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PROPOSAL FOR NEW PROVINCE VERY POPULAR

People of North Land Believe This Would be the Best Way to Assure Speedy and Safe Development.

Scores of people have expressed their hearty approval of the idea embodied in an article some weeks ago in The Advance wherein a Timmins citizen was quoted as advocating the separation of the North Land from the rest of Ontario and the making of this big country into a new Province of the Dominion. Newspapers in the North Land have also given the question favorable consideration. The Cobalt Daily Nugget recently publishing several articles advocating this idea. Naturally, the results of the recent elections in Ontario have had considerable bearing on the viewpoint and expectations of the people of the North Land. For a great many years the North Land was practically neglected by the Ontario Government, except in the matter of collecting timber dues, mineral royalties, and the imposing of considerable red tape in regard to the chief industries of the country. More recently, the North Land has had a little better hearing. At least, we have been given much in the way of promises. In the case of what is generally known here as a "Farmer Government" taking over the administration of the Province, it is feared that the great North Land will not receive from the new Government the attention merited, and there is a general disposition here not to passively submit to simply be a source of revenue for the rest of the Province. The people of the great new North realize the immense mineral resources of this country and are fittingly impressed with the potential forest wealth. The possibilities for agriculture and kindred industries are not being overlooked. It is generally appreciated here that all this country needs is a fair chance, proper publicity and intelligent direction and assistance to develop into a banner Province of this rich Dominion. Hitherto, the North Land has not had a fair chance. It has been neglected, not through any meanness or particular selfishness on the part of the people of the rest of the Province, but because they did not know and understand the problems and possibilities of the great North. The North Land has pressing needs in the way of new schools required, new roads desired, railway facilities necessary, and other things that will assist in the real development and progress of the country. Above all, in the expenditure of the vast sums required for the protection and progress of the North Land a knowledge and appreciation of the country is necessary. The country has resources enough in itself to pay for everything required and leave a mighty balance to the good. The proposed new Province would also overshadow the wealth of the older Ontario. If the population in this immense country is small and relatively scattered, the reason does not lie in any lack in the new land, but rather is due to the fact that the proper attention and assistance have not been given to the development of the North Land. Men in this country have great faith in its possibilities, and they are beginning to unite in a determination that this land shall receive the proper attention and support. If Old Ontario refuses to give this support and attention, if the older part of the Province neglects to secure an intelligent and accurate knowledge of the needs of the great North then a new Province will be necessary for the people of the North Land are determined that this country shall have a fair chance and a square deal. Many up in the North Land believe that as a separate Province the development of this country would be phenomenal. They argue that the southern part of the Province neither appreciates nor understands this country; that the aims and ambitions of Ontario and Greater Ontario are widely different; that even the people of the two sections are different in type and disposition; and that if the North Land attended to its own affairs as a Province, this land would prosper beyond any present prospects because of the intelligent interest that would be devoted to the advantages of the North Land by people who knew it and understood it. Such people now are anxious to press the movement for the creation of a new Province and they eagerly ask, "What is the first step necessary?" of course, the first step would be the sending to Ottawa of a member who would in season and out of season present the case of the

NAVY LEAGUE TAG DAYS BRING IN OVER \$400.

Lady Canvassers Doing Good Work in Town for Navy League.

The campaign for funds for the Navy League of Canada has made excellent progress in Timmins, thanks to the splendid work of the volunteer workers of the Daughters of the Empire here who have taken charge of the canvassing. Despite the many difficulties and the conflicting events, the ladies have already realized \$420.64, and they are still going strong at the work. The canvass in Schumacher and South Porcupine has been postponed for a week or two. The objective for the Camp is \$2,000, and the workers in Timmins are confident that at least the town will secure its share of this amount. The Red Cross and Patriotic Societies of the district are contributing donations that will help make up the total. On Friday and Saturday of last week there were tag days here and the lady canvassers were energetic and effective at the work. As each contributor of \$2.00 or more is made a member of the Navy League, the campaign will also assure a very strong membership here for the Admiral Beresford (Porcupine) branch of the Navy League. The ladies doing such effective work in the canvass are: Miss L. Maltais, Miss L. Poitras, Miss I. Carswell, Mrs. Tailon, Mrs. Lawlor, and Mrs. Dr. McInnis. They are still carrying on the good work of securing subscriptions and donations. The concert in connection with the campaign will likely be announced next week.

SUCCESSFUL HALLOWE'EN MASQUERADE DANCE.

There was a large attendance at the Halloween Masquerade Dance in the Union Hall on Friday evening last, and all present had a pleasant evening, the Ladies' Auxiliary, under whose auspices the event was held, being generally complimented on the enjoyable success. Most of the couples attending were in costume and a large number of original and attractive characters were represented. The judges had a difficult task in selecting the prize winners, the number of unusually good designs in make-up and costume being so large. Eventually, however, the prizes were awarded as follows:—Best dressed gentleman, Mr. N. McKinnon, whose eighteenth century costume was a work of art; Best dressed lady, Mrs. Fiss, Red Cross Nurse; Best dressed couple, Mr. Mahon and Miss Geroux, as Indians; best dressed comic, gentleman, Mr. Fiss, as Santa Claus; lady, Mrs. Kennedy, as Hallowe'en pierrat. Mr. Hugh Richardson made such a modest and quiet young lady, handsomely but not showily dressed, that she failed to attract the special attention of the judges, this showing the artful excellence of his make-up for the character. But as one lady said, "She's a he, ain't it?" They were. The dancing was good and most of those in attendance missed but few in deed of the numbers. The music was excellent, being the usual good work of Colombo's Orchestra.

G. W. V. A. GIVING DANCE ON NOVEMBER 11th.

Goldfields Branch of the G. W. V. A. are completing arrangements for their dance in the Masonic Hall on the anniversary of Armistice Day, Nov. 11th 1919. Colombo's Orchestra will furnish the music for the occasion, and dancing will commence at 9.30 p. m. The fact that the event is under the management of the Veterans is ample assurance that it will be successful and enjoyable, and all lovers of the dance should reserve this evening for the G. W. V. A. Dance.

The Halleyburian last week says:—"Mrs. Croteau and Master Carl spent Friday and Saturday with Mrs. O. Mayhew on their way from Timmins to their home in Sudbury."

North Land The Dominion Government would have to make the necessary provision for the creation of a new Province. Considerable public work and agitation will be necessary to bring the Dominion Parliament to this frame of mind. In any case the publicity and agitation would do good in impressing upon all and sundry that the North Land desires a fair show and a proper opportunity for free development along the lines that appeal to the people here.

FOUR BOWLING TEAMS ORGANIZE FOR SEASON.

This week there was a largely attended and enthusiastic meeting of lovers of bowling and four teams were organized for the season as follows:—

J. McLean, Captain—P. Casey, C. White, Victor Knott, Leo Laflamme, O. Parnum, Pete Taylor.

Jos. Newton, Captain—Chas. Alton A. Brazeau, J. Blackwell, M. Moore, Jas. Brough, Jack Andercheek.

Frank McGuire, Captain—H. J. Marshall, H. J. Fitzpatrick, R. Hall, J. A. Howse, H. Jackson, J. Knott.

Taylor's Specials (J. Perrault, Captain)—Chas. Patterson, Joe McGraw, Gus Buffman, A. Kendall, Chas. Possetti, Gordon Rutherford.

The first game will be played on Thursday night, between the teams captained by Messrs. McLean and Newton. The schedule for the season is not yet completed, but there is much interest evident and a pleasant season is confidently expected. It is understood that Mr. J. Perrault intends to give a prize each month to the highest on the teams outside of the captains.

REFERENDUM NEEDED ON WORK OF THIS AIRSHIP.

A couple of years ago a Timmins man, commenting on an article in The Advance regarding the many uses that could be made in times of peace of Canada's trained air service and aviators, suggested that a good line of service after the war would be for airships to carry liquor shipments from Montreal to the Porcupine. He had it all worked out, even mentioning suitable landing places at the Matagami River and elsewhere in the district. It has remained, however, for a blind-pigger in the Gatineau Point district, near Ottawa, to put this scheme into actual service. An airplane has already made two or three successful and highly-profitable trips from Montreal to Gatineau Point carrying a large amount of liquor on each trip. The last trip may be mentioned as indicating the procedure. The airship was duly loaded with the precious booze at Montreal one evening and the next morning early it was hovering over a stubble field of a farm just outside Gatineau Point. Apparently the airship was in difficulties, and after a graceful glide to earth it landed safely in the field for the necessary attention and "repairs". A group of men, who just "happened" to be near at the time, generously rushed to the help of the fallen airship. The men had picks, axes, shovels, etc., but no man with a corkscrew was allowed near the machine. In a very short time the machine was relieved of its "trouble" (some 75 gallons of assorted liquors), and was able to rise again and go its graceful and gracious way on more errands of mercy and works of necessity. The "trouble", of course, had swiftly disappeared before the quick work of the band of willing workers, but there was a general belief that the picks and shovels were a sort of clew to the location of the trouble. As a consequence there was a tendency to do prospecting in the Gatineau Point district for a few days until it was generally realized that the blind-pigger was a man of so much heart that it was very evident to him that all his precious liquor would perish and pass away from him forever if he left it buried in the earth, and so he had watered it well, knowing that even if water does weaken the spirit it also makes it travel farther, and travelling far seems to be a necessity in this dry country of long distances.

PLEASANT HALLOWE'EN EVENT ON THURSDAY.

The Halloween Dancing Party given on Thursday evening last in the Masonic Hall by the Anglican Girls' Auxiliary brought a good attendance and all present spent a very delightful evening. "The nicest dancing party I ever attended in Timmins," was one enthusiastic verdict on the event. Certainly the event was a pleasant and enjoyable one. Colombo's orchestra furnished the best of music. The patronesses of the event were: Mrs. M. A. Ellis, Mrs. Jemmett, Mrs. Peters, Mrs. Lowe, Mrs. Simms, and Mrs. Woodbury.

The recount of the voting in the recent election for Temiskaming resulted in the announcement by Judge Hartman that he found Capt. Tom Magladeroy to be elected by 77 of a majority over A. Montgomery, Labor and Farmer candidate. The final count of votes was:—Magladeroy, 3092; Montgomery, 3015; Taylor, 1515.

STATISTICS RE HOUSING BEING GATHERED HERE.

For the purpose of learning accurately the housing requirements and accommodation in Timmins a census is being taken at the present time in the town. The work is in charge of Mr. Len Smith, and it is expected that it will take, possibly three weeks to complete the work on the thorough plan being followed. Some weeks ago the Council of the Town of Timmins passed the formal by-law requiring for the taking of the census, but all the expenses of the work are at the cost of the Hollinger Consolidated and the work also looked after by that Company. The Hollinger is preparing to deal effectively and thoroughly with the matter of room and house accommodation for its employees in the Camp and the statistics obtained through the census now in progress will give a sound basis for intelligent calculation. In addition to this the valuable information to be gathered in this census is to be at the disposal also of the Town, and so every good citizen should do all possible to assist and make easy and agreeable the arduous work of the census takers in this case. No information of anything like a private or personal character is asked, and there is every reason for the citizens aiding in all ways possible the work of the enumerators.

CAMPAIGN PROGRAMME FOR SUNDAY EVENING

Addresses, Patheoscope Views of Prince's Tour, Music and other Numbers, for Free Event in Theatre.

In connection with the Victory Loan campaign now in progress there will be a meeting in the New Empire Theatre on Sunday evening after the church services. An unusually attractive programme is promised, and while one and all are heartily invited, the event is to be without any fee or charge of any kind. The programme will include a series of brief addresses by a Toronto speaker who will talk in several different languages. There will be Patheoscope views of the tour through Canada of the Prince of Wales. In addition there will be musical numbers by well-known and talented local artists, and the whole programme as now outlined promises to be an unusually attractive and effective one. All are invited to this meeting, and all will be welcome.

CANADA'S TRADE STABILITY.

Statistics furnished by the Finance Department at Ottawa for the six months ending Sept. 30th, 1919 show a most encouraging state of affairs, even though there has been a decrease in Canada's total trade as compared with the same six months of 1918. The total value of Canadian trade, export and import from April 1st to Sept. 30th, 1918 was \$1,087,232,880; and for the same period in the present year \$1,054,657,462 or \$32,575,418, less. But the chief drop was in the value of imports. Exports fell only \$11,329,805 as compared with the 1918 totals. When it is remembered that last year the war was still in progress and Canada was exporting munitions that ceased to be made so soon as the armistice was signed, the decrease in exports is surprisingly low. It is clear that our exports of a permanent character, both agricultural and of manufactured commodities, must have risen above even those of the war period. Canada therefore has maintained a great overseas market for something more than war supplies, which she has an opportunity of permanently holding. But this market was only rendered possible by the credits furnished to Great Britain and European countries. Unless the Canadian people by a generous oversubscription to the 1919 Victory Loan, furnish the capital whereby these credits and this vast export trade can be maintained, the same period of 1920 will show a shrinkage that cannot be restored.

There will be special services in the Presbyterian church on Sunday evening along the line of special thanksgiving in connection with the anniversary of the signing of the Armistice. Rev. W. Arnes, of South Porcupine, will occupy the pulpit and there will be special music by the choir. Rev. Mr. Parks will take the services in Mr. Arnes' church at South Porcupine in the evening.

TIMMINS MAKES OVER 141 PER CENT. OF OBJECTIVE

Schumacher Still Further Ahead of Objective. Rest of District Makes Remarkable Showing in Victory Loan.

The Timmins District is certainly making a remarkable showing in the Victory Loan Campaign. Already over 70 per cent. (\$194,550.00) of the District's objective of \$275,000.00 has been secured by the teams. The special subscriptions total \$1,125,000., making a grand total of \$1,319,550 up to yesterday from this district. Under date of Nov. 1st Mr. D. L. Jemmett, Cobalt, Chairman of the Temiskaming Division, wired Mr. E. S. Noble, Chairman of the Timmins District, as follows:—"Mine subscriptions totalling two and a quarter millions have been received from your Division. You may take credit for half of the above amount in your special subscriptions record to-day. Congratulations. Hope you are meeting with encouragement and success in the general drive."

In listing the daily bulletin up to yesterday, Secretary W. S. Macpherson added the note:—"Town of Timmins goes over the top with 141.23 per cent. Heavy hitting, with the bases full, by Home Run McLaughlin cinched the hunting for this town. Amen!" With an objective of \$52,500.00, the Town yesterday had returns to date of \$74,150.00, thus winning the Prince of Wales flag and looking now to see how many crests the team can add to it. The team for the town include:—Messrs. B. E. Martin, F. C. H. Simms, E. H. Rutherford, W. A. Campbell and J. P. McLaughlin.

Schumacher has even bettered the record, reaching 155.00 per cent. of its objective of \$5,000.00, the total returns being \$7,750.00. Mr. S. Kitchen has charge of the Schumacher campaign.

The Hollinger Mine has \$35,250.00, out of an objective of \$52,500.00, or 67.14 per cent. in 38.88 per cent. of the time, an excellent showing. The Hollinger team is M. S. Nagle, J. E. Morin, R. Young.

The Dome Mines team,—Messrs. C. W. Dowsett, D. Evans, F. H. Hall, A. Switch, F. Horne, A. Michaelson, J. Fell,—has 95.50 per cent. of their \$20,000.00 objective, their returns to date being \$19,100.00, which shows the best of work.

Iroquois Falls, of course, is doing well as usual, having 57.66 per cent. of their \$75,000.00 objective, or \$43,250.00. The team includes Messrs. J. R. Spence, F. K. Ebbitt, F. H. Wilkes, J. A. T. Richards, C. H. Seaman, A. S. Fearn, Ed. Stover.

The McIntyre Mine, objective \$25,000.00, has returns of \$7,450.00, the team being Jas. Shewan, P. E. Cooper, C. Goodheart, H. Skavlen.

South Porcupine, with an objective of \$30,000.00, has \$5,300.00, or 17 per cent. The team is H. G. Laidlaw and W. G. A. Wood.

Matheson (Dan Johnston, chairman) has \$23,000.00 of its \$10,000.00 objective, or 23 per cent. In a note to the last bulletin issued it is announced that the Northern Division has obtained 68.03 per cent. of its combined objective; Sudbury and Manitowlin, 39.79 per cent.; Nipissing, 26.70 per cent.; Temiskaming, 127.41 per cent.; Sault Ste Marie and Algoma, 39 per cent.; Province of Ontario 44.47 per cent.

BABY BURNED TO DEATH IN HOUSE AT SWASTIKA

On Thursday last the home of Mr. Sandford Gardner at Swastika was destroyed by fire and the baby boy of the household, aged 1 year and 8 months, perished in the flames. Mrs. Gardner left the house for short time on an errand, and when returning home she met her five-year old son some distance from the house, the little fellow excitedly telling his mother that their house was on fire. The mother hurried home to find the house a blazing and unapproachable mass of flames. Later, the body of the baby boy was found among the ruins of the burned house.

Writing to Fire Chief Borland from the Toronto General Hospital, in response to a request from Mr. J. D. Maclean, deputy fire chief, one of the nurses says:—"The operation was performed on Thursday, Oct. 30th. It was a very serious major operation and he has suffered severe pain since, but his condition is very favorable and he hopes to be able to write some time soon."

GETTING READY FOR HOCKEY IN THE CAMP

Executive of Porcupine Hockey Association Preparing for Season.

In addition to the activities in organization for the local hockey teams, the Porcupine Hockey Association (in affiliation with the Northern Ontario Hockey Association) keeps busy preparing for a successful and busy season. There is undoubtedly special interest this year in hockey here and the best season in the history of the district may well be looked forward to.

On Monday evening of this week there was an executive meeting of the Porcupine Hockey Association held at Mr. J. W. Fogg's office. Mr. C. G. Williams, President, occupied the chair, and in addition to the vice-president, Mr. G. S. Lowe, and the Secretary-Treasurer, Mr. W. M. Widdfield there were representatives from the McIntyre, Hollinger and Town Teams. Mr. J. Sullivan represented the McIntyre, Mr. L. Smith the Hollinger, and Mr. Gordon Spence the Town of Timmins team.

On motion the minutes of Oct. 27th were nullified, while the minutes of Oct. 6th and 10th were confirmed. This was decided unanimously.

On motion of Messrs. Lowe and Smith, any returned soldier coming into this Camp will be allowed to play only after the consent of the League executive, provided also that he has not played in any schedule game since his discharge.

The local boundaries for Timmins, McIntyre and Hollinger teams were decided upon as from the Mattagamit on the west to the Rea Hill on the east, and that players therein be privileged to play with the team they elect.

On motion of Messrs. L. Smith and G. Spence, it was resolved that "Club playing certificate countersigned by the President shall be authority for any player participating in local league."

Moved by G. S. Lowe, seconded by J. Sullivan, and carried, that qualified players have right to sign at any time during season. Signing with one club shall prohibit signing with any other club unless released by first club. Signing with more than one club without release will disqualify player.

Moved by J. Sullivan, seconded by G. S. Lowe, and carried, that any player who has participated in any one or more games cannot transfer to another club without unanimous consent of executive.

Each club is to be assessed \$10.00 entrance fee to the Porcupine Hockey League, payable not later than Nov. 15th 1919.

The official trophy for the Porcupine Hockey League is to be the Dickson Cup.

Officials are to be selected by mutual consent of participating clubs twenty-four hours previous to commencement of game, failing which appointment to be made by President.

Instructions were given the Secretary to write Iroquois Falls and the Northern Ontario Hockey Association to the effect that the Porcupine Club is not willing to play on an open air rink.

TIMMINS HOCKEY CLUB ORGANIZED FOR SEASON.

There was a well-attended meeting this week of the Timmins hockey fans to organize for the season. Mr. W. M. Widdfield was voted to the chair to preside over the meeting and Mr. H. W. Hooker was appointed secretary protem. The first business taken up was the election of officers for the season as follows:—

Honorary Presidents—Rev. Fr. Theriault, Dr. H. H. Moore, H. J. Marshall.

President—H. C. McDonald, Manager Timmins Branch Imperial Bank.

Vice-President—J. Perrault.

Secretary-Treasurer—H. W. Hooker.

Executive Committee—Fire Chief Borland, Geo. S. Drew, Dr. J. H. Scott, F. H. King, J. T. Easton.

Mr. Gordon Spence was appointed representative for the Town of Timmins hockey team to attend the League meeting on Monday night.

There was a discussion regarding the colors to be used by the Town Hockey team, but the matter was left to the executive to decide.

There will be a meeting of the executive of the Town Club this (Wednesday) afternoon at 5 o'clock in the Fire Hall.