

A New Year's Message

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Mr. GEO. W. LEE

Chairman, T. & N. O. Commission

North Bay, Ont., Dec. 28th, 1927

I wish to take this opportunity to extend to you most sincere New Year's greetings.

We have very much to be thankful for during the past year. We are looking forward to 1928 as the banner year in Northern Ontario and Quebec. To me it has been a great pleasure to serve the people in my capacity.

May the happy relations continue throughout 1928 and all future years! I extend to one and all most cordial greetings for a happy and prosperous New Year.

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New Technical High School Will Open Wednesday, Jan. 4

Commercial and Industrial Courses, Together with Domestic Science and Home Nursing Courses to be Featured at New Technical School in Timmins.

The new Technical School, in connection with the Timmins High School, will open at 9 a.m. on Wednesday, Jan. 4th. The High School will re-open at the same time.

In the Technical School, the following courses will be offered:— Commercial course—a continuation of the courses organized in September last.

Industrial courses in wood-working, machine practice and metal-working, mining.

Domestic science and home nursing classes.

The industrial classes and domestic science classes will be open to pupils of fourth book standing in the public and separate schools. Pupils below entrance standing, as will be noted by the formal announcement elsewhere in this issue, should present certificates of scholarship and character from their present teachers.

During the first year all boys taking industrial classes will be given an opportunity to take wood-working, metal-working and mining, to enable them to find out what work they are best adapted for, and which line they may prefer to follow.

In addition to the technical work, the students will take up academic work equivalent to the completion of the fourth book course in the public and separate schools.

The new Technical High School offers a fine opportunity to the young people of the district for commercial and industrial training and education. The new Technical High School is a particularly fine building and remarkably well-equipped. The instructors are of the highest standing and experience, and the success of this feature of the Timmins High School seems to be assured from the very start, provided the young people take advantage of the opportunities offered.

Anyone requiring any particulars in regard to the courses or information otherwise in the matter, may secure all details from Mr. J. W. Treleven, principal of the Timmins High School and Technical High School.

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MAYOR LONGMORE

On behalf of the Council and myself, I wish to express my appreciation of the co-operation and support given us during the past year and extend to all the heartiest Good Wishes for 1928.

My most earnest wish is that all should unite not only to improve the financial affairs of Timmins but also to establish such conditions as will be most beneficial to the youth of the town.

E. L. LONGMORE.

SOME GLASSY RINKS AT LOCAL BONSPIEL HERE

Twelve Rinks, Club Competition, President Competition and Consolation Events to be Played

A local bonspiel opened this week at the Timmins Curling rink. There will be Club competition, President's competition, and a consolation event. There will be a first prize in each event. The bonspiel will be played this week and next, and it will be a "knockout" in more ways than one. There are twelve rinks entered, and the majority of them are unusually strong ones. It promises to be a keen competition throughout. The play started yesterday afternoon. The following are the twelve rinks:—

R. E. Dye, J. Knox, J. W. Ecclestone, and D. Sutherland, skip.

S. Platus, W. R. Sullivan, H. Hucklestone, and A. W. Lang, skip.

J. Amm, D. Ostrosner, H. E. Montgomery, and C. R. Murdoch skip.

W. Dunn, R. H. Hall, E. Urquhart, and V. H. Emery, skip.

J. W. Wray, P. Dougall, Geo. Lake, and W. Rinn, skip.

I. Dunn, W. G. Smith, J. E. Sullivan, and G. H. Gauthier, skip.

W. King, J. W. Fogg, H. Jackson, and J. R. Todd, skip.

H. G. Laidlaw, J. E. Newton, P. M. Gordon, and I. A. Solomon, skip.

A. Stirling, A. Lawlor, Dr. Porter, and H. J. Marshall, skip.

G. Moore, H. Shields, A. E. Prout, and L. Walker, skip.

C. G. Keddie, C. Abrams, A. E. Lake, and Geo. S. Drew, skip.

T. Blackman, S. Wooley, A. R. Harkness, and J. Watt, skip.

The Timmins Cup competition will start the first week in the New Year.

Fire Chief R. J. Matheson, of Cobalt, has ordered the Cobalt rink to close until certain repairs are made, the rink at present not being considered safe. The notice to close the rink was made by Chief Matheson in his capacity as building inspector for the town of Cobalt.

REBEKAH'S CHILDREN'S PARTY A BIG SUCCESS

Enjoyable Event Featured by Two Plays, Supper, and Other Attractive Items

The Rebekah's Children's Party, held in the Oddfellows' hall on Thursday evening of last week, proved a very noteworthy success, and to say that all attending were delighted with the event is to put the matter very mildly. There was a big crowd present for the occasion, and each and all, young and old, found the evening a very happy one indeed.

Two special features of the evening were the two plays put on,—one by the junior children and the other by the older youngsters. These plays were given with unusual talent and this, added to the fact that they were original and pleasing in themselves, made them of particular interest and attraction. The clever acting of the children, and their sweet singing were greatly appreciated and won very general approval and commendation.

In the senior play the gifted and finished work of Miss Ina Rayeroff and Master Stewart Dewar were outstanding in their excellence, while all the others taking part showed a talent that was remarkable. The training of the children reflects the very highest credit on Mrs. Keane and Mrs. Coady who directed this part of the event. All attending the party were agreed in praising the very gifted work of these two ladies whose skill and patience assured the two plays of such noteworthy success.

During the evening a very pleasant supper was provided and enjoyed, while oranges, candies, nuts, etc., were also given out as a Christmas treat for the youngsters.

The Advance has received a great many compliments on its Christmas number, issued last week, the kind words referring both to the appearance and the contents of the number. Perhaps, the finest compliment was the large sale for the number.

MONDAY NEXT, JAN. 2nd, WILL BE PUBLIC HOLIDAY

New Year's Day falling on a Sunday, the holiday will be duly observed on Monday, Jan. 2nd, as was the case in the matter of the Christmas Day holiday. Business places will be closed on Monday, and the day generally observed throughout the Dominion as a holiday.

JUVENILE HOCKEY LEAGUE TO START NEXT MONTH

During the holidays the work of looking after the juvenile hockey can not be actively carried on, but preparations can be planned for the opening of the league. The regular league schedule will be commenced as soon as school re-opens. Accordingly those concerned are asked to get their teams together and all ready to go, so that at the re-opening of school the teams will all be organized ready for a big season.

ELECTION CONTEST IN TOWNSHIP OF WHITNEY

Nominations for the reeve and councillors of the township of Whitney were held on Monday of this week with a number of candidates duly nominated for the office. There will be an election this year for Whitney, the voting taking place on Monday next. The following are the candidates:—

For reeve—Geo. Bannerman and G. D. Hamilton.

For councillors—Fred Croteau, James Lowden, P. Rotondo, W. R. Smith, I. P. Wilson and Jos. W. Young.

Nominations for separate school trustees were held at St. Anthony's school on Wednesday night. There were six nominated but only three stood for the offices and so were elected by acclamation. The new separate school trustees are:—Dr. Joyal, Albert Depatie and P. C. Maltais.

Mayor and Four Councillors Elected by Acclamation

Mayor Longmore Only One to Qualify for Mayoralty. Five Qualify for Council, but Dr. Brennan Resigns Before 9 p.m. on Tuesday Night. New Nomination and Election for Two More Councillors Necessary.

Nominations for the municipal elections were held on Monday, with the candidates having until 9 p.m. on Tuesday to qualify. There were three nominated for mayor, but neither Dr. McNinn nor E. G. Dickson qualified, and the present mayor, Mr. E. L. Longmore, being prevailed upon by friends to stand for another term, was duly elected by acclamation.

There were twenty nominated for council, but only five qualified, these being:—W. H. Pritchard, Geo. S. Drew, A. G. Carson, P. Dougall and Dr. A. P. Brennan. The five so qualifying were duly elected by acclamation. In the meantime, however, before 9 p.m. Tuesday evening, Dr. A. P. Brennan had decided not to go on the council this year and withdrew. This left only four councillors, Messrs Pritchard, Drew, Carson and Dougall. After the new year, new nominations and election will be necessary to complete the council.

There were seven nominated for the public school board. Only the necessary three qualified, these being:—Dr. Hague, Dr. Honey and H. W. Hooker. Nomination day passed off quietly here on Monday, only a few citizens attending. The people in general appeared to be well satisfied with the 1927 council and ready to see them take office again and carry on. At no time during the nomination were there more than twenty ratepayers present, and at times the number was less than that.

The following are the nominations, some of those nominated, however, being nominated more than once:—

- For Mayor**
E. L. Longmore, mill superintendent, proposed by Geo. S. Drew, seconded by F. Johnson.
- E. G. Dickson, by C. Pletsch and R. Bannino.
- John Archibald McNinn, physician, by H. Jeffrey and F. Johnson.
- E. G. Dickson, by C. Pletsch and R. garage, by Monroe M. Gibson and C. Pletsch.
- For Councillor**
W. H. Pritchard, master mechanic, by
- J. E. Morin and T. A. Skelly.
- John Morrison, by Dr. McNinn and H. Jeffrey.
- A. G. Carson, by Dr. Hague and N. J. Leamen.
- Geo. S. Drew, by Dr. Hague and N. J. Leamen.
- Ronald Anderson, shift boss, McIntyre Mine, by F. Johnson and T. A. Skelly.
- Andrew Patrick Brennan, dentist, by Dr. Joyal and M. M. Gibson.
- Dr. Joyal, by M. M. Gibson and R. Bannino.
- Joseph Pierre Roy, planing mill and contractor, by Alfred Caron and A. L'Eueyer.
- Alfred Caron, by A. L'Eueyer and D. Martin.
- David Martin, by J. P. Roy and Alfred Caron.
- I. K. Pierce, merchant, by R. Bannino and M. M. Gibson.
- Geo. Moore, by M. M. Gibson and R. Bannino.
- Carl Eyre, by R. Bannino and M. M. Gibson.
- Peter Maltais, by A. G. Carson and James Cowan.
- Joseph E. Morin, by James Cowan and John Thomas.
- Sam Bucovetsky, by M. M. Gibson and E. G. Dickson.
- P. Dougall, by A. G. Carson and N. J. Leamen.
- R. F. Francis, by Geo. S. Drew and A. G. Carson.
- F. Valois, by N. Caron and Chas. Cummings.
- Maitland McChesney, by H. Jeffrey and J. S. McGuire.
- For Public School Trustees**
Omer G. Hague, physician, by Thos. Blackman and C. G. Kemsley.
- Chas. Kemsley, by Thos. Blackman and Dr. J. A. McNinn.
- S. L. Honey, dentist, by W. Rinn and A. G. Carson.
- R. W. McBain, by Thos. Blackman and W. Rinn.
- Mrs. Sheppard, by T. A. Skelly and F. Johnson.
- E. H. Hill, by Geo. S. Drew and F. Johnson.
- H. W. Hooker, by H. G. Laidlaw and E. H. Hill.

MANY HAPPY FEATURES AT CORNISH CHRISTMAS TREE

Elegant Presents for the Kiddies. Fine Supper, Sleighride Party. Pleasing Programme

The Cornish Social Club Christmas tree and party on Saturday night in the Hollinger hall was one of the happy events of the Christmas season. There was a bumper attendance and everybody had a most enjoyable time. The children at the C.A.S. Shelter were the guests of the society for the evening, and they pronounced the event as "Great!" The supper served the youngsters of the Cornish Club and their guests was a noteworthy one and was done full justice, to the cornish delicacies provided being specially enjoyed. There were presents on the tree for each and all, the youngsters all being delighted with the handsome gifts, while there was also much fun from the gifts for some of the grown-ups.

A special feature was the sleighride given all the youngsters during the evening. This part of the programme was greatly enjoyed. The Cornish people provided sleighs, warm wrappings for the youngsters, and also horns for them to make their presence known. Then the youngsters were treated to a surprise sleigh-ride round town.

During the evening at the hall there were songs by the children, the numbers by the six little youngsters being specially enjoyed. The little lad who danced the Charleston also made a big hit. The whole concert programme was a very enjoyable one, all the numbers being attractive. The Cornish Club Christmas tree and party throughout was a great success and all concerned in its arrangement are entitled to much credit. There was a good orchestra in attendance and dancing was enjoyed at the close of the other proceedings.

Rev. J. D. Parks and Mrs. Parks were the recipients of a very handsome gift by the Girls' Club of the United Church, the Christmas token being a beautiful Chesterfield suite.

PORCUPINE MASONIC LODGE OBSERVES ST. JOHN NIGHT

Officers Installed for Ensuing Year. Usual Pleasant Banquet Enjoyed After Work of Order.

The night of St. John was given due observance at Porcupine Lodge, A. F. & A. M., South Porcupine, on Tuesday evening of this week.

There was the installation of officers for the ensuing year, the installing officers being R.W. Bro. R. LeHeup and R.W. Bro. E. J. Mason.

The following were the officers installed:— I.P.M.—W. Bro. A. H. Yeomans. W.M.—Bro. Geo. R. Starling. S.W.—Bro. R. E. McWilliams. J.W.—Bro. E. A. F. Day. Chaplain—R.W. Bro. E. J. Mason. Treasurer—Bro. A. J. Pearce. Secretary—Bro. Geo. E. Cole. S.D.—Bro. John Fell. J.D.—Bro. Fred Mason. D. of C.—Bro. Herbert Blood. S.S.—Bro. P. J. Andrews. J.S.—Bro. Weber Briden. Organist—Bro. W. J. Moore. I.G.—Bro. Percy Richards. Tyler—Bro. A. D. Pearce. Auditors—Bros. P. J. Andrews and F. H. Hall.

After the work of the Order, there was a very pleasant banquet held, with an attractive toast list, many inspiring addresses, and other features of interest. A special item on the evening's programme was the excellent radio concert provided through the kindness of Bro. Harry Wilson who installed and operated a radio receiving set in very successful way. After the toast to the King and the Craft had been duly honoured, R.W. Bro. Mason proposed the toast to the Grand Lodge of Canada, in very able way, R.W. Bro. LeHeup making effective and pleasing reply. The toast to the Visitors was proposed by Bro. Geo. Cole in his usual pleasing way, and excellent response to this was given by Bro. Taylor. Other very able and inspiring addresses were given during the evening by Bro. Starling, W.M., and by Bro. R. S. McWilliams.

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Mr. A. F. KENNING, M.L.A.

To the People of the North Land:

In these closing days of 1927, I would like, through the medium of The Advance, to extend to the people of the North my very sincerest good wishes to them for a happy and prosperous New Year. In the newer parts of this North the people have all worked together in friendly spirit for the building up of the various communities, and as a result personal friendships have been formed, and the season's good wishes are accordingly from the heart, being from friend to friend bound together by the common tie of friendship of this great North.

During the past year the progress of this North Land has been especially worthy of note. The Ferguson Highway, a hope for years is now a reality, and connects the several camps of the North with each other and binds together New and Old Ontario. The mining industry is going forward in important way. The established mines are extending their operations. The smaller mines are growing to big ones. Many new properties of promise are being added to the list. Kamiskotia promises to add another big mining camp to those already in the North. Conditions in the lumber industry have been much improved and progress and prosperity are forecast in this line. The communities of the North have all advanced during the year, and there is renewed hope in the agricultural development of the North.

The past year has been a good one. The coming year will be a better one. Let us work together again to make it so.

Again wishing all the compliments of the season, I am,

Yours Sincerely,

A. F. KENNING, M.L.A.
for Cochrane South

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Hon. CHAS. McCREA

Minister of Mines for Ontario

The New Year is a time for both the forward and backward look, and the mining community of Northern Ontario has good reason for satisfaction with the outlook in either direction. Looking over the past year we see steady progress not only in the mines of the production district, but also in the new areas where fresh discoveries have been made and development work is being carried on. Not many years ago the rich mines of Porcupine were in the same condition in which the so-called "prospects" are to-day. Few, if any of the men who prospected the ground on which the town of Timmins now stands ever dreamed that the district would become such a hive of industry and that there would arise such an up-to-date young metropolis of the North, and yet it is to the labour and courage of these pioneers amid the wilds that we owe the great mining industry which flourishes in the Porcupine district at the present time.

Let us resolve at the beginning of another year to emulate the exertion and the spirit of those men and women who founded our industrial centres, and so ensure the handing down of many a happy and prosperous New Year to those who shall come after us. Heartiest good wishes to the people of Porcupine.

CHARLES McCREA,
Dept. of Mines, Toronto, Ontario.