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FIRST FOOTBALL MATCH LIKELY ON WEDNESDAY

Smoker Planned for the Evening, With Presentation of Medals to Winners of King Cup.

If present plans are not upset, the Timmins Football Club will open the season in auspicious way next Wednesday, May 9th. Present plans are to hold a Football Match in the afternoon or early evening, this to be followed by a Smoker and Social Evening, probably held in the new Hollinger Recreation Hall at the Townsite. A committee of the Football Club Executive is in charge of the arrangements. The opening football match of the season is planned as a benefit match for Mr. Ralph Calverley, whose interest and help to football in this district is gratefully remembered. It is hoped to have this opening match a contest between Schumacher and Timmins players, but if this can not be arranged it will likely be an "International" match. All interested, and every good sport will be interested, should watch for definite particulars on the posters to be issued this week.

The Smoker and Social Evening planned after the match should be a very pleasant event. At this event formal presentation will be made of the medals to the winners of the King Cup last year. These medals are now on display in J. E. Garrett's jewelry store window and are very handsome gold medals, finished with fobs. They are all engraved with the names of the players receiving the trophies of last year's victory.

ODDFELLOWS OBSERVE THEIR 104th ANNIVERSARY

The one hundred and fourth anniversary of the founding of the Independent Order of Oddfellows was observed on Sunday by the lodges of the district, in holding on this date their annual Church Parades. The Timmins Lodge paraded in the morning to the Presbyterian Church. In spite of the heavy rain there was a good attendance of brethren, about eighty taking part in the parade from the local lodge, and twelve members of the South Porcupine Lodge. For this service the Oddfellows provided their own choir. The other special music consisted of a solo by Mr. W. Ramsay, and a quartette by Messrs. Street, Snow, Skelly and Ramsay. Rev. Mr. Parks conducted the service, his address being a very interesting one, impressing on the congregation the great need of brotherhood in the world today.

In the evening the Oddfellows at South Porcupine, with the members of Kitchener Rebekah Lodge, and fifteen members from Timmins paraded to St. Paul's Anglican Church. The rain of the morning had turned to a heavy wet snow, and the attendance was not as large as would have been expected had the weather been more favourable. The service was conducted by Archdeacon Woodall of Porquis Junction. A special feature of the service was the excellent solo rendered by Mrs. Reynolds.

COUPLE OF STILL CASES FOR THIS WEEK'S COURT

There will be a couple of "still" cases at police court tomorrow (Thursday). One of them is the adjourned case against Dave Choruski, picked up here recently after an absence from town of several months, the charge being that he was illegally in possession of a still on August 31st, last. Another man called J. King, and sometimes Roi, was arrested Tuesday on a charge of illegally having apparatus for making liquor. Theophile Julien was taken in charge Tuesday on a charge of having liquor in a public place. There will be the usual collection of plain drunks,—three or four of them, or maybe seven.

AMERICAN MINING MEN COMING HERE ON A VISIT

Among the important parties of visitors expected to come to Timmins and district this summer is a group of 200 members of the American Institute of Mining and Metallurgy. This party of mining men will make a tour of the North Land and this tour, of course, will include a trip through the famous Porcupine. The party will include many prominent mining men, some of whom have never before visited this country. The visit should prove a very interesting one for the mining men and a decidedly advantageous event for the interests of the Porcupine.

CONNAUGHT MINSTRELS AT SOUTH END NEXT WEEK

Other Items of Interest from the Busy Little Town of Connaught.

The Connaught Minstrels are to put on their show at South Porcupine on Tuesday next, May 8th. They will have the latest jokes, songs and specialties, with lots of good music, and fun and entertainment every minute.

Mrs. Dr. May entertained some friends at bridge last Thursday evening and all had a very pleasing time.

The Tennis Club has the two courts laid out, the grounds are dry, and work is proceeding satisfactorily. Connaught is looking forward to an unusually successful tennis season.

Mr. V. Kent, of the T. S. Woollings Co., received the sad news last week of the death of his sister in Cochrane from the prevalent typhoid fever. He has the sympathy of all here in his bereavement.

Mr. Thos. Kilgour, section foreman of the T. & N. O. Railway, who broke his ankle several weeks ago, is back on duty again. His numerous friends hereabouts are delighted to see him out and around again.

The T. S. Woollings Co. have all their boats in the water now.

A butcher shop is to be opened in Connaught.

The road from Connaught to the Porcupine Peninsular mine is in bad condition at present. The Government authorities might make a note of this with a view to securing the necessary improvement.

Pulp loading is in full swing by the St. Maurice Co. these days.

Mr. Frank Little is shipping lots of fancy poultry stock these days. The importance of the poultry industry in this district is quite apparent, and the plans to form a Porcupine Poultry Association should be proceeded with for the general advantage of all.

The Connaught Tennis Club are to give a concert and euchre party in the near future.

All will be pleased to know that Mr. Bob Needham is well on the way to recovery and will be soon out of the hospital.

Ed. LeSauter will take a leading part in the Connaught Minstrels' show to be given at South Porcupine on Tuesday evening next, May 8th. Billy O'Donnell is also expected to make a big hit. Dong. Warren will be right there with his dry wit. Leo's bass voice is in good trim. Jim Reed and Joe Clemens will make the banjos sing melodiously, and generally the minstrel show at South Porcupine may be counted upon as a first-class entertainment full of wit and humor, local hits, pleasing music and melody, and a regularly happy good time for all. Previous successes by the Connaught Minstrels is proof positive that they will give South Porcupine a jolly good show.

PAPER MILL WORKERS GET INCREASE OF PAY

The Abitibi Power & Paper Co. employees at Iroquois Falls will get an increase of 5c. per hour, dating from May 1st. The increase is to apply to all classes of labour. The increase follows conferences between the representatives of the Paper Mills and of the International Unions. The International Union officials, as is their custom in such cases, approached the employing mills for a conference and discussion of the wage question granted, and eleven Canadian and United States paper manufacturers met the representatives of the men employed in New York where an agreement was amicably arrived at. The agreement, which embodies the increase all round of 5c. per hour, fixes 40c. an hour as the minimum for common labour. The agreement is to continue in force until next May. The Abitibi at Iroquois Falls, and the Spanish River Pulp & Paper Co. at Espanola, Sault Ste. Marie and Sturgeon Falls, were among the mills signing the agreement.

WEDDED AT R.C. CHURCH ON TUESDAY MORNING

A very quiet but pretty wedding took place Tuesday morning this week at the R.C. Church, Timmins, when Miss Yvonne Ayotte, eldest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Alex. Ayotte, was united in marriage to Mr. P. Leclair. Rev. Fr. Roulier officiated. The bride was sponsored by her uncle, Mr. A. Ayotte. Their many friends in town will extend sincere good wishes to this popular young couple on the occasion of their marriage. Mr. and Mrs. Leclair will take up residence on Cedar street, Timmins.

CATCHY MUSICAL COMEDY PLANNED FOR MAY 28-29

Event by Local Talent, under Auspices of the Daughters of the Empire, and Direction of Mr. Louis George NeVille.

A very attractive offering is now under preparation for presentation here on May 28th and 29th, under the auspices of the Timmins Chapter of the Daughters of the Empire, and under the direction of Mr. Louis George NeVille. The I.O.D.E. has a well-merited reputation for the entertainments presented under its auspices, and as Mr. NeVille has fully proven his skill and capability by the success of the two previous shows given here under his direction, the event on May 28th and 29th will be looked forward to with pleasure and interest. The event will be the musical comedy, "The Prince o' Patters," with special scenery, costumes, electrical effects, etc. There will be pretty dances, loads of comedy, the latest songs, etc. The "Prince o' Patters" is described as "Happy, Snappy, Jazzy, Peppy, Steppy," and as including, "Dainty, Dimpled, Dancing Darlings in the Bathing Beauties, Jazzy James, Flipity-Flopity Flappers, Love Lassies, Pretty, Petite Pajama Pets, and 20 more numbers." The window cards issued also refer to a "Cast and Chorus of 100, mostly girls." Practices are now being conducted for the event and the general opinion seems to be that it is going to be the biggest and best ever.

BAKESHOPS CHECKED UP FOR LIGHT WEIGHT BREAD

Last week Chief Greer and his staff visited all the town bakeshops to check up the bakers on the weight of the bread sold. At Mr. John Watt's practically all the bread was found to be slightly over the legal weight, and the same was true of another bakeshop near the Finlander Hall. There were four others, however, who did not appear to be favouring the public, and a quantity of bread was seized and summonses issued for appearance in the police court. Thursday Magistrate Atkinson fined E. Robitaille, A. Dewickere, P. Shinoff and D. Latour, \$20.00 and costs each, in connection with this light-weight bread.

Four Chinamen,—Lee, Hing Si, Yee and Lee Sing,—were each fined \$10.00 and costs on a charge of gambling on the Lord's Day. Three plain drunks were fined \$10.00 and costs, and another drunk charge brought \$20.00 and costs. The two men who created some little excitement on Fourth Ave. some days ago by their apparent rooted objection to going quietly to the police station were fined \$10 each for being drunk and \$25 each for resisting arrest, cost, of course, being imposed in addition. Their names appeared as Andrew Fedezak and Mike Babinone.

The charge of obtaining credit improperly preferred against A. Gauthier was dismissed, as was also a charge against a young fellow in connection with loss sustained by his room-mate.

Frank Kalmula, as the keeper of the house, and Vieno Ketala, accused of being the manager of the game, were each fined \$100.00 and costs in connection with a card game raided last week by Chief Greer and his merry men. Five others present at the game were assessed \$10.00 and costs each.

FEES MUST ACCOMPANY APPLICATIONS TO GOLF CLUB

In referring last week to the fact that all applications for membership in the Timmins Golf Club must be in the hands of the secretary by May 15th, a useful piece of information was omitted, mention not being made to the requirement that the prescribed fees must accompany all applications. Knowledge of the rule that all applications must be accompanied by the fees will save time and confusion. Any who have sent in their applications without the fees should forward the fees at once so that applications can be dealt with under the rules.

SOIREE GIVEN IN HONOUR OF REV. FR. THERIAULT

Monday evening of this week a Dramatic and Musical Soiree was given in St. Anthony's Parish Hall, Timmins, in honour of the Pastor, Rev. Fr. Theriault, his recent birthday anniversary prompting an expression of the affection and esteem in which he is held. The event was very largely attended and proved to be successful and pleasing from every viewpoint.

TIMMINS TENNIS CLUB ORGANIZED FOR SEASON

Courts to be Put in First-Class Condition. Club Room Planned At Grounds.

Thursday evening last in the Council Chamber, the Timmins Tennis Club held its annual meeting and organized for the season. Dr. J. A. McInnis was elected Honorary President for the year; Mr. N. J. Evered, President; Miss B. Gowan, vice-President; and Mr. J. Paul Michaud, secretary-treasurer. Messrs. W. S. Macpherson, G. Carson and O. Langdon were appointed as the Grounds Committee, and other committees were selected for the season.

It was decided to limit the membership to 75. Applications for membership should be sent in at once to the secretary.

The courts are to be eindered and rolled and put in first-class shape. It is also planned to erect a club room or dressing room at the grounds for the convenience of members.

The Timmins Tennis Club is looking forward to an unusually pleasing and successful season this year.

MEETING TO ORGANIZE FOR LOCAL BASEBALL

Called for Friday Evening This Week To Get a Mines League Going.

The meeting here on Monday night in the Council Chamber deferred action on the organizing of the local baseball league to allow representatives of Schumacher, South Porcupine and the Dome to be present. Accordingly, the meeting was adjourned to Friday evening of this week in the Council Chamber, Timmins, to commence at 8 p.m. Representatives from Schumacher, South Porcupine and the Dome, and others interested in local baseball have been asked to attend or be represented at the meeting Friday night, and it is hoped to get the local league going at once so as to start the season with a swing.

INTERESTING PAPER ON TRIP TO SHETLAND ISLANDS

At the meeting of the Caledonian Society Friday evening last a special feature was the paper by Mr. P. Dougall, vice-president, on a trip to the Shetland Islands. Mr. Dougall gave a very interesting and informative account of the history, customs and people of the Shetlands, and his paper was much appreciated by the large crowd present. Further interest was given Mr. Dougall's paper by the exhibiting of a number of curios secured by him while in the Shetlands. These curios included ancient battle axes of stone, lamps hundreds of years old, and some of the beautiful work with wool done by the Islanders. On motion of Mr. W. M. Whyte a hearty vote of thanks was tendered Mr. Dougall for his excellent paper. The rest of the programme for the evening was up to a similar high standard and the crowd all had a most enjoyable time. Solos were given by Mrs. W. Shewan, Miss Mary Maxwell, Mrs. J. K. Moore, Mrs. I. Robertson, Miss Jean Roberts; there was a reading by Mrs. G. A. Macdonald; brief addresses by Mr. W. M. Whyte, and by Mr. T. S. Clark who read a couple of inspiring little poems that delighted the gathering. Every item on the list was something special, and each and all were much enjoyed. Dancing, games, refreshments, were among the other pleasures of the evening. Accompaniments for the evening were played by Mrs. I. Robertson, Mrs. J. K. Moore, Mr. W. H. Wilson, Mr. Forrester on the violin, and by others of the Caledonian Orchestra. It was a fine night's entertainment. The next meeting will be Friday evening, May 11th. It will be "Executive Night."

SITUATION IN COCHRANE SHOWING IMPROVEMENT

The fever epidemic at Cochrane appears to have passed its worst stage, and now the end of the epidemic seems to be in sight. During the past week only eleven new cases developed. The total number of cases up to the end of last week was 796, with the total deaths being 45. There are several patients at Cochrane very ill, but the majority seem to be making good progress to recovery. Among those quite ill, but now with good chances of recovery are Mr. A. Taylor and Provincial Officer Kenny.

PROGRESS IN PLANS FOR POULTRY ASSOCIATION

Meeting to Organize to be Called Shortly in Timmins. Big Membership Probable.

Some weeks ago The Advance advocated the formation of a Porcupine Poultry Association for the advantage of the poultry fanciers of the district. Those interested in poultry throughout the district have shown a ready interest in the proposal, and plans are now under way for the organization of the Porcupine Poultry Association. A meeting to organize will be called at an early date, this meeting likely to be held at Timmins. Poultry fanciers all through the district have shown that they favour such a plan. Mr. D. R. McDonald, of Timmins, has already secured twenty members in Timmins for the proposed Association and this number can be materially increased in town, while there is also the whole big district to be considered. Poultry fanciers at South End, Porcupine, South Porcupine, Hoyle, Connaught and Porquis Junction are equally enthusiastic, and there is every reason to believe that the Poultry Association will be organized and developed into a very useful organization. The present plans favour affiliating with the agricultural societies at Porquis Junction and Porcupine, and holding one or two poultry shows each year. In addition the Association would be used to encourage the raising of pedigreed stock in the district and for the exchange of ideas and the general furtherance of the interests of the poultry fanciers of the Porcupine area.

REGULAR MEETING OF BOARD OF TRADE MONDAY

Citizens Should Keep Up the Good Attendance Shown at Recent Regular Meetings.

The regular monthly meeting of the Timmins Board of Trade is scheduled for Monday evening next, May 7th, in the Council Chamber. At recent meetings the attendance of citizens has been most encouraging, and much good work has been accomplished so far this year. With continued interest there is a great deal that can be accomplished by the Board of Trade for the Town of Timmins, if all work together for the general good.

For the meeting Monday night there are a number of important questions to be dealt with, and a particularly good attendance will naturally be of advantage.

LARGE CROWD AT BAND CONCERT SUNDAY NIGHT

Despite very unfavorable weather Sunday evening, there was a large audience at the New Empire Theatre for the Band Concert given by the Timmins Citizens' Band after the church services. The crowd were well pleased with the programme given, Councillor L. S. Newton, President of the Timmins' Citizens' Band, occupied the chair and his humorous stories and witty comments were features of the evening. A number of well-rendered selections were given by the Band and received hearty applause. The tenor solo by Mr. J. T. Hefferman delighted the gathering and was very enthusiastically encored. Mr. Hefferman's number in response was equally appreciated. Mr. J. E. Garrett gave a baritone solo that also won very hearty encore. Another special number on the programme was the cornet solo by Mr. O. Brown. This selection, "Killarney," had band accompaniment. It made a hit. The cornet duet by Bandmaster F. J. Wolno and Mr. O. Brown won well-merited recall. There was also a motion picture shown during the evening. There will be another Sunday evening Band Concert this month in the Empire Theatre.

EIGHTH ANNUAL BALL OF TIMMINS FIRE BRIGADE

The Timmins Fire Brigade has had seven successful and enjoyable annual balls, and they are getting ready now for the eighth which they hope and expect to make even more successful and pleasing than its predecessors. The eighth annual ball of the Timmins Fire Brigade will be held in the Masonic Hall on Monday evening May 21st. Wolno's Orchestra will furnish the music for the occasion, and a pleasing evening may be looked forward to with confidence.

BIG MAY DAY PARADE HELD HERE ON TUESDAY

Procession, Headed by the Finlander Band, and Carrying Banners, Etc., Noteworthy for Its Quiet Orderliness.

On Tuesday, May Day, there was a big parade held here. The parade was headed by the Finlander's Band and marched from the Porcupine Miners' Union Hall to Schumacher and return. The parade left the hall about 10 o'clock returning to Timmins shortly after twelve. Banners of various kinds were carried expressing the views of the paraders in regard to war, capitalism, the cost of living, and so on. There were a number of women and children in the parade, the march making quite an imposing procession. Several men in town who say they made careful count of those in the parade place the number at 476 not counting the Band. Others estimate that there were closer to 1000 in the line of march, while other more enthusiastic or impressionable ones place the number still higher. However there is no doubt but that there was quite a crowd, and it is equally evident that the crowd was quiet, orderly and good-humored. The Finlanders were apparently a material proportion of the paraders, while Russians, Austrians and kindred nationalities were also in strong evidence. There seemed to be only a small proportion of English-speaking men in the line of march.

The parade while apparently under the auspices of the local union, or at least with the full endorsement of the local union, seemed to have more of what may broadly be termed the political than the union idea. Among some bodies of workers, particularly among the European, there seems at the present time to be a tendency to have May 1st as a sort of Labour Day, along the lines of the holiday observed usually in Canada as Labour Day, in September. The event Tuesday was along this new May Day Labour Day plan. Those in the march all wore red card badges with "Long Live May Day" printed on them. Some of them also wore little red buttons. Those in the parade included workers in the various mines of the district, some coming from as far away as the Dome. The parade also included many not working in the mines at all, and some no doubt not working any place in particular.

After their May Day holiday the workers in the parade returned to their work as usual this morning, and the mines are going along as usual with the exception that plans no doubt are under way to very materially increase the staffs as soon as the full supply of power is available.

CONFERENCE HERE ON SABBATH SCHOOL WORK

Mr. Harris, of Toronto, representative of the Ontario Religious Educational Council, was a visitor to Timmins this week and on Tuesday conferences were held in the Presbyterian church with the religious workers of the town, representatives of the Baptist, Presbyterian, Methodist and Anglican churches and the Salvation Army being present. There were both afternoon and evening sessions with inspiring addresses and helpful discussion.

NEW PROVINCIAL POLICE APPOINTED FOR NORTH

Provincial Officer Simpson, with headquarters at Timmins, commenced his duties here last week. Officer Simpson was formerly with the Dominion Police at Haileybury, and when his term of service with the Dominion Police expired he transferred to the Provincial force. New Provincial men have also been appointed recently for Larder Lake and Kirkland Lake. Inspector Walter Moore has now a staff of seventeen on his force of men in the North End.

WEEKLY HALF HOLIDAY STARTS THIS THURSDAY

The usual weekly half-holiday for the summer months starts in Timmins this week. Thursday afternoons during the summer will be observed as half-holidays this year, as last.

The Cochrane Club, following the spirit of generous hospitality and thoughtfulness that has characterized the Club since its inception, has placed at the disposal of the nurses in Cochrane the Club Hall over the Paris Cafe as a rest room and meeting place for the nurses during their leisure hours.