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Interesting Debate at the Young People's Society

The fate of a woman's right to enter the business world hung in the balance on Wednesday evening, March 29th, while debaters at the Y.P.S. of Timmins United Church advanced the pros and cons of the age-old question. The debate was worded:—"Resolved that a woman's place is in the home." As a result of the clever arguments of the negative, however, woman may still place a career before a home.

The affirmative was stoutly upheld by Messrs Ronald Lord and Lloyd Black, while Misses Evelyn Church and Edith Hill championed the cause of their sex. The judges were Miss Campbell, Mr. Quirt and the Rev. Bruce Millar.

A charming vocal selection by Miss Alice Smythe, accompanied at the piano by Miss Edna Connors, preceeded the debate.

TEA AND SALE OF HOME-MADE BAKING AND CANDY, APRIL 15

Timmins Golden Chapter I.O.D.E. announces this week that it will hold a tea and sale of home-baking while the Girl Guides, sponsored by the I.O.D.E., will have a sale of candy at the same time and place, the tea and sale being from 3 to 6 p.m. on Tuesday, April 18th, in the Moose hall, 37 Fourth avenue. In addition there will be a musical programme and the event will undoubtedly be most interesting and pleasing.

DEATH OF HON. F. OLIVER AT OTTAWA LAST FRIDAY

Hon. Frank Oliver, Minister of the Interior in the Laurier Cabinet, founder and head for many years of The Edmonton Bulletin, and more recently a member of the Board of Railway Commissioners for Canada, died at the Ottawa Civic hospital on Friday evening last. He was ill only a few days and his death came as a genuine shock to wide circles in which he was known and esteemed. He was a pioneer of the West and one of the big men sent from that country to parliament, their talent and courage eventually winning them a larger place in the House than their numbers may have warranted. Hon. Mr. Oliver took a large place in the public life of Canada and his services should not be lightly forgotten. Recently Mr. Oliver wrote articles about this North, touching particularly on Moose and the James Bay country. As one imbued with the pioneer spirit he could visualize the great future possible to such a country. Some of his articles on James Bay area have been published in The Advance and they showed the faith and courage of the writer, one of the pioneers of the great West who could understand and appreciate the struggles of the North in taking its true place in the world of progress and development.

CHARGED WITH THEFT OF THE BOOKS OF SCHOOL SECTION

A rather unusual case has arisen in connection with S.S. No. 3 township of Widdfield, near North Bay, information having been laid last week before District Magistrate C. S. McGaughey at North Bay, charging Samuel Bailey and William Villeneuve with the theft from James Russels, chairman of the public school board, of the board's record books. The circumstances leading to the charge are said to be that a number of ratepayers demanded a meeting to discuss school board matters, this meeting being attended by the ratepayers and the school trustees. The ratepayers present, or at least some of them, are said to have taken matters into their own hands and deposited two of the trustees and when the chairman, James Russels, refused to hand over the books, they are said to have been taken forcibly by Bailey on an order from Villeneuve. It looks like an odd form of procedure from this distance.

Notable Concert at Goldfields on Sunday

Event Under Auspices of the Daughters of England Greatly Enjoyed by Large Audiences. Programme of Special Merit.

The special concert held in the Goldfields theatre last Sunday evening under the auspices of the Daughters of England Society attracted a large attendance, and the programme presented ever to be one of the most enjoyable given in the popular playhouse. The ladies responsible for the event are very gratified indeed at the splendid audience, all being very appreciative and attentive. Chief of Police Harry Jones was a genial chairman, and his remarks and humorous stories made him a great big favourite with the audience, particularly the younger folks present.

The Merry-makers orchestra opened the programme with a nice selection for a five-piece band, and were followed by Mrs. Chas. Surman, whose rendering of the simple ballad, "Keep on Hoping," was very effective.

In the absence of Tommy Williams through sickness, Wilson Thompson stepped into the breach and sang "Ro-Ro-Rolling Along," being heartily recalled, and a musical monologue, "The Suicide" was the encore.

Little Miss Hilda Tomlinson's violin solo was given with a confident touch and sweet tone, the piece being "La Golondrina."

Mrs. Mavis James won hearty applause with a splendid elocution number entitled, "You'll Be a Man, My Son." Mrs. Jack McConnell then sang "Somewhere a Voice is Calling," another big favourite number.

Following this another juvenile item was given by Miss Ina Adamson, who danced the "Ghille Gailum," or Highland Fling, very smartly and the audience insisted on a recall, when she gracefully danced the difficult steps of the Sword Dance.

Mr. Percy Harris won loud applause for his fine singing of "O! Man River," showing himself to be the possessor of a remarkably pleasing bass voice; his encore was also well sung, "The Miner."

The Merry-makers again obliged with a tuneful orchestral selection, which included a tastefully played saxophone solo by Frank Sullivan, "Love Sends a Little Gift of Roses."

Mrs. Dick Mills kept up the high standard of the programme with a lovely song, "My Dreams," which won hearty approval.

Master Arthur Spence displayed promise of good talent in his violin solo, "Salut D'Amour."

Then the audience got a huge kick out of Wilson Thompson's musical monologue, "The 11.69 Express," which proved mirth-provoking indeed. A couple of slight unintentional stops heightened the merriment, but Wilson kept cool and carried on amidst gales of laughter to a successful conclusion.

A very graceful number came next, when the Misses Annie Jopson and Kathleen Wilkinson gave a beautifully executed dance to the tune of "The Glow-worm." They were heartily encouraged and responded with a repetition which was again well received.

Mrs. R. J. Webber's fine soprano voice was heard to great effect in "The Monastery Garden," which she rendered in her usual artistic and well-finished style.

A most successful and enjoyable programme was then brought to a close with artists and audience joining in the singing of the National Anthem.

The programme was arranged and directed by W. H. Wilson, who acted as accompanist throughout.

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Old Age Pensions to 237 Men, 122 Women

Further Interesting Facts in the Report of the District of Cochrane Old Age Pensions Work. Total Applications to Date, 359.

There are many interesting facts in the report of the secretary of the District of Cochrane Old Age Pensions Board as given to the board to cover events to April 1st. While the report is issued for the information of the members of the board, it has so much of public interest as to be worth publication. F. K. Ebbitt, the secretary of the District of Cochrane Old Age Pension Board has given unstintingly of his time to the work of the board and has tabulated information along any desired line available at any moment. In his reports to the board he is constantly touching on new points of interest.

The report of April 1st, 1933, is the ninth report issued by the secretary. The previous report was submitted on Dec. 1st, 1932.

The present report shows the total number of applications for old age pensions in the District of Cochrane (exclusive only of the town of Timmins, which has an old age pension board of its own) to be 359. There are in addition 8 applications mailed but not returned to the secretary. No applications were pending at the date. There were 54 deaths among old age pensioners up to April 1st.

Applications may be divided as follows:—
Widows 77
Widowers 99
Single women 2
Single men 48
Married women 43
Married men 90
Total 359

Totalling of these figures shows that 122 women are among the applicants, while the balance of 237 are men.

The number of applications received since the work started is as follows:—in 1929, there were 99 applications; in 1930, the number was 56; there were 67 applications in 1931; and this year to date there have been 9.

In the report the secretary gives the personnel of the board:—G. A. Macdonald, chairman, Timmins; R. J. Carter, member, Kirkland Lake; Frank K. Ebbitt, secretary, Iroquois Falls. After the figures given above, there is the following paragraph of special interest: "No new post offices have been added to the list since our report No. 7, at which time it showed a total of 68 different points from which the applications were received. About 91 per cent. of these are from our district, the others being a few of our residents who were in city hospitals or institutions. From the above it will be noted that practically every little hamlet, village and town in Cochrane district are receiving some direct benefit from this useful and necessary organization of the Government. As stated previously the pensions work out to an average of about \$216.00 per year for each pensioner and taking the number of applicants receiving the pension, the Dominion and Provincial Governments spend considerably more than \$70,000 a year. None of this amount is contributed by any of the municipalities in the district. The town of Timmins, which is equal in size to a city does, however, contribute a portion for their work in this connection, but they only deal with their own citizens, and their work is not included in any of the above-mentioned figures."

BIG GOLD RUSH EXPECTED IN BRITISH COLUMBIA THIS YEAR

According to despatches this week from Cranbrook, British Columbia, more than 1000 men are expected to enter the Cranbrook area this summer in one of the greatest gold rushes the district has ever experienced. Prospectors believe that the 1933 rush will equal and maybe exceed the gold hunt in the Cranbrook area from 1863 to 1900 when \$25,000,000.00 in gold was produced. The Cranbrook area seems to be specially proud of the fact that the district produced over \$25,000,000.00 in some 37 years. Compared to the output of the Porcupine area, the Cranbrook figures seem small. In the past twenty-three years the Porcupine has produced over \$300,000,000.00 in gold, which is not to be sneezed at. Of course this is a hard rock mining country and Cranbrook is a placer mining area, but even so the difference in the gold produced in the two areas is worthy of note.

Border Cities Star:—By springing in the air and falling on the floor, Adolph Wanstschergen of Brooklyn, dislodged a ping-pong ball that had stuck in his throat. Good for Mr. Wanstschergen. We didn't think he had it in him.

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