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FOOD PLEDGE CARDS GIVEN HERE SEPT. 17

How Households May Help to Win the War.

Beginning September 17th, a house to house canvass is to be made in Timmins to secure the co-operation of all households in the conservation of food, etc., to help in the winning of the war. The canvass is being made by the local representatives of the Provincial Food Controller's office. Mrs. Howse is the secretary of the Timmins branch of the Committee. Win the War cards and Food Service pledges will be distributed to every home, and it is hoped that every household will take an earnest and sympathetic interest.

The "Win the War" cards are to be hung in the windows of the houses where the public can read the one side bearing the words:—"To Win the War. This household is pledged to carry out conscientiously the advice and directions of the Food Controller." The other side of the card, which will be easily read by the household, contains imperative reasons for food saving. It is shown that Great Britain and our Allies must have 460,000,000 bushels of wheat from Canada and the United States, and to this end normal consumption of wheat here must be reduced at least one quarter. The same need for bacon and beef is emphasized, and the card suggests substitutes, such as fish, eggs, milk, oatmeal, barley, etc. "Victory is dependent upon the extent of your food service," concludes this card.

The "Food Service Pledge" card is to be signed by every loyal household, and hung up in the dining room where it may be seen each day. A copy will go to the Provincial headquarters as a record and to form a Provincial Mailing List to keep in touch with the people.

The "Food Service Pledge" reads:—"Realizing the gravity of the food situation and knowing that Great Britain and our Allies look to Canada to help shatter Germany's threat of starvation, I pledge myself and my household to carry out conscientiously the advice and directions of the Food Controller that requisite foodstuffs may be released for export to the Canadian Divisions, the British forces and people and the Allied armies and nations."

WIN-THE-WAR CANDIDATE FOR TEMISKAMING

Committees of Liberal and Conservative Parties Seeking Choice

This afternoon at New Liskeard, committees from both the Liberal and Conservative parties will meet in a joint session with the purpose of selecting a "Win-the-War" candidate for the riding. The idea is to choose a man who will be so strong on "winning the war," that his former party views will not be much considered now when the one great issue is only the winning of the war. It is felt that those who are lukewarm or worse in regard to the war are going to centre all their attention and interests in electing a man of their views and that those who are loyal to the country and to the great cause must not divide on unessentials. The hope is that the joint committee representing the best men in both parties will be able to agree on a candidate who will be pledged first and foremost and altogether to a "Win-the-War" policy.

NEW FIRE ALARM SYSTEM NOW WORKING

Up-to-date Electrical Alarm System Nearly Completed.

Chief Borland and his staff of expert electricians and expert firemen are just completing this week the work of installing the new fire alarm system for the town of Timmins. This up-to-date system is considered the best on the market for a town of this size. The system was practically at work last week, though a few unimportant connections had to be made. In addition to the gong at the fire hall, six other bells will sound warning when an alarm is turned in. These bells are placed at the homes of the firemen, chief, etc., and they ring as soon as the alarm is rung from any fire box.

MORE EVIDENCE OF NEED FOR CHILDREN'S AID BRANCH

Further evidence, if any such is needed, of the usefulness and need of a branch of the Children's Aid Society for the Town of Timmins is given by a complaint formally made to the police by the T. & N. O. station agent here. Mr. Allan calls attention to the fact that between five and six o'clock each afternoon it is the habit of a number of children now to gather at the depot. This gathering not only creates disorder and annoyance of various kinds, but the children also place themselves in various positions of danger. The station and grounds, of course, are government property, and the first thought that might arise is that the T. & N. O. having a constant service of its own would attend to the order of even the children here. But that would not remedy the chief difficulty. It might relieve the railway property, but likely some one else would suffer. Neither the local police nor the railway police can put children in the cells, and where else can they be conveniently placed when disorderly in this town? The fact is that the children are not in reality to blame. Any annoyance they may cause arises from the fact that they are not properly cared for and looked after by the homes. What is really required is a force that would stir up the homes to a better realization of the duties and responsibilities owed to the children in the matter of care, attention and guiding. The Children's Aid Society is just such a force. The purpose of the Society is to improve the homes and so stir parental consciences that every child will have a right chance for the right things of life. If parents persist in neglecting their homes duties, then the Children's Aid Society does go so far as to find a better home or homes for the children. With proper home training and care and attention the public annoyance caused by stray children will be eliminated. Policemen may drive children from one place to another, from pillar to post, and from Dan to Beersheba, but that will not really help the children,—and the children should be the chief consideration, for they are the coming citizens. Improve the home life and care,—that is the real remedy. And the Children's Aid Society is one of the most effective methods known for the achieving of this good end. So, once more The Advance suggests the formation of a branch of the C. A. S. for the Town of Timmins.

LARGE BLOCK LAKE SHORE TAKEN BY BUFFALO MEN

At the meeting of the directors of the Lake Shore Mines at Kirkland Lake about ten days ago the sale of a block of 200,000 shares of treasury stock was authorized at not less than 30 cents per share, the par value being \$1.00. This is the second authorization for the issuing of large blocks of stock, the other recent issue being 300,000 shares. It is understood that the full 500,000 shares are to be taken over by Buffalo interests who will pay about 32 and a half cents per share. The treasury would realize about \$150,000 by this sale of stock, and this amount will likely finance the completion of the present milling plant and carry operations forward to a point where the mine would be producing on a scale that would finance itself. At the present time ore reserves at the Lake Shore are estimated at over \$500,000, and indications are said to be excellent for the property developing into a first-class mine.

WONDERFUL VIOLIN PLAYING AND STRIKING ORATORY

Rev. Kenneth W. Barton, who is known as one of the finest violinists on the continent, and is spoken of as one of the most striking speakers lecturing to-day, will play a program of violin selections in the Byrnes Presbyterian Church on Thursday evening next, September 20th. This is a rare opportunity to hear the violin played by a great performer. Music for every kind of hearer will be played. The humorous, serious, patriotic, inspirational and instructive lecture, given by Mr. Barton, is declared by all who have heard it, to be a great treat. It has never failed to produce a profound impression, as well as to interest with its variety, vigor and information.

Mr. and Mrs. J. T. Wood, of Cobalt, were killed near Port Credit on Sunday when the C.P.R. flyer hit the auto in which they were riding over a level crossing.

MRS. PARSONS SUGGESTS FOOD ALLOWANCE

Meeting of Women of Timmins Regarding Food Conservation.

The meeting of the women of Timmins to consider the question of Food Conservation was held in the New Empire Theatre on Friday afternoon with a fair attendance of the ladies of the town present. The reports of the delegates to the recent Provincial Food Conservation Convention in Toronto were again given, and both Mrs. McInnis and Mrs. Howse impressed the gathering with the number of helpful points and important suggestions they had carried home from this convention.

One of the features of the afternoon was a stirring address from Mrs. Parsons, of Cochrane. Mrs. Parsons urged a voluntary reduction in the amount of flour, bacon and beef used. She pointed out that the Food Controller was asking for economy and conservation in these items, and she would add sugar to the list. A generous allowance per head per week she thought would be:—5 lbs. flour, 2½ lbs. meat and 1½ pounds of sugar. She taboored the buying of fancy biscuits, veal and lamb. She suggested that whole wheat flour, graham flour or cornmeal, in certain proportions, should be added to the sponge when making bread. She also urged the use of the cheaper cuts of meats and special attention to making the meals appetizing by other ways than the use of expensive foods. Mrs. Parsons said that the war was not yet won and much yet had to be done to win it, so she pleaded for the greatest earnestness and effort on the part of all. "Play your part, women," she urged, "by conservation and sacrifice."

At the meeting, it was made plain that the idea was to conserve foods like beef, bacon and flour that could be exported to feed our soldiers overseas and our Allies, while Canadians should feed themselves more on foods that could not be easily exported.

Monday was the glorious Tenth, of pious and immortal memory to the alien enemies registered here. About five hundred of the aliens reported here this Tenth, while a few were unable to get to the wicket until the following day. Some who neglected the matter will help keep down the taxes by contributing fines for breaking their agreements.

Notes, Comments and Opinions Of Interest To Mining World

The Teek-Hughes property is continuing the drifting operations at the four-hundred, and a winze is being made with a view to increasing the mill capacity from its present run of 50 tons, to 100 tons a day. Plans are now under way for the erection of ten new houses on the property.

A fifteen-foot vein cut on the Bilsky claims at the 700-foot level recently by the diamond drill is said to assay in the cores thousands of dollars in gold to the ton. The samples are of quartz and schist, and are noteworthy for the free gold showings. The Bilsky claims are being explored under option by the Apex Company.

No official figures have been issued for the Hollinger production for July, but unofficial estimates place the production at 42,000 tons, and the gross profit from operations at \$275,000. August production is also said to be in further advance of this, and with the improved labor situation and other helpful factors, there are many who confidently expect the big mine to be paying dividends again before the year is out, and earning more money than ever before.

Douglas Mutch, of the Hudson Bay Mine, and Consulting Engineer for the Dome Lake, has been chosen to make an examination of the Temiskaming mine in accordance with the resolution adopted at the annual meeting of the latter company. The Wills-Morganstein interests being dissatisfied with President Culver and his friends in control secured enough proxies from shareholders to control the annual meeting. Contrary to expectations the meeting was a quiet one, but the Wills-Morganstein people had the way in which they were riding over a level crossing.

TIMMINS PASTOR ELECTED MODERATOR

Rev. J. Macdonald Given Highest Office in Temiskaming Presbytery.

At the regular meeting of the Presbytery of Temiskaming held in Cobalt on Thursday and Friday of last week, Rev. J. Macdonald, B.A., of Byrnes Presbyterian Church, Timmins, was elected Moderator for the ensuing year. Rev. J. A. Donnell, M.A., of Haileybury, was elected Clerk, and Rev. D. L. Gordon, B.A., Cobalt, Treasurer of the Presbytery.

There was a goodly representation of the ministers of the district present at the Presbytery's sessions, and the Moderator for the year, Rev. Mr. Farmer, Englehart, occupied the chair. Encouraging reports were received from practically every department of church life and work. In the matter of Home Missions, the report was especially gratifying. During the past summer every mission field, excepting Brethour, had been capably filled. Rev. J. D. Byrnes, Superintendent of Missions pointed out the advantage secured through the co-operation of the Methodist churches in unnecessary overlapping and had saved men and money for pressing church service. Reference was also made to the scarcity of young ministers for mission charges, as many now were necessarily returning to college to complete their studies.

Lieut. H. M. Pearson, B.A., who is acting as Chaplain at Kapuskasing Camp, was formally ordained to the ministry.

Rev. Dr. Fraser, of Owen Sound, who was at the front as Chaplain for about 18 months, gave an interesting address at the public session of the Presbytery, touching on many phases of the soldier's life and needs.

On Friday morning special reference was made to the great part the returned soldiers may take in the settling and true building-up of the North Land.

The next regular meeting of the Presbytery will be held at New Liskeard in March next year.

For travelling out of town without permission, an alien enemy was taken in charge by Constable Greer this week. The alien had gone to Montreal and other points, and neglected to report to the police either there or here. Mr. H. E. Montgomery, J.P., made the fine \$20 and costs.

THE AIR SERVICE MAY BE MOST IMPORTANT OF WAR

According to the opinion of many military experts the great progress made by the British and French during this summer on the western front has been more or less halted for a time by a change of tactics adopted by the Germans. The Huns, it is said, have ceased to depend so much on the trenches. Previously they had apparently put most of their hope in the trench method of defensive warfare,—for on the western front they have been on the defensive all along the line practically all this year. The Allies, by the superiority of their artillery, found methods of pounding the trenches to pieces, and the Huns have found the trenches instead of being, as the had calculated, an almost impenetrable line of underground fortresses, are too often traps in which bodies of their men are caught at every advance that the Allies artillery makes possible. Following this line of reasoning, the Germans are accordingly using other plans of defence. One of the favorite methods is the stationing of small bodies of men under very slight cover at separated points. These men depend on machine guns, and in recent British advances they assuredly did cause serious losses. On account of the smallness of the mark and the separation of the located bands of German machine guns, the Allies could not guard against this danger by artillery fire. But a new method was found, however,—bombing from aeroplanes. This was successfully used on several recent occasions. British military experts are consequently calling for greatly increased air service. This is of special interest to Canada, because it seems to be a generally accepted fact that a large percentage of the men of the air service is recruited from this country. Canada has not of course supplied the larger part of the service, as some newspapers carelessly suggest, but Canada has materially helped in this line, and Canadians seem to be singularly efficient at the air service work.

From Timmins during the past month or two about a score of applications for the Royal Flying Corps Cadet Wing have been sent, and a number have been accepted. Word was received last week that Mr. R. McLean who went to Toronto to join this branch had been accepted. Two others from town who went to the city last week with the same purpose have not yet sent word back as to their success or otherwise. Still another was not able to meet the rather stringent physical tests necessary to qualify. This week two others went to the city to join the service. The air service is a branch that appeals to many young men, and it is one that undoubtedly offers a good opportunity for serving King and Country in specially effective way. To secure names of likely young men of good education desiring to help in the service the Aero Club of Canada is forming local committees in all the towns and cities of Canada. Application forms, etc., for the service may be secured in Timmins from G. A. Macdonald, editor of The Advance, chairman of the local committee.

AUSTRIAN KILLED AT THE HOLLINGER MINE

The British people are a queer lot. There were some suspicious circumstances about the death of Nurse Cavell, but the Germans held no inquest. No one could be blamed for fearing foul play when a Canadian Highlander was found crucified in Belgium, but the Huns empanelled no jury to consider the matter. When a Britisher dies in an Austrian prison camp, the coroners simply say, "Well, we should worry," and make sure that the man is fully dead. But in this British land this week the time, the trouble and the expense were all freely spent to formally enquire into the death of a practically unknown Austrian laborer, whose death resulted indirectly from his own carelessness.

The evidence before the jury took up much valuable time, and was all carefully considered. It appeared that the Austrian had used a blast to clear one of the stopes and though he was experienced at the work he had failed to go to a place of safety before the charge went off. He simply went down the manhole a couple of stages, and it is thought that a piece of rock fell on some planking, and a piece of plank in turn fell on the Austrian. When discovered he was hurried to medical attention and all possible done to save his life. The accident occurred on August 31st, and the Austrian lived until Friday last,—seven days. The jury brought in a verdict to the effect that death was caused by a piece of plank hitting the Austrian on the head.

TIMMINS PICTURES BEST IN NORTH LAND

So Says Government Motion Picture Expert of Views Taken Here.

"I think the pictures taken at Timmins on Wednesday last will turn out as the finest views yet taken in the North Land," said Mr. M. J. Shiels, the Ontario Government Moving Picture expert who is taking views of this country to be shown in the south and in Europe to advertise the great North. The parade on Wednesday morning made a very interesting picture, and was especially well staged. Mr. Shiels also secured many other very attractive pictures in and around Timmins, some of the views of the mines being especially interesting. Among the pictures taken last week were views inside and outside of the big new \$40,000 public school here, and views of the Dominion Diamond Drilling Co. at work. Mr. Shiels mentioned that Friday last was the only day since July 1st on which there was sun all day. Other days had at least cloudy spells that hampered the best work in his line, while there were also many rainy days that made good work in motion picture taking impossible. Mr. Shiels had to come to Timmins to get a first-class day in the North Land, and even then he was not overcrowded with them.

It is likely that the views taken here by the motion picture expert will be on general view throughout Ontario in a few months, and that during this (present) winter, before the said winter is completely closed, the pictures may be seen at the New Empire Theatre. If such is the case, the New Empire may be assured of big crowds for such good pictures, especially as nearly everyone will be anxious to see the views to see if accidentally or otherwise they have been taken in any of the views, and may recognize themselves and their friends on the screen.

MCINTYRE BALANCE SHEET A PLEASING ONE

Surplus Nearly Doubled... Assets Increased One-Third... Annual Meeting Sept. 28th.

Accompanying the notices for the annual meeting of the McIntyre-Porcupine Mines, Limited, is the balance sheet of the Company, as at June 30th, 1917. The annual meeting is called for Friday, September 28th.

The balance sheet shows that the McIntyre is in a pleasing condition. The assets have increased from \$3,670,490 in 1916 to \$4,851,780. Total liabilities are shown as \$4,109,876. Last year's statement showed liabilities of \$3,287,440.

The surplus for the year ending June 30th, 1917, is \$741,903, nearly double what it was last year when the amount of the surplus was \$383,049.

An analysis of the current assets is given showing:—cash in bank and on hand, \$2763; bullion in transit, \$82,065; values in solutions, \$21,261; accounts receivable, \$4985; Dominion War Bonds, \$97,666; supplies, \$99,395. Total current assets, \$307,137.

Fixed assets, including buildings, machinery and mining properties are estimated at \$4,432,249.

The investment in the Plearium property is fixed at \$100,000.

The Current liabilities are given as \$87,597. Outstanding bonds are \$11,000. Last year this item was \$31,000, the reduction in bonds indebtedness during the year being thus \$20,000.

The statement provides \$114,763 for depreciation for the 15 months' period to June 30th, 1917.

"COME THROUGH" AT THE NEW EMPIRE

Sensational Melodrama For Friday and Saturday of this Week.

Anyone who has that "tired feeling" and wants to be roused and routed out of it, should see the pictures at the New Empire Theatre on Friday and Saturday of this week. The special is the sensational melodrama, "Come Through!" featuring Herbert Rawlinson.

This new photoplay is one of the present day winners. It carries thrilling excitement and interest from start to finish. The city press describes it as the greatest "Crook" play of today, not excepting the celebrated "Raffles."