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## Definite Indications of Coal and China Clay in North

**Ontario Land Surveyors Hear of Important Discovery. Geologists Believe Fuel to be Found Beneath China Clay. Reference to be Made to Provincial Highway from North Bay to Kapuskasing.**

Last week The Advance made reference to the value of the work of the land surveyors in connection with the development of the North Land. The reference was prompted by the proceedings at the Dominion Land Surveyors' Association meeting at Ottawa. This week further emphasis is given to the same idea; this time by the proceedings at the Ontario Land Surveyors' Association, held at Toronto.

Northern Ontario came in for very special attention at the 35th annual meeting of the Ontario Land Surveyors' Association held in lecture room of the Engineers' Club, Toronto, last week. Both Mr. H. W. Sutcliffe, of New Liskeard, and Mrs. L. A. Neelands were forward at that meeting to emphasize the importance of North Land matters.

There are definite indications of large deposits of a fair grade of bituminous coal in Northern Ontario, north of Cochrane, was the announcement, in effect, of Mr. Sutcliffe. It was further noted that according to geologists, deposits of china clay and deposits of coal are usually found together, and the district north of Cochrane is known to have large deposits of china clay. In addition, the geological conditions there are favourable, according to Mr. Sutcliffe. It was only recently that indications of coal were definite enough to warrant such an announcement, he said. As was only natural, the meeting considered this announcement as very important and felt that the developments should be very carefully watched. It was noted that the Ontario Department of Mines has been inclined to wait and see what developments take place before making any announcement of the discovery but, Mr. Sutcliffe stated, that geologists who have been exploring the land are firmly convinced that there is good bituminous coal to be found there. Just whether the proper combination of slate and iron essential to coal mining on a large scale exist north of Cochrane has not yet been determined.

Other matters coming before the meeting last week included reference to the North Land Highway, and the new copper discoveries in Kamiskotia and near Matheson. In reference to the North Land roadway, the meeting mentioned it as connecting Kapuskasing and the south. According to the meeting, the Provincial Highway between North Bay and Kapuskasing will be completed during the coming Summer and will add 350 miles of trunk roads to be present available mileage of the Province. When this road is completed it will be possible to motor from any point in Southern Ontario to such well-known northern points as Cobalt, New Liskeard, Haileybury, Matheson, Iroquois Falls, Timmins, Cochrane and Kapuskasing. This announcement was made in connection with the report of the Committee on Engineering, Roads and Pavements, presented by George H. Hogarth, Toronto. Various construction work under consideration and being carried at the present time in the Province, was mentioned also. New copper discoveries in the neighborhood of Matheson and Timmins were referred to. Mr. Hogarth stated that the construction of the Peace Bridge had heralded a notable development in building construction in the neighborhood of Fort Erie. The Summer of 1928 would see the completion of the new Welland Canal he said.

Mr. Neelands dealt with the question of town planning. Among other interesting points Mr. Neelands stated that the League of Nations was to be asked to create an exchange for town-planning ideas. It had been taken up by the Jews in the Holy Land. In future, the stress will be laid on having less tenement houses, if any, and on making the whole town beautiful, rather than having only an impressive civic centre.

Another matter that may be of general interest was dealt with at the meeting of the land surveyors. According to the recommendations of the Legislation Committee, which were adopted by the meeting, the association favours the employment of a land surveyor in every Registry Office in the Province. This, they say, would do away with endless disputes about the boundaries and descriptions

of land, and would give uniform descriptions of parcels of lands in each office. Another recommendation was to the effect that municipalities define areas that they desire to use for subdivision purposes in connection with town-planning. At present it takes considerable time and not a little difficulty to set aside such properties, they claim.

### MR. C. ERICKSON TO MANAGE POTTER-DOAL PROPERTY

It is reported that Mr. Carl Erickson, who has been manager of the Amulet property in Quebec, has resigned that position and this week has taken over the management of the Potter-Doal Mines, which latter property is a dozen miles or so from Matheson in a northeasterly direction. The copper-gold discovery on the Potter-Doal claims some months ago created quite an interest in mining circles. Apparently the property has proven of much importance for work has been carried on at the claims with very gratifying results, according to the reports. This fact is supported by the further fact that a company has been formed and finances secured to develop the Potter-Doal Mines property. Mr. Erickson is to take charge this week, it is understood, and an extended and energetic plan of development is to be carried out. A magnetometric survey of the property will be the first activity and this will be accompanied by diamond drilling, to be followed in turn by shaft-sinking and general mining work. Mr. Erickson has been manager of the Amulet practically since the first discovery was made on that property.

### ADVOCATES BROADCASTING STATION FOR THE NORTH.

In commenting on the recent editorial by The Toronto Star urging that the T. & N. O. establish a radio broadcasting station in the North Land, The North Bay Nugget takes much the same stand as that adopted a couple of weeks ago by The Advance. The Nugget in an editorial article last week says:—

"Although it makes its suggestion for a reason that would have no appeal to radio owners in the North there is a real merit, but for another reason, in the suggestion in a Toronto paper that the T. & N. O. Commission install and operate a radio broadcasting station in Northern Ontario. The reason for the move, as suggested by the Toronto paper, is that the fans in the North may be able to receive radio programmes. This, of course, is no reason at all, for most Northern points give the fans better reception than cities much farther out. At Elk Lake, for instance, it is quite a common thing for the fan to get programmes broadcast from Los Angeles.

"However there is one reason that is sufficient for the installation of a broadcasting station here. That is the advertising Northern Ontario would get through it. Atlantic City, for instance, thinks enough of the radio as a medium of drawing tourists to the famous board walk to operate a powerful municipally owned station. The T. & N. O. railroad and the whole of Northern Ontario could cash in on a station operated in the North. It would, of course, have to be sufficiently powerful to reach through the barrier of broadcasts from cities in the United States to be effective. Descriptions of the wonderland of the North, the tourists playground, would reach hundreds of thousands. The fisherman's paradise at Temagami, the big game in the North woods, the timber and mineral wealth of the mining districts and the agricultural possibilities of New Ontario could be a feature of the programmes broadcast. Investment in a powerful broadcasting station by the T. & N. O. would return dividends."

In the Trail Rangers hockey series the following games on the schedule remain to be played:—Feb. 26th, Dome at Schumacher; Timmins at South Porcupine. March 5th, Schumacher at Timmins; South Porcupine at Dome.

### DEATH OF ONE OF THE OLD PIONEERS OF THE NORTH

The Haileyburian last week says:— "An old pioneer of the North Country, in the person of Mr. John G. Guppy, passed away at the Red Cross Hospital, Haileybury, on Monday morning. He had been brought to the hospital from the home of his son, Mr. Ted Guppy, at Temagami, on Thursday, suffering from cancer of the stomach, which proved fatal in spite of all that medical skill could do. The late Mr. Guppy, who was seventy-three years of age, was born in England and came to Canada at an early age. For the past thirty-two years he had been in this district, living in Haileybury for a considerable part of that time. On the death of his wife, which took place two years ago, he went to live with his son, Mr. E. T. Guppy, at Temagami, where he was taken ill about three weeks before his death. During his long residence in the North, Mr. Guppy was engaged chiefly in the timber and lumber business. For a number of years he was inspector for the I. O. O. Lake Temiskaming. He was of a genial disposition and made many friends and his death is sincerely regretted by all who knew him. He was a member of the Presbyterian Church and later of the United Church. Three daughters and four sons are surviving. They are Mrs. Jas. McLeod, of Peace River, Alta., Mrs. Andrew Anderson, of Dayland, Alta., and Mrs. J. McKenzie, of Giroux Lake; Messrs W. H. George, Alex., and Ted Guppy, all of Temagami."

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