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Dates for Departmental School Examinations

The Ontario Department of Education has issued the following time-table for what are known as the departmental examinations for the year:—

Entrance Classes
Monday, June 23, French literature; Tuesday, June 24, French grammar, French spelling and French composition; Wednesday, June 25, English composition, writing, history; Thursday, June 26, Literature, grammar, spelling; Friday, June 27, Arithmetic and geography.

Lower School
Friday, June 20, Geography, arithmetic; Monday, June 23, English grammar, French grammar, zoology; Tuesday, June 24, Art, British history; Wednesday, June 25, Physiography, botany.

Middle School
Monday, June 16, Ancient history, music, English composition; Tuesday, June 17, Algebra, Canadian history; Wednesday, June 18, English literature, physics; Thursday, June 19, Geometry, chemistry; Friday, June 20, Latin authors, Latin composition; Monday, June 23, French authors, French literature, French composition; Tuesday, June 24, Greek authors, Greek accident; Wednesday, June 25, German authors, German composition; Friday, June 27, Arithmetic; Wednesday, July 2, Spanish authors, Spanish composition.

Upper School
Monday, June 16, English composition; Tuesday, June 17, Algebra; Wednesday, June 18, English literature, problems; Thursday, June 19, Geometry, chemistry; Friday, June 20, Latin authors, Latin composition; Monday, June 23, French authors, French literature, French composition; Tuesday, June 24, Greek authors, Greek composition; Wednesday, June 25, German authors, German composition; Thursday, June 26, Trigonometry, history; Friday, June 27, Botany, zoology; Monday, June 30, Physics; Wednesday, July 2, Spanish authors, Spanish composition.

HUGH MULHERON PASSES AWAY AT GRAVENHURST

Former Well-Known and Popular Resident of Timmins and the Porcupine Dies in His Seventieth Year at Gravenhurst, Ontario.

Hosts of old friends in Timmins and the Porcupine and generally throughout the North will deeply regret to learn of the death of Hugh Mulheron, for many years a prominent and popular resident of this district. He will be best remembered here, perhaps, as the manager of the Hotel Goldfields, at Timmins, a position he occupied for several years. At the same time he was manager of the skating rink here and also occupied other posts that brought him into touch with the public. Many young men and young women of to-day will remember the sleigh-ride parties he used to organize for the school children and the happy time spent at these events. He started these events in the early days in the camp when he and carried them on from year to year there were only a score or so of children until literally hundreds of youngsters were looked after. For this feature Mr. Mulheron secured the co-operation of the liverymen, and the people in general, and a great time was given the children in these annual events—a sleigh-ride luncheon, a show and other treats. The late Mr. Mulheron while in Timmins also interested himself in a town band and he was mainly responsible for the first band in town. This band was composed practically altogether of talented Italians, and through the efforts of Mr. Mulheron uniforms were secured for them as well as instruments for the occasional one who did not supply his own. In many other lines of activity the late Hugh Mulheron was prominent and popular here and there was general regret at the removal of Mr. and Mrs. Mulheron from Timmins. Previous to coming to Timmins about 1925 Mr. Mulheron had been in South Porcupine where he conducted the King George Hotel for a number of years. He was at South Porcupine during the 1911 fire and had many interesting incidents to relate in reference to that disaster.

In reference to the death of Mr. Mulheron The Gravenhurst Banner had a lengthy report on the front page last week. J. S. McGuire, of Timmins, has kindly given The Advance a copy of The Banner with the report of the death. Mr. McGuire knew Mr. Mulheron many years ago when he moved from Mitchell to Orangeville where Mr. McGuire was then resident. The report in The Banner will be of general interest to all old-timers and is herewith given in full with the correction of one date that is apparently a misprint:

"After a short illness with heart trouble, Mr. Hugh Mulheron died at his residence here early Saturday morning, in his 70th year. For years the late Mr. Mulheron was a well known resident of Muskoka and the north country. He came to Gravenhurst from Mitchell, Ont., about forty-five years ago, where he followed the dry goods trade.

"In the early days here he engaged in the hotel business and for a time was with the late Mr. Cooper on the property where the Dominion Bank now stands, and in later years was connected with the Windsor hotel, which stood on the site of the present post office, at that time owned by the late Mr. David LaFreniere.

"Many years ago he was married in Barrie to Miss Duffy, a sister of the late Mrs. David LaFreniere, and who predeceased him about six years ago.

"In 1915 Mr. Mulheron located at Timmins, Ont., when that city had a population of a few score of people. He remained there and at Cobalt for about ten years, when he retired from business and came to Gravenhurst to reside. About 1920 he left here to reside in Toronto and Grimsby and after two years absence returned to town and has lived here since.

"In 1926 he was married to Miss Margaret Helen Lee of Toronto, formerly of Yorkshire, England, who survives, also a sister, Mrs. W. A. Stuart of Mitchell, and two brothers, Thomas of Newark, N.J., and William of Paris, Ont.

"The late Hugh Mulheron was born at Baden, Ont., near Stratford, the eldest son of the late Mr. and Mrs. John Mulheron. The family moved to Mitchell and for many years his father was a well known foundryman in that town. In his early life he traveled extensively, crossing the Atlantic to Scotland several times, and for some years lived in Chicago and Rossland, B.C. He also lived at Burk's Falls and Grimsby for a few years.

"During his lifetime he was much interested in all games of sport, and through his success in business affairs had much leisure time at his disposal to visit and attend events of interest in sporting circles. He possessed a kind, entertaining and gentlemanly manner, which won for him the esteem of many friends throughout the continent. In religion he was a Presbyterian and all his life a staunch follower of the Liberal party. He took a deep interest in politics and was active for the welfare of his party in many election campaigns.

"Although Mr. Mulheron had lived in a great many places on this continent, he had a fondness for Gravenhurst and Muskoka, where his last days were spent quietly, enjoying his home life, daily stroll and fishing, which was his favourite pastime.

"The funeral was held from his late residence last Monday to Lakeview Cemetery, the service being conducted by Rev. W. A. Beecroft of the United Church. The pall bearers were: Messrs Robt. Fielding, Fred Freeman, E. Clippsham, E. W. Clairmont, John Jackson A. J. Dass.

"Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Stuart of Mitchell attended the funeral.

"To the sorrowing widow and bereaved relatives The Banner joins with many friends in extending sympathy in their bereavement."

SOUTHERN ONTARIO MAN TELLS THE NORTH OF ITSELF

Address at Kiwanis Club Luncheon on Monday by R. D. Cameron, District Secretary Retail Merchants' Association.

There was a good attendance at the Kiwanis Club luncheon at the Empire hotel on Monday and the meeting proved a very interesting one. The visitor for the day was A. G. Carson, local superintendent of the District of Cochrane Children's Aid Society. Another guest to be specially welcomed was A. W. Lang, who was back from Bermuda, in his usual happy frame of mind after the pleasant trip. The speaker for the day was R. D. Cameron, district secretary of the Ontario division of the Retail Merchants' Association of Canada.

There were three very difficult things to do, said Mr. Cameron. One was to climb a board fence leaning toward you; another was to court a girl leaning away from you; and the third was to talk to an audience about a subject that they knew all about themselves. Mr. Cameron said he was going to attempt the third difficult task, while leaving the other two to be dealt with if and when he should encounter them. His address was on "The North Land," and was of value because it showed the viewpoint of an outsider who had studied the country to the people here living in the country. "Northern Ontario—the Land of Promise" is an address developed from a trip occupying several months and bringing the speaker into close touch with the business men and towns of the North.

North Bay, now a city of over 16,000, Mr. Cameron described as the gateway of the great region now being opened up. North Bay is 227 miles north of Toronto and 340 miles west of Montreal. Mention was made of the lively struggle being carried on by the business interests of Toronto and Montreal for the trade of the territory north of North Bay. For many miles northward from North Bay the country is rocky and barren, without farms or mining of any moment. Then comes Temagami a beauty spot now famous for its wonderful scenery and its healthful air—a region of lakes and rivers and trees and rocks. Every summer thousands visit this beauty spot. After Temagami the next centre of special interest is Cobalt, the town that first brought great fame to the North; its rich silver and cobalt mines suggesting the mining possibilities of a land that was considered previously as lacking in nearly everything useful to man except a little timber and a few fur-bearing animals. A little farther along is the pretty and promising town of Halleybury, and then New Liskeard with its fine stretches of good agricultural land suggesting the mighty agricultural possibilities of the North Land. The land is level and unsurpassed for fertility. Next comes more miles and miles of rocks and lake and river, with here and there roads leading off into the wilderness to some mining or lumbering camp.

At Porquus Junction, Mr. Cameron noted, a branch railroad runs westward to Timmins, the largest town in Northern Ontario. Timmins with its population of 14,000, is noted for its modern improvements and especially for its excellent schools. Mr. Cameron, who comes himself from Lucknow, mentioned with pride the fact that from Lucknow Timmins had received five of the teachers serving on the high school staff here, four of these teachers still giving service at the school.

To the east of Porquus Junction is Iroquois Falls with its big paper mill. Reference was also made by Mr. Cameron to Cochrane and the country served by the extension of the T. & N. O. north of Cochrane. Mr. Cameron then turned westward as far as the village of Hearst, 130 miles west of Cochrane. He referred to Kapuskasing and its handsome situation and facilities and its big pulp and paper industry. Mention was also made of the country from North Bay to Sudbury, the trip thus making almost a square that included much of what is referred to as the North Land.

Mr. Cameron referred to the many nationalities to be found in Northern Ontario. He found churches established in all the places he visited. In many places new and substantial church buildings have been erected. The whole area he thinks is one of the greatest promise. A great drawback, perhaps, is the short summer, but there is hope that with the clearing of the land conditions in this respect will improve. There is no question as to the fertility of the land, and early-maturing vegetables and grains can be produced in abundance. It is a land of deep snow, but the snow is usually dry and easy to travel through. There are low temperatures, but as they say in the West, "you don't feel it." Mr. Cameron said he came to realize the truth of this, as the cold was not more disagreeable than farther south, although the temperature in the North is lower. On account of the snow being light and dry the railways are not so much troubled with drifting snow as they are in the Bruce County snow belt for example. Mr. Cameron fully believed and earnestly expressed the belief that the North Land would become a very important part of Ontario and that the prosperity of the North would react on the South and the progress that the future held for this country would mean the benefit and enrichment of all Ontario.

Need for Attention to Settlers in the North

In the last issue of The Cochrane Northland Post there is the following reference to the needs of the settlers of the North. In an editorial article The Northland Post says:—

"The letter of Mr. Goode, a farmer from the Brower district, in another column, again focuses attention on the needs of our settler neighbours. These needs may be summed up as Separate Colonization Department, Roads and Bonuses. And undoubtedly the greatest of these needs is the Colonization Department. It would not be fair to the Government to accuse it of either indifference or willful mismanagement as regards the development of Northern Ontario. Seldom, even on the North American continent, has any government been faced with the opening up of a new territory in which there was such a variety, and sometimes a conflict of interests. Perhaps the worst fault of which the Government can be accused is in not insisting that the department heads, and particularly the deputy ministers, become thoroughly acquainted with the district over which they exercise control. Of all the men at Queen's Park responsible for the administration of Northern Ontario, we doubt that there is one with a genuine working knowledge of conditions here. Is it any wonder then, that we have such absurd regulations as the '80 acre' farms? Let a little assistance, in the form of a bonus for clearing land, and the settlers of Northern Ontario would rapidly become a good market for many of the products of Old Ontario's factories. Farm implements, to mention one item, would be bought to an extent now impossible. A better market for the south's factory output would mean a better market for the south's farm produce, and the whole province would thereby benefit. The Ferguson Government has established the principle of the bonus by applying it to the iron industry and to rural hydro. By extending it to the clearing and putting under cultivation of Northern Ontario land, would not cost as much as either of the two now being bonused, and would give a new and much needed impetus to the settlement of Northern Ontario."

while at the same time his success in a wider and more important field will be followed with interest. Previous to leaving Cochrane Rev. Mr. Proudfoot and Mrs. Proudfoot were the recipients of a very pretty clock and silver tray as a token of appreciation for their services to the congregation.

Oshawa Times: The new Soviet post-mark slogan is "Think before you kiss," judging by the appearance of the average Russian, it must require a good deal of thinking to screw up courage to do it at all.

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