

Associated Boards Urges Need for Roads for Settlers

Meeting at Englehart Recommends Expenditures of Half Million Dollars per year for Road-making West of Cochrane Where for Ten Years Settlers Have had no Roads at All. Other Important Business at Associated Boards.

The quarterly meeting of the Associated Boards of Trade was held at Englehart on Wednesday and Thursday of last week, with delegates from all parts of the North, and the gathering proving interesting and important. The delegates included:—President Alec Dewar, Secretary G. V. Ryckman, A. A. Sutton, John Vanier, Frank Woods, Irquois Falls; F. M. Wallingford and G. A. Macdonald, Timmins; B. L. Cope, Smooth Rock Falls; Smith Ballantyne and Rev. Fr. Lajoie, Kapuskasing; Rev. Fr. Lambert, Joesques and Hearst; John Masfarlane, W. J. Kearns, W. G. Armstrong, N. Wickett, A. E. Stephenson, New Liskeard; J. Hough, H. Malkin, A. F. Macdonnell, Charlton; Donald McEachren, W. R. Lowery and F. Lendrum, Cobalt; D. L. Jemmett, Gordon Summers, Haileybury; John Clark, G. Bryan, R. Gray, Englehart.

The sessions opened at 1.30 p.m. on Wednesday, Mayor H. Weeks and Mr. C. Wright, President of Englehart Board of Trade, very heartily welcoming the delegates to Englehart. Mr. Alec Dewar, President of the Associated Boards of Trade, presided with much ability and skill at the sessions of the gathering, and both he and Secretary Ryckman filled their places with an efficiency and interest that fully warranted the very hearty vote of thanks and appreciation passed to these two officers at the close of the sessions. President Wright and the Englehart Board of Trade and the ladies also fully earned the sincere votes of thanks tendered them for the fine hospitality extended.

After the reading of the minutes, and a very comprehensive report on roads by Mr. B. L. Cope, President Dewar announced that he had definite assurance from Toronto that the road from Porquus Junction to Cochrane would be completed this year. Also that the Trans-Canada Highway positively would not be built on the north shore of Lake Superior, but would come through this North Land.

Mr. Donald McEachren ably pointed out the advantage not only to the North, but to Canada also, from the Trans-Canada Highway passing through here, and on his motion the Government is to be asked to make a survey of the country from Nipissing to Hearst for this proposed highway.

A letter was read from the Dept. of Lands & Forests in regard to the Mattagami Pulp Co. and the settlers, promising that steps would be taken to guard the settlers from similar conditions in the future and also suggesting that if the Government could find a way to speed up the paying of the settlers, the way would be taken. G. A. Macdonald pointed out that the promise of future protection was a big step forward and on his suggestion a resolution was adopted urging the Government to take a still further step and find some method to force the payment of the settlers.

On motion of G. A. Macdonald a resolution was also passed urging the Government to consider the Correspondence School plan as used in British Columbia and other provinces as a means of providing education for the children of settlers in outlying districts where schools were impossible on account of conditions.

Mr. Wickett, of New Liskeard, brought forward the matter of the liability incurred in a municipality by indigents coming from unorganized territory. It was pointed out that outside municipalities were liable for indigents falling on the charity of other municipalities. The Government being in the moral position of guardian of those in unorganized places should pay for the indigents from these unorganized places, the Government being the only one to receive any revenue from unorganized territory. A resolution to this effect was passed.

Fire insurance rates came in for stirring discussion, much information being given by the New Liskeard delegates, Mr. Jemmett, Mr. Lowery and others. The President was asked to once more interview the Government and the Northern Ontario Development Committee to see if some plan could not be devised to make it easier for settlers to get proper insurance at reasonable rates.

There was a regular storm of protest against the proposal that the Associated Boards be confined to the towns along the T. & N. O. Various speakers, including F. M. Wallingford, pointed out that the live boards of trade along the Transcontinental not only deserved the support of the rest of the North, but they were also a strength to the Associated Boards. Mr. John Clark explained that the proposal had not been meant as a resolu-

tion, but as a letter to the various boards to get their opinion on the matter. He asked the withdrawal of the resolution.

The suggestion from Smooth Rock Falls that meetings of the Associated Boards be half-yearly instead of quarterly, and that a representative Executive Committee be formed to carry on the business generally, was voted down, the members believing that the meetings were not too frequent and the expense of travelling was compensated for by the benefits of meeting delegates from all over the North and exchanging ideas and forming friendships.

The resolutions regarding a change in name for the Associated Boards were disposed of by the final adoption of the name, "The Northern Ontario Associated Boards of Trade." It was decided to have the Associated Boards duly incorporated, and the name registered, provided the expense is not too great.

Resolutions from Timmins, asking for endorsement of requests for a road for the settlers from Wawaitin to connect with the road to Timmins and for a road south of the Mattagami along the base line, were duly endorsed.

These resolutions and others from Englehart and Mattice, brought forth objection from some of the Cobalt delegates who thought nothing of a local nature should be dealt with by the Associated Boards. F. M. Wallingford and others answered this objection by pointing out that the resolutions in question were not really local, but for the settlers and for the general advantage of the North.

A resolution from Kapuskasing that the Government be asked to spend \$500,000 a year for the next three years for settlers' roads west of Cochrane roused much discussion. Revs. Fr. Lajoie and Lambert, J. Christiansen, the Timmins delegates and others strongly supported the resolution. It was pointed out that between Cochrane and Hearst there were 8,000 settlers, living on their farms for five to ten years without any roads and having to pack everything on their backs to and from their farms in the summer. It was time that proper expenditures be made for roads. In the past too large a proportion of the Colonization Roads money had been spent for highways adjacent to towns.

Reference was made to large amounts spent for high-class roads near Sudbury, Sault Ste. Marie, Timmins, and other places. President Dewar agreed with the need, but thought the amount asked might be considered too large. The answer to this was that the need was very urgent and the money should be spent in justice to all concerned. The resolution was adopted.

Another question that created much discussion was the hardship to the settlers through the hold-back on pulpwood until clearances were secured. Mr. Christiansen showed not only the hardship of the "hold-back," but also the difficulty of convenient access for the settlers to Crown Timber Agents and to railway stations where there were agents in charge. The general opinion was that the difficulty would be largely removed if Crown Timber Agents were given full authority to decide on the bona fides of settlers and issue clearances in deserving cases. The matter is to be taken up with the Government.

Resolutions from Englehart were duly passed asking for a road to Skead and a bridge over the Blanche River.

Mattice Board had four resolutions that were duly passed after discussion, the representatives west of Cochrane speaking ably in support and having the co-operation of Timmins and other delegates. These included requests for a bridge over the Missinabi River to serve 75 settlers and their families; the building of a proper station at Mattice, and the appointment of a permanent station master, so that settlers could have proper transportation facilities; and improvements to the highway in the district.

A resolution from Kapuskasing regarding the employment all the year round of a fire ranger and deputy roused some discussion of the present fire-rangin' plans. Some thought too much attention was being given to arnship equipment and not enough to fire rangin' in general. On the suggestion of G. A. Macdonald the resolution was laid over until the next meeting and in the meantime a committee will work out suggestions for a system of fire rangin' in general that will promise the most effective results.

A resolution for the exemption of

CAPT. JAMES INSPECTS CADETS AT TIMMINS

Inspector Well Pleased With Company of Cadets at Public Schools.

Capt. James, of Ottawa, was a visitor to town this week, making a formal inspection of the Cadets at the Timmins Public School on Tuesday. Every member of the company was present,—47 in all. Under Company Com. Stuart Brown and Platoon Commanders Harold Craig and Lewis Field, the Cadets went through the various drills in first-class fashion. Company and Platoon Drill, Signaling, Physical Drill, were handled by the Cadets in very creditable way. The Inspector expressed himself as well-pleased with the Timmins Cadets, especially complimenting them on their steadiness.

After the inspection by Capt. James, the Cadets played the non-Cadets at soft ball. After a brisk and well contested game the Cadets showed their superiority by winning the match.

MEETING OF HORTICULTURAL SOCIETY TUESDAY NIGHT.

President H. Hatton has called a meeting of the recently formed Horticultural Society of Timmins for Tuesday evening, June 23rd, at 8.15 sharp in the Town Hall. All should make a special point of attending. Among the items of important business to be dealt with will be the completion of the committees appointed. All interested in horticulture and the beautifying of the town should attend this meeting.

"SAFETY FIRST" TO BE GIVEN AT PORQUIS JCT.

Porquus Junction, June 16th.—The comedy entitled "Safety First" will be presented at Porquus Junction by the young people of the Union Church on the evening of Wednesday, June 24th, commencing at 8 p.m. This little play contains an abundance of humour. The man who "kisses his wife good-bye at 18 minutes past seven," and does not return home until late the next morning has considerable explaining to do. This is easy, however, compared to the confusion or explanation necessary when the same devoted husband and his friend spend thirty days in jail as a result of that night away from home, while his wife and others are persuaded that they are attending a Shriners' Convention in Florida. The Irish cook, a defective detective and the Turkey girl, all add to the interest of the plot. This is a play worth seeing. Do not miss it.

Messrs. Jas. Brough and Jas. Cowan left on Monday morning for Hamilton, where they will attend the meeting of Grand Lodge, I.O.O.F. as delegates from the Timmins Lodge. Mr. Brough at the conclusion of Grand Lodge meeting will spend a month in the south and east holidaying.

The North Land from the gasoline tax was laid over until next meeting. F. M. Wallingford said the tax came under the idea of "taxation without representation." The tax went into the Highways Department for the upkeep of roads under that department. The North got nothing from the Highways Dept., all roads here being under the Northern Development Branch. Here, on account of bad roads, twice as much gasoline was used for the same mileage, the tax thus being double, and no returns. Timmins alone paid about \$300.00 per week in gasoline tax.

The President was authorized to select two members to accompany him to Toronto to lay personally before the Government the various matters adopted by the Associated Boards, it being felt necessary to back up the resolutions with personal representations.

The question of an excursion of the members of the Associated Boards this year, especially in the district west of Cochrane, was taken up and it was left in the hands of the secretary to find out how many delegates would take in such an excursion. If there were sufficient to make it a success he was authorized to make the necessary arrangements; if not sufficient men would go, the idea is to urge as many delegates as can attend the Field Day at Kapuskasing on August 5th, when they will have a chance to go over the Experimental Farm.

There was a banquet Wednesday evening, report of which is given elsewhere in this issue. The sessions were continued on Thursday morning to clean up the business of the meeting. At Thursday's session a very hearty vote of thanks was tendered Hon. Mr. Martin for his visit and interest and his eloquent address. Regret was expressed that in view of the importance of the roads question neither Hon. Mr. Lyons nor any representatives of his Dept. had attended the meeting.

The next meeting of the Associated Boards will be held at Cochrane.

DEBATE BETWEEN I.O.D.E. AND KIWANIS ON MONDAY

Event at Empire Hotel on Monday Evening. Light Luncheon and Dancing.

An interesting event will be held at the Empire Hotel banquet hall on Monday evening, commencing at 8.30. This will be a debate between representatives of the Kiwanis Club and the Daughters of the Empire, on the question, "Does Co-operation or Competition Mean Most to the Progress of the World." Messrs V. Woodbury and Arch. Gillies will be the debaters for the Kiwanis Club, and the I.O.D.E. will be represented by the Regent, Mrs. J. A. McInnis, and another representative to be decided upon. The ladies have the side favouring co-operation. The debate will undoubtedly be a very interesting one. There will be a light luncheon served and dancing will also be enjoyed during the evening. The gathering will include members of the I.O.D.E., the Kiwanis and the Kiwanees.

PROMISING RESULTS FROM WORK IN CODY TOWNSHIP

J. J. Bradley, representing an English Company, has a gang of men doing some work on six mining claims in the south-west part of Cody Township. Some good results are being obtained.

D. O' Connor has had a gang of men doing work on claims north-east of Peninsular Mine, in Cody, and also on the Red Dog claims in Macklem Township, on a fractured porphyry dyke, where A. G. Burrows, Provincial Geologist, got assays of \$14.40. These claims are looking very promising.

VARIED POLICE COURT CHARGES FOR THIS WEEK.

Just as number was the feature of the cases at court a couple of weeks ago, so variety is the characteristic of the charges for to-morrow. There are four drunk cases on the calendar, a traffic by-law case, a vagrancy charge, a count of interfering with a police officer in the discharge of his duty, a charge of illegal possession of a bicycle, three charges of theft, an accusation of committing assault with intent to do grievous bodily harm, and some wage disputes, to be heard by Magistrate Atkinson to-morrow (Thursday).

FATHER OF MR. H. LAIDLAW BURIED AT OTTAWA, ONT.

The Ottawa Morning Journal of Tuesday of this week has the following reference to the death and funeral of Mr. John Laidlaw, father of Mr. H. G. Laidlaw of Timmins:—"Attended by members of various organizations and many other friends and acquaintances, the funeral of Mr. John Laidlaw was held from his residence, 75 Grove Avenue, to Beechwood cemetery yesterday. The funeral services at the house and at the graveside were conducted by the Rev. Clark Reilly. Masonic honors were also accorded the deceased, the services being conducted by Worshipful Grand Master C. Olmsted, assisted by R. G. Knox, P. A. Holmes, F. A. McDiarmid and A. L. Boswell.

"The chief mourners were his widow and two sons, Horace G. and Basil F. Laidlaw; one daughter, Mrs. W. R. Low, and one son-in-law, Mr. W. R. Low, and his brother-in-law, Mr. Robert Ludford, of Minneapolis, Minn.

"Among the many beautiful floral offerings received were tributes from widow and Mrs. and Mrs. W. R. Low; broken column, son Horace and family; spray, granddaughter, Betty Low; gates ajar, Brotherhood of Locomotive Engineers, Division 168, Capital Lodge; star, Success Chapter, Order of Eastern Star; wreath, Grand International Auxiliary to the B. L. E.; wreath; Mr. and Mrs. E. W. Eade, Mr. and Mrs. F. H. Plant, Mr. and Mrs. H. P. Thomas, of Toronto, Mr. and Mrs. George Low, of Montreal; Dalhousie Lodge, A. F. & A. M., Royal Arch, Northern Lights, A. F. & A. M., Timmins, Ontario; sprays, Opus Club, Mr. and Mrs. F. J. Plant, Mr. Lionel Channing, Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Morris, Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Helmer, Dr. and Mrs. R. F. Price, Mr. and Mrs. H. S. Low; basket of roses, Mrs. Thomas Low and Fred Low; cut flowers, Mr. and Mrs. S. Ferguson, and others.

In attendance at the funeral were many brother engineers, not only from the Ottawa district but also from Montreal. Members of the Masonic Order, Dalhousie Lodge and from the Order of Eastern Star were also present, together with many other friends and neighbours."

A specially good programme is being prepared for the annual Regatta at Mattagami River Landing, Timmins, on Wednesday afternoon, July 29th, under the auspices of the Timmins Citizens' Band.

Concrete and Steel Subway To Be Built by T. & N.O. Ry.

New Subway Will be of Most Approved Type. It Will Provide a Thirty-foot Roadway, with a Sidewalk on the South Side.

The announcement that the T. & N. O. Railway has decided to build a new subway bridge at Timmins will be greeted with general pleasure and approval. The present subway is not only unsightly, and inadequate for the traffic, but many have felt for some time that it is actually a danger on account of its narrowness and position. The new subway will be much wider.

It will be of the latest approved construction,—steel and concrete. It will allow for a 30-foot roadway, and will also have a 6-foot sidewalk on the south side. It is understood that work will start very shortly on this structure, and it will be ready before the completion of the Timmins-South Porcupine highway which it connects.

COL. MILLER AND STAFF QUARTETTE AT TIMMINS

Here in Connection With Anniversary Services at Local S. A. This Week-end.

The anniversary of the Timmins Salvation Army will be observed by special services during the week-end. For these services on Saturday and Sunday, June 20th and 21st, Col. Gideon Miller and the Headquarters Staff Quartette, of Toronto, will be present, and programmes of unusual interest are assured.

On Saturday evening, June 20th, there will be a Grand Musical Festival, held in the S.A. Citadel, Fourth Avenue. At this event, Rev. J. D. Parks, B.A., B.D., will occupy the chair. The programme will include vocal selections by the Quartette Party, instrumental numbers on cornet, mellophone, euphonium, piano, etc., monologues, etc., etc.

On Sunday afternoon, June 21st, at 3 p.m., there is to be a Festival of Praise, to be held in the New Empire Theatre, with G. A. Macdonald in the chair. Vocal and instrumental numbers of special interest will feature this event.

At 8.15 on Sunday there is to be a Great Open-Air Musical Rally, on Spruce Street, near the station.

More extended reference was made last week to the programme for the various events. Programmes are also on sale of the Saturday evening event, these also serving as tickets of admission.

The visit of Col. Miller will be greatly appreciated here, while the Headquarters Staff Quartette is a musical group that is sure to delight all.

BIG STRIKE REPORTED IN GUIBORD TOWNSHIP

Last week there was considerable excitement in and around Matheson, there being reports of a spectacular gold strike in Guibord Township. Samples of unusual richness were brought in from some claims in the Township referred to, which is east of Matheson. There was a trek of prospectors and others to Guibord.

THREE NAMED AS LIKELY LIBERAL CANDIDATES.

The Liberals of Cochrane District are holding their convention on Thursday, June 25th, at Cochrane, to select a candidate for this new riding for the Federal Election. Three well-known Liberals are being prominently mentioned as likely to be the choice of the convention. These three are: Dr. J. A. McInnis, Mayor of Timmins; Mr. C. V. Gallagher, Reeve of Tisdale; and Mr. Bradette, merchant, of Cochrane.

NEW DOUBLE DIAMOND MILL COMMENCED WORK MONDAY

The fine new mill of the Double Diamond Lumber Co., was in operation on Monday of this week for the first time. Everything went smoothly and the new mill is a credit to all concerned. The Wallingford Bros. and Mr. E. J. Bucknam, of Toronto, who has had charge of the construction of the mill, the installation of the plant, etc., may well be complimented on the success achieved in so short a time.

EIGHT BURGLARIES IN TOWN TO BE CLEARED UP.

During the past month or two there have been eight robberies in town, though the total loss as reported will run less than \$200.00. All these are now on the way to being cleared up, following a couple of arrests made by Deputy Chief Sally this week. One man under arrest has been closely checked up and it is expected that further arrests will follow the investigation now being made. It appears to be only a question of days until the parties guilty of the robberies here recently are brought to book. The police here make a fact of the motion picture theory of the North-west Mounted about always getting their man.

GRAND JURY RECOMMENDS NEW POLICE DIVISION

All High-Grade Charges at Cochrane Last Week Were Dismissed.

At the General Sessions of the Peace at Cochrane last week with His Honour Judge Caron presiding the following were among the cases before the court:—A. Lamarche, charged with theft and forgery; Dr. Jackson, J. E. Garrett, M. Holgevac and R. Holgevac, charged with illegal possession of gold ore, or under other sections of the law covering what is broadly referred to as high-grading. All the high-grade charges were dismissed, the accused in each case not only being acquitted, but the gold being ordered returned to the acquitted men. In Dr. Jackson's case the evidence was to the effect that the gold ore found in his possession had been given him by the agency operator working for Special Agent R. Allen. The gold was to pay for dentistry work done. In the case of J. E. Garrett, the accused claimed that Special Agent R. Allen had asked him to purchase any gold offered for sale, informing the Special Agent as soon as possible of the facts in the case. Messrs. W. A. Gordon and A. C. Brown, who were counsel for the defence, scored the methods adopted in these cases, and the Judge also found fault with the tactics used. Crown Attorney Greer, of Cochrane, handled the cases in effective way, but Judge and Jury alike were unfavourably impressed with some of the evidence, and hence all were acquitted.

A. Lamarche, on the forgery and theft charges, was given a sentence of one year.

The Grand Jury in its report recommended fire escapes for the Lady Minto Hospital at Cochrane; and also that in view of the numerous crimes in the District of Cochrane, that the Provincial Police Division be sub-divided and a new division created embodying the area comprised in the Judicial District of Cochrane, with an adequate staff of police officers, including an Inspector. The following was the Grand Jury:—P. M. Bardesson (foreman), N. H. Brownlee, A. E. Brazeau, J. S. Brough, H. V. Cartwright, J. H. Lemaire, G. Johnson, W. Rhodes, E. C. Ward, M. Silverstone, A. Stevens, M. Young, Jas. Durack. It will be noted that there were several from Timmins on the Grand Jury, and the same was true of the other juries.

STAMPEDE ADVERTISED BY WIDE-BRIMMED HATS

Cowboy Headgear Reminder of Big Event at Timmins on July 1st, 2nd and 3rd

Scores in town wearing the broad-brimmed cowboy hats are thus advertising the big event at Timmins on July 1st, 2nd and 3rd. Not only are the genuine cowboys reaching here this week wearing the distinctive headgear, but others interested in the success of the event are daily using the broad-brimmed hats.

Two carloads of horses and cattle will be here this week for the Stampede and Rodeo on July 1st, 2nd and 3rd. The event will be at Dalton's Park and promises to be an event long to be remembered. There are a number of contests with \$5000.00 in cash prizes.

Each morning of the Stampede there is to be a parade. The Cowboys are to rope the Mayor, and the Mayor is to crown the Queen of the Contest.

There will be an open-air Japanese Dance Pavilion, with 10 piece Jazz Orchestra, cabaret style. The other special features will include:—fancy roping, riding bucking bronchos, milking wild cows, wild horse racing, chuck wagon racing, democrat racing, special races for boys and girls, calf roping, maverick race, bull-dogging, relay race, cowboy race, Roman race, boys' and girls' Indian quadrilles, etc., etc.