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FOUR TEAM LEAGUE FOR LOCAL BASEBALL HERE

Mr. Jack Marshall Appointed Business Manager of the Timmins Ball Team.

There was a meeting last week of the Timmins Baseball Club and organization was gone with for the local baseball. Dome, McIntyre and South Porcupine not sending representatives to the meeting, it was decided to go on for the present with the town teams for the local league. Accordingly, for the start there will be four teams in the League which has been variously called the Town League, the Twilight League and the Mines League, to differentiate it from the District Baseball League or N.O.B.A. The four teams in the Town League this year will be—Hollinger Shops, Orientals, Town and Hollinger Office. All four teams are said to have classy line-ups and to be prepared to put up snappy ball, so, an interesting season for the local league, with keen competition and close contests is expected.

Another matter dealt with by the meeting last week was the appointment of a manager for baseball here this year. Mr. Geo. Pond, who was appointed manager at a previous meeting, tendered his resignation, being unable to see how he could give the time and attention necessary for the work. Mr. Jack Marshall was appointed manager to take Mr. Pond's place. Baseball is now away to a good start, and with a lot of baseball talent in town this year, the fans expect a big season of the best kind of ball.

MEETING OF TIMMINS

A.A.A. FRIDAY THIS WEEK

The annual meeting of the Timmins A.A.A. (commonly known as the Grounds Committee) will be held in the Council Chamber on Friday evening of this week at 8 p.m.

SPECIAL MEETING OF LADY MEMBERS OF GOLF CLUB.

A meeting of the Lady Members of the Timmins Golf Club will be held in the Club House on Saturday, May 19th, at three o'clock in the afternoon, to transact the following business:—

(a) To elect Committees of three members each to co-operate with the House Committee, the Greens Committee and the Entertainment Committee.

(b) To elect a Ladies' Handicap Committee.

(c) To take some definite action in respect to the Canadian Ladies' Golf Union.

BLUE SKY LEGISLATION RUSHED THROUGH HOUSE

The Provincial Act regulating stock companies and usually referred to as the Blue Sky Law was squeezed through the Legislature last week. Newspapers in the North and others interested in the development of the mining industry objected very strenuously to the measure, but the Government seemed determined to make the measure law. The suggestion is made that the Government's reason for hurry and anxiety in the matter was due to a desire to provide a friend with the post of "Commissioner" under the Act. However that may be the Act has many objectionable features, as may well be expected from any measure professedly designed to protect the public from themselves. On account of the conditions necessarily surrounding mining in its earlier stages the new measure would interfere with the industry to a noticeable extent. However, in passing the measure it was agreed that mining ventures were not to come under the provisions of the new act until September 1st, and not even then without a proclamation being made first. The present law guards the reasonable investor in the matter of mining ventures. It is to be hoped that the change of Government coming at the election next month will prevent the new Act from being ever put in force to further interfere with the development of mining. Enough has been done already by Governments to hamper mining development. It would be nice if the new Government should take the attitude of looking for ways to assist the mining industry instead of planning methods to hamper and tax the leading industries of the North.

Announcement is made that on May 15th, Miss Aline Campeau, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. L. N. Campeau, of Timmins, will be married to Mr. Alfred Gauthier, son of Mr. and Mrs. Isai Gauthier, of Buckingham, Que. They will reside in Timmins.

TARVIA FINISHED ROAD FROM HERE TO SOUTH END

Delegation from Camp Receives Direct Promises From Government.

Last week Dr. J. A. McInnis, Mayor of Timmins, Mr. T. F. King, Chairman of the Board of Trade, Mr. C. V. Gallagher, Reeve of Tisdale, and others from the Camp, were in Toronto and interviewed the Government on road question with satisfactory results. The Government has definitely promised to put the Provincial Road from Timmins to South Porcupine in first-class condition this year. It is the intention to finish this strip of highway with tarvia, a type of patented macadam finish that has given great satisfaction elsewhere. It is understood that it is the intention further of the Government to make the whole strip of highway from Timmins to Iroquois Falls with this tarvia top finish. Of course all this can hardly be done this year, but the strip from Timmins to South End is to be completed, work to be commenced immediately. Some of the special machinery for the work has already been shipped to this Camp.

Satisfactory results were also obtained in regard to forest fire protection works and other matters, the Government promising the fullest attention and consideration. It is understood the promise was made that the work of completing the fire guard around Timmins will be gone on with at once.

WANTON DAMAGE DONE TO AUTO IN RAILROAD CAR

A handsome new Nash Sedan was wantonly and senselessly damaged before it could be removed from the railroad car which brought it here last week. The railroad car was run down the track to be out of the way until it could be unloaded. During the night some person or persons broke the seal of the car and entered it. The headlights of the car were apparently deliberately smashed in and other damage done, as well as nasty scratches being made on the body of the new auto. It will cost fully \$100.00 to replace the damaged parts, but it is not the actual loss so much as the wanton and almost idiotic destruction that is so startling about the case. The new Sedan was one purchased recently by Dr. McInnis.

ANNUAL MEETING OF THE TIMMINS A.A.A. POSTPONED.

The annual meeting of the Timmins A.A.A. was called for Wednesday evening of last week, but had to be adjourned owing to lack of representative attendance. All the representatives for the Timmins Football Club were present, as were also Mr. W. Pierce, President of the T.A.A.A. for last year, and Mr. J. W. Faithful, Secretary-Treasurer. Mr. Pierce, however, was the only representative of baseball present, so it was thought best to defer the meeting until there was a larger baseball representation. Another meeting for the election of officers, etc., was decided upon, the date to be announced as soon as possible.

SCHUMACHER LADIES GIVE SUCCESSFUL EUCHRE.

The Grand Euchre given on Thursday last by the ladies of the R. C. Church, Schumacher, proved a very successful and pleasing event. About 200 were present and all enjoyed the evening. The McIntyre Orchestra furnished pleasing music during the evening. The following were the winners of the prizes at cards:—Ladies—1st, Mrs. O'Connor, prize donated by Mrs. Mansfield; 2nd, Mrs. Donovan, prize donated by Mrs. Lark; 3rd, Mrs. Roy, prize donated by Mrs. Cooper; consolation prize won by Mrs. Fournier, donated by Mrs. Archambault. Gentlemen—1st, Mr. McFarlane, prize donated by Mrs. Horne; 2nd, Mr. Milton Starr, prize donated by Miss Anggrignon; 3rd, Mr. T. Furlong, prize donated by Mrs. Todhunter; consolation prize won by Mr. Plouffe, prize donated by Mrs. Archambault.

On Monday evening next, May 14th there will be a Dance in the Masonic Hall, Timmins, in aid of the new organ for St. Matthew's Anglican church. Schroeder's Orchestra will furnish the music for the occasion, and a very enjoyable event may be looked forward to. Tickets are now on sale for the event, but admission may be made by payment at the door on the evening of the event in case anyone should miss securing a ticket before the event.

ALL JITNEYS MUST KEEP TO THE PARKING STAND

Chief Greer and Staff Making Special Effort to Keep Streets Clear from Cars for Hire.

Chief Greer and his staff these days are busy keeping the taxicabs and jitneys in place for the general convenience. A special parking place has been set aside for the cars for hire and they are not allowed to stand elsewhere. A particular point is being made of preventing the taxicabs, jitneys, etc., from standing before the theatre and at the main corners of the town. The strip of street opposite the station and freight shed on Spruce street is reserved for jitneys, etc., as a parking place, and they are not allowed to stand elsewhere with cars for hire. This plan will work to the advantage of the taxicabs as well as for the convenience of the public. In past years these jitneys have always been in the way when not wanted, but were always difficult to locate when desired. With a permanent stand they will be as easy to secure as in the cities where the same plan is enforced. Indeed, some of the taxicab drivers are now planning to put in a box telephone at the stand for the convenience of the drivers and the public.

PREPARING FOR NEW DOMINION BANK BUILDING

Last week a start was made in the preparations for the handsome new bank building to be erected opposite the post office, on Pine street, by the Dominion Bank. The small frame structures on the lot have been cleared away, and the ground made ready for active building operations.

ANNUAL BANQUET OF TIMMINS CITIZENS BAND

The annual banquet of the Timmins Citizens' Band was held at the Queen's Hotel on Thursday evening of last week with members of the Band present as well as several citizens of the town who have shown special interest in the progress of the Band. The guests were welcomed by Councillor L. S. Newton, President of the Band, Band Leader F. J. Wolno, Vice-President A. Prout and other officers of the Band. The repast provided by the Queen's was a particularly creditable one, and the service was the best. After the good things to eat had been enjoyed there was a pleasant program of short addresses, together with vocal and instrumental music. President L. S. Newton occupied the chair and added to the interest by his timely comments. Among those making brief but interesting addresses were:—Mr. Alf. Prout, vice-president of the Band; Mr. E. W. Johnson, the first leader of the Timmins Citizens' Band; and G. A. Macdonald, Editor of The Advance. Mr. Johnson, who was greeted as the "father of the Band," urged his old boys to stick with their present capable leader and he was sure they would go on from success to success. He also made feeling reference to the old members of the Band, and asked that they be always gratefully remembered for what they had done under difficulties and discouragements. Mr. Prout spoke of the steady progress made by the Band, and felt that with all continuing to work together this progress would continue and increase to the benefit of the Band and the Town alike. All the speakers made reference to the necessity and advantage of a good town band. A solo by Mr. Stanley Johns made a decided hit, and his second appearance on the programme was also enthusiastically endorsed, his fine voice and capable rendering delighting all. Mr. Jas. Geils was similarly successful in pleasing the gathering with a well-rendered solo in his own capable way. Mr. Jas. Cowan brought down the house with a humorous song and was very insistent in his encores. Secretary F. J. Hornby in a cornet solo, Paddy Cherry in clever work on the flute, and an impromptu vocal quartette by Messrs. Geils, Johns, Prout and McCullough were other appreciated items on the programme. Mr. W. H. Wilson's reading was also an attractive number, cleverly given, and "Scotty" also did noble service as accompanist and pianist during the evening. The evening was much enjoyed by all, the gathering dispersing in the famous "wee sma' boors" with "Auld Lang Syne," and "God Save the King."

NOVELTIES AT CALEDONIAN MEETING THIS WEEK

The regular meeting of the Caledonian Society of Timmins in the I.O. O.F. Hall on Friday evening of this week is termed "Executive Night." The idea is that the programme is to be furnished by members of the Executive of the Society, each member of the Executive to contribute some special "stunt." For example, the Vice-President has a new guessing game that should create lots of fun and interest. Others on the Executive will also have special items to give the programme a particular interest. Of course there will be refreshments, as usual, and dancing, games, etc., etc. All Scots and Scotswomen and their friends are heartily welcome to these meetings and will find them very enjoyable. The meeting Friday evening is scheduled to commence at 8 p.m. and everything will be ready to start at that time if the crowd is promptly on hand.

Mr. W. Bradford leaves tomorrow for a visit to Ottawa and Toronto, after which he will go to Boston where he will ship on a private yacht as engineer for a lengthy cruise in southern seas. Mr. Bradford has made many friends in Timmins during the year and half he has lived here, and all will regret his departure from town while sincerely wishing him a pleasant voyage and a safe return in the future to the North Land.

Rev. J. D. and Mrs. Parks will be at Home at the new Manse in members of the congregation on Friday, May 18th, from 3 to 6 in the afternoon and from 8 to 10 in the evening.

BOARD OF TRADE TO MEET MONDAY EVENING MEET

Regular Meeting Adjourned to May 14th on Account of Absence of President.

Several were on hand at the Council Chamber on Monday evening for the regular meeting of the Timmins Board of Trade,—the date set for the regular monthly gathering being the first Monday in each month. On account of the absence of the President, Mr. T. F. King, who went to Toronto last week on business for the Town, it was decided to postpone the regular meeting until Monday of next week, May 14th. Accordingly the regular May meeting of Timmins Board of Trade will be held in the Council Chamber, next Monday, May 14th, commencing at 8 p.m. All citizens should bear the date and time in mind as there are a number of matters of importance to come before the Board of Trade.

TIMMINS RELAY STATION FOR ARCTIC EXPLORERS

Radio Station Here to be Used by MacMillan Polar Expedition.

The MacMillan Polar expedition sails from Booth's Bay, Maine, on June 24th on the good ship "Bowdoin."

The crew, consisting of seven men, hope to get within 720 miles of the North Pole and expect to return after a period of about fourteen months.

If they are frozen in it will be compulsory to stay another winter in the ice and a substantial cargo of highly concentrated foods are being taken aboard to provide against such a contingency.

Power radio transmitting and receiving equipment is also being installed under the supervision of Mr. E. F. McDonald, a Chicago millionaire to enable the crew to keep in touch with civilization through every phase of the trip if possible.

In this respect Mr. M. J. Caveney, of Timmins has been notified that owing to the northerly location of his station, he will no doubt be selected to act as a radio relay from the explorers to the outside world.

OFFICIAL VISIT OF D.D.G.M. TO TIMMINS I.O.O.F. LODGE

Bro. W. G. Smith, D.D.G.M., paid official visit to the Timmins Lodge I.O. O.F., last night and the evening proved an inspiring and pleasing one. After the work of the Order a banquet was enjoyed by the large number present. During the evening there were bright and interesting addresses as well as vocal and instrumental music. A feature of the evening worthy of special note is the fact that of the eleven Noble Grands who have been in office since the institution of the Timmins Lodge there were ten present for the occasion last night, the absent Past Grand being a brother who is at present away from the Camp.

MEETING IN INTERESTS OF NAVY LEAGUE LAST SUNDAY

Sunday evening after the church services a meeting was held in the New Empire Theatre in the interests of the work of the Navy League of Canada. Capt. G. F. Morris, Chaplain and Representative of the Navy League Headquarters, delivered an impressive address, explaining the plans and purposes of the Navy League and the good work now being done by the League for the sailors and their families, and in creating interest in naval matters generally, particularly in regard to Canada's merchant marine. The Mayor occupied the chair for the event, and solos by Messrs. W. Ramsay and J. E. Garrett were very much enjoyed and appreciated. A cornet solo by Mr. F. J. Wolno was also a special item on the programme and like the vocal solos was very heartily encoored. A motion picture film was also shown during the evening. Capt. Morris was in town this week securing members for the Navy League and otherwise arousing interest in the good work being done.

FOOTBALL BENEFIT AND CONCERT THURSDAY NEXT

Arrangements Made for Auspicious Opening of Football Season on Thursday, May 17th.

Arrangements are being perfected for an auspicious opening of the football season in Timmins. The opening event will be a Benefit Football Match on Thursday of next week, May 17th, at Timmins, the contending teams being Schumacher and Timmins. The purpose is to make it a lively game that will set a high standard for the season's football, and the teams are to be selected with this end in view. All football lovers will get the worth of their money in the match, and in addition it will have the further attraction of being for the benefit of Mr. Ralph Calverley who was one of the enthusiastic supporters of football in this part of the North before his illness and who still maintains a very lively interest in the progress of the sport. The kick-off for the big game will be at 6.30. At 8.30 in the evening in King's Hall the Football Club is putting on a concert. There will be an attractive programme furnished by the best of local talent, and in addition there will be the formal presentation of medals to the winners of the King Cup. Tickets at the nominal price of half a dollar give admission to both the match and the concert.

RE-OPENING OF OLD EMPIRE THEATRE MONDAY THIS WEEK

The Old Empire Theatre was reopened this week as a motion picture house and drew a large attendance, the building being filled to capacity. Mr. Leo Mascioli is in charge of this new picture theatre. The Old Empire Theatre has been thoroughly renovated, remodelled and redeccrated during the past few weeks. A handsome new front has been put on the building and the whole inside remodelled and made up-to-date. With the New Empire and Old Empire theatres now running, the Northern Empire Theatre Company is providing the best in motion pictures to the public of Timmins, with the possibility of having a complete change of pictures every night for the convenience of those who wish to attend the show any night or every night.

ASSOCIATED BOARDS PRESSING FOR CAFE CARS

The President of the Associated Boards of Trade of Temiskaming, Mr. D. L. Jemmett, has been making earnest efforts to secure cafe car service on Nos. 46 and 47, the T. & N.O. Toronto trains. While the matter is being kept forward, progress has been made so far. It is understood that the difficulty rests with the Canadian National Railway, the necessary co-operation from that railway having not yet been arranged. The T. & N.O. apparently is quite ready and willing to have the diners put on. Several weeks ago, The Advance gave a review of an interview with Chairman Geo. W. Lee in which it was stated that the diners would be put on almost at once. While this statement has not materialized in the diners actually going on it shows that the T. & N.O. Railway is ready to give this desirable accommodation to the travelling public. It is to be hoped that early arrangements can be made with the Canadian National so that the public may have the much-needed accommodation of cafe car service on the Toronto trains.

WORKING FOR ROAD HERE

Matheson Board of Trade has been earnestly to the front in efforts to secure the immediate construction of road from Shillington to Hovle, thus connecting up Matheson and Timmins. Mr. H. B. Child, President of the Matheson Board of Trade, has been right after Hon. Mr. Bowman in the matter, and in January secured what amounted to a promise that the work would be started and pushed forward to completion. Tenders were called for the construction of the road, but none of the tenders were satisfactory, and so a second call for tenders was made. Mr. Child, who was a visitor to Timmins last week, said he is still following up the matter with a view to having the road all ready at the earliest possible date.

A musical treat at Timmins Rink, June 14th.

MAJOR WILSON, GOLF PRO. ARRIVES IN TIMMINS

Golf Enthusiasts Now Have Fine Opportunity to Learn All the Secrets of the Game.

Major C. Wilson arrived in Timmins last night to take up his duties as Golf Pro. here. Recently Major Wilson has been at Scarborough Bluffs where he supervised the laying out of a fine golf course near Lake Ontario. Last year he was with the Brampton and Georgetown Golf Clubs.

Major Wilson may be found at the Golf Club House now, or may be communicated with by the phone there, and will be ready to give any information or attention desired. Golfers wishing to take lessons should make arrangements at an early date with Major Wilson. He will also give attention to clubs at a minute's notice and see that they are put in shape should they get out of kilter.

Major Wilson is a golfer of high standing and should prove a valuable acquisition to the Town for the scores who now love the game of golf.

OVER A THOUSAND MEN BANQUETTED AT FALLS

Impressive Event Saturday Night to Mark Exceeding of 500 Tons Paper in a Day.

The banquet given in the Paper Storage Room of the Abitibi Power & Paper Co. mill at Iroquois Falls on Saturday evening was a truly remarkable event. It was strikingly noteworthy in many ways,—in fact, in every way. It celebrated the production of over 500 tons a days in the paper mill—the largest on the continent. It was a recognition of the skill and interest of the men in all departments and the close and intelligent co-operation between the men and the management. It was equally remarkable for the fact that no less than 1000 men were banquetted, and the event was carried through as quietly and efficiently as if it had been no more than a simple afternoon tea. The immense banquet hall used was made beautiful and attractive through the artistic genius of Mr. Heard. The lavish array of wonderful "eats" was the efficient work of Messrs. Kingston and Stover. After the pleasures of the banquet short addresses, full of pep and inspiration were given by Mr. R. A. McInnis, general manager of the Company; Ed. Silver, mill superintendent; Syd. Fearn, S. Martin, Fred. Chisholm, T. P. Walters, Mayor J. Vanier and others. Two entertainers from Toronto furnished a pleasing programme of entertainment for the occasion, Miss Arlene Jackson and Mr. Leroy Kenney each making a hit. To stage so successfully a banquet to 1000 men is certainly a remarkable achievement for a town the size of Iroquois Falls. And this banquet was certainly a striking credit to all in any way concerned. Mr. W. J. Tierney very capably presided for the occasion.

PLEASING "AT HOME" AT MASONIC HALL FRIDAY

The At Home given by Golden Beaver Lodge A.F. & A.M. on Friday evening last proved a delightful success and much enjoyed by all present. The hall was artistically decorated, good music was furnished by Wolno's 5-piece orchestra, cards, dancing and other social pleasures were enjoyed, and the evening throughout was a most enjoyable one. The attendance was large.

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