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PROPOSE A NORTH LAND EXHIBIT AT TORONTO FAIR

Towns of North Land to be Asked to Co-Operate to Show Possibilities of the North.

At the last meeting of the Iroquois P.E.S. Board of Trade a matter was brought up that is of more than passing interest to the North Land. This is the question of a North Land exhibit at the Canadian National Exhibition at Toronto. The proposal was made that such an exhibit be arranged for next year with a view to making the resources and possibilities of the North Land more widely known to the outside world. The question is being passed on to the Temiskaming Associated Boards of Trade, and all the towns of the North Land will be asked to co-operate to assure such an exhibit at Toronto as will be truly representative of the great North.

It is only too well known in this North Land how little this country is known or recognized on its merits outside its own borders. Every once in a while there is a glaring example of the lack of knowledge and the lack of appreciation elsewhere for this wonderful north country. There is, of course, something known about its mines, and a little about its lumbering and pulp and paper industries. But even the little known in the south is fragmentary and inadequate. There is no general appreciation of the variety of industries possible for the North Land nor the striking future that may come to this land under proper development. Anything that will spread the truth about the North, what this country has, and is, and may become, is desirable. The proposed exhibit would undoubtedly be a great help in centering intelligent attention on the North Land. Exhibits of the products of the mines and of the pulp and paper industries have been very useful in the past in spreading the North Land's fame. An exhibit, a real North Land exhibit, showing the varied activities of this country, in mining, lumbering, pulp and paper, agriculture, etc., etc., would be of the greatest service. If all the centres of the North Land would co-operate, through the Associated Boards, in the preparing and perfecting of such a representative exhibit for the National Exhibition at Toronto next year, the effort would certainly be well worth while for the interests of the North Land in its various parts and as a whole. Such an exhibit would also be a revelation to the outside world.

PORCUPINE FAIR TO BE HELD AT GOLDEN CITY FRIDAY

Porcupine this year is having a fall fair all its own. Up to date it may have suffered from lack of advertising, but in future years probably the publicity end will be looked after. The Porcupine Fall Fair is to be held in the Masonic Hall, Golden City, on Friday, October 14th. There will be a good display of the products of the district, with a showing of stock, etc. It is expected that the exhibits of poultry will be specially noteworthy. Many fowl fanciers are understood to be planning to show their birds at Porcupine on Friday, and the competition will likely be keen.

WILL HAVE TO USE AN AXE TO CUT THE SUNFLOWERS

Mr. W. C. Edwards, one of the well-known homesteaders of the Mattagami was in town this week and pointed out to The Advance where it had missed one particularly good example to sustain the argument of this paper that the North Land is a great land for market garden produce.

"You have been talking about fine market gardens and wonderful vegetables," said Mr. Edwards, "but you have missed mention of one of the very finest gardens of the lot,—that of Mr. H. Duff, up the river.

"You just should see the stuff in that garden," continued Mr. Edwards. "Sunflowers that have developed to such a size that it will be necessary to use an axe or a crosscut saw to cut them down. And the sunflowers are just as good in quality as they are large in growth. 'Jimmy's' hens will bless the North Land as a market garden all right. And cabbages, say, you never saw finer cabbages than those in that garden. Potatoes, too, the very finest, and a score of other varieties of vegetables of unusual size and the very best quality."

"Anybody who doubts the North Land as a market garden should visit 'Haewyer Farm.'"

Mr. J. S. Brough returned last week from a visit to Haileybury.

LIGHT RAILWAYS CO. TO USE STANDARD GAUGE

Company Has New Directorate, and Contract Let for Clearing 100 Miles of Right-of-Way.

Official announcement was made last week to the effect that the Canadian Light Railways Company had decided to make their railway standard gauge and application for permission to change their charter to this effect will be made to the authorities. The company is to build east and west from Swastika and the contract for the clearing of 100 miles of right-of-way has been awarded to N. Yankovitch, who is now getting his apparatus and equipment in for the work. The change from narrow gauge to standard gauge is being made because it is felt that standard gauge lines are what the North Land needs and desires.

The construction company has been re-organized with the following directorate:—President C. E. Pinnelle, Vice-president, Dr. John Noble; managing-director, Stephen A. Harnett; secretary-treasurer, H. J. Kirby, Toronto; J. K. Paisley, Ottawa; F. B. Brown, Montreal. Speaking of the change from narrow to standard gauge, reference is made to objection made to the narrow gauge and the statement made that to "meet this sentiment of the north and to assist in the giving of a better service between our towns and between the towns and mines the question of a storage battery electric passenger service with internal combustion engines for freight service is now being considered carefully by the engineers."

It is expected that Col. R. P. Rogers will be in full charge of construction and that Frederick B. Brown of the engineering firm of Walter J. Francis & Co., will be consulting engineer for the company in collaboration with Col. Rogers, who will more particularly represent the Northern Light Railway, for which the railway is to be built by the Canadian Light Railway Construction Co., the two companies being closely related financially.

GUSTER ELMER GETS SIX MONTHS, DESPITE HIS TALE

Magistrate Atkinson was in town again last week and presided at the regular weekly police court after being absent for several weeks. Although well pleased with Magistrate Tucker who presided at recent courts, the officials and even the prisoners were glad to see Magistrate Atkinson in his accustomed place. Magistrate Atkinson had a busy day of it, but disposed of the list of cases with his usual efficiency and despatch. Among the minor cases was one against P. Villeneuve for wife-beating. A fine of \$20.00 and costs was imposed on the offender in this case. Another case of assault was dismissed with the nominal fine of \$1.00 and costs, provocation being suggested by the evidence. For looking too long on the flowing spirit of "Oh-be-Joyful" two men paid \$10.00 and costs each and two others who had looked still harder contributed \$20.00 and costs. Constable Rayeroff disturbed a little card party at Moneta some evenings ago, and the players were still further disturbed Thursday when Magistrate Atkinson taxed each one of four men with speculative names like Vachuck and Granamanzo to the amount of \$10.00 and costs, or \$17.50 each in all.

The main case of the day was that against Guster Elmer charged with the theft of blankets and other articles from the new Hollinger Hospital. Guster was picked up the previous Sunday morning about 3 o'clock by Constables Grenier and McCauley. The blankets were also picked up at the same time. At court, Guster had a pleasing story of sterling worth to relate. He explained that he had found the blankets and was on his way to the police station to leave them there for safe-keeping. The evidence of the police hardly supported this evidence, and the Magistrate was not impressed by it either. The defence also submitted "character" evidence to show that the accused was a very fine fellow, but this evidence tempted the defence to ask the witness some questions that suggested that Elmer was in no danger of dying young by being too good a boy. Six months at North Bay jail was the sentence imposed on Guster Elmer.

John Graboski and Mrs. Graboski were each charged with breaches of the O.T.A. by Chief Greer. The cases were remanded until this week, bail being granted in the sum of \$2000.00 for John, and \$500.00 for Mrs. Graboski.

SITTING MEMBER AGAIN CHOICE OF LABOUR-U. F. O.

Large and Enthusiastic Gathering at Englehart on Monday.

Mr. Angus McDonald, M.P., the present member for Temiskaming, was again the unanimous choice of the Labour Party and the U.F.O. in convention assembled at Englehart on Monday of this week, and so will carry the banners of the Farmers, and of the Labour Party in the approaching election contest in this riding. The convention on Monday at Englehart was well attended from most parts of the riding, both the Labour Party and the Farmers being well represented. There were no delegates present from Timmins.

From the enthusiasm shown at the Convention it would appear that the U.F.O. and the Labour Party are strongly behind the present member for Temiskaming.

All the old-line candidates are now announced:—D. McEachren, Cobalt, for the Liberals; E. E. Shepperd, North Bay, for the Liberal-Conservatives; Angus McDonald, for the U.F.O. and the Independent Labour Party.

TEA AND SALE OF HOME COOKING ON SATURDAY

The Ladies' Aid of the Presbyterian Church announce a Tea and Sale of Home Cooking in the Clinic Room, opposite the Post Office, from 3 to 6 p.m. on Saturday, Oct. 22nd. This is an event that all should attend, and previous features by the Ladies' Aid guarantee the pleasure and success of such events under their auspices. Remember the date, the place and the event,—Tea and Sale, in the Clinic Room, from 3 to 6 p.m., on Saturday, Oct. 22nd.

BOY OF FOURTEEN CHARGED WITH SERIES OF ROBBERIES

A boy of about fourteen years of age has been under arrest since Sunday evening and will appear before Magistrate Atkinson to-morrow in connection with a regular series of theft of money from King's Amusement parlors during the summer holidays, but was discharged several weeks ago. The till was found to be "short" very frequently and especially on Monday mornings, usually the amount taken being two or three dollars. After the discharge of the boy in question and also after the leaving of another lad suspected, the thefts continued each week and very careful effort was made to locate the culprit. These efforts were unsuccessful until Sunday night. It was thought that someone must have an extra key to one of the doors, but Sunday evening showed that another mode of entry was used. Sunday evening a policeman was concealed in the amusement parlors. He had a weary wait. Then a boy entered, helped himself to cigarettes and rang up the cash register, taking some money out. The lad started away again, when the policeman came forward. The boy had gained entrance to the place by crawling under the building and getting in by means of a small trap door in the floor. The thefts have been in progress for some months.

J. H. MCKEE FOUND DEAD IN BED THURSDAY AFTERNOON

On Thursday afternoon last Mr. John H. McKee was found dead in bed about six o'clock. He had gone to lie down after dinner, saying he was not feeling very well, and when he failed to respond to repeated calls, investigation showed that he had passed away. Medical aid summoned in the hope that he might be revived found him past all help. An inquest was not considered necessary. The cause of death was alcoholic poisoning.

The late J. H. McKee had been a resident of Timmins for only a few months, being employed at one of the mines here. He was about 40 years of age, and the son of Mr. and Mrs. D. J. McKee, North Bay. The body was taken to North Bay for interment on Sunday. The deceased was a member of the Catholic Order of Foresters and of the Machinists Union. He is survived by his father, mother and three brothers, one of the latter of whom is private secretary to President Beatty of the C.P.R.

Mr. Percy Hopkins, Government Geologist, is at present in the Porcupine Camp on business for the Department. It is understood that he has been in Whitesides and in the Night Hawk Lake and that he will make reports on both these promising sections.

SCHUMACHER THEATRE AND STORE BURNED DOWN

Early Morning Fire at Schumacher Causes Serious Loss.

Tuesday morning about 6 o'clock fire was discovered in the Rex Theatre, Schumacher, and though the Schumacher Fire Brigade turned out and did their best, the theatre building and the adjoining building, Assad's store, were burned before the fire was stopped. The theatre building was completely destroyed, being burned to the ground. Assad's was badly gutted upstairs and the downstairs part very badly damaged.

The fire apparently started in the rear end of the theatre, probably underneath the stage, though the cause of the blaze is not known. The fire had a strong headway before it was noticed and there was no chance of saving the theatre building. Assad's building was so close that serious damage to it was also unavoidable.

The loss to the theatre will be a serious one, all the equipment and contents, together with a number of expensive reels of pictures being destroyed by the fire. The building is owned by Mr. F. W. Schumacher, President of the Schumacher Mine. The theatre was only re-opened a month or two ago. The total loss through the fire, including the two buildings, stock, contents, equipment, etc., will run around ten thousand dollars, only a comparatively small part of this being covered by insurance. It is not known what insurance is carried on the theatre building, but the amount carried on the Assad property is only a fraction of the loss.

PLEASANT SOCIAL EVENT IN HONOR MR. AND MRS. MACLEAN

On Friday evening last a pleasant social evening was enjoyed at the home of Mr. and Mrs. A. F. Carriere, the event being in honor of Mr. and Mrs. J. D. MacLean who have recently returned from their wedding journey. There were about twenty-five guests present and all spent a very happy evening. Progressive Five Hundred was played, the bride winning first prize. After cards a delightful lunch was served by Mrs. Carriere, and then dancing was enjoyed by the guests. A feature of the evening was the shower given the newly married couple, Mr. and Mrs. MacLean being the recipients of a large number of beautiful presents, as well as being more than showered with sincere good wishes.

SAD DEATH OF MR. W. DWYER AT TORONTO LAST WEEK

Despatches last week from Toronto told of the sad death of Mr. William Dwyer of Timmins who was found dead early Sunday morning on the verandah of a North Toronto residence. In his pocket was found an empty carbolic acid bottle and a letter suggesting that he was despondent and intended to end it all. The coroner investigated the death and decided that no inquest was necessary death being due to poison taken by the deceased while in a despondent state.

The late William Dwyer was one of the pioneers of the North Land and was well-known and highly esteemed here, being popular with all who knew him. He was about 35 years of age and had lived in the Porcupine for a number of years. He was employed here usually in mining contracts, shaft sinking, etc. Among his recent contracts was considerable work at the Keora. He left here some weeks ago for Toronto where his sister resided. The news of his death was a surprise and a shock to all who knew him, and his sad death is very generally regretted. The funeral takes place at Toronto to-day and several from Timmins and district are in the city to be present at the last sad rites.

HALLOWE'EN DANCE BY ST. MATTHEW'S GIRLS' AUXILIARY

A Halloween Dance is announced by the Girls' Auxiliary of St. Matthew's to be held in the Masonic Hall on Monday evening, Oct. 31st. This will be undoubtedly one of the most pleasing social events of the season, the past successes of events under the same auspices promising an unusually enjoyable and successful time on Halloween at the Dance in the Masonic Hall.

Several of the shareholders of the Union Mining Corporation were here this week from Chicago. They visited the property in Whitesides Township and were pleased with the prospects and promise of that property.

MEMORIAL TABLET; BANK OF COMMERCE, UNVEILED

Local Financial Institution Shows Honour to Those Who Served Overseas.

On Tuesday afternoon at 4.30 an interesting and impressive ceremony took place at the Timmins branch of the Canadian Bank of Commerce when a memorial tablet to the soldiers from the branch who had served overseas in the great war was formally unveiled. Continuing the active interest in its soldiers evidenced during the progress of the war, the Bank of Commerce is placing bronze tablets in each branch to commemorate the great work in the war of the men of this institution.

Mr. J. P. Taillon, manager of the local branch, had invited a number of leading business and professional men of the town to be present for the occasion of the unveiling, and about twenty-five in addition to the staff of the Bank were in attendance at the interesting event. The tablet was covered with a large British flag and the formal unveiling was done by Dr. J. A. McInnis, Mayor of Timmins. The Mayor referred to the noteworthy part played by the men of the financial institution of Canada in the great war, referring particularly to the banks and specially to the Canadian Bank of Commerce. From the various branches of this bank in Canada not less than 1701 men had enrolled for overseas service. Many of them had safely returned to the service of the Bank, but many had made the Supreme Sacrifice in answer to the call of duty. It was but proper and fitting that honour should be shown and remembrance ever kept of those who had given their lives and those who had offered their lives in the service of their country and the right. The Mayor commended the Bank of Commerce not only on the loyalty and unselfish service of its men in the battle for world freedom, but also on the interest and attention shown by the Bank as an institution during the war and the measures now taken to reward and remember the good service of its men. From the Timmins branch five men had enrolled for service, and it was pleasing to know that all these had been able to return to their duties after the hardships of the war were passed. The memory of the brave men who had served their country should be kept in grateful remembrance, and the Mayor felt that the Canadian Bank of Commerce had made a pleasing and effective provision to this and by the tablets being placed in all the branches.

Rev. R. S. Cushing, rector of St. Matthew's Anglican Church, followed with a brief but effective address. He touched upon the faithful loyalty to country and to right of those who had given up ease and comfort and all good prospects to serve their fellow men. The record of the banks was a noteworthy one and should not be forgotten. It was well indeed that all should remember and regard the services and the sacrifices of the gallant men who had defended the world in its need.

Rev. Fr. Theriault, after a tribute to those who served in the war, and a reference to his keen personal interest in the returned men, emphasized the duty that is owing now by all to help those who helped the world in the great war. He urged all business men and others to give any time or attention possible to the interests of returned men and assist in their re-establishment in civil life. The memory of the service of the soldiers and the sacrifices of these brave men and their mothers and wives should be kept in affectionate memory.

Rev. J. D. Parks, pastor of Timmins Presbyterian church, added his tribute to those of the preceding speakers, touching on the work of the men from the banks of Canada in the great war. They had left very comfortable positions with fine prospects to follow the line of harder duty. To those who had offered their lives and those who had given their lives, the words of the Great Master applied, "Greater love hath no man than this, that he lay down his life for his friends." In making fitting memorial of those who served we were doing a duty owed to ourselves as well as to the remembrance of the brave men who had offered themselves as a sacrifice.

The unveiled tablet was a handsome one of bronze, bearing on the top in raised letters the words:—"In memory of the 1701 men of the Canadian Bank of Commerce who served in the Great War, 1914-1918." Underneath were the names of the men of the Timmins Branch enlisting, as follows: Private L. D. Buckeridge.

YOUNG MAN CRUSHED TO DEATH BY TRENCH CAVE-IN

Adrien Savage, Aged 17, Meets Sad Death While at Work on Tuesday Afternoon.

Yesterday afternoon Adrien Savage was crushed to death by the cave-in of a trench for waterworks connection in progress on Tamarack street to the residence of Mr. E. C. Ricard. The deceased and his brother-in-law, Mr. Leblanc, son of Mr. Eli Leblanc, had taken the contract to do the necessary trench digging for the water connections to the house of Mr. Ricard. They had the work well along, with the trench about 10 feet deep. The sides of the trench were planked, as is always necessary in such work in ground like that in this district. It would appear, however, that enough braces had not been used to guard against possible cave-ins. In any event a cave-in did occur while Mr. Savage was in the trench. He was squeezed between the planking and sand and rock piled down from the sides of the trench crushing him tight between the planking. His partner, Mr. Leblanc, at once summoned assistance, and strenuous efforts were made to rescue the unfortunate young man. Medical aid was also summoned, and in the meantime Chief Greer and Constable Roy also reached the scene of the accident and rendered very valuable assistance. By the use of pries they forced the planking away from the body of the young man, only to find that one of his feet had been wedged tightly by the scantling at the bottom of the trench. When the police reached the scene the young man was still alive. He had one arm raised, showing that he had made strong effort to escape from the trench as the cave-in occurred. His head and face were above the cave-in, and apart from a couple of bruises caused by falling stones he had been uninjured in the head or face. The officers worked with strenuous energy to relieve the pressure crushing the imprisoned man. In a short time they had him free except for the foot that was securely wedged below. They worked as swiftly as possible to get the foot released, but in the meantime Adrien Savage had passed away. The doctors summoned found life had passed beyond recall. In view of the circumstances and known facts of the accident an inquest was not deemed necessary.

The late Adrien Savage was a young man, only 17 years of age, and the son of Mr. and Mrs. Ephraim Savage, 20½ Maple street. He enjoyed the esteem and regard of all who knew him and his sad death is deeply and sincerely regretted. The earnest sympathy of all will also go out to the bereaved parents and other near relatives in their loss. The deceased was born at St. Albert, Quebec, and has been a resident of Timmins for some years past. The funeral will take place to-morrow (Thursday) morning at 8.30 from the R.C. church here.

EUCHRE BY LADIES OF CHARITY, THURSDAY THE 20th.

A Euchre Party under the auspices of the Ladies of Charity is announced to be held in the Knights of Columbus Hall (Union Hall) on Thursday evening of next week, Oct. 20th. The Ladies of Charity have an enviable reputation for giving enjoyable and successful social events of this kind, and no one should miss the Euchre next Thursday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. C. G. Williams returned last Wednesday from their holiday visit to the south. While away they were among the guests at the golden wedding anniversary of Mr. Williams' father and mother at London, Ont. Mr. and Mrs. Williams, Sr., observed the fiftieth anniversary of their wedding with the best of health and happiness, and with all the members of the family gathered for the noteworthy event, their children coming from many parts to be with them for the occasion.

Private C. R. Gilmour. Lt. J. A. D. Higgs. Pte. R. V. Palmer. Flight Lieut. J. G. Spence.

After the ceremony at the Timmins Branch, a similar ceremony took place at the Schumacher Branch where a similar bronze tablet was formally unveiled by Mayor McInnis, brief addresses being made by Rev. Father Theriault, Rev. R. S. Cushing and Rev. J. D. Parks.

The memorial tablet occupies a permanent and prominent place on the north wall of the bank building in Timmins, near the entrance to the manager's office.