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**NEW COMPANY TAKES OVER HOLLINGER RESERVE MINE**

Executors of Estate of Late Mr. B. McEnaney Sell Property to Toronto Syndicate.

A big mining deal was concluded last week, when the Trusts & Guarantee Company, of Toronto, acting as executors of the estate of the late Barney McEnaney, sold the Hollinger Reserve property to a syndicate headed by E. A. Osler and Company of Toronto. The price is not stated but is said to entail a large amount of money, and the purchasers are reported to include a coterie of influential financial men of the United States. The interest held by F. Barr Mosure in the Hollinger Reserve is being retained in the new company, which will be known as the McEnaney Gold Mines.

The Hollinger Reserve lies on a direct line west of the Hollinger Consolidated Mine, and development work has extended to a depth of 300 feet, where a high-grade vein system has been opened up for a considerable length. Surface outcroppings containing spectacular gold showings made this property one of the most talked of during the early days of Porcupine, and efforts to purchase by English capitalists years ago were fruitless as the well-known staker, Barney McEnaney, who accompanied the late Ben Hollinger into Porcupine in August, 1909, and also staked the Porcupine Crown Mine, always believed his Hollinger Reserve, in Mountjoy Township, would eventually develop into as large a producing gold mine as any in Tisdale Township. His optimism and lack of necessary funds to carry on continuous development, however, prevented the producing stage being reached. The changing of the favorably known property into strong financial hands is hailed by other Porcupine interests with delight.

It is understood that an early reopening of the property is planned and a big program of aggressive development will be started immediately following dewatering operations. By this deal the mineralized area of the Porcupine camp under development will be materially widened and good results are expected by the new owners of the McEnaney.

**ARGONAUT GOLD MINE A**

**HEAVY LOSER BY FIRE**

Last week the Argonaut Gold Mines through a fire at the property lost its mill, transformer house, assay office, etc. The total loss is figured as in the neighborhood of \$50,000.00, and is not covered by insurance. This serious loss by fire will severely cripple the Argonaut's operations for the present. This is particularly to be regretted at this time as the prospects were very bright. It is only a week or two ago that a party of the shareholders and others interested in the mine returned from a visit to the property where their visit had given them great enthusiasm as to the future of the Argonaut. The party was headed by Mr. J. H. Rainville, K.C., of Montreal, President of the Argonaut Gold Mines. Mr. Rainville on his return to Montreal told the newspapers that work at the 355-foot level was proceeding very favourably, one vein having already been cross-cut showing ore of an average of \$27.40 in gold per ton. The big \$352-foot vein was also being opened up, and looked very well. Assays on the latter were expected to be announced at an early rate, and would probably fully justify the confidence felt in the property. In addition, while at the mine Mr. Rainville met officials interested in the construction of a light railway to serve the mining district in which the Argonaut is situated. The proposed light railway would pass through the Argonaut property and would naturally of course be a great benefit. The reports furnished the Government regarding the Argonaut Mine fully justified some form of railway facilities. The Argonaut Gold Mine property is located in the bush about 20 miles east of Dane station on the T. & N. O. and in what is known as the Beaver House Lake section. The mill (now destroyed by fire) was a 15-stamp one, and was turning out in 1920 at the rate of about \$3000.00 per day for some months. The fire, however, will give the property somewhat of a set-back, but the Argonaut is promising enough that it is not probable that the delay will be of very long duration in getting things going ahead again.

The Haileyburian last week says: "Mrs. H. S. Hennessy and Miss Ailie Johnston, who have been the guests of Mrs. H. H. Moore in Timmins for the past week, returned on Wednesday evening."

**MINIMUM WAGE PROPOSED FOR NORTH LAND INDUSTRY**

Somebody is always trying to pave a way to Heaven by the use of legislative brick-bats. P. Heenan, Labour M.P.P. for Kenora, is the latest sample. Mr. Heenan proposes to introduce a bill at the next session of the Ontario House to fix a minimum wage for all engaged in the lumber and pulp industries. If this works well, then the minimum idea may be extended to mining and other work.

"The proposition is that every industry that is making use of public resources for its raw material should be required to pay a minimum wage that will approximate at least the standard of living as laid down by the family budget issued at Ottawa," said the Kenora member. "My idea would be to apply it to saw mills and pulp and paper mills at the outset though it might be made to apply also to the mining industry."

Mr. Heenan is understood to be busy now framing up the bill. His idea is that the Government should set the minimum wage, and if the employer could show that he could not pay the minimum without operating his business at a loss then the Government should adjust matters after getting all the facts, the adjustment being made by concessions in the way of reduced dues, etc. Mr. Heenan also proposes to give the Government "the power to take necessary measures" when it is found that the inability to pay the minimum wage is due to inefficient management. Some little chore, that, eh what, old top?

Mr. Heenan undoubtedly means well and his bill will no doubt do a certain amount of good so long as it does not pass. General economic conditions in the North Land have hitherto made such a measure unnecessary. Wage scales, compared to the rates in other parts of the Province, have been high enough. Indeed, there have been times when employers would have been apparently justified according to Heenan philosophy in having some Heenan of their own introduce a "maximum" wage bill to make it so that industries could be conducted at all with a margin of profit.

What is needed most of all is not legislation compelling one party or the other to hard and fast rules regarding wages, but an extension of the good feeling and co-operative spirit between employer and employee so that both have a "chance for life." This feeling has been noteworthy in the Porcupine, for example, and on more than one occasion it has allowed business and industry to carry on, when hard and fast rules all out and dried would have likely meant a shut-down. Success and contentment for all concerned follow the acceptance by both parties of the proven truths that employer and employee depend on each other, are necessary to each other, cannot get along without each other, and by fair treatment of each other and co-operation and good-feeling guarantee the success of the industry and the benefit of employer and employee alike.

**PLACE FOR MEETINGS AT PORQUIS JUNCTION**

The improvements being made at Porquis Junction are likely to include a place for public meetings. This is one of the good suggestions made by the Iroquois Falls Board of Trade and pushed with the energy and persistence that has put Iroquois Falls so largely on the map of the North Land. A place for meetings at Porquis Junction would be a great convenience to the people of this part of the North Land. Such a place would make a convenient and acceptable convention centre for the district. On account of train connections, it would be a suitable place for the gathering together of delegates from Iroquois Falls, Cochrane, Kapuskasing, Timmins, Matheson and intermediate points. No other place in this section of the North Land is so conveniently situated as Porquis Junction. All it needs is the accommodation, and this accommodation is just what the Iroquois Falls Board of Trade has been striving after, with quite gratifying success it is understood. The new enlarged and improved station at the Junction will be amply provided with refreshment and other accommodations and with a place for public meetings, Porquis Junction will be a very convenient place for the district. It would pay the T. & N. O. Railway or the Government to put up a first-class public hall at Porquis Junction the understanding being that the new Province of the North Land will take the building over when secession is completed from the benighted part of the Province. A marble slab should be over the doorway of the new hall, bearing the inscription, "No B and R. need enter here!" Porquis Junction would thus have the nucleus, as it were, for gathering there the modest parliament building of the new province of the North Land.

**NOTICE TO CREDITORS**

In the matter of the estate of Alex Smith, late of the Township of Tisdale in the District of Temiskaming, deceased.

Notice is hereby given pursuant to R.S.O. 1914, Chapter 121 and amendments thereto that all persons having claims against the Estate of the above named Alex Smith, who died on or about the twenty-sixth day of October in the year of Our Lord one thousand nine hundred and eighteen, are on or before the 1st day of July, 1921, requested to send or deliver to me their Christian and surnames, addresses and descriptions and full particulars in writing under oath of their claims and statements of their account and the nature of the securities (if any) held by them. After the said date, I will proceed to distribute the assets of the deceased among those entitled thereto, having regard only to the claims of which I then have had notice and I will not be liable for the said assets or any part thereof to any person whose claim has not been received.

Dated this 30th day of May, 1921.  
JOSEPH ONUFRY SMITH,  
Schumacher, Ont.,  
Administrator.  
By D. W. O'SULLIVAN,  
Timmins, Ont.  
Solicitor herein.

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In the matter of the estate of Minnie Lingren alias Meino Ukkola late of the Town of Timmins in the District of Temiskaming, deceased.

Notice is hereby given pursuant to R.S.O. 1914, Chapter 121 and amendments thereto that all persons having claims against the Estate of the above named Minnie Lingren, who died on or about the 5th day of November, 1918 are on or before the Fifteenth day of July, 1921 requested to send or deliver to me their Christian and surnames, addresses and descriptions and full particulars in writing under oath of their claims and statements of their accounts and the nature of the securities (if any) held by them. After the said date, I will proceed to distribute the assets of the deceased among those entitled thereto, having regard only to the claims of which I then have had notice and I will not be liable for the said assets or any part thereof to any person whose claim has not been received.

Dated this 3rd day of June, 1921.  
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