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DESPITE RAIN IROQUOIS FALLS HAD BIG DAY

Practically all Events Run Off. Everybody Cheerful Despite the Weather.

For the second time Iroquois Falls was meantly treated by the Weather Man in the matter of the day for the Big Labor Day Celebration. Monday morning at an early hour it was raining and many were thus deterred from venturing to the big Paper Town. Two or three hundred from the Gold Camp, however braved the weather and went to the Falls for Labor Day. Cochrane also sent a large delegation, including a baseball team and a team for competition in the Firemen's Tournament. Timmins also took down a baseball team and a firemen's team, the latter in charge of Mr. J. T. Easton. South Porcupine was represented by a fire team and by some of the expert tennis players. The latter, however, were unable to play, the weather in this respect being even too damp for Iroquois Falls enthusiasm for a big day. Reeve J. E. Boyle, of Tisdale, officially represented the Township at the Big Day, and was one of the judges of the Parade floats, etc. Other municipalities in the North Land were also represented officially for the occasion.

The main part of the program for the day was gone on with despite the weather. And despite the weather, most of the people were optimistic enough to have a good time. It takes more than rain to kill an optimist. And to live in the North Land a man or a woman must be an optimist. All children are optimists until they are spoiled. Iroquois Falls has done so much good work with cinders, gravel, macadam, etc., to say nothing of lawn grass and sod that the clinging mud could only be found in a few places. Lucky ones, however, got a stake in the townsite by accidentally finding these few places. Others just got wet. Everybody enjoyed it all nevertheless.

In the Firemen's Tournament, Cochrane won everything. The times for the hose reel race were:—Cochrane, 67 seconds; Timmins and South Porcupine, a tie for second place, each 1 minute and 12 seconds; Iroquois Falls 1 minute and 50 seconds. Instead of running off the tie through the rain and heavy roads, the South Porcupine and Timmins teams decided to divide the cheque for \$25. South Porcupine made a smooth and speedy run, but Timmins lost out through having to wait for water, the low pressure being a new one to the team here. In the Ladder Race the times were:—Cochrane, 18½ seconds; South Porcupine, 20½ seconds; Iroquois Falls, 21 seconds; Timmins, 43 seconds.

The baseball games were watched with great interest and much rooting. The umpiring was honest enough but no big league work. There was lots of "crabbing" for fun and otherwise. In the first game Cochrane defeated Timmins 2 to 0 in a closely contested game. In the second game, Cochrane was beaten 5 to 1, Iroquois Falls team thus winning the \$100 prize.

The parade, headed by the Iroquois Falls band playing well and looking well under Bandmaster Stover, was one of the day's best features. In fine weather the parade would have been remarkable; on such a day the effort was the more noteworthy. The number of clever floats and designs showed the care and thoroughness with which the day had been taken up.

The Sulphite Department's float, in which the Battleship, Queen Elizabeth, was moulded from pulped paper, was the winner of first prize. Other noteworthy floats were:—the Red Cross Wagon with its group of youngsters cheerily costumed in patriotic garb; the Sawmill and Planing Department; the Electrical Department, with its ingenious duplication of the mill and power plant in miniature. The yard department with its humorous twist of revolving shovels, picks, etc., was also a clever idea. A feature of the parade was the march of the War Veterans under Chief Kinnard. The Boy Scouts also added interest to the parade by their good appearance in the line of march.

Every one enjoyed the trip through the mills and the fine appearance of the town with its well-kept streets, good sidewalks, nice lawns and hand-somehouses.

Mr. and Mrs. S. Baeovetsky and family left on Sunday's National for Portage La Prairie for a visit of two or three weeks in the West.

Mr. Alex. McVean is spending a couple of weeks' holiday in Toronto and at his home at Malton, Ont.

CONTINUATION CLASS AT TIMMINS SCHOOL

Parents Advised That Children May Lose Promotion If Neglecting School.

In an interview with The Advance this week Mr. D. A. Hoggarth mentioned two very important matters in regard to the work of the Public School here. The first was that this school has now a Continuation Class where High School work may be taken up. The second important announcement was that parents should see that their children start to school again at once, for unless they do, or special arrangement is made regarding the matter, the children will lose their promotions. Pupils who are not attending school next week will have to go in their old classes, and so will lose the advantage of any promotions made this past summer. In the arranging of the classes it has been found necessary to use this method of dealing with those who do not start school promptly and attend regularly.

Also, Mr. Hoggarth explained that all pupils for the Kindergarten must start school at once or they can not be received.

The Public School in Timmins opened on Tuesday with a full staff and a fair attendance. The staff includes:—Mr. D. A. Hoggarth, Principal; Miss Claire, of Orillia, teacher of Third Class; Miss Corman, of Hamilton, 2nd Class; Miss Taylor, Ottawa, First Class; Miss Inglis, Englehart, Primary Class; Miss Thompson, Collingwood, Kindergarten.

Miss Brown, of New Liskeard, will have charge of the Continuation Class. This Class is a decided acquisition to the educational facilities of the town, offering as it does an opportunity for the continuing of school work here by the pupil passing into the High School. In a limited measure it takes the place of a High School. Pupils can continue in such a Class until they secure Matriculation standing. The School Board is deserving of a word of praise for adding this advantage to the school here. It will be a boon to many, who otherwise would have been faced with the alternative of going away for tuition at a High School or foregoing the higher education altogether.

MASONIC GRAND MASTER VISITS TIMMINS

Golden Beaver Lodge Pays Fitting Honor to Head of Order in Ontario.

Timmins was honored last Saturday by a visit from Most Worshipful the Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Ontario of the Masonic Order, M. W. Br. W. H. Wardrope, K.C., of Hamilton. The Grand Master was accompanied here by District Deputy Grand Master, D. Johns, of Haileybury, and Past District Deputy Grand Master, N. J. McAuley. The party was taken on a trip through the mines and also on a little voyage up the river where they enjoyed the scenery and noted the possibilities of the country. A visit was also paid to South Porcupine and other places of interest. On Saturday evening there was a meeting of the brethren of Golden Beaver Lodge and visiting brethren. Golden Beaver Lodge presented the Grand Master with a beautiful gold nugget suitably engraved, as a memento of the occasion. The toast to the Most Worshipful the Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Ontario was very ably proposed by Dr. H. H. Moore, and responded to appropriately and effectively by the Grand Master. The Twenty-second Masonic District was the toast proposed by Wor. Bro. D. A. Hoggarth and well dealt with in response by R. W. Bros. D. Johns and N. J. McAuley. "The Ladies" was proposed by Dr. McInnis and responded to by Bro. D. Maekie. Bro. Chas. Humphrey proposed the toast to the Visiting Brethren and apt replies were made by W. Bro. Brown, of Cochrane, and W. Bro. C. G. Williams. W. Bro. C. G. Williams then made the presentation to the Grand Master who made response in a bright and clever reply that pleased all present. During the evening songs by Bros. W. R. Dodge, Wm. McHugh and D. Maekie added much to the pleasure of the evening, which evening was an event that will long be remembered in local Masonic circles.

Among those recently reported as wounded while on active service in France is Pte. Gordon Bailford, whose mother lives at Porcupine Junction.

COURSE IN DOMESTIC SCIENCE AT MONTEITH

Valuable Opportunity for Young Ladies of the District, Sept. 16th to Oct. 5th.

The Ontario Department of Agriculture has arranged to conduct a three weeks' course in Domestic Science, Home Nursing, First Aid, Sewing, etc., at Monteith, beginning September 16. The building recently completed for the training of the returned soldiers in agriculture, etc., will be used for the course. The building is especially adapted for work of this kind, and all the ladies of the district will find the course not only an unusually valuable one but a very pleasant one in many ways. The accommodation is of the best. The equipment includes well-furnished bedrooms, parlors, reading rooms, bath, piano, etc., and young ladies attending can assure themselves not only of a very profitable, but also of a very pleasant three weeks. Two or three young ladies, for instance, who were friends could attend this course not only an unusually valuable start that it would be an ideal holiday occasion, in addition to the benefit received from the course. Four high-class experts have been secured for the course and all possible is being done to have the course practical as well as pleasant. A nominal charge of \$4 per week is being made for board and lodging, and this is the only charge in connection with the event, except the railway fare to reach Monteith. Fare of one cent per mile for the return trip has been secured from the T. & N.O. Parents and others are also assured that every care and attention will be given to their girls during the course together and be sure from the course Mr. C. F. Bailey, Assistant Deputy Minister of Agriculture, has written The Advance:—"As it is the first time that anything of this nature has been undertaken in Northern Ontario the Department is particularly anxious that a good attendance be secured in order that we may be justified in putting on a larger and more diversified course at a later date. Courses of this kind have been very popular in Older Ontario, so much so that we have always had a long waiting list at the Ontario Agricultural College at Guelph, and we feel that more attention should be given to the young people of New Ontario, provided, of course, that we can secure sufficient members to warrant the expense."

Messrs. E. J. McDonald and C. White left this week for a four weeks' vacation at Niagara Falls.

Miss Veronica Pearce, of Forest is the new teacher in charge of the Monteith public school.

Work is being done now on the Renaud claims in Pacad Township. Clerk of the said Municipality.

The Mining Corporation is now said to have nine claims in the Boston Creek district under option.

Some spectacular samples were taken recently from the Bourke's gold mine near the 100-foot level, free gold and tellurides being in evidence.

The Thackery Gold Mines and the Howie-Conacher Company of Lightning River are in a dispute over some prospecting agreements said to have been made regarding the latter property. The case is to come before the Mining Commission in Toronto this month.

Quite a number of the prospectors and mining men of the Porcupine are at present in the Boston Creek district. There are a number of deals for claims now being put through in the Boston Creek gold area, the usual basis being an extended option with a small cash payment. A number of properties are now being worked under such deals and other similar deals are reported as under way.

The unusual demand for gold bars in the United States recently has made the Washington Government suspect that gold is being bought in this form for hoarding, or being accumulated for export from the country. Accordingly last week the U.S. Assay Office ordered the stopping of the sale of bullion to jewelers and others until further notice. The sale of gold bars for the past year totalled over \$55,000,000, while for the previous year it was over \$35,000,000 less.

TISDALE TAX RATE DISCUSSED BY COUNCIL

Amount for General Purposes to be Struck Later. Other Township Council Business.

At the last regular meeting of Tisdale Township Council, Reeve J. E. Boyle was in the chair and Councillors Maekie, Walton and Morgan were present. Among the special matters of interest considered was the tax rate for the year. The Clerk submitted figures covering school requisitions and debenture requirements, and the matter of the tax rate for 1918 was considered. After discussion it was agreed to levy a rate of 2.6 mills to meet the installment of the Government Loan, the statutory 1 mill for Provincial War Tax, in School Section No. 1 a general school rate of 1½ mills and a School Debenture rate of 4 mills, in School Section No. 2 a general rate of 7 mills and a School Debenture rate of 1½ mills, and a rate of 10 mills on Separate School supporters in School Section No. 2. The amount of the rate for Township General Purposes was laid over to be fixed at a meeting of the Council as a Committee of the Whole in order that more comprehensive figures could be obtained.

The Finance Committee reported that the schools had received all the proceeds of the sale of debentures to A. E. Ames & Co. and a satisfactory balance was in the bank.

The Fire & Light Committee reported that Hill-Clark-Francis were working on plans for Schumacher Fire Hall.

The Public Works Committee reported that the Davidson Gold Mines and the Government had made arrangements to have the Davidson road attended to. The matter of the Porcupine Fire Victims monument at Edward's Point on Porcupine Lake was left in the hands of Councillor Maekie, who was asked to make a report on conditions.

Constable Wm. Bennett was formally appointed by the Council as an officer for the enforcing of the Ontario Temperance Act.

On motion of Councillors Maekie and Morgan, Messrs. J. E. Boyle, J. B. Hutcheson, D. Maekie, Chas. B. Morgan and B. M. Walton were appointed a Board of Fuel Commissioners for the Township of Tisdale, in accordance with the instructions of the Dominion Fuel Controller.

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TO EMPHASIZE VALUE OF CANADA'S FORESTS

Forestry Car Here Last Week With Forest Fire Protection Suggestions, etc.

With a view to emphasizing the value of Canada's forests and impressing the need for the greatest carefulness in protecting these forests from fire and other agents of destruction the Dominion Forestry Association has been sending a special coach throughout Canada to explain to the people at the leading centres just what resources this country has in the line of forest products and how these resources should be guarded. This forestry exhibition car visited Timmins on Thursday last and was visited by several hundred people during the course of the day. It was in charge of Mr. Robson Black, Secretary of the Forestry Association, whose explanations and addresses were interesting and helpful. On Thursday afternoon Mr. Black exhibited motion pictures, with a brief explanatory address on the work, at the New Empire Theatre.

The Forestry car gave interesting indication of the forest wealth of Canada and the way that wealth may be utilized to the advantage of the industrial and general life of the people. In the car were samples of the hundreds of different woods obtainable in the country, within account of the locality in which each was most generally found. Many of the unusual products of wood and wood fibre were also displayed, including superior qualities of cord and twine, ropes, matting, fabrics, etc., etc. One of the interesting articles in this line was some piping used commercially for the conveying of chemicals that would corrode metals. This piping was well-threaded and seemed specially serviceable. In this connection Engineer L. Shaw of the T. & N.O., pointed out that the wheels on one of yard engines were compressed paper or pulp with steel rimming. These wheels had been in steady use by the T. & N.O. for ten years or more and were not new when secured by the People's Railway.

In the line of emphasis for better conservation of our forest wealth, were innumerable suggestions about the car and Mr. Robson Black by his words and illustrations emphasized the necessity particularly for protecting the forests from fires. In the car were sample outfits of the portable telephone sets now used in Ontario and Quebec by fire rangers, the wireless outfit now in use in British Columbia for forest fire prevention work and the model of water and air plane soon to be used by British Columbia for forest protection purposes. Mr. Black pointed out that Quebec had done much more than Ontario to preserve its forest wealth, while this province also had lagged behind European and other countries in this matter. He said that public interest must be stirred to the necessity of the work and that Canadians generally must pay more attention to this important matter.

POST OFFICE SHOULD BE OPEN SUNDAYS.

Many box-holders have been complaining recently of the fact that the post office is not open these days on Sundays for the securing of mail. Business men, who pay box rent with the idea of getting some extra accommodation or service for their money, think that to help keep the post office open for box-holders one hour each Sunday would be something like the right thing. For box-holders to have to wait until Monday for the Saturday-evening mail seems so poor a bargain, that some even advocate that unless the office is open on Sundays they will give up their boxes as practically of no advantage to them. Mr. Peters, the postmaster, is on the sick list at present and so the matter no doubt is resting for a time, but it is hoped generally that when he recovers his wonted good health that the hour's opening of the post office on Sunday for the convenience of the business men generally will be resumed.

It will not be long now until people will be having a lot more Daylight Saving fun monkeying again with the clocks. It was intended to turn the clocks back an hour in September, but this has been changed again to October. In October, probably on the 13th, people will kid themselves once more into the idea that they can gain time by tinkering with the clock. It is a funny world—the people are. It's a wonder the clocks don't stop altogether sometimes to have a laugh at Humanity and Civilization and Intelligence so-called.

CAMPAIGN FOR MEMBERS FOR THE NAVY LEAGUE

This Week and Next Effort to be Made to Get 500 New Members.

Last week Rev. Capt. Boal, organizer for New Ontario for the Sailors' Week Drive for the Navy League, was in town in connection with the work for the sailors. On account of the implied promise given the people by the Porcupine Consolidated Patriotic Club, no regular canvass can be made in this Camp for funds for the purpose for which campaigns are being held this week all over Canada. Here, however, a campaign is being run this week and next for new members, and it is hoped to secure at least 500 new members in the Camp. The membership fee is only \$2.00 per year and all should show their sympathy with the cause for it is in behalf of the sailors of the Navy and the Mercantile Marine.

For Sailors' Week in Northern Ontario, Mr. A. D. Myles, of the International Nickel Co., of Sudbury, has been appointed Chairman and Rev. Capt. Boal, organizer. Capt. Boal appointed Dr. J. A. McInnis Chairman for this district and G. A. Macdonald secretary for the campaign.

Canvassers will call on all in the Camp to secure new members here. If the canvassers miss you, hunt one up.

EX-CHIEF BURKE NEW TIMMINS CONSTABLE

Several Appointments Made at the Council Meeting Yesterday.

At the Council meeting yesterday, with Mayor McLaughlin presiding, and Councillors C. G. Williams, Dr. Moore, Chas. Pierce, and Dr. McInnis present, N. Burke, ex-chief of police for Cobalt, was appointed policeman here to succeed Constable Greer, on the same salary and terms as the latter received. The motion was made by Councillors Williams and Moore.

Norman Melvor, of the Dome Mine, was appointed engineer at the pump house at a salary of \$125 per month to succeed Mr. Martin Myles who has resigned the position.

Fire Chief A. Borland was appointed local Fuel Controller for Timmins. Chief of Police Wilson was appointed Traunt Officer, his salary being raised to \$125 per month.

ALIEN AGITATORS UNDER ARREST HERE

Many Cases to Come Before Magistrate Atkinson on Thursday.

Thursday will be an interesting day at the police court here. There has been no court for the past two weeks on account of Magistrate Atkinson being away on his holidays. In the meantime several cases of special interest have been brought forward by Officer R. Allen. In addition to the several charges in connection with the improper bringing in of liquor wrongly addressed to the Hollinger Mine, Officer Allen has also been working in connection with Col. Sherwood, of the Dominion Police, in the matter of alien agitators who have been attempting to create trouble and unrest in the North Land. These agitators, by their propaganda and schemes, have been interfering with the industrial and general welfare of the district as well as menacing the good of the community. Officer Allen has been trailing up a number of these alien nuisances, some of whom are alien enemies, and he is on the way to stamping out the trouble here. Last week he had A. M. Lewkovitch before Justice of the Peace Montgomery for not carrying his registration card, etc., and a few copies of objectionable pamphlets were found on the alien. The fellow was fined \$10 and costs for neglecting to carry the proper papers and then efforts were centred on tracing the source of the seditious literature in circulation here. As one consequence Mike Marachuck was arrested for having objectionable literature, and a number of other arrests are expected this week. The whole alien enemy agitation, similar to that troubling the police of Sudbury, Windsor, Toronto and other places now, is to be stamped out here at once.