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NAVY LEAGUE CAMPAIGN OPENED WITH CONCERT

May Be Another Concert on Sunday Evening Next under Same Auspices.

The Concert given by the Admiral Beresford (Porcupine) Branch of the Navy League of Canada on Sunday evening in the New Empire Theatre proved an unusual success, especially in view of the shortness of time taken in preparation of the event. The attendance was good, but the theatre would no doubt have been filled had there been time and opportunity for more publicity regarding the event. The collection taken up, however, totalled \$55.00, this being an auspicious opening for the League's present campaign. The Timmins branch of the Imperial Order of the Daughters of the Empire looked after the taking up of the collection and made a speedy and thorough solicitation of those present, with the gratifying total of \$55.00.

Dr. J. A. McInnis, Mayor of Timmins, and President of the Admiral Beresford (Porcupine) Branch of the Navy League, occupied the chair, and in a brief but effective address explained the purpose of the meeting and the aims and objects of the Navy League of Canada. He quoted from a letter recently received from the President for Canada of the Navy League in which the objects of the League were briefly described as being three-fold:—education, relief and the training of boys for the navy and merchant marine services. In the line of education, it was hoped to arouse interest and realization among the Canadian people as to the absolute necessity for a strong navy for the defence of the trade of the Empire and also of a sufficient supply of vessels for the transportation of the trade and commerce of Great Britain, her dominions and dependencies, as well as an adequate supply of trained men to man the ships of both services.

Reference was made to the well-known fact that during the war it was the Navy that had been so wonderful a factor in making victory possible, and occasion was also taken to point out that in these days of peace it will be equally necessary for reasons of trade and commerce to maintain the Navy and the Merchant Marine at the highest point of efficiency. Mention was also made by Dr. McInnis to the widows and orphans of the sailors. The Navy League also maintained Institutes at certain ports in Canada where sailors could make their homes when in these ports. The work of the Navy League in training young men for work on the sea and giving them a love and knowledge of sea life was also touched upon. To support the branches of the work referred to, it was necessary to secure funds. Hence the Nelson Day Campaign. In Timmins the canvass was to start this week. The local branch of the Daughters of the Empire had very kindly volunteered to conduct the canvass, and the Mayor asked for the kindest reception and the most hearty response to the young lady canvassers for this good cause. All who gave more than \$2.00 to the Nelson Day Campaign will be made members of the Navy League. There will likely be a house to house canvass, and on Friday and Saturday of this week there will be Tag Days in charge of the Timmins branch of the I. O. D. E. The amount expected to be raised in Canada in this Navy League campaign is \$500,000.00, and the Mayor thought that \$2,000.00 would not be too much to ask at this time from this district. He asked all to do all possible to enable the lady canvassers to roll up an amount or more and also to give the Porcupine Branch a large member ship.

The Concert given during the evening was an excellent one. Before the meeting commenced the Timmins Citizens' Band gave a number of selections in front of the theatre and their good playing drew a big crowd to the doors. The programme for the evening also included a number of well-rendered selections by the Timmins Citizens' Band and every such selection received very hearty and well-merited applause. The good work of the Timmins Citizens' Band drew forth many sincere compliments for this new musical organization, its leader and members. Miss Hogarth delighted the audience with a pleasing solo in which her sweet-toned voice was heard to advantage and the applause was sincere and unstinted. Mr. Jas. Geils' reputation as a singer won him a very hearty reception as he rose to respond to the call for a solo, and his excellent rendition of the popular sailor's song, "The

TWO MEN BROWNED NEAR KENOGAMI LAST WEEK

Harry Brooks, a Respected Old-Timer of the Porcupine, and Percy Shields, Returned Soldier.

It was with very deep and sincere regret that the news was received here of the death by drowning on Tuesday of last week near Kenogami of Mr. Harry Brooks, of Schumacher, and Mr. Percy Shields, a returned soldier who has been living in Timmins for some months past. So far as the facts of the fatality can be learned it seems that Messrs. Brooks and Shields, in company with two other men, Messrs. Wilson and Bergon, left on Tuesday from Kenogami to do some work on Mr. Brooks' claims about 10 miles away, and the canoe being very heavily laden and a stiff wind blowing it is thought that the canoe was upset or the men had to take to the water when the craft was about 200 yards from the shore. So far as the story is known the four men clung to the canoe for a time and attempted to reach the shore, but later apparently Messrs. Brooks and Shields became so exhausted that they let go of the canoe and were engulfed in the cold waters. A man cutting wood near the shore heard the calls of the men and went to their assistance. He was able to help Wilson and Bergon to safety where he built a fire for their comfort and went away to secure help. The two men were said to be so exhausted that during his absence they were unable to move away from the fire when it gained headway and before they recovered their strength their feet were scorched by the heat of the burning wood. In the meantime there was no sign of either Brooks or Shields and up to the time of writing there has been no word of the recovery of the bodies, though anxious search is being made. A brother of Percy Shields went down last week from this Camp to assist in the search.

The late Harry Brooks was a prospector who was very highly esteemed by all in the district. "A square, straight man," is the general opinion of him and he was popular with all who knew him, because of his quiet but always even and friendly disposition. He lived at Schumacher, where a Widow and four children survive, and to these the sincere sympathy of all is extended at this time. Harry Brooks was one of the Porcupine's old timers in the prospecting game, and he has many claims throughout the district. He was one of the popular competitors in recent dog team races here, winning third place in the 1919 Dog Team Race with his team of tested dogs. His many friends found it hard to realize that Harry Brooks should meet death in the way he did, as he was so experienced and expert in all the ways of outdoor life and the trail on land and water. The weather and the coldness of the water, however, would no doubt give the explanation for the tragedy that occurred.

The late Percy Shields was a returned soldier, whose home is in New Liskeard. He was employed with his brother here in the painting of the Hollinger new houses, and lately went with Mr. Brooks to assist in the assessment work on the latter's claims. Percy Shields was popular and esteemed by all who knew him here and his death is much regretted.

Division Court will be held in the Miners' Union Hall, Timmins, on Thursday (to-morrow), Oct. 30th.

Sailor's Wife," brought round after round of appreciation. Miss Campan in a piano instrumental made a decided hit by her talented rendition of a difficult but very attractive number, and Miss G. Pullan was equally successful with an instrumental piano solo.

On behalf of the Navy League and of the audience Dr. McInnis thanked those taking part in the programme for their talented services in making the evening so successful, with a special word for the work of the Band, and also thanks to the Theatre management for the use of the theatre.

Before closing the meeting with "God Save the King," the Mayor announced that it was likely that another similar band concert and programme would be given next Sunday evening in the New Empire Theatre under the auspices of the Navy League, when in addition to the music al programme there would probably be brief addresses on the Navy League work and the progress of the campaign.

AND WHAT ABOUT THE PORCUPINE DOG RACE?

The fall of snow last week and the snappy cold weather this week suggest that it is travelling close to the time when dog races will be in order. It is high time that the lovers of the Porcupine Dog Team Race were beginning their first moves in connection with the big annual Dog Team Race here. Just as an appetizer, as it were, mention may be made here and now of the large new Hudson Bay Dog Race Cup said to be the largest sporting trophy in the world. It was given by Mr. Frank P. Burns, of Toronto. It is over three feet in height and on a solid mahogany pedestal ten inches in thickness. On this pedestal there are three blank silver plates fastened on the front for the names of the winners of the race in 1920, 1921, 1922. The cup itself is about 2 feet high and is a very handsome trophy of silver and gold. On the front of the cup there is a delicately engraved reproduction of a racing dog team with the formal inscription reciting what the cup is for and giving the name of the donor. Perhaps, the above facts may tempt some of the Porcupine Dog Team owners to make arrangements to slip up and win that cup.

MORE MEN THAN VACANCIES ACCORDING TO BUREAUX.

An analysis of the Labour situation in the Province of Ontario recently made from the reports of the Trades & Labour Branch shows that the number of men applying to the bureaux for work is slightly larger than the number of vacancies for men reported. During the week ending Oct. 11th 2519 men registered with the bureaux and 2,465 orders for men were received. The number of men actually placed was 1906. By far the biggest demand was for general laborers, and the supply in this line was not much more than half the demand. Classes of work for which there were more than openings include commercial occupations for which 197 men applied during the one week.

On the other hand, in the building and metal trade there were more orders than men. In the Women's Department, the largest demand was for household workers, only a small percentage of whom can be secured. Of 213 orders received in one week, only 66 could be filled. There is also a shortage of women and girls for factory work.

Notes, Comments and Opinions Of Interest To Mining World

The annual convention of the Canadian Mining Institute will be held at Vancouver, B. C., on November 26th 27th and 28th.

It is said that the Mondeau, (now known as the Peerless) is to get a mining plant from the McKinnon property at Dane, and that a road will be cut from the Dane-Larder road south to the Peerless property and that the machinery, etc., will be transported over this road this winter.

The shaft at the Premier Mines (formerly the Hill Gold Mines) at Painkiller Lake is now down about 300 feet and lateral work is also being carried on. A good grade of milling ore is said to have been encountered and milling may be started in the near future.

Recently a party from the south visited the Johnston and Couchinor properties in the Sesekinika Lake district. These claims are east of Sesekinika Station and recently there have been very promising surface showings uncovered on the properties and it is understood that there is now a deal in progress for the development of these claims.

There is more than usual activity in the Painkiller Lake district. In addition to the work in progress at the Premier Mines, a small force of men are at work on the Hattie Gold Mines property. The shaft is now down about a hundred feet, the work now being done by hand steel. The vein is showing up well, with a good width and excellent values reported.

The Crown Reserve Company, of Cobalt, has resumed work on the Canadian Kirkland in which they hold an option on a large part of the stock in the company and have agreed to make expenditures toward the exploration

MRS. R. M. WYNNE LAID TO REST LAST WEDNESDAY.

On Wednesday morning of last week the remains of the late Mrs. R. M. Wynne were laid to rest in the R. C. Cemetery at Timmins, after funeral services at the church here. The many friends attending the last sad rites evidenced the esteem in which the late Mrs. Wynne was held and the sincere sympathy felt for the husband in his sudden bereavement. The late Mrs. Wynne seemed to be in the best of health until a couple of days before her death. On the Saturday she was taken seriously ill, and on Monday she passed away. The late Mrs. Wynne was born at Wicklow Ireland, where all her people still reside, with the exception of one brother living now at Iroquois Falls. She came to Canada six years ago, and in September, 1917, she was married to Mr. R. M. Wynne. The deep and sincere sympathy of all is extended to the bereaved husband in his great loss.

PORCUPINE HOCKEY AWAY NOW TO GOOD START.

The Porcupine Hockey Association met on Monday evening in the basement of the New Empire Theatre, with the President, Mr. C. G. Williams in the chair. There was a big attendance from the district, the McIntyre being represented by Capt. McAllister and D. Briden; Hollinger, by Messrs. Len Smith and G. S. Lowe; and the Town by Messrs. Spence and Geo. Lake. There was much discussion of various points but the decisions of the meeting may be briefly summed up as follows:—There is to be a local league, the teams being Timmins, Hollinger and McIntyre. A list of the players was submitted to Secretary W. M. Widdifield. The residence rule is for November 1st and all players must be here by that time. The boundaries of the league are from the Rea Hill to the Mattagami, and no players are to come from outside those limits. After a player has signed with one club and played in a game for 15 minutes with that team he cannot play this season with any other team in the local league. Other general rules were adopted for the coming season. Interest is great and everything looks promising for a good hockey season in the Porcupine for 1919—1920.

Mrs. Mills and Miss Young of Elk Lake are visiting at home of Mr. and Mrs. W. F. Richardson this week.

COMMITTEE IN CHARGE OF VICTORY LOAN

Executive and Committees Named for Victory Loan, 1919, in the Porcupine.

For the Timmins district in the 1919 Victory Loan campaign which started this week the objective aimed at is \$275,000.00, and the following executive is in charge:—Chairman, E. S. Noble; vice-chairmen, S. G. McCoubrey, J. A. Hough, E. L. Longmore; District Organizer, L. E. Butler; Divisional Organizer, J. B. McArthur; Secretary, W. S. Macpherson.

Honorary Executive—Chairman, Mr. A. F. Brigham; vice-Chairmen, Rev. J. D. Parks; Rev. Fr. Theriault, Rev. R. S. Cushing, Mr. R. J. Ennis, Mr. H. P. Depencier, Mr. N. Everard, Dr. J. A. McInnis, Mr. C. B. Morgan.

Publicity Committee—Mr. C. S. Carter, chairman; G. A. Macdonald, R. Brinton.

Names and Special Subscription—D. W. O'Sullivan, chairman; C. G. Williams, G. N. Dechert.

Town of Timmins, Moneta, Rochester, Mattagami Heights, Wawaitin, Sandy Falls. Objective, \$52,500.00. Team—F. C. H. Simms, B. E. Martin, J. P. McLaughlin, W. A. Campbell, E. H. Rutherford.

Hollinger Mine—objective, \$52,500.00. Team—Maurice Nagle; J. Moran, M. E. Williams.

Town of Schumacher—objective, \$5,000.00. Team—S. Kitchen.

McIntyre Mine—objective, \$25,000.00. Team—Jas. Shevan, P. E. Cooper, Chas. Goodheart, H. G. Skavlen.

South Porcupine, Hoyle, Connaught, Barbers Bay, Golden City, Pottsville, McIntosh Springs, Davidson, Dome Extension, West Dome, Team—H. G. Laidlaw, W. G. A. Woods.

Dome Mine—objective \$20,000.00. Team—C. W. Dowsett, D. Evans, F. H. Hall, F. Horne, J. Fell, A. Switch, A. Michaelson.

Iroquois Falls—objective \$75,000.00. Team—Jas. R. Spence, T. H. Wilkes, Ed. Storer, Frank K. Ebbitt.

Matheson, Monteith, Nasluka, Kelson, Belek, Ramore. Objective, \$10,000.00. Team—Dan Johnston.

Boston Creek, Sesekinika, Dane, Swastika, Kirkland Lake. Objective, \$5000.00. Team—Geo. Gimm.

DETAILS OF CANADA'S 1919 VICTORY LOAN

Money Will All Be Spent in Canada. Will Ensure Prosperity.

The details of the loan are as follows: Canada offers for public subscription \$3000,000,000 worth of 5½ per cent. gold bonds at par, bearing interest from Nov. 1, 1919, and offered in two maturities—five years and 15 years, the choice of which is optional with the subscriber. The interest will be payable half-yearly without charge on May 1 and Nov. 1, at any branch in Canada of any chartered bank.

The denominations of the bonds are \$50, \$100, \$500 and \$1,000. Subscriptions may be paid in full at the time of application or on any of the following dates: 10 per cent. on application, 20 per cent. Dec. 9, 1919, 20 per cent. Jan. 9, 1920, 20 per cent. Feb. 10, 1920, and 31.21 per cent. March 9, 1920. The latter includes 30 per cent. balance of principal and 1.21 per cent. representing accrued interest at 5½ per cent. from Nov. 1, 1919, to due dates of the respective instalments. A full half year's interest will be paid on May 1, 1920, making the cost of the bonds 100 and interest.

Of the \$300,000,000 and over that will be raised every cent will be spent in Canada. The proceeds will be used to pay the indebtedness incurred during the war and to meet the expenditures to be made in connection with demobilization and re-establishment of our soldiers in civil life. This will include the Department of Soldiers' Civil Re-establishment, the authorized war service gratuities and landsettlement loans. Other expenditures include the national shipbuilding and railway construction programmes and other national undertakings forming part of the Dominion's industrial reconstruction plans, the Halifax relief fund, and for the establishment of credits abroad so that we may dispose of our huge surplus of foodstuffs, timber, manufactured articles and other products.

USE RELIEF MONEY TO ENDOW HOSPITAL WARD

Suggestion of Mayor Regarding Final Disposition of \$9,000 Now in Hands of Court.

At the regular meeting of the Town Council on Monday evening, the Mayor brought forward the matter of the \$9,000.00, now in the hands of the Court at Toronto, and finally to be disposed of on Nov. 3rd. This money was part of the sum remaining from the 1911 Fire Relief Fund. The amount was at one time \$18,000.00, but Cochrane district had received \$9,000.00, and the remaining \$9,000.00 was left for the municipalities of the Porcupine. There had been several proposals for the disposition of the money, the most acceptable possibly being that the money should be used for needed hospital purposes. It was generally considered that it would be foolish to tie the money up in a permanent fire relief fund. From the 1916 Fire Relief Fund there had been a balance of \$75,000.00 now standing as a Permanent Fire Relief Fund, and this was considered more than ample, as it was generally hoped and believed that there would be no more disastrous forest fires in this district. Dr. McInnis further explained that at the request of the other municipalities he had attended a conference on the matter the previous week with Tisdale and Whitney Townships. At this conference the question had been discussed in all its bearings. It was evident that the trustees holding the funds would not allow the money to be split up between the various municipalities. The money would have to be used for hospital purposes, or it would likely revert to the Fire Relief Fund, where it would lie useless so far as these municipalities were concerned. There was some suggestion of building a small hospital at South Porcupine for the general use of the Camp, but \$9,000 would go but a small way for such a purpose and afterwards there would be the problem of the cost of maintenance. Again there was the fine big new Hollinger Hospital to be considered, and Dr. McInnis thought that the best disposition of the money would be to use it to endow a ward in the Hollinger Hospital for indigent patients in the district. He felt sure that there was ample accommodation in the new Hospital for the district and that the Hollinger would be generous and helpful in the matter. The \$9000 endowment would provide for a number of patients from the various municipalities. Eventually after some discussion, it was decided to leave the matter in the hands of the Mayor and the Solicitor, with the recommendation that the \$9,000 be secured if possible for the endowment of a ward for indigent patients of the municipalities, if the Hollinger would agree to such a proposal. Mr. Gordon H. Gauthier leaves this week for Toronto to represent Tisdale and Whitney before Mr. Justice Middlessex and the Attorney-General (these two being the trustees of the fund with power to see to its final disposition on Nov. 3rd), and before he leaves he will know the attitude of Timmins in the matter. With the municipalities in agreement it is likely that the \$9,000 will be finally disposed of according to their present wishes.

Another important question before the Council was the matter of the completion of the contract for the installation of the waterworks extensions and sewerage system. The contractor, Mr. Leo Mascioli explained that owing to the delay in securing material, the weather conditions, and the general labor situation, he would lose about \$15,000.00 on the contract if it had to be carried out now. If part of the work were left over until next year he would not fare so badly but owing to the conditions he had lost money on what had been already done, losing about \$7500.00. He asked the consideration of the Council in the matter. Mayor McInnis said that he felt Timmins was very fortunate in having a contractor like Mr. Mascioli. Few others, under the circumstances and conditions would have continued the work as he had done. He thought the Council should not see the contractor lose money, for he had done the work well and continued under the most discouraging conditions. Councillor Brazeau said he had gone carefully into the matter and he would recommend a settlement up to date and the release of the contract, after the waterworks installations were made for this year. Then Mr. Mascioli or other contractors could go on with the balance of the work next spring. Councillor Brazeau (Continued on page 4)