

**Just 3 Shopping Days until Christmas**

**RESUMING OPERATIONS ON HUNTER PROPERTY**

Syndicate of Toronto Business and Mining Men Arrange for Development Programme

Last week The Advance published a brief despatch from the South Porcupine correspondent of this paper giving the information that operations were being resumed on the Porcupine Lake holdings on the north-east side of Porcupine Lake. This property is more generally known as the Hunter property and was the first property to operate in the Porcupine area years ago. It was owned by Dr. Hunter, of Toronto, and as suggested last week he was not ready to operate it except on his own plans, nor was he willing to dispose of it outright. Since the death of Dr. Hunter, however, Toronto interests are understood to have made terms and agreements whereby the property is being re-opened. In addition to the despatch published in these columns last week from South Porcupine, the following reference is available this week from Toronto.

A syndicate composed of Toronto business and mining men is stated to have entered into an agreement with the company and the holding interests to commence serious development work at once. Considerable development work has been completed on the property, including the installation of a complete mining plant and the sinking of a three-compartment shaft to a depth of 280 feet, where a cross-cut was driven to the north. Commercial values were indicated in a drift here across the full width for a length of 104 feet. Diamond drilling is also said to have shown interesting results.

At the present time the workings are being pumped out, and this should be completed in a few days. A careful study of the geology is then to be made, and the values in the drift at a depth of 280 feet will be carefully sampled. It is expected that the development of the known ore will be extended and some further diamond drilling carried out to cut a number of veins showing on surface.

No large public offering of shares is planned, as the company has full title to all its properties, complete camp buildings, and a mining plant consisting of a 200-horsepower electric motor, 12-drill electrically driven compressor, six-drill steam compressor, 90-horsepower steam boiler, and a hoist capable of operating to a depth of 1,000 feet, all fully paid for. The only finances necessary will be for the actual underground development.

C. Lorne Campbell, manager of the operating syndicate, intimates that negotiations are being carried out with one of the Porcupine producers to mill the commercial ore as it is brought to surface, instead of piling it on the dump.

The Porcupine Lake Gold Mining Company is capitalized at 3,000,000 shares. Of this total 1,500,000 go for the company, and are all pooled. Out of the balance, when the financing planned is completed, there will remain in the treasury 900,000 shares for future needs.

Mayor Banner was re-elected mayor of North Bay by acclamation this week.

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**DOG TEAMS AND CANOES GIVE WAY TO AIRPLANES**

Controller of Civil Aviation in Canada Reviews the Transportation Changes

Flying is solving many of the problems in transport and administration of the Dominion, J. A. Wilson, controller of civil aviation in Canada, told the delegates to the International Civil Aeronautics Conference which opened at Washington, D.C., on Wednesday.

Mr. Wilson read a paper on civil aviation in Canada shortly after President Coolidge had declared the conference open and the election of officers had taken place. The airplane is replacing the old historic means of transportation in the North, said Mr. Wilson. In areas where railways and steamship lines have not yet penetrated, the canoe and the dog team are giving place to the airplane. "On our Eastern coast, our pilots fly over the ice floes off Labrador and Newfoundland helping the sealing fleets. They are aiding the surveyor in making his maps in Nova Scotia and New Brunswick, and the entomologist in Cape Breton in fighting the spruce budworm. They carry winter mails to the isolated communities on the Magdalen Islands, Anticosti and the Canadian Labrador. On the Pacific they are helping the foresters, engineers, surveyors, geologists and fishery guardians in their work of conservation and development. Near our southern borders, air mails are being carried from the Gulf of St. Lawrence to Western Ontario. Air surveys are being made, the forest protected from the air, and on the prairies our botanists are experimenting with aircraft in fighting wheat rust disease. All through the North, as far as Hudson Straits and the Yukon, every year sees an increasing use of aircraft in all phases of exploration and development."

Mr. Wilson traced the history of military and civil aviation in Canada and said that "In Canada to-day we have no aviation which is not self-supporting. This applies equally to commercial flying and to the civil operations of the Dominion and Provincial Governments."

He described the work of the Hudson Straits expedition, which obtained a report on ice conditions and studied the requirements necessary to safeguard navigation.

Tracing the development of air mails in Canada, Mr. Wilson said: "Conditions between Summer and Winter vary so much that the problem of running an air mail service all the year round on schedule across Canada is a large undertaking which will require some years for its development."

"After a careful study," he added, "the conclusion has been reached that to maintain a regular all-the-year-round service means the provisions of airdromes at convenient intervals from coast to coast. This presents no difficulty in the Prairie provinces nor in the settled parts of Eastern Canada. In Northern Ontario, between North Bay and the Manitoba boundary, however, the plan involves careful surveys of the terrain and considerable expense in making airdromes. In the mountain section, occasional fields sufficient to provide landing grounds can be found to run the service with reasonable safety."

The foundation of an international code for the regulation of civil aeronautics was laid at the opening session of the conference. Representatives of forty countries, six of them British attended. Hon. William F. Whiting, Secretary of Commerce of the United States, was elected chairman. G. J. Desbarats, Deputy Minister of National Defense for Canada, was elected one of the vice-presidents.

Orville Wright, one of the Wright brothers who are credited with having made the first successful flight in a heavier-than-air machine, is a guest of honour.

Great Britain has the only woman delegate in the person of Lady Heath who contributed papers on "The Airplane Club Movement in England" and "Technical Aspects of a Trans-African Flight in a Light Airplane."

A special committee was appointed to deal with the legal aspects of civil aviation, and the international air convention of 1919 is being reviewed.

Next to the United States, Canada has the biggest delegation present, and representatives from the Dominion will be very active on sub-committees where regulations for flying across international borders and kindred questions are discussed.

The conference opened this morning with an address of welcome by President Coolidge.

The British countries represented are Great Britain, Canada, Australia, New Zealand, Irish Free State and India. Lord Thomson, former British Secretary for State for Air, heads the British delegation. Canada's chief delegate is Mr. Desbarats.

Official reports to the first day's session told of airplanes speeding into undeveloped sections of Canada, carrying mail and mining equipment to points served before only by dog-sled; of planes carrying newspapers and mail within a few hours to isolated cities in Siam, and of the thousands using air lines for passenger transportation to all parts of Europe.

It was like a fairy tale come true to some of the pioneer fliers who listened to the reports.

Atlanta Constitution.—Contentment is about eight parts laziness.

**BIDGOOD SINKING PLAN JUSTIFIED SAYS REPORT**

Conditions at Bidgood Consolidated Mines, seven miles from Swastika, are described in a report by T. W. Todd, formerly of the Ontario Department of Mines. In the area originally developed, says the statement, the No. 9 vein follows a strong fault zone, which, it is believed, will persist to great depth. It shows no diminution of strength at the 500-foot level. At greater depths it would appear to be bordered by favourable rock walls, since the syenite is increasing in volume. It contains a shoot of commercial ore on the 300 and 400 foot levels and gives encouragement on the 600 for the occurrence of other shoots at greater depth. There is every reason to expect, Mr. Todd believes that other shoots exist in No. 9 vein below this level and there is, therefore, ample justification for the sinking of the shaft to the 1,000-foot level, thus opening up three more levels.

In the eastern section of the property, one vein was trenced for 210 feet and surface assays and a drill core were distinctly encouraging. Visible gold was found in another vein near by and a shaft has now been sunk here to a depth of 60 feet with work still proceeding. A level is to be established at 125 feet and crosscuts driven to both veins. No. 1 shaft has passed the 725-foot mark.

**JACK HAMMILL HAS BIG PLAN TO OPEN UP NORTH**

Noted Mining Man Interviews Government Officials at Ottawa Last Week on Proposal

Jack Hammill, who has done so much recently to attract special attention to the mining and other possibilities of the far north, is understood to have worked out a plan for the opening up of noteworthy mineral wealth in Canada's North Country. In referring to the matter last week, The Ottawa Journal says:—

"For the purpose of interviewing Government officials in an attempt to interest them in a scheme for the opening up of mineral wealth in Canada's northland, Jack Hammill, eminent mining man and president of several companies, was in the city Thursday. He left yesterday morning.

"Mr. Hammill was reticent in regard to details of his project, but he intimated it related to the opening up of thousands of acres of land in Northern Canada which contain showings of great mineral wealth.

"At present he is optimistic in regard to getting rail transportation into the famous Red Lake area, in which one of his properties is located. He expects in 1929 to be operating a min-

**High-Grade Samples from Week's Run of the Press**

Brooklyn Eagle.—Diet specialists now tell us that spaghetti is the best all-around food. All around what?

Simcoe Reformer.—The Ontario Government should not hesitate to open the treasury for the benefit of those unfortunate settlers in Northern Ontario whose crops were badly damaged by incessant rains and later by floods. Many hundreds of them, pioneers of the north country, are struggling under headcaps which one can only understand by a personal tour of inspection. They are performing a noble service to the province and in their time of distress that province should not be backward in coming to their aid.

ing plant in Northern Canada from newly developed electric power, and he predicts his company will be among the largest inside the next five years.

"Jack Hammill is a veteran in the prospecting and mining game and easily one of the colourful figures engaged now in that industry.

"Mr. Hammill was the first to take up airplanes as a means of transportation into the hinterland, and he was the first mining promoter to pay prospectors. He also provides prospectors with assay service. He owns grub caches all over the north country, and has about \$58,000 worth of gasoline located at strategic points for his plan when they land, he said.

**S. J. A. B. to Hold Grand Advertisement Dance**

This week the St. John Ambulance Brigade, Timmins Division, announce a grand "Advertising Dance" to be held in the Hollinger Recreation hall, Timmins, on Thursday evening, Jan. 3rd, 1929. There will be good prizes for the best costumes representing advertisements. Every gentleman attending will be presented with a package of cigarettes, and every lady with a toilet accessory. Refreshments will be served during the evening. Dancing from 9 to 2. Tommy Stephens and his orchestra will supply the best in the latest music. There will be prizes for a "card dance," and other special features. Dr. and Mrs. J. W. R. Byers will be the judges.

This dance promises to be the most outstanding and attractive event of the present season and there should certainly be a bumper crowd. Tickets may be secured from any member of the brigade and it would appear to be the part of wisdom to secure tickets early. It will be a novel event and most enjoyable. In addition, those attending will be showing their support for the St. John Ambulance Brigade. "Remember!" says the posters just issued, "First Aid saves lives and limbs! Give it your support!"

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