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### TEACHING THE YOUNGER PEOPLE ABOUT THE NORTH

Purpose of the Teachers' Tours Explained in Booklet.

The patriotic purpose underlying the plan of the Teachers' Tours of the North is outlined in the official report of the Teachers' Trip to Northern Ontario in 1925, just issued. The report is from the talented pen of Mr. W. J. Dunlop, Director, University Extension, University of Ontario. The following excerpt from the report will be of general interest in this North Land:—

"In search of that education which travel gives, some one hundred and eighty teachers set out from Toronto in the evening of August 23rd, 1925, for the fifth Northern Ontario Trip. Most of them were delegates from Teachers' Institutes in Ontario, and carried note books, so that they might gather material for a report at the meetings in October. They had heard, most of them, of previous trips of this kind, and of the purpose underlying them—that those who live in Southern Ontario might learn of the vastness and the varied resources of that great treasure-land and picture-land, which is known as Northern

Ontario, or New Ontario, or Greater Ontario. The people of this newer portion of the "Banner Province" have always felt that their neighbours in the older parts have not understood either their viewpoint or their problems, and so they have always welcomed the touring teachers, knowing that teachers have the ear of the men and women of to-morrow, that they can present the truth about the North, that they can sow the seed where it will be most effective. If the boys and girls of to-day can be taught that it is better to go north than to go south; that in the north fame and wealth can be won; that the north, while it may not at first offer luxurious ease, offers something better, something more attractive to Ontario's sons and daughters, than the exodus to the south, the exodus which means going out from under the Union Jack, may gradually be stopped and a returning tide of immigration may be produced which will populate the fertile stretches of the two clay belts. Hopes and ideals such as these filled the mind of A. E. Bryson, now Principal of Silvertown Public School, who has lived and taught in both divisions of the Province, when some years ago he proposed to his friends, Chas. G. Fraser and the late Inspector Henry Ward, the advisability of inaugurating annual tours to the North. The three of them presented this proposal to the Department of Education and the Ontario Educational Association, but several years of persistent and insistent work were required before the authorities acted on the suggestion. Finally Mr. Bryson had the satisfaction of seeing his idea coming to fruition and now, as Chairman of the Committee, he has assisted in conducting five different parties of teachers through the northern part of Ontario. If these eight hundred or more teachers have passed on their information to approximately forty pupils each year; and also to one hundred or more of their colleagues at Teachers' Institutes, and if these in turn, have taught the geography of the North, as they know or have heard it, many thousands of boys and girls must now realize something of the importance of the North Country. Much could be written about the originator of the idea of these trips, but it must suffice to say here that those who know Mr. Bryson know him as a quiet and a tireless worker in the interests of teachers, and that those who have travelled with him on any of the tours realize in what high esteem he is held in the North, as well as in the South. From the beginning the Secretary of the Committee has been Chas. G. Fraser, Principal of Manning Avenue School, Toronto, who for a generation has been fighting the battles of the teaching profession and has fought with that blithe and genial abandon which always wins. How he manages to secure time to devote his very effective energy to the multifarious interests that are his is a puzzle to his friends. But the secret lies in organization. He may be telling stories, or he may be amusing a gathering, but he never loses sight of the point—and the point always has some relation to the interests of teachers and pupils. The profession has been immensely richer because he has been, for years, a member of it."

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### GOLDEN WEDDING EVENT AT HAILEYBURY LAST WEEK

Mr. and Mrs. Philip Montgomery Have Pleasant Observance of Fifty Years of Happy Wedded Life.

Throughout the North Land there will be general interest in the observance last week of the Golden Wedding Anniversary of Mr. and Mrs. Philip Montgomery, of Haileybury. Mr. and Mrs. Montgomery have been residents of the North Land for a great many years and are widely known and highly regarded by all. Golden Weddings are rare enough anywhere, but in this young country there have been few indeed. In a case like that of Mr. and Mrs. Montgomery they have special interest because the couple have been so highly esteemed for so many years in this North Country. To the people in Timmins the event is of particular interest in view of the fact that two of the sons of the family—Messrs H. E. Montgomery and W. T. Montgomery—are popular and useful citizens of this town. The Haileyburian last week makes the following reference to the Golden Wedding event: "A very pleasant event was held at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Philip Montgomery, Probyn Street, on Tuesday, October 13th, the occasion being the fiftieth anniversary of their wedding. Every one of the seven sons and daughters of Mr. and Mrs. Montgomery was present for the celebration of the Golden Wedding, and as some of them are married and had their wives or husbands with them, the party reached the number of fourteen. "Members of the family who came from distant points included Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Montgomery of Findlay, Ohio, who were accompanied by Mrs. Montgomery's sister, Mrs. Walter; Mrs. W. N. Dafeo, of Toronto; Mr. and Mrs. A. J. McCool, of Pembroke and Hector and William Montgomery, of Timmins. "The occasion was made a reunion of the family and a very jolly and happy gathering it was. Mr. and Mrs. Montgomery were given two well filled purses of gold, many beautiful flowers and were also the recipients of greetings sent by telegraph, letter, card, etc., from friends in almost all parts of Canada and the United States. "Mr. and Mrs. Montgomery are old residents of Haileybury and their hosts of friends here all join in offering them sincere congratulations and best wishes for many more years of happy wedded life in this community. "Very sincere good wishes will be extended to Mr. and Mrs. Montgomery for many more years of happiness and prosperity."

**LATE J. C. ROSENBERG WAS INTERESTED IN MINING.**

Mr. J. C. Rosenberg, a Rochester, N. Y., man who was heavily interested in Northern Ontario mining properties, died in a Rochester hospital last week from heart trouble, following an operation the beginning of this month. The late Mr. Rosenberg was a shareholder in the Dome, Castle, Hunton and other North Land mines. It is said that his holdings in the North would reach around the half million dollar mark. He was a more or less frequent visitor to the North and had many friends here who will sincerely mourn his death. He made friends by his geniality and friendliness and held them by his high character.

### FALL PLOUGHING VERY IMPORTANT FOR NORTH

Experiments at Kapuskasing Show Spring Ploughing Not as Beneficial.

Writing from the Dominion Experimental Farm at Kapuskasing, Mr. L. H. Hunter, says:—

Ploughing is one of the most essential of farm operations in the production of field crops. In Northern Ontario this work may be done in the Fall of the year after the other work has been largely completed. Summer ploughing may even be done to advantage, where it does not interfere with the rotation practised. Only a part of the necessary ploughing, however, can be completed during the summer, owing to stress of other work, etc., but the remainder certainly should be done in the fall. This is particularly important in a section of country like Northern Ontario, where the growing season commences immediately the land is ready to sow in the spring, and any delay in seeding results in a material reduction in the yield and quality of grain produced. The period for the seeding of field crops in this district is brief and the plough is too slow an implement to use in the spring in preparing a seed bed.

At the Dominion Experimental Station, Kapuskasing, Ontario, where the soil is a rather heavy clay, and fairly representative of a large proportion of the soil of Northern Ontario, it has been found that land ploughing in the spring does not make as suitable a seed bed as land ploughed the previous autumn.

### PORCUPINE POULTRY SHOW HERE DECEMBER 2 AND 3.

The officers and executive of the Porcupine Poultry and Pet Stock Association are busy these days perfecting arrangements for the annual Poultry and Pet Stock Show here. It is expected and intended that this year's event will be the best yet and special efforts are being made to assure this. Prize lists and full details of the event, to be held on December 2nd and 3rd, will be published at an early date.

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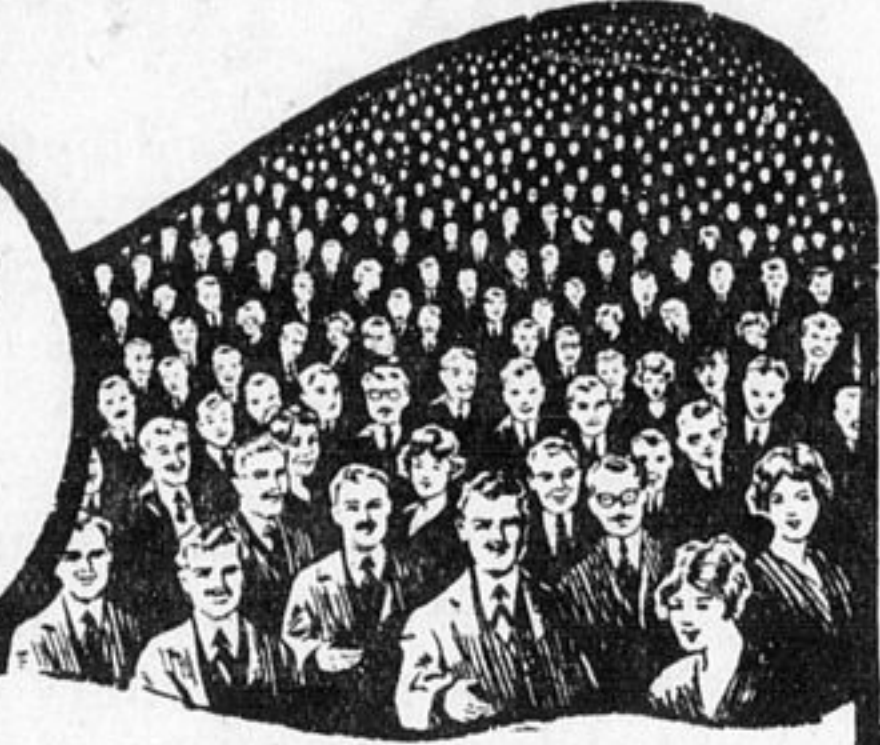
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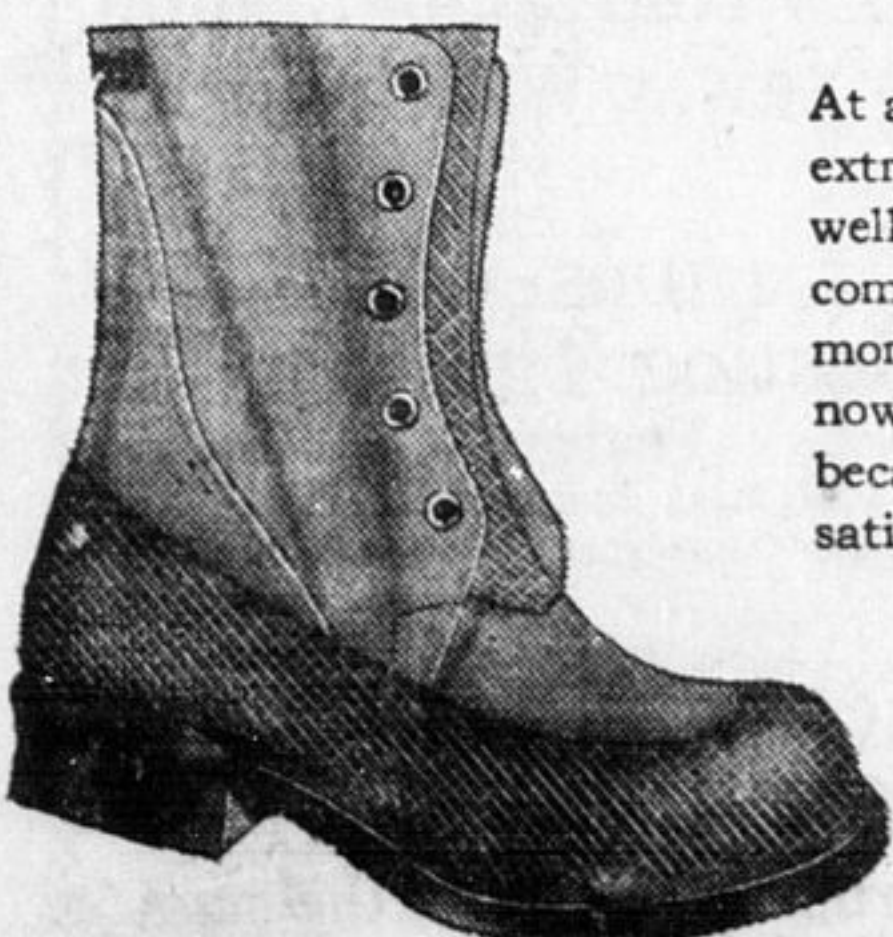
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