

### LADDERWAYS AT SHAFTS MUST BE FULLY PROTECTED

Heavy Fine Imposed for Failure to Observe Mining Law Regulations. Other Cases at Police Court Here This Week.

A case at the police court this week indicated that all the regulations under the Mining Act must be observed even by small mines. It is well for the smaller properties to know this and to profit by the knowledge. At this week's police court there was a charge against the De Santis Gold Mines in Ogden township laid by Ralph H. Cleland, mining inspector for this district, that work was allowed to be carried on in the shaft of the said mines on the first day of August and previous thereto without the ladder or passageway in the said shaft being separated by a substantial closely boarded partition from the compartment or division of the said shaft in which the material was hoisted, contrary to the Mining Act of Ontario, Section 163, paragraph 90. The crown attorney, S. A. Caldwell, explained that this was a serious matter in some cases, but in small mines the provision of the law was not always observed, though it was necessary that it should be for the fullest measure of safety to workmen. In view of the fact that some of the smaller mines did not realize perhaps the fact that there was such a provision in the law and that it was very necessary that it should be observed, it was well for all small mines to take due notice and warning from the present case. The crown attorney suggested that in the present case leniency might be shown in the penalty in view of the fact that the breach of the law involved had probably not been properly understood. A fine of \$100.00 and costs was imposed by the magistrate.

A young man giving the name of James White and claiming to be a Canadian though his accent suggested United States nativity, faced a number of charges, though only two were pressed. He pleaded guilty to the charge of carrying a concealed weapon, and on this charge was fined \$25.00 and costs, or one month in jail. On the other charge of the theft of a coat from an automobile he pleaded not guilty, but would not give evidence in his own behalf. He was sentenced on this charge to three months in jail. When the young man was arrested several coats were found in his pack, these coats being ones reported stolen from automobiles during the past couple of weeks. Two of these coats were the property of Cochrane people, one of them having the owner's name on the tailor's label in the pocket. In addition to the gun he was carrying when arrested, White had a large number of keys in his possession. The police think he has been responsible for a number of the recent thefts from automobiles. A local man who shared the shack where White has been living here and where the goods were found was charged with receiving stolen goods but the charge was withdrawn in court as there was nothing to implicate this local man in the thefts. The Cochrane people were given the coats stolen from their automobile.

Ludwig Johnson charged with taking \$600.00 more from the Imperial Bank than he was entitled to, and who was

### Urging Separate Dept. for Settlers of North

The following editorial appeared in The Cochrane Northland Post last week:—"Premier Ferguson has again recognized the importance of Northern Ontario by appointing Dr. Robb of Algoma to a cabinet position. We would respectfully urge the Premier to go a step farther and form a separate department for the administration of the lands of the North, under a minister from the North. We earnestly hope that the reorganizing of the cabinet, which, according to press reports is not yet completed, will include this move. It has been frequently advocated by the various public bodies in Northern Ontario, and nothing could aid so much in the development here as this. Premier Ferguson has always shown himself as a friend to us in the North, and we respectfully commend this suggestion for his consideration. Given a separate department, under a capable minister, with the interests of the settlers at heart, and progressive development along agricultural lines here would be assured. Settlement is at present in a condition of stagnation. Settlers are abandoning farms in alarmingly large numbers and the situation is one that calls for drastic treatment. We are suffering here from arrested development, caused in no small degree by a lack of first hand knowledge on the part of departmental officials at Queen's Park. A case in point is the answer to the request that the farms be put back on the 160 acre basis the deputy minister of Northern Development stating that "No successful farmer in the North was farming more than 80 acres." While we have no doubt that the Deputy Minister in question has the best of intentions, we cannot help but feel that a more intimate knowledge of northern conditions would materially alter his attitude in regard to our many problems."

remanded from last week, was again before the court yesterday. In the meantime the money has been returned to the bank, and after a lecture to the defendant on the need for straight honesty in all dealings and the necessity for returning any money paid in mistake, the magistrate told Johnson that he was fortunate in escaping a jail term. The case was then dismissed. Johnson came here recently from Winnipeg and the overpayment to him followed a mistake by one of the Winnipeg bank clerks in entering up his account.

Two common drunks were fined the common ten and costs.

One speeder paid \$10.00 and costs. For breach of the parking-by-law a North Bay motorist contributed \$2.00 and costs.

A wages case against a local barber shop was dismissed, the magistrate suggesting the Division Court as the proper place to collect the account.

The cases arising from the non-payment of a number of women for berry picking were remanded, the defendant not yet having been located by the police.

In juvenile court there were a number of cases where youngsters were charged with theft, one of the thefts being that of a parcel from the post office. In this case the boys concerned had to pay the cost of the goods in the parcel, and also were ordered to report weekly to the C.A.S. inspector.

### The Pulpwood Situation In the North Country

An editorial in The Enghelart Times last week says:—"The seriousness of the situation as it affects the pulpwood export from this north country ought to be well understood. There will be little pulpwood shipped by rail this winter from these parts, and this creates a serious situation for the settler."

"What the trouble is most of the settlers already know. On August 28th there arrived at Sorel, Que., a large steamer from Archangel, Russia, loaded with pulpwood and destined for points in the U.S. In a letter from a prominent lumber merchant in the States the following paragraph appears:—"I do not think you Canadians are really alive to the vast possibilities of your pulpwood market being closed you, as they surely will be for there is right now another steamer load at Three Rivers, Que., and they have several more en route there. Now it is evident that Canada and the Eastern United States has been furnishing the mills with enough wood to supply their needs, and when there is say 90 steamer loads shipped this year, and they expect to bring in 1,000,000 cords of it next year then we shall have to make wood as good as theirs and make the price equal as low as they have or we are not going to have any business."

"Secretary Lowman who has charge of these importations into the United States has stated that while he believes this wood is the product of convict or enforced labour it was not so proven, and the official of the Russian Representative Government testified that it was not, and that there was no one that had actually seen it made by convicts, thought the crews of the ships said those loading the same at Archangel were herded into an enclosure at night and kept under guards, and armed guards, and other guards marched them down to the steamers and watched them in twelve hour shifts while the loading was going on."

"The U.S. do not officially recognize the Soviet Government, and this is a factor in obtaining evidence on which to proceed."

### HANDSOME NEW STORES IN PLACE OF OLD POST OFFICE

Not only has Timmins a handsome new post office, but the old post office building so long more or less of an eyesore is now a handsome appearing double store building. This week the alteration of the building was completed and when the scaffolding was removed from the front two handsome store fronts were disclosed. The front is finished in oak with large expanses of plate glass and the appearance is both attractive and of the modern city type. The stores inside are equally pleasing and will be an acquisition to the business buildings of the town. The store next to the Hotel Goldfields block will be occupied by Mark Bowie and the handsome windows will give opportunity for full display of clothing and men's furnishings. Mr. Bowie is moving into his new store this week and will be all ready in the new premises next week for all customers.

Mrs. Eva Dooley was operated on at the St. Mary's hospital on Sept. 14th for appendicitis, and all will be pleased to know that she is making rapid progress to recovery.

### GRADUATION EXERCISES OF THE ST. MARY'S HOSPITAL

Second Annual Event to be Held in St. Anthony's Hall, on Tuesday Evening Next, Sept. 30th. Attractive Programme for Event.

The Sisters of Charity of Providence of St. Mary's hospital, Timmins, and the graduating class, announce the second annual commencement exercises in connection with the St. Mary's hospital. The event will be held in the St. Anthony's parish hall, (basement of the church) on Tuesday evening of next week, Sept. 30th, commencing at 8.15 p.m. The first commencement exercises of the hospital last year was an event of much interest and was greatly appreciated by a large audience. This year's event will undoubtedly be equally pleasing.

The programme for the graduation exercises for this year is as follows:— Processional march, by Mr. H. W. Kearney; welcome, by seven little tots; address to graduates, by the mayor of Timmins; vocal solo, by Mrs. N. H. Russell; class poem, by Miss Irene Hurley; address, by Dr. H. H. Moore; vocal duet, by Misses Rosina Mair and D. Tilley; address by Dr. S. R. Harrison; duet, piano and violin, Mr. and Mrs. Wilkins; "The Flowers Alive," by Student Nurses; vocal solo, by Mr. R. Lowery; Nurses' Meditation, by Miss L. Meany; address by Dr. N. H. Russell; vocal solo, by Mr. Lucien Pare; address by Dr. W. O. Taylor; Florence Nightingale Pledge, by the graduates; address, by Rev. Fr. O'Gorman; presentation of diplomas, by Rev. Fr. Theriault; vocal solo, "Good-bye, Sweet Day," by Miss Rosina Mair; Thanks, by Rev. Fr. Theriault; The Maple Leaf by the class.

### Boy on Bicycle Struck By Auto and Knee Broken

Eddie Arundel, youngest son of Mr. and Mrs. W. Arundel, is laid up with a broken knee and other lesser injuries received in an accident at Golden City on Sunday. The boy was riding a bicycle on the road when a car came along. The road being bad both bicycles and cars more or less had to keep to the worn ruts. The car made an attempt to turn out and did escape hitting the lad so far as the one set of wheels was concerned but the rut proved too much for the freeing of the other wheels and the lad on the bicycle was hit and thrown heavily to the ground. The boy sustained a broken knee and other less serious injuries. He is making excellent progress to recovery being healthy and strong, but the lad will be laid up for some time as a consequence of the accident.

### MARRIAGE AT MINNEAPOLIS ON WEDNESDAY, SEPT. 17TH

Mr. J. V. Stone, Dome Mines announces the marriage of his youngest daughter, Margaret Maude, to Mr. Erving C. Langlois, son of Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Langlois, of Minneapolis, Minnesota, on Wednesday, September 17th, 1930. The marriage ceremony was performed by Rev. Scott, at Holy Trinity Episcopal Church. Following a honeymoon trip to Winnipeg, Manitoba, and Western points, the young couple will be at home at 506 Fourth avenue, N. E., Minneapolis, Minnesota.

### SAID TO HAVE HIT FATHER ON HEAD WITH A HAMMER

Considerable excitement was created on Tuesday around noon by some domestic trouble in Moneta. The father of the house was hit on the head and had a bad injury as a consequence, the injury being said to have been inflicted by a blow on the head by a hammer wielded by the daughter of the house, according to the accounts by neighbours and others who heard the racket ensuing. The police were sent for and a constable went out to Moneta, bringing the injured man in to the doctor's for the necessary medical attention. No charges were laid in connection with the trouble. It is said that the husband and wife having a dispute, the daughter settled the affair by the use of the hammer.

### NORTH LAND PEOPLE ARE BEREAVED BY RECENT DEATH

The Sudbury Star last week says:—"One of the prominent and well-known citizens of Blezard Valley in the person of Mrs. Edesse Gauthier Belcourt, widow of the late William Belcourt, passed away early this morning at her home there. Deceased had resided in Blezard Valley for the past 38 years, having come there with her husband who predeceased her 15 years ago. She was associated with the ladies of St. Anne's and the Apostle of Prayer societies for a number of years, and was interested in the work of the parish. She was born in Vaudreuil, Que., 66 years ago but moved with her parents to Penetang where she lived until her marriage. Surviving her are five sons, Paul and Adlee, of Blezard Valley; Louis, of Cochrane; Rev. Guillaume, Jesuit Father, of Montreal; and Telesphore, of Blezard Valley; and five daughters, Mrs. O. Pappin, of Swastika; Sister Helene, gray nun of Ottawa; Mrs. C. Fortier, of Woman River; Mrs. McMahon, of Sudbury and Mrs. J. Darveau, of Rouyn; also six brothers, Henri, Telesphore, and Theophile, of Penetang; Isale, of Midland; Arthur, of British Columbia; Joseph, of Hamner; James, of Field, and one sister, Mrs. J. Doucette, of Hamilton. The funeral service will be held in the Church of Our Lady of the Rosary, Blezard Valley, on Monday morning. Interment will take place there."

### Workers' Co-Operative Open Fine New Bakery

The Works' Co-operative of New Ontario, Ltd., on Tuesday of this week held the formal opening of their fine new bakery at 2 Birch street, north. This is one of the most up-to-date and attractive bakeries in this part of the province, and the premises have been handsomely decorated in appropriate way, and are most attractive. In addition the most careful attention has been given to the most modern type of sanitation and cleanliness. The equipment is the very latest, including the most up-to-date type of oven, dough mixer, etc.

For the official opening on Tuesday of this week a general invitation was extended to the public to visit and inspect the premises, this being evidence of the confidence felt by the Workers' Co-operative in their new bakery. Large crowds accepted the invitation during the day and all were greatly pleased with the handsome new bakery so well-equipped. Coffee and cake were served to the visitors during the day and the courteous attention given to all made the occasion a notable one.

The Workers' Co-operative of New Ontario, with stores at Timmins, South Porcupine and Kirkland Lake, has been doing an increasingly important business through special service to the public. The desire to further serve the public prompted the establishment of the new bakery, which is situated at the rear of their Timmins store. Mr. John Fell, Sr., of the Dome, who is one of the directors of the Workers' Co-operative of New Ontario, Ltd., has been specially interested in the starting of the new bakery, and the attractive premises and modern equipment of the new bakery are tributes to the confidence of Mr. Fell and the other directors in the progress of the North and

the desire of the company to serve the public in the most modern and acceptable ways.

### STORY OF THE DISCOVERY OF FIRST DIAMOND IN S.A.

One of the highlights of the Transylvania's Great African Cruise of 1931 is a visit to the vast acres of diamonds at Kimberley. This internationally known city is a day's journey northward from Capetown, on the fascinating three thousand-mile inland trek in South Africa, and has for over a century held the enviable reputation of being the greatest Golconda of modern times. The story of the discovery of the first diamond near Kimberley, some fifty years ago, is unique.

A boer farmer, on a lonely farmstead, saw a little girl playing with some small stones. His attention was attracted by one of the "playthings," a stone which shined rather radiantly. When the mother saw the farmer admiring it she gave it to him as a memento, thinking that it was only an ordinary pebble, which had been gathered from the banks of the neighbouring river. The "pebble" however proved to be a twenty-one carat blue white diamond of the purest water. Soon afterwards, the same farmer saw a similar stone in the possession of a Hottentot and secured possession in exchange for a horse and a dozen oxen. The "shiny stone" which the Hottentot had thought valuable only as a kind of charm was no other than the later famous "Star of South Africa," which was subsequently purchased by the Earl of Dudley for the sum of \$100,000.

Kimberley's greatest rival is the Premier Diamond Mines, near Pretoria, in the Transvaal, which will also be visited on the South African inland trek, and where in 1905, the famous "Cullinan" Diamond, the world's largest and valuable precious stone, was

discovered. The "Cullinan" weighed over three thousand carats in the rough, and now adorns the Imperial Crown and Sceptre of the King of England. Kimberley at present produces fifty-four per cent. of the world's annual supply of diamonds.

### PEOPLE RECEIVING DOLE ENJOYING THE SEASIDE

(London (Eng.) Daily Mail) There is an ironical flavour in news that dole-drawers in Lancashire who have gone to the seaside to take a pleasant outing are chartering motor-coaches for the purpose of returning to their home towns and signing on at their labour exchanges there in order to retain the benefit of the dole. This is one more example of the fashion in which the dole habit is becoming ingrained and the disastrous effect which it is exerting upon the character of those who draw it.

### LANCASHIRE CLUB OPENING DANCE A NOTABLE SUCCESS

The opening dance of the season by the Lancashire Club in the Hollinger Recreation hall on Saturday evening last was a general success and all were greatly pleased with it. The attendance was large and all enjoyed the event. The music by the Club Royal orchestra was specially attractive and there was lots of this good music. All present were agreed that the Lancashire Club's opening dance for the season was a complete success.

The canvass of the business sections of the town for the Victorian Order Nurses is continuing this week, the canvassers meeting with good results, the public generally recognizing the valuable work done by the V.O.N. in town. A further report of the returns from the canvass will be given in The Advance next week.

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