

Increase in Assessment Due to New Buildings Erected

Population Also Shows Increase of 233 Over Figures for Last Year. Interesting Figures From Assessor's Statistics for the Year. Increase in Exemptions Due to New Hospital, Town Property, Etc.

The statistics prepared by the assessment department in connection with the assessor's work on the 1928 roll give many interesting facts.

The total assessment this year for land is \$1,640,421. Last year it was \$1,602,936, an increase this year of \$37,485.

For buildings the assessment figures this year are \$4,816,803, as against \$4,452,783 last year, or an increase of \$364,020.

The total for land and buildings for 1928 is \$6,457,224, an increase of \$431,505.

The total taxable assessment for land and buildings this year will be \$5,447,299, of which \$195,162 is taxable for school purposes only.

Young Man Tries to Pass Cheque Supposed to be Signed by Geo. S. Drew. Flees When Bank Tries to Phone Mr. Drew

A young man claiming to be G. Stevens went into the Bank of Commerce branch here on Saturday shortly before noon, and attempted to cash a cheque for \$350.00, supposed to be made out to "G. Stevens" and signed Geo. S. Drew. The teller was somewhat suspicious of the cheque, the body of the form being written in a different hand to the signature. While the signature might pass in a hurry for that of Mr. Drew, the body of the cheque was written in a way that made the teller think that it was not the work of Mr. Drew. The teller took the cheque to the manager who questioned the man closely, but received quite plausible explanations. Mr. J. E. Grasset, the manager, was inclined to consider the cheque a forgery. While Mr. Grasset was busy attempting to get Mr. Drew on the phone, the young man apparently took alarm and left the bank. The police were phoned for then, and have been endeavouring to locate the man. The cheque proved to be a forgery, Mr. Drew not giving such a cheque to anyone or knowing the young fellow from the description given since. Neither the teller nor the manager had any particular opportunity to study the man who tried to defraud the bank of \$350.00. Mr. I. E. Dunn, who happened to be in the bank at the time, believes he would be able to identify the man if he saw him again. However, the man disappeared on Saturday and nothing has been discovered since that would lead to his discovery. The police are working on the case, but so far no material clues have been brought to light. Warrants were sworn out this week for a couple of men who were possible suspects, but the bank teller and others who saw the attempt to pass the cheque were reasonably certain that the men in question were not the men required for the attempted forgery and fraud case. The tramps were watched and a fairly complete description of the man wanted was sent down the line on the hopes of leading him off if he tried to get south.

CANADIAN LEGION TO HOLD BIG DANCE JUNE 12TH

Another of the dances which have made the Timmins Post of the Canadian Legion justly proud, is announced for Tuesday, June 12th, in the McIntyre Recreation hall, Schumacher. All lovers of dancing and those who have attended past events of the Canadian Legion will be assured of a most pleasurable evening. There will be novelties and other attractions as well as the refreshments which have always been one of the best features. Added to all the good things promised will be the music which as usual is being supplied by Tommy Stephens Orchestra. It will be a night to remember and the date is Tuesday, June 12th, at McIntyre Recreation hall, Schumacher. Dancing 9.00 till 2.00 p.m. A further announcement with particulars of the main features of the dance will be made next week.

EMPIRE DAY OBSERVED AT CENTRAL PUBLIC SCHOOL

Boys and Girls Have Many Competitions and a General Big Afternoon of Sports.

Empire Day, May 23rd, observed in all the schools of the province was given an especial touch of interest at the Central public school last week when the afternoon was given over to a field day of athletics and sports. The event was conducted by Mr. Wightman, Mr. Horton, and others of the teachers, with assistance from others interested in youngsters and sports. There were all sorts of athletics and sports and the youngsters had a big time. The programme was so extended that all the events could not be carried through that afternoon and some of them were postponed to this week. A full report of the programme in full will be given in The Advance next week, the review being too late for this issue, some of the events not being completed until last night.

The youngsters attending the public school considered the programme as one to be long remembered, and there was also very general interest given by the general public, a crowd gathering to watch the various events and to enjoy the enthusiasm shown by the youngsters.

LOOKING FOR A 60-FOOT LOT CENTRALLY LOCATED.

Some days ago a gentleman was in town looking for a 60-foot lot or two adjoining lots that would give 60 feet frontage. Enquiry failed to discover who the would-be purchaser was or the purpose for which the lots were desired. The gentleman enquiring about the lots was very reticent in the matter and was giving no information as to plans or the principles for whom he was making enquiries. It was apparent, however, that a central location was desired, and the property must be either on Pine street or Third avenue, in the main business section. Guesses as to the purposes for which the land was required, include:—for the erection of a branch store of the Eaton Co.; ditto for Loblaw's; and for a site for a new motion picture theatre to be operated by one of the big Toronto or Montreal amusement concerns.

FINE LAWN PUT IN AT THE SHELTER BY THE KIWANEES

The Kiwanees have levelled the grounds at the C.A.S. Shelter and seeded the large front down to grass, with flower beds along the front and side of the residence. The lawn promises to be one of the finest in town, and a credit to the enterprise and public spirit of the Kiwanees. Unfortunately, the Kiwanees are not in position to carry through all their plans in regard to the grounds, their limit of expenditure having been reached before the property was fenced. It was planned by the Kiwanees to fence in the property and this would have made it one of the finest in town. If someone else will step forward and put up the fence it would complete an unusually fine piece of work. The levelling of the property was a difficult work, the material from the excavation for the Shelter basement being largely of a quicksand type of clay. However the levelling down was carried along successfully, a top soil applied and the whole front levelled about perfectly. Mrs. G. H. Gauthier had charge of the work for the Kiwanees and has reason to be proud of the result.

BIG FIELD DAY PLANNED FOR DOMINION DAY HERE

Holly Rees, Cornish and Lancashires to Stage Big Day of Sports at Timmins on July 1st.

Announcement is made this week that the Holly Rees, the Cornish One-and-All and the Lancashires are combining to stage a big day at Timmins on Dominion Day, July 1st. There will be field and track events and other sports and novelties and an attractive and pleasing programme may be expected. The three clubs mentioned have each a fine reputation for enterprise and for doing well anything undertaken. Each of them have many successful events to their credit. With the three of them combined to put over a big day of sports, a successful and enjoyable event of special attraction may safely be expected. Further details of the event will be announced from time to time between now and Dominion Day, and the announcements will be followed with very general interest. The general public will expect something specially good for Dominion Day and in view of the workers in the organizations named, it is not likely that there will be anything but the greatest satisfaction with the event that will be presented in Timmins on July 1st this year.

MR. A. A. AMOS ON TRIP TO WESTERN MINING CAMPS

Mr. A. A. Amos, president of the A. E. Moysey Co., left on Monday on a trip to Winnipeg to review the mining situation in Western Canada. Mr. Amos keeps constantly in the closest touch with mining matters in all sections of Canada where mining development is in progress and the present tour to the West is part of the policy of personally investigating the various camps and keeping familiar with the industry in its several locations. It is very probable that A. E. Moysey & Co. will establish an office in Winnipeg at an early date.

Porcupine Rod & Gun Club's first weekly shoot on Thursday evening of next week, June 7th, at 6 p.m.



TO MARRY NOBLEMAN
Miss Lucy Crowdy, only daughter of J. F. Crowdy of Ottawa, Assistant Secretary to the Governor-General, who is to marry Hon. James Kenneth Weir, son and heir of Lord Weir of Eastwood. The engagement has been formally announced and the wedding will take place in Ottawa in the fall. The young couple will live in Scotland.

New Wing St. Mary's Hospital To be Opened at an Early Date

Board of Seven to be Appointed as Advisory Board. Meeting to be Held in Council Chambers on Tuesday Evening Next, June 5th, at 7.30 in the Interests of Hospital Work.

The following letter just received from Dr. J. A. McInnis explains itself and will be read with much interest. It is headed:—"New Wing of St. Mary's Hospital Soon to be Opened," and reads as follows:—

I have been directed by the Timmins Medical Society and The Sisters of Providence to intimate that there will be a meeting held in the Council Chambers on Tuesday, June 5th at 7.30 p.m. in the interests of hospitalisation for the Town of Timmins and District.

It has been deemed important and advisable that a Board of seven be appointed to consist of two medical men and five business laymen, who will act in the capacity of an Advisory Board of Governors in directing the best policy to be followed and the conduct of the new hospital. An Advisory Board of this nature is deemed essential for harmony and goodwill generally and will be for the best interests of the Sisters, the Doctors and the Public.

The Timmins Medical Society have already appointed two physicians to

act on this Board and it is therefore the purpose of this meeting to complete the Board by the appointment of five other public laymen, representing the municipality and community organizations.

The Sisters of Providence, have stated that St. Mary's Hospital is now a public institution open to the mines employees and people of this town and community, where every regular practising physician and surgeon will be given equal privileges in the care and accommodation of their patients. They desire, in conjunction with the Advisory Board, to follow out any constructive policy which will increase hospital efficiency and invite the fullest co-operation of all elements of the community in the great humanitarian work of caring for the sick and maimed.

We trust that there will be a good attendance at this meeting and the fullest representation possible from all the organizations in the district.

(Signed) J. A. McInnis, M.D. President, Timmins Medical Society

NEW POST OFFICE FOR TIMMINS PROVIDED FOR

Supplementary Estimates Provide \$30,000 to Erect a New Post Office in Timmins

The supplementary estimates passed in the Dominion House this week provide \$30,000 for the erection of a new post office building in Timmins. This is one of the matters on which the town council, the Board of Trade, The Advance and others have carried on an agitation for several years past. The need for a proper post office building for a town of the importance of Timmins is so apparent that the only wonder is that it was not attended to years ago. Much of the credit for securing the appropriation at this time of course goes to Mr. J. A. Bradette, M.P., for this riding, who has given much effort to achieve the result.

It is not known what site will be selected for the new building or when its erection will be commenced. One story has it that the lot on the corner of Pine street, opposite the Porcupine Power Co. building has been offered as a free site and the building may be erected there, with work starting this summer.

LEAVING FOR HIS HOME IN CORNWALL, ENGLAND.

All will be sorry to hear that "Doc" Sanders is leaving here for his home in Cornwall, England, after a long stay of five years in Timmins. Here he has made a goodly number of friends who hold him in the highest esteem. He is particularly popular among his own Cornish people here and they will wish that at some future date he will be calling around again to this great North Land. The wish of the Cornish One-and-All for him is a pleasant voyage and a speedy return.

SKY ROCKET STARTED FIRE EVENING OF 24TH

Only two fires are reported for the past week, and neither of them caused any particular damage. On May 24th at 9.50 p.m. there was a call to 39 Third avenue, the premises of Mr. Jos. Ellies. A sky rocket had gone in through a window and set fire to some papers. Fortunately the fire was noticed before it had secured any headway. The damage done was slight, but it is easy to imagine how the careless setting off of fireworks could cause serious damage.

On Monday, May 28th, at 4.10 p.m., the firemen had a telephone call to 167 Spruce street, south, owned by S. Rominan, and occupied by Alphonse Poissano. There was considerable smoke but no particular fire. The cause of the smoke could not be located at first, the occupants of the house admitting to only one cellar. Eventually, however, a second smaller cellar was found and in this the cause of smoke was located. The damage was slight. The police, however, happened to be around when the smaller cellar was opened and they noted what appeared to be "mash" in this second cellar. As a result a charge was laid against the occupant of the house for a breach of the Inland Revenue Act.

All will be delighted to learn that Mr. Thomas Clinton, nephew of Mr. and Mrs. E. Lacroix, of the Windsor Hotel, who was seriously ill at the hospital here last week, is now well on the way to an early recovery.

POSITIVELY DENY THERE WAS ANY CAVE-IN AT MINE

Only Recent Incident at Hollinger was Local Lean Over of Rock. No One Endangered.

Hollinger officials positively deny that there was any cave-in at the mine this week as reported in Toronto newspapers. In this the mine inspectors support the account given by the officials, while men working at the mine are agreed that the official account covers the facts of the case. The Toronto story, sent no doubt from Timmins, pictured a cave-in at the mine, with the cracking of the earth being felt all over the mine, and some men having narrow escapes from death. All this is so exaggerated as to be almost unrecognizable as originating from the incident apparently referred to. The actual incident was a strictly local one. A piece of rock in the hanging wall leaned down on the timbers, squeezing the sides of the stulls, the squeaking of the timber making a noise that could be heard for some distance on that level. There was lots of room left for passageway alongside the leaning rock, and no one was endangered by the incident. Similar occurrences occur hundreds of times in all mines, and the chances of anyone being hurt is very remote. The mines naturally do their best to avoid occurrences like these, but they are part of the business of mining, and on account of other conditions do not constitute any particular hazard. The Hollinger officials positively deny that there has been any general movement underground at the mine or that there is any danger. On account of the story wired to Toronto, Chief Inspector Sutherland, of Toronto, Mining Inspector MacMillan, of Cobalt, and the local inspector, Mr. Geo. E. Cole, made an inspection of the mine where the rock came down, and found the facts agreed with the accounts given by the officials. Men working at the mine were surprised to see the despatches giving the supposed story of a cave-in, most of the underground employees finding the story "news" indeed. Apparently, there is a tendency in some quarters to "ride" the Hollinger by the spread of exaggerated or untrue stories at this time. It may not be possible to influence those spreading rumours, except by stern measures, yet to the thoughtful it may be worth while to point out:—that unfounded stories of this sort cause much unnecessary alarm to people who have relatives or friends at the mine; that no unfair injury may be done to the town's chief industry without injuring the town; that to raise alarm without cause makes it more difficult afterwards to secure attention where notice is deserved and necessary; and that in fairness to all stories should not be circulated or peddled without confirming the facts of the case from reliable sources.

Announcement is made that the first weekly shoot for the season of the Porcupine Rod & Gun Club will be held on Thursday evening of next week, June 7th, at 6 p.m. sharp.

ROD AND GUN CLUB'S FIRST WEEKLY SHOOT ON JUNE 7

A rummage sale, under the auspices of the Altar Society, will be held in the parish hall of the Church of the Nativity, on Saturday morning of this week.

Schedule of Temiskaming Baseball League Series

Northern Group Includes Timmins, McIntyre and South Porcupine. First Game at Schumacher on Wednesday Next, June 6th. All Schedule Games to Start at 5.15 p.m. sharp.

Baseball is away again for the season. The opening game in the Northern group of the Temiskaming Baseball League will be played at Schumacher on Wednesday next, June 6th, starting at 5.15 p.m. sharp. This year there are three teams in the Northern group, and a big season is expected. The teams are the McIntyre, of Schumacher; Timmins and South Porcupine. The following is the schedule drawn up for the season, the last named club, as indicated, being the home team. McIntyre home games will be played at Schumacher. The games are to start at 5.15 p.m. sharp. The following is the schedule

June 6—Wednesday—Timmins at McIntyre	June 23—Saturday—Timmins at South Porcupine
June 7—Thursday—Timmins at McIntyre	June 24—Sunday—Timmins at South Porcupine
June 8—Friday—Timmins at McIntyre	June 25—Monday—Timmins at South Porcupine
June 9—Saturday—McIntyre at South Porcupine	June 26—Tuesday—Timmins at McIntyre
June 10—Sunday—Timmins at South Porcupine	June 27—Wednesday—Timmins at McIntyre
June 11—Monday—Timmins at South Porcupine	June 28—Thursday—Timmins at McIntyre
June 12—Tuesday—Timmins at South Porcupine	June 29—Friday—Timmins at McIntyre
June 13—Wednesday—Timmins at South Porcupine	June 30—Saturday—Timmins at South Porcupine
June 14—Thursday—Timmins at South Porcupine	
June 15—Friday—Timmins at South Porcupine	
June 16—Saturday—Timmins at South Porcupine	
June 17—Sunday—Timmins at South Porcupine	
June 18—Monday—McIntyre at Timmins	
June 19—Tuesday—Timmins at McIntyre	
June 20—Wednesday—McIntyre at South Porcupine	