

View of McIntyre's New Athletic Park

Vince Woodbury Writes his Impressions of the Fine New Park Formally Opened on Friday Afternoon Last at Schumacher.

The following letter gives Vincent Woodbury's views on the new McIntyre athletic park, opened last week with formal ceremonies:—

A July sun shone upon a beautiful diamond Friday afternoon introducing the McIntyre baseball park to well over a thousand enthusiastic fans.

The grounds are laid out in big league style being large, smooth, and as keen as a razor, topped with a cushion of grass over the diamond.

This situation is dramatic. Beyond the field to the right still stands sturdy number eleven shaft which brought a wealth of gold to the McIntyre when it was very much needed. To the left lie the departing foundations of the old mill that supplied the funds for old McIntyre's present creation, the wonderful mine's present creation, the well, and beyond comes up the while out. Hollinger. The grounds magnificent what was once a lake now filled up with fillings, and developed through top-filling, and exceeding care into the most finished and picturesque baseball ball. To the old-timer all this represents an emotion, to the youth an event.

The grandstand was filled with a picture of happy faces. The feminine were a pansy of colours, while even the men came in the fashion of a lawn social. Far-stretched along the line back of third were strings of children fascinated by the event.

Across the diamond came the band and marching back of them were the McIntyre and Kirkland Lake baseball players. They halted at the tall flag pole where, to the martial strains of "God Save the King" the Union Jack was raised to the breeze. The opening

ceremony concluded when the ball players gathered around to watch "R. J." (Mr. Ennis, General Manager of the McIntyre Mines) breeze some fast ones across for reliable Dan Keeley to lunge viciously at—the catcher was too fast going after R. J.'s slants for me to observe his face but his back said Dr. Robson—the mine's physician.

The game was probably as interesting as one as we have ever held in the North. The McIntyre went out to win this one, but were held rigid in check by as brilliant pitching as I've ever seen these last twenty years in the North Country. Only two hits were made off the long boy from Kirkland Lake in nine innings, and when you consider how that strong McIntyre team love their bats, and their great star at the plate striking out twice and once when a hit meant the game, you can imagine the quality of stuff the big fellow was serving up. He deserved to win. It was a shame to see him lose. Two rancid errors caused his down fall in the ninth, the first an overthrow to first which would have meant the third out, and the second a muff of an easy grounder through the shortstop's legs. It would have taken the heart out of a Mathewson.

McIntyre through the splendid playing of the boys and excellent work of Fitcher Woods in emergency had held Kirkland Lake to three runs. They were not to be denied with the score three to one against them in the ninth, they took advantage of errors to tie the score, and then went out in the tenth and batted the ball to victory.

That's all. By this time the sun had finished its benediction and went behind the clouds, for now came a baptism of rain. The day was over—as the youngsters back of third yelled when they ducked for cover—"Oh boy, what a game!"

—Vince Woodbury.

Ottawa Journal:—This heat-wave business means that a woman has to buy a lot of new clothes to leave off.

Balbo Avenue Now



ANN CROUSTOS Chicago has honoured the intrepid leader of Italy's air armada by naming a street after him. Here is Ann Croustos pointing with pride to the new Balbo Avenue marker.

Sudbury Star:—Hon. Charles McCrea says the gold mines of Ontario will produce over \$50,000,000 this year. And that is one crop that the grasshoppers cannot injure.

Forests, Farms, and Mines in the North

Well-Known Editor and Mayor of Collingwood Writes Impressions of His Recent Visit to the North Country.

Last week reference was made in The Advance to the recent visit here of Dave Williams, editor of The Collingwood Enterprise-Bulletin, and mayor of the town. There is extended reference in the last issue of The Enterprise-Bulletin to the same visit. This article about the North says, in part:—

Some one asked in the press the other day, where all of Britain's gold came from? We wondered, but having been up in Northern Ontario during the past week we saw, not only where much gold was taken from the 'inards' of Mother Earth, but whence comes much of the newsprint, which is daily and weekly converted into newspapers of the Dominion and elsewhere.

Our trip was made after an interval of two years and wonderful are the changes that have been wrought, in the roads, the towns and the country as a whole. We saw evidence of progress on all sides.

From Collingwood to North Bay the route is by highway No. 11 and on the way there is much pavement and many good towns. We ultimately reached North Bay, with its busy streets, well-paved roadways, fine business places and public buildings, including its churches and several residential sections that would do credit to a city of much greater proportion.

The Gateway Now at and through the gateway, a plunge was made into the real north, the route, the only road route being the Ferguson highway, which in the two years while we were away, has been wonderfully improved, though in the fifty-six miles in the Temagami Re-

serve there are yet hundreds of curves, up and down and sideways. So numerous are these that a break-neck speed is impossible, while for the motorist, the scenery is all the same. To forget the sign, 'keep to the right' would mean disaster, the hills and curves being short and sharp. However, it is a delightful drive. It is next to Nature. With towering pines on either side, with rabbits dodging hither and thither at the sound of a car, with a partridge standing stupidly on the road, a fawn or deer slipping into the forest, a ground hog waddling across or a porcupine somewhat lazily trying to disappear, there is always something of interest. Oh yes, there is the numerous camps on the shores of pretty lakes. It may all be a solitude, but it is the place to close out the world and live next to the grandeur of the great universe.

(After referring to Temagami, Latchford, Cobalt, Halleybury, New Liskeard, Uno Park, Thornloe, Earlton, Englehart, the article continues:—)

Now the Gold Now, again, there is another mining belt, but here, at Swastika and Kirkland Lake, it is the hidden gold that is extracted from the rock. In Kirkland Lake our friend, Tresider, of the News, tells us there are fifteen thousand people, all dependent on the operation and success of the mines Kirkland Lake, Teck-Hughes, Lake Shore and Wright-Hargreaves. The town is a busy place, closely built along a greater part of the main street, some of the places of business being substantial structures that are a credit to the mining camp and would be to older towns in older Ontario. From Swastika, into the camps, is between six and seven miles, over an asphalt pavement, which is continued through the town and on some of the side streets. In the front window, that is along the main drag are located three of the operating mines, Kirkland Lake, Teck-Hughes and Lake Shore, while Wright-Hargreaves fills in the end of a leading side street. The business places include the chain stores, common to Ontario towns, plus many smaller shops all being so numerous that if money can buy, everything is there to be bought. One side of the situation that struck us was the matter of the cost of living. Looking in the stores prices appeared to be practically the same as in old Ontario, meals for example—a real bang up meal—costing fifty cents. Groceries, canned goods, fruit, with possibly the exception of fresh fruit—are in most cases marked at the prices we know here in Collingwood.

Kirkland Lake is a town of young men, a town, we should say, for young men. It was Saturday afternoon when we were there and the streets were thronged with men, twenty, twenty-five, and up to forty all apparently enjoying life.

More Farms Continuing northward our trip took us back in a farming district, of which Matheson, Ramore and Monteth are centres, the farms with wood crops bearing the appearance of care and systematic cultivation.

The Pulp Area From Monteth we went through Ansonville to Iroquois Falls, a model town of the Abitibi Power and Paper Co., a headquarters of the pulp area and industry. Here there is a well planned centre with pretty curves, triangles, and squares arranged with the idea of convenience and utility and added to by beautiful shrubbery and trees. The streets are paved, the homes of modern design and surrounded with well kept lawns and boulevards and small gardens at the rear. In the town is a large central store, a hospital of thirty-five beds, well equipped, a large hotel, a golf course at the front door, curling and skating rinks, good schools and other modern necessities, all of course, being centred around the large paper mill of the company, which, by the way, is now operating more extensively than it has been for some time, and which, it should be interjected, is said to be the most economical production mill of Ontario. Iroquois Falls is truly a clean healthy town and in its make-up has a jolly social life, where friends are real friends.

On To Timmins Curiosity, plus a desire to call on our newspaper friend, George Lake, of The Porcupine Advance, led us to Timmins, the largest town of the North and with its adjoining towns of Schumacher, South Porcupine and Porcupine having a combined population of between 15,000 and 20,000. On the way was seen the wreckage of fond hopes in the form of tumbled down buildings, odd bits of machinery, all of which had in earlier days been brought in to extract fortunes from the rock. In places but an odd resident remains, while a score, fifty or a hundred make the community.

Looking Over Timmins Our friend George was home and genial, as he is, said, come and see the sights. We did and again we struck with the many outstanding changes in Timmins since our first visit back twenty-odd years ago, even since our second or third. Today, while there is evidence of the mining camp days, such as frame buildings that came in pioneer days when the boom was on and are yet—many of them—still in use, in the business section there are fine brick structures, hotel, stores, offices, a new post office, not so pretentious, but serviceable, a large modern high school, fire hall, well equipped, Chief Borland, a brother of our late citizen, Samuel Borland, said, good churches, well paved streets and other utilities that go to make up the modern town.

Here, too, we found a centre of young and middle aged men, hundreds of them pouring out of the mines, Hollinger, with its 2400 employees and McIntyre, a short distance away, with two or three thousand more. When there we saw a change of shift, this bringing hundreds of men to the streets and bringing into action hundreds of autos, all giving an air of prosperity and dispelling the idea that a depression had been and was yet on in other parts of the province.

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their neighbours that Canada and Britain obtains a goodly share of its gold.

Coincident with the writing of this sketchy outline of the North there came to our desk, a monthly letter of the Royal Bank of Canada—a lengthy and interesting survey of business conditions. In the course of it, a couple of paragraphs are devoted to the situation as to base metals. These tell that the gold production in Ontario has been well maintained, and goes on to say, "the value of the output during the first five months of the years was \$18,700,000 as compared with \$19,000,000 in the corresponding period of 1932. Operations at all established camps in other provinces have continued and progress has been made in various development works. Exploration was pushed vigorously all winter. With the opening of spring, equipment and supplies were sent in and many promising prospects are being tested. Every indication points to a satisfactory year for the gold producers. For a long period all shipments of gold have been going to the United States to the exclusion of Great Britain. That situation has now been completely reversed; \$8,717,616 in gold was sent to Great Britain in May and only \$119,983 to the United States." And further, "higher prices for silver and other metals have resulted in increased interest in these mines and some increase in operations is anticipated if prices continue firm. Nickel sales have been holding up well and operations at Sudbury have recently been increased from 20 per cent. to 40 per cent. of capacity. Exports on nickel are also better, the total shipped in May amounting to 45,676 hundredweight against 18,452 hundredweight in May, 1932. The bulk of these exports was destined to Great Britain."

But our story must stop. In closing, Ontario has a wonderful North Land. Forest, stream, tourist play grounds, farms, pulp and mineral all stand together as a combination of immeasurable wealth. If holiday bent, go north, if it is business go north, if it is opportunity that is desired and you are young go north—That is our message.

Note To the above The Advance would add the advice to all, "If you are looking for a job DON'T come North at present." In each of such towns as Timmins there are 1000 out of regular work and with little chance of getting it. It is no use coming North to look for what is not here—work enough for all. There is scarcely a line of business here that is not overdone. What the North needs now is capital to develop its resources.

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Galbraith Winner of Golf Club Trophy

S. A. Wooley the Winner of Consolation Event in First Flight, S. R. McCoy won Second Flight, with E. N. Ward Winner of Consolation.

F. M. Galbraith is the winner this year of the Timmins Golf trophy (the Club trophy). The following are the results of the matches as completed on Saturday:—

First Flight John Knox (25) won from Garth Porter (25).

K. A. Eyre (24) won from J. A. Platt (30).

H. C. Garner (26) won from J. D. Brady (24).

W. S. Jamieson (24) won from J. E. Ashton (24).

A. G. Irving (28) won from S. A. Wooley (18).

C. G. Keddie (31) won from D. B. White (24).

F. M. Galbraith (14) won from G. N. Ross (14).

H. Fuke (15) won from Geo. Lake (12).

Second Round John Knox won from K. A. Eyre. H. C. Garner won from W. S. Jamieson.

A. G. Irving won from C. G. Keddie. F. M. Galbraith won from H. Fuke.

Semi-Finals John Knox won from H. C. Garner. F. M. Galbraith won from A. G. Irving.

Final Galbraith won from John Knox.

Consolation Garth Porter won from J. A. Platt. J. D. Brady won from J. E. Ashton. S. A. Wooley won from D. B. White. G. N. Ross won from Geo. Lake.

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Second Flight M. J. Splane (26) won from E. L. Longmore (32).

Dr. A. S. Porter (26) won from Dr. O. J. Stahl (30).

John W. Fogg (23) won from Rev. J. H. O'Gorman (32).

A. H. Munroe (18) won from Geo. Adams (26).

S. R. McCoy (20) won from A. W. Lang (32).

Angus Campbell (20) won from Cuthell (32).

W. Laidlaw (10) won from E. N. Ward (32).

G. S. Lowe (16) won from Fred Graham (20).

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