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ASSOCIATED BOARDS OF TRADE TO MEET HERE

Important Gathering of District Representatives in Timmins on Friday of this week.

The annual meeting of the Temiskaming Associated Boards of Trade is announced as to take place in Timmins on Friday of this week, October 1st. This should prove a very important gathering in the interests of the North Land. The Associated Boards of Trade of Temiskaming is simply a union of all the local Boards of Trade for concerted action on matters of mutual benefit or interest. Practically every Board of Trade or similar organization in the District belongs to the Associated Boards of Trade, and at present there is much interest shown by all these different local Boards of Trade in the work of the Associated Boards of Trade. Perhaps, the chief reason for this special display of interest in the work of the Associated Boards of Trade is the fact that recently the Associated Boards of Trade has been taking up the question of a highway for the North Land. This is a question that the North Land in all its parts and divisions, generally greets with the greatest enthusiasm. It is generally felt that the keynote of the North Land's progress and prosperity and convenience is this same matter of good roads. The proposed highway would solve a score of pressing problems. It would give the settlers ready access to good markets. It would give the people up in this North the opportunity to buy fresh produce at first-hand prices. It would give the people up here an opportunity to keep in ready touch with all the neighboring communities. It would strengthen the feeling of friendliness between the different towns. It would allow considerable further scope for motoring, horses, etc. It would make the people here more contented with being here, because they could get around in good fashion. It would connect up with the good roads system of Old Ontario and thus allow people from the south to come up here conveniently and see the country for themselves. Because of the fact that all these things are clearly recognized by the various Boards of Trade in the District, the Associated Boards of Trade is coming in for special attention and thought and interest at this time, having entered energetically and thoroughly into the proposal for a North Land highway. The highway proposition will be perhaps the most important question to come before the meeting on Friday. It is an odd and interesting fact that the only other resolutions formally submitted for discussion as required by the Constitution have been put in by Iroquois Falls and District Board of Trade. This latter Board of Trade is a particularly active and thoughtful body and has been doing very effective work not only for Iroquois Falls and district but also for the whole North Land. The questions submitted in this instance by the Iroquois Falls and District Board of Trade, have a wide interest and importance to the North Land. One of them relates to the matter of fire protection in this country; another deals with the question of collective bargaining. The Highway proposition no doubt will take precedence of all other questions. It is intended to complete the plans for submitting this highway proposition to the Government. The various sections of the country have agreed on the route that the highway should follow and regarding the general type of the road. Reports along these lines have been received and considered from all parts of the North Land, and the Committee has everything in shape for intelligent consideration and action by the meeting of the Associated Board of Trade.

HOLLINGER DIRECTORS MEET HERE LAST WEEK.

Messrs. N. A. L. H., and Jules Timmins, D. Dunlop and J. B. Holden, directors of the Hollinger Consolidated Gold Mines, came to the Camp on Friday morning last, being on Thursday evening's delayed train. A meeting of the directors was held in Timmins on Friday, the directors leaving again for the south on Saturday.

The regular meeting of the Timmins L. O. L. on Monday evening was followed by a very pleasant social evening, the large attendance of brethren enjoying an agreeable social evening.

WRECK DELAYED TRAINS ON T. & N.O. ON THURSDAY

And, of Course, No One was Hurt, But, of Course, Passengers Had A Disagreeable Time.

The T. & N.O. Railway had its regular wreck last week on Thursday. It would be a good idea if the T. & N.O. would adopt a regular schedule for wrecks and stick to the schedule. Perhaps the regular wrecks and the regular trains could be arranged so that connections could be made without too outrageous delays. "Nos. 3 and 4, the National, daily; Nos. 1 and 2, passenger, daily except Sunday; Nos. 46 and 47, daily; Nos. 60 and 61, mixed, daily except Sunday; No. 8, mixed, Saturday only; wrecks, freight Saturdays only; wrecks, mixed, Thursdays only." Something like that would be a great blessing to the public. Under such a schedule the people would know where they were at. Of course, they know now most of the time where they are at—they are at Porquis Jet, waiting for connections. Thursday's regular wreck was at Kenogami Lake. As they say about some fires, "the cause was unknown." Anyway, three cars went off the track and piled all over each other. The passengers on No. 47, northbound, got a jolt and a shaking up, but the T. & N.O. would not hurt anybody, bless its dear delayable heart. Traffic, north and south, was delayed for about six hours while the track was being cleared. The wreck was right close to the lake and passengers felt thankful that the whole outfit did not splash into the lake. They had lots of time for giving thanks and saying prayers. They always do on the T. & N.O. There happened to be a number of ladies with small children travelling on No. 47. Nothing more need be said. The tired passengers eventually reached Porquis Junction after three o'clock in the morning. Those for Timmins reached here after five o'clock Friday morning. Passengers from Iroquois Falls for points on the Porcupine branch had to spend seven hours at Porquis Junction. And Porquis Junction has not been improved as a stopping place. If this sort of delay occurred only once in a long while, there might be no particular reason for kicking. But as wrecks are regular on the T. & N.O., the Commission might well make provision for handling such situations without such unreasonable delays and inconveniences. Passengers stalled for the seven hours at Porquis Junction last week thought that provision might have been made for carrying them to their destinations on the branches without such outrageous delay as seven hours, but there was no such common sense convenience secureable. It is a funny world this North Land.

HOCKEY OUTLOOK GOOD FOR TIMMINS THIS YEAR

Town Has a Promising Bunch of Expert Players Ready for the Line-Up.

The coming season should be an interesting one in the line of hockey for the Porcupine. There is a fine array of the best type of talent to make a winning hockey team. Already interest and enthusiasm are arousing in the game. People in general are delighted with the outlook. "We will get farther than New Liskeard this year if all goes well," says some of the hockey fans. Others are even building the highest hopes from the coming season's hockey team. On one point all are agreed—that the Porcupine this season is practically assured of the finest and fastest brand of hockey. That this viewpoint is fully justified is proven by a glance at the array of talent from which the Porcupine team may be chosen. Consider the line-up possible from the following names for instance:— Goal—Worters, Hoggarth and McIntyre. Defence—Spring, Loughrin, White, Cox. Forwards—Stewart, McGuire, F. Lafontaine, Brennan, McCurry, Parker, Campbell, Brown, Simms. Or course, there is nothing official about this list. It is simply the review of a few of the outstanding names in hockey that may be selected from by the Porcupine in the choice of a team. But the very recounting of the names makes the average hockey fan say, "I'll tell the world that the Porcupine is going to have some hockey team this year."

IMPERIAL CHAMBER OF COMMERCE HERE OCT. 4

Leading Business Men of the British Empire to Visit the North Land. Will Spend Few Hours Here Monday.

Arrangements are being completed for the reception and entertainment here of the delegates of the Imperial Chamber of Commerce to visit Timmins on Monday next, October 4th. The Imperial Chamber of Commerce is an organization including the leading men in industrial and business life in the British Empire. The object of the organization is to advance the trade and prosperity of the business interests of the Empire. The original intention of the tour of the delegates of the Imperial Chamber of Commerce was to have the trip through Canada extend from coast to coast. This plan, however, has been found impractical, owing to the inability of the majority of the delegates to remain in Canada longer than the middle of October. Accordingly, the tour has been confined to visiting Ontario and Quebec. The Congress having finished in Toronto last week, the party left the city for Niagara Falls by way of St. Catharines. From the Falls they went this week on a tour of Western Ontario, including Brantford, London, Windsor, Guelph, Hamilton, etc. Then the party came to North Bay, Copper Cliff, Espanola, Sault Ste Marie, New Liskeard, Haileybury, Timmins, Iroquois Falls, Ottawa, Shawinigan Falls, Montreal and Quebec are other places of interest. The party will leave Quebec about October 12th to return to their homes overseas. The Imperial Chamber of Commerce party will reach Timmins on the morning of Monday, October 4th, remaining here until about noon. They will visit the mines and other places of local interest. The visit should be of material assistance to this district in making more widely known and understood the resources and possibilities of this part of the Empire and the promising opportunities here for labour and capital alike.

MASONIC DANCE THURSDAY (TO-MORROW) EVENING

Northern Lights Royal Arch Chapter and Golden Beaver Lodge A.F. & A.M. are giving a dance in the Masonic Hall to-morrow (Thursday) evening for members of the Order and their ladies. Dancing will commence at 9.30 p.m. There will be the best of music, and the usual pleasant time for all attending.

LUNCHEON TO ASSOCIATED BOARDS BY TIMMINS BOARD.

Timmins Board of Trade is giving a luncheon to the visitors who will be here on Friday to attend the annual meeting of the Temiskaming Associated Boards of Trade. The luncheon will be served in the basement of the Presbyterian church, and the visiting delegates will be the guests of honour of the Timmins Board of Trade. After the luncheon the regular business of the annual meeting of the Associated Boards of Trade will be taken up. One of the chief matters of importance before the meeting will be the question of a North Land highway. This question of roads is the keynote of the advance of the North Land, and its importance can not be over-estimated.

WEDDING THIS MORNING OF POPULAR YOUNG COUPLE

A pretty wedding took place this morning at the home of Mr. and Mrs. M. S. Nagle, when Miss Margaret Murray and Mr. Wallace Stroud were united in marriage. Rev. J. D. Parks, pastor of the Timmins Presbyterian church, officiated at the ceremony. Mrs. Sid. McCoy played the Wedding March, and Miss Craig Hoggarth sang in her usual pleasing way. Mr. Stroud's father was up from Montreal to be present at the event. After the ceremony a delightful wedding breakfast was served by Mrs. Nagle to the party of immediate friends and relatives present. The young couple left on the 11.30 train for their wedding tour after which they will take up residence in Montreal. The best wishes of all in the Camp will follow them as they were both highly esteemed and very popular in many circles. Miss Murray for some time past has been on the office staff of the Hollinger Stores. Mr. Stroud was formerly on the staff of the Hollinger Mine and among the most popular of the old-timers of the Porcupine.

V.N.T. MINE TO RE-OPEN ABOUT FIRST OCTOBER

Eminent English Engineer Here in Advisory Capacity. Staff Being Gathered for V. N. T.

The Porcupine V.N.T. Mine (the Vipond North Thompson) will re-open operations about the first of October and an extended campaign of development and production is planned. A despatch coming over the H. B. Wills & Co., private wire from Toronto yesterday said:—"J. B. McArthur, one of England's most eminent mining engineers, who is connected with the Associated Goldfields of Western Australia, arrived in the city late yesterday afternoon (Monday) and left for Porcupine last night where he will act in an advisory capacity with Major J. McIntosh Bell, E.M., in the re-opening of active mining operations at the Vipond-North Thompson. After a visit to the Keeley Mine of South Lorraine, Mr. McArthur leaves for Australia and China where his associates are heavily interested in mining." Mr. McArthur and Major McIntosh Bell have reached the Camp and everything is well under way for a resumption of operations at the V.N.T. Mr. W. S. Gowans, formerly on the Dome staff, is to be underground superintendent for the V.N.T. Mr. Gowans came to the Camp on Saturday night. The V.N.T. is one of the promising mining properties of the Camp. It is developed to the 600-foot level and has a mill with a capacity of about 120 tons. During the time of its operation, before war conditions made it impractical to continue work, the V.N.T. was producing at the rate of about \$35,000 per month, the ore running around \$10 per ton in gold. Great things are expected from the V.N.T. by those who know the property.

ANNUAL MEETING OF ORR GOLD MINES THIS WEEK.

The annual meeting of the Orr Gold Mines is announced to take place tomorrow (Thursday). In a letter to the shareholders, Mr. Conrad E. Wettlaufer, the president, says:—"Since my election on July 15th, 1920, money has been procured, and the judgment against, and the debts of, the company have been paid, and an engineer, Mr. J. C. Houston, has been employed. He with his staff have dewatered the mine, and have done considerable exploration work, and have extended the crosscut and cut the vein, which is supposed to be the No. 1 vein of the Lake Shore. This vein is about five feet wide and well-mineralized, and promises well for future development." Reference is also made to a proposed amalgamation with some other properties, the matter of the merger to be submitted to the shareholders for their consideration.

MORE MOVING PICTURES BEING TAKEN OF NORTH.

Mr. Wm. Birdick, staff cameraman of Filmcraft, and another member of the Filmcraft staff, were in Timmins the latter part of last week in connection with a tour of the North Land where they are making pictures for the T. & N.O. Railway. These pictures will be shown to the great outside world to give a correct impression of the great land through which the T. & N.O. Railway runs, or as the case may be. Every joker wants to know if a view of a T. & N.O. wreck (guaranteed by past experiences not to risk the life of a single passenger) will be one of the pictures given as particularly typical of the North Land. It is seriously to be hoped, however, that the pictures of the North Land give as comprehensive a view in as clever a way as the one taken by the Ontario Government department showing the Hollinger, McIntyre and other mines. This latter picture is one of the best of its kind ever filmed, and more pictures of this type are desired for the pleasure of the public and to give correct and intelligent impressions of this country, its resources and industries.

The foundation has been built and the work of construction well under way in the building of a big modern store for the McIntyre Mercantile Company at Schunaberger. Work is also under way in the construction of a new refinery building for the McIntyre Mine. The new refinery, when completed, will be the finest of its kind in Canada it is said.

HAROLD JARVIS CONCERT PARTY HERE ON OCT. 3

Famous Canadian Tenor and Other Gifted Artists Here Under the Auspices of G.W.V.A.

Sunday evening, October 3rd, is the date, and the event, thanks to the Timmins G.W.V.A., is an entertainment given by the Harold Jarvis Concert Party. The place is the New Empire Theatre, and the price has been held down to the nominal figure of one dollar, with no war tax added. It is not often that the people of Timmins and district have opportunity to hear such artists as the Harold Jarvis Concert Party. The party includes:—Mr. Harold Jarvis, the famous tenor; Miss Maud Buschlen, the popular violinist; Miss Madge Williamson, a talented pianist; and Miss Clarice Spencer, an elocutionist of marked ability. The programme furnished by these artists is one that will delight all who hear it. Harold Jarvis is too well known to need any introduction. He is Canada's most famous singer, with an international reputation as a tenor of the most outstanding gifts. He has a voice of remarkable sweetness and hundreds of audiences have been thrilled and delighted by this great artist. The ease with which he takes the highest notes, the feeling he puts into the songs he sings and the perfection of his technique never fail to charm all lovers of music. He has been on the concert stage for a number of years and has been the most popular concert singer on the continent. Miss Maud Buschlen is very popular as a violinist. Indeed, there is such a demand for her services that she is booked for the whole winter. She has a fine personality and plays with great feeling. As an actress she often does what might be called "stunts," which invariably catch on with those who are fortunate enough to hear her. Miss Madge Williamson made a decided hit as a pianist at her first appearance in Toronto some time ago, and since that time her success has been equally noteworthy. She is skillful in the technical part of the art, but her real forte is in the warmth of expression she puts into her interpretation of the music. Miss Clarice Spencer, the elocutionist, is a pupil of the famous entertainer, Owen A. Smiley. Miss Spencer has ability of the finest order and knows how to enlighten art with humor. She brings laughter or tears at will. The concert is a high-class one in every way, but it will have a general popular appeal. The G.W.V.A. are to be commended on bringing the event to town, and the people should show their appreciation by a crowded attendance. Every one delighting in music and entertainment above the average should remember the date and the place,—October 3rd., at the New Empire Theatre, Timmins.

HOLLINGER STORES CLOSE EVERY SATURDAY AT 6 P.M.

Commencing October 1st the Hollinger Stores will discontinue the Wednesday half holiday and will close every night at 6 p.m., Saturdays included. Last winter the Hollinger Stores followed the plan of closing every evening at 6 p.m., including Saturdays. The plan was of much benefit to the employees without any serious disadvantage to patrons of the stores as soon as they became accustomed to the hours. With the coming of summer the Hollinger Stores again showed a thought for its staff without inconveniencing the patrons of the stores. During June, July, August and September the Hollinger Stores closed every Wednesday at 12.30 p.m., the stores remaining open every Saturday until 9 p.m. for the convenience of the public. Commencing October 1st, the Hollinger Stores go back to the hours prevailing before June 1st, the stores closing every night, including Saturday, at 6 p.m., and there being no Wednesday half holiday during the winter months.

BILLY MATHESON, THE EVANGELIST, LEFT THIS WEEK FOR NORTH BAY AFTER A MONTH'S STRUGGLE TO RESCUE THE PERISHING IN TIMMINS.

Billy Matheson, the evangelist, left this week for North Bay after a month's struggle to rescue the perishing in Timmins. Timmins, however, still has to be good, for the Missions are still in progress at the R. C. Church here. It is just such visitors as these and the resident clergy that keep Timmins trying to be good all the time.

FIRE PREVENTION DAY SATURDAY OCTOBER 9

Concerted Public Effort to Reduce Immense Fire Loss in Canada.

Saturday, October 9th., is set aside by proclamation of the Governor-General as a special "Fire Prevention Day," in the Dominion of Canada, which very emphatically includes Timmins. In the proclamation setting this day apart as a special day to be observed, it is pointed out that during the past ten years in Canada more than 2600 persons have lost their lives and property valued at approximately \$200,000,000.00 has been destroyed by fire, and that the annual loss from this cause continues practically unabated. Reference is made to the additional loss through forest fires that endanger more lives and deplete the national resources in wasteful way. Reliable statistics, show that at least 75 per cent. of the fires which occur originate either directly or indirectly through inexcusable ignorance and neglect and are therefore preventable, and that the exercise of reasonable prudence and proper carefulness on the part of responsible citizens would reduce losses by fire in Canada to the comparatively insignificant proportions of losses in other countries. The proclamation accordingly, recognizing the desirability of drawing public attention to the extent and underlying causes of the preventable loss of life and property through fire, set aside the one day (Oct. 9th.) for the special dissemination of such information. On this day it is recommended that all dwellings and their surroundings be carefully inspected by their occupants and all conditions likely to cause or promote the spread of fires removed. All public buildings, stores, warehouses and factories be inspected and cleared of rubbish in order to reduce fire hazards and maintain health and safety. Inspection of public buildings of all kinds is also recommended, as well as fire drill for the children in schools and for the inmates of all institutions, factories, etc. Special instruction on the subject of fire prevention is also advised for schools and for public meetings, the idea generally being to impress the situation on the public and secure the special thought, attention and carefulness that will mean a betterment. The Ontario Fire Prevention League, whose good work has aroused much interest generally in fire prevention, is giving unusual assistance in making Fire Prevention Day a real event. The League has advertising and literature advocating a "Clean-Up" Campaign. Rubbish and accumulated paper and dirt make a breeding and feeding places for fire. The League is strong on cleaning up yards and premises to reduce the fire risk. The League looks upon over 75 per cent. of the fires in Canada as easily preventable, and its efforts are to arouse public interest to such an extent that a material reduction will occur. The average fire loss in Canada for the past three years has been \$5.00 per head of population, while in the principal European countries it is The Timmins Fire Chief and Fire Brigade and the Timmins Mayor and Council are all hearty in approval of the Fire Prevention Day idea. They all say:—"Clean-up, tidy up, straighten up!" On Saturday, October 9th.

SUPERINTENDENT OF WOODS AND FORESTS FOR ONTARIO.

It is reported from Toronto that E. J. Zavitz, Director of Forestry in the Department of Lands and Forests, is to be given an important new post in connection with the Government's forestry policy. He is to become Superintendent of Woods and Forests, and as such, it is understood, will be entrusted with the greater part of the responsibility for the reforestation policy that has for some time been receiving attention at the hands of the Government. Mr. Zavitz, as Director of Forestry, is credited with much of the great improvement made in recent years in the fire-rangin and forest protection policy of the Province. The new post will embrace the Forestry Branch of which Mr. Zavitz now has charge, but it will also go much further, it is understood, including a comprehensive plan of reforestation, as well as definite and well-planned schemes for protection of the forests of the Province. Mr. F. T. Stewart, manager of the Kirkland Lake office of H. B. Wills & Co., spent the week-end in town.