

Official Opening of Fine New Rink at Kirkland Lake

Many Distinguished Visitors Present for the Occasion. Generosity of Mr. Harry Oakes Praised. Old-time Hockey Team from Porcupine Camp Takes Part in Programme. Great Time for Kirkland Lake on Tuesday Night.

The official opening of the magnificent new rink at Kirkland Lake took place on Tuesday evening, and proved one of the big events in the history of the North Land. The rink itself is a wonderful one for any community to possess. It is of immense size, and equipped in the most modern way, the sort of a rink that would be found only in a large city. With an immense ice surface, it will seat 2000 spectators, while it is wonderfully equipped with dressing rooms, galleries, rest rooms, club rooms and all modern conveniences. It is the gift of Mr. Harry Oakes and the Lake Shore Mine to the people of Kirkland Lake camp. It is understood that the only restriction placed on the gift is that permanent provision is to be made for the free admission of all children to the privileges of the rink for specified hours each week.

The official opening on Tuesday evening commenced with a banquet in the main hall, with Reeve Carter in the chair. This banquet was given by the municipality in honour of Mr. Harry Oakes. Among the speakers on this occasion were:—Mr. Harry Oakes; Hon. W. Finlayson, Minister of Lands & Forests, representing the Ontario Government; Mr. Hector Charlesworth, editor of The Toronto Saturday Night; Mr. Geo. W. Lee, chairman of the T. & N. O. Commission. The feast provided was a noteworthy one and did great credit to Kirkland Lake hospitality. An unusually fine orchestra provided the music for the occasion. Among those present at the event were:—Col. L. T. Martin, of the T. & N. O. commission; Mr. A. F. Kenning, M.P.P., and others.

The official opening of the rink took place later with a programme long to be remembered. The whole entertainment was provided free by Mr. Oakes and the Lake Shore. The rink is a wonderful one, costing \$65,000, and is the gift of Mr. Oakes and the Lake Shore to the people. Among those speaking at the opening were:—Mr.

Oakes, who made the presentation; Mr. Hector Charlesworth; Hon. Wm. Finlayson; Mr. Geo. W. Lee; Dr. Camsell, Deputy Minister of Mines for the Dominion; Mr. G. V. O'Meara, of Kirkland Lake; Hon. Peter Heenan, Dominion Minister of Labour; Hon. W. H. German; Reeve Carter; Major Mac Lang, M.P., and others. Those called upon to speak all took occasion to refer in fitting way to Mr. Harry Oakes and his generous gift and his general kindness and interest in the North Land.

A male quartette from Toronto gave the finest of vocal music. There was fancy-skating exhibitions by experts brought from Toronto for the occasion, these clever skaters both showing some remarkable work on skates. Sandwiches, coffee, etc., were served to all. There were fully 2000 present for the occasion, and several hundreds of others had to be turned away for lack of further room. It was one of the greatest gatherings ever held in the North.

A special feature of the evening was the hockey match between the new Kirkland Lake team and the team of old-timers from the Porcupine Camp. After a lively game, in which Harry Oakes' team showed great promise, the Kirkland Lake team was able to score and tie the game, which ended 1-1. The team from the Porcupine was:—Thornton, goal; C. Roach and T. M. White, defence; O'Brien, centre; Portelance, right wing; Rothwell, left wing; Cain, Lillie, Jemmett, Spence, Charlebois, subs. "Dutch" Cain scored the only goal for the visitors. Mr. Jamieson, of South Porcupine, handled the team. The weather was very mild, and the evening was a good one for the crowd, but not so suitable for the skating and hockey, the ice being soft.

Among those at the event from the Porcupine Camp were:—Mr. I. A. Solomon, Schumacher; Mr. Robinson, of the McIntyre; Mr. A. W. Lang, Timmins; Geo. Lake, Timmins; A. F. Kenning, M.P.P.

HON. MR. FINLAYSON AND PARTY GUESTS OF KIWANIS

Party Making Tour of the North. Hon. Mr. Finlayson to Address Home and School Association Here

Hon. Wm. Finlayson and a party including prominent newspapermen and public men of the Province is this week on a tour of the North. They are spending to-day in Timmins. At noon to-day Hon. Mr. Finlayson and party were the guests of the Kiwanis Club, the weekly luncheon being deferred until to-day to allow of the entertaining of the party.

Hon. Mr. Finlayson will also address the Home and School Association here this afternoon.

Included in the party visiting the North are:—Hon. Mr. Finlayson, Minister of Lands & Forests; Mr. Hector Charlesworth, editor of Toronto Saturday Night; Hon. W. H. German; Hon. Peter Heenan, Dominion Minister of Labour; Dr. Camsell, Dominion Deputy Minister of Mines; Co. L. T. Martin, Col. McLaren and Chairman Geo. W. Lee, of T. & N. O. and others.

The party will leave Timmins late this evening to continue their trip.

KIWANIS CONCERT NEXT THURSDAY, JANUARY 19

Noteworthy Entertainment in Lyceum Series on Thursday of Next Week at Goldfields

The three concerts given last year under the auspices of the Timmins Kiwanis Club proved so noteworthy in merit and interest that public attention has been directed to the series of high-class events sponsored by the Kiwanis Club. People have been so pleased with the previous events that they are looking forward with keen anticipation to the other entertainments in the group promised for here.

The next event in this series is to be held in the Goldfields theatre on Thursday evening of next week, Jan. 19th. Miss Jean MacDonald, a famous elocutionist and entertainer, will be the artist for the evening. Miss Jean MacDonald has won considerable fame on this continent as an entertainer and comedienne. Her programme includes Scottish and Irish sketches, impersonations of an old man, a young girl and a mischievous lad. There is a delightful variety about her programme. As one newspaper says in referring to one of the Miss Jean MacDonald events, "This Bonnie Jean is a whole entertainment in herself. She provides a complete and very varied programme. There is something doing every minute, and everybody is amused and pleased from the opening to the very close."

Miss Jean MacDonald is gifted in sketches, readings and novelties. Pathos, wit, humour and information are presented by her with equal cleverness and finish. Her impersonations of strikingly diverse characters is referred to by one newspaper as "fairly marvellous."

Miss MacDonald has toured both Canada and the United States, and in places large and small she has won the highest praise from press and public for her talent.

In addition to Miss MacDonald's fine programme the Kiwanis Club has arranged for three fine reels of pictures to be shown.

Lovers of good entertainment should note the date—Thursday evening of next week, Jan. 19th. Also the place should be remembered! The Goldfields theatre! The fact that the event is under the auspices of the Kiwanis Club is itself an assurance of its excellence. In addition it should be kept in mind that any proceeds from this entertainment will go to the Kiwanis fund for the underprivileged children. In this way it can not fail to do much good. And, of course, the event will be worth while for its own sake, as an entertainment of general merit and interest. Seats are now obtainable, as will be noted from the announcement elsewhere in this issue.

SURPRISE PARTY AT HOME OF MR. AND MRS. A. COOPER

The home of Mr. and Mrs. Albert Cooper, 22 Middleton avenue, was the scene of a very enjoyable surprise party on Monday evening, Jan. 2nd, when about twenty of their friends paid an unexpected visit to their home. The host and hostess entered into the spirit of the occasion, and made all feel at home with their generous hospitality. There was a very enjoyable programme, consisting of dancing, games and many new and interesting features. Midnight luncheon was served under the management of Mrs. J. A. Hefferman and Miss Irene Loam. This feature was much appreciated by all. The party was truly a surprise, but made all the more pleasant by the fine spirit shown by the host and hostess.

SCHEDULE FOR OPENING GAMES JUVENILE HOCKEY

First Matches for Season in Juvenile Hockey. Five Groups Competing.

The schedule for the opening games in the Juvenile Hockey have been arranged. There are five groups. No. 1 group is made up of teams from the different schools of boys 15 years of age. No. 2 group is for the teams of boys 14 years old. No. 3 is for 13-year-olds. No. 4 is the 12-year-olds, and No. 5 the 11-year-olds.

All the players on the various teams are to be duly registered, as to the team played with and the group.

All Saturday games are to be held on the Central School rink.

Referees will be required for all these matches, and any able and willing to act as referees should volunteer their services in this respect so as to help along the good work.

Mr. J. D. Brady will give talks on hockey to any of the schools. These talks should be very helpful and any of the teams wishing this assistance should get in touch with Mr. Brady at the Geo. Taylor Hardware Store.

The following is the schedule of games as arranged:—

Group No. 1
St. Anthony's School at Central School, on Friday, Jan. 13th, at 4.30 p.m.

Winner of this game to play Holy Family School at Central School Rink on Friday, Jan. 20th at 4.30 p.m.

Group No. 2
St. Charles School at Mattagami School, on Friday, Jan. 13th, at 4.30 p.m.

St. Anthony's School at Central School, Saturday, Jan. 14th, at 9 a.m.

Moneta School at Holy Family School on Saturday, Jan. 14th, at 9.45 a.m.

Group No. 3
St. Charles School at Mattagami School, on Monday, Jan. 16th, at 4.30 p.m.

Winner of this game to play the St. Anthony's School at Mattagami, on Friday, Jan. 20th, at 4.30 p.m.

Holy Family School at Central School on Wednesday, Jan. 18th, at 4.30 p.m.

Group No. 4
Holy Family School at Moneta School, on Friday, Jan. 13th, at 4.30 p.m.

Winner of this game to play St. Charles School at Moneta School on Friday, Jan. 20th, at 4.30 p.m.

St. Anthony School at Central School, Monday, Jan. 16th, at 4.30 p.m.

Group No. 5
St. Charles School at Mattagami School, Saturday, Jan. 14th, at 10.30 a.m.

Holy Family School to play Central School at Mattagami rink on Wednesday, Jan. 18th, at 4.30 p.m.

ATTRACTIVE PROGRAMME BAND CONCERT, JAN. 15

Instrumental and Vocal Numbers to be Featured in addition to Band Selections.

The next band concert in the Goldfields theatre will be on Sunday evening, Jan. 15th, after the church services. The programme prepared for the occasion is one of unusual merit and interest. Among the vocalists for the evening it is expected to have Mrs. G. Jenkin, who is always very deservedly popular with music-loving audiences here. Other vocal numbers are also expected for the evening.

There will be a number of special numbers by the Timmins Citizens' Band, some of these numbers promising to prove of especial interest. Another special feature will be selections by a trumpet quartette. This feature will likely make especial appeal to the audience.

The band concert on Sunday evening is the first for this year, and it is intended to set a high standard for the balance of the series for the season.

CALEDONIAN SOCIETY PLANNING BURNS BANQUET

Preparations are now under way for the necessary arrangements for the annual Burns Banquet. Last year this event was arranged by the Scots Committee, the Caledonian Society not proceeding with the event. In previous years the Caledonian Society arranged the Burns Banquet and this year the Society is again going ahead with the event. Arrangements as to the place and other particulars for the banquet are not yet decided, but announcement will be made next week in The Advance. It is planned this year by President Larmer and the other officers and members of the Caledonians to make the Burns Banquet on Jan. 25th, the big event of the year.

Mr. W. O. Langdon was in Kingston, Ont., this week attending the District Trustees meeting of the Kiwanis Club.

Firemen's Annual Banquet Another Delightful Event

Annual Event of Fire Department Again Proves Happy Success. Great Spread of Fine Eatables. Mayor and Councillors Among the Guests. Praise for the Efficiency, Loyalty and Interest of the Fire Chief and His Men. Volunteer Firemen Elect Officers for Year.

The annual meeting of the Timmins Volunteer Fire Brigade and the usual yearly banquet of the Fire Department were held at the fire hall on Monday evening of this week. The evening throughout was a delightful one and greatly enjoyed by all.

The annual election of officers and the transaction of other business in connection with the Volunteer Brigade took place previous to the banquet. Mr. W. G. Smith, deputy-chief, occupied the chair, and the following officers were elected for the ensuing year: W. G. Smith, deputy-chief and chairman; J. E. Morrison, secretary-treasurer; J. E. Morrison, Gordon Pooley and C. A. Keates, captains.

Shortly after eight, the members of the fire department and their guests set down to one of the finest spreads imaginable. Turkey, ham and other meats, potatoes and other vegetables, the most delicious of salads, cakes, pies, etc., together with hot coffee, featured the menu. Everything was the very best, cooked to perfection, and nicely served. Mrs. A. Borland, Miss Mamie Borland and Mrs. A. Borland, Jr., had arranged the wonderful array of good things to eat, and the compliments on the banquet were both merited and meant. Among the guests of the firemen for the evening were Mayor E. L. Longmore, Councillors W. H. Pritchard, A. G. Carson and P. Dougall, and representatives of the local press and of The Ottawa Journal. Deputy-Chief W. G. Smith presided in his usual happy way, keeping interest at its height by his clever impromptu comments.

In responding to the call for a speech, Mayor E. L. Longmore said it was his first visit to the firemen's annual banquet. He spoke of the efficiency of the Timmins fire department, the great services rendered to the town by the "chief and his boys," and the loyalty, promptness and efficiency that were the distinguishing marks of the department.

Fire Chief A. Borland spoke briefly but said much. During the year the fire losses in town had reached a total of \$183,000, but there had been no less than 182 calls, and two of the fires alone had accounted for \$175,000, or more, of the loss. These two fires—Meyer's drug store and the Reed block fire—he considered had been exceptionally well fought and more serious loss thus avoided. In view of the small loss with the other calls he thought the department was maintaining its high standards of efficiency. Fire Chief Borland thanked the men of the brigade, one and all, for their kindness to him and to Mrs. Borland, and for the loyalty and interest shown by his "boys of the brigade" at all times in guarding the town from fires.

The chairman made reference to the fact that out of 20 members of the Volunteer Firemen, there were 19 present.

FORMAL OPENING OF NEW TECHNICAL HIGH SCHOOL

Formal Opening Will Take Place on Friday, Jan. 27th. Representative from Department Likely to be Here

The formal opening of the new Technical High School will take place on Friday, Jan. 27th. It was hoped that Hon. G. H. Ferguson, Premier of Ontario, and Minister of Education, might be present for the formal opening, but this has not been possible. It is now expected that Dr. Merchant or Mr. Campbell will be here for the opening event. The Technical High School is one of the most up-to-date and best equipped of its kind, and will prove of great advantage to the pupils here. Already a large attendance is assured for the Technical School and it promises to be of noteworthy value and popular among the students.

At the first meeting of the High School Board this week matters in connection with the formal opening of the new Technical High School were dealt with.

Mr. J. E. Sullivan was elected chairman of the High School Board for the year.

Mr. C. R. Murdoch was elected chairman of the Advisory Committee on Technical Education.

The other was away in Montreal so could not attend. The boys attended fires during the year with the same sort of interest and loyalty to the brigade.

Councillor A. G. Carson, chairman of the fire and light committee, referred to the good work of the brigade and the harmony and loyalty that characterized the chief and his men. Councillor Carson gave expression to the general appreciation felt for Chief Borland and the brigade.

Councillor Dougall in a neat speech expressed the opinion that the success of the Timmins fire department was due to the fine spirit of loyalty that the fire chief inspired in his men. He related an incident showing how the fire chief always thought of his men, and pointed out that loyalty and efficiency meant in this case the pleasing success attained.

Councillor Pritchard, chairman of the public works committee, after complimenting the ladies for the wonderful banquet and the permanent firemen for the excellent service provided, touched on the places where his department had come in contact with the fire department. Always he had found efficiency and a keen interest in the protection of the town from danger from fire. The chief and his men were on the job in dead earnest all the time and it was easy to co-operate with them. He also referred to the personal interest of the fire chief in his men. "Any of you men can go to the fire chief when you need advice, and you can be sure he will give you able help right from the heart and from his broad experience," he said.

Mr. J. D. MacLean, assistant town engineer referred to the efficiency of the brigade, and the clever and careful way in which they watched every detail, the condition of hydrants, roads, etc. There was the best co-operation between them and the works department, and he wished to specially thank the fire chief and the fire department for the co-operation given at all times.

Brief but appropriate addresses were also given by G. A. Macdonald, editor of The Advance; Mr. Holme, of The Citizen; Mr. Siever, of The Ottawa Journal; J. E. Morrison, starting his eighth year as secretary of the brigade; Capt. P. Jeffrey, Capt. M. Smith, Driver W. Stanley, and Volunteer Firemen Alex Borland, Jr., Percy Collier and Gordon Pooley. All the addresses were brief, but pointed and interesting. Alex Borland, Jr., made a hit with the clever brevity of his address. "The best after-dinner speech yet," commented Councillor Carson.

After rousing cheers for the mayor, the chairman of the fire and light committee, the press, the fire chief, Mrs. Borland, the council and the chairman, the happy annual event closed with the National Anthem.

IROQUOIS FALLS JUNIORS ADD ANOTHER VICTORY

Eskimos Win from Timmins Juniors Tuesday Evening on Iroquois Falls Ice, Score 7 to 2

The game in the N.O.H.A. Junior schedule at Iroquois Falls on Tuesday night resulted in the Timmins Juniors losing to the Eskimos to the tune of 7 to 2. The ice was very soft and this made the going particularly hard for the Timmins Juniors who are a much lighter team than the Falls boys. The first period ended 1 to 1; the second 4 to 1, and third 7 to 2. There was a report that Timmins Juniors had been able to hold the Falls to a 4-1 score, but it will be noted that this was only at the end of the second period.

Timmins made the first score, Krupka fooling Kerr on a rebound. Lever evened the score.

In the second period Kilby did fine work. The heavy ice gave the benefit to the heavy Falls team, and they all showed up well. The Timmins lads put up a good battle, O'Connor, Krupka and Hudson working specially hard.

Timmins—Goal, Craig; defence, Krupka and Croteau; centre, O'Connor; wings, Hudson and Gillonardo; subs., Laflamme and Auge.

Iroquois Falls—Goal, Kerr; defence, Hogg and Mahoney; centre, Lever; wings, McIntyre and Kilby; subs., Pender and Huggins.

Referee—Pat Patterson.

TIMMINS JUNIORS WELL WORTH SEEING FRIDAY

Game with Iroquois Falls at Timmins Rink to-morrow Night Will be a Good One.

The hockey match at the Timmins Rink to-morrow (Friday) evening between the Timmins Juniors and the Iroquois Falls Juniors in the N.O.H.A. schedule should be one well worth seeing. The Timmins home-boys started the season well and though outclassed they are putting up a real game showing that is winning them friends. Further, they are showing steady improvement, and they put up so lively a game that the hockey fans can't help but like their line of hockey. They are game enough to go through the season without a win but they are showing speed and skill and condition that makes them a dangerous combination to go up against. Their line of good sport has touched the popular taste and there are few indeed who doubt but that the boys are going to get into the winning class. They are building for the future and next year they will certainly be an important team. This year they will also show the value of real sporting spirit even in the matter of picking off wins. There are some who think they will win to-morrow night at the Timmins rink, but in any case it will be a good old game.

BOB LEE MAKES BIG HIT IN HOCKEY AT KINGSTON

Many friends in town of Mr. Bob Lee, son of Mr. Geo. W. Lee, chairman of the T. & N. O., will be interested in the following despatch from Kingston last week. Bob Lee, who has played golf in Timmins, is from a family generally thought to make golf their special game, but apparently they have to be given Lee-way also in the matter of hockey. The despatch reads:—

Kingston, Ont., Jan. 6—Kingston juniors opened the season at the Hartley Arena tonight with a well-earned 8 to 3 win over Brockville, mainly through the great work of Bob Lee, former North Bay player, and who is attending Queen's University. Lee's stick handling was superb throughout, while his four goals were all pretty efforts. The locals were better most of the way, though Brockville got inside the defence dozens of times and were outlucked.

Mr. and Mrs. S. T. McGillivray, of Ottawa, were Timmins visitors last week.

TRAMMER CRUSHED TO DEATH AT MINE MONDAY

R. Sranal, Native of Norway, Meets Death While at Work. Not Known How Accident Occurred

R. Sranal, a trammer at the Hollinger Mine, met death on Monday afternoon about 2.30 o'clock following an accident in which he was jammed between one of the cars and the timbers. It is not known how the accident occurred, no one apparently seeing the fatality. The accident occurred on the 1700-ft. level. Sranal's partner had gone to the station for more empty trucks and on returning found the unfortunate man crushed between the car and the post. The inquest customary in all cases where death follows an accident at the mine will be held this week.

The late R. Sranal was a Norwegian by birth, and had been in Canada for only about eighteen months. For the past year or so, he has been employed at the Hollinger and made many friends by his fine character and disposition. His death is deeply regretted by all who knew him.

The late Mr. Sranal was 42 years of age. He was a married man, his wife and three children being still in Norway.

INTERESTING TALK TO Y.P.S. ON MEXICO AND ITS PEOPLE

At the regular meeting of the Y.P.S. in the United church on Tuesday evening, the principal feature was a very interesting address on "Mexico," by Mr. V. Woodbury. The address was very much appreciated and proved most illuminating. Mr. Woodbury being very thoroughly informed on his subject and presenting his facts in most interesting and attractive way.

The next regular meeting of the Y.P.S. will be held on Tuesday evening next, Jan. 17th, and all members are very urgently requested to be present, as there is very important business to be discussed and dealt with.

Mr. Fred Hussey left to-day (Thursday) for the Old Country to join his wife and family there. Mr. Hussey has been a valued member of the Timmins Citizens' Band for the past four years, playing one of the basses, and he will be much missed by the Band and in other circles in town where he is very popular and highly respected by all who know him.