

Delegation From Boards of Trade Heard by the Cabinet

Ontario Government Learns of the Needs of the North, and Shows Great Interest and Sympathetic Understanding of Problems. Roads, Education for Children of Settlers, Mattagami Pulp Question, Clearances for Settlers Discussed.

On Tuesday of last week a delegation representing the Northern Ontario Associated Boards of Trade was received by the Ontario Cabinet, and laid before the Ministers matters of special interest and importance to the North. A number of questions received consideration, and in every matter brought up the members of the Government showed the keenest interest and the greatest possible desire to do the most that could be done to help the North. Some of the Ministers were very evidently fully conversant with the conditions and the needs of the North. Others were surprised at some of the facts given by the deputation. All the members of the Cabinet, however, were a unit in the intelligent and friendly view they took of the North Land and its problems. From conversations with members of the deputation it is very evident that the delegation has accomplished much even as the matter rests at present. It is certain now that the whole Ontario Government wishes to give the North Land a square deal, and this country asks no more than that. The delegation returned feeling that the North Land has a friend in each and every member of the Government, and no doubt the Government feels also that the North is friendly on its part, and that nothing is being asked but what is reasonable under the conditions.

The chief question taken up, of course, was the need for roads in the North Land. Sympathetic attention was given to the requests along this line. The acting premier, Hon. Geo. S. Henry, expressed himself on behalf of the Cabinet, as very sympathetic towards the views put forward by the delegation. He said the needs of the North in this regard had been very forcibly presented and he could promise that the Cabinet would go into the question very thoroughly. The delegation was promised early decision in such matters as clearances for settlers, indigents from unorganized territory, etc. Throughout, the deputation seems to have achieved results and deserves the highest commendation.

The deputation consisted of Alex. Dewar, President Northern Associated Boards of Trade; Arthur Stevens, Cochrane; Father Lambert, Hearst; Donald McEachren, Cobalt; F. M. Wallingford, Timmins; W. E. Simpson, Kirkland Lake.

Thomas Marshall, Secretary Ontario Associated Boards of Trade, and W. H. Alderson, Past President, Toronto Board of Trade, accompanied the delegation.

The deputation was received by the Cabinet on Tuesday afternoon at 3 p.m. The Ministers present were: Hon. G. S. Henry, Acting Premier; Hon. Chas. McCrea, Minister of Mines; Hon. John S. Martin, Minister of Agriculture; Hon. W. F. Nickle, K.C., Attorney General; Hon. W. H. Price, K.C., Provincial Treasurer; Hon. James Lyons, Minister of Lands and Forests; Mr. C. A. Fullerton, Deputy Minister of Lands and Forests was also present.

President Dewar of the Associated Boards introduced the delegation, thanking the Ministers for their courtesy in arranging the conference. "The deputation is perhaps more interested in the roads than in any of the other questions, though all are important, indeed," said the President. Road were the real need of the north, and settlers who had taken up land in the hope of having roads were almost straving on account of their inability to get their produce to market. In fact there was no use growing anything in many cases because it could not be taken to market. He instanced cases where men after a number of years in the bush were still carrying produce in pack-sacks because there was no road over which they could take a team.

In introducing the general question of roads, Mr. Arthur Stevens, of Cochrane, pointed out that the settlers and the Associated Boards were not asking favours. They were not asking for automobile roads, but it did appear that there should be passable roads to allow the settlers to bring their produce to the nearest market.

Rev. Fr. Lambert made a powerful plea for roads for the settlers west of Cochrane. He suggested the early expenditure of three-quarters of a million dollars for roads for the settlers between Cochrane and Hearst. This request rather surprised some of the Ministers, but before he concluded Father Lambert showed how reasonable, how necessary, how imperative was the need for roads for settlers. In the district referred to there were 10,000 settlers and not more than 2000 of them had any road at all. The need was urgent, indeed. The settlers must have roads, or be starved out. There were many questions as to details by members of the Cabinet, and Father Lambert placed the case fairly before them. Hon. Messrs. McCrea and Nickle showed particular interest in securing infor-

mation. After the presentation of the case the Cabinet seemed to be of the opinion that the road problem was a big question and must be approached in terms of big money. The acting premier, Hon. Mr. Henry promised that the matter would have the very closest attention and consideration.

Mr. Donald McEachren, of Cobalt, made out an excellent case in regard to the Trans-Canada Highway, showing that he had given the question the most thoughtful study. He suggested that in preparation for the time when this highway will be considered necessary an exploratory survey be made from Nipigon to Hearst. He pointed out that the route surveyed would show a fine agricultural country, while the other route for the Trans-Canada Highway, via the North Shore of Lake Superior, was through barren rocks. The newspapers had frequently suggested that the highway would be built on the north shore of Lake Superior, and Mr. McEachren pointed out that this would be a great mistake from every viewpoint. The Trans-Canada Highway should come through this North Land when built.

Mr. Stevens gave details of the work required on the road from Cochrane to Porquus Junction which was completed all but thirteen miles, and asked for the completion of that this year, not leaving a gap of four miles as has been originally planned.

Mr. F. M. Wallingford in his general references to the need for roads for settlers emphasized the fact that it was a big problem on which the Government and the people must think in terms of big money. Every dollar spent in needed roads in the North will be money invested with the sure promise of the greatest returns in development of the country. Without the settlers there can be no development, and without the roads the settlers are handicapped unreasonably. Roads are necessary for the settlers to reach markets, stores, schools and churches.

In reference to particular roads Mr. Wallingford mentioned the two mile strip, McIntosh Springs to Barbers Bay, which if made passable would complete the road from Timmins to Porquus Junction. Hon. Mr. Lyons promised immediate action. A grader has been sent in and the road will be put in good shape at once, it is understood.

Hon. Mr. Lyons was fully conversant with all the road needs, and was ready to agree that the deputation was reasonable enough in all its requests. The roads were needed, but when they could be built was very largely a matter of finances.

The necessity for an early start on road work was also duly stressed by the deputation. After the Cabinet had been thanked for its consideration, several questions were taken up with individual departments. The question of the road from Monteith to Iroquois Falls is to be dealt with at once. Hon. Mr. Lyons promised to do the best possible to complete the road from Porquus Junction to Cochrane. The work had been delayed by the wet Spring. Mr. Simpson gave a detailed account of the road from Swastika to Bourkes and Hon. Mr. Lyons promised to take the question up again and see how much of it can be done.

In the matter of clearances for settlers, Hon. Mr. Lyons said he would see that timber agents were instructed to see that no delays occurred in giving clearances to settlers.

The delegates were informed that the question of the liability for indigents from unorganized territory was at present before a Municipal Committee under the Provincial Secretary's Department. A report from this Committee is expected shortly and it is hoped that all injustices will be removed in this particular.

The question of the Mattagami Pulp & Paper Co. and the settlers is referred to under another heading, as is also the matter of the Correspondence Course plan for the children of settlers in sparsely-settled districts. In both these cases the deputation practically reached its objective. In the case of the Mattagami Co. and the settlers, the deputation came away feeling that no re-organization or sale of the company is likely without the settlers being first paid, as the Government will not give the transfer of limits and concessions. In the Correspondence School plan, all the Associated Boards has asked is a consideration of the scheme with a view of giving educational facilities to the sparsely-settled districts of the North. The Department of Education has already given the matter very close consideration and it would appear as if the Department had really improved upon the idea by adding the plan of travelling instructors such as are used in Norway, Sweden and Switzerland.

Taken all together, it would certainly seem as if the deputation from the North Land had accomplished much.

BIG PLACER FIND IN TOWNSHIP OF KEEFER

Messrs. Warren and Ferguson Reported as Striking Very Rich Placer Find.

In reference to the recent reports of a placer find in Keefer Township, a local mining man has supplied The Advance with the following detailed information:—

A great find has been made on the Messrs. Warren & Ferguson property in Keefer Township, Porcupine Mining Division.

Running through the centre of their property from North to South there is a large deposit of glacial sand and gravel, shown on Mr. E. W. Todd's Geological Map, dated 1922, and named Esker Ridge; also other smaller ridges that branch off from the same ridge; these extend Southward into Hillary Township, where Messrs. Ferguson & Warren have staked claims.

On July 9th, 1925, after Mr. James Crookston, M.E., had completed the examination of the quartz and other mineralized bodies on the Warren-Ferguson Claims, having become attracted by the formation and the nature of the deposits on these Sand Ridges, he strongly recommended that this sand should be carefully examined and tested for alluvial Gold. The first pans tested showed two gold nuggets, two grains and colours. Four test pits were immediately sunk to a depth of 3 feet and each one showed gold in every pan. The average depth of the placer deposit is about 20 feet or more to the bed rock. The approximate estimate of this deposit on the Warren & Ferguson property is about 5 million cubic yards. As these tests were made within 3 feet of the surface the result is extraordinary, but even better results should be found next the bed rock.

It is considered that Messrs. Ferguson and Warren have a very valuable property, for in addition to this placer deposit the mineralized veins on other parts of their holdings are very promising. On the said property there is abundance of water for all mining purposes and this is very essential for placer mining.

Other prospectors have already rushed in to stake claims and the above information will no doubt cause a run on Keefer and Hillary as soon as the fact that placer is to be found in the above locality, becomes generally known. It may be pointed out however, that the road at present is rather difficult and all supplies and provisions must be carried in on one's back in knapsacks through swamps and muskeg. There are also many lakes and without a canoe it is not easy to make the journey and for anyone not well acquainted with the country the place is not easy to find. Any one thinking of making this journey should be prepared to combat with black flies, mosquitoes and muskeg, and know how to make a flap-jack and carry it well under his belt, for there are no restaurants or ice-cream parlours en route. The distance from Timmins is about 36 miles in a south-western direction. Two trial surveys, for a railway joining Timmins with the Canadian National at Gladwick, a distance of some 56 miles have been run. This survey passes through the Ferguson-Warren property, but those who may wait for the Railway to be completed, may find everything staked when they arrive.

Mary has a bathing suit,
'Twas pretty, without doubt,
For when she climbed inside the thing
The most of her stayed out.
Penn Punch Bowl.

She may be old, and she may be thin, but
She's a darn good girl for the shape she's in.
(From the Broke Hustler)

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COURT CASES THIS WEEK NUMEROUS AND IMPORTANT

Thirty-six Cases to be Heard, Including Preliminary Hearing on Murder Charge.

Police Magistrate Atkinson will have a lengthy and important list of cases before him tomorrow (Thursday).

Emile Baron will be given preliminary hearing on a charge of murder. H. Chenier is charged with indecent assault, the complainant being a woman resident on Wilson Avenue.

A Graftoncyk, who was before a recent court on a theft charge, but allowed to go under observance, as there was question as to his mental condition, will face a charge of indecent assault. He is accused of entering a house in town and acting in very improper way, the woman of the house being forced to escape to the protection of neighbours.

A charge of fraud has been laid against H. A. Proctor in connection with the sale of a lot in the Goldale Townsite. Proctor was arrested on Monday afternoon, and is held on \$20,000.00 bail on instructions from the Crown Attorney. It is understood that there are a number of cases where lots were sold by the accused and the purchasers are now having difficulties in securing titles or transfers.

There are half a dozen ordinary drunk cases on the docket, and two charged with being drunk in charge of a motor car.

An assault charge will be heard, growing out of a mix-up among some of the foreigners here.

One case of failing to maintain a wife is also on the list.

The fine new roadway on Wilson Avenue has proved a temptation to some motorists. Chief Greer intends to stop temptation at the start. Hence, there are ten charges of speeding against motorists.

The taxi-drivers who cater to foreign weddings will have to guard against unnecessary, noise at these events. It has been the custom to run around town with these wedding parties, honking horns and making other noise. The unnecessary blowing of horns is strictly against the law and taxi-drivers have been urged to post themselves thoroughly on the law in regard to their business. Last Sunday a wedding party made a specially noisy time in the main part of the town, with honking horns, etc. As a result there will be nine chauffeurs before the court tomorrow.

Also one taxi-driver will be charged with reckless driving, another with lacking the proper license, and a third motorist with wrongful parking.

MAGIC AND MYSTERY AT GOLDFIELDS WEEK OF AUG. 3.

An extra special attraction is announced for the Goldfields Theatre for the week of Aug. 3rd. This is Richards, the Magician, and his company with a hundred weird, spooky mysteries, laughs, thrills, girls, music, and everything! There is a carload of scenery and effects, and the show is said to be the greatest mystery and magic event on the road at present. The show will be at the Goldfields for the week commencing, August 3rd.

Protecting McDonald Hill By Erection of Fence, Etc.

Dome to Have "Kiddies' Day" in near Future. There was Recently a Puppies' Day All Right. Athletics Now Share Top of List With Tripods in Softball. More "Dome Foam."

Dome Mines, July 21st. Special to The Advance.

Mr. Ed. Houghton and family from Cobalt were visiting Mr. and Mrs. Robt. Wallace over the week-end.

Your correspondent was asked last week if he wanted an item of news for the paper. Of course he answered "yes," and he was informed that a female dog belonging to Mr. Jock Robertson had given birth to thirteen pups, 12 being still living and the unlucky thirteenth being overlain by the mother. Yours truly maintained that this news couldn't be simply an item; it was more like a column.

The Athletics have been at the head of the Porcupine District Softball League ever since the Tripods lost to the Hollinger, but they got lonesome up there by themselves, so now they are equal with the other Dome team. The A.S.D. Club of Timmins proving that "you can't always sometimes tell" what will happen in a softball game.

Mr. Frank Horne spent a very enjoyable week-end at Golden City.

A popular young bachelor whose name is the same as that of one of the aviators who first attempted to fly

over the Atlantic, had a very jolly time at a Weiner party held last Thursday at Golden City. It is understood that he is developing into quite a culinary expert (Hot Dog).

There will be a meeting in the Old School on Thursday, at 7.30 p.m. to organize for a Kiddies' Day. It is hoped that there will be a good attendance.

Mr. Jim Murray and children are spending a vacation in Toronto.

Quite a few of the grass widowers, whose wives are away on vacation, are bearing up fairly well under the enforced solitary existence. One was heard to remark that he still had one clean dish in the house.

Our old friend W. Tansley was in to the Dome last week renewing old acquaintances.

A. W. Carlyle is spending his vacation with his people who have a summer home in North Hatley, Quebec.

A good job is being done at the McDonald Hill by fencing in the dangerous part. In fact a car will have to use a shoe horn if it desires to get past the fence poles down into the lake.

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