to yell the news to the outside world. Last week there was a hockey match in which the Porcupine figured with credit, and the same Nugget hid the matter on an inside page. Why don't you roast The Nugget for that sort of unfairness?" So spoke a leading citizen to The Advance last week.

There are really two answers to this question. First, The Advance does roast these outside newspapers for misrepresenting the Porcupine. But, secondly, what do people expect from The Nugget or similar papers?

When you open up a can of beans, surely you don't expect to be greeted with an aroma like the perfume of flowers of Araby. These outside papers apparently cannot help it. As

The Advance has mentioned before, they seldom refer to the Porcupine except to misrepresent it. It has gone beyond being a habit with them; it has become a gift. In his sermon at the Presbyterian Church Sunday evening Rev. J. D. Parks hit the nail well on the head when he said that the outside newspapers had given more space in a single issue to publishing questionable rumors regarding some suggested improprieties here in hockey than they had given to the fair reporting of any of the fine hockey games in which the Porcupine team has figured this year. Nearly everything else will happen before the outside newspapers cease grasping every opportunity to rub the Porcupine the wrong way. The outside newspapers will deny all this, of course, slur The Advance for saying it, and the next opportunity that comes along to sidetrack good news about the Porcupine will be accepted as joyously as will the chance to feature anything that is apparently to the detriment of this great district. It is little use of people in this Camp expecting support, or even a moderate amount of fair deal, from outside newspapers whose interests are outside, whose feelings are outside and whose beliefs, opinions and heart are outside this Camp. Experience has amply proven that this Camp has only the one newspaper that it can absolutely depend upon. Is it too much to suggest then that the better way would be to give whatever support is possible to that paper and let the outside crabs go hang. The Porcupine will survive and prosper despite the mean tactics of so many of these outside sheets that ever seem to delight in featuring bad words and smothering all good words about the Porcupine.

WEST DOME AND DOME LAKE MAY BE AMALGAMATED

The "man on the street" at present is much interested in the prospects of an amalgamation of the West Dome and Dome Lake mines. The chances for such a merger are said to be excellent, and it is understood that both concerns are considering the matter. The general opinion is that such an amalgamation would prove of advantage to both the Dome Lake and the West Dome. The West Dome has a large body of fair-grade ore in sight, and the Dome Lake with less ore in sight on the other hand is equipped with a mill capable of treating 100 tons of ore a day. Getting together would mean the connecting up of the ore and the mill, with the good probability of both properties developing further on bodies that would fully justify the merger. In case it is not found convenient to arrange a merger, arrangements may in any case be made for the treating of West Dome ore at the Dome Lake mill. Amalgamations are generally considered as of advantage to most properties in the Porcupine, allowing of mining operations on a larger scale with better financial arrangements and with economical operation all round.

HOLLINGER DIVIDEND NO. 82 TO BE PAID MARCH 25.

Dividend No. 82 is announced by the Hollinger Consolidated Gold Mines, being the usual dividend of 1 per cent. It is payable on March 25th, to shareholders of record of March 10th.

RULES AND REGULATIONS OF PORCUPINE DOG RACE

Regulations and Rules Few and Easy To Understand.

The course for the Porcupine Dog Race for 1921 will be the same as last year and the rules and regulations for the event have also been adopted without change. The following are the regulations as laid out by the Committee:

1. Entrance to the Race is open to any dog team north of the C.P.R. line in Ontario.

2. Entries to be made to G. A. Macdonald, editor of The Advance, not later than the day before the Race. Entry fee, \$5.00, to be returned if team starts.

3. Each team will present itself at the starting point one minute before its allotted starting time. If not ready, it will take last place and the next man will start.

4. No team will consist of more than four dogs. Each team to finish with same outfit they start with.

5. In passing another competitor, passer will turn to his left. The other team will give half the road. Neither teams shall use whips in passing.

6. The road will be marked by arrows and each driver will pass at points where arrow signs are placed. Between these points it is permissible to go as you see fit.

7. The starting and finishing point is the Imperial Bank building, Timmins.

8. Teams will be disqualified for any of the following causes:—(a) Any violation of the above rules; (b) Kicking or striking dogs with butt of whip; (c) Any unnecessary cruelty or the administering of stimulants.

The course shall be as follows:

Imperial Bank, via Pine street to Moneta, Porcupine Crown, Imperial Standard, Dome Lake, Dome, South Porcupine, around Pearce's Drug Store corner and pass King George Hotel, Schumacher, Goldfields Hotel, Imperial Bank, Timmins.

The winners in the previous Porcupine Dog Races with their times (the course being approximately 14 miles) are as follows:—

1916—Joe Brisson, 1 hour, 32 minutes, 37 seconds. Second, Len Newton, 1 hour, 34 minutes, 51 seconds.

1917—Geo. Cousineau, 1 hour, 18 minutes, 35 seconds. Second, O. Laroque, 1 hour, 27 minutes.

1918—W. Martin, 1 hour, 31 minutes, 23 seconds. Second, F. M. Wallingford, 1 hour, 47 minutes.

1919—W. Martin, 1 hour, 33 minutes, 23 seconds. Second, Jean Pare, 1 hour, 35 minutes.

1920—W. Martin, 1 hour, 28 minutes, 19 seconds. Second, F. M. Wallingford, 1 hour, 41 minutes, 2 seconds.

NEW LISKEARD DEFEATS AMERICAN SOO 4 TO 3.

The American Soo hockey team has been touring this end of the world putting on exhibition games. Monday evening the American Soo team played at New Liskeard, the Farmers winning out with the score of 4 to 3. Everybody in New Liskeard thinks the best team won. In the first period the visitors got the only score, and in the early part of the play seemed to have the best of the game. Liskeard however, showed its well-known ability to "come-back" in the latter part of the match winning eventually by a margin of one. At times they say a pin could be heard to drop in the rink so quiet were the fans who did not exactly know what was going to happen. Ace Jewell refereed the game.

TWO MEN ARRESTED FOR ATTEMPTED ROBBERY

Tuesday of this week chief Greer placed Philios Carlo and Silvao Papin under arrest on charges of attempted robbery. The two men are accused of having made a determined effort to rob the cash register of the Paris Cafe. Their plan, according to the story as outlined to the police, was to get the Chinamen all out in the kitchen and then open the cash register and rob it of its cash contents. The plan, however, did not work out like that at all. The men were caught before they could get away with any coin. After their arrest the men practically admitted the details of their scheme, suggesting that they were particularly anxious to get to Montreal and as they had not enough money otherwise they had to get it some place or another. Chief Greer gave the men to understand that if the story were correct as he figured it out, he would do his best to secure them a free passage part of the way to Montreal, say as far as Kingston, for instance. Magistrate Atkinson will decide tomorrow at the court as to just what to do in the way of helping the two men "on their way to Montreal."

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MAN SHOT THROUGH THIGH BY HOLD-UP MAN THIS WEEK

Victim Now in Hospital, but Making Excellent Progress to Recovery.

While returning from work on Monday night one of the employees of the Hollinger was stopped on his way over the "slimes" between the Hollinger and the station. The man held-up had no money with him, but the highwayman took his watch and started away cursing the victim of the occasion. The latter "talked back" and eventually the highwayman made use of the gun he had been flourishing. A shot was fired at the figure of the retreating victim and the bullet hit the worker in the back of the thigh passing right through the leg. The highwayman then made his escape, and though there are clues to his identity he has not yet been apprehended. The police, however, expect to make an arrest in the case at any time. The victim of the crude robbery was given every attention as soon as his plight was discovered. He was taken to the hospital and his recovery promises to be a speedy and complete one. The wound, though a painful one, is not considered at all dangerous. As soon as word was received of the crime, Chief Greer, Officer Allan and other police officers were on the case and a thorough investigation made. The watch taken from the man thus waylaid and assaulted was discovered lying on the ground not a great distance from the scene of the hold-up. The robber apparently had thrown it away as useless or dangerous to take away with him. The police think they have clues and evidence that will lead to the early arrest of the guilty man in this case.

SOO WINS FIRST ROUND AT TORONTO. SOO 4, GALT 1.

That Soo team is some bunch of hockey players. Not only have they got as far as Toronto, but they are giving a good account of themselves there and surprising the natives of the good little city with the brand of hockey put up. Last night the Soo played off with Galt, the winners of the Intermediate series. Galt was comparatively easy for the Soo, the score being 4 to 1 in favour of the greyhounds. The Soo now has to play two games with Varsity, one on Thursday night and one on Saturday of this week. Up in this world many sort of believe that the Soo can win from Varsity, while still more people hope they'll win. In any case the North Country will be worthily represented in hockey by the Soo team. The team that beats the Soo will (to use classical language) "sure have to go some."

HEAVY FINES IN POLICE COURT HERE LAST WEEK

At last week's police court Magistrate Atkinson found A. Robitore guilty of a breach of the O.T.A. and fined him \$1000 and costs, the same being promptly paid. The case arose from the arrest of J. Grenier who was found to be carrying a bottle as well as a little load inside. He was finally induced to tell where he got the bottle saying it came from Leon Larette. Larette in turn said he secured the booze from Robitore. Hence the case, Robitore pleading not guilty, but the magistrate finding otherwise. W. Ling proprietor of the Queen's Hotel, charged Hector Charette and E. Charlebois with assault. When Mr. Ling attempted to stop H. Charette and E. Charlebois from going upstairs in the hotel he was hit over the eye, receiving a nasty cut. Both Charlebois and Charette were fined \$20.00 each for being intoxicated and \$70.00 each in connection with the assault. Chief Greer is showing all and sundry that he intends to enforce the law without fear or favor and that it is not part of his duty to stand uncall for abuse. Mr. J. W. Hishon learned this Thursday, the lesson being given with the words "\$5.00 and costs." A dog belonging to Hishon has been creating a public nuisance and the Chief went to the Hishon house to quietly suggest that they keep the dog inside. Instead of his consideration being appreciated, he was given a "tongue-thrashing." So he simply entered a case under the Town By-law. The fine and costs resulted and the dog also must be kept in as requested in the first place.

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ILLNESS CAUSES LOCAL CASES TO BE ADJOURNED

Case Against Mrs. Aboud and Serious Charge Against Russian Deferred At Supreme Court Session.

The two criminal cases at the sittings of the Supreme Court at Haileybury were set over to the next court. Both cases concerned Timmins people. One of the cases was that of Rex vs. Mrs. N. Aboud, in which the defendant is charged with arson in connection with a fire last year in her fancy goods store at Moneta. This case was heard at the last sittings of the Assizes in Haileybury, but as the jury were unable to agree on a verdict at that time the case was set over to the Supreme Court sittings this week. As the Court has been informed of the illness of Mrs. Aboud preventing her attendance at the trial the case is to be adjourned to the next court. The other criminal case is that of the charge of rape against the Russian here who was arrested some months ago. The little girl whom he is accused of making his victim under the most revolting circumstances is also reported to the Court as under the doctor's care and not really able to be present at the trial now. The case accordingly will likely be laid over until the next sitting of the Court.

There are only four civil cases before this session of the Supreme Court at Hatleybury this week. They include an action for damages of \$2500 for alleged slender, P. H. Bonhomme, of Cochrane, suing E. Robinson, a blacksmith, for this amount. Bonhomme who was elected reeve of Glackmeyer Township by acclamation accuses the defendant of publicly referring to him as a thief, a crook and a cheat. The T. & N. O. is defendant in an action for \$5000 damages claimed by a Charlton business man whose automobile was slambasted last fall by collision with a freight train that had no whistle and gave no warning of its approach according to the plaintiff. S. M. Hallam, formerly a Cochrane constable, but recently in Toronto jail in connection with a shooting affray there, is the alleged cause of an action for \$7000 against the Town of Cochrane. Telephone Lebrun claims that Hallam while working at the job of O.T.A. enforcement in Cochrane shot and wounded him in the knee, and he wants the damages for the injuries received. The other civil case is that of Tremblay vs Mattagami Pulp for an alleged balance due on a contract.

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It is reported that Col. H. E. Kee, of Elk Lake, will be appointed to the T. & N. O. Railway Commission. The other member to be appointed will be a southern man according to the same reports. Col. Kee has lived in the North Land for over a quarter of a century, so he may be very properly considered as a real North Land man. Also, he enjoys the esteem and regard of all who know him and his interest in the North Land can not be questioned.

The Government seems to improve in its idea about the T. & N. O. Railway Commission. The North Land wants North Land men to run the North Land Railway and apparently the Government is hearing that call.

PLAN TO FORM FISH AND GAME CLUB IN DISTRICT

The following letter sent out this week to all known to be interested in the matter should explain itself and there should be a large attendance at the meeting called for the Council Chamber for Friday evening, March 11th at 7.30 p.m. in connection with the question. All interested and there certainly should be many interested, should attend this meeting. The letter sent by Mr. Montgomery follows:

"The writer has been in communication with the Department of Game and Fisheries and has been informed that if a club was formed in the vicinity and a sufficient number expressed interest therein that fry, duck food and other necessary material would be furnished and it is therefore our intention to form a club, for which the membership fee would not exceed \$2.00. However, it is the intention to call a meeting so as to have the opinions of those interested expressed, and also hear suggestions as to the fee, and as to the most suitable locality to be stocked. It has therefore been decided to have a meeting on Friday, March 11th, at 7.30 p.m. in the Council Chambers, Timmins. If you should know of anyone interested you would oblige by passing this letter to them in order that all interested will know of it."

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TIMMINS NEWS IN BRIEF

BORN—In North Bay on Thursday, March 3rd, 1921, to Mr. and Mrs. Ted Gregoire, a son.

There will be very sincere sympathy with Mr. and Mrs. Jess Spring in the death of their infant son last week. The baby was only a few weeks old.

David Niessene, a Finlander working in the bush near Boston Creek, had a trying experience last Saturday. He cut his foot seriously while at work and without any skilled medical attention he had to be taken to the station where he and his wife made their way on a freight train as far as Englehart. From Englehart they went by the National to Cobalt and thence to the Haileybury Hospital where the injured man is making good progress to recovery despite his hard experience before medical skill could be obtained.

Mr. Chas. Hall, one of the popular old-timers of the Camp, was a visitor to town last week coming all the way up from Kirkland Lake to cheer the boys here in the hockey game with the Soo. All his friends here were delighted to see him, and he felt the same way about it. The only kick he had was that some short-sighted guy suggested he made a roll out of the game. "The guy that started that yarn didn't have any better hind-sight than I had foresight in the regard to that hockey game," said Charlie.

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