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TIMMINS FOOTBALL CLUB HOLDS PLEASANT SMOKER

General Meeting Wednesday Night Followed by "Smokes," "Drinkables," and Enjoyable Musical Program

On Wednesday evening last a general meeting of the Timmins Football Club was held in the Oddfellows' Hall, the meeting being continued as a Smoking Concert and concluding with a very enjoyable musical programme. In the unavoidable absence of the president, Mr. J. K. Moore, the meeting voted G. A. Macdonald to the chair for the evening. Among the general business transacted was the passing of a resolution appointing Tuesday and Thursday evenings as Football practice nights and urging on all to turn out for these practices. Emphasis was laid on the necessity not only for practice but for regular practice. "If we want to keep the Dickson Cup in Timmins (and we do), we must practice regularly, not only for the skill so gained, but also to learn the other fellow's play and develop combination work," was the way one member put it. Every Tuesday and Thursday night accordingly is to be Football Practice Night. Until the Grounds Committee arranged for the different sports, definite practice evenings could not be depended upon, but now the Grounds Committee has set aside Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday evenings for football and lacrosse, so everything is ready now for football practices every Tuesday and Thursday and all who can kick, or want to learn to kick (in the football line) are invited to turn out for these practices. The matter of arranging for the challenge games for the Foster Cup was left in the hands of the Executive Committee. A hearty vote of thanks was passed unanimously to Messrs. E. H. Bridger and W. Field for the special interest given football here this season and the time, energy and talent they had devoted to make the sport a success here. It was decided that the Club should pay the expenses of the players going to the Falls for the Dickson Cup game, expense of the Dickson Cup game. A number of accounts were passed and ordered paid, including a couple contracted in 1916 by former officers of a Timmins Football Club, the present Club desiring a clean sheet for the sport here. Mr. J. Thomas suggested that the Football Club hold a picnic at Wilson's Farm, Golden City, some time this month, preferably on a Wednesday, and the proposal met with very general favor. A committee was appointed to arrange for such a picnic.

After the business meeting was concluded a musical and literary programme of much merit was given. For an impromptu programme the selections were all of particular excellence. Mr. W. H. Wilson opened the programme with a well-rendered piano solo, and also gave valuable assistance as accompanist to many of the singers of the evening. Mr. H. W. Martin also assisted the success of the programme by his work as accompanist, as well as giving a couple of lively instrumental selections. Further instrumental music was furnished by a Victor and a choice selection of records loaned for the occasion by Mr. E. H. Bridger. Songs were given by Messrs. Hallowell, Hatton, Stevens, Twaddle, J. Thomas, J. Wayland, A. Roberts, W. Field, and J. W. Faithful, all of them well done and much enjoyed. Mr. H. W. Martin favored the audience with one of his humorous stories, well pointed and arranged, and Mr. H. Peters added to the evening's interest by a brief address closing with a well-told humorous story that tickled the fancy of the crowd. While all the songs were well-rendered and much enjoyed special mention may be made of the selections by "Slim" Hallowell, J. Stevens, Jack Faithful and Mr. Twaddle. "Slim" is one of the favorite soloists and never fails to delight a gathering, but the other three singers were not so well known for their talent, though they will be in demand now.

There were about forty present during the evening, the comparatively small attendance being the only disappointing feature of the evening. However, all had a very pleasant evening, there was a plentiful supply of cigars, cigarettes, beer, soft drinks, etc., and the first Football Club Smoker may be recorded as a success.

Fire Chief Wm. Stinson of the Cobalt Fire Dept., was dismissed this week as Fire Chief in the Silver City, following an enquiry into a recent disorder said to have occurred at one of the Cobalt town councillors' homes. It is understood that his successor will be Mr. Harry Green who has had considerable fire-fighting experience, and who has been given the offer of the position by the Council.

PORCUPINE-DOME LOSES AT IROQUOIS FALLS, 3-0

In the District Baseball League game at Iroquois Falls on Wednesday of last week, the Porcupine-Dome lost to the Falls, the score being 3 to 0. Several from Timmins went over to the Falls for the game and they report one of the best games of the season. "It was big league stuff," says Chief Borland. The game was fast throughout, and the score did not exactly represent the comparative standing of the two teams. The excellent showing made by the Falls is credited by some to the unusual work of the new pitcher, E. Little, who was a dark horse so far as the baseball fans from this Camp are concerned. His record on Wednesday was a remarkable one. He had no less than seventeen strike-outs to his credit during the game. Only six hits were made off him, with two errors. On the other hand the Porcupine-Dome pitcher, Geo. Gray, also pitched a great game. He struck-out five men, only five made hits off him, with 3 errors. The battery for Iroquois Falls was Little and Buncke and for Porcupine-Dome it was Gray and Drummond. The batteries on both teams played the game in a way that would be no discredit to a big league outfit. The Porcupine-Dome pitcher has been so valued and important a part of the team that the South Porcupine fans believe he has no equal in the North Land. Now, however, they are ready to admit that in this new pitcher, E. Little, Iroquois Falls has certainly made a great find. However, the Porcupine-Dome team thinks that given the necessary support their own pitcher will stand through all the season as the winner of them all. It must have been a good game of ball on both sides, however, on Wednesday, as everyone that saw it is enthusiastic over the game. About one hundred went from South Porcupine and Timmins for the game, the train being run in from the Junction to the Falls to accommodate the crowd in the matter of time. About an hour was thus saved for the players and fans. Next Wednesday (August 20th) the fans in Timmins will have another opportunity to size up the Iroquois Falls team, the Falls coming here that day to play Timmins in the District Baseball League series. Manager Hooker is getting his team together for the game here and is confident that Timmins will win out here next week no matter who the Iroquois Falls pitcher may be.

POLITICAL MEN HIT IT RICH AT SHININGTREE

As a general rule the men connected with politics have been ready enough to take a chance on mining ventures. Usually, however, they have lent their money and their names, and sometimes their names were not quite so good when they got them back again and their money never came back at all. Indeed, the political fellows seem to have been specially unlucky in this line. Of course there are a few outstanding exceptions, but as a rule the politicians personally put more money into mining than they take out. They make their money otherwise than out of their mining ventures. The chief reason for this, perhaps, is that they enter mining ventures too often on other than a business basis. Some voter, for instance, is interested in a mining prospect and he interests the Member who enters the matter without due investigation. As suggested before, however, there are exceptions in this line where the political men seem to be specially lucky. One such lucky case is now reported regarding a West Shiningtree property. Mr. Chas. McCrea, of Sudbury, Member of the Ontario Legislature, some time ago purchased a property at West Shiningtree of which he knew nothing. Later he sold a quarter interest to Wilbur Cochrane, son of Hon. Frank Cochrane, and another share to Robert Agnew, the metallurgist of the International Nickel Co at Copper Cliff, Ont. The whole thing at first seemed to be a case of "sight unseen". After a time, however, work was commenced on the property, and unusual results appeared. Work has disclosed on the property an ore body from 12 to 30 feet wide and carrying good values, with also considerable free gold. As one man put the matter, "It looks like a rich old strike."

Wilfred Mino, aged only eighteen months, toddled onto the T. & N. O. track at Mileage 104, near Cobalt, on Friday afternoon, and was instantly killed by being hit by the engine of the northbound train. The youngster got on the track at the crossing and was not seen by the engineer until it was too late. As soon as the child was seen the engineer made a frantic effort to stop the train by applying the air brakes, etc., but all efforts were useless. The body of the child was badly mangled.



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