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REPORT ON BOUNDARY OF ONTARIO AND MANITOBA

Historical Sketch and Report of Surveys of the Districts Adjacent to the Boundary Between the Two Provinces.

Ontario is the second largest province of the Dominion and contains over 400,000 square miles, being exceeded in size by the province of Quebec which is nearly three-quarters as large again. It occupies over ten per cent. of the aggregate land area of the Dominion and exhibits many varieties of climate and soil, from the distinctively southern conditions along the shores of Lake Erie to the relatively diverse ones of Hudson and James Bays, Manitoba, its neighbouring province on the west, with an area six-tenths as large, exhibits varieties nearly as diverse as those Ontario.

Ontario and Manitoba have not always occupied the same extent as they do at present. Several times their limits have been set forth by Imperial enactment or by Dominion statute, the ultimate effects of which have been large increases to the original areas of each.

At one time Manitoba with its regular boundaries appeared so small upon the Dominion maps that it was often referred to as the "postage

stamp province." The latest acquisition to the territory included within this province was by Dominion Act of Parliament in 1912 when a part of the district of Keewatin was included. At the same time, also, the present district of Patricia was added to the province of Ontario, and a large area in Labrador peninsula to Quebec. These three expanses of virgin territory contain possibilities for future development that can be only surmised today.

These possibilities are indicated in the mineral development that has already taken place in the area in Manitoba, on the recent discoveries of the Red Lake area in Ontario, in the forest wealth as a source of timber and pulpwood, in the available power resources of the innumerable water falls, in the hunting, fishing, and tourist attractions, and the many other features.

When Ontario and Manitoba were extended in 1912 the boundary between them was defined. This was to be along the then-existing meridian-line eastern boundary of Manitoba to a point about 365 miles north of the International boundary from which point it turned northeasterly in a straight line to the eastern edge of Island Lake and thence in a straight line to the intersection of the 60th parallel of latitude with the western shore of Hudson Bay.

At that time only a small portion of this boundary line had been run upon the ground, namely that part of the meridian-line boundary lying south of Winnipeg river. The necessity for further demarcation of the boundary soon became apparent for reasons principally connected with administration, and in 1921 and 1922 the meridian-line boundary was surveyed to the point at which it turns northeasterly. This performed under the direction of two commissioners, the Director of Surveys, Toronto, for the province of Ontario, and the Surveyor General, Ottawa, for the Dominion of Canada. The interests of the province of Manitoba were considered to be the same as those of the Dominion since Dominion lands only were affected.

The report of these commissioners has just been issued. It presents a historical sketch with the incidents leading up to the necessity for the survey, the present boundaries, methods of survey, actual surveys made, and a general description of the district. An appendix giving the results of magnetic declination observations is also included.

Perhaps, the most interesting feature of the report so far as the general public is concerned, is the chapter

devoted to a description of the district. What little is known about this practically unknown area is presented under various sections relating to physical features and economic possibilities of the country. The report is well illustrated and is accompanied by an atlas of maps, the complete atlas containing sixteen sheets.

Copies of the report and atlas may be obtained upon application to the Topographical Survey, Department of the Interior, Ottawa, for the nominal fee of one dollar for the report and two dollars for the atlas, or three dollars for the both combined. These amounts are for the paper-covered editions. The report alone is also issued in a cloth cover for which the fee is \$1.25. The fee for the sheets contained in the atlas, if desired separately, is fifteen cents each.

WHAT CAUSED THE MARK ON THE GENTLEMAN'S NOSE

The Mail & Empire tells this one:—"Doctor," began the well-dressed patient, "my eyes are bothering me a bit; see what you can do for me in the way of glasses."

"Take a seat, sir," said the oculist. "And now tell what kind you've been wearing."

"None. I've never worn glasses in my life. Never need 'em before."

"Indeed! You will pardon my mistake, but I judged from the mark on the bridge of your nose that you—"

"Oh," interrupted the other. "That mark? I got that from drinking homebrew out of fruit jars."

GIRLS' BOWLING TEAMS SCORES FOR MAY 26TH

A		
C. McDonald	113	281
O. Ramsay	173	350
M. Ferguson	160	345
M. Francis	117	251
G. Robinson	118	249
B		
M. Morrison	160	371
J. Ross	282	421
M. Alway	137	277
J. Morrison	179	344
V. Jackson	161	253
C		
I. Carruthers	161	256
F. McDonald	132	274
L. McIntosh	161	360
A. Hill	161	295
K. Egan	140	292
D		
N. McLeod	99	199
G. Everett	103	255
M. Smith	277	428
J. Acheson	115	271
M. Tackaberry	104	276
Substitutes		
H. Sprague	29	145
N. Treleven	115	202
J. Bogie	125	219
R. Garbut	166	265

Standing of teams:—A. 10, B. 11, C. 9, D. 6.

This is the last game of the year for the Girls' Club. Those having the highest averages for the year are:—J. Morrison, M. Smith, F. McDonald, C. McDonald and M. Ferguson.

Miss J. Morrison won first prize for highest total in last period; Miss M. Smith second; Miss C. McDonald third.

Miss J. Bogie won the substitutes' prize.

For the highest individual score in the past six weeks, Mrs. G. Ross won the prize.

A meeting of the Timmins Board of Trade is called for Thursday evening, June 2nd, at 8 o'clock, in the Grill Room of the Empire Hotel. All should note the time and place for this important meeting this evening.

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MORE MUSIC WANTED AT LOCAL PICTURE HOUSES

Suggestion for Installation of Organ, and for Larger Orchestras at Theatres.

The following open letter regarding the music at the local theatres has been received for publication. It will be noted that the writer acknowledges that the complaint is not so much with the present music as with the fact that there are not enough instruments in the orchestras. It would not be out of place to give special compliment to the music usually furnished by these small orchestras, notably the one at the New Empire theatre. At the same time there is much in the letter received that is worthy of consideration. Here is the letter in full.

To the Managements of Local Cinema Theatres:

Dear Sirs:—Concerning the music which is rendered at our local cinemas, I think without doubt there is room for improvement.

One cannot help but notice that the music is not always appropriate to some of the scenes enacted. All due respect to the orchestras furnished! They undoubtedly do their best, and such is appreciated to the fullest extent. But they could do better were more instruments at their disposal.

It is hard for a violinist to play continuously throughout a performance. Therefore at times we witness the progress of the film unaccompanied by music. I have noticed at times scenes of unusual interest,—scenes that depict a great moral,—are depicted without music, the result being that the interest deteriorates and the moral is often lost through the lack of music, or the wrong music being played.

Pathetic scenes, wedding scenes, etc., are always before us during the film showing. What finer music could be rendered than that from an organ? (Of course, I omit syncopation.) Were an organ at the disposal of our orchestras, we would get music appropriate to such scenes, incidentally relieving the violinist, which would mean a continued musical programme during the performances.

Considering the class of films presented to us in Timmins, and the prices we pay to see such, I think better music is coming to us.

Knowing my suggestion is made at an inopportune time (the summer months fast approaching) which means smaller audiences, perhaps, the managements will endeavour to make an improvement or an addition to the music at least at one of our cinemas for its fall patrons.

—J. BODELL, Music Lover.

WHY, IRENE!

Irene Thomas, pretty typist, Really made a hit With her new boss, Dave A. Meyer, But she had to quit When he noticed on each letter She had signed DAM: IT.

—American Legion Weekly.

GOLD PIN FOUND AFTER THE BATTLE LAST WEEK

Last week the school youngsters crowded into The Advance office to secure the scribbles given away free. In the resulting crush no harm was done, but apparently one youngster lost a gold bar pin in the crush. At least after the battle was over such a pin was picked up on the floor. The youngster losing the pin may have same by calling at The Advance office and describing the pin.

TRAVEL TO RED LAKE AREA EXCEEDING LAST YEAR'S

There is not the howl about Red Lake that there was last year, but reports from the district indicate that travel to that area actually exceeds the rush of 1926. The run into Red Lake this year commenced three weeks ago with the opening of the Northern rivers. Parties are leaving Sioux Lookout and Hudson every day and accommodation is taxed to the limit. At Goldpines formerly known as Pine Ridge the camps are filled to overflowing and men are bunking on the floor. The chief interest this year seems to be in the Narrow Lake and Woman Lake sections, where very promising discoveries were made last year. Among the special activities noted in some of the despatches is the fact that J. Carl Lawson and Robert Fleming, of Toronto, with a party of ten men, have gone to Narrow Lake to start work on the properties of the Lawson Narrow Lake Syndicate, located a little over a mile east of the Bathurst. They took in over a ton of supplies, and will inaugurate an aggressive surface campaign. The properties comprise over a thousand acres, and several interesting finds have been made.

MAYOR OF ENGLEHART BELIEVES HE HAS MINE

The Northern Miner last week publishes the following article which will be of general interest all through the North:—

"All Englehart is watching with interest the efforts of Harry Weeks, mayor of the town, to prove up a gold property a mile from the town limits. Should this property come through it might herald the coming of still another camp in the north.

"The property which Mr. Weeks is operating is located in Dack township one mile parallel with the Charlton road west of Englehart. Although the mayor has secured options on several adjoining farms he is at present centreing his efforts on the Simpkins Farm, where the most promising showings have been discovered.

"Two shafts have been put down. The one which is being worked at present is 100 feet, with the second a few feet away, and which was put down through a clay overburden to prove the vein, is down 14 feet.

"The vein in the first shaft is eight feet wide, although the wall rock has not yet been reached. Scripping for twenty-five feet across the vein has exposed intrusions of red porphyry. Grab samples have run from a trace to \$13.60 in value.

"The find was made by Mr. Weeks in spring of 1926. It has been traced for half a mile across an adjoining farm which is among those under option. The vein runs northeast and southwest from the shaft and dips to the north. It is about a mile from the McPherson vein in Dack township, which is being worked by Towne and Flanagan.

"At least one prominent mining company has shown interest in the prospect. The Northern Miner was informed when a visit was made to the property recently. A neat little sign announces to the uninformed that the property is known as the Obejoyful Mine. It is operated exclusively by Mr. Weeks.

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