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**Floods at South Porcupine Abated, Much Damage Done**

**Township Council Discuss Question of Legal Proceedings to Secure Redress. Many Auto Accidents. Police Enforcing Law. Other News from South Porcupine.**

South Porcupine, Ont., May 16th, 1928. Special to The Advance.  
The usual grist of auto accidents are fast taking place. Late this afternoon a large Nash crashed into a standing car owned by Timmins people, and one of the occupants was injured. The driver, a Mr. Hardy, was putting some water in his radiator at the time. The Nash drove on without stopping or giving assistance we believe but Officers Brooks and Fulton are on his trail this (Tuesday) evening. On Saturday night last the new car belonging to Mr. Baker, of the Ankerite Mine was stolen from Timmins by three men who ditched it on the Timmins-Porcupine highway. The gasoline from the car escaped and in some manner took fire and when found the new auto was a charred mass. Officers Craig and Burwell found the three men drunk hiding in the bush.

The Porcupine Amateur orchestra from here journeyed to Schumacher on Sunday evening last where they had a record attendance at the Maple Leaf theatre, some having to the turned away. Mrs. Bessette and Mr. McCarthy also went from South Porcupine as soloists. The orchestra is in charge of Mr. J. Bridges.

The 1st. South Porcupine troop of Boy Scouts held their regular weekly meeting on Friday with thirty-five present. Special instruction was shoe-laces and quite a number of granny knots were found. The first game was a star relay race followed by patrol corners study; then a stalking game called "Spies". Patrol standing is as follows:—Chickadees, 205½; Owls, 189, and Porcupines, 182. Saturday afternoon was fine hiking weather. Leaving Headquarters at 2.30 p.m., the troop went out the Davidson road, two miles and then found a sheltered camp-site. Patrol fires were started and experiments tried with the fire-drill. This did not prove a success but the Scouts intend to master this art. After supper there was practice in judging distances, followed by a new game called "Searching for Fugitives." Concealment was excellent and it was time to go when the first fugitive was found.

On Monday evening Court of Honour met to arrange Thursday's meeting when Field Secretary Arthur Pad-

don of Provincial Headquarters will visit the troop. It was decided to hold an inter-patrol soft-ball league and arrangements are being made for a district Boy-Scout soft-ball league.

On July first South Porcupine Boy Scouts are holding an immense field day. Starting with flag-raising in the morning the programme will run throughout the day. Other troops of Porcupine district will compete in the events. This will be a unique day in the annals of South Porcupine. Further notice will be given later but reserve the day now for the Boy Scouts.

The Order of the Eastern Star are holding their anniversary bridge and euchre in the Masonic hall on Monday, May 28th.

The council of Tisdale township

met in the council chambers on Monday, May 14th, with the reeve and all councillors present. Clerk Evans, being on his vacation, his place was taken by Mr. M. Smith. Reports were given by Chief McInnis of the various boarding houses in Schumacher. Some avenue residents asked for a water main. A complaint signed by several nearby residents was made about noisy dances held at a certain place on Second avenue in Schumacher. There was a communication from the solicitor re the petition that went to the Provincial House to prevent the consolidation of the township's debentures, after this had been duly voted upon. This petition cost the township \$787.90 and was purely the result of ignorance on the part of those signing. The different councillors feel that steps should be taken to see if this amount cannot be assessed in some way to the property of those who foolishly signed this petition without finding out the facts for themselves and thus make them pay for what their indiscretion cost instead of taxing those who would look into such a matter thoroughly before listening to agitators and merely following their lead. As some of the signatures are not those of legal voters it was asked if some method of punishment could not be had for such an act that resulted in so much expense to the township. Instead of the debentures falling due now having to be paid at once, to the financial undoing of a large portion of Tisdale, this bill was to transfer them to a long distance loan. Hence it can be seen the harm that would have resulted to the township had this petition been sent in before the voting was done on it and had any influence. H. Darling, of New York Porcupine, had a communication in re their road to the mine. Mr. Sterling of the Northern Development Dept., was to be communicated with and the work started as early as possible. Mr. L. Sander was present on behalf of the flood sufferers to find out what steps the township were taking in regard to fixing blame. It was explained that the township could not take any steps on behalf of the sufferers privately but as the township itself had been put to a heavy expense re sidewalks, emergency pumps, etc., they would act on their own behalf if they could secure enough conclusive evidence to build up a likely case against the pulp companies. Merely the personal opinions of different parties would not be accepted as evidence in a court. The knowledge of expert engineers would be required to build up a case. An engineer had already taken levels from here to the congestion and then below it and it was voted to send one down again now that the ice was gone out. The pulp company involved was also sending out engineers on their own behalf. The suit would be an expensive one and it would be foolish for the township to go into it unless reasonably sure of victory. The fact of the unusual conditions throughout the province this year would act against redress in this particular region. However, if the township won its suit then it would behoove individuals to enter cases on their own behalf. The question was also asked if there was the same rate of taxation for people of that area as for people of other parts. It was stated that the rate must necessarily be uniform throughout S.S. No. 1 Tisdale, that any difference would have to come through the assessments, that the township did not require people to live in that district, in fact, it would be a great deal better for it, if people would not locate along that portion. The police were instructed to get out notices to the effect that all premises must be in sanitary condition by May 31st. Samples of water from various wells in the township were to be given to the Medical Health Officer. Engineer asked for steel culverts to replace the rotted out wooden culverts on the roads throughout the township. Eighteen are required. He also asked and was granted a shipment of calcium chloride to lay the dust where it was worst. The police were notified to enforce to the letter the law regarding speeding past intersections.

No concessions of even an extra mile an hour were to be granted. Danger signs were to be got for some of the worst intersections at Schumacher. The police suggested silent policemen but these come a little high. However, something is needed if only a post, to make traffic keep to its own side of dangerous intersections. There was further discussion re cheapest methods of doing road work. The routine bills and accounts were passed.

The Harris Consolidated (Beaumont) Mines gave us the following interview on their April work. After the power line was completed to the Beaumont Mine the sinking of a 2-compartment shaft was started April 1st, with all new equipment, consisting of a 60-ft. head frame, new hoisting rope, 225 horse power synchronous motor, four new air drills, an electrically-driven Sullivan compressor of 1400 cubic ft. capacity, new steering sockets, etc. There is also a completely equipped machine shop with all electrically-driven machinery, as well as a fully equipped carpenter shop, with saw mill, planer, etc., capable of dressing eight inch timber. There is also a completely equipped sub-station. Underground, an electric pump of 100 gallons capacity has been installed at the 300-ft. level. This pump is capable of taking care of the water from above and below the 600-ft. level. The shaft is being sunk to a depth of 1000 feet with stations cut every 150 feet. When the 600-ft. level is reached and the station cut a diamond drill will be started to cut numbers 1, 2, 3 and 4 south veins at this depth. A crew of 400 men are on the payroll under the management of Oscar L. Knutson. Mr. L. G. Harris, president and general manager and Dr. K. McVey, a director, made a recent visit to the mine, making an inspection of the property and laying plans for future development work after the shaft-sinking has been completed. A very satisfactory progress was made during the month of April and the shaft was sunk from 320 feet to 450 feet.

The flood has nearly abated now, Railroad street being nearly back to normal except for the repairs that are necessary. There is a great amount of damage done to private property, hardwood floors, etc., being practically ruined.

Sandy says the Scotch are not really stingy but have acquired that reputation because they have their generous impulses under complete control.

—Exchange  
Ham—"Here's dat quatah Ah borrowed from yuh last year."

Bones—"Yuh done kep' it so long Ah don't know of it's wuff while to change mah opinion of yuh jest fuh two bits."

—Exchange.

**SOME LOTS TRANSFERRED TO MOUNTJOY S.S. NO. 3**

Lots Nos. 1, 2, 3 and 4 in the fourth concession of Mountjoy and the north half of lot 2 and the north half of lot 3 in the third concession of Mountjoy have been transferred from the Urban Union School Section of Timmins to the adjacent S.S. No. 3, Mountjoy. This followed the necessary petition, the holders of the lots in question being satisfied, and no objection being made by the town of Timmins. The lots in question had previously been included in the assessment by Timmins, being assessed for school purposes only.

**THREE FAMILIES LOSE HOMES WITHIN A DAY OR SO**

A despatch from Cobalt this week says that another family in the Cobalt Camp, the third in 24 hours, was rendered homeless Friday, when fire destroyed the one storey house on the Silver Queen property occupied by Sommerville Warner.

The blaze originated in the wall behind the kitchen stove, and when noticed by one of the children the flames had gained much headway. The girl ran for her mother, absent getting water, but before Mrs. Warner could return, the building was doomed. Nothing was saved. The house is across the line in Coleman Township and a bucket brigade tried in vain to save the structure, and the Cobalt brigade responding to a call, was powerless to help, owing to the lack of water. The loss will be \$800. Mr. Warner is working in Porcupine.

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