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PRESENT POLICY OF DOME VERY CAPABLY DEFENDED

Statement by Directors Makes Comprehensive Reply to Criticism of Committee.

Reference was made last week to a circular letter sent out to shareholders of Dome Mines, Limited, by a Canadian Committee. A Committee of United States shareholders sent out a similar type of letter. To these letters very complete reply has been made in a statement issued by the Board of Directors. The Directors assert that the offices of President and Treasurer have been held by one person since 1915, that this practice has been found to work satisfactorily and economically, and that the shareholders by their almost unanimous action at the last annual meeting approved of a continuance of it. The investment of the company's funds, except call loans, is done by a special committee of the Board of Directors, and all actions of that committee are submitted at each monthly meeting of the Board and fully discussed. All call loans, continues the statement, are made by the Empire Trust Company against ample collateral security and without the interference of any officer of Dome Mines, Ltd. No loans of the company's funds are made to any officer or director of the company or to any partnership, firm or corporation in which any officer or director might be interested either directly or indirectly.

Referring to the location of the company's head office, it is said that it makes for the convenience of the directors, and, above all, for economy of operation. No rental is charged for the company's use of the office, and the Board of Directors deems it more fitting that such office shall be in charge of the President of the company rather than of subordinates. The company's securities are kept in the company's own vault in the safety deposit vaults of the Mechanics & Metals National Bank in New York. This vault can be entered only by two officers, acting jointly, and these officers have been designated

by the Board of Directors.

In regard to the character of the investments, it is stated that these are all prime investment bonds selected by the special committee of the board, and they have resulted in a profit up to date of more than \$50,000. In addition to that profit, an average of over \$2,000,000 has been kept invested at a return of about 6.25 per cent. to the company.

Reference is made to the fact that only four of these signing the Canadian Committee's circular letter in criticism of the present Board are registered shareholders of the Company.

The Board of Directors also gives a brief account of the management as follows:

"The present management was entrusted by the stockholders on Dec. 6, 1918, with the control of the company's affairs. In that year, as the official statement of the company shows, it had only \$283,237.76 in cash assets; the mine was not producing; dividends had been suspended and there was but a negligible amount of actual profitable tonnage of ore in sight.

"During the period of five years and four months of its incumbency, active operation has been resumed; a practical and efficient mining organization has been developed, admittedly second to none; costs of operation challenges comparison; an esprit de corps among its employees has been developed, which is favorably commented upon by every expert who has visited the property. In practical financial results, the management points to the fact that in the period mentioned it has declared and paid in dividends, including a return of capital, the sum of \$1,451,669.50. It has invested and placed in the treasury of the company nearly \$4,000,000, which is the undisputed property of the present holders of its shares; it is regularly earning and paying dividends that would have been deemed impossible at the time at which the present management was voted into control of the property.

"In spite of the large sums paid out as dividends, and the sum of nearly \$4,000,000 in the treasury, it has developed potential possibilities for future operations, which have given

its shares an investment standing in the money markets of the world.

"Out of the cash surplus in the treasury the sum of \$2,000,000 has been earmarked as an assurance of dividends to be paid out during such periods, if any, when ordinary operations might be interrupted owing to circumstances over which the management may have no control."

Enclosed with the statement from the Directors is a letter from Mr. H. P. de Pencier, Second Vice-President and General Manager, in which reference is made to the General Manager's appreciation of the support given him at all times by the President and Board of Directors. Mr. de Pencier recalls the early days of the present administration when the property was faced with many difficulties, and the treasury was nearly depleted. To the support of the Director is due in great measure the present success. Mr. de Pencier points out that a gold mine is a wasting asset, and he commends the policy followed of building up the cash resources of the company, so as to be able to take advantage of any opportunities that may arise to increase the holdings of suitable mining property. Mr. de Pencier concludes his letter with the words: "Appreciating, as I do, the necessity of the fullest cooperation and understanding between the Board of Directors and anyone holding my position, I view with the greatest uneasiness any effort tending to alter the personnel of the Board, and anything that I can do to strengthen their position will command my immediate attention."

Heard at a dance in the Town Hall. She: "Would you wear a rented suit?" He: "It would depend largely on where the rent was."

The Dentist—I'll have to charge you two dollars and a half for pulling that tooth.

The Patient—Oh, I thought you charged fifty cents?

The Dentist—Yes; but you yelled so loud you scared four other patients out of the place.—Judge.

T. A. says: "All men have their peculiarities, but the single ones are allowed to forget them now and then."

GOT HIS PILLS MIXED. THEN BECAME EXCITED

Some little excitement was created on Saturday afternoon about three o'clock, when a young Russian was the cause of quite a bit of disturbance. In rushing in and out of the offices of a couple of doctors and making sundry yells and screams, he attracted the attention of a group of boys who followed him around and added to the noise. The police were eventually sent for and took the young man to the hospital. It developed that the young fellow was not particularly blameworthy nor was he mentally unbalanced. It appears that he had been ill and was given two kinds of pills, one of the kinds, he understood, containing morphine. He was given clear enough directions as to how he was to take the pills, but apparently he became confused. Either he took too many of the one kind or took them too often, and suddenly awoke to a realization that he had made a bad mistake. His muscles were affected and he became exceedingly nervous and unstrung. He rushed to one doctor after another to see what could be done for him, but he was unfortunate in not finding a doctor in his office. He imagined the drugs he had taken were having increased effect upon him and he accordingly became increasingly overwrought. He seemed to lose control of his nerves but his mind was unaffected and clear enough. At the hospital there was at first some difficulty in controlling him, but later he quieted down and is now well on the way to recovery. One of the newest doctors in town, Dr. W. Parcher, is credited with showing exceptional skill in treating the patient.

Here and There

The annual tobacco yield in the United States has a value of over \$250,000,000.

A regular air service between Sweden and England has been decided upon and will be established shortly. The terminals will be Malmo and London with intermediate landings in Hamburg. Only six hours will be required for the flight.

The Minister of Lands has announced that a Dutch organization has offered to purchase 200,000 acres of land in the Stuart Lake district, British Columbia, for the purpose of colonization by Dutch agriculturists.

The Canadian Pacific is now perfecting plans to aid in the development of the mining industry of Ontario, by placing car ferries on Lake Temiskaming. These ferries will ply between South Lorrain and Ville Marie, and between New Liskeard, Halleybury and other Ontario points, and the Quebec port.

Major-General MacBrien, chief of staff of the Department of National Defence, Ottawa, addressing the members of the Canadian Club at London recently, announced that it is probable that the Canadian Permanent Force of Militia will be established by Order-in-Council on April 1.

Forty-nine automobile cars of Ford machines recently left Windsor, Ont., for Vancouver, B.C., via Canadian Pacific. This was an unusually heavy movement of cars to one city, and another remarkable feature was that all of the automobiles, some three hundred, were for local consumption.

The Canadian Pacific Railway, which in 1899 brought down to the head of the lakes only 26,000,000 bushels of grain, actually brought down 186,000,000 bushels last season. This is equal to the total volume of grain moved by all the railways of the United States combined during the same time to the terminals at Minneapolis, Chicago and Duluth.

The Canadian Pacific Railway within the next few weeks will have sent out to its station agents 11,000 packets of seed and from thirty to forty thousand flower bulbs, and later on to its Western station agents 100,000 trees and shrubs. It requires 200,000 bedding plants to fill the beds of the permanent gardens and parks of the company every year.

The crack train of the Canadian Pacific Railway, the Trans-Canada, run every summer, will make the trip from Montreal to Vancouver in 90 hours, instead of 92 hours, the schedule run for last year. Previously the 92-hour run was the fastest continental run in North America, and the two hours cut off this time adds to its superiority for travel between the Atlantic and the Pacific.

Honesty in politics, tolerance in religion, patience and fidelity in industry, full measure in business, would prove as successful as they ever did if given half a chance.—Houston Post.

Mr. W. H. Alderson, formerly President of the Toronto Board of Trade, and now a member of the special Northern Ontario Committee of that body, as well as a member of the Northern Ontario Relief Commission, was a visitor to Timmins this week.

WEDNESDAY Bulletin

One of the latest enrollments in The Timmins Business College in the past week is Mr. Wm. Pyper, Stenographic Dept., Night Classes.

Miss Marjorie Craig was successful in passing the Test admitting her to the Senior Stenographic Dept. of the Timmins Business College.

Miss Laina Hugiatala, and Mr. Rhoderic Gagneur came first and second respectively in the March Typewriting Test prescribed by the Underwood Typewriter Co., Toronto, and held at the Timmins Business College, Timmins, Ont.

Enrollments for Easter Term are being made daily. We might again state that there are NO SUMMER VACATIONS, students enrolling now may complete courses without interruption.

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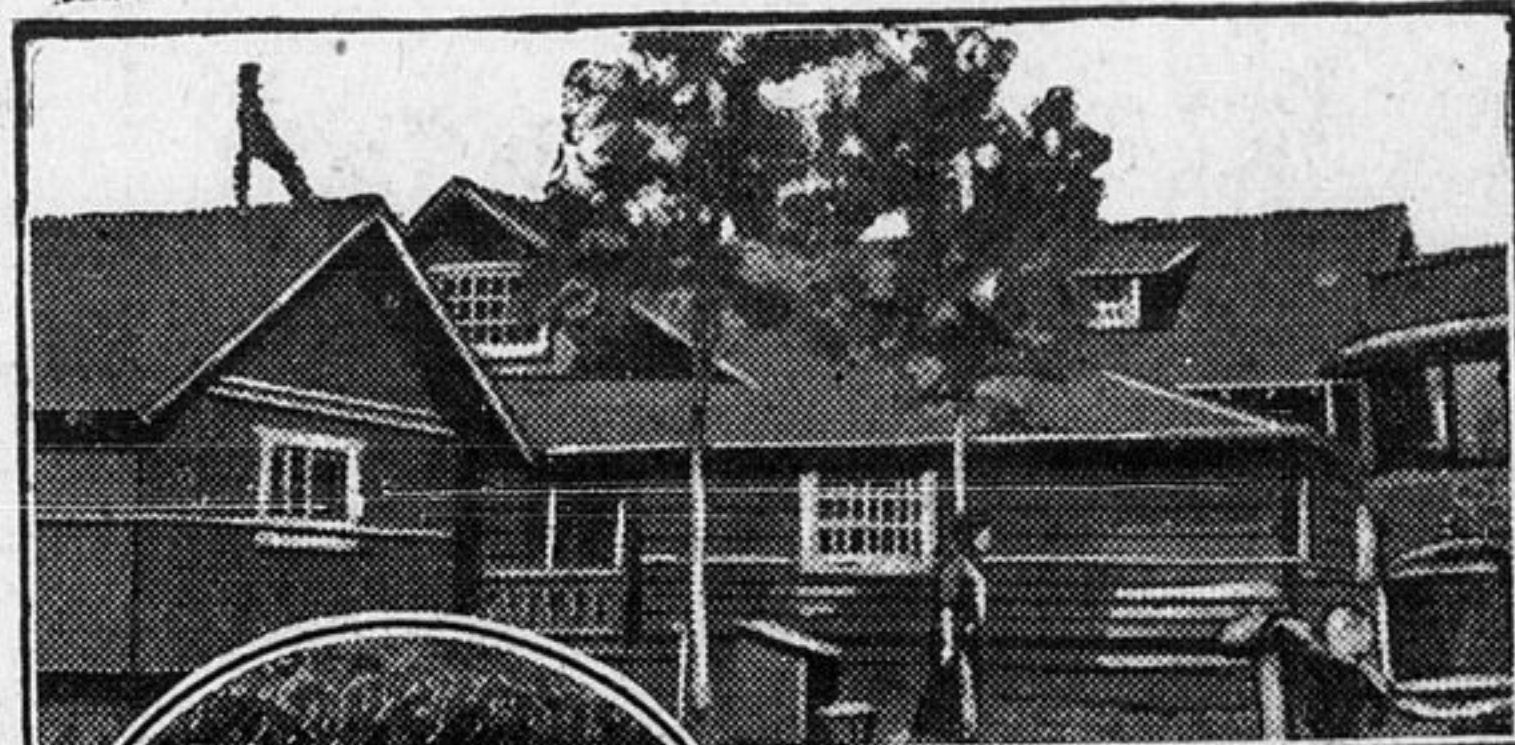
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MANY OLD-TIMERS ATTEND PROSPECTORS' CLASSES

Twenty-five Experienced Prospectors Make Record for Regular and Steady Attendance.

The Prospectors' Classes, held here under the direction of Dr. W. L. Goodwin, closed last week after a very successful series of sessions. The average attendance at the Classes would run about fifty, and all seemed to be pleased at the benefit available. The attendance may be considered as especially large, but what particularly impressed Dr. Goodwin was the fact that about twenty-five experienced prospectors showed up the first day and never missed a minute of the time in classes from the beginning to the very end. Some of these prospectors had attended classes in previous years, but all seemed to agree that the Prospectors' Classes were excellent for brushing up on technical knowledge and gaining new pointers in the practical work of prospecting. From the expressions made by attendants at the Classes and also by Dr. Goodwin, the Classes here proved of mutual interest and helpfulness to the instructor and the students, both parties holding prospecting and mining as the most interesting matters in the daily round.

Necessity the Mother of Invention



indicative of the presence of the sinister form or forms which originally called into existence that particular invention.

I well recall the impressions experienced the first time I saw our Indian guide of the French River, drink from his paddle. We had gone up the Murdoch and portaged to Crooked Lake. (A lake that only last year was opened up by the Canadian Pacific Bungalow Camp—above). No sooner had we got into the canoe and gone a few lengths than the guide ceased stroking and careened the paddle blade so that the clean, cool water dripped as from a clear fountain into his thirsty mouth and throat. No weight had changed, the canoe still ranged ahead from the last stroke, the guide did not change his posture, there was no sound, his eyes still commanded the scene. The action was so swift and silent that without bidding my own eye ranged off to the wooded bank, searching for the imaginary foe whose moss-stained feet and wary intuition may have traced the invasion by the summer camper of this hitherto undeveloped haunt of trout.

Thus swiftly did this simple act recall the time when it was first practiced. That time in the history of Canada when the Red man's foes were so numerous, when the urge of hunting so keen that even when he took a drink of water he must never lose that vigilance which kept him always on guard.

In itself a mere straw, it holds a psychological subtlety that in detail shows us to what necessity and to what fineness or inventiveness those who live right down to the elemental were driven by the combative elemental forces with which they warred for existence.

We admire these things in ancient and distant peoples, but we are given to overlook them and set little value by them when they occur at our very doors as they were.

Canada is particularly rich in "inventions" of this nature. They are not here things of the Past but of the living Present. I saw the Indian drink from the paddle only last summer. You may see him this.

Adaptation or resourcefulness in so simple acts are among these primitives, progressive after a fashion. The next time our guide took a drink of the cool lake water, he broke the deep flower of a pitcher plant from a clump that grew by the bank and made a drinking-cup of it. Not limited to one cup you see. And in the transition from the ear we can feel there was a transition in poetic fancy. It was a drink of relaxation... a sip of nectar from the flower's heart. And had he been of the Far East we should have said "See the artistic development of this Jap" but being of the West and of the Wilds, it was wholly unlooked for and evoked more of surprise than anything else. It called out on elemental feelings of lurking danger or watchful foes, but the pleasing cognizance that Art is Universal and that some of the primitive inventions follow the sweeter paths of fancy, rather than the ever-present Danger spelled of the "ear-blade" cup.—By Victoria Hayward.

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