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Another Midnight Revue to be Put on by Kiwanis Club

Will Follow Unusual and Attractive Lines and is Sure to be a Big Hit. Mystery at Present. Also Smoker Planned With Special Programme. Kiwanis Make Good Start After Vacation. Bright Meeting on Monday of This Week.

The Kiwanis Club luncheon on Monday at noon at the Empire Hotel was a bright and lively event, the members making a good start for the coming season after the vacation period. President C. G. Keddie occupied the chair and there was much of business and interesting deal with.

One topic under discussion that will be of general public interest is the fact that the Timmins Kiwanis Club has decided to put on another midnight revue. The last one, "The Graveyard Shift Revue," was a popular affair and won general success. The coming midnight revue will no doubt be equally successful, but it is to be along altogether different lines, but is certain to make very general appeal. Just to name the idea behind the coming midnight revue would convince the ordinary man or woman that the event would be assuredly enjoyable and interesting, but for the moment the Kiwanis are not giving out the plan on

which the new revue is planned. The public, however, can be assured that the coming midnight revue will be an excellent one that will secure the public fancy and appreciation.

Another topic discussed was that of a smoker to be held at a date to be decided upon later. This smoker will be open to men only, and attendance for others than members of the club will be only invitation. Plans now under way would suggest that this will be a very lively entertainment and one that will be enjoyed by all attending. Particulars as to the event and the date will be given later.

A telegram was received from the Canadian Ticket Agents' Association, who are holding their annual convention at Timmins on Tuesday and Wednesday of next week, Sept. 18th and 19th. This wire asked also for the co-operation and assistance of the Kiwanis Club in regard to securing a suitable hall for a dance and luncheon on the evening of Wednesday, Sept. 19th. The Kiwanis Club gladly gave its help in the matter. There will be 140 to 150 at the convention, about 40 or 50 of these being ladies. The delegates will arrive here by special train at 6 p.m. on Tuesday. They will hold a meeting of the convention on Tuesday evening and another session on Wednesday morning. Wednesday afternoon, through the kindness of Mayor E. L. Longmore, they will have opportunity to see the Hollinger Mine. Wednesday evening they plan having a dance and supper, at which many Timmins people will be their guests. The party will leave on Thursday morning for Iroquois Falls.

At Monday's Kiwanis luncheon there were also a number of bright addresses, giving helpful suggestions and outlining plans for the coming season's work of the club. Among the speakers were: Past Presidents R. Dye and Dr. Lee Honey, W. O. Langdon, Dr. J. A. McInnis, W. D. Cuthbertson and others. The report of the secretary, Jos. Weston, was also read and accepted.

The visitors for the day included the following:—Fred Adams, of Perth, introduced by "Chip" Ball; Kiwanian Geo. Dougherty, of the Down Town Kiwanis Club, Toronto, introduced by W. Rinn; Joseph Peters, Toronto, formerly a resident of Timmins where his father was the town's first postmaster. Mr. Peters was introduced by Kiwanian E. H. King. Kiwanian Geo. Dougherty extended greetings from his club in Toronto to the Timmins Kiwanis Club and gave a very pleasing little address that was much appreciated.

FUR INDUSTRY IN CANADA SHOWS GREATER REVENUE

Returns for Last Season Show Production Only Once Before Exceeded in the History of the Dominion

"Agricultural and Industrial Progress in Canada," published by the Dept. of Colonization and Development of the Canadian Pacific Railway, refers to the fur industry in the Dominion as follows:—

"So far from Canada's fur resources dwindling, their production is coming to return greater revenue to the country each year. The value of fur production in the year 1926-27 has only been exceeded once since the Dominion Government in 1920 commenced the annual collection of returns from fur traders, this being in the season of 1919-20 when abnormally high prices were paid for pelts. The raw fur production of Canada for the season 1926-27 greatly exceeded that of the preceding season, this increment being due to the advance in the price of pelts. The total value for the twelve months ended June 30th, 1927, was \$18,833,977 as compared with \$15,072,244 in 1925-26, \$15,441,564 in 1924-25, and \$15,643,872 in 1923-24. These totals comprise the value of pelts of fur-bearing animals taken by trappers and of those raised on fur farms, the latter as yet representing but a small percentage but steadily increasing its proportion.

"The fur catch is a source of revenue in every province of the Dominion. In the year under review Ontario led in revenue from fur production with \$3,919,491, or 21 per cent. of the total. Quebec was second with \$3,065,323, or 16 per cent.; and the Northwest Territories third with \$2,981,829, or approximately 16 per cent. Following British Columbia \$1,798,026, or 9 per cent.; Saskatchewan \$1,621,436, or 9 per cent.; Manitoba \$1,618,368, or 9 per cent.; Prince Edward Island \$480,342, or 3 per cent.; New Brunswick \$428,667, or 2 per cent.; Yukon Territory \$382,261, or 2 per cent.; and Nova Scotia \$281,881, or 1 per cent.

"The muskrat has definitely assumed the leadership over all other fur-bearing animals in his individual contribution to fur revenue, with a value in the year under review of \$3,341,446. Beaver followed with a value of \$2,292,871; white fox ranking third with \$2,237,031; and silver fox fourth with \$1,657,292. The three next highest contributors were red fox with \$1,496,268; mink, with \$1,113,453; and coyote or prairie wolf with \$1,113,453. However, if the pelts of all the different foxes—silver, patch, white, blue and red—are taken together, the fox leads all other fur-bearing animals in the value of raw fur production with a total value of \$6,217,825. This, it is to be assumed is the result of the great progress made in the domestic ranching of foxes in Canada.

"The Muskrat accounted for the greatest number of pelts marketed, with a total of 1,774,964, followed by rabbit with 1,234,850. Ermine pelts taken numbered 493,146; beaver, 100,364; skunk 94,521; coyote 93,627; and mink 93,056. All pelts brought higher prices than in the previous season. The most valuable was that of the silver fox, which brought an average of \$90.08. Blue fox pelts averaged \$64.53; fisher \$51.32; patch or cross fox \$45.47; white fox \$43.64; and lynx \$31.57. Beaver brought an average price of \$22.85, and muskrat of \$1.88. The lowly rabbit, which has suddenly become an additional source of revenue to Western farmers, brought an average price of 10 cents.

The above would indicate that fur production in Canada is still a profitable venture, which draws pertinent attention to the profits to be anticipated from fur farming, which is the modern method of production and superseding the older, more arduous method. World consumption of furs is increasing and the trend of fashion is such as to further stimulate the demand. Canada is and will always remain one of the main sources of supply, and there is every reason to expect that the business of producing fur there will continue to be profitable.

HAMILTON PORCUPINE GOLD MINES TO DO WORK ON CLAIMS

The Northern Miner says:—Information on the Hamilton Porcupine Gold Mines, Ltd., has been received and shows that the company owns 400 acres of land in the Porcupine district. The Hughes mines to the south of the company's property sank a shaft to 100 feet and is reported as having obtained a showing of gold.

The general geology, it is claimed, is favourable for the location of ore, as most of the rock outcrops are Kee-watin lavas which have proved productive in the Porcupine area. It is the intention of the company to proceed with trenching, to get a fair idea of the outcroppings and to get a map out which will show distinctly what the company has. They then expect to be in a position to go ahead with a shaft sinking programme of development.

The authorized capital of the Hamilton Porcupine Gold Mines, Ltd., is \$5,000,000 and it will issue 5,000,000 shares at par value of \$1.

Sudbury Star:—For a nickel, in New York, you can now call up by telephone and get the correct time if you get the correct number.

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OFFICIALS ADVOCATE COMPULSORY INSURANCE

Hon. Geo. S. Henry Suggests That it is Only a Matter of Time Until Ontario Adopts Plan.

Readers of The Advance will recall that some time ago this paper joined The New Liskeard Speaker in advocating some form of compulsory insurance for automobiles. The Speaker and The Advance were two of the very few newspapers that gave any particular advocacy of the matter. Most of the other papers were too busy explaining the difficulties and drawbacks of any scheme of compulsory insurance. Local cases where serious damage occurred and yet where there seemed no place the injured parties could apply and secure redress influenced The Advance in taking the stand it did. The Advance figured it out this way:—If every car were required to carry indemnity insurance those suffering damage or injury would have a chance to collect damages. As it is at present, the driver of an offending car may be moneyless. He may even have bought the car on the instalment plan, and be in position that he can pay nothing in the way of charges or accounts.

Since the first call for indemnity insurance, the matter has been engaging the attention of the Government and now interesting announcement is made. According to despatches from the south this week:—

Hon. George S. Henry, Minister of Public Highways for Ontario, has declared in the course of a number of public addresses and interviews that compulsory motor vehicle insurance is coming in Ontario and that his De-

partment has under constant observation and analysis the functionings of the forms of directly and indirectly obligatory insurance in effect in Denmark, Massachusetts, New Hampshire and Connecticut.

The position of the Ontario Motor League has been and is that of a non-partisan student, free of prejudice and avoiding the error of passing judgment on an experiment prior to its maturity.

The chief contentions of the protagonists and antagonists of mandatory insurance have been set forth in the past. It is interesting to note, and doubtless not without significance, that two of the leading organs of the administration in Ontario recently joined the ranks of the advocates of compulsory insurance. Allusion here is made to the Toronto Mail and Empire and the Evening Telegram, the former of which declared in an editorial under the caption "Motor Accidents and Compulsory Insurance":

"Motor traffic has reached such a condition that compulsory insurance in some shape has become a necessity. In the case of a lad killed near Toronto recently the father secured judgment for damages but was unable to collect because the motorist had nothing except the car, which was an old one. Anyone who is unable to pay for liability insurance has no right to put in jeopardy the life and property of another by using a motor on a public highway."

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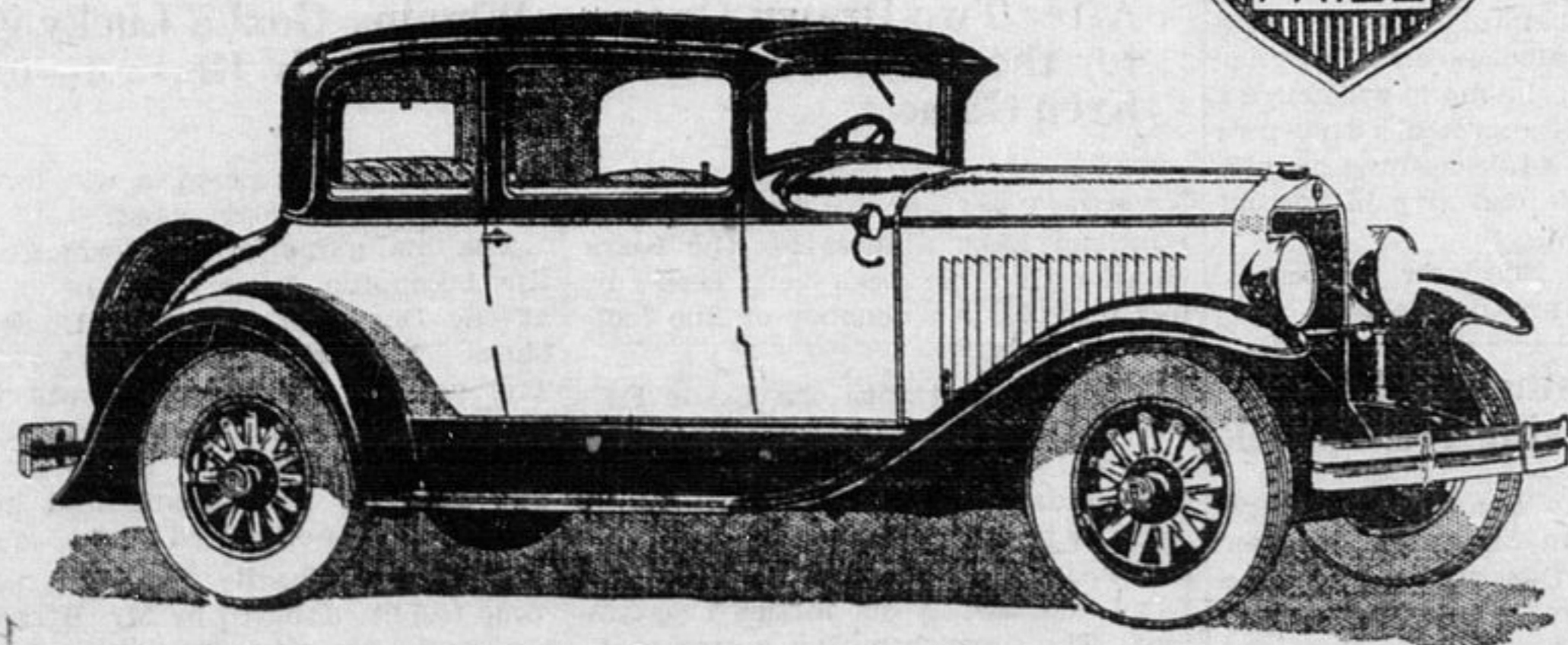
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