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Timmins Cup Competition Commences on January 5th

Thirty-two Rinks in the Competition at the Timmins Curling Rink. List of Rinks, with Vice-Skips, Seconds and Leads. Schedule of Games for First Curling Competition of the Season. Finals to be Played on January 18th.

- List of rinks and players for the Timmins Cup Competition, including names like G. S. Lowe, A. R. Harkness, J. W. Dougherty, F. Carson, etc.

- Continuation of the list of rinks and players for the Timmins Cup Competition.

BOYS THE GUESTS MONDAY OF TIMMINS KIWANIS CLUB

R. E. Dye Makes Inspiring Address to Boys at Monday's Club Luncheon. Able Response to Welcome by Garth Teeple.

At Monday's regular weekly luncheon at the Kiwanis Club a number of boys of the town were guests of members of the club for the occasion. G. N. Ross introduced as his guests, Phil Laporte, Pat Murphy and Victor Salomaa. R. Dye had Basil Davis and Ross Davis as his guests. V. Woodbury's guests included a whole boy's club, comprising Victor Mullen, Hector McKinnon, Tom Gorman, Bill Dunn, Harold Wallingford, R. Parnell, Fred Orr, Geo. Walbridge, Hedley Moore, Francis Woodbury, Garth Teeple and Leonard Madden. The lads were given a very hearty welcome to the luncheon. The president of the boys' club, Garth Teeple, responded on behalf of the lads, and his brief, bright and effective address delighted the Kiwanis who were impressed particularly by the ability of this young man.

The speaker for the day was Kiwanian R. E. Dye who gave a talk specially to the boys but listened to with deep interest by all present. Mr. Dye spoke of the necessity of all having a definite aim and purpose in life. Without such an aim, there was not the proper incentive for progress and development. He urged the lads to aim high. Even if the aim were not achieved, the very fact of striving for high things made life better and happier. He touched also on the importance of men learning to make their own decisions and sticking by their decisions when they were made. Effort and honesty of purpose paid for themselves apart from anything they might achieve. Mr. Dye referred to the need for character in life and persistence and sincerity in seeking advancement. The boys listened to the address with rapt attention and appeared to appreciate all that was said. Members of the club also considered Mr. Dye's address as particularly helpful while at the same time interesting throughout.

Community singing was featured during the meeting and the boy guests specially enjoyed this part of the programme. The appeal from the snap judgment in regard to a number of the members of the club who were blamed for the poor service at the post office, or words to that effect, was postponed to the next meeting on account of the illness of A. W. Lang, the learned counsel for the defence, who was unable to be present. The members concerned are also understood to be planning mock actions for mock damages with the case started at the club against them some weeks ago. So, considerable more fun is expected from the matter.

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MAY CHANGE TITLE



PRINCE GEORGE The youthful and popular son of King George, may take to himself the title of Duke of Edinburgh when he celebrates his birthday this month. The last holder of the title was Prince Alfred, son of Queen Victoria and uncle of the present King.

ONLY FIFTY APPEALS AT COURT OF REVISION HERE

Smallest Number of Appeals on Assessment in Several Years. Only 35 Appeals Against Valuations. Most of the Assessments Confirmed.

The court of revision on the assessment for 1931 met on Tuesday morning, being composed of five members of the council, including Mayor Geo. S. Drew. There were 50 appeals, four of which were withdrawn by the appellants. Out of the remaining 46 only 35 were actual appeals against valuation of lands or property. Some of the appeals were simply to be transferred from separate school to public school support, or from public to separate school. A couple of the appeals were simply for the purpose of securing allowance for vacancy of buildings during the past year. The number of appeals is the smallest for several years. Most of the assessments were sustained but a few were slightly reduced as the assessment in those latter cases was considered as a little too high by the court of revision. It may be noted that the 1931 assessment as now confirmed shows reduction on the previous year's assessment. The assessment for 1932, the plan of the town being to have the assessment made and confirmed the previous year, this being found to be the most satisfactory plan all round.

FREE INNOCULATION FOR CHILDREN PRE-SCHOOL AGE

To Safeguard Children Against Diphtheria, Inoculation May be Had at Clinic on Wednesday Afternoons During January and February.

For some time past the Medical Health Officer, the doctors of the town and the public health nurses, the teachers and others have been co-operating to protect children against the danger of diphtheria. Medical science has perfected a method of immunizing against diphtheria, and with the general adoption of this safeguard the dreaded disease would be completely conquered in a short time. Some towns and cities where diphtheria was at one time quite prevalent have been able to practically banish the disease altogether. It is said that with the full co-operation of the public in general and parents in particular, it would be possible to completely eliminate diphtheria in Canada. As the immunization is particularly effective with children, especially the younger ones, and gives life-long protection from the disease, it is easy to see how interested the parents should be. In the past year or two there has been a large measure of immunity from danger of the disease through inoculation of children going to school. Dr. Moore, M.H.O., now plans to extend the campaign against diphtheria to include the immunizing of children of pre-school age. Accordingly children in Timmins of pre-school age may receive inoculation against diphtheria at the clinic, Fourth avenue, on Wednesday afternoons between 1:30 and 2:00 o'clock during the months of January and February, 1931. It should be noted that small children suffer practically no pain and no inconvenience from the inoculation and they are safely guarded for life from danger of contracting the disease. There is no danger to the child involved in the treatment, and the immunization is particularly efficacious in the case of youngsters of pre-school age. Accordingly, it would appear to be the part of wisdom for parents to see that their children of pre-school age have the advantage of the free inoculation offered at the clinic, without cost, on Wednesday afternoons during January and February.

Mrs. N. Landriault Passes Away on Tuesday Morning

There will be very general and sincere regret at the news of the death on Tuesday morning of this week, Dec. 30th, of Mrs. Landriault, wife of Noe Landriault, of the Timmins police force. Mrs. Landriault who had not been in the best of health recently, was in Montreal some weeks ago for hospital treatment and returned to town much improved in health. Some days ago it was necessary to take her to St. Mary's hospital, Timmins, for treatment. On Monday she was operated upon, the operation being carried through successfully and hopes for her recovery being of the best. Monday evening, however, she took a turn for the worse and on Tuesday morning about 11 o'clock she passed away. The late Mrs. Landriault was a young woman who had many friends in town and who was very highly esteemed by all who knew her. In addition to the bereaved husband she is survived by three children, the oldest of whom is only six years of age. The deepest sympathy of all will be extended to the husband and family and the other relatives and friends in their sad loss. The funeral arrangements have not been made at the time of going to press, but it is likely that the funeral will take place on Friday of this week at St. Anthony's church and the R. C. cemetery.

FIGHT WITCHCRAFT DOCTORS



DISTRICT ATTOR. R. P. FISHER Has inaugurated a drive to exile witchcraft practitioners and "pow-wow" doctors from York County Pennsylvania. Pow-wow doctors have been held responsible for murders and other less vicious crimes in York County in recent years.

Nine Known Dead in Hotel Fire at Cochrane Monday

Early Morning Fire Burns Down Queen's Hotel at Cochrane. Charles Palangio and Wife and Four Children Burned to Death. Three Other Bodies Recovered from Ruins. There May be Other Deaths Resulting from Cochrane Fire. Maybe a Hundred in Building at Time.

According to information secured by The Advance from official sources at Cochrane on Wednesday morning of this week there are nine known to be dead through the fire at the Queen's hotel, Cochrane, on Monday morning. There may be other deaths discovered later. So far nine bodies have been recovered from the ruins of the building and it is believed that there may be three or four other deaths likely to be discovered from the fire. The known dead are:—Mr. and Mrs. Charles Palangio and four children, Victor, aged 14, Nita 6 years, Debby 4, and Betty 2 years. Three men, one of whom has not yet been identified, are also known to be dead. One of the three has been identified as B. Zardo, of Kirkland Lake. The fire at the Queen's hotel, Cochrane, was discovered about 4 o'clock on Monday morning and before the alarm was given the fire had progressed beyond control. Although the building had a brick front, the structure was of frame. It is described by those who knew the structure to be a fire-trap by reason of its construction and also on account of its lay-out. The smoke and flames were very soon all through the building making it impossible for rescue work to be carried on for the inmates roused from sleep to escape. The hotel register was destroyed by the fire so there is no means of knowing exactly how many people were in the building at the time of the tragedy. It is understood, however, that between sixty and seventy men were sleeping in the basement of the hotel, in addition to those in the hotel rooms proper. The men in the basement were among the first to make their escape. They were transients in town chiefly, taking the opportunity given for a sleeping place for the night. It was feared at first that numbers of these transients might have met death in the burning building, but it is understood now that most of them, if not all, made their escape in safety, though some of them suffered slight burns. The fact that many of them slept without undressing made their escape easier. In the other part of the hotel those sleeping when the alarm of fire was given were not so fortunate. James Palangio, Sr., the proprietor of the hotel, escaped from the burning building.

FIRST SENIOR HOCKEY AT TIMMINS FRIDAY EVENING

Will Play the Old-Time Rivals from Iroquois Falls. Probable Line-up of Timmins Team. Good Hockey Expected This Winter. The hockey fans in Timmins and district are pleased these days because after several years out of the game, Timmins this year again has a team in the Senior N. O. H. A. The first game at Timmins for the season will be at the rink here on Friday evening of this week, Jan. 2nd. The puck will be faced at 8:30 p.m. Iroquois Falls and Timmins will be the contending teams on Friday evening, and an interesting match is expected between the two old-time rivals. Iroquois Falls is reported to have a good team and to have a lot of hockey talent on tap for the season. Timmins expects to equal or surpass the Falls in this respect, so the old-time rivalry is reviving in friendly fashion. For the game on Friday the line-up has not yet been announced, but The Advance understands that the Timmins team will be selected from the following players most of whom are well known to the hockey fans:—Hudnut, goal; Spence, "Red" Jago, W. Arundel, Auge, Dr. Hudson, Krupka, Godin, Boyd Laflamme, McKinnon, Emard. Several of these are from the Junior team of last year and their good work will be remembered. Others like Dr. Hudson have travelled in big hockey company, while much will also be expected from players like W. Arundel, who made a good showing in the South on speedy teams. All of the players are strictly local men and much satisfaction is taken in the amateur standing of all the players. The executive of the Timmins hockey club are emphasizing the fact that the season's hockey is to be the best brand of amateur sport. There will also be special interest in the game at South Porcupine on Monday at the Porcupine arena when Timmins will play its first game in the Senior N. O. H. A. series with South Porcupine's team. This also will be a match that none will care to miss.

FIRST MEETING OF THE NEW TOWN COUNCIL ON JAN. 12

The first meeting of the 1931 town council will be held on Monday, Jan. 12th. It is likely that the council will follow the usual procedure of meeting in the morning to be sworn in and to appoint committees, while the regular session will be held in the afternoon commencing at 4 p.m.

CHRISTMAS SERVICES AT THE VARIOUS CHURCHES

There were special Christmas services at the various churches here, all attracting large congregations and being much appreciated. As usual there were particularly large crowds at the midnight mass Christmas Eve at St. Anthony's and at the Church of the Nativity, the services being particularly attractive. Christmas Day services were held at St. Matthew's Anglican church at 8:30 a.m. and 11 a.m., with special music by the choir. The services at the United Church on Sunday were well attended and particularly appropriate. The Salvation Army held its usual Christmas Week events and drew large audiences. Christmas was appropriately observed at the Baptist Church.

Wolves are reported as very plentiful in the district around Combermere Renfrew County. Their howls can be heard for many miles around any evening. This is not very pleasant for the people in the district, but it is still worse for the deer of the district.

HOLLINGER PAY DAYS TO BE WEDNESDAYS IN 1931

Change in Pay Days Will Likely Mean a Change in the Regular Weekly Half Holiday During the Summer Months in 1931.

Hollinger pay days for the year 1931 will be on Wednesdays. For the past year or two the pay days at the Hollinger and some of the other mines have been kept to Tuesday. This new year, however, the change has been made to Wednesday. The first Wednesday pay day will be on January 7th, 1931, and pay day will be thereafter on each succeeding second Wednesday, the second pay day being on Jan. 21st, the third on Feb. 4th, and so on. The pay days are every two weeks.

For several years past the regular weekly half-holiday in town has been held on Wednesday throughout the summer. The change in pay days may mean a change in the weekly half-holiday. It is possible that the merchants may decide this year to have the holiday on another day of the week, probably Thursday, to avoid having the holiday on the pay day. The pay day used to figure largely in all calculations of the business men of the town, but it is doubtful if it has as much effect today as it once had. At one time a sports event or even a band concert would draw less returns if held immediately before the pay day as compared to one held after the pay day. Years ago merchants used to find pay days and the evenings of pay days as well as the days following to be especially brisk for business as well as for the settling of monthly accounts. In more recent years merchants say that they do not notice as much difference in this regard as in former years. The town has settled down to a basis where the importance of the pay day is not so immediate. Pay day is necessary and appreciated on any day, but the particular day of the week has less bearing, perhaps, to-day than in years gone by, as the town settles down on a more established basis.

As usual, J. Harry Smith, manager of the press bureau of the Canadian Pacific Railway, sends out an original style of Christmas and New Year's cards. It pictures the bringing in of the Yule log and has the charm of the old-time Christmas. If J. Harry Smith sent one of these cards to each and every friend, they must have a had a million of them printed.

DEATH OF FRANK DESORMEAU OLD-TIME RESIDENT HERE

Well-Known Early Resident of Timmins Passed Away on Friday Evening, Aged 75 Years. Had Lived in Timmins Since 1910.

There was general regret here at the death of St. Mary's hospital on Friday evening of last of Frank Desormeau, Sr., a resident of Timmins for over twenty years. The late Mr. Desormeau was well known and highly regarded in Timmins. At the time of death he was 75 years of age. He was a native of Aylmer, Ontario, and came to Timmins in 1910, remaining here until the time of his death. He moved his family here in 1915 and they have been resident in Timmins since then, with the exception of the fact that five of the sons spent several years each overseas in the Canadian Army, and one son, Frank, has recently been resident in Sudbury. One son, Harry, gave his life on the battlefields overseas.

The bereaved widow and seven sons and one daughter survive. The sons are:—Frank, of Sudbury, and Oswald, Lawrence, Jack, Arnold, Eddie, and Emmett, of Timmins. The daughter is Mrs. Pete Lavigne, of Timmins. To the bereaved family the sympathy of all will be extended. The late Mr. Desormeau had been ill less than three weeks previous to his death. For some years past, he had not enjoyed the best of health at times, but had recovered from several illnesses and a month or two ago seemed to be enjoying good health and strength. Had Mr. Desormeau lived until next May he would have been able to celebrate the fiftieth anniversary of his marriage.

The late Mr. Desormeau was on the staff of several of the industries in the town at various times, but was perhaps best known in his connection with the municipal public works staff here. He also served for some years as caretaker of the municipal building here. He was in the employ of the town of Timmins in different capacities for over nine years. The funeral took place on Monday morning to St. Anthony's church and the R.C. cemetery, Rev. Fr. Theriault saying requiem high mass. The funeral was largely attended and there were many beautiful floral tributes.

Mr. and Mrs. Jos. Sullivan, of Winnipeg, formerly public residents of Timmins, are the guests of Mrs. Sullivan's sister, Mrs. R. Allen, during the holidays.

The Advance to Issue Next Thursday as Usual

On account of the holiday The Advance is printed this week on Wednesday. Last week it was issued on Tuesday on account of the holiday time. Next week, however, The Advance will be back to normal and will be issued as usual on Thursday. In the following weeks throughout the year it is hoped to issue as usual on Thursdays. The past year, like most of its predecessors has seen little variation from the programme of publishing as good a paper as possible and publishing it on time. This is also the resolve for the new year. With the interference caused by the holidays out of the way, normality is to be resumed. In the meantime, and hereafter, to one and all a very happy and prosperous new year.

Miss Margaret Parks, daughter of Rev. J. D. Parks and Mrs. Parks, now of North Bay, was a holiday visitor with friends in town.

SEEKS ACCOUNTING



THE PRINCESS ROSPIGLIOSI With her husband Prince Francesco Rospiogliosi is seeking an accounting of what once was the \$10,000,000 estate of her grandfather, the late Alexander McDonald, Standard Oil magnate.

EIGHTH ANNUAL POULTRY SHOW, JANUARY 14 & 15

Event by the Porcupine Poultry and Pet Stock Show to be Held in the Market Building, 95 Third Avenue on Jan. 14th and 15th.

Formal announcement is made of the eighth annual show of the Porcupine Poultry and Pet Stock Association, to be held in the market building, 95 Third Avenue, on Wednesday and Thursday, Jan. 14th and 15th, 1931.

Former shows have been interesting to poultry fanciers and to the general public and the event on Jan. 14th and 15th promises to be even better than its predecessors. The printed prize lists will be available shortly and will show a goodly array of prizes in all classes, with a large number of attractive specialties. The Porcupine Poultry and Pet Stock has achieved so favourable a reputation that it is now esteemed a genuine honour and mark of merit to win a prize at this event. The association this year has secured the services of the well-known poultry expert, W. Cadman, of London, Ont., as judge of poultry. An expert judge of dogs is also being secured for the event. Further particulars of the show will be available later. The officers for the Porcupine Poultry and Pet Stock Show include:—Honorary president, Mayor Geo. S. Drew; president, J. H. Skelly; vice-president, N. Caron; secretary, J. Arndt, P.O. Box 1916, Timmins; treasurer, W. W. Orr. Executive committee:—T. Coada, J. Masie, R. C. Demaree, R. J. McCae, W. T. Montgomery. Business committee:—H. Lloyd, A. D. Pearce (South Porcupine), J. Robertson (Dome Mines), G. Hendry (Dome Mines), Mrs. O. Ruir. Board of directors:—L. McLaughlan, D. Grear (Schumacher), H. Parnell, Chief Boriand, A. G. Luxton. Finance committee:—L. McLaughlan, J. K. Masie.

All will be delighted to know that Mrs. J. Dalton, who has been in St. Mary's hospital for the past week or so, is now making excellent progress to complete recovery.