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Sports and Patriotism A Big Night of Events

TIMMINS RINK CROWDED—SOUTH PORCUPINE AND ALL PORTIONS OF THE CAMP WELL REPRESENTED—PROCEEDS, WITHOUT DEDUCTION FOR EXPENSE, IN AID OF BAND OF THE 159th ALGONQUIN RANGERS—OVER 1100 SPECTATORS PRESENT—REALIZE NEARLY \$700.00.

Saturday night last was set apart in the Porcupine Camp for a feast of sport, in aid of the Band of our Northern Regiment, the 159th, better known as the Algonquin Rangers. The Coliseum rink at Timmins was the chosen place, kindly donated for the occasion by the Canadian Mining and Finance Company. The affair was really inspired by the Timmins Town Council, and the arrangements were in the hands of Mr. P. A. Robbins, Mr. A. R. Globe, Mr. Ralph Robbins, Mayor Wilson, Dr. Moore, Mr. C. G. Williams, and others.

The crowd began to assemble about 7.30, and by 8 o'clock the rink was comfortably filled, a special train from South Porcupine having pulled in with a large number to witness the various events. The band of 8 pieces was in attendance, contributing much to the evening's enjoyment with fine selections of martial airs, at brief intervals. A number of soldiers in khaki, members of the Regiment, under command of Lieut. Nicholson, lent variety and color to the scene, and altogether the throng was charged with a current of humorous expectancy, which every once in a while broke out in resounding cheers.

The various sports are commented upon on another page, every item going off well. There was not a dull moment all through the program, and but for the unfortunate accident to Mr. Homer L. Gibson, and Mr. Ralph Sullivan, who collided on the ice, there was nothing to mar the success of the event, from whatever angle it may be viewed. The first item was a

hockey game between Hollinger and Timmins teams, with mechanical goals, invented by Mr. P. A. Robbins for the occasion. The town team won this event with flying colors, but the absence of "live" goal-keepers somehow detracted from the onlookers' enjoyment of the game. At the conclusion of this game, the cup of the Hockey League was presented to this season's winners—the Hollinger—by Mr. Reeve Dickson, in a brief but appropriate speech. This was the first presentation of the Dickson Cup as although South Porcupine were the winners of the league last year, the trophy was not presented.

After the removal of the patent goals, the game of broom-ball was called, and was participated in by a number of well known citizens. It was an exciting contest, and created much merriment. Next, the Ladies met the Fat Men in a hockey contest, the skirts giving the trousers a well merited trouncing. Mr. K. DeLong was referee of the game, and showed his usual partiality for the gentler sex in some of his decisions. Then came a relay race, which was quite exciting, to wind up the program.

The Patriotic Quartette, led by Pte. Gallagher, gave an inspiring selection and after the National Anthem, the crowd dispersed its various ways well satisfied with a duty performed in a most pleasant way.

About \$1,500 is required to equip the band, and if the other towns in the district do half as well as the Porcupine Camp, the required sum is already assured.

PETER NICOLSON WINS THE COVETED PONY AFTER HOT CONTEST

The Pony Contest closed on Monday, March 6th, after three months of strenuous rivalry by the boys and girls. The ebb and flow in the standing of the various contestants has been a source of great interest to all those who had little friends in the race.

On the final day the Advance office was simply deluged with votes, and they did not cease to arrive until 11 p.m., and after a hard days work in compiling mountains of votes, Peter Nicolson was declared winner of the Pony, with Norman Webb well up for the second prize, a six-months family ticket for the Empire Theatre.

The Pony has not yet arrived from Toronto, although a letter received at the Advance office states that it is now being prepared for shipment and may be expected to arrive in Timmins any day.

The final standing of the contestants is as follows:

Peter Nicolson	4,243,313
Norman Webb	3,589,141
Stanley Globe	1,341,700
Mildred McDougall	1,253,135
Frank Leggett	1,155,489
Edna Sims	955,357
Retia Lewis	871,512
Roger Courtemanche	369,374
Mary Daher	225,311
Dorothy Harrington	206,000
Aileen Thompson	161,940
Mary Anna Masson	149,838
Eva Poitras	127,404
Evelyn R. Carson	114,967
Muriel Gilker	112,614
Herbert Coekburn	69,790
Thomas Lawrence	80,010
Bobbie Chapman	45,853
Anthony Boivin	42,286
Gaetane Demers	40,349
Andrew Roberts	30,886
Irene Everard	26,230
Annie Shub	23,800

MEETING OF D.Y.B.'s GOLDFIELDS HOTEL MONDAY NIGHT

The regular weekly meeting of the D. Y. B. Club was held at the Hotel Goldfields on Monday night, fifteen members being present. The following work was turned in by the girls: 6 day shirts; 7 pairs of socks. Work taken home, 4 shirts and 18 skeins of wool.

The next meeting will be held at the Hotel on Monday, March 13th, when the election of officers will take place. All members are requested to attend this meeting.

A BANKERS VIEWS ON MINING INDUSTRIES COMPARED WITH OTHERS

Chester R. Lawrence, a prominent financier of Boston, the claim is made that of the average returns from the capital invested in various industries mining leads all others. His statement in part follows:

"The National Banker, in a recent issue, makes the unequivocal statement that the combined dividends paid by the gold and silver companies of the United States are greater than the combined dividends paid by all the banking institutions of the United States. That the combined dividends paid by the copper companies of the United States are greater than the combined dividends paid by all the railroads in the United States, and that 52 per cent of the freight handled by these same railroads is either ore or some other commodity connected with the mining and milling of ore.

"To this somewhat astounding and not generally known fact, Bradstreet and Duns commercial agencies supply the surprising addenda that but 36 per cent of all legitimate mining investments fail, as against 54 per cent in commercial lines.

"Government figures show the following returns on capital invested: Railroad, 3 per cent; National Banks 6 1/4 per cent; Insurance, 11 per cent; Lumbering, 14 per cent; Manufacturing, 14 per cent; Mining, 182 per cent."

TIMMINS COUNCIL REGULAR SESSION MONDAY AFTERNOON

The Town Council met in regular bi-monthly session on Monday afternoon at 4.30, Mayor Wilson in the chair, and all members present, excepting Councillor McLaughlin, who is absent from the town.

The minutes of last meeting were read and confirmed, and accounts, amounting to \$255.91, were passed for payment.

A communication was read from the secretary of the School Board asking for specific information regarding the new school, and the disposition of the debentures to be issued in that connection. Councillor Globe was instructed to give the School Board full and complete information on all matters.

Few matters, other than of a routine nature, came up for discussion, and the meeting adjourned at the call of the Mayor at 6 p.m.

159th ENLISTMENTS IN TIMMINS SINCE MARCH THE FIRST

The following fourteen men of Timmins have been recruited by Lt. Nicholson of the 159th Battalion since March 1st.

S. Boisvert, F. Toucheon, L. Desarneau, L. C. Coates, H. Laroche, R. Rhude, L. Wright, F. Mousseau, G. Dubois, D. Horne, Ambrose Horne, W. Charest, E. Major, and E. Erafew. These make a total of 54 since February 1st.

South Porcupine
Fred Ostrom, L. Landris, N. Welber, L. Beausoliel, W. A. Wright, Andy Hay, A. Seymour, S. W. Pearce, W. Lelivrie, C. Desulners, T. Desulners.

FRANK A. CHILD PASSES AWAY DEATH UNEXPECTED

Hundreds of friends and acquaintances of Frank A. Child will regret to learn of his unexpected death, which took place on Sunday afternoon. Of late years he has not been in robust health, and fell suddenly ill about a week ago. On Saturday bronchial pneumonia set in and he quickly failed until death came.

Mr. Child was thirty-five years of age, and came from the South when New Ontario was being opened up, and entered the hardware business at Matheson. Later he entered business in Cochrane, where he has since resided.

At the time of the big fire he was burned out, but rebuilt his store and since that time has been very successful.

Mr. Child was a Conservative in politics, and a Mason. He was always deeply interested in sports of all kinds, and ever ready, in any way that came to his hand, to help, comfort or advise the many people, young and old, who looked upon him as a staunch friend.

GOLD BULLION MINES HOLD FIRST MEETING APPOINT OFFICERS

The Board of Directors of the Gold Bullion Mines Co., Ltd., held their first meeting in Haileybury on Monday afternoon. The following officers were appointed: President, C. R. Cole, Chicago; First Vice-President, H. H. Swanson, South Porcupine; Second Vice-President, C. L. Peyton, Chicago; Secretary, E. D. Goodrich, Chicago; Treas., Clarence L. Heath, South Porcupine.

Gold Bullion made their second payment last week on the Porphyry Hill purchase in the Porcupine district.

Active operations will begin at the property under management of Clarence L. Heath.

HOTEL BURNS AT PORQUOIS JUNCTION THURSDAY MORNING

Fire broke out at four in the morning on Thursday last, completely destroying the hotel at Porquois Junction owned and managed by Frank Nault. It is believed that an overheated stove was responsible for the blaze, and beyond a few small pieces of furniture, nothing was saved.

The building was worth in the neighborhood of \$2,000, and contents about \$4,000, the insurance carried through the office of Messrs. Sullivan & Newton, being \$3,500, reducing Nault's loss to \$2,500. Mr. Nault has not yet decided whether or not he will rebuild.

MR. NAP SERVAIS WILL GIVE MILITARY DINNER

A military dinner will be given by Mr. Nap Servais, of the King George Hotel, South Porcupine, at an early date, to the soldiers of the 159th Battalion now in camp. Friends of the soldiers will be invited.

Dog Team Race For Benefit of Patriotic Fund

RACE MAY BECOME AN ANNUAL AFFAIR—WAR TROPHY TO BE SECURED AS PRIZE—TAGS WILL BE SOLD TO SPECULATORS AND PROCEEDS HANDED TO THE CANADIAN PATRIOTIC FUND—TEAMS WILL BE STARTED AT INTERVALS—START AND FINISH IN TIMMINS.

The Porcupine Branch of the Canadian Patriotic Fund announce that the First Annual Dog Team Race, to be known as the Canadian Patriotic Fund Dog Team Race, will take place on Sunday, March 19th, 1916, weather permitting.

The race will take place over the following course, a distance of approximately thirteen miles:

Start at the Imperial Bank, Timmins, down towards Moneta to the road turning off to the Porcupine Crown, to Porcupine Crown Mines, turning at the north side of mine office towards the Hollinger, turning off on the new Dome road, to the Dome, through the Dome back road to South Porcupine, turning around William Pierce's drug store, past the King George Hotel, out the Timmins road, through Schumacher and the McIntyre to Timmins, passing under the railroad bridge, past the Goldfields Hotel to finish at the Imperial Bank.

Flags will be posted along the course to guide the drivers and all persons driving upon the roads used are requested to turn out for the dog teams, giving them the full road to pass.

The teams will be started at intervals dependent upon the number of teams entered, so that no teams will interfere, and there should be a team in sight of the spectators at all times.

The race will be open to any local teams, to consist of not more than four dogs, driven by local drivers. No dogs which have not been in the

townships of Tisdale, Mountjoy, Ogden, Shaw, Deloro, or Whitney for a period of at least four months prior to date of race may compete.

Any team which starts must finish intact with same driver, same dogs, same harness, and same conveyance, but no restriction is made as to carrying extra harness, allowing dogs to run free part of the distance, or ride on conveyance, but the finish must be made with all dogs in harness and driver on the conveyance.

Further rules may be declared by the committee in charge any time prior to March 15th, the same to appear in full in the Porcupine Advance of that date.

All entries must be handed to the Secretary prior to March 14th, 1916, accompanied by an entrance fee of \$5.00, which will be retained if team does not compete, but returned to teams competing.

Tags will be sold to spectators along the route for twenty-five cents each, the proceeds to go to the Patriotic Fund.

The committee in charge are endeavoring to secure a war trophy for first prize.

It is hoped that enough enthusiasm will be aroused to ensure a good race and make this, in time, an annual affair which will be of real sporting interest.

It is suggested that where good dogs are owned separately, or in pairs, that the owners combine to make teams, and it is hoped that at least twenty teams will be entered.

Notes, Comments and Opinions Of Interest To Mining World

The Canadian Mining Institute decided by a pronounced majority that a Royal Charter for the institute should not be applied for.

Mr. A. S. Fuller, of A. S. Fuller & Co., stockbrokers, is leaving Thursday for New York, Boston, and other financial centres in the United States. He will probably be absent about two weeks.

Mr. Jos. Houston, formerly manager of the Schumacher Mine, has assumed his new position as General Superintendent of the Dome Mines. Mr. Houston has an excellent reputation as a mine manager, and his many friends wish him well in his new position of enlarged scope and responsibility.

The Lally Gold Mines Co. Ltd., of Turnbull Township, are about to call for tenders for sinking their shaft from 160 to 200 feet, and approximately 50 feet of cross-cutting from shaft to vein. Specifications for the work will be advertised in the Advance within a week or ten days. The work will be in charge of Mr. J. C. Watson, mining engineer, South Porcupine.

Considerable interest is attaching to the outcome of the writ which has been issued in behalf of the Tough-Oakes Mine, against the present Bd. of Directors. The action demands \$50,000 damages for illegal and wrongful interference with the working of the plaintiffs' company. The defendant Board of Directors is composed of Harry Oakes, P. W. Morrison, R. J. Robbins, W. H. Wright, J. B. Holden, Albert Burt and J. Y. Murdock.

The protest of the Canadian Mining Institute against the proposed war tax, was voiced at the annual meeting held in Ottawa on Mar. 1st to 3rd, by Mr. P. A. Robbins, general manager of the Hollinger, on behalf of the Porcupine camp, and by Mr. Culver, President of the Temiskaming, on behalf of the Cobalt camp. The proposed drastic proposals of the Government, insofar as they affect mining companies, have been modified, and before the final passage into law, it is believed that the general mining objections will have been materially appeased.

Col. Alex M. Hay, President of the McIntyre Mines, arrived in camp on Monday night, and will remain until Saturday.

The Dome Mines milled 32,040 tons of ore, representing a total gold production value of \$153,480, or \$4.79 per ton, for February, 1916.

At the Maidens-McDonald property the work of sinking a shaft is being diligently pushed, under the direction of Mr. Bateman. A contract for diamond drilling has also been let to be proceeded on without delay.

The new central six compartment shaft at the Hollinger has been concreted to the 425 foot level, and the rock has been broken out to the 800 foot level, though not to a sufficient extent to meet the needs of the six compartments.

The option on the McCrae properties in Pacond Township, Boston Ck. district, held by the Crown Reserve, has been taken up, and the intention is to put a gang of men to work sinking a shaft, forthwith. The claims are situated between the Boston Ck. station and the Miller Independence property.

Mr. McMillan, engineer and surveyor of the McIntyre mine, is leaving for the South West Congo, where he will be connected with a placer diamond company. He travels by way of England, through the Suez canal, to Lobito Bay, thence by the Benguela Railway to Entebbe. After leaving the last named point he will have a 400 mile journey on foot before him in order to reach the mine.

Mr. S. A. Wookley, formerly of the Hollinger staff, has assumed the duties of manager of the Schumacher Gold Mines, Limited, succeeding Mr. Joseph Houston, who has resigned to become Assistant Manager of the Dome Mines. Mr. Wookley is not a new man in the field, having been identified with the Porcupine District for nearly four years. He has served on the staff of the McIntyre Mine and more recently on the Hollinger staff and its allied properties in various capacities. Although a younger man, Mr. Wookley has shown marked ability that commends him as a valuable asset to this property.

BRILLIANT DANCE AT MASONIC HALL BY D.Y.B. CLUB

On Thursday night, March 2nd, a well selected and well groomed company of over 60 couples assembled at the Masonic Temple, guests of the D.Y.B. Club. This Club is composed of a number of young ladies of the town, devoted to patriotic work of a very practical type, and their activities have been notable since their organization about two months ago.

The dance commenced about 9 p.m. and continued until after one o'clock with an intermission at midnight for supper, which was daintily served by the members. The music was excellent, and a general feeling of good fellowship pervaded the affair, adding greatly to its enjoyability.

This is probably the last of the ante-lenten dances, unless indeed, it should be decided to vary the usual customs of Lent, owing to the war conditions now existing.

Oddfellows Will Meet on Friday

A meeting was held in the Hobblerlin Tailor Shop on Monday evening last, of the local Oddfellows, regarding the starting of a lodge in Timmins, and although it was fairly well attended it was the opinion of those present that it would be better to hold another meeting on Friday evening, the 10th inst., in the Canadian Explosives Office, when it is expected that each member, along with those who did not attend this one, would bring in a more detailed report.

It is the intention to get started at once and the committee in charge would like all the Oddfellows in camp to get in communication with W. G. Smith as to whether or not they would join the new lodge when it is started.

MILITARY EUGHRE AT GOLDFIELDS HOTEL TUESDAY EVENING

One of the very smartest social events of the season was given last night, in the form of a Military Eughre and Musicales, at the Goldfields Hotel, by Mrs. Hugh Mulherson. The rooms were nicely decorated, and crowded to capacity by the elite of Timmins, and some visitors from outside the Porcupine camp.

The prizes were won by Mr. Globe, Mr. and Mrs. Ostrosser, Mrs. McLaughlin, and Mrs. Todd.

LOST PROSPECTOR FOUND DEAD IN CABIN BY FELEX DROUIN

Paul Lohner, a native of Switzerland, about 39 years of age, left South Porcupine on a prospecting trip some time before Xmas, and was expected to return by New Years Day. He failed to appear and a search party was sent out, but nothing was learned of his whereabouts although traces of temporary camps had been located. It was feared then that he had perished, and this fear has been confirmed. His body has been found in a shack on the west side of McArthur Lake, by Felix Drouin, a trapper on the Redstone River.

Lohner was a cripple, and his position when found indicated that intense suffering had preceded his untimely end.

BIG PATRIOTIC TEA AT VIPOND MINES BY MRS. POIRIER

Mrs. Poirier, wife of the general manager of Vipond Mines, gave an afternoon tea on Monday, from two to six o'clock, in aid of the local Patriotic Fund. The rooms were tastefully decorated and all details carried out with Mrs. Poirier's well known finesse.

A sale of fancy work, with other proceeds, netted over \$100 for the Fund. An interesting feature was the attendance of 18 soldiers of the 159th Battalion, who marched out from the barracks at Timmins, under command of Lieut. Nicholson.

A large number of guests attended from all parts of the camp, and it was conceded to be one of the best social functions of the season.

HEAVIEST PART OF NEW CYANIDE PLANT NOW AT DOME LAKE

The heaviest part of the new cyanide plant has arrived at the Dome Lake mine. The installation will be rushed and will be in operation in a few weeks. More encouraging developments underground are reported. No. 2 vein which was considered lean on the 300 foot level was struck in a cross-cut on the 400 foot level and a raise has shown up some good mill ore.