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TELEGRAPH COMMUNICATION
OUT OF SERVICE TO-DAY.

Due to a big electrical storm around North and Sudbury last night, telegraph communication was broken with the south. Even the T. & N.O. had no wire going this morning. Owing to the number of wires down it will take several hours to restore the telegraph service to the south.

**W. WEEKS OF ENGLEHART
SAVED OVER 150 LIVES**

Mr. W. Weeks, of Englehart, Government Inspector, is credited with saving the lives of 150 settlers during the fire in that area last week. He was at Charlton with his automobile and made a dozen trips of rescue through the smoke and flames. He kept extinguishing the little fires that kept starting in his clothing and continued the good work despite all danger. He was one of the heroes of the fire.

**FOUR COMMITTED FOR
TRIAL IN HIGH-GRADE CASE**

Last week R. C. Beswick, R. L. Kleiser, Leslie Donnelly and Ed Dean were committed for trial on charges in connection with the high-grading of gold from the Kirkland Lake Gold Mines. Another man arrested in the case, John Shaw, was committed to the asylum being adjudged as insane. Beswick will face two charges, being out on \$5000.00 bail. Kleiser also is charged with two offences in the matter, his bail being accepted at \$3,000. Donnelly, the Toronto jeweler, charged with unlawful possession of gold ore, is out on \$3000.00 bail. Ed. Dean, of Cobalt, whom the confessions of the others would appear to make the leader, will answer to three charges— theft, receiving, and unlawful possession of gold ore. He is out on \$9000.00 bail. Special Officer R. Allen has been busy on the case for some weeks past and in his usual efficient and patient way has been drawing the net. He followed Donnelly to Toronto on the latter's last visit to Cobalt, and working with Toronto detectives followed this with the arrest of the others charged with being implicated in the case. It is said that around \$25,000.00 worth of gold has been taken from the Kirkland Lake Gold Mines by a plan that included a rather clever form of "doctoring" the solution in the refinery.

**GOVT. SHOULD SETTLE P.O.
QUESTION IMMEDIATELY**

For some time past there have been well-grounded complaints regarding the inadequacy of the service at the Timmins post office. At times during each day the public have to line up before the delivery wickets like paupers getting in a bread line in the dark days of long ago. The one wicket for money orders and registered mail is in a chronic state of over-crowding. To buy a few stamps it is often necessary to wait in line for ten minutes up. People who would like to secure boxes are unable to do so. Indeed, there seems to be a waiting line for boxes as for other needs. Those in charge of the post office at present admit with regret that conditions are not as good as they should be and as they would be pleased to make them. But they point out that it is not reasonable to expect any remedy until the Dominion Government makes a permanent appointment to the position of postmaster. To place the post office in a position to properly handle the business of this rapidly growing town will require an expenditure of two thousand dollars or more, for new boxes, equipment, alterations, etc. The Government will not shoulder this expense, and until it is known who is to receive the appointment it is not easy to see how any one can be expected to accommodate the public. The Dominion Government has had the matter of the appointment of a postmaster for Timmins before its honorable notice for some months now. Action of some sort should be taken at once, so that the public need not continue to suffer from service that is ridiculously inadequate and unsatisfactory. Timmins is a rapidly growing town with a post office that is an unusually good revenue producer. There does not seem to be any honest reason why the Government should not make the appointment at once and follow this up by seeing to it that adequate service is given the public.

**PRESENTATION TO MR. W.
J. DUNDAS, BANK MANAGER**

Mr. W. J. Dundas, manager of the Timmins Branch of the Dominion Bank since its opening here, left on Sunday for Montreal where he has been promoted to the management of one of the branches in that city. Previous to his leaving here, a number of the business men of the town showed their appreciation of Mr. Dundas and their regard for him as a business man and good citizen by presenting him with a very handsome club bag and an address of appreciation.

**ANOTHER SHOWING OF ROYAL
GARMENTS NEXT WEEK**

Mr. W. Stapells, of the Royal Garments, Toronto, will be at the Hollinger Stores on Wednesday and Thursday of next week, Oct. 18th and 19th, with a particularly attractive showing of fall and winter street and afternoon dresses and evening gowns. Among the materials shown will be Canton Crepes in all new shades, Pan Velvets, Imported French Sequins, etc. Mr. Stapells has paid several visits to Timmins and the displays of Royal Garments have always roused the greatest interest and attention. The showing next week will be a specially attractive one and should prove of particular interest to all the ladies of the town and district.

**MR. S. BUCOVETSKY OPENS
NEW STORE IN SOUTH END**

Mr. S. Bucovetsky this week opened a new men's furnishings store in South Porcupine in the premises formerly occupied by the Western Ice Cream Parlors. The building has been thoroughly remodelled and improved, and large new stocks of high grade goods are on sale in this branch. This is now one of the finest and most up-to-date stores in the Porcupine Camp. Mr. Bucovetsky now covers the camp with his stores, having one at Timmins, one at Schumacher and the new branch at South End. To observe the opening of the new store, a great Opening Sale is being conducted this week at South Porcupine by Mr. Bucovetsky, with an unusual array of bargains being offered in high-grade merchandise. This sale is running for 16 days only from Oct. 10th.

**WORK STARTED ON ASBESTOS
CLAIM IN MATACHEWAN**

Work has been started recently on the development of the Rahn asbestos claims in Bannoekburn township, northwest of the Matatchewan gold area. A shaft is being put down, with a small mining plant installed. Considerable work is planned; enough, indeed, it is believed to place the property on a producing basis. Very favourable reports have been made by Government and other geologists on this asbestos field. Progress will be watched on the Matatchewan asbestos claims with special interest, here as the Porcupine has some likely-looking asbestos finds, some of them in Deloro Township and a more recent discovery in Tisdale, a short distance from Timmins. If any asbestos finds in Northern Ontario get attention, it is more than likely that notice will eventually be paid to the promising prospects in the Porcupine. Gold, of course, overshadows all other minerals in general interest, but asbestos is so useful and of such general commercial value that it is by no means a mineral to be forgotten or neglected.

**TEN OF FAMILY MEET DEATH
IN ROOT HOUSE AT HEASLIP**

One of the saddest incidents of the fire at Heaslip was the finding of the bodies of the eleven victims of the cave-in of a root house. They were— John Bond, his wife, eight children, and Marshall, the hired man. When the fire came along, the family apparently took refuge in the root house and were suffocated to death, the structure finally falling over from the terrific wind. On the ill-fated farm, about fifty feet from the back door, rescuers found the bodies of Bond and his wife with their arms entwined—an almost peaceful look on their faces. They were not burned, just suffocated. Two daughters, 17 and 18, lay next, and in a corner three smaller children were clasped in each other's arms, while the remaining three were scattered about. Marshall, the hired man, had his cap pulled down over his face and his hands outstretched as if groping his way toward the younger children. The only survivor of the family is a lad of 19, he having been helping a neighbor to thresh. He is suffering from shock and will be sent to hospital at Cobalt.

Friday of next week, Oct. 20th, the Orientals will give one of the Moon-feasts that made them famous here last winter. The event will be in the I.O.O.F., commencing at 8 p.m., and there will be crib and euchre contests, refreshments and a general jolly good time.

**ANNUAL MEETING FRIDAY
OF CALEDONIAN SOCIETY**

Friday evening of this week, Oct. 13th, is the annual meeting of the Caledonian Society of Timmins, when the election of officers for the ensuing year and other important business will take place. The meeting will be in the I.O.O.F. Hall at 8 p.m., and all members are urged to be present.

**BEING BROUGHT BACK
FROM ITALY FOR TRIAL**

It is understood that a man formerly employed at the McIntyre Mine is now on his way back from Italy to stand trial here in connection with the theft some months ago of the gold brick from that mine. Two of his fellow countrymen are also under arrest in this Camp in connection with the theft. Part of the gold brick has been recovered and search is now being made for the balance. The brick was apparently broken up into pieces and divided up. Special Officer R. Allen has been working on the case for months and has slowly but surely been getting it cleared up. The man being brought back from Italy for trial was apprehended following the sale of gold bullion in Italy. Other investigations led to the arrest of the other two men.

**T. & N. O. COMMISSION ON
TOUR OF INSPECTION OF LINE**

Chairman Geo. W. Lee, Col. Mc Laren and Col. L. T. Martin of the T. & N. O. Commission were in Timmins yesterday on a tour of the line. They were accompanied here by Mr. Lewis, M.P.P. For the previous few days the Commissioners were unusually busy men doing all that could be done in the way of relief work for the sufferers of the Haileybury and other fires. Chairman Lee was in charge of the relief work last week and did unusually effective work. Not only did the T. & N. O. take a noteworthy part in transporting the fire sufferers to safety and caring for the destitute until other help could be secured, but the railway also made a record in keeping the line open with practically no interruption. At various points the tracks suffered seriously from the fires. Ties were burned, rails twisted, culverts and small bridges destroyed, but in a remarkably short time the line was completely open and doing business as usual.

**FURTHER REDUCTION
IN PRICE OF FORD CARS**

Announcement has been made by the Taylor Hardware Co., local representatives for Ford cars, of the further reduction made by the Ford Motor Company of Canada Limited in the price of Ford cars and trucks, the price change to be effective from Sept. 26th. These new prices are the lowest in the history of Ford cars. The Ford touring car has a new price of \$495.00, with \$455.00 for the runabout representing a \$40.00 reduction in each case. Other models are similarly reduced. In making the announcement, the Ford Company points to the improvement in exchange as a leading factor, and anticipating that the Canadian dollar will now remain at normal, the new schedule of prices has been adopted. In putting this plan of price reduction into effect, the Ford Company is following its established policy of passing on to the public any savings effected in the cost of manufacture, thus placing Ford motors and trucks within the reach of the greatest number of people.

**LIST OF KNOWN DEAD FROM
CENTRAL TISMISKAMING FIRE**

The following are the known dead so far as can be learned at the time of writing:—
At Haileybury—Mrs. Paul A. Coobold, who lost her life in an attempt to rescue her uncle; Mrs. Boon; Ger-vais Sutherland, identified as one of the firemen through the brass buttons on his uniform; H. H. Elfick; Felix Desjardins; Alfred Roebon; Mrs. St. George; W. W. Wigglesworth; Miss C. Dunne, four unidentified men; two unidentified women; two unidentified men or women; three children unidentified.
Hillier Township—Walter Stevens, wife and son; a boy named Labram-bois, two sons of Urie Fevron, aged 16 years and 14 years; Mrs. Deline, who died Saturday in New Liskeard Hospital.
Heaslip—Robert Bond, wife and eight children, John Marshall, Amos Heaslip, wife and two sons; Mr. Fleming and son.
Charlton—Mrs. O'Hara, Jimmie Ryan, son of Graham Ryan; Kathleen Nelson, Norman Clarke, Miss Annie Watt.
Missing include the following:—Leonard Killoran, a boy who lived in Haileybury; Archie McGuigan and son, of Charlton; Geo. Campbell and other children in Kennabee; Mr. and Mrs. Charlton, of Daek Township; A. Beguin, of Haileybury; James Luthier of Haileybury.

**\$500.00 FINE FOR HAVING
QUANTITY OF HOME BREW**

Last week at police court John Inkstrom was fined \$500.00 and costs by Magistrate Atkinson for illegally having in his possession a quantity of home-brew. W. Gagne on a charge of being intoxicated in charge of an auto was sentenced to seven days at North Bay. Three ordinary drunks each paid \$10.00 and costs.

**IN CONTACT WITH 12000
VOLTS, BUT NOW RECOVERING**

His many friends will be very pleased to know that Mr. Geo. Saithes, who has been in St. Mary's Hospital for some weeks past, is making excellent progress to complete and early recovery. Mr. Saithes who was employed at the Wawaitin power plant, in some way came in contact with a high voltage wire said to be carrying 12000 volts. He was badly burned, particularly around the hands and feet. The hospital treatment and medical skill, however, have worked wonders and Mr. Saithes is now well on the way to recovery, his unfailing brave cheerfulness also being a factor in helping along his recovery.

**ARLIE MARKS COMPANY,
DRAWS BIG HOUSES HERE**

The Arlie Marks Stock Company put on shows in the New Empire Theatre here on Monday and Tuesday evenings with a matinee on Tuesday afternoon. There was practically a full house for each performance. The plays presented were interesting and amusing, the vaudeville features were not so bad, and there were the usual tested and tried jokes. Some of the jokes were not exactly in keeping with the old-time Marks standard, but as nobody here can blush everybody laughed. Madame Leroy, mind-reader, created the usual amount of interest and proved as popular as in past years. Many missed the pipe band that made such a hit last year, and it was generally in the musical features that the company showed the least strength. The company are playing now at South Porcupine.

The honour of the North Land, as well as the true interests of the whole country, require that Haileybury be re-built with renewed opportunity for prosperity and security.

The Scientific Palmist at Room 4, Queen's Hotel, has been largely consulted during the past week and her readings have proved generally interesting and of value. She has none of the fortune-telling or fake methods, but is following palmistry as a science chiefly with a view to indicating health and character matters. By special request she is remaining in Timmins for another week and may be consulted at Room 4, Queen's Hotel.

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