

## Establish Chain of Grocery Stores in the North Country

Northland Grocers, Limited, Buy Out Hollinger Stores Grocery, McIntyre and Dome Stores Grocery Departments. Chain Now Includes Number of Stores in the North Land. Wholesale Department to be Added the Beginning of the Year.

This week the grocery department of the Hollinger Stores, Ltd., is under new ownership being purchased by the Northland Grocers, Ltd., a new company establishing a chain of grocery stores in the North Land. While the Northland Grocers, Limited is a new firm, the men behind it are all men with long experience and wide knowledge of the grocery business, being experts in both the wholesale and the retail lines. Previous to the taking over of the Hollinger Stores grocery, the firm had three stores already running,—at Kapuskasing, Noranda and Rouyn. To these now are added the Hollinger grocery at Timmins, taken over on Tuesday of this week; the Dome Stores to be taken over on Dec. 1st; and the McIntyre grocery department, to be taken over on January 1st.

This will make a fine chain of stores for the North Land, and those behind the venture know the business from A. to Z., and they also know the North Land and its people, so the plan should prove a success. The idea behind the plan is that with the purchasing power given by the needs of all this chain of stores stocks will be purchased on such favourable terms as to make possible retail prices that will make special appeal to the public and attract large patronage to the different stores. Years ago Mr. J. R. Gordon followed with very marked success a similar plan on a less extended scale in this North Land. The more extended plan of the Northland Grocers should be even more satisfactory and advantageous to all concerned. The Advance understands that the Northland Grocers, Limited, also intend to open a wholesale department on or about January 1st, 1929.

The Kapuskasing Supply Co., may be termed the parent store of the new company. It has been doing a remarkably large business in the growing new paper town of Kapuskasing. In the bustling mining field of Quebec, the stores at Rouyn and Noranda are naturally building up a large trade there. The Hollinger, McIntyre and Dome grocery departments have occupied a distinctive place in this camp, and under the new ownership will no doubt continue to thrive and increase, the Northland Grocers, Limited, making a special point, as will be noted by the announcement elsewhere in this issue, that though it is the intention to reduce prices following the advantages of the great buying power of the chain store idea, at the same time it is also the firm determination of the new company to fully maintain the ideas of service and attention to the public. It is likely that other stores will be added to the chain in this North as occasion suggests.

In Timmins the stores of the Northland Grocers, Limited, will be known as the Pioneer Stores. The two Hollinger grocery stores,—the one on Third avenue, and the one in the Townsite—will be continued, with practically the same staffs as at present. Mr. R. B. Sturdy will be the manager of the Third avenue store, and Mr. Walter Armitage will be in charge at the Townsite store.

### MRS. SOLDO CONTINUES TO PROGRESS TO RECOVERY

Mrs. Soldo, whose life was for a time feared for, after she had been murderously assaulted and beaten about the head and face with an axe, is still improving and apparently booked to make a good recovery from the injuries received. Jos. Soldo, the husband is wanted by the police to answer to the charge of assaulting the woman, but up to date the authorities have been unable to locate Soldo.

Chief Borland received the sad news this morning that his brother, Mr. Arthur Borland passed away last night at London, Ont. Mr. Arthur Borland, who had been seriously ill for some time with stomach trouble, was 49 years old at the time of death. Sincere sympathy will be extended to Chief Borland in the death of his brother. Some weeks ago on receipt of the news of the serious illness of his brother, Chief and Mrs. Borland paid a visit to London and spent a week there.

### PASSES THROUGH CANADA



Sir John Salmond, K.C.B., British Air Marshall, who passed through Canada on his way from Australia to the Old Country. He has been studying conditions in that distant part of the British Empire in connection with inter-empire air communication. Sir John is here seen on board the Canadian Pacific liner "Duchess of Atholl" just before leaving Montreal.

### Tickets Soon on Sale for Timmins Junior Hockey

As noted previously in the Advance the Timmins Junior Hockey Club this season hope to be able to finance without any special collection or donations from the business men and others. The plan is to do the financing by the sale of membership tickets. These tickets will be only a dollar each, but if half the ardent hockey fans buy a ticket each, as all should do, there will be ample funds for finance. The Junior Hockey Club intend to go out in a few days on the canvass for the sale of these tickets. All lovers of good sport should give them a hearty welcome when they call and buy a Junior Hockey Club membership ticket to show support of clean amateur hockey.

### Gives Great Praise to Presentation of "Esther"

Messrs J. G. Morrison and L. A. Hooks, of Montreal, well-known in the North where they are frequent visitors, were in Timmins this week and on Monday evening happened to stroll over to the Central public school and listened to the practice going on for presentation here on Dec 19th and 20th of the cantata, "Queen Esther." Both of these gentlemen being musical were inclined to be critical and were all braced up to be bored by the attempts they expected to hear in the handling by a local choir of such a selection. However, they got the surprise of their lives. "It was the finest presentation I have yet heard of 'Queen Esther.'" Mr. Morrison told The Advance yesterday. He added that he stayed throughout the whole practice because he could not prevail upon himself to leave earlier. He compliments Timmins on the remarkable array of vocal talent in this town and above all he had the highest praise for the conductor of the choir, Mr. J. Geils. "He is certainly a wonder at such work," said Mr. Morrison. In view of the fact that Mr. Morrison has himself taken part in the cantata, "Queen Esther," on more than one occasion, filling the most important part in the event,—that of Mordecai—with marked success, the praise he gives the presentation as noted here is all the more complimentary and pleasing.

### NEW OFFICERS FOR THE SALVATION ARMY HERE

Last Sunday there were large gatherings at the various services of the Salvation Army, Ensign and Mrs. John Bond conducting their farewell services. This week Capt. and Mrs. Even-don, of Toronto, will be here to take charge of the S. A. Army in Timmins. Ensign and Mrs. Bond have been promoted to the charge of the Rhodes avenue corps in Toronto. For the opening services under the new officers Major Cameron, of North Bay, will be here to assist over the week-end.

Mr. O'Connor, one of the Provincial Children's Aid Inspectors, was a Timmins visitor this week, visiting the Separate School here and a number of homes, as well as the District Shelter, on his periodic tour of inspection regarding the welfare of the wards of the Society in the district.

## NOMINATIONS FOR TOWN COUNCIL ON MONDAY NEXT

November 26th the Date for the Naming of Candidates for Mayor, Councillors and School Board

Monday next, Nov. 26th, is the date for nominations for a mayor and councillors for 1929 and for members for the school board. Nominations for mayor must be made in writing between the hours of ten and eleven in the morning at the town hall, Timmins. Twelve noon to one o'clock in the afternoon is the limit for the nominating of candidates for councillors and for public school trustees. At present there does not seem to be any names mentioned except the present mayor and councillors for the coming year. It would appear that if the present mayor and councillors were re-elected by acclamation that the town would benefit in every way. The past year has seen municipal affairs conducted in especially good way. The tax rate has been very materially reduced, without slighting the public service. Everything seems to be going along in very pleasing fashion and the general public apparently appreciates the excellent services so generously given the town by Mayor E. L. Longmore and Councillors A. G. Carson, W. H. Pritchard, Geo. S. Drew, P. Dougall, R. Richardson and C. P. Ramsay.

In case an election is necessary the date for the same will be on Monday, Dec. 3rd.

## ASSOCIATED BOARDS TO MEET ON TUESDAY NEXT

Annual Meeting of Northern Ontario Associated Boards at New Liskeard on November 27th.

The annual meeting of the Northern Ontario Associated Boards of Trade will be held at New Liskeard on Tuesday of next week, Nov. 27th, commencing at 1 p.m. Special effort is at present being made to see that Timmins has a proper representation at the meeting. The Northern Ontario Associated Boards of Trade is an organization of all the boards of trade of the North Land, and the association has been able to do a great deal for the advancement and advantage of the North. There is no question but that as one of the largest towns in the district Timmins should take a prominent part in the organization. President Langdon and Mr. A. Taylor, of the local board, are a committee to see that Timmins has full representation at the meeting Tuesday.

At the annual meeting of the Associated Boards on Tuesday next a number of important matters will be dealt with. One question to be considered is the advisability of establishing some form of Board of Trade committee to assist farmers and settlers who will necessarily suffer as a result of the wet season and their consequent loss of crop. The suggestion for Northern Ontario maintaining a tourist information bureau at North Bay during the tourist season next year will also be discussed. There will likely be some reference to the extent of territory covered by the Associated Boards and the best plans for effective action in the various matters that concern the different sections of the North.

Another important item of business will be the election of officers for the ensuing year. In this connection it may be noted that Mr. C. W. Wright, of Englehart, the president, has given very noteworthy talent and considerable time to the work and deserves the thanks of the whole North for his generous services.

### ST. ANDREW'S NIGHT AT GOLDEN BEAVER LODGE

Those who attended Golden Beaver Lodge on St. Andrew's Night last year will be glad to learn that the Scots members are again observing their patron saint's festival to be held on Wednesday, 28th November.

Scots brethren from the whole Porcupine district are participating and a real Scots banquet and entertainment will be held.

A cordial invitation is extended to all members of the craft.

### MR. ALEX BOYD VERY ILL AT HIS HOME AT PRESENT

Hosts of friends in the town and district will regret very much the fact that Mr. Alex Boyd is seriously ill at present with typhoid fever, and all will very sincerely and earnestly wish him a good recovery at an early date. Yesterday his condition was improved but he did not have a good night last night, though holding his own today. A couple of blood transfusions have been necessary and these operations have been successful. There will be very general wish that Alex, who is very popular among all who know him, will make good progress to recovery.

## FOOTBALL SMOKER TO BE HELD HERE ON DECEMBER 1

Date of Event by N.O.F.A. and P.D.F.L. Changed from This Week to Saturday, Dec. 1st.

Official announcement this week is made of the change in the date of the annual football smoker. It will be held on Saturday evening of next week, Dec. 1st, instead of Saturday of this week. Nothing else about the event, however, has been changed except the date.

This year the annual football smoker for the presentation of medals, cups and trophies, is to be held in the Oddfellows' hall, Timmins, on Saturday evening, Dec. 1st, commencing at 8 p.m.

The event is to be under the joint auspices of the Northern Ontario Football Association and the Porcupine District Football League. All the cups and medals, etc., for the year will be presented, and there will also be music, vocal and instrumental. It is hoped to have Mr. E. H. Bridger, donor of a number of the medals and other trophies, and well-known as an ardent football fan, present for the occasion, Dec. 1st. A very attractive list of brief addresses and other features has been arranged. There will be a generous supply of smokes and refreshments.

A very cordial invitation is extended to all football enthusiasts to attend the event. To encourage the desired very large attendance the price of the tickets has been placed at a merely nominal sum. All are confidently expecting one of the best annual events of the year at the football smoker.

## NEW INSPECTOR OF MINES FOR PORCUPINE DISTRICT

R. H. Cleland Has Been Appointed by Ontario Government to Succeed Geo. E. Cole.

Information received here last week was to the effect that R. H. Cleland had been appointed Inspector of Mines for the Porcupine District, to fill the place made vacant by the resignation of Geo. E. Cole, who is now Chief Inspector of Mines for the province of Manitoba. Mr. Cleland took over his new duties on Thursday last, November 15th.

The new mining inspector is very highly spoken of by those who know him and comes to his difficult task with noteworthy knowledge and experience. He is a Queen's University graduate in mining and metallurgy and to this technical knowledge he has added many years of active and practical work in mining. His first position in mine work underground was with the Monarch mine at Drumheller, Alberta, coming to the Hollinger mine in 1922, and the next year taking a place with the Britannia Mining and Smelting Company in British Columbia. In 1924 he returned to Drumheller where he spent several more months in mining work, going in the latter part of 1925 to the Home-stake Gold Mines at Etna, California, where he was engaged for a time as surveyor and later was appointed superintendent of the plant. After fifteen or sixteen months in California, Mr. Cleland returned to Canada where he was engaged in the survey department by the Hollinger mine, later being one of the shift bosses on recovery and back-filling under Capt. Young. He has been at the Hollinger for a year and a half. His wide and varied experience in different departments of mining should particularly qualify him for the position of mining inspector.

### ENTERTAINMENT LAST NIGHT VERY ENJOYABLE

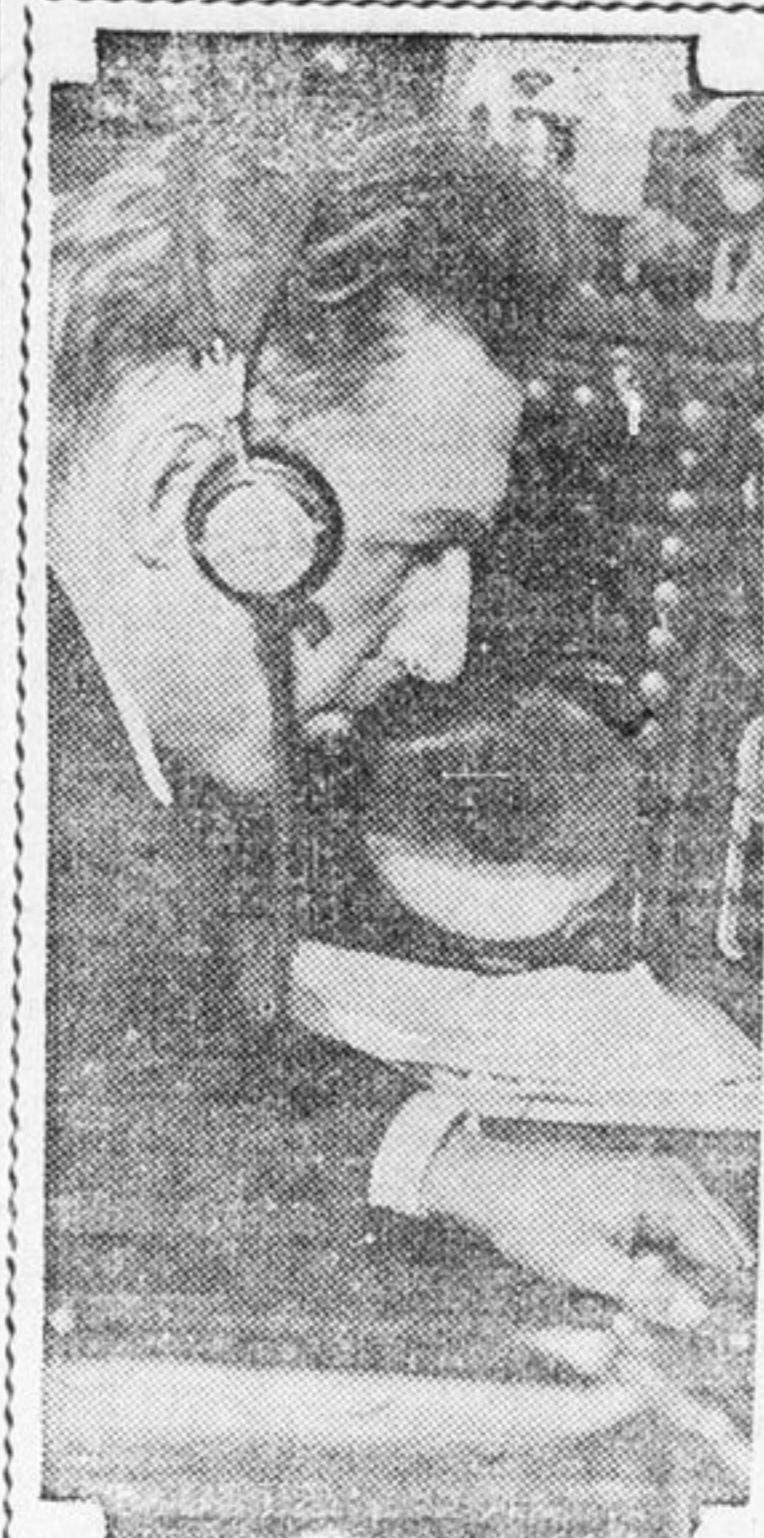
The entertainment last night in the United Church under the auspices of the Young People's Society proved a most enjoyable one and the large number attending received fully double their money's worth. Chief Deyokah, the noted Cree Indian singer, elocutionist, etc., was not able to reach here until a late hour, the train on which he was travelling being late. The Young People's Society, while awaiting the artist, put on an impromptu programme of their own which was well worth the price of the tickets and more. There were excellent vocal solos by Mrs. P. Carson, and Miss Sayles, pianoforte solos of much merit by Miss Anne Scott, and very pleasing violin numbers by Master David Horwitz. When Chief Deyokah arrived, the audience was given another treat. In the first part of the programme the artist was in Indian costume, and in the second part he wore evening dress. He sang Indian and other songs, gave recitations, sketches, etc. His presentation of "By the Waters of Minnetonka" was especially pleasing while his singing of the Indian lullabies were also unusually pleasing. His sketches were well done, the one of the "Old Bachelor" particularly catching the fancy of the youngsters.

A number of fancy sale articles from the United Church bazaar will be on display in Rina's window over this week-end.

## Charged With the Murder of Inspector Constable in 1926

Man Arrested at Cochrane Last Week to Face Murder Charge. He is John Evanchuk, Known in the North as "Cobalt." Police Understood to Have a Good Case Against Accused. Have Been Patiently Working for Some Time.

### CAUGHT VESTRIS' S.O.S.



Arthur Jesen (above) chief radio operator of the S.S. "American Skipper" who picked the ill-fated Vestris' radio plea out of the ether and directed the rescue vessel's course. He stayed at his 'phones for a day and a night.

### Iroquois Falls and Ansonville Help C.A.S.

The District Children's Aid Society this week received the pleasing donation of \$500.00 from the Iroquois Falls and Ansonville branch of the C.A.S. This is the second substantial cheque to be received from this live branch of the Society in a comparatively short time. The Iroquois Falls and Ansonville branch is doing excellent work under the able presidency of Mr. F. E. Miller and with Mr. Paul Dube as secretary-treasurer.

### Progress Being Made In Canvas for the C.A.S.

The ladies in charge of the canvass for membership to raise the required funds to pay off the indebtedness on the C.A.S. Shelter and to provide funds to carry on the children's Aid work during the coming year, have carried along the work in very effective way. Already over \$1600.00 has been collected and the most earnest effort is being made by the ladies to reach the objective they set themselves of \$2500.00. Mrs. Darling and Mrs. Eyre have practically been giving their whole time to the organization and carrying on of the canvass while a number of other good workers have been giving very helpful assistance. South Porcupine, in charge of Mrs. G. H. Gauthier, has made very fine response. Connaught has done well, Mrs. Day looking after this section. Other parts of the Porcupine have done well, and several sections have yet to make returns. Any canvassers having money or ticket books not returned would facilitate matters by completing their returns as soon as possible. Any who have been missed by the canvassers, or who feel they have not given as much as they would like, should send their further subscriptions direct to Mrs. Darling or to other members of the committee. A list of all the subscribers will be published at the conclusion of the canvass.

### WOMAN GIVEN FOUR MONTHS ON HIGH-GRADING CHARGE

The woman who was arrested recently at Porquus Junction on a charge of high-grading, and was later committed for trial on the count, asked for a speedy trial before the judge at Cochrane. This trial took place last week and the woman was sentenced to four months imprisonment. It was said that when arrested she was in possession of gold worth around \$1000. It is also said that the woman resided at Kirkland Lake but made frequent trips to Timmins and South Porcupine. Her name is given as Linda Marnick, though she may be known by another name.

Mr. Henry Massie, J.P., Toronto, brother of Mr. John Massie, 6 Second avenue, has been in town for a week on a visit. He is a frequent visitor to Timmins.

Last week at Cochrane a man was arrested in connection with the murder of Inspector Constable at Cochrane in October, 1926. The police were very reticent in regard to the arrest made, but eventually the name of the arrested man was given out as John Evanchuk, the police saying that the accused man had been known to them for years as one believed to be engaged in blindpicking operations and as a frequenter of gambling places. The man was arrested in a Cochrane club, the North Star Athletic Association. Sergt. Frank Gardiner, Constable John Page and Constable Klemm, all of the provincial police, made the arrest. They found the accused in a card game, tapped him on the shoulder and asked him to come outside. He submitted to arrest quite quietly and the arrest was made without any disturbance. Indeed, some others in the club were not aware that anything had happened. It is understood that a special officer has been engaged with the local provincial force for some time past in working on the case, and Provincial Inspector of Detectives Boyd has also been in Cochrane during the past week. The accused man is held in the Cochrane District jail under heavy guard. He was before the magistrate on Monday of this week on the charge of murder and was remanded until Monday of next week. The police are very reticent about details of the case, but there is a general belief that they have a very strong case and that the arrest was made after the facts elicited had been passed upon by Inspector Boyd and the Attorney-General's department. It is not known, of course, just what the case against Evanchuk may include, but the authorities appear to be confident that at last they are getting somewhere in this case.

John Evanchuk is an Austrian and about 35 or 40 years of age. He is said to have served in the Austrian Army at one time, but he has been in the North Land many years. He is commonly known as "Cobalt." This name coming from his associations with Cobalt in its early days. He is also known in Timmins where he spent some time in past years. He also lived at Kapuskasing, where the late Inspector Constable was chief of police at one time. Recently Evanchuk has been making his headquarters at Cochrane. It is said that there is proof that on the night that Inspector Constable was murdered, the accused man was in Cochrane. This week Inspector Boyd, Sergt. Gardiner and other provincial officers were in Timmins and South Porcupine and it is believed that they were gathering further information and evidence for the case.

Inspector Constable was shot down from behind a few yards from his home when returning from band practice at Cochrane on the evening of Oct. 14th, 1926. Rewards totalling \$6,000.00 were offered for information leading to the arrest and conviction of his murderer. More than one arrest has been made in connection with the case but this is the first time when the police have shown confidence that they felt they had a complete case warranting a charge of murder being laid.

### FIVE FIRE CALLS DURING WEEK BUT NONE SERIOUS

During the past week the fire department had five calls, but none of them were serious, though the latter fact, of course, was due to the fact that they were noticed in time and skilfully dealt with by the brigade. All fires have at the makings of bad fires. On Nov. 17th at 9:30 p.m., there was a chimney fire at 165 Cedar street, north, no damage done. On Nov. 19th at 12:05 noon there was a verbal alarm for a fire at 53 Pine street north. The fire was in a partition and was caused from the stovepipe not entering the chimney properly. The fire was extinguished with the large chemical tank. The property loss was about \$100.00, covered by insurance. Owner and occupant of the building, Mr. Bissonette. This fire attracted a large crowd, especially of the children just coming from school. There was a great quantity of smoke but the fire itself did not have a chance to get going or it would have been a nasty one. On Nov. 19th, at 7:58 p.m. there was an alarm for a chimney fire at 153 Elm street south, no damage. On Nov. 20th, 8:20 a.m., a fire of unknown origin caused about \$100.00 damage at 82 Birch street, north, before it was extinguished. On Nov. 21st, at 11:55 a.m., there was a fire at the Star Transfer stables. The horses were gotten out and the damage to the stable would not much exceed \$100.00, covered by insurance. One water line was used for this fire.