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TIMMINS WILL BE KNOWN THIS YEAR AS THE TAX-LESS TOWN.

From present indications it would appear that it will not be possible to collect any 1926 taxes in this town this year. The new council has not yet struck the tax rate. Even if the rate should be arranged at the meeting of the town council this evening, it will be a physical impossibility to issue the necessary tax notices in time to allow of tax collection this year.

The present council has made a record for blunders and bungling, and they travelled true to form in the matter of the assessment for 1926. The result was delay and absurdity. Eventually, however, the tangle was straightened out for them, but for weeks past they have held back the striking of the rate, though it costs the town at least \$60.00 per day for every day delayed. Competition between banks resulted this year in an apparent saving of one half of one per cent. in the interest rate charged the town. Some of the new council cackled about this, apparently imagining they could make the people believe they had laid a new good egg. The small saving due to the reduced bank interest rate has long ago been swallowed up by the council's incompetence in looking after the collection of taxes for this year.

There appear to be two reasons influencing the council in its present attitude in neglecting to strike a rate. One may be a natural dislike to expose the explosion of the last of their wild promises at election time in regard to "economy and efficiency." It is difficult to see how the tax rate for this year can be any lower than last year, despite the fact that nothing of importance has been done for the town. The new council may be delaying the matter of the rate so that it will not be necessary to admit that this year's taxes are to be as high or higher than in previous years. The other reason may be that the foolish hope is held that election capital may be made out of the fact that no taxes at all have been imposed for 1926. If the new council holds any such views, they insult the intelligence of the people. Of course, this is not the first time the new council has affronted common sense. But in this case the people should make it very clear that they are not deceived, but that they fully understand that not only will they have to pay taxes for 1926 but also that they will be forced to pay unnecessary interest on those taxes as well, the money to carry on being borrowed from the bank, and the bank naturally requiring an early date that the loan be repaid. Instead of a reduced tax rate for 1926, the people will be crippled by a double tax rate in 1927.

A NORTH LAND MAN SHOULD BE APPOINTED TO ONE OF THE SENATE VACANCIES

There are four vacancies in the Senate of Canada now to be filled, and by all the rules of the game one of the new Senators should be a North Land man. During the past few years the North Land has greatly increased in population, and still more in its importance to the Province and the Dominion through the resources being developed here. Yet the North Land has only one representative in the Senate—Senator Gordon of North Bay. The immense mineral wealth of this area, the vast forest resources, and the growing development of agricultural interests demand in fairness that this North Land should be more fully represented in the parliaments of Canada. There are people who imagine they are democratic, but who perhaps are suffering from lack of information and liver trouble, who think the Senate a useless and unnecessary body. The truth is, however, that the Senators give very useful service to Canada, and much useful legislation is initiated in the Upper House. Senators do much to keep their district to the front. That is why the North Land should be given one of the seats now to be filled.

From Sudbury there comes a suggestion that the place of the late Senator McHugh be filled by the appointment of Mr. Larry O'Connor, of Sudbury. The proposal appears to be one worthy of the heartiest support in the North Land. Mr. O'Connor is a true North Land man who would worthily represent the North in the Senate of Canada. His record is one of service to the North. He was Mayor of Sudbury for seven years, for five years he was the energetic and able president of the Sudbury Board of Trade, and in many other public offices and in his private capacities he has shown himself to be a man who knows the North, a man who loves the North, and a man who works for the North. To the public service in municipal, provincial and federal spheres, he has given talented and unceasing effort and ability. He is the type of citizen who would do credit to the appointment, and be of material service to the North and to the Senate alike by virtue of his wide interests, his keen business knowledge and his extended information and good judgment.

It would appear that the Government would please all the North Land, and add to the value of the Senate by appointing Mr. L. O'Connor, of Sudbury, to the vacancy caused by the death of Senator McHugh.

"GRAVEL AND SAND"—AND PLACER

Premier King's attitude at the recent Imperial Conference has revived the proposal that Canada should have a navy of its own. If Canada should start a navy, The Advance can help by telling where a suitable hat may be secured for the Admiral of the Fleet.

An unusually interesting and well-written editorial article on "Banbury Cross" appeared in The Cobalt Democrat (alias The Northern News) last week. The Advance really liked that editorial in The Democrat. Indeed, we liked it the first time it appeared, in The Mail & Empire three weeks before.

One day last week, according to despatches in the daily newspapers, a large white owl settled on the top of a flagpole on the Italian Consul's office at Sault Ste. Marie. As soon as the bird was discovered on this perch, there was much excitement and some prompt action. Someone hastily produced a gun. The bird was fired upon. The first shot missed the owl, but a second aim was more effective, and the big white owl was soon lying dead at the foot of the flagpole, instead of being proudly perched upon the top. There was great glee at the success in killing the bird. Can anyone tell why it was necessary to shoot that stray white owl? Can anyone explain why so many people have that unholy joy in slaughtering animals and birds, without cause and without excuse? Would it not have been a nobler, better, more sensible idea to take a snapshot of that sleepy owl upon the tall flagpole, and let the bird go unharmed? The living picture would have been a curious souvenir that would have given pleasure to many. The dead bird is but a sad commentary on the cruel, thoughtless, wasteful spirit, all too common, of gratifying the lust for taking life without due reason or excuse.

An item in the social and personal column of The Cochrane Post last week reads:—"Mrs. H. W. Bishop will not receive tomorrow, nor again this season, as she is leaving town for the winter at the end of the month." Pardon! friend! In this country it is not the winter that is at the end of the

month; it is the summer. The winter in this land is at the beginning and the middle, as well as the end of many months, alas!

Although the cowardly crime occurred nearly two months ago, the murderer of Inspector Constable, of Cochrane, is still unpunished. The authorities should redouble their efforts to secure the sneaking assassin. The public will not tamely submit to this murder being added to the list of crimes in the North Land where the murderer goes free. If the mystery is too deep for the powers of the Provincial detectives, then other investigators should be brought to the work, even if it is necessary to enlist the aid of Scotland Yard itself. Inspector Constable was a faithful and efficient servant of the province, as well as a citizen of merit and high character. He served his country in the civil walks of life just as he served in days of war—without fear or favour, and without malice or meanness. Nothing should be left undone to assure the capture of the murderer who cut short this useful life. Unless the murderer is brought to book, the Province of Ontario admits it cannot protect its law-abiding citizens.

Last week a thoughtful citizen suggested that the motor cycle, costing \$587.19, might be put to effective use this winter for snow-ploughing purposes. With a grocery wagon just in front of it, the cycle might plough along

A reader of The Advance suggests a high-pressure campaign to boost the new copper-gold field in the Kamiskotia area. It was just such a campaign in the daily newspapers that worked such serious injury to the Red Lake area some months ago. Similar exaggerated publicity has injured practically every mining camp on the continent. The best service that any newspaper, or group of newspapers, can do for any new mining field is to give the facts of the case, leaning rather to conservative statements than to flamboyant claims. It takes a well-established mining camp to withstand the high-pressure booster. The mining camp that has merit needs nothing more than the facts of the case to help it along. Hysterical screaming may bring undue attention, but it will not attract much capital. The Kamiskotia field has received considerable reasonable publicity. It will be lucky if it escapes the noisy type of exaggeration of its merits that is almost invariably followed by an injurious re-action.

The Township of Tisdale has the honour of being the first township municipality in the Dominion to elect a woman to the office of Reeve. Very few municipal councils in this Dominion have had lady members. If anyone questions this, let them give names and dates and places to the country, or forever after hold their peace.

QUICK RESULTS FROM THE ADVANCE WANT ADVTs.

A week ago a local man inserted a "Girl Wanted" advt. in the "Want" page of The Advance. The Advance went on the news stands at 4.30, and at 5 p.m. the same day there was one applicant for the place. A few minutes after there were others. "Job all filled. Please cancel the advertisement. We are swamped with enquiries. That was sure good work and quick," said the advertiser.

DEEP SNOW INTERFERING WITH WORK IN THE BUSH

The record fall of snow falling during the last six weeks has interfered considerably with work in the bush. Settlers and others have found the deep snow a big handicap and operations accordingly have been more or less closed down. On account of the snow many companies in the district have found it necessary to stop operations for the time being, thus causing some unemployment in this line.

GOOD AMOUNT NETTED FROM THE ROSE BAZAAR

"A wonderful array of dresses, aprons, lingerie, and all kinds of knitted work and fancy goods, crowds in attendance all day, a delightful tea, and a neat amount realized from the event."—This summarizes the successful and pleasing Rose Bazaar held in the basement of the church on Saturday of the Girls of the United Church. The event was a complete success in every way, and the young ladies are receiving congratulations well deserved on the cleverness with which the event was carried through.

COUNCIL ELECTED AT IROQUOIS FALLS MONDAY

There will be Summer Time in Iroquois Falls next year. The vote taken on Monday at the Municipal elections showed a majority of 71 for Summer Time, the vote being 185 to 114.

The voting for Councillors will be the only other vote as Frank K. Ebbitt, was elected by acclamation.

The Council for 1927 will therefore consist of:—

Mayor—Frank K. Ebbitt.
Council—G. L. Cameron, A. A. Howard, G. S. Wilson, P. H. Kennedy, H. E. Ruwald and H. J. C. Chapman.

IMMENSE CROWD AT FINE SUPPER EVENT TUESDAY

To refer to the supper given on Tuesday night in the basement of St. Matthew's church as a big success is evidently to use too mild descriptive terms. The attendance was so large that it required the greatest ingenuity and patience to avoid the turning of some away, but the young ladies handled the situation with an unusual skill and resourcefulness. The supper itself was of a quality and quantity that deserved even a larger patronage. All are agreed that it was one of the very best events of its kind ever held in this part of the North, no matter what standpoint it may be viewed from,—attendance, arrangements, quality and generosity of the supper itself, or the skill with which arrangements had been made. The event was under the auspices of the Girls' Auxiliary and Altar Guild of St. Matthew's Anglican church, and the young ladies are certainly to be congratulated and commended on the outstanding success achieved.

TO ORGANIZE JUNIOR BASKETBALL ON DEC. 14

A general meeting will be held at the Hollinger Recreation Hall on Tuesday, Dec. 14th at 8 p.m., to organize Junior Basketball. All teams wishing to enter junior basketball will please have their representatives at this meeting. This meeting is sponsored by Messrs Henry and Chittenden.

DR. J. MACKINTOSH BELL MAKING GOOD RECOVERY.

Word from Toronto is to the effect that Dr. J. Mackintosh Bell, managing director of the Vipond and other important North Land mines, is making good progress to recovery. He is in the Toronto General Hospital where he underwent a minor operation. The operation was successful and he is doing as well as can be expected.

PRODUCTION AT THE DOME DURING THE PRESENT YEAR

According to telegraphic advices this week from New York the production of Dome Mines in November was valued at \$321,308 as compared with \$324,629 in October and \$379,940 in November, 1925.

This makes a total production for the first eleven months of the current year \$3,605,205 or on the basis of approximately \$3,932,000 for the whole year compared with an actual production during the twelve months last year of \$4,366,000.

TIMMINS MAN FINED \$1,000 ON HIGH-GRADING CHARGE.

At the general sessions at Haileybury this week Judge Hartman fined Joseph Silvestri, of Timmins \$1,000 and costs when the accused pleaded guilty to a high-grading charge. Silvestri was arrested on a T. & N. O. train last July and the police alleged that he had about \$2,000 worth of gold ore with him. His counsel at the trial this week suggested that there was doubt as to the ownership of the gold, but the judge decided this was not a sufficient defence. Silvestri was formerly an employee of the Hollinger.

NOTHING FURTHER IN THE MONETA MURDER CASE

No new developments are reported in the Moneta murder case, the missing witnesses and the man wanted having not been returned to the camp as yet. The police are working on the case and expect to make the necessary arrests very shortly. Tony Boyda, a Russian, about 35 years of age, died in the hospital on Nov. 16th, following injuries said to be sustained in a fight in a shack in Moneta on the previous Sunday evening. The police were notified that there was a sick man in the shack, but when the place was visited, he was all alone and apparently very ill. He was taken to the hospital where he died later. Two women and a man known to have been in the shack with him and reported as cognizant of what occurred to cause the death, disappeared before the police learned that a fight had occurred. It is to secure the apprehension of this man and the women that the police are bending efforts.

Albert Ferris, of Cobalt, was elected to represent the Temiskaming constituency in the Older Boys' Parliament to be held at Toronto the week after Christmas.

WHAT YOU WANT WHEN YOU WANT IT.

Read These Columns Every Week. It Will Pay You.

ROOMS

FURNISHED ROOMS TO RENT—Apply after 7 o'clock to 8 Cedar St. North. 48p.

TO RENT—One furnished room. Well heated, bath, hot and cold water. Apply to 38 Tamarack St. Phone 468. 49p.

FOR RENT—Nice large bedroom with hot and cold water and bath. Suitable for two men. Apply to 6 Balsam St. North. 49p.

FOR RENT—TWO FIRST-CLASS FURNISHED BEDROOMS, with all conveniences. Apply 77 Balsam street, south, or phone 45M. 48p.

FOR RENT—Single and double bedroom with all conveniences. Will arrange to board a few. Prices reasonable. Apply to 72 Third Ave. or phone 586J. 47-49.

FOR RENT—Two rooms on ground floor; hardwood floors, newly decorated; hot and cold water; heated; all conveniences. Apply 55 Hemlock Street. 49-50p.

FOR RENT—Large number of rooms above store at 26 3rd ave. Furnished if desired. Suitable for rooming house or quiet family. Apply 26 Third Ave. 46ft

FOR RENT

TO RENT—Steam-heated, 7-roomed apartment. \$60.00 per month. Apply Geo. Taylor Hardware. -49.

TO RENT—3-roomed house. Comfortable and extra warm. Apply 83 1/2 Hollinger Lane. -49p.

TO RENT—3-Roomed House with cook stove. Central. Apply 6 Balsam street North. -48p.

STORE TO RENT—Heat supplied. Suit any business. Rent reasonable. Apply to 21 Fourth Ave. 35ft.

FOR RENT—5-roomed House, with water. Cheap. Also, 3-roomed shack for rent. Apply 17 1/2 Wilson avenue. -49p.

TO RENT—3-Roomed house with water and toilet in. Apply to Mr. Maty Mitz, corner Spruce and Seventh Ave. 49p.

HOUSE FOR RENT—Has two clean rooms and in good locality. Suitable for bachelors. Apply to 35 Wilson Ave. 49p.

FOUR ROOMED HOUSE FOR RENT Large woodshed attached. Has water in. Located at 28 Main Ave. Apply to 56 Fourth Ave. 49p.

TO RENT—1 new 4-roomed house to rent. \$18.00 per month. One 2-roomed furnished shack, \$12.00. Apply to 159 Spruce street South. -48p.

FOR RENT—Three roomed furnished house. Apply to B. Lennan, 60 Broadway, corner Broadway and Elm St. 47ft.

FOR RENT—Four roomed house, Two rooms upstairs. Water and lights. Rent reasonable. Apply to O. L. Evans, 80 First Ave. Phone 688J2. 47ft.

FOR RENT—Store building on Spruce street, with fine big cement basement. Fourteen good rooms upstairs. Plastered and well finished throughout. Good for hotel, wholesale, etc. Apply C. Martini, 3 Spruce street, opposite Freight Sheds. -29p.t.t.

CARD OF THANKS

The daughters of the late Felix Charon wish to thank all the many friends and acquaintances who were so kind and sympathetic at the time of the illness and death of their father. Also, they deeply appreciate the many floral tributes sent. -49p.

CARD OF THANKS

Lewis Field wishes to thank all the many friends and acquaintances, and especially the Football Clubs, for the kindness and thoughtfulness shown during the time he has been laid up since the accidental breaking of his leg in a football game here last August. -49p.

NOTICE

Notice is hereby given that the Nominations for Candidates for Mayor, Councillors, and Public School Trustees will be held on Monday, December the 27th, 1926 as follows:—
For Mayor, 10 a.m. to 11 a.m.
For Councillors, 12 o'clock noon to 1 p.m.
For Public School Trustees, 12 o'clock noon to 1 p.m.
And if a Poll is required it shall be held on Monday, January 3rd, 1927.
H. E. MONTGOMERY,
-49 Clerk

MISCELLANEOUS

RADIOS REPAIRED—Call and see O. Trumble, at 153 Cedar St. North. 49-52p.

SPACE FOR TWO CARS IN HEATED GARAGE. Phone 692, or call 11 Spruce street south. Maple Leaf Garage. -49.

COLD STORAGE FOR CARS. Apply to B. F. Lennan, No. 60, corner of Elm and Broadway 46

LINING OF FUR COATS and REMODELING FURS at moderate prices. Apply to 114 Elm street South. -48-51p.

THE VANITY FAIR BEAUTY SHOP is now prepared to give professional attention in all branches of Beauty Culture, as well as hair cutting and waving. Also have a first-class manicurist on hand now. Room 10, Marshall-Ecclestone block Phone 344J. 35t.f.

ARTICLES FOR SALE

TWO GRAMOPHONES FOR SALE Cheap. Apply to 105 Birch St. South. 48p.

FOR SALE—Good medium sized box stove. Costs \$11 will sell for \$6. Apply to C. J. Strong, 103 Charles St. 49p.

FOR SALE—EXTRA—3-tube set \$30.00; 5-tube set \$40.00. Come and hear them. The Radio Shop, Schumacher Theatre Bldg. -49p.

FOR SALE—Team of heavy horses. Apply R. Gordon, Clifton-Porcupine Cookery, South Porcupine, Ont. -48t.f.

FOR SALE—a Sonora Gramophone; good as new. Has full-size mahogany cabinet, and a splendid collection of records. A bargain. Apply 22 Tamarack street. -49.

FOR SALE—Two-Dog Team, trained and clever; experienced at work and on the trail. Only \$50.00. Apply to 51 Third avenue, Timmins. -47-49p.

FOR SALE—One motor 15 horse power, 550 volts, 25 cycles. Reasonable price. Apply to Lady Laurier Hotel. -32t.f.

ELEGANT WICKER WORK GIFTS for Christmas. Chairs, tables, doll's cradles, electric lamps, etc., etc. All sorts of fancy reed work. All the work of E. St. Pierre, Blind Man. See the display in the store next to Theriault & Hourigan's Tailor Shop, No. 7 Third avenue. -49p.

POSITION WANTED

WORK WANTED BY WOMAN—Light housework, cleaning, washing, etc. 40 cents per hour. Apply to 68 Third avenue. 48-49p.

CHEF COOK DESIRES POSITION in mining or construction camps; capable of cooking for 150 men; also good in all lines of baking. Best references. For particulars wire collect, or phone 25, Queen's Hotel, Timmins, Albert Lafontaine. -48p.

WANTED

WANTED TO RENT AT ONCE—House, with six or more rooms; in good condition; near Advance office. Apply to T. Fellows, c/o Advance office, Timmins. -48p.

WANTED—Furnished or partly furnished apartment; centrally located; for the winter months; by refined young couple. State conveniences. Apply Box S.T., Advance office. -49p.

LOST

LOST—Between post office and 19 Elm street, south, a pair of ladies' skates. Finder please return to 19 Elm street, south. -49p.

LOST—Man's Watch and Chain. Owner may have same by paying for this advt. and proving property. Apply to A. Cooper, 22 Middleton avenue. -49

LOST—One Hundred dollars including a cheque for \$40, and six \$10 bills rolled in cheque. Finder please return to Advance Office and receive reward. 49p.

LOST—Between Salvation Army Hall and Birch St. North, a pair of shell rimmed glasses. Finder please return to Advance Office and receive reward. 49p.

POSITIONS WANTED

YOUNG WIDOW WOULD LIKE POSITION AS HOUSEKEEPER. Apply Box G.R., Advance Office, Timmins. -49p.