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TOWN COUNCIL HOLDS BUSY SESSION ON MONDAY

Much Routine Business Discussed and Dealt With by Town Council.

The session of the Town Council on Monday afternoon was taken up chiefly with minor matters, though there were enough of them to give the Council a very busy session. Mr. Henderson, Town Engineer, very efficiently acted as clerk in the absence of Mr. Montgomery on his vacation leave. The Mayor presided, and Councillors E. L. Longmore, E. S. Noble, L. S. Newton, T. F. King and J. E. Morin were present.

A motion was received from the residents of the north part of Cedar street complaining of the bad condition of the road and asking for relief. The Chairman of the Board of Works and the Town Engineer are to see if anything can be done at this time to improve matters.

A number of requests were received regarding income taxes. One man's case was that he had not been receiving the income assessed against him for some time past. Another, assessed on the "single" man basis had moved his family here in April. Other requests along these lines were to hand. Councillor Longmore thought that some of them were deserving of refunds or adjustment, but he pointed out that the Council had no authority to reduce the taxes. The proper procedure was to make refunds in such cases as were found on investigation to warrant it, the taxes to be paid in the usual way in the meantime. The Council agreed that this was the only procedure that could be followed, and all the cases will have full investigation and refunds made where law and equity demand such action.

On motion of Councillors Longmore and Noble another payment was authorized on the disposal plant.

Mayor McInnis referred to the recent settlement of Mr. White's case against the Town, in connection with the town's use of Mr. White's house as an isolation hospital. The case was settled out of court, the Town escaping further costs, etc., in this way. The Town had agreed to pay Mr. White \$800.00 for the building when he gave the necessary deeds, etc. The Mayor thought the house would make an ideal isolation hospital so far as its location was concerned. All that remained was to secure a lease from the owners of the land. On motion of Councillors Morin and King instructions to secure this required lease were given.

The Town Engineer was instructed to have the necessary sewer connections made for the municipal buildings, town hall, fire hall, etc.

Fire Chief Borland was appointed weighmaster of the new town scales. A schedule of rates for the weigh scales is to be drawn up.

Further progress was made in the formalities for the annexation of the new Hollinger Township to the Town of Timmins. The Mayor also said that he would see the Solicitor about pushing along the routine of annexing Mattagami and Mattagami Heights.

The need for several more street lights in town was referred to, and the Fire and Light Committee Chairman and the Town Engineer were authorized to see about having the new lights added.

The matter of a new Band Leader for the Timmins Citizens' Band was before the Council, the Band sending in the applications for leader, together with recommendations, etc., and suggesting that the Council make the choice. The matter was left, on motion of Councillors Noble and Newton, in the hands of the Band Committee of the Council.

Mayor McInnis being called away, the meeting continued with Councillor L. S. Newton in the chair as Acting Mayor.

Mr. P. Antoine asked the Council about his chances to secure a restaurant license. He wanted to sell pie, sandwiches, tea, coffee and other food, and keep open on Sundays for this purpose. The Council pointed out that the restaurant license was only \$1.00 per year and if he could show the Chief of Police that he had a bona fide restaurant conducted on proper premises he would secure the necessary license in the ordinary way.

Mr. J. P. Bartleman addressed the Council in reference to the Town's method of charging for thirty-three feet for connection to the sewers. On one block of Spruce street, Sixth Avenue and Pine street, the sewer main was only about 16 feet from the property line, yet the property-owners were asked to pay for the thirty-three feet. On the opposite side of the road

JEAN RIDDEZ, FAMOUS SINGER, HERE FRIDAY

Gifted Baritone of Paris Grand Opera at New Empire Theatre, Friday Ev'g., October 28th.

One of the most noteworthy events for Timmins for some time is the Grand Concert announced for Friday evening of this week in the New Empire Theatre under the auspices of the Girls' Altar Society of the Timmins R. C. church. This concert will feature Jean Riddez, the celebrated baritone of the Paris Grand Opera. Mr. Riddez has won international fame as a vocalist and for his outstanding dramatic ability. As a member of the Grand Opera of Paris he won very wide popularity and a general recognition of his unusual talents. On visits to this continent his success was equally marked and the press seems to be unanimous in its praise of his gifted work. Last week The Advance published extracts from the newspaper references to Mr. Riddez, showing the general recognition of his wonderful voice, its power and range, and his dramatic ability. In this connection it may not be out of place to quote from The Toronto Sunday World. "Mr. Riddez's versatility in his presentation of four characters of wide differentiation of treatment, was superbly shown," says The Sunday World. "His flexible baritone voice was displayed to great advantage. He was able to put in to his parts an intensity of tone that was heart-thrilling." The press generally appears to be agreed that Mr. Riddez is a singer of remarkable voice, perfectly trained, and of singular range and richness. It is an event to have a singer of such fame and merit visit Timmins and the New Empire Theatre should be crowded to the doors for the event on Friday evening of this week.

EXECUTIVE MEETING OF CHILDREN'S AID SOCIETY

An Executive Meeting of the Children's Aid Society will be held in the Council Chamber, Timmins, on Thursday of this week (to-morrow), at 4.15 p.m. sharp.

only the one connection was necessary in each case, as this central block was occupied by the Catholic church and School only. Thus about 24 property owners were to pay double the actual cost of the work, while there were only the two or three long connections to be made. As he understood the Town had planned to make the connections at cost, he thought the matter should be considered. Several other property owners from the streets referred to were also present in connection with the matter. In reply, the Acting Mayor pointed out that where the sewer ran down one side of the street it would not be fair to charge the owners on the far side for the extra length of connection. The present plan was accordingly adopted as being the fair one for all. In addition it was thought that a case like that referred to would be offset by instances where it was the other way round, the connections to the properties on the south side of Fourth Avenue being a case in point. The Town Engineer further pointed out that the Provincial law regulated the matter and the Council could not adjust the matter other than had been done, as the Act required that where sewer mains did not run in the centre the charge for connections to the property lines should be made on both sides of the road at the same rate as if the sewers were in the centre.

The usual routine accounts, payroll, etc., were passed for payment.

The matter of lights for the new Hollinger Township was brought before the Council. It was felt that unless the poles were put in at once it might be difficult to get them installed before spring. Consequently the need for dealing with the question at once, and on motion of Councillors King and Morin the Town Engineer was instructed to arrange with Power Co. and the Hollinger for the work to be done at once.

Chief Greer called attention to the need for a butter fat tester. There were many complaints recently regarding poor milk, but the police were handicapped having no means of testing for anything but cleanliness. The Acting Mayor pointed out that a resolution of the Council some two or three months ago had authorized the purchase of a butter fat tester. The delivery of the tester, however, seemed to be slow, and the firm receiving the order would be hurried along now.

Mr. M. W. Summerhayes, formerly manager of the Crown Mine here, is visiting in the Camp.

QUESTIONS FOR THE ONT. GOVERNMENT TO ANSWER

The Progress of the North and the Unemployment Problem May be Helped by the Right Answers.

The following questions are respectfully submitted to the Ontario Government, with the hope that they may receive the special attention and consideration of Premier Drury:—

Does the Ontario Government wish to see the North Land develop and progress?

Does the Government desire the expansion of North Land industries, with the consequent prosperity and progress that will ensue, benefitting and enriching the south as well as the North?

Does the Government desire a very material assistance, without the expenditure of a cent of public money, in the solving at least of part of the pressing unemployment problem now facing the Province?

If the Government desires these things, is the Government ready to take the necessary action to assist in securing these desired advantages, especially when the Province may do all this without loss or cost?

Is it not a fact that the Hollinger Consolidated Gold Mines applied for the right to develop power on the Abitibi River, and that without the power thus planned to be developed, is it not a fact that the Big Mine is handicapped in expanding its great industry?

Is it not a fact that the Hollinger is ready to make noteworthy additions to its equipment and output, and add many more men to its staffs, just as soon as it has the right assurance of that very necessary ample power for the enlarged needs?

Is it not a fact that the Hollinger stood ready to develop its own power at its own cost to meet its own needs?

Is it not a fact that the Hollinger was ready to do that same right away, and be ready to deliver power to its own mine early in 1922?

Was not the Hollinger ready in this connection to push the work with the greatest despatch and energy, giving employment to over 2000 men at once?

Was the Hollinger not ready to expend no less than \$3,000,000.00 in less than a year to provide this boon to the progress of the North Land?

Is not the employment of 2000 men and the expenditure of \$3,000,000.00 of private capital very desirable at the present time?

And did not the Government neglect or delay to give the Hollinger Consolidated the necessary rights in this matter of power development?

Is it answered that it is desired to reserve this power for the T. & N. O. Commission?

Then, is it not a fact that there is sufficient water power available north of here for both the T. & N. O. and the Hollinger?

And is it not a fact that even if the purpose is to sell surplus power, after the electrification of the T. & N. O. is provided for, the T. & N. O. will not be ready to supply power for three or four years at least, while the Hollinger would be ready to help the progress of the country in this way in a few months?

Are the industries of the North Land to wait on the convenience of the T. & N. O. without necessity or due and sufficient reason?

Will the Government stand thus in the way of the expansion and development of this part of the North Land?

Or will Premier Drury and his Cabinet find a way and a means to help this country and its industries, not to hinder?

In view of the striking benefit in the way of employment, in view of the large outlay of private money ready for this important development, can not the Government do something, and do it quickly, to show that it is ready to encourage and support a plan that promises great assistance in the development and expansion of this part of the North Land?

HALLOWE'EN DANCE BY THE GIRLS' AUXILIARY

As pleasant and appropriate a way as may be found to observe Halloween this year is to attend the Dance to be given by the St. Matthew's Girls' Auxiliary in the Masonic Hall on Monday evening, Oct. 31st. Dances under the auspices of the Girls' Auxiliary are always enjoyable social events and the Dance on Halloween will have a number of special features.

Monday, Nov. 7th. is Thanksgiving Day this year in Canada. One of the things to be thankful for is that ALL the Blue Laws have not been put back in force.

PREMIER TO TURN FIRST SOD ON T. & N. O. EXTENSION

Ceremony to be at Cochrane on Friday, Oct. 28th., with Many Distinguished Visitors There.

At the request of the Cochrane Board of Trade, it is understood, Premier Drury has consented to personally turn the first sod on the projected extension of the T. & N. O. Railway from Cochrane about 70 miles north to Tin Can or Oil Can. The interesting ceremony is to be held on Friday afternoon of this week, Oct. 28th, at 2.30 p.m.

A number of distinguished visitors are expected to be in Cochrane for the auspicious occasion. In addition to Premier Drury it is expected there will also be two or three members of the Ontario Cabinet, Chairman Geo. W. Lee of the T. & N. O. Commission, Commissioners Col. Martin and Col. McLaren, leading officials of the road, and others. Invitations have also been sent out to the Mayors of all the Towns and the Presidents of all Boards of Trade between Cochrane and North Bay. Other distinguished guests will include the President of the Toronto Board of Trade, the President of the Associated Boards of Trade of Ontario, and the President of the Temiskaming Associated Boards of Trade.

A good attendance of the general public from all over the North Land may also be expected for the ceremony of the formal sod turning. A special train is to leave North Bay at 1 a.m. on Thursday, arriving at Cochrane at 11 a.m.

A special fare of one cent per mile is to be the rate for the return trip on this train. As The North Land Post suggests in its issue last week, the T. & N. O. Commission is doing all possible to assist in making the day a big success.

The programme outlined for the day is understood to include a luncheon, served in Peel's Hall at noon to Premier Drury and his colleagues, the T. & N. O. Commission and officials and invited guests. At 2.30 p.m., the ceremony of turning the first sod will be performed by Premier Drury, and then there will be a public meeting in the Empire Theatre, with Mayor Ivy of Cochrane presiding. At this meeting a presentation will be made and official speeches delivered. A dance in the evening will conclude what Cochrane will naturally consider as one of the red-letter days in the history of the town. For Cochrane the ceremony on Friday means, as its newspaper says, "the realization of years of dreams and visions, the successful result after long years of idealistic, patient and persistent work to educate the rest of the Province to a fuller understanding of the vastness of the wealth to be uncovered and brought into the sphere of available riches for the benefit of the Province as a whole."

It is also understood that the ceremony of turning the sod is to be done with a silver spade to be furnished for the occasion by the Cochrane Board of Trade.

GOLF ENTHUSIASTS LOOK FOR A GREAT SEASON IN 1922

Golf enthusiasts here are looking forward to a great season in their beloved game in this district in 1922. In the meantime, however, they are still playing golf and intend to keep on playing golf until the snow gets "too" deep. Between times they consider the bright prospects for next year. Iroquois Falls then will have its fine new links completed. Haileybury has taken up golf without reserve, the town nearly making it unanimous, women being as enthusiastic as men. Kirkland Lake is likely to have a golf course next year, there being a number of golf enthusiasts in that camp. Although there is no golf course in Cochrane, there are several golf players there and they have been playing golf this year without the formality of having a regular course.

"If we haven't a golf course, we have lots of grass, and some enthusiastic golf players here," says Mr. Geo. A. Smith. With golf so popular in Timmins, Iroquois Falls, Cochrane, Kirkland Lake and Haileybury, local enthusiasts see the possibilities for a great deal of the game next year, not only in the individual towns mentioned, but also in inter-town matches. If there were a series of games between the golfers of the several towns referred to, it would undoubtedly increase the already noteworthy interest now shown throughout all this district in the ancient and honorable game of golf.

SPECTACULAR GOLD ORE SAMPLES FROM THE PAS

Gordon Murray, Porcupine Old-Timer, Has Specimens So Rich As to Beggar Description.

Hosts of old friends in the Porcupine this week gave glad welcome here to Mr. Gordon Murray, one of the old-timers of the Porcupine, who has recently been working hard in the Pas district of Manitoba, in company with his brother, Kenneth, at their chosen calling as prospectors and miners. Mr. Murray spent a number of years in the Porcupine and did very valuable work here as a prospector and mining man. He was one of the old-timers who in the early days helped to set this Camp on the way to success and progress. Early in the war he enlisted with the Royal Flying Corps and soon graduated as a fearless and efficient air pilot, giving active service in that line that won him special commendation from the Headquarters of the R.A.F. After the war, Gordon and his brother, Kenneth, went out to the Pas district where they have been busy ever since. In the Elbow Lake district north of the Pas they have made a remarkable strike, one that does not seem to be often equalled even in rich gold areas. Gordon is in the east at present to interest mining men in the claims referred to. It is understood that he has been successful, though he will not talk for publication on this point. However, it is understood that the plan is to have the property taken over by a mining company of standing and carried along as a straight mining business, without any stock-selling or market propositions. Mr. Murray has such faith in his find that he feels the only thing to do is to go on and mine it. Others who have examined the ground or seen the samples taken from it, fully share this faith. It seems to be one of the most remarkable finds of the century. The Murray Brothers, it seems to be agreed, have surely struck it rich, and there is general pleasure in this Camp at this fact, for they enjoy great popularity and esteem here. "They deserve the very best," seems to be the general opinion. "After sixteen years of hard work like I know Gordon Murray has given to the prospecting business, I'm tickled to death to know that he has struck a regular bonanza," was the way one other old-timer phrased his opinion.

So far it has been easy enough to write about the matter, but now to attempt any description or reference to the samples of ore and the richness of the property as it appears presents great difficulty. To write about "large bodies," "striking showings of free gold," "spectacular high grade," etc. does not do justice to the unusual features of this case. On the other hand, to attempt to give the straight facts about the case is to tempt a charge of exaggeration. Those who have seen the samples of ore, however, know that it would be difficult to exaggerate in this case. Yet the apparent truth seems almost too good to be true. Mr. Murray has a large number of samples with him, none of them "picked" samples. They were taken from various parts of the property. The ore is of a richness that outshines even the famous Croesus. A large number of assays have been made, and one of the "poor" one certifies \$500 in gold per ton. A "slightly better one" runs in the thousands; others go as high as \$50,000.00, \$100,000.00, and one went over \$200,000.00 in gold to the ton. And these samples were picked up, one might say, "any old place" on the find. When they were broken off peppering and streaking and knobs of free gold were revealed and further breaking of the ore showed the same sort of thing. It was necessary to leave the property well guarded by trustworthy men as wherever there was any work done gold was exposed in unusual showings. The formation is quartz and greenstone and both seem to be heavily impregnated with gold. The whole property, so far as explored, seems to be thoroughly mineralized throughout. A section four hundred feet wide and three thousand feet long has been uncovered, and this (to put the matter very mildly) is apparently very high-grade ore. Of course, nothing now is known as to conditions at depth, but trenching and other work done show the same conditions seem to follow downwards. Anyway, a body of this sort of ore would not need to go very deep to be a wonderful property. All of this may seem rather hard to believe, but the assays, the samples, and the investigations carried on suggest the property to be one that it would be difficult to overestimate. Those who know Gordon Murray know that

RAILWAY LINE FROM FORT MATACHEWAN TO TIMMINS

Canadian Light Railways to Connect Up All the Camps of the North With Standard Gauge Lines.

In a letter received this week from Mr. H. S. Rose, one of those among the principal shareholders and backers of the Canadian Light Railway Companies, the very interesting and pleasing information is given that after the 100 miles now under construction is completed it is the intention to run the line from Fort Matatchewan by way of Jim Nelson's, Kitchen Mine, Lake Bartlett, McArthur and Deloro to Timmins. Thus the new railway,—originally designed as a narrow gauge light railway, but now being constructed for standard gauge,—will connect up all our present known principal mining camps. The line thus to be built will not only be of great usefulness and advantage to Timmins, but it will also be a very noteworthy boom to the big and promising mining district served.

The Canadian Light Railway Construction Co., Ltd., are already clearing and cutting the right of way for 100 miles of railway running east and west of Swastika. Mr. C. E. Pinelle, the president, says it is the intention of the company as soon as this hundred miles is completed to then run the line as suggested through to Timmins. This should be good news indeed for those who wish to see transportation problems solved and the North Land developed at a more rapid rate than heretofore. Mr. Pinelle was a railroad man for many years before he came to the North Land some 17 years ago. He rose from the ranks of rock drill striker on what is now the Grand Trunk Railway between Severn Bridge and Gravenhurst in Muskoka, to the position of trainmaster at a fashionable pleasure resort station in the Adirondack Mountains of New York State. Then he was superintendent over 500 men in the experimental department of the Edison Electric Co., Schenectady, N. Y., for 12 years. He was the organizer of the New York State Farmers' Association, and conducted three large stores for them. He enlisted during the war in the Royal Air Force, and became the chief instructor in the wireless apparatus shop. Mr. Pinelle is the owner and staker of a large number of promising mining properties in the North Land particularly in the Kirkland and Lebel sections. One of these properties he recently sold for \$45,000. He has high standing in the North Land and his associates in the railroad construction company are equally well-known and esteemed. It does not therefore seem to be too much to expect that the new railway will be a success and a very decided benefit and advantage to the development of this part of the North Land.

MAN SHOT THROUGH THE LEG AT MCINTOSH SPRINGS.

Word was received in town this week regarding a rather serious fracas at McIntosh Springs on Monday. Particulars and details are not available, but it would appear that some sort of a dispute or unpleasantness occurred, during which guns were brought into play. As a result one man is laid up for a time, having been shot through the leg, the wound, however, not being expected to be a dangerous one.

Mr. R. S. Taylor, was a business visitor to Timmins last week.

he is inclined to lean to the quiet and conservative side, and understate, rather than overestimate. He is following that repressed attitude now, but the facts and the samples rather overrule him in this. The samples are probably the richest ever seen in the Porcupine. Big chunks speckled all over with bright gold, the brightest of gold that will be found in any ore! Pieces doubled in weight with the load of precious metal through them! Innocent-looking ore that assays show to be heavily charged with gold! Big pieces, little pieces, with gold, richest, brightest gold, in all!

The Murray claims in question are in the Elbow Lake district, north of the Pas, Manitoba. They are over a hundred miles from the nearest railroad and the trip has to be made by canoe in summer and dog team in winter, all supplies having to go also by these primitive routes. Work in such regions means hardship and courage and deserves high reward.

If the Murray claims at Elbow Lake develop with the promise given now by the ore from them, or North Manitoba will have one of the richest gold mines in Canada.