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MATHESON VETERANS HOLDING WEEKLY DANCES

The Great War Veterans of Matheson are holding a series of weekly dances, to be continued through the winter. Aside from the social value of the dances as a means of enjoyment for the people of the district the Veterans hope that the weekly dances will net them a goodly amount that will be of material assistance in meeting the cost of their new hall now under construction. Mr. J. Cole has kindly donated one of his store buildings to the Veterans for the dances, and the events will be held every Friday evening until further notice.

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FURS BRING HIGH PRICES AT NEW YORK SALE

Recently there was a big fur sale in New York attended by buyers from all over this and other continents. There were furs totalling \$7,000,000.00, in price to be auctioned off and practically all were disposed of. The first day alone saw the sale of \$1,000,000.00 worth of furs. White fox brought \$70.00; lynx, \$59.50; blue fox, \$750. The furs were mostly Russian furs.

WEST DOME MINE MAY BUILD SMALL MILL

Reports are current to the effect that the directorate of the West Dome Consolidated is considering plans for re-financing the company in such a way that development work may be taken up with increased vigor, and if this is done the probabilities are that a small mill will be built on the property to handle the ore taken out in development. In the past the Dome Lake mill handled any ore from the West Dome and this was considered the most economical plan under the circumstances. There were, however, repeated reports that the West Dome would construct a mill of its own, but nothing came of this suggestion on account of the labor, financial and general conditions prevailing. If the plans for re-financing are proceeded with it is likely that the West Dome will open up again next spring. The West Dome has been closed for several months. Just a short time previous to closing down very encouraging results were met with from development work at the 300-foot level, where a pleasing shoot of good grade ore was encountered.

KIRKLAND LAKE STRIKE SETTLED LAST WEEK.

The Kirkland Lake strike has been officially declared at an end and the men are returning to work as fast as the mines can take them on and the mines are resuming operations as rapidly as it is possible to do so. By present indications Kirkland Lake will soon again be a thriving and busy Camp with everything running smoothly and prosperously. Details of the settlement are not available, but it is understood that the strike was called off after a vote had been taken by the Kirkland Lake Miners' Union. This vote showed a majority in favor of returning to work under the terms available. A few weeks previously a vote taken in the Union showed a small majority in favor of continuing the strike. The vote last week, however, was for a settlement of the matter on the best terms possible. After the taking of the vote, official notification was sent to those interested to the effect that the strike was over. The usual conditions of one side gaining something and the other side gaining something, and both sides losing something, holds true of this as of most strikes. Undoubtedly it has been a costly matter for the mines, the miners, and especially for the Camp in general. There are some slight changes reported as now in force in the wage scale as compared with the rates prevailing before the strike. In general, the same scale now prevails as in the Porcupine Camp and this is better in some cases than the previous Kirkland Lake rate while in other cases there is no change. It is understood also that the mine managers will take their former employees back without discrimination, but there will be no recognition of the Union. Some other differences between the men and the mines have been adjusted and it is thought now that operations can proceed harmoniously between Labor and the Mines at Kirkland Lake.

PRINCE OF WALES MUCH INTERESTED IN PORCUPINE.

Last week Mr. J. E. Wilson, Chief Constable of the Town of Timmins, received the following letter from the Commissioner of Police travelling with His Royal Highness on the recent Canadian tour of the royal party. The letter explains itself, and would suggest that the Prince of Wales was specially interested in the North Land.

Canadian Pacific Railway,
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October 18th 1919.

My Dear Chief:—We arrived here safely yesterday but the official reception will take place to-day. The Prince enjoyed his visit to your mining district very much, being, as you no doubt noticed, particularly interested in that industry.

I wish to thank you for your hearty co-operation in regulating affairs in your city and hope to be able to reciprocate at some future date.

R. G. CHAMBERLAIN,
Commissioner of Police.

The Haileyburian last week says:—"Len Smith, son of Mr. and Mrs. Geo. T. Smith, of Haileybury, was invested with the Military Cross at Hamilton by the Prince of Wales."

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