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## TWO DEATHS IN FIRE AT KIRKLAND LAKE SUNDAY

Messrs. W. S. Greene and Geo. Andrews, Well-Known Mining Men, Meet Sad Death.

Messrs. Wm. S. Greene and George Andrews, two well-known mining men lost their lives early Sunday morning in a fire which took place at the Kirkland Combined Mines, Limited, at Kirkland Lake. According to information at hand from Kirkland Lake Messrs. Greene and Andrews reached the Kirkland Combined Mines property from Cobalt late on Saturday evening and decided to spend the night in the office bunk room. About half-past two o'clock Sunday morning some miners passing nearby noticed the flames shooting up through the roof of the office-bunk house and gave the alarm. Strenuous efforts were made to fight the fire and in the meantime Mr. Andy Grierson, manager of the property, led in an attempt to rescue the two men. He was gallantly assisted, especially by a man named Larocque. Messrs. Grierson and Larocque, regardless of their own safety, eventually reached the burning bunks and brought Greene out. He was, however, enveloped in flames and died a few minutes after being rescued. Grierson and Larocque went back after Andrews but were unable to rescue him. Indeed, in the struggle Grierson was overcome with the smoke and heat and would himself have perished but for the brave work of his wife. Mrs. Grierson rushed into the burning building and was followed by several others of the spectators at the fire. With the assistance of these helpers Mrs. Grierson was eventually able to drag her husband to safety just before the roof and sides of the building collapsed. In the morning the charred remains of Andrews were found in the ruins of the building.

It is believed that the fire originated in an overheated stove in the office-bunk room. The two men had retired for the night, there were no lights in use, and nothing apparently apart from the stove to cause a fire. The late Wm. S. Greene's home was in Buffalo, N.Y. He was a mining engineer, well-known and popular all through the North Land, where he had examined and explored a large number of properties during the past eight years. He had been in the Kirkland, Cobalt and Porcupine and other camps at various times on business and was well and favourably known. He was about 50 years of age at the time of death.

The late George Andrews was about 55 years of age, and his home was in Washington, D.C. He had been in the North Land for some eight years past, residing at Cobalt and in Timmins at different times, as well as being interested in other new fields. Both he and the late Wm. S. Greene had spent considerable time looking over properties in the mining areas of the North, and both were widely known and highly esteemed. To friends in this Camp who knew the two men the news of their sad death will come as a decided shock.

## INTERMEDIATES PLAYING AT THE FALLS THIS EVENING

In the Intermediate N.O.H.A. Timmins is playing at Iroquois Falls this evening. The boys left at noon today for the Falls, accompanied by a number of supporters. The intention is to reverse the result of the opening match here. The next game in the Intermediate series will also be at the Falls, on February 4th. The concluding game in the Intermediate series will be at Timmins on February 13th.

## NEXT MINES LEAGUE GAME MONTYRE AT HOLLINGER

The next Mines League game will be McIntyre at Hollinger, scheduled for Thursday of next week, Jan. 31st. This should be a particularly keen game. The previous match between these two teams was a fine game, and the one next week promises to be even better.

Through a misunderstanding the match scheduled for Thursday of this week, Dome at McIntyre, was not arranged for when the other part of the double-header was advanced to be played last night. The Dome game, however, are to be arranged for other dates. Despite difficulties encountered, the Dome is still in the ring and ready to complete the series with a team that will make the others travel. The dates for the Dome games will be announced later.

## ONE MAN KILLED, OTHER INJURED BY RUSSIAN

Mike Barney's Head Smashed in With Shovel at the Dome. Other Man May Not Recover. John Primak Arrested by Chief C. McInnis.

At the 600-ft. level of the Dome Mines last night Mike Barney, a Polish employed as drill runner, was killed, and Pete Egnatinn, a Bulgarian, a mucker boss, was badly battered around the head with a drill steel. Chief Chas. McInnis, of South Porcupine, who was called after the tragedy, went underground to the 600-ft. level and arrested John Primak, a Russian employed as a mucker. Primak seemed quite cool, and after being warned by Chief McInnis said he had killed two men. He had not killed the two, however, though Egnatinn is likely to die. Both men were battered over the head with a drill steel. Barney was also hit with a shovel, his skull being split open. In his case death would be about instantaneous. Egnatinn was hurried to the Dome Hospital where every possible attention is being given to him and all possible being done to save his life. His chances for recovery, however, are said to be small, as he was badly battered about the head with the steel bar.

Just what led up to the tragedy is not known as yet, but may be developed from the evidence at the inquest tomorrow morning at 9:30 at South End to enquire into the death of Barney. At first there was a disposition to believe that Primak had suddenly gone insane and committed the terrible assaults while thus deranged. This may prove the right theory. At the same time, the attitude and appearance of Primak after the tragedy did not fully support this explanation. He was cool and collected and showed no disposition to attack anyone. He has acted a little peculiar since his arrest, but no more so than would be expected in a man accused of one killing and one murderous assault. In addition it is said that there are reports that loud talk had been heard from the three men previous to the tragedy. The tragedy may have grown from a quarrel or from some previous ill-feeling, or it may have resulted from a sudden insane frenzy.

John Primak has been about 8 years in Canada, and has worked for a long time at the Dome. He is a big man, well-built and powerful.

## MATERIAL INCREASE IN EARNINGS OF MCINTYRE

Last Quarter of 1923 Shows Increase of 49 per Cent. Over Previous Quarter.

The statement of the McIntyre Porcupine Mines Limited for the quarter ending Dec. 31st, 1923, shows production for the three months amounted to \$864,895.35, which compares with \$681,038.13 for the previous quarter. Net earnings for the quarter ending Dec. 31st, before providing for depreciation, were \$415,200.03, as against \$277,548.33 for the quarter ending Sept. 30th, 1923.

Comparisons for the six months ending Dec. 31st, 1923, the first two quarters of the McIntyre fiscal year, are still more illuminating. For the six months in 1923, the gross recovery was \$1,545,933.48 as compared with \$1,193,613.00 for the same period in 1922, or with \$2,249,741.00 for the entire fiscal year of 1922. Net earnings for the six months ending Dec. 31st, (before plant depreciation) stood at \$692,748.36, as against \$527,748.00 for the same period a year ago, or against \$919,166.00 for the whole previous fiscal year. The gross recovery for the six months ending Dec. 31st showed an increase of 29.5 per cent. over the same period a year ago. The net earnings before plant depreciation, shows an increase of 49.5 per cent. for the quarter ending Dec. 31st over the previous quarter, while for the six months' period the increase is 31.3 per cent. over the corresponding period in 1922.

The third annual Musical Festival of the Caledonian Choir will be given in the New Empire Theatre on Thursday evening, Feb. 28th. In 1922 and 1923 this event was generally acknowledged as an outstanding musical feature of the year. The coming concert will eclipse previous events, according to present reports, and will be a musical event of outstanding importance.

## FIRST N.O.H.A. JUNIOR GAME HERE ON FRIDAY

Local Juniors Will Again Try Conclusions With Falls. It Should be a Good Game.

The second game in the Junior N.O.H.A. series, and the first of the Junior games for Timmins, will be played here on Friday of this week, Jan. 25th. In the opening game at the Falls last week, the Timmins Juniors showed much class and a fine brand of hockey. They defeated the Falls to the tune of 5 to 2. They intend and expect to pull another victory here Friday night. Indeed, they have some thoughts now of going right through this season to Toronto. It is a fact, in any event, that the Juniors this year are putting up good hockey and appear to have the makings of a winning team. Everybody should turn out Friday night to show their support for the Juniors, to encourage them in their good hockey, and incidentally to see what is likely to prove a first-class match.

## ANOTHER BAND CONCERT SUNDAY EVENING, JAN 27

There will be a band concert in the New Empire Theatre, after the church services on Sunday, Jan. 27th, under the auspices of the Timmins Citizens' Band. A programme of special interest and attraction is being prepared for the occasion. It will be up to the high standard of the recent band concerts that have proved so popular and so much appreciated. There will be some motion picture films shown during the evening. New selections by the Band will feature the programme. In addition there will be vocal and instrumental solos, duets, etc. Music lovers will find the band concert Sunday evening particularly to their taste.

## ANNUAL BURNS BANQUET FRIDAY NIGHT THIS WEEK

The 165th anniversary of the birth of Robert Burns, the great poet of Scotland, will be observed in Timmins by a banquet in the Masonic Hall on Friday evening, Jan. 25th, under the auspices of the Caledonian Society of Timmins. This is the fourth Burns Banquet to be held in Timmins and the sixth to be held in the Camp. It is intended to make this one of the best yet, which will be going some. The first Burns Banquet in the Porcupine was held at South Porcupine in the early days and was a great success. In 1916 there was another Burns Supper held in Timmins that attracted much attention. The Caledonian Society of Timmins was organized late in 1920 and it was decided to hold a Burns Banquet each year. The first banquet under the auspices of the Caledonians here was in 1921, and each year since the events have been pleasing and successful. The various committees are busy at present perfecting the arrangements for this year's event. The ladies are particularly active to assure the maintenance of the high standards of previous years in the good things to eat, and so on. Mr. W. McHugh is making the haggis for the occasion, and he will also give the address to "Ye Haggis." The toast list now being printed for the occasion includes:—"Auld Scotia," proposed by Mr. C. P. Ramsay and responded to by Mr. M. B. Scott; "Our Adopted Country," proposed by Mr. P. Dougall, responded to by Councilor G. S. Drew; "The Immortal Memory," address by the President, Mr. D. Maekie; "The Porcupine Camp," proposed by G. A. McDonald, responded to by Mayor McInnis, Mr. A. F. Brigham, Mr. R. J. Ennis, Mr. C. G. Williams; "Kindred Societies," proposed by Mr. J. K. Moore, responded to by Mr. W. W. White; "The Lassies," proposed by Mr. T. S. Clark, responded to by Mrs. W. D. Watt and Miss M. Maxwell. The musical programme for the occasion will be a particularly noteworthy one, including:—selections by the Caledonian Orchestra; solo, "The Star of Robbie Burns," by Mr. J. K. Moore; solo, "Call'er Heirin'," by Mrs. J. R. Todd; solo, "My Homeland," by Mrs. J. K. Moore; Part Song, "Fantasia of Burns' Songs," by the Caledonian Choir; solo, "Land of Hope and Glory," by Mrs. G. S. Drew; solo, "Bluebells of Scotland," Mrs. U. L. Acton; solo, "Green Grow the Rashens, O," by Mr. Jas. Geils. Messrs. Cunliffe, Bridges and W. H. Wilson will be the accompanists. Mr. D. Maekie, the President, will be the toastmaster, and Mr. W. D. Watt, vice-President, the Croupier.

## PORCUPINE DOG RACE AND GARNIVAL TO BE IN MARCH

Organization for Big Winter Event Started Last Night.

The first meeting for organization and preparation for the annual Porcupine Dog Race and Carnival was held last night in the Council Chamber, Timmins. Dr. J. A. McInnis was re-elected President for the 1924 event. Mr. A. R. Harkness was appointed secretary, and Mr. J. N. Levine is to be engaged as manager of the event. A Committee, with power to add to their number, was formed as follows:—Dr. McInnis, A. R. Harkness, J. P. Taillon, Fire Chief A. Borland, G. S. Drew, H. Darling, E. J. Meyers, H. Laidlaw, C. G. Williams, W. Wylie, G. A. Macdonald, Timmins; Reeve Gallagher, C. B. Morgan, Dr. Liberty, Mr. Widdison, South Porcupine; E. J. Mason, J. Fall, Dome; W. R. Sullivan, C. Arnott, Schumacher. The Committee is to meet again on Thursday (to-morrow) at 4 p.m., in the Council Chamber, Timmins, to get arrangements going for the Dog Race and Carnival. The meeting last night practically agreed to have the race this year on March 8th, unless later reason should appear for changing this date.

An interesting change suggested in the speed dog race event this year is the starting of two or three teams at a time, instead of singly as at present. It is thought that this plan will greatly add to the interest in the main event and all were agreed last night to try it out this year. It was also about decided to have the freight race run from Timmins to South Porcupine and return, using the same course as for the main dog race of the day. It was also decided to limit the amount to be carried to 100 lb. or less per dog. Further particulars of the Dog Race and Carnival will be given next week. The event has grown into a big affair and the intention is to make it still more important and interesting this year. It will be well worth while for all to watch for details to be published in the next few weeks.

## DEATH OF MR. R. CALVERLEY AT SCHUMACHER MONDAY

Unnumbered friends throughout the district learned with sincere regret and sorrow of the death of Mr. Ralph Calverley at his home in Schumacher shortly after midnight on Sunday. The late Mr. Calverley has been ill for some two years past, spending a time at the Muskoka Hospital for Consumptives, but some months ago returning to his home in Schumacher. Although the death was not unexpected, it comes as a blow to wide circles of friends who greatly valued Mr. Calverley as a man and as a citizen. A widow and three young children survive, and to these the deepest sympathy goes out from all. One of the children, a little girl, is at present in the Sick Children's Hospital at Toronto undergoing treatment for spinal trouble.

The funeral takes place this (Wednesday) afternoon from his late residence in Schumacher. Service is being held in the Union Church, Schumacher. Interment will be made in Timmins cemetery. The funeral will be conducted with Masonic honours, the late Ralph Calverley being a valued member of the Order.

The late Ralph Calverley was born in Lancashire, England, and was 34 years of age at the time of his death. He came to Canada in 1908, settling first at London, Ont. In 1910 he came to Englehart, and later left Englehart to take up residence in the Porcupine. For some years he was a valued employee of the McIntyre Mines and before his last illness he was on the staff of the Hollinger Assay office. The year he was taken ill he had been elected as one of the Councillors of the Township of Tisdale. He showed himself energetic, public-spirited and capable. In football circles and in other lines of sport he was enthusiastic and helpful and enjoyed a wide measure of popularity. He had more than usual ability as a singer and entertainer and was generous at all times in giving his services for any worthy cause. The late Ralph Calverley was a man of ability and high character and during his life in the Porcupine he won innumerable friends. He will be much missed here by all who knew him and valued him as a man and a good citizen.

At the weekly luncheon of the Kiwanis Club on Tuesday Mr. R. R. Johnston gave an unusually interesting address on "Folk Songs."

## TIMMINS TEAM WINS NICE GAME FROM HOLLINGER, 3-2

Last Night's Match in the Mines League Was Full of Interest and Enjoyed by the Fans.

Last night about two hundred hockey fans saw Russ Fraser's fast travelling Hollinger team go down to their first defeat when Jack Maclean's sextette representing the Town of Timmins were victorious in a hard fought game, defeating the Gold Miners to the tune of three goals to two. The game was about the cleanest played here this season, and from gong to gong was brimful of interest to the fans witnessing it. Both teams played hard, neither being sure of victory until the final gong rang. Doug. Briden of Schumacher refereed, and handled the game in a very creditable manner. It would be hard to pick out stars on either team. For the victors Bobby Hoggarth in goal was good, though he did not have as much work to do as "Fat" Levine in the Hollinger net. "Fat" was there, stopping several hard ones, and clearing all the long shots sent in on him, in a manner which would satisfy the most ardent fan the Miners had at the game. The Town defence had the edge on the Miners, Roach and Lillie being a veritable stone wall, and Levine fitting in well with either one. For the forwards Don Campbell and Billie Burns were hard workers, both playing a good brand of hockey. Portelance was good, but a tendency to off-sides spoiled a lot of his effectiveness. Desormeaux and Gervais worked hard while on the ice. For the Miners Carlin and Gorman were not so dangerous as on previous nights. Ross in centre worked hard and was very effective in checking, and blocking the rushes of the Timmins forwards. Joe Jacobs played a good game, being a hard back-checker. George and Abbie Kendall worked hard, but had a tendency to loaf off-side a little too much, by this means spoiling a lot of good work. Until hurt Bowles played a good game.

The teams were:—

Hollinger	Position	Timmins
Levine	goal	Hoggarth
Carlin	defence	Roach
Gorman		Lillie
Ross	centre	Portelance
Bowles	Forwards	Burns
Kendall, G.		Campbell
Jacobs	spares	Desormeaux
Kendall, A.		Levine
McDonald		Gervais
Referee—Doug. Briden, Schumacher		
Time Keepers—Goodfellow and White		
Penalty Time Keeper—Riddell		
Goal Umpires—Parker and Wilson		

The play was slow at the start, both teams indulging in a lot of skating and not getting very far. The period had gone two minutes when Billie Burns went down and called on Levine to make the first save, Carlin right after calling on Hoggarth to do the same. Lillie went down right after and sent one in which "Fat" Levine did not see. Timmins 1. From the face-off the Hollinger pressed hard, Hoggarth being called on to make several nice saves. Lillie went down again, and missed what probably would have been a goal, when he did not pass, and was checked by Gorman, who went down, passed to McDonald, who shot, Gorman slugging in the rebound. Hollinger 1. The score a tie both teams worked hard, the play being down in the Hollinger territory, and Levine being called on to make some nice saves. Gorman and Carlin came down, but lost at the Timmins defence, Roach passing to Campbell, Don going down and sending in a nice one. Timmins 2. The Gold Miners redoubled their efforts and for the few seconds until the gong rang, Hoggarth was kept busy.

The second period had hardly started when Gordon Ross went down and evened the score for the Miners. Burns and Campbell went down in a pretty combination but lost at the Holly defence. The play swung to the Timmins end. Bowles and Portelance had a collision, Teddy hitting his head on the boards and had to be carried off. Portelance went to the box for a rest. This was the first penalty of the game. Both teams putting up a clean brand, and Briden, though watching close not being able to send a man off during the first period. Abbie Kendall was a frequent offender during this period, when he spoiled some fine rushes by being off-side. Bobby Gorman drew the first Hollinger penalty for interference, Desormeaux joining him in

## OFFICERS OF PORCUPINE AGRICULTURAL SOCIETY

Annual Meeting Held at Porcupine (Golden City) on Friday of Last Week.

The annual meeting of the Porcupine Agricultural Society was held in the Township Hall, Porcupine, on Friday of last week, Jan. 18th. Officers for the ensuing year were elected as follows:—

- Honorary Directors—Mac Lang, M. P.P., Geo. D. Hamilton, C. V. Gallagher, Dr. McInnis, Mrs. N. King and Mrs. F. Garvais.
- President—Geo. Bannerman.
- 1st Vice-President—James Howey.
- 2nd Vice-President—Thos. A. Strain.
- Sec'y.—Treas.—J. W. Young.
- Directors—Z. Hart, E. E. Davis, P. J. Mitchell, Wesley Campbell, N. King, H. Montrose, Matt. Wesa, Frank Garvais and I. P. Wilson, Porcupine; W. D. Pearce, A. Reamsbottom and A. Tompkins, South Porcupine; Tom Woolings, Connaught; A. C. White, Hoyle; H. Hatton, Timmins.
- Auditors—J. M. Nicolson and R. S. Walker.

The first meeting of the new Board of Directors will be held in the School-house, Porcupine, on February 5th at 8 p.m.

The Porcupine Agricultural Society is now one of the established and flourishing institutions of the North Land. It has grown from small beginnings to an institution of importance and much interest and usefulness. In the ensuing year it may be expected to increase in scope and importance.

## OFFICERS INSTALLED AT TIMMINS REBEKAH LODGE

On Thursday, Jan. 17th, Gold Nugget Rebekah Lodge, No. 173, I.O.O.F., was honored by the presence of District Deputy Grand President Sister Lila Johnson, of Mons Companion Lodge, Matheson, who came with her staff to install the officers of the above lodge for the ensuing term. The installing officers were:—District Deputy Grand President Sister Lila Johnson and Marshal Bro. Johnson, P.D.D., President Sister E. M. Wilson, P.G. Sister Anna Boyle, P.G. Sister Olive Orr, P.D.D. Sister Mary Cooke, P.G. Sister Mary Morrison. The following were the officers installed:—N.G.—Sister Nevada McCarthy. V.G.—Sister Marie Carlyle. Rec.-Sec.—Sister Rose Anderson. Fin.-Sec.—Sister Ruby McCarthy. Treas.—Sister Anna Humphrey. Warden—Sister J. Kelly. Con.—Sister H. Byberg. I.G.—Sister S. Johns. O.G.—Bro. G. Elliott. R.S.N.G.—Sister Louise Orr. L.S.N.G.—Sister Minnie Cowan. R.S.V.G.—Sister Barbara Watt. L.S.V.G.—Sister Edna Arnold. Chap.—Sister E. Sayteh. I.P.N.G.—Sister Ethel Keene. Pianist—Sister Eileen Elliott.

the box when he boarded McDonald. With both teams a man short Portelance sent in the winning goal on a pass from Burns. Timmins 3.

The third period opened with fast hockey from the face-off. Some fine checking, and the start of good combination were witnessed during the first few minutes of this frame. George Kendall was checked up for being off-side, and for the Timmins team Portelance was an offender in the same manner. Jacobs worked hard during this period, being a close checker, and spoiling a lot of good combination-plays, which the Town sextette would just get going. Carlin took a trip to the penalty box when he boarded Portelance. Shortly after Gorman charged Hoggarth, and Bobby took a Jack Dempsey at Gorman, and for a few seconds things were livened up some, but play was resumed, no penalties being handed out to either team. The play remained round the Timmins net, the Miners shooting the puck, and following in to get the rebound, and keep Hoggarth busy. The gong rang with Carlin and Jacobs coming down in a two-man combination, in a last effort to tie the score.

The goals scored:—Timmins—Lillie, Campbell, Portelance. Hollinger—Gorman and Ross. The penalties handed out were:—Timmins 2; Hollinger, 2.

The league standing now is:—

Team	Won	Lost
Hollinger	3	1
Timmins	2	2
McIntyre	2	1
Dome	0	3